



2004 TITAN FOOTBALL

Illinois Wesleyan vs. North Park

THE GAME: Illinois Wesleyan (2-5, 1-3 in the College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin) hosts North Park (1-6, 0-4 CCIW) at 1 p.m. on Sat., Oct. 30 on Wilder Field in Illinois Wesleyan Stadium.

AT WILDER FIELD: Illinois Wesleyan is 51-13 (.797) at Wilder Field in the last 14 seasons (1991-2004). The IWU football facility is the fifth oldest football stadium in the country (1893), behind Wesleyan [Conn.] (1881), Williams [Mass.] (1883), Sewanee [Tenn.] and Amherst [Mass.] (both 1891).

FOR THE RECORD: IWU is 64-25 in its last 89 games (.727) since 1995. The 25 losses have come to Wheaton (7); Augustana (5); Millikin (4); North Central (2); and Mount Union, UW-LaCrosse, Washington U., Elmhurst, Carthage, UW-Eau Claire and Simpson (1)...The Titans are 62-20 (.756) at home and 50-34-1 on the road (.604) under Eash... IWU was 5-5 last season and finished at the .500 mark (or better) for the 10th straight year and for the 14th time in the last 15 seasons. . .Last year was the first time in 58 years that IWU had two consecutive losing seasons in CCIW play.

ALL-TIME: IWU is 497-362-42 (.578) in 112 years of football. That win total is 21st among Division III schools heading into the season. The leader is Wittenberg with 644 wins in 110 seasons.

OCTOBER: In October, IWU is 1-3 this season and is 48-31 (.608) in the Norm Eash era. The Titans were 1-3 in October last season.

TITAN NOTES: Senior All-American **Eric White (Antioch HS)** made three touchdown grabs and sophomore **Mike Berry (Crystal Lake (Prairie Ridge HS))** kicked a 47-yard field goal but the Titans fell short in their upset bid, losing at No. 3 Wheaton, 42-25, on Oct. 23. IWU went ahead 7-6 in the first quarter and trailed 28-25 with the ball deep in Thunder territory before an interception gave the ball back to Wheaton and set up a nine-play, 92 yard drive that pit the Thunder on top to stay. Wheaton won its 21st straight CCIW game and its 26th consecutive regular season game. The Thunder racked up 576 yards of total offense against the Titans, who finished with 318 yards of total offense. Junior quarterback **Tom Kudyba (Des Plaines, Elk Grove HS)** was 22-of-42 passing for 195 yards and the three TDs and also rushed for a team-high 113 yards to account for 308 yards, 97 per cent of the total offense. White finished with seven catches for 100 yards and senior **Tim Snyder (Glen Ellyn, Glenbard South HS)** made six catches for 48 yards. Junior linebacker **Damon Banks (Bellwood,**

Walther Lutheran HS) led the Titan defense with 10 total tackles, while defensive backs **Vince Heaton (Wheaton, Whetaon-Warrenville South HS)** and **Eric Esch (Bloomington HS)** had nine and eight, respectively.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: Chosen by Titan coaches to honor top players in the week's game and practices. The "Titan Award" was started in 2003 to honor a player for work ethic, loyalty and spirit.

OFFENSE: Tom Kudyba, junior, quarterback, **Des Plaines (Elk Grove HS)**

DEFENSE: Mike Stephens, sophomore, end, **Orland Park (Providence Catholic HS)**

SPECIAL TEAMS: Mike Berry, sophomore, kicker, **Crystal Lake (Prairie Ridge HS)**

SCOUT (Offense): Andrew Dulaney, freshman, wide receiver, **Eden Prairie, Minn. (HS)**; Brandon Cotter, sophomore, quarterback, **Bradley (Bradley-Bourbonnais HS)**

SCOUT (Defense): Rob Hoyland, freshman, line, **Oswego (HS)**; Tyler Ferber, freshman, end, **Fairmont (Jamaica HS)**; Erik McCarrin, freshman, back, **Lemont (HS)**

TITAN AWARD: Eric Van Hise, freshman, line, **Rochelle (HS)**

THE SERIES VS. THE VIKINGS: Dating back to 1960, IWU leads the series vs. North Park, 41-3. The Titans have won 18 in a row and 23 of the last 24, including a 27-7 win at IWU on Oct. 4, 2003. This is the third straight season for the teams to meet in Bloomington.



