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MU Faces Texas A&M In Crucial Series

Tigers still alive for Big 12 Tournament

COLUMBIA, Mo. — With a chance to qualify for its fifth-straight Big 12 Conference Tournament hanging in the balance, the University of Missouri baseball team (30-22-1, 10-17 Big 12) will play Texas A&M this weekend.

Missouri would need to win the series from Texas A&M and Nebraska to win the series from Iowa State for the Tigers to qualify for the 2001 Big 12 Tournament, held May 16-20 at the Southwestern Bell Bricktown Ballpark in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Upcoming Schedule: Here's a look at the Tigers' upcoming schedule:

- Today, 7 p.m. — Texas A&M (28-25, 13-14 Big 12)
- Friday, 7 p.m. — Texas A&M
- Saturday, 2 p.m. — Texas A&M

Records Falling: Missouri tied the school's single-season stolen base mark when **W.T. Hoover** stole second base in the first inning during Sunday's game against Eastern Kentucky. The swipe gave the Tigers 83 thefts, tying the mark set in 1979.

Ryan Stegall recorded 10 assists in game one Saturday to tie the school record for most assists in one game. Stegall shares the mark with Torre Tyson, who had 10 assists against Oklahoma on May 1, 1996.

30 Wins Again: Sunday's win over Eastern Kentucky gave Missouri its sixth-straight season with 30 or more victories and its 15th such season in the past 17 years.

Triple Play: Missouri turned the "conventional" 5-4-3-2 triple play in the first inning of the second game Saturday. It was the first triple play the Tigers have turned since 1981 when MU turned the trick on May 9, 1981 against Oklahoma.

Eastern Kentucky had runners on first and third base in the first inning when Kiley Vaughn hit a ground ball to third baseman **Kurt Propst**. After checking the runner at third base, Propst threw to second baseman **Luke Cassis** for one out. Cassis then threw to first baseman **Cody Ehlers** for the second out. Josh Anderson, the runner from third base, broke toward home and Ehlers' throw to **Jon Williams** was in time for the tag and to complete the triple play.

SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Time/Score
2/09	vs. San Jose State	T, 0-0
2/10	@Loyola Marymount	W, 10-7
2/11	@Pepperdine	L, 1-4
Applebee's Fiesta		
2/16	vs. Nevada-Las Vegas	W, 10-1
2/17	@New Mexico	W, 7-3
2/18	vs. Utah	L, 9-12
2/24	@Oklahoma State*	L, 4-6
2/25	@Oklahoma State*	L, 2-7
2/26	@Oklahoma State*	(10) L, 4-5
3/02	@Baylor*	L, 2-3
3/3-4	@Baylor*	(7) L, 2-12
3/04	@Baylor*	(10) W, 5-4
3/07	Wichita State	W, 9-8
3/09	@Kansas*	L, 4-7
3/10	Kansas*	W, 8-2
3/11	Kansas*	W, 1-0
3/13	Missouri Valley	W, 9-2
3/14	Truman State	W, 12-2
3/17	Pepperdine	W, 9-5
	Pepperdine	W, 13-4
3/18	Pepperdine	L, 1-2
3/20	Western Illinois	W, 12-0
3/21	Western Illinois	W, 10-2
3/24	@Nebraska*	(7) L, 4-14
	@Nebraska*	W, 6-2
3/25	@Nebraska*	W, 3-2
3/27	@Arkansas State	W, 10-0
3/28	@Arkansas State	(10) W, 9-5
3/30	Texas Tech*	W, 5-4
3/31	Texas Tech*	L, 2-10
4/01	Texas Tech*	W, 14-9
4/03	@Southeast Missouri State	W, 7-2
4/06	Oklahoma*	L, 0-6
4/07	Oklahoma*	L, 9-13
4/08	Oklahoma*	L, 6-9
4/13	@Texas*	L, 2-9
4/14	@Texas*	W, 10-6
4/15	@Texas*	(7) L, 0-13
4/17	Southeast Missouri State	W, 8-5
4/18	Creighton	W, 11-7
4/20	Iowa State*	L, 5-12
4/21	Iowa State*	W, 7-3
4/22	Iowa State*	(10) W, 7-6
4/24	@Saint Louis	W, 11-6
4/25	vs. Saint Louis\$	W, 4-2
4/27	@Kansas State*	(7) L, 4-15
4/28	@Kansas State*	L, 3-7
4/29	@Kansas State*	L, 5-10
5/01	SW Missouri State	(11) W, 12-11
5/05	Eastern Kentucky	W, 5-2
	Eastern Kentucky	L, 5-6
5/06	Eastern Kentucky	W, 12-2
5/08	@Southwest Missouri State	L, 3-5
5/10	Texas A&M*	7 p.m.
5/11	Texas A&M*	7 p.m.
5/12	Texas A&M*	2 p.m.
5/16-20	Big 12 Tournament Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	TBA

*-Big 12 Conference Games
\$-game at T.R. Hughes Park, O'Fallon, Mo.

It was the first triple play in the Big 12 since Kansas turned one against St. Scholastica in 1999.

Probable Starting Pitchers: Missouri has said Matt Hobbs will start tonight's game. No word has been made on Friday or Saturday's starting pitcher.

Texas A&M Notes: The Aggies are led offensively by second baseman Ty Garner and his .318 batting average. He also leads the team with 10 doubles.

Pitching seems to be the name of the game for the Aggies who have struck out 401 opposing batters and allow a .261 batting average. Justin Moore is 7-3 with a 2.71 earned-run average while Chris Rumm is 6-2 while appearing in 25 games in relief.

Mark Johnson is in his 17th season as head coach. Texas A&M is a 719-339-2 during that time.

Missouri vs. Texas A&M: Missouri swept the Aggies in College Station, Texas, last season. However, Texas A&M leads the series by a 23-13-1 margin.

The teams first met in 1966 with Missouri recording a 4-3 victory. The two teams have met three times, 1976, 1978 and 1988, in NCAA Regional play.

Missouri is 7-5 against Texas A&M since the inception of the Big 12 Conference in 1997.

