

An inconsistent season hampers the Lady hoopsters

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"It was an inconsistent season," said Karin Sobotta, coach of the Behrend Women's Basketball team. "We began the season 1-8, but we went 8-8 in the second half of the season to finish 9-16."

Much of the inconsistent play can be attributed to the youthfulness of the team. Six freshmen and two sophomores were on this season's roster. "We would play great during the first half, but lousy the second half," said Coach Sobotta.

Still, there was improvement over last season's 8-17 record. "We ended up 9-16, an improvement. We played a tough schedule, and I expected a lot from this team, maybe too much. But you have to expect a lot, otherwise you do not get enough accomplished," said the coach.

As for individual performances, Coach Sobotta was especially pleased with Sonya Sickles and Michele Madison.

"Sonya came to the team in January (from West Virginia) and immediately became an impact player. She is strong and plays excellent defense. She knows how to play the game," said Coach Sobotta.

"Michelle was the second leading rebounder on the team and made many clutch baskets, she is an excellent outside shooter."

As for the team, the coach said that the best performances were against Frostburg, Geneva and Buffalo State.

"The games against Frostburg and Geneva were our most consistent games of the season, we played well and defeated good, strong teams."

"The game against Buffalo State was the highlight of the season. We played them at Buffalo, and they were ranked fourth in the country. At halftime we were losing by fifteen points and I told my players to decide whether they wanted to play or not. In the second half, they scratched their way into the lead with 1:30 left in the game. After trading baskets, we finally won 70-69, definitely the highlight of the season," said Coach Sobotta.



Michele Madison shoots over a Daemen defender

Women's basketball stats

	POINTS	PPG	REBOUNDS	RPG	A
Skaggs	196	12.3	136	8.5	56
Butch	302	12.1	89	3.6	60
Holmes	277	11.1	163	6.5	39
Madison	197	7.9	183	7.3	24
Dorenkamp	106	4.4	59	2.5	47
Erikson	90	3.6	81	3.2	8
Sickles	42	2.6	72	4.5	5
Marinos	59	2.5	68	2.8	17
Beck	40	2.1	43	2.3	11
Huff	25	2.0	14	1.1	3
Bauer	4	.31	5	.38	3



Seniors Paula Skaggs, Chris Huff and Sue Holmes

1987 women's game by game stats

PSB	OPPONENT	LEADING SCORERS	LEADING REBOUNDER
45	Elmira 53	Sue Holmes 12	M. Madison 9
81	Goucher 36	Lisa Butch 17	Sue Holmes 7
51	CMU 75	M. Madison 19	M. Madison 11
56	Mt. Union 67	Lisa Butch 17	Kim Erikson 8
			M. Madison 8
37	St. John		
	Fisher 67	Sue Holmes 16	M. Madison 8
35	Thiel 77	Sue Holmes 12	Sue Holmes 8
37	Grove City 68	Sue Holmes 14	Lisa Butch 8
52	Allegheny 75	Sue Holmes 18	M. Madison 10
54	Brockport 69	Sue Holmes 22	M. Madison 12
51	U. Buffalo 39	Lisa Butch 12	M. Madison 14
		Paula Skaggs 12	
70	Buff. State 69	Paula Skaggs 20	Sue Holmes 10
49	Edinboro 58	M. Madison 13	Paula Skaggs 11
59	Wooster 53	Lisa Butch 20	M. Madison 9
		Paula Skaggs 20	
45	Gannon 83	Paula Skaggs 10	Sue Holmes 8
		M. Madison 10	
56	Mercyhurst 67	Lisa Butch 20	Paula Skaggs 11
46	Grove City 62	Lisa Butch 14	M. Madison 7
60	Frostburg 76	Lisa Butch 13	M. Madison 10
			Sue Holmes 13
71	Daemen 47	Lisa Butch 17	S. Sickles 10
43	Westminster 47	Kim Erikson 10	S. Sickles 10
45	Pitt-Brad. 41	Paula Skaggs 18	Paula Skaggs 15
58	Frostburg 51	M. Madison 14	Sue Holmes 12
72	Geneva 71	Paula Skaggs 22	S. Sickles 9
62	Daemen 49	Paula Skaggs 17	Paula Skaggs 11
52	Pitt-Brad. 57	Lisa Butch 20	M. Madison 12
55	Mercyhurst 56	Paula Skaggs 15	Paula Skaggs 8
			S. Sickles 8

Overall Record: 9-16

Lady Cubs practice

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The women's softball team is back in the swing. Coming off a 3-16-1 mark from a year ago, the Diamondettes hope to turn things around this year. Leading the girls' spring campaign is first year coach Anne Burbules. A Mercyhurst graduate, coach Burbules has the team conditioning 6-7 days a week. Their workouts concentrate on the basics: hitting in the cage, bunting, and infielding, with a half-hour devoted to pitchers. In the earlier portion of the pre-season, the team worked on flexibility and strength training. "I want to keep them working," says coach Burbules. Inexperience will be a factor in the Cubs season, with only two letter-winners returning. Sue Holmes and Lisa Butch will be

counted on heavily to provide leadership for the girls, who are all freshmen.

Due to last year's record, coach Burbules expects her squad to be underestimated by many opponents. One of her goals is, "to gain respect." The coach went on to say she wants everyone to "play like a team. I want to get everybody to know each other's playing style."

Coach Burbules thinks highly of the talent she has to work with. She listed a couple of the team's strengths as being a solid infield and good defense.

An added feature to college softball this year is a change in the distance between the pitcher's mound and home plate. Increasing the distance from 40 feet to 43 feet, Burbules sees this as a little more excitement potential added to the game.

"I think teams will try to steal more, and it gives the batter a better chance to hit in what used to be a pitching-dominated game. There is an opportunity for more offense, resulting in higher-scoring games."

As the spring weather makes its first appearance, so will the Lady Cubs. They'll take to the field for the first time on April 1, against Thiel College in their season opener.

Women's softball schedule

- April 1 Thiel College Home 3:00
- 4 Buffalo State Away 1:00
- 7 Clarion University Home 2:00
- 9 Pitt-Bradford Away 2:00
- 11 St. Francis Home 2:00
- 14 Gannon University Away 2:00
- 16 Mercyhurst College Away 5:00
- 21 Allegheny College Home 2:00
- 23 Geneva College Home 2:00
- 24 1/2 Ohio Northern Tourney Away TBA
- 30 Westminster College Away 2:00
- May 2 Grove City College Away 1:00

* All games will be doubleheaders.

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