



# 2004-05 BUFFALO BASKETBALL

## BUFFALO (0-1) vs. HOLY CROSS (1-0)

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### Quick Facts

#### UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO

Please note: The proper school name is the University at Buffalo, not the University of Buffalo. Please make all references to the school name as the University at Buffalo, Buffalo or UB. Thank you.

Location ..... Buffalo, NY 14260  
 Founded ..... 1846  
 Enrollment ..... 27,255  
 Nickname ..... Bulls  
 Colors ..... Royal Blue (PMS 293) and White  
 Affiliation ..... NCAA Division I  
 Conference ..... Mid-American  
 Facility ..... Alumni Arena  
 Capacity ..... 6,100  
 Press Row Phone ..... 716-645-3360  
 President ..... John B. Simpson  
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#### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL INFORMATION

2003-04 Record ..... 6-21  
 2003-04 MAC Record/Finish ..... 4-12 (5th, East)  
 MAC Tournament ..... 0-1  
 Lost to Marshall 69-45, First Round  
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost ..... 4/3  
 Starters Returning/Lost ..... 3/2

#### COACHING INFORMATION

Head Coach ..... Cheryl Dozier (Aquinas College, '89)  
 Record at UB ..... 85-84 (seventh year)  
 Career Record ..... Same  
 Assistant Coach ..... Cheri Euler (Michigan State, '98)  
 Assistant Coach ..... Stephanie Schueler (Iowa, '92)  
 Assistant Coach ..... Evelyn Thompson (Auburn, '90)  
 Administrative Assistant ..... Kim Coon (Buffalo, '00)  
 Basketball Office Phone ..... 716-645-3025  
 Best Time to Reach Coach ..... Mornings

### Buffalo Roster

#### PROBABLE STARTERS

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/Previous School	PPG/RPG
10	Talia Merlino	G	5-4	Sr.	Newtown, PA/Notre Dame (NJ) HS	1.0/1.0
~ Team co-captain; started 21 games at the point last season; led the Bulls in three-point field goal percentage (.421) in 2003-04						
11	Amy Kucheran	F	6-1	Jr.	Delta, British Columbia/College of S. Idaho	2.0/2.0
~ A medical redshirt who appeared in one game last season before being sidelined with an injury						
14	Allison Bennett	G	5-9	Sr.	Springfield, OH/Kenton Ridge	4.0/3.0
~ A three-year starter and team co-captain; was the only player to start all 27 games last season; averaged 6.6 points per game and 3.3 rebounds per game						
24	Belinda Gibb	G	5-9	So.	Denmark, Western Australia/Willetton	0.0/0.0
~ Averaged 5.1 points and 2.5 rebounds as a freshman; team's Top Newcomer last season						
12	Viorica Badinici	F	6-3	So.	Turku, Finland/Central Florida CC	9.0/1.0
~ Had nine points, two blocks and two steals in the season opener at Connecticut; a junior college transfer who played her freshman season at Central Florida Community College; mother played professional basketball in Romania and was one of the best players in the country's history						

#### RESERVES

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/Previous School	PPG/RPG
5	Diana Orozco Gollaz	G	5-10	Fr.	León Guanajuato, Mexico/Monterrey-León	0.0/1.0
~ Extremely athletic with good size for a guard; competed with Mexico's National Team at the Pre-Olympic Games in September 2003						
22	Brooke Meunier	G	5-9	Jr.	Saginaw, MI/Heritage	2.0/1.0
~ The Bulls' top returning scorer (11.9 ppg) and rebounder (5.2 rpg) who is still recovering from off-season shoulder surgery; finished 18th in the Mid-American Conference in scoring in 2003-04						
23	Stephanie Bennett	G	5-8	Fr.	Springfield, OH/Kenton Ridge	10.0/2.0
~ Led the Bulls with 10 points, including two three-pointers, and five assists in the season opener at Connecticut; younger sister of senior Allison Bennett						
31	Flynn Pyykkonen	G/F	5-11	Fr.	Clarkston, MI/Birmingham Marian	3.0/2.0
~ Ranked 41st in the state of Michigan by the Detroit Free Press and fifth in Oakland County by the Oakland Free Press as a senior						
40	Heather Turner	F	6-0	Fr.	West Seneca, NY/Mount Mercy Academy	6.0/5.0
~ Had six points and a team-high five rebounds against UConn; head coach Cheryl Dozier's first NLI signee from the Western New York area; Buffalo News Western New York Player of the Year in 2003-04						
42	Barbora Homolová	F	6-3	Fr.	Ceska Lipa, Czech Republic/Strakonice	2.0/2.0
~ Had two points and two rebounds against UConn on Friday; a member of the Czech Junior National Team for two years						

### Statistical Comparison

Buffalo (0-1)	Holy Cross (1-0)
12-54 ..... Field Goals-Attempted	26-58
.222 ..... Field Goal Percentage	.448
4-18 ..... 3-Pt. Field Goals-Attempted	9-23
.222 ..... 3-Pt. Field Goal Percentage	.391
12-14 ..... Free Throws-Attempted	7-9
.857 ..... Free Throw Percentage	.778
26-26.0 ..... Rebounds-Average	31-31.0
18 ..... Fouls	15
9 ..... Assists	24
20 ..... Turnovers	17
2 ..... Blocks	1
5 ..... Steals	14
40-40.0 ..... Points Scored-Average	68-68.0

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## Schedule/Results

### NOVEMBER

Fri., 19	at No. 4/4 Connecticut#	L, 40-107
Sun., 21	at Holy Cross\$	1 pm
Sat., 27	LAFAYETTE# (at HSBC Arena)	4 pm

### DECEMBER

Wed., 1	at Northeastern	7 pm
Sat., 4	MAINE#	5 pm
Tues., 7	at Bucknell	5 pm
Sat., 11	NIAGARA# (Adelphia 13)	5 pm
Tue., 14	at Youngstown State	5:15 pm
Sat., 18	at Canisius#	6:30 pm
Tue., 21	at Oakland	7 pm

### JANUARY

Sun., 2	EAST CAROLINA	2 pm
Wed., 5	BOWLING GREEN*	7 pm
Wed., 12	MIAMI (OH)*	7 pm
Sat., 15	BALL STATE**	5 pm
Wed., 19	at Akron*	7 pm
Sat., 22	MARSHALL*	1 pm
Wed., 26	at Toledo*	7 pm
Sat., 29	at Ohio*	2 pm

### FEBRUARY

Tue., 1	AKRON**	7 pm
Mon., 7	WESTERN MICHIGAN**	7 pm
Wed., 9	at Eastern Michigan*	7 pm
Sat., 12	at Central Michigan*	2 pm
Wed., 16	KENT STATE**	7 pm
Sat., 19	at Marshall*	2 pm
Wed., 23	at Miami (OH)*	7 pm
Sat., 26	NORTHERN ILLINOIS* (FSN Ohio)	2 pm

