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THIS WEEKEND'S SERIES

Oct. 7-8:

@ OSU Ice Rink

Columbus, Ohio

SCSU at Ohio State

6:07/3:07 p.m. (CST)

2005-06 SCSU SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time (P.M.)/Result</u>
10/7-8	at Ohio State*	6:07/3:07
10/14-15	at Minn.-Duluth*	7:07/7:07
10/21-22	BEMIDJI STATE*	2:07/2:07
11/4-5	at Wisconsin*	7:07/12:07
11/11-12	NORTH DAKOTA*	7:07/2:07
11/18-19	MSU, MANKATO*	2:07/2:07
11/25-26	at Wayne State (Mich.)	6:07/3:07
12/2-3	NIAGARA	7:07/7:07
12/9-10	OHIO STATE*	7:07/2:07
1/6-7	at St. Lawrence (N.Y.)	6:07/3:07
1/13	MINNESOTA*	7:07
1/14	at Minnesota*	4:07
1/21-22	at North Dakota*	2:07/3:07
1/27-28	MINN.-DULUTH*	7:07/2:07
2/3-4	WISCONSIN*	2:07/2:07
2/10-11	at MSU, Mankato*	7:07/3:07
2/17	MINNESOTA*	7:07
2/18	at Minnesota*	4:07
2/24-25	at Bemidji State*	7:07/2:07

* WCHA games

** All games listed as Central Standard Time (CST)

For complete ticket information, please call the SCSU Ticket Office at 1-877-SCSUTIX or 320-308-2137

THE SCSU RECORD

2005-06 Overall Record: 0-0-0

2005-06 WCHA Record: 0-0-0

2004-05 Overall Record: 9-22-4

2004-05 WCHA Record: 7-18-3 (6th)

2005-06 SCSU WOMEN'S HOCKEY NEWS

Release Date: Oct. 3, 2005

SCSU OPENS 2005-06 SEASON AT OHIO STATE: The St. Cloud State University women's hockey team will open the 2005-06 season against The Ohio State University on Friday, Oct. 7 at 6:07 p.m. (CST) in Columbus. The puck will drop at 3:07 p.m. (CST) the following day for game two of the weekend series.

2004-05 SEASON RECAP: The Huskies finished the 2004-05 campaign with a 9-22-4 overall record and a 7-18-3 in the WCHA, earning a sixth place finish in the conference. SCSU fell to #4 Wisconsin in the First Round of the WCHA Playoffs, 3-1 to end the season.

SCSU HEAD COACH JASON LESTEBERG: Jason Lesteberg begins his fourth season with the Huskies after he joined the St. Cloud State University women's hockey team as the program's second head coach in July, 2002.

In his first season at SCSU, the Huskies posted an 11-23-0, 5-19-0 WCHA record under Lesteberg's leadership. He then led the Huskies to a 7-24-1, 4-19-1 WCHA in 2003-2004, which was good for a 6th place finish in the conference. Last season, Lesteberg led the Huskies to yet another 6th place finish in the WCHA (7-18-3) with an overall record of 9-22-4.

Lesteberg was the head women's hockey coach at Bemidji State University in 2001-02, where he led the Beavers to the most successful campaign in their brief history. Playing with substantially the same roster which finished 9-24-1 in 2000-01, Lesteberg led the Beavers to a 12-13-8 record which included a school-record eight game unbeaten streak. Bemidji State set six single-season team records during the 2001-02 campaign, including team winning percentage (.485), goals scored (135), power-play goals (30), assists (138), goals-against average (3.09) and longest unbeaten streak (8, 5-0-3).

In addition, the Beavers earned a berth in the WCHA Final Five and Lesteberg was an NCAA Division I Coach of the Year finalist. Prior to becoming the head coach at Bemidji State, Lesteberg served as women's hockey coach at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point from 2000 to 2001. He led the Pointers to a 13-13-1 record in their inaugural season of varsity women's ice hockey competition. He was named the NCHA Coach of the Year and was an NCAA Division III Coach of the Year Finalist.

A 1996 graduate of Gustavus Adolphus College, Lesteberg, a Burnsville, Minn., native, was a first team All-American, College Hockey Player of the Year Finalist, NCAA Division III Player of the Year Finalist, Conference Player of the Year, two-time first team All-Conference, and a two-time conference scoring champion for the hockey team.

Lesteberg resides in Kimball, Minn., and is pursuing his Master's degree at St. Cloud State.





MORE HUSKY NEWS AND NOTES...

