

The Rage Page



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With another big win this past Wednesday, Michigan continues to play better and better as we get deeper into Big Ten play. While the postseason is just around the corner, with only six games left in the season, it is important that none of us look ahead on the schedule. We need to be as loud as possible for every single game from here on out, starting tonight with the Indiana Hoosiers. Almost one month ago to this day, Indiana welcomed the Wolverines to Assembly Hall by blowing them out, 80-61. Just as we did to Northwestern, however, we must show the Hoosiers that we play our best basketball here at Crisler Arena. Undoubtedly we control our own destiny, and starting tonight, we must show each team that no one comes to Ann Arbor and leaves with a win. So stand up, be loud, be proud, and, as always, Go Blue! Let's get this win!

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1	Jordan Hulls	6'0" G	The sophomore from Bloomington, IN is the former Indiana Mr. Basketball.
			Playing all these years, you'd think he would have learned how to shoot.
12	Verdell Jones III	6'5" G	Junior from Champaign, IL once made an 80-foot shot in eighth grade on his
			team's way to the state title.
5	Jeremiah Rivers	6'5" G	The redshirt senior from Florida and former Georgetown player is the
			son of Celtics coach Doc Rivers and has only made 15 three-pointers in
			his career; brother Austin will play for Duke next season.
10	Will Sheehey	6'6" F	True freshman from Stuart, FL (which has nothing on our own Stu Douglass)
			has a (potentially identical) twin sister named Elizabeth.
25	Tom Pritchard	6'9" F	Junior from Westlake, OH averaged 9.7 points per game as a freshman, 4.2
			ppg as a sophomore, and is averaging 2.2 ppg this season.
Coach	Tom Crean		The former Michigan State assistant is married to Jim Harbaugh's sister.

To comply with the new Big Ten Sportsmanship code, the Bum of the Game has been removed from the Rage Page. Instead, **Jeremiah** Rivers is now the "Player to Watch".

Injury Bug: Like many teams around the country, Indiana has had a few players lost to injury. The injury bug has perhaps been a bit crueler to Indiana, however. Sophomore guard #3 Maurice Creek is out for the rest of the season after breaking his knee in the first matchup against Michigan. Last season, Creek broke his opposite knee just 12 games into the season while averaging 16.4 points per game. Fellow sophomore forward #2 Christian Watford is doubtful to appear in tonight's game due to a broken hand. Watford was leading the team with 17 points per game before going down to the injury in overtime against Michigan State.

Former Teammates: Stu Douglass, Michigan's resident sharpshooter, used to play with a rarely-used junior currently on Indiana's squad. Guard #11 Daniel Moore was a teammate of Douglass's on Indiana powerhouse Carmel High's squad, finishing 22-3 in their senior seasons. While Moore put up a respectable 13.5 points per game his senior year in high school, his 7.8 assists per game can almost all be credited to Stu Douglass's incredible play. Stu averaged 14.5 points per game as a senior in "leading" the team to its strong season. Since they have been teammates, Stu has done nothing but thrive under John Beilein while the walk-on Moore appears to be in Tom Crean's doghouse. Stu is averaging 7.6 points and 3 rebounds per game while shooting 38.8% from downtown in 28.4 minutes while Moore boasts lofty averages of 1.1 points and .8 assists per game while playing just 6.6 minutes, down from 17.2 as a freshman. Moore is also credited with five DNPs, including the first game against Michigan. Perhaps Crean was afraid he would be embarrassed by his former teammate's superiority.

Briefly: Junior #0 Kory Barnett is no match for Zack Novak and a disgrace to the number he wears...sophomore #23 Bobby Capobianco played with Hulls in AAU for Indiana Elite One...freshman #24 Jeff Howard was named as one of the top 60 seniors last season (in the state of Indiana)...Sophomore #32 Derek Elston's father played at North Carolina and for the Indiana Pacers

THE REST OF THE HOOSIERS: #4 Victor Oladipo, #13 Taylor Wayer, #30 Matt Roth

<u>Iowa's Free Throws:</u> Listen in to the center of the Rage where the chant will be started, and follow along with one of these:

- You Will Miss! You Will Miss! (And upon a miss, yell "Thank you")
- Gooooo!! Bluuuuuuue!! (with the rest of the crowd)
 Upon a made free throw, listen for the "It doesn't matter!" prompt and yell "You still suck!"