Statistical Breakdown: Here is how Missouri and Texas A&M match up:

	Missouri	Texas A&M
•Batting Average	.281	.283
•Doubles	98	77
•Home Runs	37	35
•Runs Scored	333 (6.28 per game)	275 (5.19 per game)
•ERA	4.68	1.08
•Opponents' BA	.281	.261
•Strikeouts	357	401
•Strikeout to Walk Ratio	2.14	2.73
•Won/Loss	30-22-1	28-25

Missouri vs. Texas A&M, 2000: Missouri won all three games of the series, 13-11, 6-2 and 6-5, last season in College Station, Texas.

In game one, Nick Wilfong singled with the bases-loaded in the 10th inning to propel the Tigers to a 13-11 victory over Texas A&M.

Game two saw Jon Harris throw Missouri's first complete game of the season. Mick Weiss had four hits and drove in three runs to lead the Tigers to the 6-2 triumph.

Missouri scored five runs in its final two trips to the plate in game three to defeat Texas A&M 6-5 and complete the sweep. Landon Brandes drove in two runs in the ninth inning to power the Tigers to the win.

Last Time Missouri Swept An Opponent: The last time Missouri swept a series was against Texas A&M in 2000.

Missouri In Big 12 Play: In 2001, the Tigers are 1-8 in the first game of a Big 12 series. The Tigers are 4-5 in game two and 5-4 in game three. Missouri's lone win in the opening game was a 5-4 victory over Texas Tech (3/30).

Hit Streaks: Ryan Stegall carries a 15-game hit streak into this weekend's games. Stegall, who becomes the fifth Tiger to have a hit streak of 10-or-more

DEPTH CHART

C	Jon Williams Sr. OR (.301, 14 2B, 7 HR, 42 RBI) Brian Desch Fr.-RS (.297, 6 2B, 11 RBI) Andy Runyan Fr.
1B	Mick Weiss Jr. (.311, 11 2B, 9 HR, 41 RBI) *Cody Ehlers Fr. (.156, 3 2B, 1 HR, 9 RBI)
2B	Luke Cassis Jr. (.263, 7 2B, 21 RBI) Tony Vitello Jr. Shaun Marcum Fr. Felipe Tetelboin Fr.
SS	Ryan Stegall Jr. (.303, 14 2B, 12 HR, 38 RBI) (2000 all-Big 12 shortstop) Luke Cassis Jr. Tony Vitello Jr. Felipe Tetelboin Fr.
3B	Kurt Propst Jr. OR (.242, 2 2B, 15 RBI) Felipe Tetelboin Fr. OR (.229, 9 runs, 1 RBI) Jon Williams Sr. Tony Vitello Jr. Shaun Marcum Fr.
LF	Lee Laskowski Fr. (.297, 10 2B, 2 HR, 18 RBI) * W.T. Hoover Jr. or (.298, 9 2B, 18 BB, 27 RBI)
CF	Ryan Rallo Fr.-Rs (.224, 3 HR, 12 RBI)
RF	Wes Fewell Jr. (.288, 12 2B, 25 RBI)
SP	Matt Hobbs Jr. LHP (8-4, 51 K, 3.99 ERA) Drew Endicott So. RHP (3-5, 57 K, 5.35 ERA) Mitch Kiler Sr. LHP (3-5, 42 K, 6.03 ERA) Logan Dale Sr. RHP (3-3, 51 K, 3.10 ERA) Shaun Marcum Fr. RHP (3-3, 35 K, 5.91 ERA)
RP	Ryan Stegall Jr. RHP (3-0, 3.22 ERA, 24 K, 6 saves) Pete Sansone Sr. RHP (3-2, 3.83 ERA, 21 app., 1 save) Garrett Bauer Fr. LHP (0-0, 4.94 ERA, 31 K, 18 app.)

*-also a candidate for designated hitter
Bold indicates probable starter. Pitchers are listed in order of probable rotation

games, passed **Mick Weiss** and **Wes Fewell** for the longest streak this season with two singles against Eastern Kentucky (5/6). Weiss currently has a six-game hit streak going as does **Luke Cassis**.

Injury Report: **Ryan Stegall**, who dislocated his left pinky finger during Tuesday's game against Southwest Missouri State, did not miss any games against Eastern Kentucky. **Jayce Tingler** is out for the remainder of the season after having successful surgery Wednesday to repair his right wrist.

Last Time Out: Missouri suffered a 5-3 loss to Southwest Missouri State Tuesday (5/8) night at Price Cutter Park in Ozark, Mo. The Tigers held a 3-1 lead before allowing four runs in the eighth inning.

The Missouri pitching staff recorded a season-high 18 strikeouts. The 18 strikeouts (in eight innings) tied Texas Tech's mark against Lindenwood in 1997 as a Big 12 record for a nine-inning affair. **Garrett Bauer** started his first collegiate contest and struck out nine batters in three innings.

Ryan Rallo and **Ryan Stegall** each had a pair of hits for the Tigers.

Simply En Fuego: Yes, one could say **Ryan Stegall** is on fire. He's hitting .500 (20x40) in his last 10 games with 12 of those hits going for extra bases. Stegall's slugging percentage during those games is 1.075. On the pitching mound, Stegall is 2-0 with two saves during those contests.

In his last 15 games (which coincides with his 15-game hit streak), Stegall has a .467 batting average (28x60) with 17 of those hits being extra-base hits.

Also Hot: **W.T. Hoover** is hitting .361 (13x36) in his last 10 games with three doubles and two home runs.

Also swinging hot bats are: **Luke Cassis**, .355 (11x31); **Jon Williams**, .343 (12x35) and **Ryan Rallo**, .308 (8x26).

The Tigers are hitting .286 (97x339) in their last 10 games with 13 home runs and 22 doubles.

In their last 15 games, Missouri is hitting .303 (155x512) with 20 homers and 30 doubles.

In Non-conference Games: The Tigers have been successful against its non-conference competition, posting a 20-5-1 record. Twelve of those wins have come at Taylor Stadium/Simmons Field.

Missouri has recorded 56 of its 83 stolen bases in non-conference play.

The Tigers are hitting .305 as a team in non-conference games, led by **Wes Fewell** and his .370 batting average.