ASSISTANT COACHING STAFF:

JEFF GIESEN: Jeff "Goose" Giesen, a former assistant coach at Saint John's University in Collegetown, begins his third season as a full-time assistant to head women's hockey coach Jason Lesteborg. Giesen's primary duties are to work with the Huskies' defensive players and recruiting.

Giesen was an assistant coach at Saint John's University from 1992-98 and was an associate head coach at SJU from 1998-2003. The Johnnies prospered in Giesen's time, winning Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference titles in 1996, 1997 and 2003, as well as playoff titles and NCAA Division III national tournament appearances in 1996, 1997, 2001 and 2003. The Johnnies, whose head coach is former St. Cloud State assistant John Harrington, were third in the national tournament in 1997. In addition to his experience at Saint John's, Giesen has worked extensively with the USA Hockey Development program. The most recent program was with the girls 15/16 camp in Lake Placid this past summer. In the past, Giesen has also worked with the girls' 17/18 camp in Lake Placid, along with

At the WCHA meetings this past spring, Giesen was announced to coach the women's WCHA All-Stars this fall against the U.S. Women's National Hockey Team. Coach Giesen will be assisting Wisconsin women's head hockey coach Mark Johnson at the Xcel Center on Sept. 30th, and in Duluth at the DECC on Oct. 1st. Of note, Giesen has now had the opportunity to coach under two 1980

LAURA SLOMINSKI: Laura Slominski joins the staff at SCSU after serving as the head girl's hockey coach at Bloomington-Kennedy High School in 2004-05. Prior to her tenure at Kennedy H.S., Slominski served as an assistant coach for the women's hockey program at St. Olaf College under head coach Tom Osiecki from 2002 through 2004. A 2003 graduate of the University of Minnesota, Slominski played for the Golden Gophers from 1998-2002. A team captain in 2001-02, Slominski helped lead Minnesota to WCHA titles in 2001 and 2002, and a national AWCHA crown in 2000. As a player, Slominski was invited to participate in the 2005 USA Hockey National Women's Festival. She has participated in several USA Hockey women's national development camps and was on the USA Under-22 women's hockey team in 1999-00. Slominski also played for the Minnesota Whitecaps in 2004-05. As a collegiate player, Slominski gained All-WCHA honors in 2000 and was a Patty Kazmier Award Top 10 candidate in 2002. She gained Academic All-WCHA accolades from 2000-02 and was named Ms. Hockey Minnesota as a prep player at Burnsville H.S. in 1998.

In addition to her coaching duties at St. Olaf and Kennedy H.S., Slominski has worked as a coach at several summer camps in Minnesota. In 2005, Slominski was a coach at the USA Hockey Select 17/18 camp in Lake Placid, N.Y., and in 2004, she worked the USA Hockey Select 14 camp in Rochester, N.Y. 24, 2003 with a score of 3-1 in St. Cloud.

2005-06 SCSU WOMEN'S HOCKEY ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	HT	Yr.	L/R	HOMETOWN
2	Abby Krause	F	5-7	So	R	Moorhead, Minn.
3	Tricia Fast	D	5-5	Jr	L	Calgary, Alb.
4	Emily Meronyk	D	5-5	So	L	Kenora, Ont.
5	Hilary Spires	D	5-7	So	R	Delta, B.C.
7	Brita Schroeder	D	5-7	FY	L	Big Lake, Minn.
9	Brittni Kuyper	D	5-7	So	R	Eden Prairie, Minn.
10	Ashley Stewart	F	5-9	Sr	R	Toronto, Ont.
11	Denelle Maguet – A	F	5-7	Jr	L	St. Rose, Mant.
12	Randie Jelinski – C	D	5-5	Sr	L	Regina, Sask.
14	Laura Fast	F	5-6	So	L	Calgary, Alb.
15	Stacy Dey	D	5-7	So	R	Maplewood, Minn.
16	Amy Currier	F	5-8	FY	R	Fargo, N.D.
17	Marie-Michel Lemieux	F	5-10	So	L	Boisbrand, Que.
18	Bobbie Anderson	F	5-9	Jr	R	Whitecourt, Alb.
19	Kelly Stewart	D	5-9	Sr	L	Toronto, Ont.
20	Carmen Lizee	G	5-7	Jr	L	High Prairie, Alb.
21	Sammy Nixon	F	5-2	FY	L	Blaine, Minn.
22	Jacqueline Jensen	F	5-8	Jr	R	Madison, Wis.
23	Michelle Moen	F	5-3	FY	R	Rogers, Minn.
24	Hailey Clarkson	F	5-5	Jr	R	Winnipegosis, Mant.
27	Rachel Solgon	F	5-6	Sr	R	Tucson, Ariz.
28	Megan McCarthy	F	5-6	FY	R	Eden Prairie, Minn.
29	Kristy Oonincx	F	5-7	Sr	R	Moose Jaw, Sask.
31	Kendall Newell	G	5-7	So	L	Phoenix, Ariz.
33	Lauri St. Jacques – A	G	5-5	Jr	L	Sturgeon Fall, Ont.

