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Tiger News and Notes 2002-03

**#11/10 Missouri (6-0)
vs. #12/12 Illinois (7-0)**
Game #7 -- Dec. 21, 2002 -- St. Louis, Mo.

Tip-off: 4:35 p.m.

Arena: Savvis Center (22,135)

TV: ESPN. Terry Gannon, play-by-play, Jay Bilas, color.

Radio: Tiger Radio Network. Mike Kelly, play-by-play, Gary Link, color

Rankings: MU is ranked #11 (Associated Press Poll) and #10 (ESPN/USA Today)

U of I is ranked #12 (Associated Press Poll) and #12 (ESPN/USA Today)

Series: Illinois leads the all-time series, 20-12. Last Meeting-12/22/01, U of I, 72-61 at St. Louis, Mo.

Coaches:

Missouri: Quin Snyder (Duke '89) 68-38 at MU and overall (4th season). Snyder is 1-2 vs. Illinois.

Illinois: Bill Self (Oklahoma St. '85) 60-17 at U of I (3rd season), 189-98 overall (10 seasons). Self is 2-0 vs. Missouri.

Who Will Earn the Right to Brag in '03?

The University of Missouri men's basketball team (6-0, #11 in the Associated Press Poll, #10 in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll) travels east to St. Louis on Saturday for the 22nd Annual Busch Braggins' Rights game against the University of Illinois (7-0, #12 in the Associated Press Poll, #12 in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll). Mizzou is coming off of a dominating win over Memphis on Saturday (93-78) and finds itself without a loss heading into the Illinois game for the first time since 1991.

Mizzou will make its first appearance on ESPN on Saturday with tip set for 4:35 p.m. Terry Gannon and former Duke Blue Devil Jay Bilas (who was a teammate of Missouri head coach Quin Snyder at Duke in 1989) will team for the broadcast.

#11/10 MISSOURI TIGERS (6-0)

(Probable Starting Lineups/Just an SID's best guess)

P	No	Name	HT	WT	P/G	R/G	YR	HOMETOWN
G	0	Ricky Clemons	5-11	172	16.6	3.0	Jr.	Raleigh, N.C.
G	15	Josh Kroenke	6-4	195	6.0	4.0	Jr.	Columbia, Mo.
G	23	Rickey Paulding	6-5	212	17.4	6.6	Jr.	Detroit, Mich.
F	5	Travon Bryant	6-9	236	9.0	7.2	Jr.	Long Beach, Calif.
C	50	Arthur Johnson	6-9	265	17.2	8.4	Jr.	Detroit, Mich.

#12/12 ILLINOIS FIGHTING ILLINI (7-0)

(Probable Starting Lineups/Just an SID's best guess)

P	No	Name	HT	WT	P/G	R/G	YR	HOMETOWN
F	34	Brian Cook	6-10	240	20.6	7.0	Sr.	Lincoln, Ill.
F	43	Roger Powell	6-6	220	12.0	4.7	So.	Joliet, Ill.
F/C	40	James Augustine	6-10	220	6.7	6.3	Fr.	Mokena, Ill.
G	11	Dee Brown	6-0	175	13.6	4.4	Fr.	Maywood, Ill.
G	5	Deron Williams	6-3	210	7.6	2.1	Fr.	The Colony, Texas

2002-2003 Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/ Res	TV
EXHIBITION SEASON			
Nov. 2	EA SPORTS ALL-STARS	W, 81-80	MSN
Nov. 8	MID-WEST ALL-STARS	W, 102-79	MSN
REGULAR SEASON			
Nov. 22	AMERICAN UNIVERSITY	W, 72-57	MSN
Nov. 30	AUSTIN PEAY	W, 81-46	MSN
Dec. 2	SACRAMENTO STATE	W, 98-60	MSN
Dec. 7	% vs. Southern California	W, 78-72	MSN
Dec. 9	WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY	W, 88-67	MSN
Dec. 14	MEMPHIS	W, 93-78	ESPN 2
Dec. 21	# vs. Illinois	4:30 pm	ESPN
Dec. 30	VALPARAISO	7:00 pm	MSN
Jan. 4	at Iowa	3:05 pm	ESPN
Jan. 7	CENTENARY	7:00 pm	MSN
Jan. 11	*BAYLOR	6:00 pm	MSN
Jan. 13	at Syracuse	6:00 pm	ESPN
Jan. 18	*at Oklahoma State	12:45 pm	ESPN+
Jan. 21	*IOWA STATE	7:00 pm	MSN
Jan. 25	*at Texas	3:00 pm	ESPN+
Jan. 29	*at Nebraska	7:00 pm	MSN
Feb. 1	*COLORADO	3:00 pm	ESPN+
Feb. 3	*at Kansas	8:00 pm	ESPN
Feb. 9	*TEXAS TECH	12:30 pm	ABC
Feb. 12	*at Texas A&M	7:00 pm	MSN
Feb. 15	*KANSAS STATE	3:00 pm	ESPN+
Feb. 18	*NEBRASKA	7:00 pm	MSN
Feb. 22	*at Colorado	8:00 pm	ESPN
Feb. 26	*OKLAHOMA	8:00 pm	ESPN+
Mar. 1	*at Kansas State	12:45 pm	ESPN+
Mar. 5	*at Iowa State	7:00 pm	ESPN+
Mar. 9	*KANSAS	1:00 pm	CBS
March 13-16			
Big 12 Tournament Dallas, Texas			ESPN+

% - John R. Wooden Classic
(at the Anaheim Pond -- Anaheim, CA)

- Busch Braggins' Rights Game
(at the Savvis Center -- St. Louis, MO)

ALL CAPS -- Denotes Home Games

* Denotes Big 12 Opponent

A Lot of Ins, A Lot of Outs, A Lot of What-Have-Yas

Tis' the Season

The Tigers come into this contest boasting a 6-0 overall mark. They have a chance to head into the Holiday break undefeated for the first time since 1991-92, when that squad did not lose a contest until Jan. 8 against Memphis. The Tigers have been undefeated after the Holiday break four times in school history. Here is a breakdown of how those teams finished their seasons.

Year	Start	Overall	Conf.	Conf. Finish
1992	11-0	21-9	8-6	T-2nd (Big 8)
1982	19-0	27-4	12-2	1st (Big 8)
1980	10-0	25-6	11-3	1st (Big 8)
1973	12-0	21-6	9-5	T-2nd (Big 8)

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2002-03 Roster

#	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Cl.	Hometown (H.S./JUCO)	Notes of Note
0	Ricky Clemons	G	5-11	172	Jr.	Raleigh, N.C. (College of So. Idaho)	Has scored 16 points in each of the last 3 games
1	Jimmy McKinney	G	6-3	200	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Vashon)	Registered a career-high 13 points against Memphis
2	Rob Stewart	G	5-10	185	Sr.	Columbia, Mo. (Hickman)	One of two Tigers from Columbia, Mo.
5	Travon Bryant**	F	6-9	236	Jr.	Long Beach, Calif. (Jordan)	14 pts. and 6 reb. in 16 minutes vs. Memphis
10	Ryan Kiernan**	G	6-0	186	Sr.	St. Charles, Mo. (West/Rockhurst)	Had 2 steals in 5 minutes against Austin Peay
14	Kevin Young	F/C	6-9	270	Fr.	Kingston, Jamaica (Shores Christian [Fla.] Acad.)	6 points and 6 reb. vs. UWGB
15	Josh Kroenke**	G	6-4	195	Jr.	Columbia, Mo. (Rock Bridge/New Hampton Prep)	Hit 2 huge three's against USC
23	Rickey Paulding**	G/F	6-5	212	Jr.	Detroit, Mich. (Renaissance)	Averaged 23.5 points per game last week
24	Jake Jackson*	G	6-2	193	Sr.	DeSoto, Mo. (High)	One of three seniors on the Tiger squad
32	Jeffrey Ferguson*	F/C	6-10	238	So.	Toronto, Ontario (Benton Harbor [Mich.])	7 pts. and 8 reb. in 15 min. against APSU
33	Najeeb Echols*	G/F	6-7	230	So.	Chicago, Ill. (Morgan Park)	Had a season-high 8 points against Sac. St.
50	Arthur Johnson**	F/C	6-9	265	Jr.	Detroit, Mich. (Pershing)	Put in a game-high 23 points and 11 reb. vs. Memphis

* Denotes Letters Earned

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach — Quin Snyder (Duke, 1989) 68-38 in 4th year at MU/66-38 in 4th year Overall

Associate Head Coach — Tony Harvey (Cameron, 1988) 4th year at MU

Assistant Coach — Lane Odom (High Point, 1989), 3rd year at MU

Assistant Coach — Marcus Perez (Army, 1989) 3rd year at MU

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About the Illinois Fighting Illini

The Illini enter Saturday's contest with a 7-0 record and a #12 ranking in both major polls. U of I has won two of the last three Braggin' Rights games and four of the last seven contests, including last years 72-61 win over Mizzou.

Senior forward Brian Cook leads the Illini into the 22nd Annual Busch Braggin' Rights game averaging 20.6 points and 7.0 rebounds per contest. Cook has paced U of I in points in four of its first seven games including a game-high 25 points in its latest win over Temple, 70-54.

Besides a four point win over Arkansas, the Illini have made short work of their opponents so far this season. Their average margin of victory has been an astounding 25.0 points per game so far this season and they are shooting an impressive 52% from the field while holding their opponents to 37%. In comparison, Mizzou has won its games by an average of 21.7 points per game and is shooting 48% from the field while holding its opponents to 35% shooting. Bottom line, this is probably going to be a really good ball game.

Head coach Bill Self is in his third year as head coach of the Illini. In those three short years, Self has accrued a 59-17 mark at Illinois and has led Illinois to back-to-back NCAA Tournament appearances.

The Tale of the Tape

	MU	vs.	U of I
Games:	6		7
FGM:	181		218
FGA:	381		420
%:	.475		.519
3pt FGM:	48		57
3pt FGA:	123		145
%:	.390		.393
FTA:	100		82
FTM:	146		119
%:	.685		.689
Points:	510		575
Per Game:	85.0		82.1
Reb./Gm.	45.2		36.7
Steals:	54		52
Assists:	97		138
Blocks:	28		11

Always a Classic

Mizzou and Illinois meet for the 33rd time on Saturday at the Savvis Center, and every time they get together, expect something crazy to happen. The two squads and their fans have participated in some classic battles throughout the years and three of the last nine games between the two squads have went to overtime. The most recent thriller was in 2000 when Illinois took an 86-81 overtime win over the Tigers.

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Rank When We Are Ranked

Both squads enter Saturday's contest ranked in both the Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll Top 15. The Tigers currently hold the No. 11 and 10 rankings while Illinois boasts the No. 12 ranking in both polls.

That being said, the Tigers are 4-9 all-time vs. the Illini when they are ranked. Even worse is the fact that Mizzou is 0-4 when both teams enter the contest ranked. Below is a quick look at those games:

Year	Rank	MU	Ill.	MU Result
2001	#8	#9		L, 72-61
1995	#15	#14		L, 96-85
1989	#4	#5		L, 101-93
1988	#10	#6		L, 87-84

Welcome Back Jimmy Mac

Amongst the dozens of already obvious story lines that exist in this game, is the return of Jimmy McKinney to the land of Nelly, the Arch and the Cardinals. While this is his first trip back to the Lou to play basketball, McKinney grew up watching the Braggin' Rights games and will have the chance to put his skills on display on Saturday. The Vashon High School graduate averaged 22 points and 6 rebounds his senior year and led the Vashon to three straight Missouri State Championships.

Can't Stop the Bum Rush

Mizzou came out on fire against Memphis last Saturday. Before the game reached the 16:00 media time-out, the Tigers had bolted out to a 15-0 lead, which ultimately was the final margin of victory for the Tigers. MU hit six of its first eight shots in the contest and held Memphis scoreless in each of its first seven possessions.

The Trident Factor

In the classic basketball movie "Hoosiers," head coach Norman Dale (as played by Gene Hackman) tells one of his players that he wanted him to play such tight defense on the player that he was guarding that he wanted to know what kind of chewing gum he was sport-

ing.

Chances are, Mizzou players could probably answer that question when asked about their opponents' flavor preference this season. After allowing the opposition to shoot 45% from the field last season (which ranked 11th in the Big 12), Mizzou has locked down on opponents this year allowing only 35% success rate so far.

In a related note, one of the goals of the Tiger defense is to hold its opponents to under 40% from the field in each contest, which they have done in five of their six games.

USC is the only team to screw up what would be a perfectly good note, as they shot exactly 40% against Mizzou in the Tigers 78-72 come-from-behind win in the John R. Wooden Classic.

More On Memphis

Besides good defense, Mizzou has also relied on an extremely balanced scoring attack. MU has had at least four players score in double figures in every contest this season except against Austin Peay.

The Tigers put that balance on display against Memphis as five players scored in double figures including junior Arthur Johnson, who scored a game-high 23 points in the win while also pulling down 11 boards.

Rickey Paulding scored 13 of his 22 points in the second half while fellow juniors Ricky Clemons, who scored 16, and Travon Bryant, who equaled a career-high with 14, made major contributions.

Freshman Jimmy McKinney was the final Tiger to reach double figures with a career- best 13 points while also pulling down five rebounds in a season-high 32 minutes of action.