LAST WEEK

- *Wheaton 42, Illinois Wesleyan 25
- *Augustana 24, Millikin 17
- *Carthage 13, North Park 10
- *North Central 31, Elmhurst 20

THIS WEEK

- *North Park at Illinois Wesleyan, 1 p.m.
- *Augustana at Elmhurst, 1 p.m.
- *North Central at Millikin, 1 p.m.
- *Wheaton at Carthage, 1 p.m.

NEXT WEEK

- *Carthage at Illinois Wesleyan, 1 p.m.
- *North Park at Wheaton, 1 p.m.
- *Millikin at Elmhurst, 1 p.m.
- *Augustana at North Central, 2 p.m.

2004 CONFERENCE PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE

Sept. 4 Bryan Bergamn, Carthage, TE
 Sept. 11 Garrett Granberg, Wheaton, RB; Steve Holden, No. Central, RB
 Sept. 18 Dom Demma, QB, Elmhurst; Steve Holden, No. Central, RB
 Sept. 25 Kam Kniss, QB, and Tyke Spencer, WR, North Central
 Oct. 2 J.J. McDowell, Augustana, RB
 Oct. 9 Dom Demma, QB, Elmhurst; Brad Musso, WR, Wheaton
 Oct. 16 Dante Washington, RB, Carthage; Matt Roe, QB, Augustana
 Oct. 23 Jeremy Chupp, QB, Wheaton

DEFENSE

Kyle Grimes, Elmhurst, CB
 Benitez Brown, Elmhurst
 Brandon Fox, DB, Carthage
 Lenny Radtke, North Central
 Brett Barnes, Carthage, FS
 Ben Hare, DE, North Central
 Jason Isaacson, DE, Wheaton
 Brett Barnes, Carthage, FS

2004 ILLINOIS WESLEYAN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

	OFFENSE	DEFENSE	SPECIAL TEAMS	SCOUT (Offense)	SCOUT (Defense)
Sept. 4	none selected	Josh Remer	Adam Bohr	Bryan Kelly	T. Wilkins/B. Spieth
Sept. 11	Tim Snyder	none selected	Ken Holub	M. Clemens/J. Young	B. Collins/T. Ferber
Sept. 25	Tom Kudyba	J. Remer/V.Heaton	Eric Esch	B. Kelly/A. Dulaney	R. Vaughan/B. Collins
Oct. 2	Rick Alvis	Damon Banks	Blake Schulenberg	Ryan Ellis	D. McGhee/J. Rundle
Oct. 9	Eric White	Mike Stephens	Eric Esch	R. Ellis/J. Young	N. Roto/B. Collins
Oct. 16	Tom Kudyba	Vince Heaton	M. Berry/D. Himes	offensive line	T. Wilkins/W. Butler
Oct. 23	Tom Kudyba	Mike Stephens	Mike Berry	Dulaney/Cotter	Hoyland/Ferber/McCarrin

BERRY'S BOOT: Sophomore **Mike Berry (Crystal Lake (Prairie Ridge HS))** kicked a 47-yard field goal at Wheaton on Oct. 23, ranking the second longest in IWU history, behind **Dave Pearce**, who kicked one from 48 yards out against North Central on Nov. 10, 1979. Berry's kick was the longest at IWU since **Chris Johnson** had a 46-yarder vs. Elmhurst on Oct. 30, 1993.

ERIC WHITE: Senior **Eric White (Antioch HS)** currently ranks No. 2 in career receiving yards at IWU with 3,203, having passed **Ed Brady** (2,907 from 1981-84) but still well behind **Chris Bisailon** (3,798, 1989-92)...White is also No. 2 in receiving touchdowns with 37 (Bisailon has 56) and No. 3 in career receptions (with 219, but a sure bet to pass **Brady** at 220 in second place. **Bisailon**, with 230, is in first)...White tied a school record with 15 catches against UW-Eau Claire on Sept. 11...White has been kept away from long pass gains so far this season: after seven games last year White had 54 catches for 911 yards; he is at 48 catches for 612 yards so far in 2004...White is a 2004 preseason All-American in *Street & Smith's* magazine, *Lindy's* magazine, and *Football Gazette*....In 2003, he was a third team Division III All-American on both the *Football Gazette* and the Sports Information Directors teams as he set an IWU season record with 1,215 receiving yards.

TIM SNYDER: Senior **Tim Snyder (Glen Ellyn, Glenbard South HS)** has 106 career receptions with 1,289 yards. He is 11th all-time in receptions and 14th all-time in receiving yards...Snyder joins 16 others as Titans who have amassed over 1,000 receiving yards in a career.

