



SCAC DIAMOND WEEKLY

BASEBALL REPORT

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NCAA Division III
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2010 SCAC Baseball Tournament

- April 22-25, 2010 (Thurs-Fri-Sat-Sun)
- USA Stadium: Millington, Tenn.
- Hosted by Rhodes College
- Six Team Field, Double-elimination
- Qualify: Top three teams from each division
- Champion: SCAC automatic qualifier to NCAA Division III Tournament

NCAA Championship Tournament

- Regional Championships: May 19-23 (on campus)
- Division III World Series: May 28-June 1 (Appleton, Wis.)

2009 SEASON REVIEW

SCAC Champion
Hendrix College

NCAA Championship Participant
Hendrix College
(lost in NCAA West Regional)
Millsaps College
(lost in NCAA Central Regional)

WEB LINKS

- www.ncaa.org
- www.ncaasports.com
- www.scacsports.com/sports/bsb/index
- www.d3baseball.com
- www.abca.org

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CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Games through February 28 (Sunday)

	Conference			Overall			Streak
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
EASTERN DIVISION							
*Birmingham-Southern	0	0	0.000	7	1	0.875	W7
Oglethorpe University	0	0	0.000	7	2	0.778	W1
Rhodes College	0	0	0.000	7	2	0.778	L1
DePauw University	0	0	0.000	3	3	0.500	L1
Centre College	0	0	0.000	0	2	0.000	L2
Sewanee-Univ. of the South	0	0	0.000	0	6	0.000	L14
WESTERN DIVISION							
Millsaps College	4	0	0.000	9	3	0.750	W2
Austin College	5	3	0.625	7	6	0.538	W5
Trinity University	3	2	0.600	8	4	0.667	L2
Hendrix College	2	4	0.333	5	5	0.500	W2
Southwestern University	0	5	0.000	3	12	0.200	L6

*Birmingham-Southern will not be eligible for the conference championship. However, games against BSC will count in the conference standings

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, March 1 – Sunday, March 7

Tuesday, March 2

DePauw vs. Transylvania (@ Louisville, Ky.) (2-9)	Noon
Union University (Tenn.) @ Rhodes	2 p.m.
Piedmont @ Sewanee	2 p.m.
Adrian (Mich.) @ Oglethorpe	5 p.m.
Austin @ East Texas Baptist	6 p.m.
Southwestern @ Mary Hardin-Baylor	6 p.m.
Texas Lutheran @ Trinity	7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3

Maryville (Tenn.) @ Centre	5 p.m.
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Friday, March 5

AUSTIN COLLEGE @ MILLSAPS (1-9)	1 P.M.
Principia @ Hendrix	7 p.m.

Saturday, March 6

Marietta @ Rhodes (2-7)	11 a.m.
Illinois Wesleyan @ DePauw (1-7, 1-9)	Noon
Principia @ Hendrix (2-7)	Noon
Concordia (Ala.) @ Oglethorpe	Noon
AUSTIN COLLEGE @ MILLSAPS (1-9)	1 P.M.
TRINITY @ SOUTHWESTERN (2-7)	1 P.M.
CENTRE @ SEWANEE (2-7)	1 P.M.
Wabash (Ind.) @ Birmingham-Southern (2-7)	2 p.m.

Sunday, March 7

Illinois Wesleyan @ DePauw (1-7, 1-9)	Noon
CENTRE @ SEWANEE (1-9)	1 P.M.
TRINITY @ SOUTHWESTERN (1-9)	1 P.M.
Blackburn @ Rhodes	1 p.m.
Wabash @ Birmingham-Southern	2 p.m.
Oglethorpe @ Maryville (Tenn.)	2 p.m.
Adrian (Mich.) @ Birmingham-Southern	5 p.m.

