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MISSOURI SPORTS CALENDAR

Dec. 28 Men's Basketball vs. San Jose St., 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 29 Wrestling at Midlands Tournament, Chicago, Ill.
Dec. 30 Men's Basketball vs. Alabama State, 7:35 p.m.
Women's Basketball vs. Northern Illinois, 5:15 p.m.
Wrestling at Midlands Tournament, Chicago, Ill.
Jan. 2 Men's Basketball vs. Tulsa, 7:35 p.m.
Women's Basketball at LSU, 7:30 p.m.
Wrestling at Northern Iowa
Jan. 4 Men's Basketball at SIU-Carbondale, 7:35 p.m.
Women's Basketball at New Orleans, 5 p.m.
Jan. 6 Men's Basketball vs. Maryland, 7:05 p.m.
Women's Basketball at Southern Mississippi, 7 p.m.
Jan. 7 Wrestling vs. SIU-Edwardsville, at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 9 Men's Basketball at Kansas, 1 p.m.
Gymnastics vs. Michigan State, 7:30 p.m.

MISSOURI WOMEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Tigers Battle Northern Ill., Then Head South: The Missouri women's basketball team returns to action on Dec. 30 when the Tigers play Northern Illinois in a 5:15 contest, which precedes the Missouri men's game against Alabama State. The Tigers then head on a three-game road trip to Louisiana and Mississippi. Missouri plays LSU on Jan. 2 (7:30 p.m.), New Orleans on Jan. 4 (5:00) and Southern Mississippi on Jan. 6 (7:00).

Probable Starters:

Missouri (5-3)

F Monique Lucas, 5-11, Jr. (15.1, 4.1)
F Lisa Ellis, 5-10, Sr. (11.4, 3.3)
C Tracy Ellis, 6-1, Sr. (17.5, 9.1)
G Sandie Prophete, 5-8, Jr. (14.9, 5.8)
G Tonya Jorgenson, 5-8, Jr. (10.0, 2.0)

LSU (6-1)

F Patricia Woods, 6-0, Jr. (12.8, 5.1)
F Annette Jackson, 6-1, So. (12.8, 5.2)
C Karen Linder, 6-3, Sr. (10.8, 10.3)
G Jeanetta Burns, 5-9, Sr. (11.0, 5.0)
G Dana Chatman, 5-5, Fr. (8.2, 2.5)

Southern Mississippi (2-6)

F Gwen Jones, 6-1, So. (12.1, 7.7)
F Gina Griffin, 5-10, Fr. (5.6, 5.0)
C Sharon Vernado, 6-1, Sr. (8.6, 5.9)
G Lesha Franklin, 5-9, Sr. (15.0, 8.3)
G Renee Magee, 5-7, So. (7.7, 2.9)

Northern Illinois 3-4

Tammy Hinchee, 6-2, So. (15.1, 9.6)
Gena Stubbs, 5-8, Jr. (13.7, 4.4)
Carol Owens, 6-2, So. (17.1, 7.1)
Toby Meeks, 5-7, So. (2.7, 2.1)
Lisa Foss, 5-7, So. (20.4, 2.7)

New Orleans (6-1)

Barbara Cooper, 5-10, Sr.
Rhonda Thompkins, 6-3, Sr.
Carvie Upshaw, 6-5, Jr.
Angela Jeans, 5-8, Sr.
Pam Cox, 5-8, Sr.

The Coaches: Joann Rutherford begins her 13th season with the Tigers and has a 265-117 record for that time. The Tigers have won 20 or more games in 10 of Rutherford's seasons and have gone to the NCAA tournament five of the last six years. Rutherford guided the Jones Cup team to a gold medal this summer.

Jane Albright is in her fourth year at Northern Illinois with a 37-48 record. Sue Gunter has a 116-37 record in her six seasons at LSU. She spent the 12 years previous to that as head coach at Stephen F. Austin where she compiled a 376-124 record. Gunter was the 1980 Olympic coach. Joey Favaloro has a 148-57 record in seven years as coach of UNO. Kay James has coached 10 years at Southern Mississippi with a 173-102 record.

The Series: The Tigers have never played Northern Illinois, UNO or Southern Mississippi. MU is 1-1 against LSU, winning 69-66 in 1980 and losing 92-89 in 1984.

Missouri: The Tigers saw a five-game winning streak snapped with a dismal performance against Minnesota on Saturday. Missouri shot only 30 percent from the field while losing 71-61. Though the Tigers played poorly as a team, there were a few bright spots. Freshman Lisa Sandbothe came off the bench to score a career high 10 points and tie her rebound high of five. She played 16 minutes with no turnovers and helped get the Tigers back into the game. Sophomore Sharon Bax had a career high 10 boards off the bench while freshman guard Carla Yancey managed six steals in her reserve role. Missouri still has all five starters scoring in double figures, a balance the Tigers have lacked in recent years.