### MARCH

Tue., 1	at Kent State*	7 pm
Sat., 5	MAC Tournament First Round (campus sites)	
Wed., 9	MAC Tournament Quarterfinals (Cleveland, OH)	
Fri., 11	MAC Tournament Semifinals (Cleveland, OH)	
Sat., 12	MAC Tournament Final (Cleveland, OH)	

\* Mid-American Conference Games

All times Eastern and subject to change

# Live radio broadcasts on WLVL-AM 1340

\$ Tape-delayed radio broadcast on WLVL at 5 pm

## The Bulls on the Radio

A total of 10 UB women's basketball games during the 2004-05 regular season will be heard on the Bulls' flagship radio station, WLVL-AM 1340. Jim Rosenhaus, long-time UB men's basketball play-by-play announcer and the play-by-play voice for the Buffalo Bisons, will call all the women's action in 2004-05, with UB Assistant Athletic Director for Communications Paul Vecchio handling the color commentary. In addition to the 10 regular-season games, any Mid-American Conference Tournament games the Bulls play in will also be broadcast on WLVL-AM 1340. In addition, all radio broadcasts of UB women's basketball on WLVL can be heard for free via the internet by going to [www.buffalobulls.com/womensbasketball](http://www.buffalobulls.com/womensbasketball) and clicking on the Teamline logo.

## Quick Bits

• Today's game can be heard on WLVL-AM 1340 out of Lockport and on the internet on [www.buffalobulls.com](http://www.buffalobulls.com) on a tape-delayed basis at 5 pm.

• The Bulls have a bit of an inside scoop on the Crusaders thanks to **Kim Coon** who joined the UB staff as an administrative assistant over the summer after serving as an assistant coach at Patriot League member Colgate for three seasons.

• Buffalo's 107-40 loss to the defending national champion and fourth-ranked Connecticut Huskies in Friday night's season opener is the worst loss the Bulls have endured in their Division I era and the worst in school history since an 80-11 loss at Cortland on December 11, 1978 at the Division III level. The 107 points are the most the Bulls have ever given up in a game in their women's basketball history.

• All six of the Bulls' newcomers saw action in Friday's season-opener at Connecticut, and they combined for 30 of the Bulls' 40 points in the game. Most impressive among the group making their collegiate debuts was freshman **Stephanie Bennett** who had a team-high 10 points and a team-high five assists in 34 minutes. Freshman **Heather Turner** scored the Bulls' first bucket in the game and finished with six points and a team-high five rebounds in 12 minutes of action. Sophomore transfer **Viorica Badinici**, in her first game at the Division I level after transferring from Central Florida Community College, finished with nine points and two blocks.

• Only three players who played in the 2003-04 season opener versus Canisius (**Allison Bennett**, **Talia Merlino** and **Brooke Meunier**) and four players who played in the 2003-04 season finale against Marshall (Bennett, Merlino, Meunier and **Belinda Gibb**) saw action in this season's opener at Connecticut on Friday night.

• Buffalo has a sister combo that made its debut at Connecticut in **Allison** and **Stephanie Bennett**. Allison, a senior, has been a three-year starter for the Bulls, while her younger sister Stephanie suited up for the first game of her collegiate career.

• Senior **Allison Bennett** made her 57th consecutive start in the Blue and White on Friday night at UConn. Bennett has started every game each of the past two seasons (27 in 2003-04 and 29 in 2002-03). She started 23 of 28 games during her freshman campaign, the first 17 of the season and six of the final 11.

• The Bulls are facing six teams in 2004-05 that advanced to the postseason last year: Connecticut (NCAA), Maine (NCAA), Eastern Michigan (NCAA), Kent State (WNIT), Miami (OH) (WNIT) and Western Michigan (WNIT).

• With six international student-athletes on its roster, the Bulls unofficially have the second-highest number of international players out of all Division I schools, trailing only Florida International which has seven. The information was compiled by the Utah Sports Information Office. Buffalo's roster includes players from Australia (**Belinda Gibb**), Canada (**Dina Atanas**, **Amy Kucheran**), the Czech Republic (**Barbora Homolová**), Finland (**Viorica Badinici**) and Mexico (**Diana Orozco Gollaz**).

• The Bulls' 2004-05 roster is down to 11 active players, minus sophomore **Dina Atanas**, junior **Erin Lawrenson** and senior **Tahcahrah Owens**. Atanas will redshirt the 2004-05 season as she is still recovering from off-season surgery on her shins, and Lawrenson has chosen to end her career after battling chronic ankle problems for the past two years. Owens is currently academically ineligible.

• The Bulls next game against Lafayette on Saturday, November 27, originally scheduled to be played at Alumni Arena, will be played at HSBC Arena in Buffalo, NY as part of a tripleheader. The women's game will tip off at 4 pm, followed by a UB men's basketball game against Indiana State at 6 pm. The final game of the night will be a Canisius-St. Bonaventure men's game at 8 pm.

## The Series

Today's game is only the second meeting of all-time between these two schools. The series began last year with Holy Cross taking a 71-59 decision from the Bulls in Alumni Arena on January 19, 2004. Sarah Placek led the Crusaders with 20 points. Junior **Brooke Meunier** had 17 points for the Bulls on 7-of-15 shooting from the floor.

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## Scouting the Crusaders

The Crusaders opened the season on Friday night with a 60-48 home victory over Providence. Three players scored in double digits for Holy Cross, led by sophomore Brittany Keil with game highs of 15 points and seven rebounds. Senior Lisa Andrews added 12 points and five rebounds, and junior Shannon Bush chipped in 11 points off the bench. Freshman Laura Aloisi dished a game-high 10 assists in her collegiate debut. The Crusaders shot 44.8 percent from the floor in the game (26-for-58) and outrebounded the Friars by a 31-21 margin while forcing them into 26 turnovers.

Ten-time regular season champion Holy Cross is picked to win the Patriot League's regular season crown once again this season. Three-time All-League selection senior Maggie Fontana was a Preseason All-League pick. She led the Crusaders with 14.0 points per game and 6.1 rebounds per game last season. Andrews was a Second Team All-League selection and Keil was an All-Rookie Team honoree in 2003-04.

Head coach Bill Gibbons is in his 20th season at Holy Cross, where he has compiled a 394-172 overall record. He has led the Crusaders to 10 Patriot League regular season titles, nine Patriot League Tournament titles, nine NCAA Tournament appearances, most recently in 2002-03, and one WNIT appearance. He is a six-time Patriot League Coach of the Year honoree.