All times local / **SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS**

2010 SCAC BASEBALL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

- Week 1 Brendan Pilger, Sr., Oglethorpe
- Week 2 Evan Jones, Sr., Trinity
- Week 3 Taylor Hoffman, Sr., DePauw
- Week 4 Bruce Maxwell, Fr., Birmingham-Southern
- Week 5
- Week 6
- Week 7
- Week 8
- Week 9
- Week 10
- Week 11

2010 SCAC BASEBALL PITCHERS OF THE WEEK

- Week 1 Michael Panozzo, Jr., Trinity
- Week 2 Ben Klimesh, So., Trinity
- Week 3 Will Chermak, Sr., Austin College
- Week 4 Matt Cornwell, Jr., Oglethorpe
- Week 5
- Week 6
- Week 7
- Week 8
- Week 9
- Week 10
- Week 11

SCAC PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Games of February 22 – February 28

BRUCE MAXWELL OF BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN COLLEGE, a 6-2, 225-pound first-year infielder from Toney, Ala., has been named the SCAC Offensive Baseball Player-of-the-Week for games played Monday, February 22 through Sunday, February 28.

During five games, **Hoffman** batted 9-for-20 at the plate for a .450 batting average while scoring 11 runs, driving in eight and hitting three home runs and notching a double. He was 4-for-5 with four RBI and two home runs against Arcadia on Feb. 27.

For the week, **Hoffman** posted a .950 slugging percentage as well as a .577 on-base percentage to tally 1527 OPS (on-base plus slugging).

Other outstanding individual performances in the SCAC:

Junior shortstop **Andy White** of Austin College was 7-for-12 (.583) with two doubles, three runs, and 3 RBI during the week. Senior infielder **Taylor Hoffman** of DePauw hit .556 (5-for-9) with two RBI and three runs scored during the week. Sophomore right fielder **Nathan Harr** of Hendrix hit .444 (4-for-9) with a double, three runs, three RBI and five total bases last week. Junior infielder **Jake Mills** of Millsaps went 6-for-12 (.500) at the plate in four games while driving in four runs and scoring three. Senior third baseman **J.J. Rizzo** of Oglethorpe hit .500 (6-for-12) in three games with four RBI, three runs scored, two doubles and a home run on the week. First-year infielder **Nick Belisle** of Rhodes hit .500 (5-for-10) with eight RBI, four runs scored and a home run. Junior infielder **Kyle Belski** of Southwestern was 6-for-12 at the plate with a double and a homerun on the week. Senior first baseman **Evan Jones** of Trinity batted 4-for-7 (.571) with two home runs, seven RBI and three runs scored during in two SCAC games. **Centre**, and **Sewanee** did not nominate anyone this week.

SCAC PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Games of February 22 – February 28

MATT CORNWELL OF OGLETHORPE UNIVERSITY, a 5-10, 175-pound junior right-hander from Boca Raton, Fla., has been selected the SCAC Baseball Pitcher-of-the-Week for games played from Monday, February 22 through Sunday, February 28.

Cornwell tossed a complete-game gem in a 4-1 win against Johnson & Wales (R.I.), going nine innings while scattering just four hits and striking out a modern day school record 16 batters. He also picked up a win in relief earlier in the week against Washington & Lee to post a 2-0 record for the week.

Other outstanding individual performances in the SCAC:

Junior right-hander **Scouter Merritt** of Austin College went 1-0 on the week with a 1.59 ERA while pitching 5.2 innings and striking out four in a win over Southwestern. Sophomore left-hander **Elliott Ross** of DePauw tossed five innings in relief and struck out 13 while picking up a win. Sophomore right-hander **Teddy Smoyer** of Hendrix tossed 5.2 innings, yielding six hits, two earned runs and three strike outs against Trinity. First-year right-hander **Blake Boleware** of Millsaps pitched six innings, struck out 5 and yielded one run in a no-decision against Piedmont. Junior right-hander **Hunter Chandler** of Rhodes pitched four scoreless innings against Emory yielding two hits and striking out three to pick up a save. Junior right-hander **Noah Soloman** of Trinity tallied a second straight no-decision giving up just one earned run in 6.2 innings of work with four strike outs against Hendrix. **Birmingham-Southern**, **Centre**, **Sewanee**, and **Southwestern** did not nominate anyone this week.