Other hot hitters for the Tigers in non-conference play are:

Jon Williams, a .368 batting average

Luke Cassis, a .347 batting average

Jayce Tingler, a .325 batting average with 14 stolen bases

Ryan Stegall, a .330 batting average with eight doubles and nine homers

W.T. Hoover, a .309 batting average

The Tigers' pitching staff has a 3.22 earned-run average in non-conference games and is allowing teams to hit .235. Missouri has struck out 218 batters during non-Big 12 contests.

BIG 12 STANDINGS

School	Big 12	Overall
x-Nebraska	19- 6	40- 12
x-Baylor	16- 8	34- 18
x-Texas Tech	17- 9 -1	37- 15 -1
x-Texas	19- 11	34- 22
Oklahoma	13- 13 -1	23- 28 -1
Oklahoma State	13- 14	35- 18
Texas A&M	13- 14	28- 25
Iowa State	9- 14	21- 26 -1
Kansas State	10- 17	25- 26
Missouri	10- 17	30- 22 -1
Kansas	7- 23	23- 30

x-Clinched berth in 2001 Phillips 66 Big 12 postseason tourney in Oklahoma City

Tuesday's Results

Iowa State 8, Western Illinois 7
Nebraska 13, Northern Iowa 5
Southwest Missouri 5, Missouri 3

Wednesday's Games

Iowa State 11, Western Illinois 2
Baylor 13, Southwest Texas 12 (10)
Nebraska 8, Creighton 4 (6 innings, rain)

Tonight's Game

*Texas A&M at Missouri, 7 p.m.

Friday's Games

*Nebraska at Iowa State, 1 p.m.
*Texas Tech at Baylor, 7 p.m.
*Texas A&M at Missouri, 7 p.m.
California at Kansas State, 7 p.m.
*Oklahoma vs. Oklahoma State
(Tulsa), 7:05 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Texas-Pan American at Kansas (2), Noon
*Nebraska at Iowa State, 1 p.m.
*Oklahoma vs. Oklahoma State
(Oklahoma City), 1 p.m.
California at Kansas State, 3 p.m.
*Texas A&M at Missouri, 2 p.m.
*Texas Tech at Baylor, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Texas-Pan American at Kansas, Noon
Nebraska at Iowa State, 1 p.m.
California at Kansas State, 1 p.m.
*Texas Tech at Baylor, 1 p.m.
*Oklahoma vs. Oklahoma State
(Oklahoma City), 2 p.m.

TICKET INFORMATION

Ticket prices for the 2001 Missouri baseball season are:

- \$5 - reserved tickets
- \$5 - general admission adult tickets
- \$3 - GA senior/student tickets

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The Running Tigers: Individually, **Jayce Tingler** leads the way with 20 stolen bases and he is one of six players with five-or-more thefts. **Ryan Stegall** has stolen a career-high 16 bases. Stegall's 16 stolen bases rank him 11th all-time on the Missouri single-season all-time chart.

Jon Williams has stolen a career-high 11 bases this season.

Big 12 Leaders: Missouri has a number of players among the leaders in the Big 12 Conference statistics release on May 7.

Jayce Tingler continues to lead the Big 12 in walks per game for the conference season.

Here's a look at where the Tigers stand in various categories in all games:

- Tingler** ranks second in walks per game (0.88 bb/game). He is tied for fifth in stolen bases (20) and ranks eighth in on-base percentage at .457.
- Matt Hobbs** is in a three-way tie for fifth in wins (8) and ranks 19th in earned-run average (3.99).
- Ryan Stegall** is in a four-way tie for second place in saves (6), fourth place in homers (12) and is ninth in total bases (113).
- Logan Dale** is eighth in opponents' batting average (.247) and in ERA (3.26).
- Pete Sansone** is in a four-way tie for seventh in appearances (21).

In conference-only statistics, the following Tigers are ranked:

- Tingler** leads in walks (26) for conference games and ranks third in on-base percentage (.471).
- Weiss** ranks fourth in hits (38), sixth in total bases (61) and ninth in batting average (.358).
- Stegall** is tied for sixth place in saves (3).
- Dale** is 17th in earned-run average (3.99).
- Lee Laskowski** is 20th in batting average (.333).

Brian Desch leads all Big 12 players with the 18 putouts he recorded against Southwest Missouri State (5/1). In case you are wondering, 19 putouts are the school record, set by Mark Adair on April 2, 1989, against Iowa State.

Stegall's 10 assists are the most this season by a Big 12 player.

Moving Up The Charts: This season, a number of players have cracked or are on the verge of cracking the all-time top 10 career charts at Missouri.

Senior pitcher **Logan Dale** is quietly making an assault on the all-time career marks in three categories. Dale is tied for fourth all-time with 73 appearances with Tim Siegel (1990-93) and is sixth with 225 strikeouts. Dale also ranks 10th in innings pitched with 259.1 innings pitched. With four strikeouts this weekend, Dale could move into fourth place at MU, passing Rob Pietrurgio (1975-78, 228) and Jack Stroud (1963-65, 227).

With his appearance against Eastern Kentucky (5/6), **Mitch Kiler** moved into eighth place on the all-time top 10 with 66 appearances.

Ryan Stegall is in fourth place all-time in MU's career extra-base hit category. Stegall has 88 extra-base hits. Mike Rogers (1984-87) ranks third with 89 extra-base hits.

Jayce Tingler ranks tied for fourth place with 20 stolen bases this season. Tingler is tied with Torre Tyson who stole 20 bases in 1997. Tom Ciombor is in third place with 21 bases in 1985.