If The Thunder Doesn't Get You, the Lightning Will

We have all heard that expression before, and in a roundabout way, it applies to the Tigers so far this season. Junior big man Arthur Johnson (or the thunder in this case) has been the leading scorer for the Tigers in four of their six contests so far this season. He averaged 21.3 points per contest vs. Austin Peay (16), Sacra-

MU Record When

	2002-03	Under Snyder
Ahead at half	5-0	52-11
Behind at the half	1-0	15-27
FG% of .450 or better	5-0	40-6
FG% less .450	1-0	28-32
Better FG% than opp.	6-0	45-6
Worse FG% than opp.	0-0	20-32
Opp. Shoot less than .450	6-0	44-13
3FG% of .400 or more	4-0	36-8
3FG% less than .400	2-0	31-30
Try more than 20 3FGs	2-0	38-33
Try 20 or less 3FGs	4-0	30-6
Try more FTs than opp.	6-0	47-9
Try less FTs than opp.	0-0	18-28
Bench outscored opp. bench	4-0	29-15
Opp. Bench outscored MU	2-0	34-21
Outrebounded Opp.	4-0	39-11
Tied or outrebounded	2-0	29-27
More TOs than opp.	2-0	22-21
Same or fewer TOs	4-0	46-17
Make less than 15 TOs	1-0	35-18
Make 15 or more TOs	5-0	32-19
Score 59 or fewer pts.	0-0	1-6
Score 60-69 pts.	0-0	7-14
Score 70-79 pts	2-0	23-9
Score 80 or more pts.	4-0	12-21
Allow less than 50 pts.	1-0	5-0
Allow 50-59 pts.	1-0	10-1
Allow 60-69 pts.	2-0	27-6
Allow 70-79 pts.	2-0	18-10
Allow 80 or pts	0-0	7-21
Overtime	0-0	1-3
vs. AP Top 25	0-0	10-22
Home Game	5-0	41-9
Road Game	0-0	12-17
Neutral Games	1-0	15-12
Day Games	3-0	28-11
Night Games	3-0	39-27
On Monday	2-0	6-6
On Tuesday	0-0	6-3
On Wednesday	0-0	15-4
On Thursday	0-0	8-2
On Friday	1-0	4-5
On Saturday	3-0	26-12
On Sunday	0-0	2-6
On Mizzou Sports Network	5-0	25-7
On ABC	0-0	2-2
On CBS	0-0	4-6
On ESPN	0-0	3-13
On ESPN 2	1-0	4-1
On ESPN +	0-0	17-5
Fox Sports Net	0-0	1-1
Games Decided By..		
5 pts. or less	0-0	16-18
6-10 pts.	1-0	15-4
11-19 pts.	2-0	16-11
20 or more pts.	3-0	18-5

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mento State (24) and USC (24) leading the Tigers to three straight wins from Nov. 30-Dec. 7. He was also strong against Memphis registering his fourth double-double of the season with 23 points and 11 rebounds.

Junior guards Ricky Clemons and Rickey Paulding (or the lightning) have also taken their turn pacing the Tigers in the scoring column. RC quenched the Tigers' scoring thirst in the season opener with a game-high 25 points against American.

Paulding, who is a candidate for the John R. Wooden Award, grabbed the limelight going for a career-high 25 points against Wisconsin-Green Bay. He also had two highlight-reel dunks in the second half while going 4-of-10 from 3-pt. land. He continued to be rock solid going for 22 points against Memphis on Saturday while also recording a career-best five steals in the win.

For Those About to Block, We Salute You

The Tigers set out the potato salad, turned up the Temptations and had a huge block party this past week. All totaled, they recorded 14 team blocks in their two contests. In the Wisconsin-Green Bay game, Mizzou recorded 10 blocks which is just one short of the team record of 11.

Junior Travon Bryant recorded a career-high four of those rejections, including three in the first half against UWGB. He also registered his first double-double of the season with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Bryant followed up the performance with a career-high 14 points and six rebounds in just 16 minutes off of the bench for MU.

Fellow junior Big Man Arthur Johnson continued his trek up the MU all-time blocks charts with four swats of his own.

He now needs just three blocks to become Mizzou's all-time blocked shots leader after a three-block effort against Memphis. Here is a look at the Top 10 shot blockers in Mizzou history.

Blocked Shots

1. Steve Stipanovich, 80-83	149
2. Arthur Johnson, 00-Pres.	147
3. Doug Smith, 88-91	129
4. Jevon Crudup, 91-94	116
5. Gary Leonard, 86-89	96
6. Chris Heller, 90-91, 93-94	89
7. Monte Harge, 95-99	72
8. Greg Cavener, 82-85	69
Sammie Haley, 95-96	69
10. Dan Bingenheimer, 85-86	66

Tigers Heat Up in Second Stanza Against Phoenix

The UWGB Phoenix flew right along side the Tigers for most of the first half, only trailing 32-31 despite an eight-minute scoreless streak from 16:31 to 8:31 in the opening half.

They flew too close to the sun in the second half though. The Tigers were red-hot shooting 54% from the field (19-of-35) exploding for 56 points. Conversely, UWGB could muster only 36 points in the second half.

Tigers Rally in the Land of the Rally Monkey

Mizzou spent the weekend of Dec. 6-8 in the hometown of the 2002 Major League Baseball Champions, the Anaheim Angels. During their post-season run, the Angels' fans found a mascot their team could rally around when they were down in games called the rally monkey. Turns out, the monkey led them to a World Championship.

While the Tigers needed no such monkey business on Saturday night to pull out a 78-72 win over the USC Trojans, they did use a great rally after trailing by as many as 11 points in the second half.

Down 51-40 at the 15:41 mark of the second half, Mizzou outscored the Trojans, 38-21 the rest of the half on 13-of-25 from the field including 5-of-11 from three point land.

Freshman Jimmy McKinney took the game over scoring 10 of his 12 points on 4-of-6 shooting from the field after the 16:00 media time out.

2002-03 ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll (As of Dec. 16)

#	Team	Record
1	Arizona (31)	5-0
2	Duke	5-0
3	Pittsburgh	6-0
4	Alabama	7-0
5	Oregon	6-0
6	Indiana	8-0
7	Oklahoma	5-1
8	Connecticut	6-0
9	Texas	5-2
10	Missouri	6-0
11	Notre Dame	9-1
12	Illinois	7-0
13	Florida	7-2
14	Marquette	6-1
15	Michigan State	5-2
16	Kentucky	5-2
17	Mississippi St.	6-1
18	Kansas	5-3
19	Creighton	7-0
20	Xavier	5-2
21	Stanford	5-1
22	Tulsa	5-1
23	Maryland	4-3
24	North Carolina	5-2
25	N.C. State	5-0

AJ's AG

Mizzou junior All-American candidate has been A.G. (all good) throughout his career at Mizzou. However, the talented big man has kicked his game into overdrive so far this season. He has recorded four double-doubles in five contests and has reached the 20-point plateau in three of the last four games.

AJ came out on fire against Memphis last Saturday dumping in a game-high 23 points while pulling down 11 boards. He was 8-of-13 from the field and had his best outing from the charity stripe this season shooting

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7-of-10.

Arthur has completely dominated the paint in the early going this season. He averaged 24.0 points and 11.0 rebounds per contest while shooting at a 60% (18-30) clip from the field during the Tigers' wins over Sac. State and USC. He recorded an amazing 38 minutes against USC, going for 24 points and 12 rebounds (six of which were offensive) in the Tigers' come-from-behind win over the Trojans at the John Wooden Classic.

For his efforts, he was named the Phillips 66 Big 12 Athlete of the Week for the week of Nov. 30-Dec. 7. It marked the first time he had received the honor in his career.

He recorded a season-high four blocked shots against the Phoenix. He now needs just three blocks to become Mizzou's all-time leader in blocked shots. He now has 147 career swats, trailing former Mizzou standout Steve Stipanovich for the all-time lead.

The Man Behind the Mask

With 11:49 left to play in the first half of the Tigers' matchup with Austin Peay, Mizzou's own version of a masked avenger, freshman Jimmy McKinney, made his much awaited comeback and regular season debut for the Tigers.

Sporting a plastic mask to protect the area over his right eye where he suffered a fractured frontal sinus, the talent freshman came into the game to quite the ovation. He did not disappoint the fans that gave the ovations either. He scored eight points on 2-of-3 3-pt. shooting while handing out three assists in 16 minutes of playing time.

He was equally impressive in his second game as a Tiger putting in 11 points on 4-of-7 shooting from the field in 22 minutes of playing time against Sacramento State.

McKinney saved his best for the second half in the Tigers' come-from-behind win over USC on Dec. 7. He registered a career-best 12 points in the contest, 10 of which came during Mizzou's second half flurry in which it went from down 11 at the 15:41 mark to tied with 9:00 minutes left in the game.

Jimmy continued to showcase his well-rounded game against Wisconsin-Green Bay

on Monday night. While he finished the night with only five points on 1-of-7 shooting from the field, he handed out a career and game-high nine assists in the Tigers' 88-67 win.

The McKinney adventure continued against Memphis as the silky-smooth freshman recorded a career-best 13 points on 4-of-8 shooting from the field and 5-of-5 from the free throw line.

And the saga continues ...

Legal Streaking

With the explosive offensive fire power the Tigers possess this season, Mizzou is likely to go on some pretty impressive offensive streaks during the 2002-03 campaign. Also, the flip side of a big scoring run is quality defense. Mizzou has held all five of its opponents to 40.0% or worse from the field so far and continues to instill what it calls "Mizzou Defense." Below is a list of some of the biggest offensive explosions the Tigers have produced this season while holding their opponent scoreless.

Opp.	Streak	Elapsed Time
Memp.	15-0	16:14 (20:00-16:23-1st half)
USC	12-0	1:49 (16:16-14:25-1st half)
Sac. St.	13-0	3:39 (19:43-16:04-2nd Half)
APSU	13-0	5:50 (5:50-Half-1st Half)
USC	12-0	3:38 (18:03-14:03-1st Half)
Sac. St.	12-0	3:32 (14:59-11:27-1st Half)
Amer.	11-0	5:57 (11:22-5:25-1st Half)

The Bench Marks Continue

For all of you poor souls that read my notes on a game-by-game basis, first off, my deepest apologies. Secondly, you know you just can't get enough bench marks.

With only 10 scholarship players on its roster this season, Mizzou will definitely rely on its bench for some offensive and defensive spark. So far, the bench has been up to the task registering 22% of the team's total offense (112-of-510 points) and 30% (81-of-271 rebounds) in the Tigers first four games.

Junior Travon Bryant and freshman Jimmy McKinney have been the latest and greatest off of the Tiger pine. Tra went for 14 points and six rebounds in just 16 minutes of work against

2002-03 Associated Press Poll (As of Dec. 14)

#	Team	Record
1	Arizona (69)	5-0
2	Alabama	7-0
3	Duke	5-0
4	Pittsburgh (1)	6-0
5	Oregon	6-0
6	Indiana	8-0
7	Oklahoma	5-1
8	Connecticut	6-0
9	Notre Dame	9-1
10	Texas	5-2
11	Missouri	6-0
12	Illinois	7-0
13	Florida	7-2
14	Marquette	6-1
15	Michigan State	5-2
16	Mississippi State	6-1
17	Stanford	5-1
18	Kentucky	5-2
19	Kansas	5-3
20	Creighton	7-0
21	Xavier	5-2
22	Tulsa	5-1
23	North Carolina	5-2
24	Maryland	4-3
25	Minnesota	6-1

Memphis. McKinney played a season-best 32 minutes putting in a career-high 13 points.

According to the Pollsters

While it's true that the only poll that matters will come out after the first weekend of April, it is noteworthy to watch the polls as the season progresses. Here is a look at how the Tigers have opened in the polling in the Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll so far this season.

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	AP	ESPN/Coaches
Preseason	#18	#18
Poll #2	#20	#18
Poll #3	#18	#17
Poll #4	#15	#15
Poll #5	#11	#10
Poll #6	#11	#10

Like a Bear Grabbing a Trout

The Tigers continue to develop into one of the top rebounding teams in the Big 12. While Mizzou lost almost 55% of its scoring when senior Clarence Gilbert graduated and junior and current LA Laker Kareem Rush departed for the NBA, the Tigers still boast the team's top rebounders.

The Tigers have carried that strong rebounding into this season. They have out-rebounded four of their first six opponents by an average of 7.2 rebounds per contest, and finished equal with USC on Dec. 7 at 44 boards a piece.

The emphasis on rebounding and toughness has grown more and more apparent every season since Head Coach Quin Snyder arrived at Missouri. After being out-rebounded by 5.0 boards per game in his first season at Mizzou, the Tigers turned the tables last season, out-rebounding opponents by nearly 4.5 reb. per outing. In the next column is a look at the progression Mizzou has made over the past four years on the boards:

Year	Reb. Margin
1999-00	-5.0
2000-01	-0.6
2001-02	+4.4
2002-03	+7.2

4 Sure

The fourth place spot has been the vogue place to pick Mizzou to finish this season in the Big 12. The Big 12 Coaches, media from around the league and *ESPN.com* have all picked the Tigers to finish in the No. 4 spot behind Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas and ahead of Texas Tech.

The Tigers have some time to get their feet under them before they face any of the top three picks. Their first tilt with any of those

three teams doesn't come until January 25th when they travel to Austin to hook up with the Texas Longhorns.