Keep it classy, Rage: As one of the premiere student sections in the country, it's important that we refrain from swearing and making other negative slurs throughout the game. The University of Michigan is an institution of class, and as a collective representative of the University, we need to uphold this standard. It's cool to razz the opposition, but keep it clean, Ragers.

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Here is the <i>projected</i> starting lineup for YOUR Michigan Wolverines (15-10, 5-7 Big Ten):					
4	Darius Morris	6'4"	G	Dished out 7 assists and pulled down 7 boards to go along with 11 points in	
				Wednesday's victory over Northwestern.	
0	Zack Novak	6'4"	G	The sweet-shooting lefty has been hot for a good portion of this season, but is	
				getting fewer looks from deep recently because of defenses focusing on him.	
10	Tim Hardaway Jr.	6'5"	G	Scored 17 and grabbed 10 rebounds in the win over the Wildcats, with two of	
				those baskets coming on powerful dunks.	
23	Evan Smotrycz	6'9"	F	Came off the bench against Northwestern but could start again today	
				depending on what kind of lineup the Hoosiers start with.	
52	Jordan Morgan	6'8"	F	J-Mo had a career night on Wednesday with 27 points while consistently	
				out-muscling the smaller Northwestern big men.	
Coach	John Beilein			His team is on pace to have more victories than last year's team, which started	
				the season ranked #15 in both polls	

Keep It Up: As the season winds down and a post-season tournament berth becomes more possible, it is important to keep in mind that the Maize Rage is vital to the team's success, and all of us in the bleachers continue to scream our hearts out for every play of every game. There are only three home games left in the regular season, and after tonight there will only be one remaining (Wisconsin) in the student season ticket plan. So keep Crisler rockin' and let's propel the basketball team to the postseason on a high note!

Dance Rage (clap clap): It's that time of year again! At halftime of the Wisconsin game on February 23, 19 members of the Maize Rage core will dance with the Michigan Dance Team for the second year in a row!

*H-BOMB: The H-Bomb has lost steam over the last two years, so it is important that we get back to our roots and get it going again. So, remember: when Tim Hardaway hits a 3-pointer, EVERYBODY should quickly drop back and sit down in their seats as if a bomb has violently shaken the stadium. The H-Bomb has been successful since its inception nearly a decade ago, when Daniel Horton was manning the point and dropping 3-point bombs for the Wolverines. Since then, Dion Harris and Manny Harris have taken the reigns as the H-Bomber and now Tim Hardaway is our man...

Big Ten Tournament! There are still several open spots for the Big Ten Tournament, which we will be attending from March 10-13. If you want to go, send an email to Social Chair Patrick Brown at patribro@umich.edu and we will add you to the list. The entire trip is very affordable, so if you would like to go, don't delay – tickets are going fast!

Chants: Be steady and DON'T SPEED UP, or the chants will become disorganized and ineffective...

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- -Here we go Michigan, here we go! (clap clap)
- -Let's Go Michigan! (clap, clap, clap clap clap)
- -Go, Blue, Go! (clap clap clap)
- -Let's Go Blue! (clap)
- -Go Blue! (clap clap)

Defense:

- -De-fense! (clap clap)
- -D-D-Defense! D-D-Defense!
- -Popcorn (Jump up and down while screaming OHHHH!!)
- -Bounce! Bounce! Pass! (Yell "bounce" when the opposition
- dribbles, and "pass" when they pass)

Upcoming games:			
February 16	at Illinois	7:30pm	A win in Champagne would be huge for our post-season hopes
February 19	at Iowa	3:30pm	The Big Ten cellar-dwellers have proven to be tough at home
February 23	vs Wisconsin	6:30pm	DANCE RAGE at halftime!



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The Histo and Bacari Corner

Did you know...

- Of the 20 teams with the toughest schedules in the nation, 7 of them are from the Big Ten. MSU has the toughest schedule overall, while Michigan is #11.

Coach BA's Tweets of the Week!

Feb. 10: "And Boom! Smotrycz has a David Hasselholf-type hairdo. HALOL!!! Great hair, especially the wet look. Sike!" Feb. 10: "HALOL – by definition means HAVING A LOT OF LAUGHS. Sorry if you didn't catch that a while back. It's our new

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invention. We are innovators!"