## The Last Meeting

The University at Buffalo women's basketball team saw a two-game winning streak come to an end, dropping a 71-59 decision to the visiting Holy Cross Crusaders in its final non-conference game of the season in Alumni Arena on January 19, 2004. The Crusaders (7-9 overall) won the game on the glass, outrebounding the Bulls by a 48-27 margin, including 24 offensive boards. The Bulls were led by senior Jessica Kochendorfer, who had a game-high 20 points, five rebounds, four assists and six blocks. Sophomore **Brooke Meunier** reached double figures for the fourth straight game, finishing with 17 points on 7-of-15 shooting from the floor, including 3-of-5 from three-point range. With the loss, Buffalo fell to 3-10 overall on the season.

The Crusaders opened the scoring on a jumper by Lisa Andrews, and they never gave up the lead for the remainder of the game. Holy Cross drained seven three-point shots in the first 20 minutes of play, and it led by as many as 12 points on two occasions in the first half. A three-pointer by Meunier and a late jumper by Kochendorfer cut the Crusaders' lead to seven at halftime, 33-26.

Andrews scored Holy Cross' first 10 points in the second half to get the Crusaders out to a 13-point lead, 43-30, with 15:23 left to play. The Bulls later used a 14-7 run to get within six, 53-47, with 5:59 on the clock, but that was as close as Holy Cross would allow. The Crusaders led by as many as 14 points down the stretch of the 12-point victory.

Sarah Placek led Holy Cross with 20 points, five assists and three steals, while Andrews finished with 18 points, 14 in the second half. The Crusaders shot 40.0 percent from the floor (26-for-65) and 29.4 percent from three-point range (10-for-34) in the game.

The Bulls shot 41.8 percent from the floor (23-for-55) in the game, but Kochendorfer and Meunier were the only two players to reach double figures in scoring. Senior Kim Kilpela added eight points, junior **Allison Bennett** finished with seven and freshman **Belinda Gibb** added six.

"You can't expect to win games when you give up 24 offensive rebounds," said Buffalo head coach **Cheryl Dozier**. "I thought Jessica and Brooke did a nice job offensively again, which we need, but rebounding really cost us the game. We know that, and now we have to make sure it doesn't happen again from here on out."

## The Last Time That...

- ...the Bulls scored 90 or more points in a game?**  
November 17, 2000 vs. North Carolina (W, 95-89)
- ...the Bulls scored 100 or more points in a game?**  
December 21, 1995 vs. Wofford (W, 103-57)
- ...the Bulls allowed 100 or more points in a game?**  
November 19, 2004 vs. Connecticut (L, 107-40)
- ...the Bulls scored 50 or more points in a half?**  
December 13, 2003 vs. Niagara (52, second half)
- ...the Bulls allowed 50 or more points in a half?**  
November 19, 2004 vs. Connecticut (56, second half)
- ...the Bulls played an overtime game?**  
January 28, 2003 vs. Akron (W, 48-45)
- ...the Bulls played a double-overtime game?**  
February 21, 2001 vs. Ohio (W, 86-83)
- ...the Bulls won a game by 20 or more points?**  
January 20, 2003 vs. Cornell (W, 61-35)
- ...the Bulls lost a game by 20 or more points?**  
November 19, 2004 vs. Connecticut (L, 107-40)
- ...the Bulls won a game by 30 or more points?**  
January 16, 1999 vs. Bowling Green (W, 84-51)
- ...the Bulls lost a game by 30 or more points?**  
November 19, 2004 vs. Connecticut (L, 107-40)
- ...two Buffalo players scored 20 or more points in a game?**  
January 17, 2004 vs. Marshall (Jessica Kochendorfer 24, Brooke Meunier 20)
- ...three Buffalo players scored 20 or more points in a game?**  
February 19, 2000 vs. Marshall (Kim Kilpela 33, Tiffany Bell 23, Mari McClure 20)
- ...a Buffalo freshman scored 20 or more points in a game?**  
March 3, 2001 vs. Akron (Virginia Jennings, 20)
- ...a Buffalo player scored 30 or more points in a game?**  
February 19, 2003 vs. Ohio (Kate McMeeken-Ruscoe, 30)
- ...a Buffalo freshman scored 30 or more points in a game?**  
February 19, 2000 vs. Marshall (Kim Kilpela, 33)
- ...four Buffalo players scored in double figures in a game?**  
March 2, 2004 vs. Ohio (Jessica Kochendorfer 16, Kim Kilpela 13, Allison Bennett 12, Brooke Meunier 11)
- ...five Buffalo players scored in double figures in a game?**  
December 8, 2002 vs. Howard (Hollie Cook 16, Kim Kilpela 15, Kate McMeeken-Ruscoe 14, Jessica Kochendorfer 14, Allison Bennett 13)
- ...two Buffalo players had a double-double in a game?**  
February 16, 2003 vs. Western Michigan (Kate McMeeken-Ruscoe 22 pts., 11 reb.; Kim Kilpela 15 pts., 11 reb.)
- ...a Buffalo player had a triple-double in a game?**  
March 3, 2001 vs. Akron (Sonia Ortega, 10 pts., 11 reb., 10 asst.)
- ...a Buffalo player had 10 or more assists in a game?**  
November 21, 2003 vs. Canisius (Hollie Cook, 10)
- ...a Buffalo player had 15 or more rebounds in a game?**  
December 13, 2003 vs. Niagara (Kim Kilpela, 15)
- ...a Buffalo player had five or more blocks in a game?**  
January 19, 2004 vs. Holy Cross (Jessica Kochendorfer, 6)
- ...a Buffalo player had five or more steals in a game?**  
March 8, 2003 vs. Central Michigan (Kate McMeeken-Ruscoe, 6)
- ...a Buffalo player had five or more three-pointers in a game?**  
January 22, 2003 vs. Toledo (Erin Lawrenson, 6)

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## The Last Time Out:

### No. 4 Connecticut Too Much For Bulls

The defending national champion Connecticut Huskies shot 64.2 percent from the floor in the game and scored 58 points in the paint to easily defeat the University at Buffalo women's basketball team, 107-40, in the season opener for both teams on Friday night in a sold-out Gampel Pavilion.

Preseason Naismith Trophy candidate Ann Strother scored seven of her game-high 20 points in the first five minutes of the game to get the Huskies out to a 9-0 lead, much to the delight of the 10,167 fans in attendance. The Bulls then got a spark off the bench from a couple of freshman as **Stephanie Bennett** dished the ball under the basket to **Heather Turner** for an easy layup that finally got the Bulls on the board at the 15:59 mark. Turner then grabbed a defensive rebound on the Huskies' next possession, and Bennett knocked down a three-pointer on the other end of the floor to get the Bulls within four, 9-5. Connecticut then embarked on a 19-0 run, and a later 14-0 run helped get the Huskies out to a commanding 51-15 halftime lead.