2005-06 PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

- Dey.....Day
- Giesen.....Gee-sen
- Jelinski.....Gel-in-ski
- Kuyper.....Ki-per
- Marie-Michel Lemieux.....Marie-Michelle Lemm-ewe
- Lesteborg.....Less-ta-berg
- Lizee.....Lizz-ee
- Maguet.....Maggie
- Moen.....Mo-in
- Oonincx.....O-nix
- Schroeder.....Sh-ro-der



TEAM INFORMATION: For more information about St. Cloud State women's hockey, please call SCSU Athletic Media Relations Office at 320-308-2141 and ask for women's hockey contact Ryan Klinkner.



MORE HUSKY NEWS AND NOTES...

THIS WEEKEND'S OPPONENT:

OHIO STATE (OCT. 7 & 8)



The St. Cloud State women's hockey team will open the 2005-06 season on the road against fellow WCHA member Ohio State...the Huskies are 2-5-0 all-time in season openers, and 1-2-0 under head coach Jason Lesteberg...SCSU is 9-15-2 all-time against Ohio State...last season the Huskies went 2-1-1 against the Buckeyes, including a 2-1 victory at OSU in the 2004-05 season opener on Oct. 8...the last meeting resulted in a 2-2 tie on Jan. 29, 2005 at the National Hockey Center in St. Cloud...the Huskies are 6-5-1 at the OSU Ice Rink in Columbus...last season OSU went 17-17-3 overall and 12-15-1 in the WCHA (4th)...the Buckeyes will be returning 15 players (lost six) from last year's squad.

BUCKEYES TO WATCH: Senior wing/center Jana Harrigan returns following a 54-point season (16g/38a) for the Buckeyes...sophomore center Mallory Peckels (3g/14a) and junior defender Amber Bowman (6g/17a) also return for OSU...Harrigan and Bowman were members of the 2005 WCHA All-Star team...junior goaltender Erika Vanderveer also returns following a 10-8-2 record with a 3.17 GAA in her sophomore year at OSU...Vanderveer was 1-1 last season against the Huskies.

CAPTAINS NAMED FOR 2005-06 SEASON: The SCSU women's hockey team released their three captains for the upcoming 2005-06 season. Senior defender Randie Jelinski (Regina, Sask.) was named the captain, and junior goaltender Lauri St. Jacques (Sturgeon Falls, Ont.) and junior forward Denelle Maguet (St. Rose, Mant.) were both named the assistant captains. Jelinski was a unanimous team vote for captain. In 2004-05, she was a co-assistant captain, played in all 35 games, and tallied two goals and four assists. "Randie was a unanimous vote, which proves that she is highly respected on our team. She will be a great leader for us in the upcoming season," commented head coach Jason Lesteberg. The assistant captains, St. Jacques and Maguet, are well-respected by their teammates as well. "Lauri is well-respected among her teammates. She's one of our hardest workers on and off the ice, and will be a great assistant captain to Randie," said Lesteberg. St. Jacques started in 23 games, had a GAA of 3.44, and tallied 613 saves in goal for the Huskies this season. Maguet, who transferred in from Findlay last season, played in 32 games and scored two goals along with five assists. "Denelle is one of our top players on the ice, and like our other two captains, is well-respected by her teammates and staff. She will also be a great assistant to Randie next season."

2005-06 SCSU SITUATIONS (as of 10/3/05)

Table with 3 columns: Situation, 2005-06, All-Time. Rows include Game One of the Series, Game Two of the Series, Home Record, Road Record, Neutral Record, SCSU in Minnesota, SCSU outside of state, Huskies score first, Opponents score first, Lead after 1st Period, Behind after 1st Period, Tied after 1st Period, Lead after 2nd Period, Behind after 2nd Period, Tied after 2nd Period, Huskies outshoot opponent, Opponents outshoot Huskies, Shots are even, Under 20 shots, Have 20-29 shots, Have 30-39 shots, Have 40-49 shots, Have 50+ shots, One goal game, Two goal game, Three goal game, Four goal game, Five goal game or more, Overtime games, Shutouts by SCSU, Huskies shutout by opponent, Huskies in October, Huskies in November, Huskies in December, Huskies in January, Huskies in February, Huskies in March, Following a win, Following a loss, Following a tie, WCHA Record, Non-Conference Record, Overall Record.