RUSHING QUARTERBACK: Junior QB **Tom Kudyba (Des Plaines, Elk Grove HS)** is second on the team in rushing with 329 yards (trailing **Marcus Dunlop** by 45 yards). The last Titan QB to lead a team in rushing was **John Rooney** in 1984.

ERIC ESCH: Sophomore DB **Eric Esch (Bloomington HS)** continues to lead the NCAA Division III in punt returns with an average of 31.4 over nine returns. He had no returns last week vs. Wheaton...He was CCIW "Special Teams Player of the Week" (vs. Chicago) Sept. 25 as he returned two punts for 120 yards, including an 80-yard TD return. That is tied for the third longest punt return for a Tdat IWU, behind **Kevin Kaplan** (85 yards vs. Carthage, 2001) and **Bill Faulkner** (83 yards vs. Lakeland, 1963) ...Esch is the first Titan to win the new "Special Teams" honor from the league.

CCIW STATISTICS: After seven games, Illinois Wesleyan ranks fifth in total offense with 343.1 yards per game and is sixth in defense, allowing 382.6 yards per game. The Titans' **Eric Esch (Bloomington HS)** leads the league with a 34.1 punt return average and **Eric White (Antioch HS)** is fourth in receptions per game (6.86) and fourth in receiving yards per game (87.4). **Tim Snyder (Glen Ellyn, Glenbard South HS)** is sixth in receptions per game (5.57) and ninth in receiving yards per game (55.9). Quarterback **Tom Kudyba (Des Plaines, Elk Grove HS)** is fifth in passing yardage per game with 149.3 and is fifth in total offense at 196.3 yards per game. Freshman **Marcus Dunlop (Maywood, Proviso East HS)** is 10th in rushing with a 53.4 average per game and is 10th in all-purpose yards with 96.0 per game...Punter **Drew Himes (Princeton HS)** is sixth in the CCIW with a 36.6 average but the team is second in the league with a net 33.8 yard average on punts (includes 2.0 return against average)...**Damon Banks (Bellwood, Walther Lutheran HS)** is fourth in the CCIW with 9.6 tackles per game.

Longest Illinois Wesleyan Field Goals

48	Dave Pearce	North Central, Nov. 10, 1979
47	Mike Berry	Wheaton, Oct. 23, 2004
46	Chris Johnson	Elmhurst, Oct. 30, 1993
44	Brian Klesath	at UW-LaCrosse, Sept. 14, 2002
44	Dave Pearce	Carthage, Oct. 27, 1979
44	Dave Pearce	at Millikin, Nov. 14, 1981
43	Dave Pearce	at Millikin, Nov. 14, 1981
42	Dave Pearce	at Augustana, Sept. 26, 1981
42	Dave Pearce	North Park, Oct. 11, 1980
40	Jason Blaskovich	at Quincy, Sept. 28, 1991
40	Dave Pearce	at North Central, Sept. 20, 1980
39	Brian Klesath	at Elmhurst, Nov. 8, 2003
39	Dave Pearce	at Millikin, Nov. 14, 1981
39	Dave Pearce	Carroll, Oct. 17, 1981

THE COACHES: **Norm Eash** (Illinois Wesleyan, 1975) is in his 18th season as head coach at IWU and has an overall record of 112-54-1 (.682) and a CCIW mark of 84-43-1 (.676) with league titles in 1992, 1994, 1996, 2000, and 2001. Eash, the CCIW "Coach of the Year" in 1992, 1996 and 2001, is fourth in all-time CCIW coaching wins, behind IWU's **Don Larson** (142 wins), Bob Reede of Augustana (112) and Carthage's Art Keller (105). Eash is second in victories at IWU, behind **Don Larson** (166 wins in 33 years, 1954-86). . . **Robin Cooper** (Illinois Wesleyan '75), a teammate of Eash's at IWU and a Bloomington High product, has a 6-31 record (.162) in his third year at North Park. Cooper, a quarterback at IWU, had a 13-8 record at College of DuPage from 1999-2000, where he started the program. Cooper was 36-33 as head coach at Evansville and in his first college head coaching job he started the program at MacMurray in 1984. He led the Highlanders to three-year 20-8 mark...He is one of three IWU graduates coaching the eight CCIW teams; in addition to Eash and Cooper, North Central's **John Thorne** is an IWU grad (class of 1969).