Below is a breakdown of where each school was picked by the Big 12 Coaches, media and *ESPN.com* in preseason polls:

School	Coaches	Media	ESPN
Kansas	1	1	1
Oklahoma	2	2	2
Texas	3	3	3
Missouri	4	4	4
Texas Tech	5	5	5
Oklahoma St.	6	6	6
Iowa St.	7	7	7
Baylor	8	9	8
Colorado	9	8	9
Nebraska	10	10	10
Kansas State	11	11	11
Texas A&M	12	12	12

Quin Snyder Leads Mizzou in Year Four

Exactly 105 games into his career as a head coach at Missouri, Head Coach Quin Snyder sports a 68-38 mark. He has led the Tigers to the NCAA Tournament in each of his first three seasons and the Tigers have progressed one round further every season. Snyder and the Tigers' most recent post-season run yielded an appearance in the Elite Eight, MU's first trip to the round of eight since 1994.

Snyder guided his first squad to an 18-13 overall record, and he was named National Rookie Coach of the Year by *Basketball Times*. In 2000-01, the Tigers went 20-13, despite playing one of the nation's toughest schedules, and reached the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

Snyder's mission is to continue to build on the foundation the Tigers have built over the past three years and take them to the next level. And if that next level represents the Final Four of the NCAA Tournament, Snyder will be a repeat visitor. In 10 years at Duke, he took part in five Final Fours -- three as a player (1986, 88, 89) and two more as a coach (1994, 99).

MU QUICK FACTS

Location: Columbia, Mo.
Founded: 1839
Enrollment: 24,842
Colors: Black and Gold
President (System): Dr. Manuel T. Pacheco
Chancellor: Dr. Richard Wallace
Faculty Rep: Dr. Carl Settergren
Athletic Director: Michael Alden
Senior Associate AD: Gene McArtor
Associate AD: Mario Moccia
Associate AD: Sarah Reesman
Assistant AD: Ross Bjork
Assistant AD: Tim Hickman
Assistant AD: Bryan Maggard
Assistant AD: Ed Stewart
Assistant AD: Bob Stanley

Basketball Info:

Head Coach: Quin Snyder
 68-38 in 4th season at MU and overall
Associate Head Coach: Tony Harvey
Assistant Coaches: Lane Odom, Marcus Perez
Graduate Assistant: Brian Grawer
Dir. of Basketball Operations: Lee Rashman
Dir. of Player Development: Josh Berger
Dir. of Marketing/Promotions: Anne Wilson
Basketball Secretaries: Donna Snyder, Tammy Armentrout
Volunteer Administrative Asst.: Omar Parker
International Associates: Donaldas Kairys, Joe Touomou

Basketball Trainer: Pat Beckmann
Basketball Strength Coach: Jeff Watkinson
Basketball Equipment Mgr.: Kit Lisauskas
Basketball Academic Coordinator: Bryan Maggard
Media Relations Contact: Sam Fleury
Arena: Hearnes Center (13,611)
 -Opened for 1972-73 season

Conference: Big 12
2001-02 Record: 24-12
2001-02 Big 12 Record: 9-7 (6th)

Picking Up Where They Left Off

Mizzou ended the year last season on an unbelievable hot streak which was ended by Big 12 foe Oklahoma in the NCAA Tournament's Elite Eight.

The run began with consecutive wins over #5-seed Miami (93-80) and #4 Ohio State (83-67) in Albuquerque, N.M. That put the Tigers in the Sweet 16 for the first time since

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1994, and the 6th time in school history. Mizzou then notched its 1st win in six tries against UCLA, as they came back from an 8-pt. deficit to win, 82-73 in San Jose, Calif., putting the Tigers in their third Elite Eight in school history.

October 1, 2004

That is the forecasted opening date of the Tigers' new arena that they will call home for the next several years. The ground breaking for the state-of-the-art building was Sept. 21, 2002. The yet-to-be-named facility is penciled to cost \$75 million, and was kick-started by a generous \$25 million donation by the Laurie Family.

The State of Missouri will contribute \$35 million in bond appropriations. The additional \$15 million will be raised through athletic fund-raising efforts.

The Hearn Center will continue to be utilized by MU Athletics Olympic sport programs.

Fans will be able to monitor the progress of the new arena as it grows from the ground up, by logging on to www.mutigers.com. A web-cam is positioned on the southwest corner of the Hearn Center and provides a live, 24-7 shot of the site as the building is being completed.

Going Vertical

Over the past two seasons, 2002-03 Wooden Award Candidate Rickey Paulding has dazzled Mizzou fans with a dizzying array of rim-rocking dunks and high-flying action.

The talented junior was en fuego in his first action of 2002-03 pouring in 19 points on 8-of-16 shooting from the field against American. 17 of those points came in the first half where he scored the Tigers first six and last six points of the half.

He poured in an equally impressive 14 points in the Tigers' win over Austin Peay, 81-46, while also pulling down a career best nine rebounds. The following Saturday, he was only 4-of-11 from the field, but bounced back with 7-of-8 free throw shooting to put

in 17 points while pulling down seven boards against Sacramento State.

Despite struggling from the field (4-of-12) against USC, Paulding stepped up large when Mizzou really needed him. After collecting his fourth foul with 11: 48 left in the second half, Paulding was a man on a mission for Mizzou nailing two three-point baskets in a 1:52 span putting the Tigers in the drivers seat, 70-69 as they went on to a 78-72 win.

After a relatively quiet 10 points in the first half against Wisconsin-Green Bay, Paulding exploded for 15 points in the second half on his way to a career-best 25 points. He was 4-of-10 from 3 pt. territory while also passing out four assists in the win.

Rick scored 13 of his 22 points in the second half against Memphis. He was 7-of-14 from the field and five of six from the free throw line while pulling down six rebounds and grabbing a career-best five steals.

While he is known best for his crazy athleticism and above-the-rim antics, Paulding has become one of the most well-rounded players in the conference.

One of the indicators of Paulding's dedication and desire to become a well-rounded player was his increased accuracy from the perimeter. After going 12-of-56 (including a stretch where he went 0-for-22) from the three-point arc during his freshman season in 2000-01, Paulding was the Tiger's most accurate marksman last season, which is pretty impressive considering he was on a team with two of the most prolific shooters (Clarence Gilbert and Kareem Rush) in MU history.

He shot a team-high 44% (50-of-113) from the land of trey including 53.3% in the NCAA Tournament. Rick averaged 18.3 points and was named to the All-West Region Team during the Tigers' run to the NCAA Tournament's Elite Eight.

Detroit-Block City

Pardon the Kiss reference, but Arthur Johnson has kissed several opponents' shots good-bye over the past two years. Possibly one of the most underrated big men in the country, Johnson has been a powerful presence in the

Quin Snyder Record Breakdown

Overall	68-38
Non-conference	38-16
Big 12	28-20
Big 12 Tournament	3-3
NCAA Tournament	4-3
Home	40-9
Away	12-17
Neutral	16-12
vs. AP Top 25	10-22
Overtime	1-3
vs. Big 12 North	21-10

Snyder vs. All Opponents

Air Force	1-0
Alabama	1-0
American	1-0
Austin Peay	1-0
Baylor	2-1
Costal Carolina	1-0
Colorado	6-0
Coppin State	1-0
DePaul	1-1
Duke	0-1
Georgia	1-0
Grambling State	1-0
Illinois	1-2
Indiana	1-1
Iowa	2-2
Iowa State	3-4
Jackson State	1-0
Kansas	2-4
Kansas State	5-1
Kentucky	0-1
Memphis	1-0
Miami	1-0
Morgan State	1-0
Nebraska	5-1
North Carolina	0-1
North Carolina-Ashville	1-0
Ohio State	1-0
Oklahoma	0-6
Oklahoma State	1-2
Princeton	1-0
Rhode Island	1-0
Sacramento State	1-0
Saint Louis	2-1
Savannah State	1-0
SMU	1-0
Southern	1-0
Southern Cal	1-0
Stetson	1-0
Syracuse	0-1
Tennessee-Martin	1-0
Texas	0-4
Texas A&M	4-0
Texas-Pan American	1-0
Texas Tech	3-1
UCLA	1-0
Valpraiso	1-0
Virginia	1-1
Western Carolina	1-0
Winthrop	0-1
Wisconsin	0-1
Wisconsin-Green Bay	1-0
Xavier	1-0

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middle for the Tigers.

Doc started 2002-03 with a bang picking up right where he left off with his first double-double of the season with 11 points and 10 rebounds against American.

He was even more impressive in the Tigers' win over Austin Peay as he scored a game high 16 points on 8-of-13 shooting while also picking up three steals and a blocked shot.

The powerful big man was the show in the Tigers' next win, a 98-60 whitewash of Sacramento State. He went for a career-best 24 points while pulling down 10 rebounds for his second double-double in three games.

He went off again in the Tigers 78-72 win over USC. AJ put in 24 points and pulled down 12 rebounds (both of which were game highs) as the Tigers went on to a 78-72 win in the John R. Wooden Classic.

Arthur has led the Tigers in blocks and rebounds each of the last two seasons while averaging 10.7 points per game over the course of his two-year plus stint at Mizzou.

In fact, AJ needs just three blocked shots to surpass former Tiger great Steve Stipanovich for the all-time MU blocked shots mark. AJ sits in second on the chart right now with 147 swats right behind Stipanovich's 149.

Possessing great hands and a veritable plethora of quality interior moves, Johnson has been named All-Big 12 honorable mention each of the last two seasons and was named to the Big 12 All-Defensive team following his 71 blocks last season.

Trav"On Fire"

Since arriving at Mizzou, junior Travon Bryant has been one of the hardest workers on the team. He showed flashes of brilliance against American putting in 11 points while pulling down eight boards in 30 minutes of work.

Bryant came off of the bench for the first time this season last Saturday against Memphis and responded in a big way. Tra equaled a career high with 14 points while playing just 16 minutes in the contest.

He recorded his first double-double of the

season against UWGB, putting in 12 points while pulling down 10 boards on the night. He also finished with a career-high four blocks against the Phoenix.

Bryant's hard work paid off at the end of last season when he earned a starting spot on the squad for 25 of the Tigers' final 29 games.

His play in the final five games was nothing short of awesome. He averaged 7.8 points and 8.4 rebounds during that stretch that included an outstanding effort against the Tigers' NCAA first round opponent, Miami (Fla.) in which he scored 11 points while pulling down 10 rebounds.

Chances are when the charismatic lefty puts up a shot, it is probably going to go in. Tra was one of the most accurate Tigers last year, shooting just under 58% from the field. He also developed the ability to step outside and hit the three this past summer, a weapon that will make him hard to guard on the perimeter for big men around the league.

He put the newest weapon of his arsenal on display against Austin Peay, hitting 2-of-3 3-point shots en route to 10 points for the game.

The Crafty Veteran

Junior guard Josh Kroenke will be one of the Tigers' fearless leaders this season. A great hustler, Kroenke goes after loose balls with reckless abandon and is not afraid to defend against the best guards in the country.

After struggling in the field in the opener against American, Kroenke hit two huge 3-pt. buckets in the Tigers' win over Austin Peay and finished the day with six points and a career-best five rebounds.

He stepped up big again in the second half of the Tigers win over USC on Saturday. He was 2-of-3 from three-point land in the final stanza and finished the game with a season-high seven points.

Kroenke gave the Tigers a huge emotional spark against Wisconsin-Green Bay. He finished with a season-best 11 points on 3-of-4 shooting from the field while also pulling down five rebounds. But probably his greatest contribution came with 16:41 left in the first half when he dove twice on the same play after a

Starting Lineups

American	1-0	Clemons, Kroenke, Paulding Johnson, Bryant
Austin Peay	2-0	Clemons, Kroenke, Paulding Johnson, Bryant
Sacramento St.	3-0	Clemons, Kroenke, Paulding Johnson, Bryant
USC	4-0	Clemons, Kroenke, Paulding Johnson, Bryant
Wisc.-Green Bay	5-0	Clemons, Kroenke, Paulding Johnson, Bryant
Memphis	6-0	Clemons, Kroenke, Paulding Johnson, Ferguson

Tiger Double-Doubles

Travon Bryant

* **Wisc.-Green Bay**
12 points, 10 rebounds

Arthur Johnson

* **American**
11 points, 10 rebounds
* **Sacramento State**
24 points, 10 rebounds
* **USC**
24 points, 12 rebounds
* **Memphis**
23 points, 11 rebounds

loose ball to cause a jump ball situation, which went to the Tigers and brought the Tiger bench and faithful to their feet.

Super Sophomores

Najeeb Echols and Jeffrey Ferguson enter their second year with a sense of urgency. The two outstanding athletes made good

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contributions in their freshman seasons.

Ferguson proved solid down low for Mizzou. He averaged 7.1 minutes per contest last season, putting 1.7 points and 1.8 rebounds per contest. He is one of the Tigers' top shot blockers and is one of the best dunkers on the team.

Echols has now fully recovered from a knee injury he experienced during his senior year of high school. Jeeb has looked more athletic and explosive in early-season practice and will get to move back to his more natural position at guard and small forward after spending much of the year at power forward last season.

With Arms Wide Open

The Tigers welcome three newcomers to the squad this season. Junior Ricky Clemons, and freshmen Kevin Young and Jimmy McKinney join a Tiger squad that lost three starters from a year ago.

Clemons has fit in nicely at the point for the Tigers. A natural floor leader, Clemons transferred from the College of Southern Idaho where he averaged 18 points and almost eight assists last season.

McKinney, who is a native of St. Louis, displays a high level of maturity and will be called upon to play both the off-guard and point guard position.

Kevin Young, who has been tabbed as the "Jamaican Sensation" by the media relations office, has dropped 67 pounds since coming to Mizzou in June. While Young has dropped the pounds, he has picked up his play to a higher level every day. An extremely coachable young man, Kevin will have a year to learn from AJ, Tra and sophomore Jeffrey Ferguson.