UConn shot 62.5 percent from the floor in the first half (20-for-32), including 5-for-11 from three-point range (45.5 percent), led by 17 points from Strother and 12 points from Charde Houston. Bennett had eight of her team-high 10 points for the Bulls, who shot just 17.2 percent from the floor in the first half (5-for-29).

Connecticut didn't slow down in the second half as it opened with a 20-4 run and shot even better from the floor (65.7 percent, 23-for-35) to run away with the 67-point victory. The Bulls kept battling, however, and they shot an improved 28.0 percent from the floor in the final 20 minutes of the game (7-for-25).

The Huskies had five players in double figures in scoring and they shot a combined 64.2 percent from the floor (43-for-67) while the Bulls shot 22.2 percent in the game (12-for-54). Connecticut outrebounded the Bulls by a 43-26 margin, led by seven boards from Ashley Battle. UConn scored 27 second-chance points and 33 points off of turnovers.

Bennett had a team-high five assists in addition to her team-high 10 points, and sophomore transfer **Viorica Badinici** had nine points and two blocks. Turner finished with six points and a team-high five rebounds.

"This was a great opportunity for our basketball program," said Buffalo head coach **Cheryl Dozier**. "We knew it was going to be a tall task going in, but I told our team that afterward, we'd be able to look at what things we still need to work on. UConn just knocks shots down - that was the most impressive thing to me. I think our future looks bright though. We're young and we had three or four new players out on the floor at a time tonight. We're going to do some good things this year if we just stay our course, and we'll start again at Holy Cross on Sunday."

## The WBCA/Summerville RPI

In the preseason WBCA/Summerville RPI report released on November 3, Buffalo had the 93rd-ranked strength of schedule in Division I, which is the second-highest in the Mid-American Conference (behind 88th Western Michigan). When looking at only non-conference games, the Bulls were ranked 119th, also second highest in the MAC behind Western Michigan (50th).

## Meunier Coming Off Solid Sophomore Campaign

Junior **Brooke Meunier** had a breakout season in 2003-04, averaging 11.9 points and 5.2 rebounds per game after averaging just 4.4 points and 2.4 boards as a freshman in 2002-03. Meunier was second on the team and 18th in the Mid-American Conference in scoring, and she scored in double figures in a team-high 17 games during the 2003-04 season. Meunier set career highs in seven statistical categories during the year, including points with 23 at Colgate on November 25. She also posted her first career double-double with 13 points and a career-high 10 rebounds at Kent State on February 11.

## Record When...

Overall record:.....0-1  
MAC record:.....0-0

Home record:.....0-0  
Road record:.....0-1  
Neutral site record:.....0-0

Day games:.....0-0  
Night games:.....0-1  
Overtime games:.....0-0

Playing on Sunday:.....0-0  
Playing on Monday:.....0-0  
Playing on Tuesday:.....0-0  
Playing on Wednesday:.....0-0  
Playing on Thursday:.....0-0  
Playing on Friday:.....0-1  
Playing on Saturday:.....0-0

Scoring first:.....0-0  
Opponent scores first:.....0-1

Leading at halftime:.....0-0  
Trailing at halftime:.....0-1  
Game tied at halftime:.....0-0

Leading with 10 minutes left:.....0-0  
Trailing with 10 minutes left:.....0-1  
Game tied with 10 minutes left:.....0-0  
Leading with 5 minutes left:.....0-0  
Trailing with 5 minutes left:.....0-1  
Game tied with 5 minutes left:.....0-0

Shooting higher FG% than opponent:.....0-0  
Shooting lower FG% than opponent:.....0-1  
FG% is equal:.....0-0

Shooting higher FT% than opponent:.....0-1  
Shooting lower FT% than opponent:.....0-0  
FT% is equal:.....0-0

Outrebounding opponent:.....0-0  
Being outrebounded by opponent:.....0-1  
Rebounds are equal:.....0-0

Having less turnovers than opponent:.....0-0  
Having more turnovers than opponent:.....0-1  
Turnovers are equal:.....0-0

Games decided by 5 points or less:.....0-0  
Games decided by 6-10 points:.....0-0  
Games decided by 11 or more points:.....0-1

Scoring 59 points or less:.....0-1  
Scoring 60-69 points:.....0-0  
Scoring 70-79 points:.....0-0  
Scoring 80-89 points:.....0-0  
Scoring 90-99 points:.....0-0  
Scoring 100 or more points:.....0-0  
Having a 20-point scorer:.....0-0

Allowing 59 points or less:.....0-0  
Allowing 60-69 points:.....0-0  
Allowing 70-79 points:.....0-0  
Allowing 80-89 points:.....0-0  
Allowing 90-99 points:.....0-0  
Allowing 100 or more points:.....0-1



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## Dozier Adds Alum to Staff

Over the summer, head coach **Cheryl Dozier** added one of her former players, **Kim Coon**, to her staff as an administrative assistant/video coordinator for the 2004-05 season. Coon spent the past three seasons as an assistant coach at Colgate, where she helped lead the Raiders to their first-ever NCAA appearance in 2004 where they lost to eventual national finalist Tennessee in the opening round. Coon was a four-year letterwinner at UB, with her senior season (1998-99) being Dozier's first season with the Bulls. Coon currently ranks 12th on UB's all-time scoring list (1,038 career points), second in both career three-point field goals made (140) and career three-point field goals attempted (348), third in career three-point field goal percentage (40.2) and fourth in career free throw percentage (74.3).

## The Non-Conference Schedule

Buffalo head coach **Cheryl Dozier** has an impressive 41-24 non-conference record to date in her career at UB. Below is a look at Buffalo's 2004-05 non-conference opponents by conference:

Conference .....	Record
America East (Maine, Northeastern) .....	0-0
BIG EAST (Connecticut) .....	0-1
Conference USA (East Carolina) .....	0-0
Horizon League (Youngstown State) .....	0-0
Metro Atlantic Athletic (Canisius, Niagara) .....	0-0
Mid-Continent (Oakland) .....	0-0
Patriot League (Bucknell, Holy Cross, Lafayette) .....	0-0

## Head Coach Cheryl Dozier

Head coach **Cheryl Dozier** is in her seventh season at Buffalo with an overall record of 85-84 entering today's game at Holy Cross. She earned her 80th career win on December 3, 2003 against Youngstown State (68-58), giving her the second-most wins of all coaches in UB women's basketball history, trailing only Sal Buscaglia who compiled 155 wins in eight seasons with the Bulls (1990-98). Dozier has guided the Bulls to four winning seasons, to two record-setting starts and to national rankings in both offensive and defensive statistical categories during her tenure. Prior to taking over the reins as the 10th head coach in UB women's basketball history, Dozier served as an assistant coach at Michigan State (1993-98), Ohio (1991-93) and Lake Superior State (1989-91). She is a 1989 graduate of Aquinas College where she was a four-year letterwinner.

