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UWO volleyball broke the Kolf Sports Center’s volleyball attendance record by more than 300% at the game against UW-Stevens Point on Sept. 26. UWO fans celebrated the win by storming the court for the undefeated team.

## Home attendance record shattered

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The UW Oshkosh athletics department attempted to do what many thought was impossible – break the NCAA Division III volleyball attendance record for a regular season match during Tuesday’s Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference clash between UW Oshkosh and UW-Stevens Point at the Kolf Sports Center.

UWO’s “Community Night” held on Sept. 26 brought fans to the Kolf Sports Center to watch the undefeated Titans (ranked No. 4 in the nation by the American Volleyball Coaches Association) defeat the 17th-ranked Pointers 3-1.

The UWO Athletics Department gave all fans free entry in hopes of besting the regular season attendance record set on Oct. 18, 2013, when Hope College (Michigan) defeated Calvin University (Michigan) in

front of 3,051 fans at home. While Oshkosh came up just short on setting the new attendance record for a regular season matchup, the Titans set many new attendance records during UWO’s 18th win of the season. Oshkosh raised their single-match attendance record by 2,051 fans (an increase of over 300%), shattering the previous record of 674 fans set on Sept. 23, 2009, in a regular-season match against UW-Whitewater. The postseason attendance record for a single match was set in 1996 when the Titans took on Juniata College (Pennsylvania) in front of 969 fans in the semifinal round of the NCAA Tournament.

The Kolf Sports Center housed 2,643 total fans at UWO volleyball matches last year, meaning that more fans showed up to “Community Night” than in the entire 2022 season. The only season where the team totaled more fans than appeared

at “Community Night” was back in 2017, when 3,954 fans watched UWO matches.

Oshkosh’s attendance mark in its matchup against the Pointers tied the record for the third-most fans in attendance for a D-III regular season matchup, after another Hope College and Calvin College matchup brought in 2,725 fans on Oct. 28, 2009.

UWO head volleyball coach Jon Ellmann said before “Community Night” that he was honored to host an event that brings together the community and celebrates Titan student-athletes.

“The Fox Valley community has been an amazing supporter of youth and collegiate athletics and as a higher education institution geographically positioned in the center of this amazing region,” Ellmann said before the event. “Volleyball is growing. More girls now play volleyball than any other female team sport in the country. We have a beautiful arena that



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UW-Stevens Point fans weren’t happy with the UWO win.

holds more than any other D-III arena in the country. The previous attendance record of 3,051 fans was set 10 years ago and it’s our hope that we can get the

Fox Valley out in force to create an evening that will surely be special for all involved.”

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UWO forward Gabriella Mattio dribbles down the field while being pursued by a University of Chicago player Sept. 20 at Titan Stadium.

# Soccer winless in last 5 matches

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The UW Oshkosh women’s soccer team found themselves in three competitive matches last week where they lost to the University of Chicago (Illinois) and Kalamazoo College (Michigan) and drew with Albion College (Michigan).

UWO began their week of games hosting the University of Chicago (4-1-1) at J.J. Keller Field on Sept. 20.

In the first half against the Maroons, the Titans found themselves being outshot significantly by an 11-1 margin. However UWO ended the half only down 1-0 after giving up a goal in the 32nd minute.

UWO would not be as fortunate in the second half when they would

be outshot 16-3 in the period and giving up four goals in the process in the 47th, 57th, 75th and 89th minutes. UWO lost the game 5-0, dropping the team’s record to 1-4-2.

UWO would look to rebound on Friday when they took on Kalamazoo College (2-3-2) on the road at MacKenzie Field Sept. 22.

The first half was far more promising than the previous two for the Titans. The box score seemed very even through the first 45 minutes of action the Titans outshot the Hornets 5-4 and found themselves deadlocked at 0-0 during the break.

The second half slipped away from the Titans as the Hornets came out hot, outshooting the Titans 14-5. The Hornets applied enough pressure to net three goals in the second half in the 63rd, 68th and 90th min-

utes. UWO had now lost back-to-back games, dropping their record to 1-5-2.