MORE HUSKY NEWS AND NOTES...

CLIMBING THE CHARTS: Senior forward Ashley Stewart (Toronto, Ont.) is currently sixth on the SCSU all-time scoring list with 67 points (34g/33a). She needs just five points to tie Carrie Holldorf (2002-05) for fifth place on the scoring list, and two goals to pass Kobi Kawamoto (2000-04) for third place on the all-time goals scored list. Senior Kelly Stewart (Toronto, Ont.; 13g/24a), though 30 points behind her twin sister, needs just one more point to move into 10th on the SCSU all-time scoring list. Senior forwards Kristy Oonincx (Moose Jaw, Sask.; 14g/9a) and Hailey Clarkson (Winnepegosis, Mant.; 5g/17a) are 15th and 17th on the all-time scoring list, respectively.

A GLANCE AT THE GOALIES: Junior Lauri St. Jacques (Sturgeon Falls, Ont.) enters the 2005-06 season with a 8-23-4 career record, .886 career save percentage, 984 career saves and a 3.60 career GAA. Last season, St. Jacques went 5-15-3 with a .892 save percentage and one shutout.

Sophomore Kendall Newell (Phoenix, Ariz.) enters the 2005-06 season with 12 games of experience as a Husky. Last season, Newell went 4-5-1 with a .896 save percentage, 276 saves, a 3.00 GAA and one shutout as a freshman.

Junior Carmen Lizee (High Prairie, Alb.) returns after playing in six games as a Husky last season. A transfer from the University of Regina, Lizee went 0-2-0 with 65 saves last season in her first year as a Husky.

IN THE WCHA: Senior forward Kristy Oonincx ended the 2004-05 WCHA season 26th in points (14g/9a), 14th in goals scored (14), 21st in power-play points (5g/6a), and tied for 15th in game-winning goals (2). Senior forward Ashley Stewart also finished 26th in scoring (10g/13a). Junior forward Hailey Clarkson finished 18th in assists (18) and tied for 15th in game-winning goals (2).

HUSKIES EXCEL IN THE CLASSROOM: SCSU placed six players on the WCHA All-Academic Team in 2004-05, of which five are returning players: senior defender and captain Randie Jelinski, senior forward Rachel Solgon (Tucson, Ariz.), junior forward Bobbie Anderson (Whitcourt, Alb.), junior forward Tricia Fast (Calgary, Alb.), and junior goaltender and alternate captain Lauri St. Jacques.

BALANCED AND EXPERIENCED: SCSU returns 19 starters from last year's squad after losing only five players from last year's squad. This year's roster includes seven first year players, eight sophomores, seven juniors and five seniors. The 2005-06 Huskies are much more balanced according to grade level and experience than last year's squad, considering there were 17 first year players beginning the season last year.

WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME...

SCSU played in OT: Jan. 29, 2005 vs. Ohio State, T, 2-2.

SCSU won in OT: Feb. 17, 2001 vs. Minnesota Duluth, W, 6-5.

SCSU lost in OT: Feb. 14, 2004 at North Dakota, L, 2-3.

SCSU recorded a shutout: Dec. 3, 2004. Lauri St. Jacques had 23 saves in a 2-0 win vs. St. Lawrence at the NHC.

SCSU recorded a shutout at the NHC: Dec. 3, 2004 vs. St. Lawrence, W, 2-0.

SCSU was shutout: Feb. 11, 2005 vs. Minnesota Duluth, L, 0-4.

SCSU was shutout at the NHC: Feb. 11, 2005 vs. Minnesota Duluth, L, 0-4.

An SCSU player scored a Hat Trick: Dec. 6, 2003. Carrie Holldorf scored three goals in a 3-3 tie vs. MSU, Mankato.

An opposing player scored a Hat Trick:

An SCSU player achieved a Playmaker: Nov. 12, 2004.

Hailey Clarkson collected three assists in a 7-2 win over Wayne State (Mich.) at the NHC.

An opposing player achieved a Playmaker: Feb. 26, 2005. Wisconsin's Sharon Cole collected three assists in a 6-3 UW win at the NHC.

An SCSU player scored a Shorthanded Goal: Jan. 7, 2005. Jacqueline Jensen in a 4-2 loss at MSU, Mankato.

An opposing player scored a Shorthanded Goal: Feb. 25, 2005. Wisconsin's Sara Bauer scored a SHG that became the eventual GWG in a 5-2 UW win at the NHC.