MU STATISTICAL LEADERS

<u>Batting Average (130 or more AB)</u>	
Mick Weiss	.311
Jayce Tingler	.304
Ryan Stegall	.303
<u>Hits</u>	
Ryan Stegall	61
Mick Weiss	60
Jon Williams	59
<u>Doubles</u>	
Ryan Stegall	14
Jon Williams	14
WesFewell	12
<u>Triples</u>	
WesFewell	3
Ryan Stegall	3
Jayce Tingler	2
Jon Williams	2
<u>Home Runs</u>	
Ryan Stegall	12
Mick Weiss	9
Jon Williams	7
<u>Runs Batted In</u>	
Jon Williams	42
Mick Weiss	41
Ryan Stegall	38
<u>Runs Scored</u>	
Mick Weiss	47
Jayce Tingler	43
Ryan Stegall	42
<u>Walks</u>	
Jayce Tingler	43
Mick Weiss	33
Jon Williams	32
<u>Total Bases</u>	
Ryan Stegall	117
Mick Weiss	100
Jon Williams	98
<u>Slugging Percentage</u>	
Ryan Stegall	.582
Mick Weiss	.518
Jon Williams	.500
<u>On-Base Percentage</u>	
Jayce Tingler	.459
Mick Weiss	.415
Jon Williams	.407
<u>Strikeouts</u>	
Drew Endicott	57
Logan Dale	51
Matt Hobbs	51
<u>Wins</u>	
Matt Hobbs	8
Logan Dale	4
Six tied with	3
<u>Earned-Run Average (min 42.0 IP)</u>	
Logan Dale	3.10
Pete Sansone	3.83
Matt Hobbs	3.99

Tingler ranks fifth all-time with 34 career stolen bases.

Stegall is in second place with 18 career saves after recording his sixth of the season against Saint Louis (4/25). He passed Jeff Cornell, who recorded 14 saves from 1976-78, in a win over Kansas (3/11) to move into sole possession of second place. Stegall set a single-season school record in 2000 with 12 saves. Scott Black (1987-90) holds the career mark with 19 saves.

Stegall hit his 32nd career home run in the win over Eastern Kentucky (5/5) and is tied with Chris Wyrick (1990-93) for fifth place all-time.

Stegall ranks sixth in total bases, 361, and is fifth in slugging percentage, .569.

Calling Mr. Ripken?: While the consecutive games played streak set by Cal Ripken, Jr., is not quite in jeopardy, **Ryan Stegall** has started every one of the 165 games he has played for the Tigers.

Stegall started all 55 games he appeared in as a freshman. However, he did not play in the March 31, 1999, non-conference game against Kansas but has started every game since then to bring his streak to 138 games.

Stegall was the lone Tiger to start all 57 games in 2000 and he is one of two players (the other being Jon Williams) to start all 53 games in 2001. All-American Ryan Fry started 172 consecutive games to set the school record.

Jayce Tingler had started 96 consecutive games before sitting out this past weekend's action with a wrist injury.

Tigers By Inning: The Tigers have scored 30-or-more runs in all but the ninth inning. Missouri scored a season-high nine runs in the eighth inning against Texas Tech (4/1).

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	EX	Total
Missouri	37	42	33	30	37	41	34	57	13	9	333
Opponents	35	34	53	40	34	31	23	29	18	2	300

MU vs. 2000 NCAA Participants: The Tigers had 19 games scheduled against teams which participated in the 2000 NCAA Championships and Missouri went 9-9-1 this season against those foes. The Tigers recorded wins over Loyola Marymount, Wichita State, Baylor, Creighton and two over Nebraska and Texas Tech. MU tied San Jose State.

Missouri vs. Ranked Teams: Missouri has posted a 6-10 record against teams ranked in the nation's top 25 at the date of the game. However, MU has won four of the last six games against opponents ranked in the nation's top 10.

Coaching Staff: Head coach **Tim Jamieson** is in his seventh season and has an overall mark of 225-166-1 and a record of 96-98 in Big 12/Big 8 play. He recorded his 200th career victory with a 9-8 win over Wichita State on March 7.

A University of New Orleans graduate, Jamieson was an assistant coach for the Tigers for six seasons before taking over the top spot. He led the Tigers to the 1996 Big 8 regular season crown and a berth in the Midwest Regional.

Jamieson is assisted by Chal Fanning (pitching coach, fifth season), Evan Pratte (hitting coach/infield, fourth season) and Chris Smith (outfield, first season). The Tigers have had 16 players enter professional baseball during Jamieson's tenure.

Jamieson has a 7-5 mark against Texas A&M.

Jamieson's milestone victories:

- 1 - Missouri 12, Lincoln 2 - Feb. 27, 1995
- 50 - Missouri 8, Nebraska 2 - April 24, 1996

MISSOURI ROSTER

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.
2	Lee Laskowski	Fr.	Of
3	Shannon Wheeler	Fr.	Inf
4	Jayce Tingler	So.	Of
5	Jon Williams	Sr.	C
6	Brian Desch	Fr.	C
7	Wes Fewell	Jr.	Of
8	Shaun Marcum	Fr.	P/Inf
10	Andy Runyan	Fr.	C
11	Bo Davis	Fr.	Inf
12	Luke Cassis	Jr.	Inf
15	Ryan Rallo	Fr.	Of
16	Felipe Tetelboin	Fr.	Inf
18	Kurt Propst	Jr.	Inf
19	Logan Dale	Sr.	P
20	Garrett Bauer	Fr.	P
21	Dan Bane	So.	Of
22	Tony Vitello	Jr.	Inf
24	Andy Powers	Fr.	P
25	Ryan Stegall	Jr.	Inf/P
26	Scott Nichols	Jr.	P
27	Aaron Peterik	Fr.	Inf
28	Mick Weiss	Jr.	Inf
31	Mitch Kiler	Sr.	P
35	Mark Alexander	Fr.	P
36	Pete Sansone	Sr.	P
37	Malachi Momper	Jr.	P
38	Matt Hobbs	Jr.	P
40	Garrett Broshuis	Fr.	P
41	Cody Ehlers	Fr.	P/1b
42	W.T. Hoover	Jr.	Of
45	Drew Endicott	So.	P
9	Tim Jamieson	Head Coach	
32	Chal Fanning	Assistant Coach	
23	Evan Pratte	Assistant Coach	
17	Chris Smith	Assistant Coach	

JAMIESON'S NUMBERS

Year	Overall	Pct.	Conf.	Finish
1995	19- 34	.358	7- 20	7th
1996	39- 19	.672	20- 8	1st
1997	31- 27	.534	15- 14	6th
1998	36- 18	.666	17- 12	5th
1999	37- 19	.660	14- 13	7th
2000	33- 24	.588	13- 14	7th
<u>2001</u>	<u>30- 22 -1</u>	<u>.577</u>	<u>10- 17</u>	
Total	225-162-1	.580	96-98	67-69 (Big 12)

- 100** - Missouri 3, Eastern Michigan 0 - March 14, 1998
- 150** - Missouri 5, Oklahoma 2 - April 17, 1999
- 200** - Missouri 9, Wichita State 8 - March 7, 2001

Players of the Week: Missouri has had three players chosen as the Phillips 66/Big 12 Conference Player of the Week this season.