Year	Overall		MAC	
	W	L	W	L
1998-99	15	12	8	8
1999-00	18	11	7	9
2000-01	19	9	10	6
2001-02	9	19	4	12
2002-03	18	11	9	7
2003-04	6	21	4	12
2004-05	0	1	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>54</b>

## Leading UB

### IN SCORING

Stephanie Bennett ..... 1 game  
(10 points vs. Connecticut, November 19)

### IN REBOUNDING

Heather Turner ..... 1 game  
(5 rebounds vs. Connecticut, November 19)

### IN ASSISTS

Stephanie Bennett ..... 1 game  
(5 assists vs. Connecticut, November 19)

### DOUBLE-DOUBLES

None to date

### DOUBLE FIGURES IN SCORING

Stephanie Bennett ..... 1 game  
(10 points vs. Connecticut, November 19)

### DOUBLE FIGURES IN REBOUNDING

None to date

### 20+ POINTS

None to date

## Miscellaneous Statistics

Largest halftime lead:.....	n/a
Largest halftime deficit:.....	36 points (Connecticut 51, Buffalo 15, November 19, 2004)
Largest halftime lead surrendered to lose:.....	n/a
Largest halftime deficit overcome to win:.....	n/a
Largest lead at any time:.....	n/a
Largest deficit at any time:.....	69 points (Connecticut 107, Buffalo 38, 1:08 second half, November 19, 2004)
Largest lead surrendered to lose:.....	n/a
Largest deficit overcome to win:.....	n/a
Largest margin of victory:.....	n/a
Largest margin of defeat:.....	67 points (Connecticut 107, Buffalo 40, November 19, 2004)
Most points scored in a half:.....	25 (second half vs. Connecticut, November 19, 2004)
Fewest points scored in a half:.....	15 (first half vs. Connecticut, November 19, 2004)
Most points allowed in a half:.....	56 (second half vs. Connecticut, November 19, 2004)
Fewest points allowed in a half:.....	51 (first half vs. Connecticut, November 19, 2004)

# 2004-05 BUFFALO BASKETBALL

## 2003-04 Recap

The Bulls struggled through an obstacle-filled 2003-04 season, finally finishing with a 6-21 overall record following a 69-45 first-round MAC Tournament loss at Marshall. The year was largely a tale of two halves, with Buffalo averaging 25.0 points in the first half (676) and 33.6 points in the second half (908) of games. Additionally, Buffalo shot 37.0 percent from the floor in the first half (262-for-708) and 42.4 percent from the floor in the second half (329-for-776) of games in 2003-04. Buffalo's inconsistent offense averaged 58.7 points per game with three players in double figures, while the defense uncharacteristically gave up 72.5 points per game. Highlighting the year was a 65-61 win over Toledo on February 3, Buffalo's first-ever win over the Rockets in seven matchups. Senior Jessica Kochendorfer was an All-MAC Honorable Mention selection for the second time in her career after leading the Bulls in both scoring (13.8 points per game, sixth in the MAC) and rebounding (8.5 points per game, fourth in the MAC). Kochendorfer also averaged 2.24 blocks per game, second in the MAC, helping the Bulls to rank second in the conference as a team with 3.96 blocks per game.

## Bulls Sign Four During Early Period

Buffalo head coach **Cheryl Dozier** has signed four players to National Letters of Intent during the recent early signing period. They are:

Rayna Brown (5-8, G, Montclair, NJ/Montclair)  
Dortae Freeman (G, 5-9, Detroit, MI/Cass Technical)  
Rachelle Matthys (5-9, G, St. Clair, MI/St. Clair)  
Jamie Schiebner (6-0, F, Saginaw, MI/Heritage)

Schiebner comes from the same high school as junior **Brooke Meunier**, and Freeman is from the same high school that Daniel Gilbert is from. Gilbert is currently a senior on the UB men's basketball team.

## Career Records Update

### 3-PT FIELD GOALS

10. Megan McCray (1995-99) .....	49
11. Virginia Jennings (2000-02) .....	39
12. Melanie Vogel (1992-96) .....	37
<b>13. Allison Bennett (2001-) .....</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>14. Brooke Meunier (2002-) .....</b>	<b>30</b>
Colleen Tabor (1999-01) .....	30
<b>Talia Merlino (2001-) .....</b>	<b>19</b>

### 3-PT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED

10. Virginia Jennings (2000-02) .....	129
11. Megan McCray (1995-99) .....	120
12. Melanie Vogel (1992-96) .....	116
<b>13. Allison Bennett (2001-) .....</b>	<b>114</b>
14. Colleen Tabor (1999-01) .....	100
15. Nadine Mastroleo (1991-94) .....	99

<b>Brooke Meunier (2002-) .....</b>	<b>86</b>
<b>Talia Merlino (2001-) .....</b>	<b>53</b>

### Assists

11. Michelle Stiles (1982-85) .....	188
12. Lorrie Drennen (1989-93) .....	184
13. Natoshia Cummings (1993-95) .....	179
Robin Dulmage (1978-81) .....	179

<b>Allison Bennett (2001-) .....</b>	<b>148</b>
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## Associated Press Top 25 (November 16)

Rank (First-place votes)	Record	Points	Previous
1. Tennessee (22)	0-0	1,092	1
2. Texas (6)	1-0	1,061	2
3. LSU (11)	3-0	1,059	3
4. Connecticut (6)	0-0	1,008	4
5. Georgia	0-0	888	5
6. Duke	2-0	871	6
7. Stanford	0-0	825	7
8. Baylor	0-1	780	8
9. North Carolina	0-0	744	9
10. Ohio State	2-0	705	10
11. Notre Dame	2-0	678	10
12. Texas Tech	0-0	624	12
13. Vanderbilt	0-0	550	13
14. Minnesota	1-0	506	14
15. Michigan State	0-0	442	15
16. Purdue	0-0	426	16
17. Rutgers	0-0	372	17
18. Boston College	0-0	356	18
19. Kansas State	0-0	340	19
20. DePaul	0-0	277	20
21. Oklahoma	0-0	209	22
22. Arizona	2-0	193	24
23. Penn State	0-1	150	21
24. Maryland	0-0	146	23
25. Louisiana Tech	0-0	104	25

ARV: UCLA 73, Utah 29, Villanova 22, Chattanooga 16, Old Dominion 12, SW Missouri State 11, TCU 10, UC Santa Barbara 10, Auburn 6, Arizona State 5, UNLV 5, New Mexico 4, Florida 3, Middle Tennessee 3, Richmond 3, Miami (FL) 2, Mississippi 2, Houston 1, Montana 1, Wisconsin-Green Bay 1.