Quin and Helen Snyder Announce the Formation of the "Q Foundation"

Sept. 27, 2002

Columbia, Mo.-University of Missouri men's basketball coach Quin Snyder and his wife Helen announced the launching of the "Q

Foundation." The organization's primary focus will be to encourage the educational ambitions of young men and women by promoting educational opportunities and literacy.

The Q Foundation will look to support educational institutions, ranging from pre-school to high school, and provide scholarship opportunities for educational enhancement. It will also focus on developing community center literacy programs in economically disadvantaged areas as well as promoting literacy through participation in reading programs.

The foundation will feature a board of directors that will oversee and guide the foundations undertakings. The President of the Board will be Coach Snyder's former Duke teammate: current ESPN personality and attorney Jay Bilas. Other board members include former Duke and current NBA star Shane Battier as well as several prominent business leaders from around the country and throughout the state of Missouri.

Construction Camera Will Showcase Mizzou Basketball Arena Project

Columbia, Mo.- The University of Missouri athletic department announced the launching of a new feature on its web site. Mizzou fans and supporters can now log on to www.mutigers.com and monitor the progress of the new arena that is being constructed just south of the Hearn Center.

A camera has been mounted on the southwest corner of the Hearn Center and is linked to the web site, sending a continuous picture the arena site 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Tiger faithful can point their browsers to www.mutigers.com, click on the Arena Cam icon on the front page, and view the site, as it looks at that very minute.

2002-03 Big 12 Conference Men's Basketball Standings

Conference						Overall							
School.....	W	L	Pct.	H	A	W	L	Pct.	H	A	N	Last 5	Streak
Missouri	0	0	.000	0	0	6	0	1.000	5-0	0-0	1-0	5-0	Won 6
Iowa State	0	0	.000	0	0	7	1	.875	6-1	1-0	0-0	4-1	Won 2
Baylor	0	0	.000	0	0	6	1	.857	4-1	0-0	2-0	4-1	Won 2
Oklahoma State	0	0	.000	0	0	6	1	.857	4-0	1-0	1-1	4-1	Won 4
Texas Tech	0	0	.000	0	0	5	1	.833	3-0	2-1	0-0	4-1	Lost 1
Oklahoma	0	0	.000	0	0	5	1	.833	5-0	0-0	0-1	5-0	Won 5
Texas A&M	0	0	.000	0	0	5	2	.714	3-1	1-1	0-0	4-1	Lost 1
Texas	0	0	.000	0	0	5	2	.714	2-0	1-1	2-1	3-2	Lost 2
Colorado	0	0	.000	0	0	4	2	.667	3-1	1-1	0-0	3-2	Won 2
Kansas	0	0	.000	0	0	5	3	.625	4-0	1-0	0-3	3-2	Won 2
Nebraska	0	0	.000	0	0	4	3	.571	3-0	0-2	1-1	3-2	Won 2
Kansas State	0	0	.000	0	0	4	4	.500	2-1	1-1	1-2	3-2	Won 2

Game Recaps

Tigers Triumph in Season Opener

Missouri 72, American 57

Nov. 22, 2002

COLUMBIA, Mo. - Ricky Clemons scored 25 points and Rickey Paulding added 19 as No. 20 Missouri defeated American 72-57 Friday in the season opener for both teams.

Clemons, a transfer from the College of Southern Idaho, also had four assists and five rebounds in his debut as Missouri's point guard. Paulding, a junior, made eight of 16 shots but didn't score in the second half until 1:09 remained.

Steven Miles led American with 12 points and Jernavis Draughn added 10.

Missouri survived a late surge. Miles scored with 1:30 left to pull American to 63-56, but Clemons made two free throws to boost the lead to nine. Paulding made two more free throws after American failed to score, sealing the win. In the last 1:28, Missouri made nine of 10 free throws.

American also cut Missouri's lead to 43-35 early in the second half with a 9-0 run that included six points from Draughn. Missouri responded with a 6-0 run of its own.

Missouri overcame a poor shooting start to take a 36-22 halftime lead. Paulding scored Missouri's first six points on his way to 17 in the half, and the Tigers shot 16-of-36 after a 3-of-10 start.

American made just 28 percent of its shots in the first half and didn't score for the first 4:40. The Eagles didn't reach double digits until 5:25 remained in the half, when Ricardas Patiejunas made the first of his two 3-pointers.

Missouri widened its lead to 25-9 with an 11-0 run in the middle of the half. After a technical foul was called against Missouri's Najeeb Echols with 3:52 left in the half, American went on an 8-0 run to get to 35-22.

Missouri outrebounded American 26-15 in the first half and 45-34 for the game.

Game 1

American
#18 Missouri

57
72



Score by Period	1st	2nd	Total
American	22	35	57
Missouri	36	36	72

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American	tot-fg	3-pt	rebounds	pf	tp	a	to	blk	s	min
No. Player	fg-fga	fg-fga	ft-fa	of-de-tot						
33 Jernavis Draughn - f	5-9	0-0	0-0	2-7-9	2	10	1	4	0	1 27
41 Matej Cresnik - f	1-6	0-2	1-2	1-2-3	5	3	0	1	0	1 20
3 Glenn Stokes - g	3-12	1-6	2-2	0-0-0	4	9	3	2	0	4 34
5 Steven Miles - g	4-16	3-12	1-2	0-3-3	0	12	1	3	0	0 33
10 Andres Rodriguez - g	2-5	1-2	0-0	1-1-2	1	5	7	4	0	1 33
12 Jason Thomas	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0 19
15 Raimondas Petrauskas	3-5	0-0	0-0	2-3-5	2	6	0	0	0	0 19
22 Demek Adam	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	4	3	0	0 9
23 Jamaal Caterina	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	1	0	0 2
31 Jarrod Kohl	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	0	1	0 2
42 Ricardas Patiejunas	4-8	3-6	1-2	2-2-4	2	12	0	0	0	0 19
Team				6-2-8						
Totals	22-63	8-30	5-8	14-20-34	18	57	16	18	1	7 200

Total FG%: 1st Half: 8-29 - 27.5%	2nd Half: 14-34 - 41.2%	Game: 34.9%	Deadball Rebs: 1
3-Pt. FG%: 1st Half: 4-14 - 28.6%	2nd Half: 4-16 - 25%	Game: 26.7%	
F Throw%: 1st Half: 2-2 - 100%	2nd Half: 3-6 - 50%	Game: 62.5%	

Missouri	tot-fg	3-pt	rebounds	pf	tp	a	to	blk	s	min
No. Player	fg-fga	fg-fga	ft-fa	of-de-tot						
5 Travon Bryant - f	4-10	0-1	3-6	3-5-8	0	11	1	3	2	2 30
23 Rickey Paulding - f	8-16	1-5	2-2	1-4-5	4	19	2	2	1	3 40
50 Arthur Johnson - c	5-11	0-0	1-2	3-7-10	4	11	1	1	0	1 26
0 Ricky Clemons - g	8-15	4-9	5-5	1-4-5	1	25	4	6	0	4 38
15 Josh Kroenke - g	0-3	0-3	0-0	3-2-5	1	0	2	2	1	1 31
10 Ryan Kiernan	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0 2
14 Kevin Young	2-4	0-0	0-0	1-5-6	2	4	0	1	0	0 13
32 Jeffrey Ferguson	1-2	0-0	0-0	1-0-1	0	2	0	0	0	0 10
33 Najeeb Echols	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2-2	1	0	1	1	0	1 10
				3-0-3						
Totals	28-62	5-18	11-15	16-29-45	13	72	11	16	4	12 200

Total FG%: 1st Half: 16-36 - 44.4%	2nd Half: 12-26 - 46.2%	Game: 45.2%	Deadball Rebs: 2
3-Pt. FG%: 1st Half: 3-14 - 21.4%	2nd Half: 2-4 - 50%	Game: 27.8%	
F Throw%: 1st Half: 1-2 - 50.0%	2nd Half: 10-13 - 76.9%	Game: 73.3%	

Officials: Scott Thornley, Terry Davis, Rob Wolf, Rob Wolf
Technical fouls: Missouri- Najeeb Echols American-None
Attendance: 10,283

Tigers Topple Austin Peay

No. 18 Missouri knocks off Austin Peay, 81-46.

Nov 30, 2002

COLUMBIA, Mo. - Missouri quickly showed it wouldn't become the latest big team to lose to Austin Peay.

Rickey Paulding had 14 points and nine rebounds and guard Jimmy McKinney made an impressive return from an injury as the 18th-ranked Tigers won 81-46 Saturday

Arthur Johnson had 16 points and three steals, and Rickey Clemons had nine points and eight assists for Missouri (2-0).

McKinney, the team's top recruit, returned wearing a protective mask after missing nearly a month with a broken bone above his right eye. He had eight points in 14 minutes.

McKinney flashed some impressive moves, including a behind-the-head flip on the run under the basket that failed to make connections with a startled Johnson. McKinney also had a 3-pointer from about 3 feet beyond the line.

Austin Peay (2-1) upset Memphis 81-80 in overtime in its opener Nov. 22, but was blown out by Missouri. A 13-2 run made it 26-15 with 7:45 to go in the first half, and Missouri finished the half on a 13-0 run for a 42-20 lead as Austin Peay went scoreless the final 5:51.

The Governors committed turnovers on eight consecutive possessions during that dry spell. The Tigers took their biggest lead at 60-29.

Missouri shot 48 percent, including 9-for-21 from 3-point range with six players connecting.

Clemons controlled Gipson after he connected on his first three 3-pointers. Josh Lewis added 12 points on 5-for-5 shooting, including two dunks, for the Governors.

Austin Peay, which averaged 15.5 turnovers in its first two games, had 16 in the first half and was held to 36.4 percent shooting. The Governors had 20 3-pointers and shot 44 percent from long range during their first two games, but were 6-for-22 against Missouri.

Game 2

Austin Peay
#17 Missouri

46
81



Score by Period	1st	2nd	Total
Austin Peay	20	26	46
Missouri	42	39	81

Nov. 30, 2002 - Columbia, Mo. - Hearnes Center

Austin Peay	tot-fg	3-pt	rebounds	pf	tp	a	to	blk	s	min
No. Player	fg-fga	fg-fga	ft-fa	of-de-tot						
14 Henning, Adrian - f	2-2	1-1	2-4	1-1-2	5	7	0	1	0	0 12
24 Lewis, Josh - f	5-5	0-0	2-2	2-4-6	2	12	3	4	1	33
3 Gipson, Corey - g	5-13	4-10	1-1	1-3-4	1	15	2	5	0	2 23
23 Davis, Anthony - g	2-13	0-5	0-0	2-3-5	2	4	1	2	2	1 23
32 Wierzbza, Rhet - g	0-4	0-4	0-0	1-1-2	3	0	1	1	0	0 18
4 Zac Schlader	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1 18
10 Carmichael, Levi	2-4	1-2	2-2	0-0-0	2	7	1	1	0	1 12
21 Hampton, Maurice	0-6	0-0	0-0	1-1-2	0	0	1	3	0	1 19
33 Graham, Jermaine	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	0	0	0	2	0	0 4
34 Macura, Igor	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2-2	2	0	0	0	0	1 11
54 Hill, Bobbye	0-3	0-0	1-2	0-3-3	2	1	1	3	0	0 19
Team				2-3-5						
Totals	16-55	6-22	8-11	10-22-32	19	46	10	22	6	8 200

Total FG%: 1st Half: 14-32 - 36.4%	2nd Half: 8-33 - 24.2%	Game: 29.1%	Deadball Rebs: 2
3-Pt. FG%: 1st Half: 4-9 - 44.4%	2nd Half: 2-13 - 15.4%	Game: 27.3%	
F Throw%: 1st Half: 0-0 - 00.0%	2nd Half: 8-11 - 72.7%	Game: 72.7%	

Missouri	tot-fg	3-pt	rebounds	pf	tp	a	to	blk	s	min
No. Player	fg-fga	fg-fga	ft-fa	of-de-tot						
5 Bryant, Travon - f	4-6	2-3	0-0	0-3-3	4	10	2	2	1	0 22
23 Paulding, Rickey - f	5-14	1-3	3-5	4-5-9	0	14	2	2	1	1 29
50 Johnson, Arthur - c	8-13	0-0	0-2	3-0-3	3	16	0	4	1	3 27
0 Clemons, Ricky - g	3-8	1-5	2-2	1-2-3	1	9	8	2	0	2 30
15 Kroenke, Josh - g	2-5	2-5	0-0	1-4-5	1	6	2	0	0	1 21
1 McKinney, Jimmy	2-5	2-3	2-2	0-1-1	2	8	3	0	0	1 16
2 Stewart, Rob	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	0	0	0	0	0	0 2
10 Kiernan, Ryan	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	0	0	0	0	0	2 5
14 Young, Kevin	2-2	0-0	1-2	1-2-3	0	5	1	0	0	0 16
24 Jackson, Jake	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0 2
32 Ferguson, Jeffrey	3-7	1-2	0-0	3-5-8	2	7	0	4	0	0 15
33 Echols, Najeeb	1-2	0-0	4-7	2-2-4	0	6	1	0	0	0 15
Team				1-4-5						
Totals	30-62	9-21	12-20	16-30-46	13	81	19	15	3	10 200

Total FG%: 1st Half: 14-32 - 43.8%	2nd Half: 16-30 - 53.3%	Game: 48.4%	Deadball Rebs: 2
3-Pt. FG%: 1st Half: 5-11 - 45.5%	2nd Half: 4-10 - 40.0%	Game: 42.9%	
F Throw%: 1st Half: 9-12 - 75.0%	2nd Half: 3-8 - 37.5%	Game: 60.0%	

Officials: Dave Chrisman, Gerry Pollard, Brad Ferrie
Technical fouls: Missouri-None Austin Peay-None
Attendance: 8,218

Game Recaps

No. 15 Missouri Tops Sacramento State

Tigers get career-high 24 points from Arthur Johnson in the victory.