Ryan Stegall was named Co-Player of the Week on April 30. Stegall, who registered a save in the second “Wood Bat Game” win over Saint Louis in O’Fallon, Mo., enjoyed his finest week of the year over five contests. He hit .571 (12-for-21) with seven runs, five doubles, three homers, and 11 RBI while rolling to a 1.238 slugging percentage. He also played errorless baseball (1.000 percentage) in 18 chances at short and on the mound.

Jayce Tingle was honored as the Co-Player of the Week on March 26 after recording a .588 batting average (10-for-17), seven RBI, and an on-base percentage of .688. Tingle had three multi-hit games and also stole five bases in six attempts and walked five times. He led MU in hits, stolen bases and RBI during the five-game span.

MU’s first Big 12 Player of the Week in 2001 (March 19), freshman outfielder **Lee Laskowski** made his first-ever start against Missouri Valley (3/13) and has been impossible to remove from the lineup. During a five-game stretch, he hit .429 (9x21) with two doubles and two home runs. Laskowski, from St. Louis, drove in five runs and recorded three games with two-or-more hits.

Top Rankings: Missouri ranks 58th in the April 29th report of power ratings index at .557. As a conference, the Big 12 ranks fifth.

The Tigers are 49th nationally in terms of strength of schedule.

Missouri ranks 53rd in The Iterative Strength Ratings, a measure of team quality by Boyd Nation. Nation does weekly updates in these categories on the website — www.boydsworld.com.

Weather: Weather has played a factor in the Tigers’ season. MU has had eight games affected by rain or snow or fog.

Missouri’s season-opening contest against San Jose State was called with the Tigers coming to bat in the sixth inning due to rain and the score tied 0-0.

MU’s game with Creighton was played April 18 at Taylor Stadium/Simmons Field and MU won 11-7. That game was originally scheduled for Feb. 21 but was postponed due to snow and cold.

Missouri’s game with Lincoln on Feb. 27 was cancelled due to snow. The Tigers replaced that contest with the game against Truman State.

The second game of the Tigers’ series with Baylor was suspended due to fog covering the outfield in the bottom half of the first inning. The contest was completed on March 4.

The doubleheader against Pepperdine (3/17) was due to snowfall and cold temperatures while the doubleheader against Nebraska (3/24) was due to cold temperatures and single-digit wind chills the day before.

The contest with Southeast Missouri (4/3) was delayed an hour due to an afternoon thunderstorm during batting practice.

Missouri’s contest with Saint Louis on April 10 was called due to a tornado warning, hail and rain with the Tigers batting in the fifth inning. Since the game was not an official game, no statistics count. The game was played, in its entirety, on April 25.

MISSOURI QUICK FACTS

Location:	Columbia, Mo.
Founded:	1839
Enrollment:	22,898
Colors:	Old Gold and Black
Chancellor:	Dr. Richard Wallace
Faculty Representative:	Carl Settergren
Director of Athletics:	Michael Alden
Head Coach:	Tim Jamieson
Career Record:	225-163-1 (7 years)
MU Record:	same
Assistant Coaches:	Chal Fanning, Evan Pratte, Chris Smith
Home Field:	Taylor Stadium/Simmons Field
Capacity:	(2,200)
Conference:	Big 12
2001 Record:	30-22-1
2001 Big 12	10-17
2000 Record:	33-24
2000 Big 12 Record:	13-14
2000 Big 12 Tournament:	1-2
Letterwinners (R/L):	15/7
Returning Starters:	5
Returning Pitchers:	8

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Technically, the list could be nine as the second day's action of the Cal Poly/J.Carroll Classic was cancelled due to rain. However, MU was able to schedule a game with Loyola Marymount to fill that open date.

A Tie?: Yes, the Missouri Tigers had a tie game to open the season. The tie was not the first in school history.

Missouri tied Illinois 3-3 in the 1986 season and tied Murray State 8-8 in the 1984 campaign. The 1980s decade featured three tie games.

MU has been involved in seven tie games since 1940. It now has played 19 tie games all-time with 10 of those games occurring between 1897 and 1921.

Preseason Honors: Junior shortstop/relief pitcher **Ryan Stegall** has collected a number of preseason honors this season. They are:

- Named to Rotary Smith Award's watch list for Player of the Year
- Big 12 Player of the Year by *Collegiate Baseball*
- Second-team All-American utility player by *Collegiate Baseball*
- Third-team All-American utility player by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association

Sophomore outfielder **Jayce Tingler** and senior pitcher **Mitch Kiler** were mentioned as "Players to Watch" in the Big 12 by *Collegiate Baseball*.

2000 Recap: The Tigers went 33-24 in 2000 and advanced to the Big 12 Conference Tournament for the fourth consecutive campaign. **Ryan Stegall** was honored as the first-team all-Big 12 shortstop and was named an All-American utility player by two organizations. **Jayce Tingler** was named to the Freshman All-American team.

Success: The Tigers opened the 2001 season ranked 35th among all NCAA Division I teams with 1,743 wins. In its 104 seasons of baseball, Missouri has won 61.0 percent of its games.

Broadcasts: The Tigers' games this season are carried on **KWWC (90.5 FM)** as well as on **www.mutigers.com**. Sean Kelley serves as the play-by-play announcer while color commentary will be provided by Mike Cronmeyer (home games) and Matt Schmidt (road games). Kelley is in his third season as the voice of MU baseball.

Home Runs for Kids: Again this season, the Tigers have teamed with the University of Missouri Children's Hospital to develop a special program called "Home Runs for Kids." The program is geared to raise money for sick children at the Children's Hospital at University Hospital and Clinics.