RESULTS

Games of February 22 – February 28

Monday, February 22

Oglethorpe 11, Washington & Lee 10
Birmingham-Southern 11, Martin Methodist 10

Tuesday, February 23

Ozarks (Ark.) 4, Hendrix 3
LaGrange (Ga.) 14, Oglethorpe 7
Belhaven (Miss.) 11, Millsaps 2

Wednesday, February 24

Huntingdon 6, Millsaps 2

Friday, February 26

Rhodes 5, Emory (Ga.) 3
Birmingham-Southern 13, Arcadia 6

Saturday, February 27

HENDRIX 13, TRINITY 12
AUSTIN COLLEGE 11, SOUTHWESTERN 8
AUSTIN COLLEGE 8, SOUTHWESTERN 5
Birmingham-Southern 7, Mount St. Joseph 2
Rhodes 19, LaGrange (Ga.) 5 – 9 innings
Maryville (Tenn.) 13, Sewanee 5
Oglethorpe 4, Johnson & Wales (R.I.) 1
Millsaps 6, Piedmont 5 – 10 innings
Birmingham-Southern 22, Arcadia 3
Maryville (Tenn.) 1, Sewanee 0

Sunday, February 28

AUSTIN COLLEGE 6, SOUTHWESTERN 3
HENDRIX 7, TRINITY 4
York (Pa.) 8, Rhodes 7
DePauw 10, Transylvania 4
Maryville (Tenn.) 6, Centre 5 – 8 innings
North Park 13, Sewanee 10
Millsaps 10, Piedmont 3
Transylvania 6, DePauw 2
Maryville (Tenn.) 6, Centre 5
Birmingham-Southern 12, Huntingdon 2 – 7 innings

SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS

D3baseball.com ranking noted when applicable

AROUND THE SCAC

Austin College swept its three game series against Southwestern over the weekend, taking the doubleheader by scores of 11-8 and 8-5 on Saturday before closing out the weekend with a 6-3 win on Sunday. On Saturday, the 'Roos got a 3-for-3 performance with two RBI and three runs scored from Scooter Merritt and Andy White knocked in three runs while Tyler Steed earned the victory, surrendering four earned runs on eight hits in 5.1 innings of work in the 11-8 win. In the second game, the 'Roos fell behind early but jumped ahead thanks to a three run fourth inning and Brian Buehler's two run homer in the bottom of the eighth closed the door on the Pirates. Buehler went 4-for-5 in the game and White went 3-for-5 while Will Chermak picked up the win, striking out 10 batters in 5.0 innings. On Sunday, the 'Roos ran their winning streak to five games with the three run victory behind a 3-for-3 performance from White.

Birmingham-Southern continues to roll, winning five games in the last week to improve to 7-1 on the season. Monday the Panthers defeated NAIA Martin Methodist 11-10 in 11 innings in their home opener. They then proceeded to sweep a weekend round-robin with Arcadia (Pa.) University, Mount St. Joseph (Ohio), and Huntingdon College. The Panthers began the weekend with a 13-6 win over the Arcadia Knights on Friday. Mount St. Joe gave a closer game Saturday morning, but the Panthers took that one 7-2 before overwhelming Arcadia again, 22-3, in the afternoon. They closed out the weekend yesterday with a single game against in-state rival Huntingdon, defeating the Hawks 12-2. The Panthers will look to continue their current seven-game winning streak this weekend with another round robin with Wabash and Adrian Colleges.