Dec 2, 2002

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) - After another slow start, No. 15 Missouri used a big second half to rout another nonconference opponent.

Arthur Johnson scored a career-high 24 points and Rickey Paulding added 17 as the Tigers beat Sacramento State 98-60 on Monday night.

Johnson, who also had 10 rebounds, scored 12 of Missouri's first 20 points of the second half after the Tigers managed only a 10-point lead at the break. Missouri outscored Sacramento State 48-20 in the second half.

After Sacramento State made the first shot of the second half, Missouri went on a 12-0 run to make it 62-42 with 16:30 left. The lead jumped to 77-50 on a 3-pointer by freshman Jimmy McKinney with 10:32 left.

The loss was the Hornets' 39th straight on the road and it was Sacramento State's first game against a ranked opponent since facing then-No. 2 Stanford on Dec. 18, 1999.

Center Tony Champion had all but two of his career-high 16 points in the first half for the Hornets and DeShawn Freeman added eight assists.

Point guard Ricky Clemons had 17 points and McKinney added 11 for Missouri, which beat Austin Peay 81-46 on Saturday.

Missouri (3-0) shot 57.6 percent in the second half while the Hornets (1-3) made just 27.6.

Missouri shot 57.6 percent in the second half while the Hornets were at 27.6 percent.

Sacramento State, which averaged 58.5 points entering the game, led 7-2 on four inside points from Champion. The Hornets took a 16-11 lead with 14:49 left in the first half then Missouri went on a 13-0 run ignited by a 3-pointer by Paulding and a steal by Clemons who passed to McKinney for an acrobatic move to the basket. During a three-minute span in that run, the Hornets didn't take a shot.

Missouri, which led 50-40 at halftime, had nine steals in the opening 20 minutes as the Hornets committed 13 turnovers.

Game 3

Sacramento State 60
#15 Missouri 98



Score by Period	1st	2nd	Total
Sacramento State	40	20	60
Missouri	50	48	98

Dec. 2, 2002 - Columbia, Mo. - Hearnes Center

No.	Player	tot-fg	fg-fga	3-pt	fg-3pt	ft-fga	ft-3pt	rebounds	pf	tp	a	to	blk	s	min
5	White, Jimmy - f	4-8	1-2	0-0	1-2-3	3	9	2	3	0	1	27			
35	Lambeth, Derek - f	3-6	1-1	1-4	2-1-3	5	8	2	3	0	0	23			
55	Champion, Tony - c	7-12	0-0	2-2	2-3-5	4	16	1	4	0	0	25			
10	Guyton, Brandon - g	3-10	2-7	0-1	1-0-1	2	8	0	1	0	1	26			
42	Hooks, Raashad - g	2-3	0-1	0-0	1-3-4	1	4	2	5	1	0	15			
3	Medunjanin, Emir	1-7	1-5	2-4	1-4-5	3	5	0	2	1	0	25			
20	Freeman, DeShawn	3-6	1-2	0-1	0-3-3	4	7	8	6	0	5	31			
32	Diop, Djibril	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	2	0	0	0	1	0	7			
44	Lange, Chris	1-6	1-3	0-0	1-2-3	2	3	0	0	0	1	20			
50	Gooding, Nick	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1			
	Team				2-2-4										
	Totals	24-60	7-21	5-12	11-21-32	26	60	15	24	3	8	200			

Total FG%: 1st Half: 16-31 51.6%	2nd Half: 8-29 27.6%	Game: 40.0%	Deadball Rebs:
3-Pt. FG%: 1st Half: 4-9 44.4%	2nd Half: 3-12 25.0%	Game: 33.3%	
F Throw%: 1st Half: 4-8 50.0%	2nd Half: 1-4 25.0%	Game: 41.7%	1

No.	Player	tot-fg	fg-fga	3-pt	fg-3pt	ft-fga	ft-3pt	rebounds	pf	tp	a	to	blk	s	min
5	Bryant, Travon - f	1-8	0-3	3-4	2-6-8	2	5	2	2	0	3	29			
23	Paulding, Rickey - f	4-11	2-5	7-8	2-5-7	1	17	3	1	2	1	32			
50	Johnson, Arthur - c	10-16	0-0	4-9	6-4-10	0	24	0	3	2	0	26			
00	Clemons, Ricky - g	5-11	3-6	4-4	1-1-2	3	17	4	3	0	5	29			
15	Kroenke, Josh - g	2-3	2-3	0-0	0-2-2	4	6	2	0	0	0	21			
1	McKinney, Jimmy	4-7	1-2	2-3	1-1-2	3	11	1	0	0	2	22			
10	Kiernan, Ryan	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2			
14	Young, Kevin	3-3	0-0	0-1	1-4-5	0	6	2	0	0	0	12			
32	Ferguson, Jeffery	2-4	0-1	0-0	1-4-5	1	4	1	4	0	0	13			
33	Echols, Najeeb	3-3	0-0	2-2	2-1-3	0	8	0	9	0	2	14			
	TEAM				0-3-3										
	Totals	34-66	8-20	22-31	16-31-47	14	98	15	16	4	13	200			

Total FG%: 1st Half: 15-33 - 45.5%	2nd Half: 19-33 - 57.6%	Game: 51.5%	Deadball Rebs: 4
3-Pt. FG%: 1st Half: 4-10 - 40%	2nd Half: 4-10 - 40.0%	Game: 40.0%	
F Throw%: 1st Half: 16-23 - 69.6%	2nd Half: 6-8 - 75.0%	Game: 71.0%	

Officials: Eddie Jackson, Brad Ferrie Dave Drucker
Technical fouls: Missouri- None American-None
Attendance: 8,102

No. 15 Missouri Knocks Off USC, 78-72

Arthur Johnson had 24 points and 12 rebounds in the victory.

Dec 7, 2002

ANAHEIM, Calif. - After blowing out their first three opponents, the No. 15 Missouri Tigers found out they can survive a close game against a quality team.

Arthur Johnson had 24 points and 12 rebounds, and the Tigers overcame an 11-point deficit in the second half to beat Southern California 78-72 Saturday in the John Wooden Classic.

Ricky Clemons added 16 points and Rickey Paulding had 12 for the Tigers (4-0), who improved to 7-11 playing in California.

Georgia defeated California 78-73 in overtime in the first game of the doubleheader at Anaheim Arena that honors Wooden, the 92-year-old former UCLA coach who received a prolonged standing ovation from the crowd of 9,889 during the late game.

Missouri has held all four of its opponents to 40 percent or less from the floor. The Trojans shot 33 percent. The Trojans (2-3) took the lead into halftime for the fifth consecutive time this season, but they've been outscored 200-171 in the second half of their games.

USC opened the second half with a 12-6 run to take its largest lead, 51-40, with 15:41 remaining. Missouri settled down after committing some of its 18 turnovers against USC's zone and outscored the Trojans 20-9 to tie the game at 60 with nine minutes left. McKinney made two 3-pointers and Josh Kroenke added another in the spurt.

The Trojans had 16 turnovers, but managed nine steals, including four by Roydell Smiley.

Even though they lost their second straight game, the young Trojans learned something, too.

Farmer hit a 3-pointer for a 63-60 lead. Then the Tigers scored seven in a row before the Trojans tied the game for the last time at 67 on a putback by Jonathan Oliver with 5:16 left.

Farmer's hook shot gave USC its last lead at 69-67. The Tigers scored six straight, including a 3-pointer by Paulding, for a 73-69 lead. USC made just one field goal in the final 2½ minutes.

USC lost 6-foot-11 Kostas Charissis and 7-footer Oliver to foul trouble in the final 9½ minutes, leaving the Trojans vulnerable against Missouri's physical frontline players. Oliver finished with 11 points.

Game 4

#15 Missouri 78
USC 72



Score by Period	1st	2nd	Total
Missouri	34	44	78
USC	39	33	72

Dec. 7, 2002 - Anaheim, Calif. - Arrowhead Pond

No.	Player	tot-fg	fg-fga	3-pt	fg-3pt	ft-fga	ft-3pt	rebounds	pf	tp	a	to	blk	s	min
5	Bryant, Travon - f	1-5	0-2	0-2	0-8-8	4	2	1	1	3	0	25			
15	Kroenke, Josh - f	2-4	2-4	1-2	0-3-3	2	7	3	1	0	1	21			
50	Johnson, Arthur - c	8-14	0-0	8-14	6-6-12	3	24	0	2	1	0	38			
0	Clemons, Ricky - g	5-11	2-6	4-4	0-3-3	2	16	6	4	0	1	36			
23	Paulding, Rickey - g	4-12	2-4	2-4	2-4-6	4	12	1	4	0	2	30			
1	McKinney, Jimmy	4-8	2-5	2-2	1-1-2	2	12	0	2	0	1	29			
14	Young, Kevin	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4			
32	Ferguson, Jeffery	1-3	0-0	0-0	1-2-3	1	2	0	1	0	0	8			
33	Echols, Najeeb	1-3	0-0	1-2	3-2-5	1	3	0	1	0	0	9			
	TEAM				2-0-2										
	Totals	26-60	8-21	18-30	15-29-44	20	78	11	18	4	5	200			

Total FG%: 1st Half: 11-31 35.5%	2nd Half: 15-29 51.7%	Game: 43.3%	Deadball Rebs:
3-Pt. FG%: 1st Half: 2-7 28.6%	2nd Half: 6-14 42.9%	Game: 38.1%	
F Throw%: 1st Half: 10-17 58.8%	2nd Half: 8-13 61.5%	Game: 60.0%	6, 2

No.	Player	tot-fg	fg-fga	3-pt	fg-3pt	ft-fga	ft-3pt	rebounds	pf	tp	a	to	blk	s	min
02	Curtis, Nick - f	1-7	0-3	0-0	2-2-4	2	2	0	1	0	0	20			
15	Charissis, Kostas - c	2-5	0-0	0-1	2-6-8	5	4	0	2	1	0	18			
01	Smiley, Roydell - g	4-8	1-3	1-2	3-2-5	2	10	0	4	1	4	29			
22	Craven, Errick - g	3-11	1-3	2-3	1-3-4	3	9	1	1	0	0	27			
24	Craven, Derrick - g	2-6	0-1	4-4	2-1-3	3	8	1	2	0	1	22			
00	Brooks, Brandon	1-4	0-0	5-6	1-0-1	0	7	3	1	0	0	17			
10	Oliver, Jonathan	4-7	0-0	3-3	3-2-5	5	11	1	2	1	1	24			
21	O'Neil, Rory	2-10	1-1	0-0	1-2-3	4	5	0	0	1	1	20			
33	Farmer, Desmon	5-15	1-4	5-5	2-4-6	2	16	1	3	0	2	25			
	TEAM				4-1-5										
	Totals	24-73	4-15	20-24	21-23-44	26	72	7	16	4	9	200			

Total FG%: 1st Half: 12-35 - 34.3%	2nd Half: 12-38 - 31.6%	Game: 32.9%	Deadball Rebs: 1, 2
3-Pt. FG%: 1st Half: 3-9 - 33.3%	2nd Half: 1-6 - 16.7%	Game: 26.7%	
F Throw%: 1st Half: 12-14 - 85.7%	2nd Half: 8-10 - 80.0%	Game: 83.3%	

Officials: Frank Basone, David Bell, Vern Harris
Technical fouls: Missouri- None American-None
Attendance: 9,889

MIZZOU

Basketball

MIZZOU SEASON BOX SCORE

(as of Dec. 14, 2002)

All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	6-0	5-0	0-0	1-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	6-0	5-0	0-0	1-0

##	Player	GP	GS	Min	Avg	TOTAL				3-PTS				REBOUNDS												
						FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
23	Paulding, Rickey	6	6	195	32.5	37	85	.435	13	34	.382	22	29	.759	11	28	39	6.5	12	0	15	15	5	13	109	18.2
50	Johnson, Arthur	6	6	182	30.3	43	79	.544	0	0	.000	23	40	.575	27	26	53	8.8	17	0	5	13	10	5	109	18.2
00	Clemons, Ricky	6	6	183	30.5	33	64	.516	17	38	.447	16	17	.941	4	15	19	3.2	15	0	30	18	0	12	99	16.5
01	McKinney, Jimmy	5	0	131	26.2	15	35	.429	5	16	.313	14	16	.875	5	7	12	2.4	12	0	15	4	0	6	49	9.8
05	Bryant, Travon	6	5	146	24.3	21	50	.420	3	11	.273	9	17	.529	12	31	43	7.2	16	0	10	13	12	7	54	9.0
15	Kroenke, Josh	6	6	143	23.8	9	22	.409	9	21	.429	3	5	.600	8	16	24	4.0	12	0	15	9	1	4	30	5.0
14	Young, Kevin	6	0	67	11.2	9	12	.750	0	0	.000	3	5	.600	4	16	20	3.3	5	0	3	2	1	1	21	3.5
33	Echols, Najeeb	6	0	67	11.2	6	13	.462	0	0	.000	9	13	.692	9	9	18	3.0	3	0	3	6	0	4	21	3.5
32	Ferguson, Jeffrey	6	1	71	11.8	8	21	.381	1	3	.333	1	4	.250	8	15	23	3.8	6	0	1	9	0	0	18	3.0
24	Jackson, Jake	1	0	2	2.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0
10	Kiernan, Ryan	4	0	11	2.8	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0.0
02	Stewart, Rob	1	0	2	2.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
TM TEAM.....															7	11	18	3.0	0			2				
Total.....		6				181	381	.475	48	123	.390	100	146	.685	95	176	271	45.2	98	0	97	92	29	54	510	85.0
Opponents.....		6				140	398	.352	35	126	.278	65	94	.691	99	129	228	38.0	136	-	80	107	20	48	380	63.3