An SCSU player scored two SHG's: Never.

An opposing player scored two SHG's: Never.

An SCSU player scored two PPG's: Jan. 8, 2005. Kelly Stewart in a 6-3 loss at MSU, Mankato.

An opposing player scored two PPG's: Feb. 25, 2005. Wisconsin's Molly Engstrom in a 5-2 UW win at the NHC.

An SCSU player scored an ENG: Dec. 15, 2002. Ashley Stewart scored with 00:16 remaining to seal a 2-0 Husky win at North Dakota.

An opposing player scored an ENG: March 4, 2005. Wisconsin's Carla MacLeod to seal a 3-1 WCHA playoff win for the Badgers.

SCSU scored with a pulled goalie/extra skater: Jan. 14, 2005. Kristy Oonincx scored with 00:26 remaining to tie the game at 4-4 versus Bemidji State at the NHC. Ended as a tie.

SCSU was outshot and won: Feb. 12, 2005. SCSU was outshot 37-23, yet defeated #2 UMD 4-3 at the NHC.

SCSU outshot the opponent and lost: Jan. 22, 2005. SCSU outshot Niagara 25-21, but lost 5-1 at Niagara.



2005-06 HUSKY CAREER STATS

Entering the 2005-06 season....

Goals

- 34 Ashley Stewart
- 14 Kristy Oonincx
- 13 Kelly Stewart
- 6 Laura Fast
- 5 Hailey Clarkson
- 3 Randie Jelinski
- 3 Jacqueline Jensen
- 3 Bobbie Anderson
- 2 Denelle Maguet
- 1 Marie-Michel Lemieux

Assists

- 33 Ashley Stewart
- 24 Kelly Stewart
- 17 Hailey Clarkson
- 13 Randie Jelinski
- 10 Jacqueline Jensen
- 9 Kristy Oonincx
- 9 Laura Fast
- 5 Bobbie Anderson
- 5 Denelle Maguet
- 3 Marie-Michel Lemieux
- 3 Tricia Fast
- 1 Stacy Dey

Points

- 67 Ashley Stewart
- 37 Kelly Stewart
- 23 Kristy Oonincx
- 22 Hailey Clarkson
- 16 Randie Jelinski
- 15 Laura Fast
- 13 Jacqueline Jensen
- 8 Bobbie Anderson
- 7 Denelle Maguet
- 4 Marie-Michel Lemieux
- 3 Tricia Fast
- 1 Stacy Dey

PPG

- 9 Ashley Stewart
- 5 Kelly Stewart
- 5 Kristy Oonincx
- 2 Laura Fast
- 1 Hailey Clarkson
- 1 Jacqueline Jensen
- 1 Marie-Michel Lemieux

SHG

- 1 Kelly Stewart
- 1 Bobbie Anderson
- 1 Jacqueline Jensen

GWG

- 7 Ashley Stewart
- 3 Kelly Stewart
- 2 Hailey Clarkson
- 2 Kristy Oonincx
- 1 Randie Jelinski



FINAL 2004-05 WCHA STANDINGS

	WCHA			Overall	
	Pts.	GP	Record	GP	Record
1. Minnesota	52	28	25-1-2	40	36-2-2
2. Minnesota Duluth	46	28	22-4-2	34	26-6-2
3. Wisconsin	41	28	20-7-1	38	28-9-1
4. Ohio State	25	28	12-15-1	37	17-17-3
5. MSU, Mankato	19	28	8-17-3	35	9-20-6
6. St. Cloud State	17	28	7-18-3	35	9-22-4
7. North Dakota	13	28	6-21-1	35	9-23-3
8. Bemidji State	11	28	5-22-1	35	9-24-2

UPCOMING WCHA SCHEDULE

Oct. 7

Minnesota State, Mankato at Mercyhurst, Pa., 7:05 p.m. ET

*SCSU at Ohio State, 7:07 p.m. ET

Wayne State, Mich. at Bemidji State, 7:07 p.m.

Connecticut at Minnesota, 7:07 p.m.

Oct. 8

*Minnesota Duluth at Wisconsin, 2:07 p.m.

Minnesota State, Mankato at Mercyhurst, Pa., 2:05 p.m. ET

Wayne State, Mich. at Bemidji State, 1:07 p.m.

*SCSU at Ohio State, 4:07 p.m. ET

St. Lawrence, N.Y. at Minnesota, 7:07 p.m.

Oct. 9

*Minnesota Duluth at Wisconsin, 2:07 p.m.

*WCHA games