Centre's season-opening doubleheader against Earlham College was postponed due to weather, but the Colonels did open the 2010 season with a pair of losses Sunday at Maryville (Tenn.). The Scots won game one 6-5 in eight innings and then also won game two 6-5. In game one, Centre scored five runs in the first inning on five hits, but only had one hit the remainder of the way. Game two saw the Colonels fall behind 5-1 after two innings. They tied the game at five, but allowed a run in the bottom of the fifth to fall for the second time on the day. Centre, now 0-2, will host Maryville Wednesday and then travel to Sewanee during the weekend to open conference play.

DePauw is 3-3 on the season following a doubleheader split with Transylvania in games played at Louisville's St. Xavier High School. The Tigers won the opener by a 10-4 score and dropped the nightcap, 6-2. DePauw pitchers Brad Gerlach and Elliott Ross combined to strike out 19 hitters and allow no walks in the first game with Gerlach collecting six in four innings and Ross totaling 13 in five inning of relief. Taylor Hoffman paced the Tigers with four of DePauw's 14 hits, while Alex Jacques, Jon Newman, Sam Linette and Jason Cohen each added two. Newman and Linette drove in three apiece and Hoffman scored three. Ross improved to 1-1 with the win. DePauw jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the second inning of game two, but the Pioneers scored four in the third and one in the fourth and eighth for the win.

Hendrix completed the weekend sweep over SCAC West Division foe Trinity on Sunday with a 7-4 victory after completing a 13-12 ninth-inning come back win on Saturday. Hendrix (5-5 overall/2-4 SCAC) snapped a five game skid on Saturday and Sunday's win marked its fifth consecutive win over the Tigers bridging the past two seasons. Hendrix rallied for 11 runs in the seventh and ninth innings and held Trinity to just one hit in the last six frames to post a thrilling come-from-behind at Warrior Field. Trinity was just two outs away from earning a 12-2 mercy rule win in the bottom of the seventh until Hendrix rattled off six runs, highlighted by sophomore CF Aaron Bowen's two-run triple to right and sophomore SS Clark Sims' two-run single up the middle. Eric Mathis hammered a shot over the shortstop's head to knot the game and the left fielder bobbled the grounder to send Harr racing home for the game winner.

Millsaps dropped its first two games of the week on the road at Belhaven University and Huntingdon College before righting the ship with a pair of home games against Piedmont College. Against the Blazers, the Majors were only able to score two runs on six hits and allowed a season-high 18 hits as they fell 11-2 at Smith-Wills Stadium on Tuesday. Millsaps headed to Huntingdon for a make-up game on Wednesday and held a 2-1 lead late in the game before allowing the tying run in the seventh and the eventual game-winning grand slam in the eighth inning in a 6-2 loss. Returning home for a weekend series with Piedmont College, the Majors pulled out a thrilling 10-inning victory by taking advantage of two hit-batters in the tenth inning to set up Josh Ordeneaux for the game-winning RBI with a bases-loaded sacrifice fly to take the win 6-5 Saturday afternoon at Twenty Field. Facing the Lions again Sunday afternoon, Millsaps found its offense scoring 10 runs on nine hits to cruise to the 10-3 non-conference victory.

NATIONAL, REGIONAL POLLS

D3BASEBALL.COM TOP 25

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Poll	Date	Team	Rank
Pre	J26	N/A.....	N/A

ABCA TOP 30

www.abca.org

Poll	Date	Team	Rank
Pre	D21	N/A.....	N/A

For complete team and individual statistics and box scores for all games, click to the official website of SCAC Baseball:

www.scacsports.com/sports/bsb/index

AROUND THE SCAC

After a 2-1 week **Oglethorpe** moved its record to 7-2 on the season which represents Oglethorpe's best start to a campaign since joining the SCAC in 1991. The Petrels finished a two-game sweep of Washington and Lee on Monday with a walk-off, bottom of the 9th grand slam from Joseph Parillo in his first at-bat of the year to beat the Generals, 11-10. The Petrels trailed Washington & Lee 10-6 entering the ninth after blowing a 6-4 lead. Matthew Cornwell got the win in relief for the Petrels. LaGrange topped the Petrels the following day by the score of 14-7. On Saturday, Oglethorpe topped Johnson and Wales by the score of 4-1. Cornwell threw a complete-game four-hitter, striking out 16 Johnson & Wales batters. The 16 strikeouts is an Oglethorpe modern record, surpassing the mark of 14 set by teammate Mark Hoban last year. J.J. Rizzo was 2-for-4 for the Petrels, with a home run, a double and two runs scored. Cornwell had an RBI double to go with his brilliant pitching performance, and was 1-for-3. The Petrels will next be in action next Saturday, when they will face Concordia-Selma in a doubleheader starting at noon from Anderson Field.

Rhodes went 2-1 this week as they traveled to Atlanta, Ga. for the Rawlings Classic hosted by Emory University. Rhodes defeated Emory 5-3 on Friday, LaGrange 19-5 on Saturday, before falling to York (Pa.) 8-7 on Sunday. Sophomore Austin Carden picked up his second victory of the year against Emory, as junior Taylor Babich improved to 2-0 against LaGrange. Sophomore Brian Lainoff picked up his first loss of the year on Sunday. The Lynx bullpen was dominate all weekend working 12.2 innings, allowing 10 hits, five runs, two earned, struck out nine and walked two. The bullpen as a whole held their opponents to a .208 average and had a 1.42 ERA. The Lynx offense was led by freshman IF Nick Belisle and sophomore LF Travis Perkins. Belisle hit .500 on the week (5-10) with a grand slam, eight RBIs, four runs, two walks, got hit by a pitch, and stole a base. Belisle had a .615 on base percentage. Perkins hit .667 (6-9) with a double, three RBIs, three runs, five walks, and stole three bases. Perkins had a .785 on base percentage. This week Rhodes will take on NAIA opponent Union (Tenn.) on Tuesday before having their first home weekend of the year, hosting Marietta College on Saturday and Blackburn College on Sunday.

Sewanee played a double header against Maryville (Tenn.) on Saturday, and after falling 13-5 in the opener, Sewanee hurler Logan Ray pitched a three-hitter in the narrow 1-0 loss to the visiting Scots in the nightcap. Alan Komorowski logged five hits on the day to lead the Tigers at the plate. He is batting .438 on the year. On Sunday, Sewanee hosted North Park and after falling back 13-1 early, rallied to score nine unanswered runs, bringing the score to 13-10. A double play in the bottom of the ninth with the bases loaded ended Sewanee's rally and the visiting Vikings took home the three-run win. Sewanee is now 0-5 and will play a DH against Piedmont Tuesday before hosting Centre in SCAC play this weekend.

Southwestern had a tough week on the road as they dropped three conference games at Austin College to fall to 3-12 on the year and 0-5 in SCAC action. Injuries continue to hinder the Pirates as they were within one swing of the bat in all three games, but were unable to pull out the victory. The Pirates return home for one game on Tuesday to play host to the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor at 6:00 pm. The two teams met earlier in the season in Belton and split a double-header. Following Tuesday night's game Southwestern will host SCAC rival Trinity for a three game series beginning on March 6th at 1:00 pm.

Trinity was swept in a two-game series at Hendrix this past weekend, despite holding leads in both games. In Saturday's series opener, the Tigers took a 12-2 lead after three innings and seemed well on the way to a win. Hendrix scored six runs in the seventh to avoid the game ending in a run rule, and then the Warriors posted a five-run ninth to steal an unlikely victory. Hendrix then won 7-4 in game two to finish off the weekend sweep. Trinity will take on Texas Lutheran University Tuesday evening in San Antonio, then will be back on the road in continued SCAC action. Trinity and Southwestern meet up for a three-game series in Georgetown on Saturday and Sunday.