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	Total
MIZZOU	238	272	510
Opponents	188	192	380

DEADBALL REBOUNDS:	OFF	DEF	TOTAL
MIZZOU	20	2	22
Opponents	9	2	11

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11-22-02	7:00 pm	MSN AMERICAN	W 72-57	10283	(25)Clemons, Ricky	(10)Johnson, Arthur
11-30-02	1:00 p.m.	MSN AUSTIN PEAY	W 81-46	8218	(16)Johnson, Arthur	(9)Paulding, Rickey
12-2-02	7:00pm	MSN SACRAMENTO ST.	W 98-60	8102	(24)Johnson, Arthur	(10)Johnson, Arthur
12/07/02	4:15 p.m.	MSN & vs USC	W 78-72	9889	(24)Johnson, Arthur	(12)Johnson, Arthur
12-9-02	7:08pm	MSN WIS.-GREEN BAY	W 88-67	8380	(25)Paulding, Rickey	(10)Bryant, Travon
12-14-02	4:30pm	ESPN2 MEMPHIS	W 93-78	12042	(23)Johnson, Arthur	(11)Johnson, Arthur

* = Big 12 Conference game
 & = John R. Wooden Classic
 ^ = Big 12 Tournament
 \$ = NCAA Tournament

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME	5	47025	9405
AWAY	0	0	0
NEUTRAL	1	9889	9889
TOTAL	6	56914	9486



#0 Ricky Clemons

Jr. * Guard * 5-11 * 172 * Raleigh, N.C

Had his third consecutive 16-pt. outing against Memphis while also handing out six assists and turning the ball over once ... was 3-of-6 from the 3-pt. line ... missed his first free throw of the season after hitting his first 15 attempts ... put in 16 points on 6-of-8 shooting including 4-of-6 from behind the arc against UWGB ... also handed out two assists against the Phoenix in just 22 minutes ... went for 16 pts. and handed out six assists in the Tigers' win over USC ... was a perfect 4-of-4 from the free throw line including two money shots that extended the Tigers' lead from two to four (75-71) with 1:19 left in the contest ... Had 17 points and seven rebounds in rout of Sacramento State ... was 5-of-11 from the field including 3-6 from 3-pt. land and 4-of-4 from the free throw line ... also handed out four assists and raked in a game-high five steals ... ran the Tigers' offense effectively to 81-46 win over Austin Peay with nine points and eight assists while committing only two turnovers ... was a perfect 2-for-2 from the free-throw line ... made a big impact in his debut in Black and Gold pouring in 25 points against American ... led Mizzou in points, steals, assists, free throws made and three point field goals against American ... after putting in seven points in the opening half, went for 18 points on 5-of-8 shooting from the field in the second stanza ... transferred to Mizzou this semester from the College of Southern Idaho ... was a finalist for Preseason-Big 12 Newcomer of the Year.

Season/Career Bests

Points
2002-03 25 vs. American, 11-22-02
Career 25 vs. American, 11-22-02

Field Goals Made
2002-03 8 vs. American, 11-22-02
Career 8 vs. American, 11-22-02

Field Goals Attempted
2002-03 15 vs. American, 11-22-02
Career 15 vs. American, 11-22-02

3-pt Field Goals Made
2002-03 4, twice
Career 4, twice

3-pt Field Goals Attempted
2002-03 9 vs. American, 11-22-02
Career 9 vs. American, 11-22-02

Free Throws Made
2002-03 5 vs. American, 11-22-02
Career 5 vs. American, 11-22-02

Free Throws Attempted
2002-03 5 vs. American, 11-22-02
Career 5 vs. American, 11/22/02

Rebounds
2002-03 5 vs. American, 11-22-02
Career 5 vs. American, 11-22-02

Assists
2002-03 8 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02
Career 8 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Turnovers
2002-03 6 vs. American, 11-22-02
Career 6 vs. American, 11-22-02

Blocks
2002-03 0
Career 0

Steals
2002-03 5 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02
Career 5 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Opponent	GS	Total			3-PTS		FTs		Rebounds		PF-FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	PPG
		Min	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FTM-FTA	Pct.	Off-Def	Tot							
American	*	38	8-15	.533	4-9	.444	5-5	1.000	1-4	5	1-0	4	6	0	4	25	25.0
Austin Peay	*	30	3-8	.375	1-5	.200	2-2	1.000	1-2	3	1-0	8	2	0	2	9	17.0
Sacramento St.	*	29	5-11	.455	3-6	.500	4-4	1.000	1-1	2	3-0	4	3	0	5	17	17.0
vs. USC	*	36	5-11	.455	2-6	.333	4-4	1.000	0-3	3	2-0	6	4	0	1	16	16.8
Wisc.-Green Bay	*	22	6-8	.750	4-6	.667	0-0	-	0-2	2	4-0	2	2	0	0	16	16.6
Memphis	*	28	6-11	.545	3-5	.500	1-2	.500	1-3	4	4-0	6	1	0	0	16	16.5
vs. Illinois																	
Valpraiso																	
at Iowa																	
Centenary																	
Baylor																	
at Syracuse																	
at Oklahoma St.																	
Iowa St.																	
at Texas																	
at Nebraska																	
Colorado																	
at Kansas																	
Texas Tech																	
at Texas A&M																	
Kansas St.																	
Nebraska																	
at Colorado																	
Oklahoma																	
at Kansas St.																	
at Iowa St.																	
Kansas																	

The Clemons File

Season	G-GS	MIN	MPG	FG-A	FG%	3FG-A	FT-A	FT%	REB	AVG.	PF-D	AST	TO	BS	S	TP	AVG.
2002-03	6-6	182	30.5	33-64	.516	17-38	16-17	.941	19	3.2	15-0	30	18	0	12	99	16.5
Big 12	NA																
Big 12	NA																
Total	6-6	182	30.5	33-64	.516	17-38	16-17	.941	19	3.2	15-0	30	18	0	12	99	16.5



#1 Jimmy McKinney

Fr. * Guard * 6-3 * 200 * St. Louis, Mo.

Poured in a career-high 13 points in the Tigers 93-78 drubbing of Memphis ... was 4-of-8 from the field and 5-of-5 from the free throw line against the Tigers ... handed out a career and game-high nine assists in the Tigers' win over Wisconsin-Green Bay ... was only 1-of-7 from the field and put in five points against the Phoenix ... continued to play with great maturity and poise against USC, putting in a then career-best 12 points in 29 minutes of work ... all 12 points came in the second half of the contest ... was 2-of-5 from the three-point line and 2-of-2 from the charity stripe against the Trojans ... provided valuable time at both the point and off-guard positions ... had 11 points and two rebounds against Sac. State ... played 22 minutes in the contest ... returned to action against Austin Peay putting in eight points and handing out three assists in just 16 minutes of playing time ... effectively played both the shooting and point guard positions for the Tigers against the Govs ... will be wearing a protective mask for the upcoming games to protect his head after he fractured his frontal sinus against the EA Sports All-Stars in early November ... had five points and six rebounds in just 14 minutes against the EA Sports All-Stars prior to the injury ... was a finalist for Preseason Big-12 Freshman of the Year ... one of the most highly-touted in-state recruits in recent memory out of St. Louis ... one of the best jump shooters on the squad, he will likely see time at both the shooting and point guard position.

Season/Career Bests

Points

2002-03 13 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02
Career 13 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02

Field Goals Made

2002-03 4, three times
Career 4, three times

Field Goals Attempted

2002-03 8, twice
Career 8, twice

3-pt Field Goals Made

2002-03 2, two times
Career 2, two times

3-pt Field Goals Attempted

2002-03 5, two times
Career 5, two times

Free Throws Made

2002-03 5 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02
Career 5 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02

Free Throws Attempted

2002-03 5 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02
Career 5 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02

Rebounds

2002-03 5 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02
Career 5 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02

Assists

2002-03 .. 9 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02
Career 9 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Turnovers

2002-03 2 vs. Southern Cal, 12-7-02
Career 2 vs. Southern Cal, 12-7-02

Blocks

2002-03 0
Career 0

Steals

2002-03 2, two times
Career 2, two times

Opponent	Total			3-PTS		FTs		Rebounds			A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	PPG
	GS	Min	FG-FGA Pct.	3FG-FGA Pct.	FTM-FTA Pct.	Off-Def	Tot	PF-FO								
American	DNP - Fractured frontal sinus															
Austin Peay	16	2-5	.400	2-3	.667	2-2	1.000	0-1	1	2-0	3	0	0	1	8	8.0
Sacramento St.	22	4-7	.571	1-2	.500	2-3	.667	1-1	2	3-0	1	0	0	2	11	9.5
vs. USC	29	4-8	.500	2-5	.400	2-2	1.000	1-1	2	2-0	0	2	0	1	12	10.3
Wisc.-Green Bay	32	1-7	.143	0-5	.000	3-4	.750	1-1	2	1-0	9	1	0	2	5	9.0
Memphis	32	4-8	.500	0-1	.000	5-5	1.000	2-3	5	4-0	2	1	0	0	13	9.8
vs. Illinois																
Valpraiso																
at Iowa																
Centenary																
Baylor																
at Syracuse																
at Oklahoma St.																
Iowa St.																
at Texas																
at Nebraska																
Colorado																
at Kansas																
Texas Tech																
at Texas A&M																
Kansas St.																
Nebraska																
at Colorado																
Oklahoma																
at Kansas St.																
at Iowa St.																
Kansas																

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Season	G-GS	MIN	MPG	FG-A	FG%	3FG-A	FT-A	FT%	REB	AVG.	PF-D	AST	TO	BS	S	TP	AVG.
2002-03	5-0	131	26.2	15-35	.429	5-16	14-16	.875	12	2.4	12-0	15	4	0	6	49	9.8
Big 12	N/A																
Total	5-0	131	26.2	15-35	.429	5-16	14-16	.875	12	2.4	12-0	15	4	0	6	49	9.8



#5 Travon Bryant

Jr. * Forward * 6-9 * 236 * Long Beach, Calif.

Came off of the bench for the first time and recorded a career-high 14 points in just 16 minutes of action against Memphis ... was 6-of-13 from the field while pulling down six rebounds against the Tigers ... had three great dunks in the contest including the tally that gave the Tigers a 12-0 lead to start the contest with Memphis... recorded his first double-double of the season against UWGB with 12 points and 10 rebounds while registering a career-best four blocks ... had a career and game-high three blocks while pulling down eight rebounds against USC in the return to his home state ... played 25 minutes despite picking up his fourth foul early in the second half against the Trojans ... had a strong game on the boards grabbing eight rebounds against Sacramento State ... registered 10 points and three rebounds against Austin Peay ... hit a career-best two three-pointers on 4-of-6 shooting from the field in 22 minutes on the court ... put in 11 points and pulled down eight rebounds against American ... tied for tops in offensive rebounds with three against the Eagles ... equaled a career-best with two steals ... had a team-best two blocks in 30 minutes of playing time ... powerful left-handed forward who can create match-up problems for smaller forwards or slower big men.

Season/Career Bests

Points
2002-03 14 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02
Career 14, twice

Field Goals Made
2002-03 6 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02
Career 7 vs. Texas, 3-8-02

Field Goals Attempted
2002-03 13 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02
Career 13 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02

3-pt Field Goals Made
2002-03 2 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02
Career 2, three times

3-pt Field Goals Attempted
2002-03 3, twice
Career 3, twice

Free Throws Made
2002-03 3, five times
Career 3, five times

Free Throws Attempted
2002-03 6 vs. American, 11-22-02
Career 9 vs. Iowa St., 1-13-01

Rebounds
2002-03 10 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02
Career 12 at Kansas St., 1-16-01

Assists
2002-03 2, four times
Career 3, two times

Turnovers
2002-03 4 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02
Career 4, twice

Blocks
2002-03 3, two times
Career 4 vs. Iowa, 12-15-01

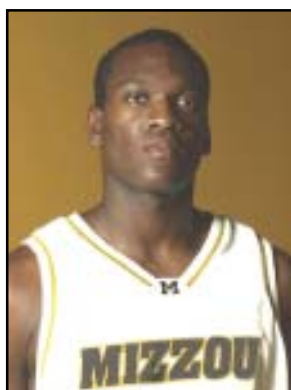
Steals
2002-03 3 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02
Career 3 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Opponent	GS	Total			3-PTS		FTs		Rebounds		PF-FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	PPG
		Min	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FTM-FTA	Pct.	Off-Def	Tot							
American	*	30	4-10	.400	0-1	.000	3-6	.500	3-5	8	0-0	1	3	2	2	11	11.0
Austin Peay	*	22	4-6	.667	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	0-3	3	4-0	2	2	1	0	10	10.5
Sacramento St.	*	29	1-8	.125	0-3	.000	3-4	.750	2-6	8	2-0	2	2	0	3	5	8.7
vs. USC	*	25	1-5	.200	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	0-8	8	4-0	1	1	3	0	2	7.0
Wisc.-Green Bay	*	24	5-8	.625	0-0	.000	2-4	.000	4-6	10	2-0	2	1	3	1	12	8.0
Memphis		16	6-13	.462	1-2	.500	1-1	1.000	3-3	6	4-0	2	4	2	1	14	9.0
vs. Illinois																	
Valparaiso																	
at Iowa																	
Centenary																	
Baylor																	
at Syracuse																	
at Oklahoma St.																	
Iowa St.																	
at Texas																	
at Nebraska																	
Colorado																	
at Kansas																	
Texas Tech																	
at Texas A&M																	
Kansas St.																	
Nebraska																	
at Colorado																	
Oklahoma																	
at Kansas St.																	
at Iowa St.																	