In desperate need of a better result, the Titans traveled to Albion College on Sept. 23. The Britons (3-1-3) were coming into this game hot by not losing a game since their first match on Sept. 1, posing yet another strong matchup for the Titans.

The game was very even throughout. The two teams found themselves neck and neck in terms of shots taken and were applying pressure evenly. The game entered the half at 0-0 and it was looking to end that way as well, but that is when senior Rylie Kaufmann found the back of the net in the 88th minute giving the Titans a 1-0 lead.

However only a minute later the Britons found an equalizer, damp-

ening the Titans’ dreams of stealing a win on the road. The Titans were able to get another shot on goal in the dying embers but were unable to convert, ending the game in a 1-1 draw and pushing the Titans’ record to 1-5-3.

UWO played a home matchup against Loras College (Iowa) on Sept. 27, falling 3-0.

The Titans (1-6-3) struggled to find to find shots while the Du-hawks (8-1) recorded 17 shots in the match, all from Savannah Johnson. She scored the 24th minute and twice in the 75th minute.

On Sept. 30, there will be another home matchup at Titan Stadium against UW-La Crosse for the team’s first WIAC game of the season at 7 p.m.

# UWO golf places 5th in La Crosse

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The UW Oshkosh women’s golf team traveled to Onalaska on Sept. 23 and Sept. 24 where they placed fifth of eight teams in the UW-La Crosse Fall Invitational, shooting 698 strokes during the two-round event.

The event started out hot for UWO, as all four players included in scoring for Saturday’s round one action scored under 90 strokes.

Leading the way for UWO on Saturday was senior Ava Downie who shot an 85 in round one, making it her best scoring round of the season.

Following right behind Downie was a duo of sophomores, Hailey Matenaer, making her season debut, and Taryn Endres who both shot an 87 on Saturday.

“We had a good chunk of scores in the 80’s this weekend which was a nice thing,” Endres said.

Round two on Sunday was not as kind to the team as Matenaer was the only golfer includ-

ed in scoring to improve from her round one score. The team shot a 351 on Sunday compared to their 347 on Saturday.

Endres said the weather may have played a factor in some of the scores this weekend and said that the team had to deal with a “good chunk” of rain this weekend.

However Endres finds that type of adversity to be a good building block and something the team can look to help strengthen their games

“Sometimes the more challenging situations gets your mind in a better place to be more focused on what you’re doing during the round,” Endres said. “That makes the round more fun and interesting experience.”

Head coach Tyler Cassmeyer is expected to return this week after being married Sept. 16. Assistant Athletic Director Abby Gildernick has been covering Cassmeyer’s duties the past two weekends.

Endres expects the work to continue as usual once Cassmeyer returns.

“We need to work collective-



Courtesy of UWO Athletics

Ava Downie shot 170 total strokes (28-over par) at the tournament.

ly on long game and short game so all things will be tackled at practices this week,” Endres said. “Specifically we can work on long game consistency as well as closer chips and less putts through a round.”

Working on second shots in the long game is what coach Cassmeyer mentioned as an

area in need of improvement after their first invite of the year in Eau-Claire.

The season will roll on in Stevens Point next weekend where the team will compete in the Mad Dawg Invitational on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 at the SentryWorld Golf Course.





Scoreboard

Friday, Sept. 22

**Volleyball**  
Game 1:  
UWO - 3  
Ripon College - 0  
Game 2:  
UWO - 3  
Aurora University- 1  
**Soccer**  
UWO - 0  
Kalamazoo College - 3

Saturday, Sept. 23

**Volleyball**  
UWO - 3  
North Central College (Ill.) - 0  
**Soccer**  
UWO - 1  
Albion College - 1  
**Cross-Country**  
Women’s - 1/9, 37 pts.  
Men’s - 1/10, 38 pts.  
**Tennis**  
UWO - 9  
St. Norbert College - 0