The fund-raising program will recruit baseball fans, individuals, businesses, clubs and organizations, to pledge 25 cents to \$10 or more for every home run the Tigers hit this season. All of the money raised by the "Home Run for Kids" program will be used locally to fund equipment, research and programs for patients at Children's Hospital.

Currently, the Tigers have hit **37** home runs.

Academic Success: Seven Tigers were named to Missouri's Fall Student-Athlete Dean's List. They are: Dan Bane, Garrett Broshuis, Logan Dale, Bo Davis, Mitch Kiler, Malachi Momper and Andy Runyan.

TIGER HIGHS IN 2001

Hitting

At bats: 44 - vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/1
Runs scored: 14 - vs. Texas Tech, 4/1
Hits: 19 - vs. Texas Tech, 4/1
RBI: 13 - vs. Texas Tech, 4/1
Doubles: 6 - vs. Truman State, 3/14
vs. Creighton, 4/18
Triples: 3 - vs. Nevada-Las Vegas, 2/16
Home runs: 4 - vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/1
Total bases: 35 - vs. Truman State, 3/14
Walks: 9 - six times, last vs.
Saint Louis, 4/24
Hit by pitch: 4 - vs. Oklahoma (4/8)
Sacrifice hits: 3 - vs. Baylor, 3/4;
vs. Eastern Kentucky (1), 5/5
Stolen bases: 6 - vs. Southeast Missouri, 4/3
Runners LOB: 16 - vs. Oklahoma (4/8)

At bats: 6 - eight times, last by
Hoover, Laskowski and Desch
vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/1
Runs scored: 4 - Stegall
vs. Truman State, 3/14
Hits: 4 - five times, last by
Williams vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/1
2B - 2, nine times, last by
Laskowski vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/1
3B - 1, 13 times, last by
Stegall vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/8
HR: 2 - Stegall vs. Loyola Marymount, 2/10
Weiss vs. Iowa State, 4/22
Rallo vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/1
RBI: 5 - Tingler vs. Loyola Marymount, 2/10
Rallo vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/1
BB: 3 - seven times, last by
Weiss vs. Saint Louis, 4/24
SB: 2 - 10 times, last by
Stegall vs. Eastern Kentucky (2), 5/5

Fielding

Putouts: 33 - vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/1
Assists: 18 - vs. Loyola Marymount, 2/10
Double Plays: 3 - vs. Arkansas State, 3/27
vs. Oklahoma, 4/6 & vs. Kansas State, 4/28
Triple Play: 1 - vs. Eastern Kentucky (2), 5/5

Putouts:

18 - Desch vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/1
17 - Williams vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/8
16 - Weiss vs. Eastern Kentucky (1), 5/5
10 - Wes Fewell vs. Baylor, 3/4

Assists:

10 - Stegall vs. Eastern Kentucky (1), 5/5*
* - ties school record

Pitching

Strikeouts: 18, Southwest Missouri, 5/8
9, Marcum vs. SE Missouri, 4/17
Kiler vs. Creighton, 4/18
Stegall vs. Eastern Kentucky, 5/6
Bauer vs. Southwest Missouri, 5/8

Fewest hits allowed:

2 - vs. San Jose State, 2/9 - six innings;
4 - three times, last vs.
Western Illinois, 3/21

Fewest runs allowed:

0 - four times, last vs. Arkansas State, 3/27

Academic Success II: Missouri had 11 student-athletes named to the Big 12 Conference Commissioner's Honor Roll for the Fall 2000 semester. They had a 3.0-or-better grade-point average for the fall semester. A total of 2,308 student-athletes were recognized by the Big 12 Conference.

They are: Bane, Broshuis, Dale, Davis, Brian Desch, W.T. Hoover, Kiler, Momper, Runyan, Felipe Tetelboin and Jayce Tingler.

Academic Success III: The Big 12 Conference announced the University of Missouri had five student-athletes named to the 2001 Baseball Academic All-Big 12 Team. Missouri's **Mark Alexander, Logan Dale, Drew Endicott, Tony Vitello** and **Mick Weiss** were named to the second team. Student-athletes named to the second team carry a grade-point average between 3.0 and 3.19.

Birthdays: The following Missouri players will have or have had their birthdays during the 2001 season with their performances if they played:

Feb. 16 - Mick Weiss (2 hits, 1 run scored, 1 RBI vs. Nevada-Las Vegas)

Feb. 19 - Dan Bane (no game that date)

March 2 - Matt Hobbs (DNP)

March 10 - W.T. Hoover (1 hit vs. Kansas, 1 run scored, 1 RBI)

March 24 - Shannon Wheeler (DNP)

March 25 - Brian Desch (DNP)

March 30 - Drew Endicott (3.1 IP, 5 H, 3 ER, 3 K)

April 1 - Kurt Propst (2 hits, 2 runs scored, 2 RBI)

April 16 - Cody Ehlers (no game)

May 18 - Jon Williams

Pronunciation Guide:

Luke **Cassis** - Kass-iss

Brian **Desch** - Desh

Cody **Ehlers** - A (long a) -lers

Wes **Fewell** - like fuel

Mitch **Kiler** - Kuy (like buy) -ler

Lee **Laskowski** - la (short a) -skow-ski

Kurt **Propst** - Prop-st

Ryan **Rallo** - Rah-lo

Pete **Sansone** - San-Sone (last part rhymes with zone)