## USA Today/ESPN/WBCA Top 25 (November 16)

Rank (First-place votes)	Record	Points	Previous
1. Tennessee (19)	0-0	961	1
2. LSU (10)	3-0	942	2
3. Texas (7)	1-0	936	3
4. Connecticut (4)	0-0	884	4
5. Georgia	0-0	801	5
6. Duke	2-0	783	6
7. Stanford	0-0	753	7
8. Baylor	0-1	640	8
9. Ohio State	2-0	637	T9
10. Notre Dame	2-0	586	11
11. Texas Tech	0-0	567	T9
12. North Carolina	0-0	521	12
13. Vanderbilt	0-0	486	13
14. Purdue	0-0	428	15
15. Michigan State	0-0	413	16
16. Minnesota	1-1	355	14
17. Boston College	0-0	294	T18
18. Rutgers	0-0	292	17
19. Kansas State	0-0	279	T18
20. DePaul	0-0	255	20
21. Arizona	2-0	212	24
22. Louisiana Tech	0-0	162	22
23. Penn State	0-1	151	21
24. Maryland	0-0	138	23
25. Oklahoma	0-0	103	25

ARV: Utah 50; UCLA 44; TCU 39; Villanova 35; SW Missouri State 28; Houston 25; Old Dominion 17; Chattanooga 16; Washington 15; Temple 14; Virginia Tech 12; UC Santa Barbara 10; Marquette 9; Oregon 9; South Florida 8; Arizona State 7; Arkansas State 6; Colorado 6; Florida 6; Liberty 6; New Mexico 6; Wisconsin-Green Bay 6; Richmond 5; Auburn 4; Louisville 4; Marshall 4; Montana 4; Southern California 4; Virginia 4; Miami (FL) 3; South Alabama 3; UNLV 3; Eastern Michigan 2; Middle Tennessee 2; West Virginia 2; George Washington 1; Idaho 1; UC Irvine 1.

# 2004-05 BUFFALO BASKETBALL

## MAC Standings (Through games of November 19)

	MAC		OVERALL	
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
<b>EAST DIVISION</b>				
Kent State	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000
Marshall	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000
Miami	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000
Ohio	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000
Akron	0-0	.000	0-1	.000
Buffalo	0-0	.000	0-1	.000
<b>WEST DIVISION</b>				
Ball State	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000
Bowling Green	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000
Central Michigan	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000
Eastern Michigan	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000
Toledo	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000
Western Michigan	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000
Northern Illinois	0-0	.000	0-1	.000

## Recent MAC Results/ Upcoming Schedule

### Friday, November 12

Ohio State 89, Bowling Green 41 (Preseason WNIT)

### Friday, November 19

American 53, Kent State 72  
Ball State 85, Wagner 46 (Seton Hall Tournament)  
Bowling Green 115, IPFW 84  
Buffalo 40, Connecticut 107  
Cincinnati 57, Toledo 62  
Wayne State 31, Eastern Michigan 82  
Dayton 66, Akron 56  
Indiana State 59, Miami 62  
Texas-Pan American 43, Marshall 79  
Northern Illinois 61, Missouri 68 (Hawkeye Classic)  
Oakland 98, Ohio 106  
Tri-State 55, Central Michigan 116

### Saturday, November 20

Ball State vs. Seton Hall - 3 pm (Seton Hall Tournament)  
Maryland-Eastern Shore at Eastern Michigan - 5 pm  
Lehigh at Marshall - 1 pm  
Northern Illinois vs. Southern Illinois - 3:30 pm (Hawkeye Classic)  
Western Michigan vs. Boston College - 1 pm (Spartan Classic)

### Sunday, November 21

Akron at Robert Morris - 5 pm  
Buffalo at Holy Cross - 1 pm  
WMU vs. Michigan State/C. Connecticut - 1/3:30 pm (Spartan Classic)

### Monday, November 22

Wisconsin-Green Bay at Kent State - 7 pm

### Tuesday, November 23

Chicago State at Miami - 7 pm  
Oakland at Central Michigan - 5:30 pm  
Ohio at Youngstown State - 5:15 pm

### Wednesday, November 24

Ball State at Cincinnati - 2 pm  
Toledo at Marquette - 6 pm  
Western Michigan at Northwestern - 7 pm

## Bulls Among the MAC Stat Leaders

(Final 2003-04)

### TEAM

Scoring Offense.....	11th (58.7)
Scoring Defense.....	12th (72.5)
Scoring Margin .....	13th (-13.8)
Field Goal Percentage.....	10th (.398)
Field Goal Percentage Defense .....	10th (.425)
3-Pt. Field Goals Per Game .....	13th (3.44)
3-Pt. Field Goal Percentage .....	12th (.293)
3-Pt. Field Goal Percentage Defense.....	10th (.341)
Free Throw Percentage.....	7th (.717)
Offensive Rebounds Per Game.....	11th (11.67)
Defensive Rebounds Per Game.....	9th (22.89)
Rebounding Offense.....	12th (34.6)
Rebounding Defense .....	11th (40.0)
Rebounding Margin .....	12th (-5.5)
Assists Per Game.....	9th (13.11)
Steals Per Game .....	12th (6.67)
Blocks Per Game .....	2nd (3.96)
Turnover Margin .....	13th (-3.63)
Assist/Turnover Ratio .....	10th (0.70)

### INDIVIDUAL

#### Scoring

Jessica Kochendorfer .....	6th (13.8)
Brooke Meunier .....	18th (11.9)
Kim Kilpela .....	26th (11.1)

#### Field Goal Percentage (min. 4.0 made per game)

Kim Kilpela .....	11th (.456)
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#### Free Throw Percentage (min. 2.0 made per game)

Jessica Kochendorfer .....	14th (.753)
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#### Rebounding

Jessica Kochendorfer .....	4th (8.5)
Kim Kilpela .....	17th (6.4)

#### Offensive Rebounds Per Game

Jessica Kochendorfer .....	6th (2.92)
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#### Defensive Rebounds Per Game

Jessica Kochendorfer .....	3rd (5.56)
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#### Blocked Shots Per Game

Jessica Kochendorfer .....	2nd (2.24)
Kim Kilpela .....	4th (1.30)

## MAC Preseason Poll

EAST DIVISION	POINTS	WEST DIVISION	POINTS
Miami (14)	169	Eastern Michigan (22)	212
Kent State (9)	165	Western Michigan (8)	175
Marshall (9)	144	Bowling Green (1)	153
Ohio	78	Toledo	125
Buffalo	70	Ball State (1)	124
Akron	47	Northern Illinois	71
		Central Michigan	36