Northern Illinois: The Huskies were 11-16 last year. This season, they have beaten Butler (75-68), UNC-Charlotte (103-89) and Western Illinois (76-50) while losing to Ohio State (89-73), South Carolina (83-71) and Iowa (81-73). They play Dec. 22 at Cincinnati. Point guard Lisa Foss leads the team in scoring with 20.4 per game while Tammy Hinchee is the top rebounder with 9.6. The Huskies are averaging 78.1 points and 38.6 rebounds per game while giving up 80.4 and 38.9. They shoot 46 percent from the field and 79 percent from the line. Denise Dove and Dianna Wingis are the first two players off the bench.

Louisiana State: The Lady Tigers were 20-8 last year and made their third consecutive trip to the NCAA tournament. This year, they have beaten Arkansas-Pine Bluff (96-55), McNeese State (97-71), South Alabama (84-69), Alcorn State (76-59), Southern Mississippi (71-63) and Texas A&M (71-68). Their only loss has been to UNLV 74-70. They travel to Manhattan, Kan., on Dec. 30 to play Kansas State. Jeanetta Burns, Karen Linder and Patricia Woods return as starters from last year's team.

New Orleans: The Buc-kettes defeated Grambling (62-57), McNeese State (84-60) and SMU (78-54) while losing to South Alabama (83-76). They were 25-7 last year, setting a school record for victories and making their first trip to the NCAA playoffs where they lost to Iowa 68-46. Carvie Upshaw, a 6-5 junior, was named third-team all-America by the American Women's Sports Foundation last year.

Southern Mississippi: The Lady Golden Eagles were 21-9 last year and return all five starters. They are 2-6 with wins over Mississippi State and Tulane. Leading the scoring is 5-9 senior guard Lesha Franklin with 15 per game. Sophomore Gwen Jones is scoring 12.1 per game while 5-10 freshman Gina Griffin has cracked the starting lineup.

Coach Joann Rutherford on the trip south: "It will be good to have a home game before we hit the road. The road trip will give us a chance to compare to where we were at the beginning of the year. We will play some good teams that should help us prepare for the Big Eight season."

Rutherford on where Tigers must improve: "Consistency is something we've got to work on. We had that until our last game (Minnesota). Everybody had been improving. We have to be more patient offensively. We don't adjust well when things are not going well. We have to play our game and not everybody else's. Hopefully the break will help us. We can come back fresh and be ready to go to work."

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CUMULATIVE
Basketball Statistics -- UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI 1987-88
(Includes 8 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	FT/ FTA	FT%												
TRACY ELLIS, C	8/ 8	46/ 93	.495	0/ 0	.000	48/ 58	.828	140	17.5	73	9.1	24/ 1	5	27	5	9	262		
MONIQUE LUCAS,	8/ 8	47/ 100	.470	0/ 0	.000	27/ 33	.818	121	15.1	33	4.1	21/ 0	10	26	1	13	191		
SANDIE PROPHETE	8/ 7	43/ 101	.426	7/ 15	.467	26/ 34	.765	119	14.9	46	5.8	23/ 1	19	29	0	19	224		
LISA ELLIS, G/F	7/ 5	36/ 94	.383	5/ 11	.455	3/ 6	.500	80	11.4	23	3.3	13/ 0	18	24	6	14	184		
TONYA JORGENSEN	8/ 7	37/ 59	.627	0/ 0	.000	6/ 9	.667	80	10.0	16	2.0	15/ 0	17	20	2	16	217		
LISA SANDBOTHE,	8/ 2	13/ 25	.520	0/ 0	.000	6/ 11	.546	32	4.0	21	2.6	18/ 0	5	9	5	6	113		
SHARON BAX, F	8/ 1	11/ 35	.314	0/ 0	.000	9/ 14	.643	31	3.9	39	4.9	26/ 1	6	21	0	6	167		
DARLENE ORLANDO	3/ 0	2/ 3	.667	0/ 0	.000	4/ 8	.500	8	2.7	5	1.7	5/ 0	0	3	0	1	18		
CARLA YANCEY, G	8/ 0	6/ 19	.316	0/ 0	.000	5/ 10	.500	17	2.1	19	2.4	9/ 0	8	12	2	14	111		
STACEY PRIMUS,	6/ 2	3/ 11	.273	0/ 0	.000	2/ 6	.333	8	1.3	23	3.8	14/ 1	4	7	1	2	93		
LORI LOETHEN, F	3/ 0	0/ 1	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	.0	3/ 0	1	5	0	2	20		
Team Rebounds												52							

MISSOURI Women 8/ 8 244/ 541 .451 12/ 26 .462 136/ 189 .720 636 79.5 350 43.8 171/ 4 93 183 22 102 --