Ryan **Stegall** - Stee-gull

Felipe Tetelboin - Fuh-lee-pay Tett-el-boyn

Jayce Tingler - rhymes with base

Mick **Weiss** - rhymes with mice

TIGER NUMBERS IN 2001

Home	18-7
Away	9-14
Neutral	3-1*
In Day Games	19-14*
Night Games	11-8^
Doubleheaders	1-0-3^
In Extra Innings	4-1
vs. Lefthanded Starting Pitchers	9-7
vs. Righthanded Starting Pitchers	21-15*
When Score First	19-6
When Opponents Score First	11-16
When Ahead After 5 Innings	22-2
When Trailing After 5 Innings	5-17
When Tied After 5 Innings	4-2*
When Ahead After 8 Innings	25-1
When Trailing After 8 Innings	2-15
When Tied After 8 Innings	3-2
Vs. Ranked Teams	6-10
In 1-Run Games	7-4
In 2-Run Games	1-2
In 3-Run Games	3-4
In 4-Run Games	6-2
In 5-Run Games	4-2
In 5+-Run Games	9-9
When Scoring 0-5 Runs	5-19-1
When Scoring 6-10 Runs	18-3-0
When Scoring 10+ Runs	7-0
Current winning streak	—
Longest winning streak	6
Longest losing streak	6
In February	3-5*
In March	15-6
In April	12-11
On Sundays	6-7
On Mondays	0-1
On Tuesdays	7-1
On Wednesdays	6-0
On Thursdays	0-0
On Fridays	2-6*
On Saturdays	9-7^
vs. Big 12 Conference	10-17
vs. Conference USA	2-0
vs. Mid-Continent Conference	2-0
vs. Missouri Valley Conference	2-1
vs. Mountain West Conference	2-1
vs. Ohio Valley Conference	4-1
vs. Sun Belt Conference	2-0
vs. West Coast Conference	3-2
vs. Western Athletic Conference	0-0-1
vs. NCAA Division II schools	1-0
vs. NAIA schools	1-0

*-tie game

^-game suspended, completed next day

MISCELLANEOUS

Hitting Streaks

	Longest	Current
Ryan Stegall	15	15
Mick Weiss*	13	6
Wes Fewell	13	—
Jayce Tingler	11	—
Jon Williams	10	5
W.T. Hoover	9	—
Kurt Propst	9	—
Brian Desch	8	3
Luke Cassis	6	6
Lee Laskowski	5	—
Cody Ehlers	3	1
Ryan Rallo	3	1
Felipe Tetelboin	3	0
Tony Vitello	1	1
Shaun Marcum	1	1

*Weiss also had a 10-game hit streak this season.

Multiple Hit Games	2	3	4	5+	Tot
Ryan Stegall	11	5	1	-	17
Mick Weiss	14	3	-	-	17
Wes Fewell	12	2	-	-	14
Jon Williams	8	5	1	-	14
Jayce Tingler	7	5	-	-	12
Luke Cassis	9	2	-	-	11
W.T. Hoover	10	1	-	-	11
Lee Laskowski	7	1	3	-	11
Brian Desch	5	1	-	-	6
Kurt Propst	6	-	-	-	6
Ryan Rallo	3	-	-	-	3
Felipe Tetelboin	2	-	-	-	2
Team	94	25	5	-	124

Multiple RBI Games	2	3	4	5+	Tot
Mick Weiss	8	2	2	-	12
Jon Williams	8	4	-	-	12
Ryan Stegall	8	1	1	-	10
Jayce Tingler	7	1	-	1	9
W.T. Hoover	5	2	-	-	7
Wes Fewell	5	1	-	-	6
Lee Laskowski	3	1	-	-	4
Luke Cassis	1	2	-	-	3
Kurt Propst	3	-	-	-	3
Brian Desch	1	-	1	-	2
Ryan Rallo	1	-	-	1	2
Cody Ehlers	2	-	-	-	2
Team	52	14	4	2	72

MU ALL-TIME LEADERS

DOUBLES

Ryan Fry	56	1995-98
Jay White	51	1993-96
Shane Fairbanks	49	1980-83
Jon Pittenger	48	1986-89
Ryan Stegall	47	1999-
Aaron Jaworowski	46	1995-97
Greg Cypret	45	1975-78
Bill Mondrella	45	1989-92
Russ Perkins	44	1982-86
Nick Rallo	44	1983-86
Mike Rallo	44	1997-00

HOME RUNS

Mike Rogers	45	1984-87
Ryan Fry	42	1995-98
Griffin Moore	38	1997-98
Dave Silvestri	35	1986-88
Ryan Stegall	32	1999-
Chris Wyrick	32	1990-93
Tom Ciombor	29	1984-87
Mike Rallo	28	1997-00
Aaron Jaworowski	28	1995-97
Mark Thiel	24	1974-76
Nick Wilfong	23	1998-00
Kevin LeCompte	23	1984-87

EXTRA-BASE HITS

Ryan Fry	106	1995-98
Dave Silvestri	96	1986-88
Mike Rogers	89	1984-87
Ryan Stegall	88	1999-
Jay White	79	1993-96

TOTAL BASES

Ryan Fry	463	1995-98
Dave Silvestri	432	1986-88
Mike Rogers	410	1984-87
Tom Ciombor	374	1984-87
Greg Cypret	365	1975-78
Ryan Stegall	361	1999-
Jay White	345	1993-96
Matt Nivens	343	1994-97
Jon Pittenger	340	1986-89
Shane Fairbanks	331	1980-83
Chris Wyrick	329	1990-93

SLUGGING PERCENTAGE

Mike Rogers	.695	1984-87
Dave Silvestri	.660	1986-88
Mark Thiel	.595	1974-76
Ryan Fry	.589	1995-98
Ryan Stegall	.569	1999-
Tim Hawkins	.562	1988-89
Darnel Hawkins	.557	1989-90
Marcus Adler	.556	1983-86
Nick Rallo	.543	1983-86
Bill Hance	.543	1981-83

STOLEN BASES

Torre Tyson	79	1995-98
Jim English	63	1976-79
Tom Ciombor	63	1984-87
Dave Silvestri	47	1986-88
Jayce Tingler	34	2000-
Dick Dickinson	33	1952-54
Phil Bradley	32	1979-81
Al Hightower	30	1976-79
Matt Nivens	29	1994-97
Steve Ball	28	1992-94
Chris Wyrick	28	1990-93

PITCHING APPEARANCES

Scott Black	108	1987-90
Bunky Moeller	81	1988-91
Justin Stine	78	1996-99
Logan Dale	73	1998-
Tim Siegel	72	1990-93
Ryan Jamison	71	1997-99
Mike Munro	69	1989-92
Mitch Kiler	66	1998-
Bob Faron	64	1983-86
Mike Haverty	63	1993-97