Sunday, Sept. 24

**Women’s Golf**  
UWO - 5/8, 347-351 698

Tuesday, Sept. 26

**Volleyball**  
UWO - 3  
UW-Stevens Point - 1

Upcoming Events

Friday, Sept. 29

**Cross-Country**  
at UW-Eau Claire Blugold invitational Men’s at 4:15 & Women’s at 5:15

Saturday, Sept. 30

**Volleyball**  
at University of Chicago at 11 a.m. and Hope College at 1:30 p.m.  
**Football**  
vs. UW-Whitewater at 1 p.m.  
**Tennis**  
at UW-River Falls at 1 p.m.  
**Soccer**  
vs. UW-La Crosse at 7 p.m.  
**Women’s Golf**  
at UW-Stevens Point Mad Dawg Invitational

Sunday, Oct. 1

**Women’s Golf**  
at UW-Stevens Point Mad Dawg Invitational

A-Trivia

How many D-III volleyball teams are undefeated in their 2023 season?

Answer: Five, including UWO’s 18-0 Titans!



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Quarterback Kobe Berghammer hands the ball off to Doug Berson (23) in Oshkosh’s home opener against Texas Lutheran University.

Football to open WIAC play

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Fresh off a bye week and a 60-7 trouncing of East Texas Baptist University, the UW Oshkosh football team will take on UW-Whitewater in a matchup between nationally ranked teams to kick off the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference season at Titan Stadium Sept. 30.

UWO (2-1) enters the contest ranked No. 22 in the nation by d3football.com and the Warhawks (3-0) are ranked No. 4 after victories over ranked opponents John Carroll University (Ohio), St. John’s University (Minnesota) and Mary Hardin-Baylor (Texas).

The Titans will be led by quarterback Kobe Berghammer, who threw for five touchdowns in UWO’s blowout win over the Tigers Sept. 16, leads the nation with 14 touchdown passes and has totaled 791 passing yards on the year. Berghammer is also the team’s leading rusher, totaling 137 yards on the ground on 23 attempts. Senior Kaio Harn has made a dent in the run game as well in his first two games with the Titans after transfer-

ring to UWO early in the season, rushing for a total of 133 yards and a touchdown.

Wide receiver Tony Steger and tight end Clayton Schwalbe will hope to continue their hot streak to begin the year after they each caught four touchdown passes during the first three games of the season. Steger leads the team with 169 receiving yards on 12 catches, while Schwalbe has caught 10 passes for 107 yards. Wide receiver Trae Tetzlaff leads the team in receptions, tallying 13 catches for 127 yards to begin the year.

In their last game, the Titans jumped out to an early 15-0 lead after touchdown receptions from Harn and Jon Mathieu, as well as a two-point conversion run from Schwalbe. The Tigers added a touchdown to the board late in the first quarter, but Schwalbe caught his second touchdown pass of the day and kicker Nolan Mobley added a field goal as the UWO went into halftime leading 25-7. In the third quarter, the Titans exploded for 28 points off touchdown receptions from Steger and Avery Kurth, as well as rushing touchdowns from Harn and Steger. Backup quarter-

back Quinten Keene added a rushing touchdown in the fourth quarter to help UWO cruise to a 53-point victory.

Whitewater will be led by their two quarterbacks Jason Ceniti and Alec Ogden who have combined to average over 200 passing yards per game to start the season. Ogden has passed for 288 yards and two touchdowns this season while Ceniti has thrown for 319 yards, three touchdowns and an interception.

Leading the ground game for the Warhawks will be running back Tamir Thomas who has rushed for 370 yards and five touchdowns so far this season. Steven Hein and Drake Martin are the team’s leading receivers, with Hein catching 11 passes for 192 yards and two touchdowns while Martin has caught nine passes for 133 yards and a touchdown in three games this season.