\*First-place votes in parentheses

Voted on by members of the MAC News Media Association

### MAC TOURNAMENT CHAMPION

Eastern Michigan (10 votes)	Bowling Green (3)
Marshall (7)	Miami (2)
Western Michigan (6)	Kent State (1)

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## Player Season/Career Highs

### #12 VIORICA BADINICI

**Forward • 6-3 • Sophomore**  
Turku, Finland/Central Florida  
Community College

#### CAREER AND SEASON HIGHS

**Points:** 9 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Rebounds:** 0  
**Field Goals:** 3 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Free Throws:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Assists:** 0  
**Steals:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Blocked Shots:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04

### #23 STEPHANIE BENNETT

**Guard • 5-8 • Freshman**  
Springfield, OH/Kenton Ridge

#### CAREER AND SEASON HIGHS

**Points:** 10 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Rebounds:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Field Goals:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Free Throws:** 4 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Assists:** 5 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Steals:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Blocked Shots:** 0

### #14 ALLISON BENNETT

**Guard • 5-9 • Senior • Co-Captain**  
Springfield, OH/Kenton Ridge

#### CAREER HIGHS

**Points:** 17 vs. Marshall, 1/17/04  
**Rebounds:** 8 vs. Ohio, 3/2/04  
**Field Goals:** 8 vs. Marshall, 1/17/04  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 3 vs. Kent State, 2/11/04  
**Free Throws:** 9 vs. St. John's, 11/22/02  
**Assists:** 6 vs. Ohio, 3/2/04  
**Steals:** 3, five times  
**Blocked Shots:** 1, nine times

#### SEASON HIGHS

**Points:** 4 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Rebounds:** 3 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Field Goals:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 0  
**Free Throws:** 0  
**Assists:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Steals:** 0  
**Blocked Shots:** 0

### #24 BELINDA GIBB

**Guard • 5-9 • Sophomore**  
Denmark, Western Australia/  
Willetton

#### CAREER HIGHS

**Points:** 12 vs. Northern Illinois, 1/26/04  
**Rebounds:** 7 vs. Bowling Green, 1/31/04  
**Field Goals:** 4 vs. Bowling Green, 1/31/04  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 0  
**Free Throws:** 6 vs. Northern Illinois,  
1/26/04  
**Assists:** 5 vs. Eastern Michigan, 2/18/04  
**Steals:** 4 vs. Miami (OH), 1/7/04  
**Blocked Shots:** 1, three times

#### SEASON HIGHS

**Points:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Rebounds:** 0  
**Field Goals:** 0  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 0  
**Free Throws:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Assists:** 0  
**Steals:** 0  
**Blocked Shots:** 0

### #42 BARBORA HOMOLOVÁ

**Forward • 6-3 • Freshman**  
Ceska Lipa, Czech Republic/Strakonice

#### CAREER AND SEASON HIGHS

**Points:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Rebounds:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Field Goals:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 0  
**Free Throws:** 0  
**Assists:** 0  
**Steals:** 0  
**Blocked Shots:** 0

### #11 AMY KUCHERAN

**Forward • 6-1 • Junior**  
Delta, British Columbia/College  
of Southern Idaho

#### CAREER HIGHS

**Points:** 2, two times  
**Rebounds:** 0  
**Field Goals:** 1, two times  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 0  
**Free Throws:** 0  
**Assists:** 0  
**Steals:** 0  
**Blocked Shots:** 0

#### SEASON HIGHS

**Points:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Rebounds:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Field Goals:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 0  
**Free Throws:** 0  
**Assists:** 0  
**Steals:** 0  
**Blocked Shots:** 0



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## #10 TALIA MERLINO

Guard • 5-4 • Senior • Co-Captain  
Newtown, PA/Notre Dame (NJ) HS

### CAREER HIGHS

**Points:** 12, two times  
**Rebounds:** 5 vs. Marshall, 1/17/04  
**Field Goals:** 5 vs. Toledo, 2/3/04  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 4 vs. Kent State, 2/11/04  
**Free Throws:** 4 vs. Akron, 1/26/02  
**Assists:** 5, two times  
**Steals:** 2, two times  
**Blocked Shots:** 1 vs. Western Michigan, 1/10/04

### SEASON HIGHS

**Points:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Rebounds:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Field Goals:** 0  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 0  
**Free Throws:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Assists:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Steals:** 0  
**Blocked Shots:** 0

## #22 BROOKE MEUNIER

Guard • 5-9 • Junior  
Saginaw, MI/Heritage

### CAREER HIGHS

**Points:** 23 vs. Colgate, 11/25/03  
**Rebounds:** 10 vs. Kent State, 2/11/04  
**Field Goals:** 8 vs. Colgate, 11/25/03  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 4 vs. Marshall, 1/17/04  
**Free Throws:** 7 vs. Colgate, 11/25/03  
**Assists:** 5, four times  
**Steals:** 4 vs. Kent State, 3/4/03  
**Blocked Shots:** 1, two times

### SEASON HIGHS

**Points:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Rebounds:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Field Goals:** 0  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 0  
**Free Throws:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Assists:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Steals:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Blocked Shots:** 0

## #5 DIANA OROZCO GOLLAZ

Guard • 5-10 • Freshman  
León Guanajuato, Mexico/Tec de  
Monterrey-León

### CAREER AND SEASON HIGHS

**Points:** 0  
**Rebounds:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Field Goals:** 0  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 0  
**Free Throws:** 0  
**Assists:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Steals:** 0  
**Blocked Shots:** 0

## #31 FLYNN PYYKKONEN

Guard/Forward • 5-11 • Freshman  
Clarkston, MI/Birmingham Marian

### CAREER AND SEASON HIGHS

**Points:** 3 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Rebounds:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Field Goals:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Free Throws:** 0  
**Assists:** 0  
**Steals:** 1 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Blocked Shots:** 0

## #40 HEATHER TURNER

Forward • 6-0 • Freshman  
West Seneca, NY/Mount Mercy Academy

### CAREER AND SEASON HIGHS

**Points:** 6 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Rebounds:** 5 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Field Goals:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**3-PT Field Goals:** 0  
**Free Throws:** 2 vs. Connecticut, 11/19/04  
**Assists:** 0  
**Steals:** 0  
**Blocked Shots:** 0

# 2004-05 BUFFALO BASKETBALL

## Game Summaries

### GAME 1: #4/4 CONNECTICUT 107, BUFFALO 40

November 19, 2004 • Storrs, CT • Attendance: 10,167

The defending national champion Connecticut Huskies shot 64.2 percent from the floor in the game and scored 58 points in the paint to easily defeat the University at Buffalo women's basketball team, 107-40, in the season opener for both teams in a sold-out Gampel Pavilion. The Huskies had five players in double figures in scoring, led by preseason Naismith Trophy candidate Ann Strother with 20, including four three-pointers. The Huskies used first-half runs of 19-0 and 14-0 to take a 51-15 halftime lead, and they opened the second half with a 20-4 run en route to the 67-point victory. The Bulls got a spark off the bench from two freshmen in the first half when **Stephanie Bennett** dished the ball under the basket to **Heather Turner** for an easy layup for the Bulls' first bucket of the game. Turner then grabbed a defensive rebound and Bennett knocked down a three-pointer to make the score 9-5 just over four minutes into the game. Bennett finished with team highs of 10 points and five assists while Turner grabbed a team-high five rebounds in her collegiate debut.