SCOUTING THE VIKINGS: North Park has a 14-7 win over Eureka and has losses to MacMurray (42-16), Chicago (40-20), Augustana (42-10), at Elmhurst (35-31), Millikin (28-6), and last Saturday to Carthage (13-10)...In the loss to Carthage, it took an interception return for a TD to give the Redmen the win and another interception to end the final North Park drive. In the game, quarterback **Mike Haehn** completed 22-of-68 passes for 335 yards, and his 68 attempts was a record for opponents against Carthage. Haehn's one-yard scoring carry at 14:13 first period gave the Vikings a quick 7-0 lead. The North Park TD was set up by a 51-yard pass from Haehn to wide receiver **Sherman Gant**. A 46-yard field-goal attempt by North Park's **Christian Thomsen** at 3:44 second period was blocked by Carthage and returned 64 yards for a Redmen TD that tied the game at 7-7. A 67-yard interception return by the Vikings' **Tim Rotenberry** set up a North Park drive that got to the Carthage eight-yard line with 17 seconds to go in the half. Thomsen connected on a 39-

yard field goal at 5:16 in the third quarter to give North Park a 10-7 lead. North Park finished with 370 total offensive yards, 35 on the ground and 335 in the air, to 250 for Carthage, 89 of that rushing and 161 passing.

ON THE AIR: The IWU/North Park game will be broadcast live on WJBC Radio, AM 1230. The game will also be shown on Insight channel 5 at the following times: Oct. 30, 8 p.m.; Oct. 31, 8:30 p.m.; Nov. 1, 5 p.m.; Nov. 4, 8:30 p.m.; Nov. 12, 6 p.m.

MARCUS DUNLOP: Seeing significant playing time is freshman running back **Marcus Dunlop (Maywood, Proviso East HS)**. As a high school senior, Dunlop rushed for 837 yards and had 384 receiving yards and scored nine touchdowns for the Pirates...He was an all-West Suburban Gold conference selection and his team's "MVP" in 2003...Dunlop was coached in high school by Bo Flowers...He also lettered twice in track and once in wrestling and was all-conference in both sports...Marcus is the son of Ruthie Dunlop.

CCIW PRESEASON POLL: IWU was picked to finish fifth in the annual preseason College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin coaches' poll. Wheaton, Millikin, Augustana and North Central were picked ahead of IWU, in that order.

LOOKING AHEAD: The Titans continue CCIW play next week (Nov. 6) at home against No. 39-ranked Carthage, then close the season on the road at Millikin. Carthage's running back **Dante Washington** set a league record with 52 rushing attempts against North Central. Game time the rest of the season is 1 p.m.

STATISTICS AND RESULTS: For a complete package of Illinois Wesleyan 2004 football statistics, check out this Web page: <http://www.iwu.edu/%7eiuwunews/sports/fb2004/teamstat.htm>

MONTHLY BREAKDOWN OF NORM EASH RECORD

YEAR	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	CCIW	TOTAL
1987	1-2	3-2	0-1	0-0	3-1	1-4	0-0	4-4	4-5
1988	0-2	1-4	1-1	0-0	1-3	1-4	0-0	2-6	2-7
1989	2-1	2-2	1-1	0-0	4-1	1-3	0-0	4-4	5-4
1990	3-0	2-2	2-0	0-0	3-2	4-0	0-0	6-2	7-2
1991	2-0-1	3-1	2-0	0-0	4-0	3-1-1	0-0	6-1-1	7-1-1
1992	2-0	5-0	3-1	0-0	6-0	4-1	0-0	7-0 *	10-1
1993	1-1	2-3	1-1	0-0	3-1	1-4	0-0	3-4	4-5
1994	2-0	4-1	2-0	0-0	4-1	4-0	0-0	6-1 *	8-1
1995	1-2	3-1	2-0	0-0	2-2	4-1	0-0	6-1	6-3
1996	2-0	4-0	4-1	0-0	5-0	5-1	0-0	7-0 *	10-1
1997	2-0	2-2	3-0	0-0	3-1	4-1	0-0	5-2	7-2
1998	2-0	4-1	1-1	0-0	4-1	3-1	0-0	5-2	7-2
1999	2-0	3-2	1-1	0-0	3-1	3-2	0-0	4-3	6-3
2000	4-0	3-1	2-0	0-0	5-0	4-1	0-0	6-1 *	9-1
2001	2-1	3-1	2-0	0-0	3-1	4-1	0-0	6-1 *	7-2
2002	3-0	2-2	1-2	0-0	4-1	2-3	0-0	3-4	6-4
2003	2-1	1-3	2-1	0-0	4-2	1-3	0-0	3-4	5-5
2004	1-2	1-3	x	x	1-2	1-3	x	1-3	2-5
TOTALS	34-12-1	48-31	30-11	0-0	62-20	50-34-1	0-0	84-43-1	112-54-1

* - Indicates CCIW champion.