In their previous matchup, the Warhawks edged No. 19 ranked Mary Hardin-Baylor 17-14 on the road. UWW kicked off the scoring with a rushing touchdown from Thomas, but the Crusaders responded with a rushing touchdown early in the second quarter. Whitewater was able to pull ahead at half-

time off another rushing touchdown from Thomas to put the Warhawks up 14-7. Mary Hardin-Baylor tied the game at 14 early in the third quarter, but a field goal from kicker Jeff Isotalo-McGuire put UWW on top and Whitewater hung on in the fourth quarter to get the win.

The last time the Titans and the Warhawks faced off, UWW secured a 17-3 victory at home after blanking UWO for the first three quarters of the game. Berghammer finished the contest 18-38 with 193 passing yards and an interception while the Titans combined for just 87 rushing yards. Whitewater scored nearly all their points on the ground, with senior running back Preston Strasburg rushing for 29 yards and two touchdowns while the team combined for 165 rushing yards.

The Titans will face off against the Warhawks at 1:05 p.m. at J.J. Keller Field at Titan Stadium for Hall of Fame day where the athletics department will highlight the newest inductees into the UWO Athletics Hall of Fame.

Tennis takes down St. Norbert

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The UW Oshkosh women’s tennis team defeated St. Norbert College, 9-0 on Sept. 23.

The dual, previously scheduled to take place at the Kolf Sports Center outdoor tennis courts, was moved to the Oshkosh YMCA Tennis Center due to weather conditions.

Taking the No. 1 doubles match, Olivia Pethan and Alysa Pattee finished on top with a score of 8-3 against St. Norbert’s Hannah Starr and Grace Peters. In the No. 2 doubles match, Ella Nguyen and Courtney Carpenter outscored Mayghan Bongle and Anna Vechart 8-7. To close out the doubles competition, Jameson Gregory and Kayla

Gibbs delivered a final score of 8-2 to defeat Paige Diercks and Irene Multhauf in the third flight.

At No. 1 singles, Pethan posted a 6-3, 6-4 win against Starr. Pattee defeated Diercks 6-0, 6-1 in the No. 2 singles match. Nguyen posted a 6-3, 6-1 win against Peters at No. 3, and Gregory ousted Bongle 6-1, 6-0 at No. 4. Jenna Noble outscored Vechart 6-3, 6-3 and Gibbs delivered a shutout match against Multhauf with scores 6-0, 6-0 in No. 5 and No. 6 singles matches respectively.

UWO swept Marian University 8-0 on Sept. 27. Check the UWO Athletics website for more info.

The Titans will play UW-River Falls at Ramer Field Tennis Courts on Sept. 30.



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Jameson Gregory volleys the ball in a match earlier this year.



# Sports



Courtesy of UWO Athletics

UWO’s Riley Kindt winds up for the kill against UW-Stevens Point Sept. 26. Kindt led the Titans with 12 kills in the win over the Pointers at the Kolf Sports Center.

## Volleyball: Titans remain unbeaten

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UWO junior Casey Webber said that the crowd was electric inside the Kolf Sports Center. “It was really cool to see this movement from the community to attempt to break the attendance record,” Webber said. “The atmosphere of the crowd inside the building was one of the best that I have ever been a part of during my time at Oshkosh. It’s really special and speaks volumes to the campus in general that we are able to get the fans involved in the many different sporting

events on campus.” During the match, the Titans took the first, third and fourth sets 25-13, 25-18 and 26-24, respectively. UWO senior middle blocker Riley Kindt led the team with 12 kills on 26 attacks for a kill percentage of 0.286 and her 12th double-digit kill match of the season. Kalli Mau and Izzy Coon each recorded 21 and 15 assists, respectively, while Abby Fregien finished the match with 24 digs, extending her WIAC-leading mark of 259 kills this season. UWO registered 38 assists and

39 kills in the match as a team and the Titans continue to lead the nation in both assists (807) and kills (848). In the first set, Oshkosh jumped out to a 7-5 lead but quickly found themselves with a 17-7 advantage in part from back-to-back aces from Amelia Hust. Sami Perlberg recorded the final kill of the set as UWO cruised to a 12-point victory in the opening set. In the second set, UWO started slow and found themselves down 12-4 early. Oshkosh went on a scoring run to cut the Pointer lead

to 19-11 but UWSP closed out the set with three straight points to even the match at a set a piece. Stevens Point opened the third set on a 4-0 run, but the Titans stormed back to tie the set at 9-9. Both teams traded points for most of the set until a Perlberg kill jumpstarted a run that saw UWO score eight straight points and give the Titans a 24-17. Robyn Kirsh provided the set-point kill to give UWO a 2-1 set lead. UWO started the final set on a 10-2 scoring run that featured five straight Stevens Point errors.