STRIKEOUTS

John Dettmer	374	1989-92
Justin Stine	302	1996-99
Chris Robertson	257	1991-94
Rob Pietroburogo	228	1975-78
Jack Stroud	227	1963-65
Logan Dale	225	1998-
Jeremy Callier	223	1995-98
Jason Meyhoff	217	1992-94
Ryan Jamison	200	1997-99
Jay Bell	198	1996-98

INNINGS PITCHED

Justin Stine	376.0	1996-99
John Dettmer	332.0	1989-92
Tom Heckman	323.2	1978-81
Jeremy Callier	309.2	1995-98
Chuck Fletcher	303.1	1988-91
Chris Robertson	300.0	1991-94
Mike Munro	290.1	1989-92
Kurt Moody	272.1	1979-82
Rob Pietroburogo	259.2	1975-79
Logan Dale	259.1	1998-
Mitch Ingold	256.2	1986-89

SAVES

Scott Black	19	1987-90
Ryan Stegall	18	1999-
Jeff Cornell	14	1976-78
Mike Pfautsch	11	1978-80
Ryan Jamison	10	1997-99
Bunky Moeller	10	1988-91

The Polls

Collegiate Baseball

(As of May 7)

Rank	School (Record)	Points	Rank
1.	Cal. State Fullerton (38-11)	470	3
2.	Notre Dame (43-8-1)	468	1
3.	Southern Calif. (33-16)	464	4
4.	Miami, Fla. (38-12)	462	5
5.	Nebraska (38-12)	460	7
6.	Stanford (35-13)	457	6
7.	Florida State (38-14)	453	10
8.	Louisiana State (36-16-1)	450	2
9.	East Carolina (42-10)	446	11
10.	Tulane (42-8)	443	12
11.	Georgia (36-15)	440	18
12.	Rice (38-15)	435	13
13.	Clemson (33-18)	432	14
14.	Georgia Tech (36-14)	430	15
15.	Arizona State (31-16-1)	426	16
16.	Tennessee (38-14)	425	19
17.	Pepperdine (35-15)	424	17
18.	Central Florida (42-11)	422	22
19.	Stetson (41-10)	421	8
20.	Mississippi (35-17-1)	420	9
21.	South Carolina (39-14)	419	20
22.	Baylor (33-18)	414	21
23.	UC Santa Barbara (35-12)	412	—
24.	Wake Forest (36-15)	410	—
25.	Texas Tech (37-15-1)	407	—
26.	South Alabama (38-13)	405	24
27.	Ohio State (37-13)	399	25
28.	Delaware (37-12)	390	28
29.	California (30-22)	385	—
30.	Florida (31-21)	384	—

Baseball America

(May 7)

Rank	School	Record	Rank
1.	Nebraska	38- 12	4
2.	Cal State Fullerton	38- 11	6
3.	Miami, Fla.	37- 12	3
4.	Notre Dame	43- 8	1
5.	Southern California	33- 16	5
6.	Tulane	42- 8	8
7.	Stanford	35- 13	7
8.	Central Florida	42- 11	12
9.	Louisiana State	36- 16	2
10.	East Carolina	42- 10	10
11.	Rice	38- 15	9
12.	Georgia	36- 15	19
13.	Georgia Tech	36- 14	11
14.	Pepperdine	35- 15	14
15.	Florida State	38- 14	16
16.	Tennessee	38- 14	22
17.	Clemson	33- 18	17
18.	Baylor	33- 18	18
19.	Arizona State	31- 16	20
20.	Stetson	41- 10	13
21.	South Alabama	38- 13	21
22.	Mississippi	35- 17	15
23.	Wake Forest	36- 15	23
24.	South Carolina	39- 14	24
25.	UC Santa Barbara	35- 12	25

Baseball Weekly/ESPN Coaches

(Records are complete through May 6)

Rank	School (Record)	Last	Points
1.	Miami, Fla. (38-12)	3	945
2.	Nebraska (38-12)	6	898
3.	Southern Calif. (33-16)	5	888
4.	Cal. State Fullerton (38-11)	7	883
5.	Notre Dame (43-8-1)	2	857
6.	Stanford (35-13)	4	818
7.	Louisiana State (36-16-1)	1	752
8.	Tulane (42-8)	9	723
9.	Rice (38-15)	8	715
10.	Georgia Tech (36-14)	10	656
11.	Florida State (38-14)	12	610
12.	East Carolina (42-10)	13	538
13.	Central Florida (42-11)	20	429
14.	Tennessee (38-14)	19	425
15.	South Carolina (39-14)	17	417
16.	Clemson (33-18)	16	375
17.	Baylor (33-18)	14	372
18.	Georgia (36-15)	22	355
19.	Arizona State (31-16-1)	15	345
20.	Stetson (41-10)	11	267
21.	South Alabama (38-13)	18	257
22.	Pepperdine (35-15)	23	221
23.	Mississippi (35-17-1)	21	95
24.	Wake Forest (36-15)	—	94
25.	Ohio State (37-13)	24	55

Dropped out: #25 Florida International

Others receiving votes: UC Santa Barbara (53), Texas Tech (40), Winthrop (38), Rutgers (36), Southwest Missouri State (25), Middle Tennessee State (21), Auburn (21), Florida International (17), Florida (14), Oral Roberts (11), California (11), Fresno State (9), Wichita State (8), Florida Atlantic (6), Ball State (5), Texas (5), Oklahoma State (3), Evansville (3), Mississippi State (3), Jacksonville (2), Texas Christian (2), Delaware (1), Nevada (1).

National Collegiate

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Rank/School
1. Nebraska (38-12)
2. Notre Dame (43-8)
3. Cal State Fullerton (38-11)
4. Southern California (33-16)
5. Tulane (42-8)
6. Miami (Fla.) (38-12)
7. Stanford (35-13)
8. Central Florida (42-11)
9. Louisiana State (36-16)
10. Georgia Tech (36-14)
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24. Mississippi (35-17)
25. Delaware (37-12)
26. California (30-22)
27. Florida (31-21)
28. Oral Roberts (40-11)
29. Ohio State (37-13)
30. Texas Tech (37-15)
31. Cincinnati (32-19)
32. UC Santa Barbara (35-12)
33. Middle Tennessee (36-11)
34. Texas (34-22)
35. Oregon State (29-20)