Team Rebounds 32

Opponent Totals 8/ 8 232/ 502 .462 4/ 17 .235 119/ 193 .617 587 73.4 303 37.9 155/10 106 189 16 86 --

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
MISSOURI Women	306	330	0	0	636	17
Opponent Totals	271	316	0	0	587	24

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	5- 3	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	5515	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	689
BIG EIGHT	0- 0	HOME	2065	HOME AVERAGE	688
AMANA-HAWKEYE CLASSIC	0- 2	AWAY	3450	AWAY AVERAGE	690
MID-AMERICA CLASSIC	2- 0				

G#	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	LOC	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	#IOWA	71- 85	L	1502	A T. ELLIS (23)	PRIMUS (9)	BERRY, EDWARDS (22)	BERRY (10)
2	#Southern Illinois	51- 69	L	250	n Lucas (18)	T. Ellis (9)	Berghius (13)	Kampwerth (9)
3	Central Missouri	84- 54	W	595	H Prophete (28)	Prophete (12)	Wilson (17)	Wilson (14)
4	Creighton	93- 82	W	250	A T. Ellis (22)	T. Ellis (10)	Gradoville (37)	Gradoville (10)
5	Southwest Missouri	91- 82	W	1022	A T. Ellis (25)	T. Ellis (12)	Mago (24)	Mago (9)
6	%North Texas St.	97- 69	W	720	H Lucas (20)	T. Ellis (9)	Black, Purvey (12)	Morneau (6)
7	%Tennessee Tech	88- 75	W	750	H T. Ellis (24)	T. Ellis (8)	Clayton (24)	Clayton (8)
8	Minnesota	61- 71	L	426	A Prophete (17)	Bax (10)	Kinney (19)	Kinney (12)

BIG EIGHT

AMANA-HAWKEYE CLASSIC

% MID-AMERICA CLASSIC

SEASON HIGHS/LOWS

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI		Opponent
Points 1st Half:	High	54 vs Creighton
	Low	20 vs Southern Illinois
Points 2nd Half:	High	50 vs Southwest Missouri
	Low	31 vs Southern Illinois
Total Points:	High	97 vs North Texas St.
	Low	51 vs Southern Illinois
Total Field Goals Made:	High	44 vs North Texas St.
	Low	21 vs Southern Illinois
Total Field Goals Att:	High	74 vs Creighton
	Low	57 vs IOWA
Total FG Percentage:	High	.667 vs North Texas St.
	Low	.301 vs Minnesota
3-Pt Field Goals:	High	4 vs IOWA
	Low	0 vs North Texas St.
3-Pt FG Attempted:	High	5 vs Central Missouri
	Low	1 vs Tennessee Tech
3-Pt FG Percentage:	High	1.000 vs Tennessee Tech
	Low	.000 vs North Texas St.
Free Throws:	High	33 vs Tennessee Tech
	Low	7 vs Southern Illinois
Free Throws Attempted:	High	39 vs Tennessee Tech
	Low	11 vs Southern Illinois
Free Throw Percentage:	High	.846 vs Tennessee Tech
	Low	.450 vs North Texas St.
Total Rebounds:	High	52 vs Minnesota
	Low	34 vs Southwest Missouri
Assists:	High	22 vs Southwest Missouri
	Low	3 vs Southern Illinois
Blocked Shots:	High	5 vs North Texas St.
	Low	1 vs Southern Illinois
Steals:	High	19 vs Central Missouri
	Low	6 vs IOWA
Turnovers:	High	31 vs North Texas St.
	Low	14 vs Tennessee Tech
Personal Fouls:	High	29 vs Central Missouri
	Low	16 vs North Texas St.
		46 by Minnesota
		25 by Tennessee Tech
		50 by Tennessee Tech
		25 by Minnesota
		85 by IOWA
		54 by Central Missouri
		35 by IOWA
		20 by Central Missouri
		76 by North Texas St.
		48 by Southern Illinois
		.583 by Southern Illinois
		.294 by Central Missouri
		2 by North Texas St.
		0 by Minnesota
		5 by Tennessee Tech
		0 by Minnesota
		.667 by North Texas St.
		.000 by Minnesota
		24 by Tennessee Tech
		7 by North Texas St.
		33 by Central Missouri
		17 by North Texas St.
		.889 by Tennessee Tech
		.412 by North Texas St.
		57 by Central Missouri
		29 by North Texas St.
		20 by Southwest Missouri
		5 by North Texas St.
		4 by Southern Illinois
		0 by Minnesota
		18 by IOWA
		4 by Tennessee Tech
		36 by Central Missouri
		18 by IOWA
		23 by Tennessee Tech
		9 by Southern Illinois