UWSP fought their way back into the set, narrowing the Titan lead to 19-17 and the Pointers took a 23-22 lead off a kill from Sydney Mosinski. Oshkosh went on a 4-0 run to close out the set and a UWSP error gave UWO the match-point and sent the Titans to their 18th straight win. UWO will look to remain unbeaten when they travel to Chicago Sept. 30 for two matches against the University of Chicago (Illinois) and No.2 ranked Hope College at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. respectively.

## UWO cross-country finishes on top

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Sophomore Paul Proteau and freshman Gracie Buchinger led the men’s and women’s UW Oshkosh cross-country team with first-place and third-place individual finishes at the UW-Platteville Gender Equity Invitational. Proteau finished the men’s 8,000-meter run with a time of 25:14.0, and Buchinger finished the women’s 6,000-meter run in 23:34.6. Both finishes spearheaded numerous top 20 finishes and first place team finishes for both teams in the race. Furthermore, this race was unique because the men’s race began and was quickly followed by the women’s race precisely two minutes and 40 seconds, meaning that both races were run alongside each other which allowed for the Titan cross-country teams to run together. Proteau described the race as challenging for some of the team but also a unique experience. “The course itself was found challenging by a considerable amount of our team,” Proteau said. “The heat was also a huge challenge for some people on both the men’s and women’s teams. I’m not sure if the course exactly added anything new to the

team, but I think it was a race that reminded us about the importance of meet prep. I think most people on the team did enjoy the uniqueness of the race. It was neat to have both the men’s and women’s teams work together to secure a team victory, which is something we don’t do at a normal race.” The women’s team had four Titans finish in the top 10. Buchinger ran a season best 23:34.6 for third place, junior Cyna Madigan right behind her with a time of 23:41.1 in fourth place, followed by sophomore Jamie Catania in seventh with a time of 24:08.6 and sophomore Josie Makurat in eighth with a time of 24:12.7. On the men’s side, four Titans made it into the top 10. Proteau placed first with a time of 25:14; senior Joe Kehoe placed second for the second time straight with a time of 25:28; sophomore Cameron Cullen placed third with a time of 25:44; and senior Jason Ford rounded out the top 10 with a time of 26:19.4. Coach Eamon McKenna commented saying it was a good competitive effort overall. “I think our athletes did a nice job of competing overall,” McKenna said. “Our top group on both sides ran well and attacked the front. We would have liked



Courtesy of UWO Athletics

Oshkosh’s Paul Proteau won the men’s individual title with a time of 25:14 at the UWP Invitational.

to have five in the top 15 of each gender, and we ended up with four of each gender. Those athletes won individual awards and really had solid days. We can continue to work on sticking together and we can trust our training and abilities more when the race gets difficult in the middle and later sections.” Along, with the awards for placing both runners Buchinger

and Proteau earned honors as Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Kwik Trip cross-country athletes of the week for their performances the week of Sept. 18-24. Proteau said it was a big step forward for the future of the season for him. “I personally thought it was a solid individual performance,” Proteau said. “I have bigger am-

bitions in terms of times this season, but this certainly was a big step forward. Considering it felt smooth for the most part, I’d like to think there is a lot more to give in future races.” The next race for the Titans will be the UW-Eau Claire Blugold Invitational Sept. 29 at the White-tail Golf Course in Colfax with the men starting at 4:15 p.m. followed by the women at 5:15 p.m.