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Season	G-GS	MIN	MPG	FG-A	FG%	3FG	3FG%	FT-A	FT%	REB	AVG.	PF-D	AST	TO	BS	S	TP	AVG.
2000-01	24-0	316	13.2	32-66	.485	0-0	.000	9-32	.281	83	3.5	57-0	10	20	14	7	73	3.0
Big 12	16-0	249	15.6	27-58	.466	0-0	.000	7-25	.280	70	4.4	44-0	10	14	12	5	61	3.8
2001-02	36-25	669	18.6	98-170	.576	6-13	.462	26-51	.510	193	5.4	114-6	21	50	20	30	228	6.3
Big 12	16-12	294	18.4	39-71	.549	5-8	.625	13-23	.565	86	5.4	53-3	13	24	8	10	96	6.0
2002-03	6-5	146	24.3	21-50	.420	3-11	.273	9-17	.529	43	7.2	16-0	10	13	11	7	54	9.0
Big 12	N/A																	
TOTAL	66-30	1131	17.1	151-286	.528	9-24	.375	44-100	.440	319	4.8	187-6	41	83	45	44	355	5.4
Big 12	32-12	543	17.0	66-129	.512	5-8	.625	20-48	.417	156	4.9	97-3	23	38	20	15	157	4.9



#14 Kevin Young

Fr. * Forward * 6-9 * 270 * Kingston, Jamaica

Had six points and six rebounds in 16 minutes against Wisconsin-Green Bay ... registered four solid minutes against USC giving Arthur Johnson some valuable rest during the course of the game ... was a perfect 3-for-3 from the field for six points against the Hornets of Sac. State ... also had five boards and two assists while committing no turnovers in the contest ... was a huge spark off of the bench against the Governors of Austin Peay putting in five points on 2-of-2 shooting from the field ... also pulled down three rebounds ... registered four points and six rebounds in only 13 minutes against the American ... was 330 lbs. when he came to Mizzou and is now 270 lbs. after a comprehensive summer workout program ... extremely coachable freshman who can provide depth at both the forward and center position.

Season/Career Bests

Points
2002-03 6, two times
Career 6, two times

Field Goals Made
2002-03 . 3 vs. Sacramento State, 12-3-02
Career ... 3, vs. Sacramento State, 12-3-02

Field Goals Attempted
2002-03 4 vs. American, 11-22-02
Career 4 vs. American, 11-22-02

3-pt Field Goals Made
2002-03 0
Career 0

3-pt Field Goals Attempted
2002-03 0
Career 0

Free Throws Made
2002-03 ... 2 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02
Career 2 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Free Throws Attempted
2002-03 2, two times
Career 2, two times

Rebounds
2002-03 6, two times
Career 6, two times

Assists
2002-03 2 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02
Career 2 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Turnovers
2002-03 1, two times
Career 1, two times

Blocks
2002-03 ... 1 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02
Career 1 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Steals
2002-03 ... 1 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02
Career 1 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Opponent	GS	Total			3-PTS		FTs		Rebounds		PF-FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	PPG
		Min	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FTM-FTA	Pct.	Off-Def	Tot							
American	13	2-4	.500	0-0	-	0-0	-	1-5	6	2-0	0	1	0	0	0	4	4.0
Austin Peay	16	2-2	1.000	0-0	-	1-2	.500	1-2	3	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	5	4.5
Sacramento St.	12	3-3	1.000	0-0	-	0-1	.000	1-4	5	0-0	2	0	0	0	0	6	5.0
vs. USC	4	0-0	-	0-0	-	0-0	-	0-0	0	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.8
Wisc.-Green Bay	16	2-3	.667	0-0	-	2-2	1.000	1-5	6	1-0	0	1	1	1	1	6	4.2
Memphis	6	0-0	.000	0-0	-	0-0	-	0-0	0	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.5
vs. Illinois																	
Valparaiso																	
at Iowa																	
Centenary																	
Baylor																	
at Syracuse																	
at Oklahoma St.																	
Iowa St.																	
at Texas																	
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at Kansas																	
Texas Tech																	
at Texas A&M																	
Kansas St.																	
Nebraska																	
at Colorado																	
Oklahoma																	
at Kansas St.																	
at Iowa St.																	
Kansas																	

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Season	G-GS	MIN	MPG	FG-A	FG%	3FG	3FG%	FT-A	FT%	REB	AVG.	PF-D	AST	TO	BS	S	TP	AVG.
2002-03	6-0	67	11.2	9-12	.750	0-0	-	3-5	.600	20	4.0	5-0	3	2	1	1	21	3.5
<i>Big 12 NA</i>																		
Total	6-0	67	11.2	9-12	.750	0-0	-	3-5	.600	20	4.0	5-0	3	2	1	1	21	3.5



#15 Josh Kroenke

Jr. * Guard * 6-4 * 195 * Columbia, Mo.

Handed out three assists and pulled down four rebounds against Memphis ... continued his hot shooting from the field going 3-of-4 (including 3-of-3 from 3-pt. land) as he poured in a season-best 11 points ... made two huge three-point shots in the second half of the Tigers' win of USC ... played a good all-around game handing out three assists while also pulling down three boards in 21 minutes of action ... was solid once again from three putting in 2-of-3 for six points ... has been a pleasant surprise on the boards so far averaging 4.0 rebounds per contest ... knocked down two three-pointers for six points in the Tigers win over Austin Peay ... has pulled down five rebounds in each of the Tigers first two contests ... started the first game of his career against American ... played a career-high 31 minutes while recording two assists and only the second blocked shot of his career against the Eagles ... junior sharp shooter who is capable of hitting from the outside ... also one of the Tigers' most talented passers.

Season/Career Bests

Points
 2002-03 7 vs. Southern Cal, 12-7-02
 Career 18 vs. Morgan St., 11-27-99

Field Goals Made
 2002-03 3 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02
 Career 6 vs. Morgan St., 11-27-02

Field Goals Attempted
 2002-03 5 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02
 Career 9 vs. Morgan St., 11-22-02

3-pt Field Goals Made
 2002-03 3 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02
 Career 5, two times

3-pt Field Goals Attempted
 2002-03 5 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02
 Career 8 vs. Western Carolina, 11-22-02

Free Throws Made
 2002-03 2 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02
 Career 2, two times

Free Throws Attempted
 2002-03 3 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02
 Career 4 at Oklahoma, 2-26-00

Rebounds
 2002-03 5, three times
 Career 5, three times

Assists
 2002-03 3, three times
 Career 3, five times

Turnovers
 2002-03 4 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02
 Career 4 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02

Blocks
 2002-03 1 vs. American, 11-22-02
 Career 1, twice

Steals
 2002-03 1, three times
 Career 2 vs. Jackson St., 11-26-01

Opponent	GS	Total			3-PTS		FTs		Rebounds		PF-FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	PPG
		Min	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FTM-FTA	Pct.	Off-Def	Tot							
American	*	31	0-3	.000	0-3	.000	0-0	-	3-2	5	1-0	2	2	1	1	0	0.0
Austin Peay	*	21	2-5	.400	2-5	.400	0-0	-	1-4	5	1-0	2	0	0	1	6	3.0
Sacramento St.	*	21	2-3	.667	2-3	.667	0-0	-	0-2	2	4-0	2	0	0	0	6	4.0
vs. USC	*	21	2-4	.500	2-4	.500	1-2	.500	0-3	3	2-0	3	1	0	1	7	4.8
Wisc.-Green Bay	*	23	3-4	.750	3-3	1.000	2-3	.667	2-3	5	1-0	3	2	0	1	11	6.0
Memphis	*	26	0-3	.000	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	2-2	4	3-0	3	4	0	0	0	5.0
vs. Illinois																	
Valparaiso																	
at Iowa																	
Centenary																	
Baylor																	
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Oklahoma																	
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Kansas																	

The Kroenke File

Season	G-GS	MIN	MPG	FG-A	FG%	3FG	3FG%	FT-A	FT%	REB	AVG.	PF-D	AST	TO	BS	S	TP	AVG.
1999-00	30-0	282	9.4	27-69	.391	22-59	.373	6-10	.600	23	0.8	23-0	10	16	1	7	82	2.7
Big 12	15-0	132	8.8	12-31	.387	11-28	.393	3-7	.429	9	0.6	12-0	5	10	0	4	38	2.5
2000-01	1-0	12	12.0	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	1	1.0	1-0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0
2001-02	32-0	270	8.4	15-43	.349	11-32	.344	4-7	.571	33	1.0	28-0	22	10	0	7	45	1.4
Big 12	16-0	132	8.3	8-20	.400	7-18	.389	2-4	.500	14	0.9	11-0	9	5	0	1	25	1.6
2002-03	6-6	143	23.8	9-22	.409	9-21	.429	3-5	.600	24	4.0	12-0	15	9	1	4	30	4.0
Big 12	N/A																	
Total	69-6	707	10.2	51-136	.375	42-114	.368	13-22	.591	81	1.2	64-0	48	36	2	18	157	2.3
Big 12	31-0	264	8.3	20-51	.392	18-46	.391	5-11	.455	24	0.8	23-0	14	15	0	5	63	2.0



#23 Rickey Paulding

Jr. * Guard * 6-5 * 212 * Detroit, Mich.

Registered a career-high five steals and dumped in 22 points on 7-of-14 shooting from the field in the Tigers' win over Memphis ... was 3-of-7 from the 3-pt. line and 5-of-6 from the free throw line against the Tigers ... also handed out three assists against Memphis ... went for a career-high 25 points on 6-of-8 shooting including 4-for-6 from the 3-pt. line against Wisconsin-Green Bay ... had two huge dunks that made SportsCenter and just missed what would have been an amazing follow up dunk after a shot by Arthur Johnson against the Phoenix ... cashed a three-point shot from the right corner to give Mizzou a 70-69 lead against USC with 4:14 left in the second half ... that marked the first time the Tigers had led since Mizzou was up 27-26 with 3:55 left in the first half ... finished with 12 points, six rebounds and two steals against the Trojans despite being saddled with four fouls for the last 11:48 of the game ... put up solid numbers against Sacramento State with 17 points, seven rebounds ... was outstanding from the free throw line putting in 7-of-8 from the charity stripe ... had two blocks and three assists against the Hornets ... poured in a quiet 14 points while pulling down a career-best nine rebounds against Austin Peay ... also had two steals and two assists in the contest ... All-American and John R. Wooden Award Candidate who can drive the lane or spot up from the outside ... one of the best athletes in the country, is capable of putting up big numbers in a short amount of time ... that was apparent as he went for 17 of his 19 points against American in the first half of the contest ... was 8-of-16 from the field and 2-of-2 from the free throw line while pulling down five rebounds and grabbing three steals ... dating back to 2001-02, Paulding has recorded 11 or more points in nine of the Tigers' last 11 contests.

Season/Career Bests

Points

2002-03 . 25 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Career 25 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Field Goals Made

2002-03 ... 9 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Career 10 vs. Oklahoma St., 2-25-02

Field Goals Attempted

2002-03 . 18 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Career 18 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

3-pt Field Goals Made

2002-03 ... 4 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Career 5 vs. Kansas, 3-3-02

3-pt Field Goals Attempted

2002-03 . 10 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Career 10 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Free Throws Made

2002-03 7 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Career 7 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Free Throws Attempted

2002-03 8 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Career 8 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Rebounds

2002-03 9 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Career 9, twice

Assists

2002-03 ... 4 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02

Career 7 vs. Southern, 12-6-01

Turnovers

2002-03 4, twice

Career 6 at Iowa St., 2-11-01

Blocks

2002-03 2 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Career 3 vs. Kansas, 11-22-02

Steals

2002-03 5 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02

Career 5 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02

Opponent	GS	Total			3-PTS		FTs		Rebounds		PF-FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	PPG
		Min	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FTM-FTA	Pct.	Off-Def	Tot							
American	*	40	8-16	.500	1-5	.200	2-2	1.000	1-4	5	4-0	2	2	1	3	19	19.0
Austin Peay	*	29	5-14	.357	1-3	.333	3-5	.600	4-5	9	0-0	2	2	1	1	14	16.5
Sacramento St.	*	32	4-11	.364	2-5	.400	7-8	.875	2-5	7	1-0	3	1	2	1	17	16.7
vs. USC	*	30	4-12	.333	2-4	.500	2-4	.500	2-4	6	4-0	1	4	0	2	12	15.5
Wisc.-Green Bay	*	34	9-18	.500	4-10	.400	3-4	.750	1-5	6	1-0	4	2	1	1	25	17.4
Memphis	*	30	7-14	.500	3-7	.429	5-6	.833	1-5	6	2-0	3	4	0	5	22	18.2
vs. Illinois																	
Valparaiso																	
at Iowa																	
Centenary																	
Baylor																	
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Kansas																	

The Paulding File

Season	G-GS	MIN	MPG	FG-A	FG%	3FG	3FG%	FT-A	FT%	REB	AVG.	PF-D	AST	TO	BS	S	TP	AVG.
2000-01	33-8	569	17.2	90-214	.421	12-56	.214	38-56	.679	79	2.4	49-1	30	61	7	15	230	7.0
Big 12	16-8	275	17.2	46-108	.426	10-33	.303	17-25	.680	35	2.2	19-0	17	25	3	8	119	7.4
2001-02	35-23	914	26.1	147-288	.510	50-113	.442	73-100	.730	135	3.9	52-1	54	63	18	35	417	11.9
Big 12	16-16	433	27.1	65-132	.492	26-56	.464	31-42	.738	58	3.6	26-0	21	28	10	21	187	11.7
2002-03	6-6	195	32.5	37-85	.435	13-34	.382	22-29	.759	39	6.5	12-0	15	15	5	13	109	18.2
Big 12	N/A																	
TOTAL	74-37	1678	22.7	274-587	.467	75-203	.369	133-185	.719	253	3.4	113-2	99	139	30	63	756	10.2
Big 12	32-24	708	22.2	111-240	.463	36-89	.405	48-67	.716	93	3.0	45-0	38	53	13	29	306	9.6



#32 Jeffrey Ferguson

So. * Forward * 6-10 * 238 * Toronto, Ontario

Made the fourth start of his career and the first of the season against Memphis ... went for three points and five rebounds against the Tigers ... had two points and three rebounds in eight minutes against USC ... was busy in 13 minutes against Sacramento State putting in four points while pulling down five rebounds ... recorded or equaled career-bests in points (7), field goals made (3), and field goals attempted (7) while pulling down eight rebounds in 15 minutes of playing time in the Tigers' win over Austin Peay ... also cashed in the first three-point field goal of his career against the Gobs ... Extremely athletic big man with amazing vertical leap ... is capable of throwing down highlight reel dunks but can also hit the outside shot ... put in two points and pulled down a rebound against American ... looks to be a major contributor for MU down low.