#### BUFFALO (0-1)

Name	MIN	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	REB	PF	A	B	S	TP
Kucheran	20	1-4	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0	0	2
Badinici	30	3-11	1-3	2-2	0	3	0	2	2	9
Merlino	24	0-3	0-2	1-2	1	0	1	0	0	1
A. Bennett	23	2-8	0-2	0-0	3	1	1	0	0	4
Gibb	12	0-2	0-0	1-2	0	1	0	0	0	1
Orozco Gollaz	8	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	3	1	0	0	0
Meunier	11	0-4	0-1	2-2	1	2	1	0	1	2
S. Bennett	34	2-7	2-5	4-4	2	1	5	0	1	10
Pyykkonen	13	1-7	1-5	0-0	2	2	0	0	1	3
Turner	12	2-4	0-0	2-2	5	4	0	0	0	6
Homolova	13	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Team					7					
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>12-54</b>	<b>4-18</b>	<b>12-14</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>40</b>

<b>BUFFALO</b>	15	25	-	40
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>	51	56	-	107

#### CONNECTICUT (1-0)

Name	MIN	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	REB	PF	A	B	S	TP
Crockett	15	2-3	0-0	1-2	3	1	0	1	2	5
Turner	16	4-5	0-1	3-3	2	2	3	2	1	11
Moore	16	3-3	0-0	3-4	5	1	3	0	1	9
Swanier	21	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	8	0	2	0
Strother	18	8-11	4-6	0-0	6	0	1	0	1	20
Valley	15	1-3	0-1	0-0	3	0	6	0	1	2
Marron	10	1-2	1-2	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Sadiq	17	6-10	0-0	0-1	6	4	0	0	0	12
Wolff	18	3-7	2-4	1-2	1	0	4	0	0	9
Battle	16	5-8	2-3	0-0	7	1	0	0	1	12
Houston	21	7-8	0-0	3-3	4	2	2	4	1	17
Thomas	17	3-6	1-2	0-0	2	1	2	0	2	7
Team					3					
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>43-67</b>	<b>10-19</b>	<b>11-15</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>107</b>

**2004-05 Buffalo Women's Basketball**  
**Buffalo Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 20, 2004)**  
**All games**

<b>RECORD:</b>	<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>AWAY</b>	<b>NEUTRAL</b>
<b>ALL GAMES.....</b>	<b>(0-1)</b>	<b>(0-0)</b>	<b>(0-1)</b>	<b>(0-0)</b>
<b>CONFERENCE.....</b>	<b>(0-0)</b>	<b>(0-0)</b>	<b>(0-0)</b>	<b>(0-0)</b>
<b>NON-CONFERENCE.....</b>	<b>(0-1)</b>	<b>(0-0)</b>	<b>(0-1)</b>	<b>(0-0)</b>

##	Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		FT-FTA	Pct	----REBOUNDS----				PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct			Off	Def	Tot	Avg								
23	BENNETT, Stephanie.	1-0	34 34.0	2-7	.286	2-5	.400	4-4	1.000	1	1	2	2.0	1	0	5	9	0	1	10	10.0
12	BADINICI, Viorica..	1-1	30 30.0	3-11	.273	1-3	.333	2-2	1.000	0	0	0	0.0	3	0	0	0	2	2	9	9.0
40	TURNER, Heather....	1-0	12 12.0	2-4	.500	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	3	2	5	5.0	4	0	0	2	0	0	6	6.0
14	BENNETT, Allison...	1-1	23 23.0	2-8	.250	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	2	1	3	3.0	1	0	1	2	0	0	4	4.0
31	PYYKKONEN, Flynn...	1-0	13 13.0	1-7	.143	1-5	.200	0-0	.000	1	1	2	2.0	2	0	0	1	0	1	3	3.0
11	KUCHERAN, Amy.....	1-1	20 20.0	1-4	.250	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	1	2	2.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	2.0
22	MEUNIER, Brooke....	1-0	11 11.0	0-4	.000	0-1	.000	2-2	1.000	0	1	1	1.0	2	0	1	0	0	1	2	2.0
42	HOMOLOVA, Barbora..	1-0	13 13.0	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	2.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	2.0
24	GIBB, Belinda.....	1-1	12 12.0	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.0
10	MERLINO, Talia.....	1-1	24 24.0	0-3	.000	0-2	.000	1-2	.500	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	1	4	0	0	1	1.0
05	OROZCO GOLLAZ, Dian	1-0	8 8.0	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	1.0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
	TEAM.....									4	3	7	7.0	0			0				
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	Total.....	1	200	12-54	.222	4-18	.222	12-14	.857	13	13	26	26.0	18	0	9	20	2	5	40	40.0
	Opponents.....	1	200	43-67	.642	10-19	.526	11-15	.733	15	28	43	43.0	14	-	30	9	7	12	107	107.0

TEAM STATISTICS	UB	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
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SCORING.....	40	107	11/19/04	at Connecticut	L	40-107	10167
Points per game.....	40.0	107.0					
Scoring margin.....	-67.0	-					
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	12-54	43-67					
Field goal pct.....	.222	.642					
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	4-18	10-19					
3-point FG pct.....	.222	.526					
3-pt FG made per game..	4.0	10.0					
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	12-14	11-15					
Free throw pct.....	.857	.733					
REBOUNDS.....	26	43					
Rebounds per game.....	26.0	43.0					
Rebounding margin.....	-17.0	-					
ASSISTS.....	9	30					
Assists per game.....	9.0	30.0					
TURNOVERS.....	20	9					
Turnovers per game.....	20.0	9.0					
Turnover margin.....	-11.0	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	0.5	3.3					
STEALS.....	5	12					
Steals per game.....	5.0	12.0					
BLOCKS.....	2	7					
Blocks per game.....	2.0	7.0					
WINNING STREAK.....	0	-					
Home win streak.....	0	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	0	10167					
Home games-Avg/Game....	0-0	1-10167					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	0-0					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	Total
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Buffalo.....	15	25	- 40
Opponents.....	51	56	- 107