Season/Career Bests

Points

2002-03 7 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Career 7, twice

Field Goals Made

2002-03 3 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Career 3, twice

Field Goals Attempted

2002-03 7 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Career 7 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

3-pt Field Goals Made

2002-03 1 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Career 1 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

3-pt Field Goals Attempted

2002-03 2 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Career 2 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Free Throws Made

2002-03 1 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02

Career 4 vs. Jackson St., 11-29-01

Free Throws Attempted

2002-03 2, twice

Career 7 vs. Jackson St., 11-29-01

Rebounds

2002-03 8 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Career 9 vs. Jackson St., 11-29-01

Assists

2002-03 . 1 vs. Sacramento State, 12-2-02

Career 1, six times

Turnovers

2002-03 4, twice

Career 5 vs. Texas, 2-17-02

Blocks

2002-03 0

Career 2 vs. Iowa St., 2-6-02

Steals

2002-03 0

Career 1, two times

Opponent	GS	Total			3-PTS		FTs		Rebounds		PF-FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	PPG
		Min	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FTM-FTA	Pct.	Off-Def	Tot							
American	10	1-2	.500		0-0	-	0-0	-	1-0	1	0-0	0	0	0	0	2	2.0
Austin Peay	15	3-7	.429		1-2	.500	0-0	-	3-5	8	2-0	0	4	0	0	7	4.5
Sacramento St.	13	2-4	.500		0-1	.000	0-0	-	1-4	5	1-0	1	4	0	0	4	4.3
vs. USC	8	1-3	.333		0-0	-	0-0	-	1-2	3	1-0	0	1	0	0	2	3.8
Wisc.-Green Bay	9	0-2	.000		0-0	-	0-2	.000	0-1	1	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	3.0
Memphis	16	1-3	.333		0-0	.000	1-2	.500	2-3	5	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	3.0
vs. Illinois																	
Valpraiso																	
at Iowa																	
Centenary																	
Baylor																	
at Syracuse																	
at Oklahoma St.																	
Iowa St.																	
at Texas																	
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Colorado																	
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Texas Tech																	
at Texas A&M																	
Kansas St.																	
Nebraska																	
at Colorado																	
Oklahoma																	
at Kansas St.																	
at Iowa St.																	
Kansas																	

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Season	G-GS	MIN	MPG	FG-A	FG%	3FG-A	3FG%	FT-A	FT%	REB	AVG.	PF-D	AST	TO	BS	S	TP	AVG.
2001-02	30-3	213	7.1	20-43	.465	0-0	.000	11-17	.647	54	1.8	34-0	5	16	5	2	51	1.7
Big 12	13-3	92	7.1	9-15	.600	0-0	.000	2-4	.500	19	1.5	15-0	2	9	2	0	20	1.5
2002-03	6-1	71	11.8	8-21	.381	1-3	.333	1-4	.250	23	3.8	6-0	1	9	0	0	18	3.0
Big 12	NA																	
Total	36-4	284	7.9	28-64	.438	1-3	.333	12-20	.600	77	2.1	40-0	6	25	5	2	69	1.9
Big 12	13-3	92	7.1	9-15	.600	0-0	.000	2-4	.500	19	1.5	15-0	2	9	2	0	20	1.5



#33 Najeeb Echols

So. * Forward * 6-9 * 230 * Chicago, Ill.

Pulled down two rebounds in nine minutes against Memphis ... registered two points and two rebounds against Wisconsin-Green Bay in 10 minutes ... made the most of nine minutes of playing time against USC scoring three points on a free throw and a huge offensive put back bucket during the Tigers' second half comeback ... finished the game with five total rebounds (three of which were offensive) and three points ... went for eight points on perfect 3-of-3 shooting from the field and 2-of-2 shooting from the free throw line against Sacramento State ... had a highlight-reel two-handed jam in the second half of the game against the Hornets ... went 4-of-7 from the free throw line and 1-of-2 from the field registering six points in the Tigers' win over Austin Peay ... will see time at the two, three and four positions this year for Mizzou, but will be predominantly a perimeter player after spending all of 01-02 as a low post player ... has fully recovered from a knee injury he suffered during his senior year of high school ... pulled down two rebounds in 10 minutes of work against American.

Season/Career Bests

Points

2002-03 8 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Career 9 vs. Southern, 12-6-01

Field Goals Made

2002-03 3 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Career 4 vs. Southern, 12-6-01

Field Goals Attempted

2002-03 3, three times

Career 5, four times

3-pt Field Goals Made

2002-03 0

Career 1 vs. Iowa, 11-21-01

3-pt Field Goals Attempted

2002-03 0

Career 1, three times

Free Throws Made

2002-03 4 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Career 4, twice

Free Throws Attempted

2002-03 7 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Career 7 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02

Rebounds

2002-03 5 vs. Southern Cal, 12-7-02

Career 7, two times

Assists

2002-03 1, three times

Career 2, six times

Turnovers

2002-03 3 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Career 3, three times

Blocks

2002-03 0

Career 1, four times

Steals

2002-03 2 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Career 2 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02

Opponent	GS	Total			3-PTS		FTs		Rebounds				A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	PPG
		Min	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FTM-FTA	Pct.	Off-Def	Tot	PF-FO							
American	10	0-0	.000	0-0	-	0-0	-	0-2	2	1-0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0.0	
Austin Peay	15	1-2	.500	0-0	-	4-7	.571	2-2	4	0-0	1	0	0	0	6	3.0		
Sacramento St.	14	3-3	1.000	0-0	-	2-2	1.000	2-1	3	0-0	0	3	0	2	8	4.7		
vs. USC	9	1-3	.333	0-0	-	1-2	.500	3-2	5	1-0	0	1	0	0	3	4.3		
Wisc.-Green Bay	10	1-3	.333	0-0	-	0-0	-	1-1	2	1-0	0	1	0	1	2	3.8		
Memphis	9	0-1	.000	0-0	-	2-2	1.000	1-2	2	0-0	2	1	0	0	2	3.5		
vs. Illinois																		
Valpraiso																		
at Iowa																		
Centenary																		
Baylor																		
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at Kansas St.																		
at Iowa St.																		
Kansas																		

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Season	G-GS	MIN	MPG	FG-A	FG%	3FG-A	3FG%	FT-A	FT%	REB	AVG.	PF-D	AST	TO	BS	S	TP	AVG.
2001-02	32-7	425	13.3	30-65	.462	1-3	.333	20-33	.606	84	2.6	54-2	22	24	4	8	81	2.5
Big 12	13-0	116	8.9	7-13	.538	0-1	.000	6-12	.500	20	1.5	19-1	8	6	1	1	20	1.5
2002-03	6-0	67	11.2	6-13	.462	0-0	.000	9-13	.692	18	3.0	3-0	3	6	0	4	21	3.5
Big 12	NA																	
Total	38-7	492	13.0	36-78	.462	1-3	.333	29-46	.630	102	2.7	57-2	25	30	4	12	102	2.7
Big 12	13-0	116	8.9	7-13	.538	0-1	.000	6-12	.500	20	1.5	19-1	8	6	1	1	20	1.5



#50 Arthur Johnson

Jr. * Center * 6-9 * 265 * Detroit, Mich.

Recorded his fourth double-double in six games against Memphis (23 points, 11 rebounds) ... had more offensive rebounds (6) than defensive boards (5) against the Tigers ... had 11 pts., seven rebounds and four blocks against Wisconsin-Green Bay ... was a perfect 3-of-3 from the free-throw line against the Phoenix ... equaled a career-high (which he set last Monday) with a game-high 24 points against USC ... played 38 of 40 minutes in the contest, showing great presence on the boards with six offensive and six defensive boards ... 24 pt., 12 board effort against the Trojans was his third double-double in four games ... was huge in the Tigers' win over Sacramento State with a career-high 24 points ... recorded his second double-double of the season with 24 pts. 10 boards, six of which were offensive ... also had two blocks ... had an extremely versatile day against Austin Peay leading the Tigers in points (16), field goals (8) and steals (3) ... needs just four blocks to become Mizzou's all-time blocks leader ... recorded 11 points and 10 rebounds against American in just 26 minutes ... was 5-of-11 from the floor ... All-Big 12 and All-America candidate ... possibly one of the most consistent and underrated big men in America ... possesses great agility and soft hands making him virtually unstoppable when he gets down low.

Season/Career Bests

Points

2002-03 ... 24, two times, last 12-7 vs. USC
Career 24, two times, last 12-7 vs. USC

Field Goals Made

2002-03 10 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02
Career 10, four times

Field Goals Attempted

2002-03 16 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02
Career 19 at Kansas St., 1-12-02

3-pt Field Goals Made

2002-03 0
Career 0

3-pt Field Goals Attempted

2002-03 0
Career 0

Free Throws Made

2002-03 8 vs. Southern Cal., 12-7-02
Career 8 vs. Southern Cal., 12-7-02

Free Throws Attempted

2002-03 14 vs. Southern Cal., 12-7-02
Career 14 vs. Southern Cal., 12-7-02

Rebounds

2002-03 12 vs. Southern Cal., 12-7-02
Career 19 at Colorado, 1-10-01

Assists

2002-03 2 vs. Memphis, 12-14-02
Career 3, six times

Turnovers

2002-03 4 vs. Sacramento St., 12-2-02
Career 6, two times

Blocks

2002-03 4 vs. Wisc.-Green Bay, 12-9-02
Career 8 vs. Stetson, 12-30-00

Steals

2002-03 3 vs. Austin Peay, 11-30-02
Career 4, two times

Opponent	GS	Total			3-PTS		FTs		Rebounds		PF-FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	PPG
		Min	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FTM-FTA	Pct.	Off-Def	Tot							
American	*	26	5-11	.455	0-0	-	1-2	.500	3-7	10	4-0	1	1	0	1	11	11.0
Austin Peay	*	27	8-13	.615	0-0	-	0-2	.000	3-0	3	3-0	0	4	1	3	16	13.5
Sacramento St.	*	26	10-16	.625	0-0	-	4-9	.444	6-4	10	0-0	0	3	2	0	24	17.0
vs. USC	*	38	8-14	.571	0-0	-	8-14	.571	6-6	12	3-0	0	2	1	0	24	18.8
Wisc.-Green Bay	*	28	4-12	.333	0-0	-	3-3	1.000	3-4	7	3-0	2	1	4	0	11	17.2
Memphis	*	37	8-13	.615	0-0	-	7-10	.700	6-5	11	4-0	2	2	2	1	23	18.2
vs. Illinois																	
Valparaiso																	
at Iowa																	
Centenary																	
Baylor																	
at Syracuse																	
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Season	G-GS	MIN	MPG	FG-A	FG%	3FG	3FG%	FT-A	FT%	REB	AVG.	PF-D	AST	TO	BS	S	TP	AVG.
2000-01	33-27	809	24.5	127-245	.518	0-1	.000	43-79	.544	257	7.8	102-7	25	53	65	36	297	9.0
Big 12	16-14	412	25.8	52-126	.413	0-1	.000	20-36	.556	131	8.2	53-5	15	29	34	19	124	7.8
2001-02	36-34	1031	28.6	188-341	.551	0-0	-	63-114	.553	286	7.9	111-4	44	72	71	34	439	12.2
Big 12	16-14	481	30.1	91-171	.532	0-0	-	21-37	.568	124	7.8	54-2	17	33	29	11	203	12.7
2002-03	6-6	182	30.3	43-79	.544	0-0	-	23-40	.575	53	8.8	17-0	5	13	10	5	109	18.2
Big 12	N/A																	
TOTAL	75-67	2022	27.0	358-665	.538	0-1	.000	129-233	.553	596	8.0	230-11	74	138	146	75	845	11.3
Big 12	32-29	893	28.1	143-297	.482	0-1	.000	41-73	.562	255	8.0	107-7	32	62	63	30	327	10.2