

It's Hoop-time, baby!

# NCAA Preview

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The 1992-93 college basketball season has jumped up on us and it seems like only yesterday that Minneapolis hosted the nation's top four teams. This year promises to hold many surprises on the road to the New Orleans Superdome and Final Four '93. Unlike last year, when Duke went wire-to-wire as number 1, the '92-'93 season should see weekly shake-ups in the top 25. The following is an overview of our top five conferences and how their teams will fare in the national picture.

### Big 10

The Big 10, as usual, has several teams that will make a splash in the national scene. Indiana and Michigan should vie for the top spot in the conference along with Ohio State and Purdue. Iowa State and Iowa are top 25 caliber teams but in this tough conference they'll have to make March their showtime.

### Big 8

This well-known football conference can play with the roundball, too. Kansas is the runaway choice of most observers to come out on top but Nebraska should give the Jayhawks at least a challenge for the title. Kansas is a legitimate top 5 team with one of the country's best backcourts in Rex Walters and Adonis Jordan. The rest of the Big 8 will chase with little success.

### Big East

The Baby Conference shouldn't be as much of a factor this year with the loss of Alonzo Mourning, Malik Sealy, and Chris Smith. Syracuse is banned from post-season play, so the Orangemen won't help the cause. Seton Hall should win the title and challenge for a Final Four spot while Connecticut and St. Johns give chase.

### Southeastern (SEC)

Kentucky is the class of this new-look conference. Arkansas should claim the Western division, and U.K., the Eastern flag. Vanderbilt

is the only other team with a legitimate shot at national recognition. Tennessee, whose season rides on the performance of Allan Houston, could be a surprise in the spring.

### Atlantic Coast (ACC)

This edition of ACC basketball should look similar to last year's as Duke, North Carolina, and Florida State push for conference honors. Nationally Duke holds the top spot after defeating Michigan in an early season showdown. North Carolina once again shows promise after losing one starter from last year's squad. The Tar Heels are a top 10 talent team and the top 5 is only nine miles down Tobacco Road at Duke. Virginia, last year's N.I.T. champs, will be there when it comes to March Madness.

### Our Top Five

1. Kansas
2. Duke
3. Kentucky
4. Indiana
5. Seton Hall

# Lady Quakers take two

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Career-high scoring performances by Catherine Herring and Tara McCoy, a triple-double by Derrill Smith and another 20-point effort by Brenda Davis.

Yes, the Guilford College women's basketball team did win the game. Barely.

The Lady Quakers edged Ferrum 78-74 Monday, November 23 at Ragan-Brown Fieldhouse to even their season record at 1-1.

Herring, a junior, shot 12 for 23 from the floor to rack up 28 points in the victory—rebounding from an 0 for 8 performance in the season opener. Her hot hand in the paint kept Guilford in the lead as Ferrum made a late second half run.

The Lady Quakers led by as many as 14 late in the game, but the deft accuracy of Panther long-bombers (10 of 18 from behind the three-point arc) pulled Ferrum to as close as three.

After the Ferrum game, it seems at least one hole left in the Lady Quaker lineup after last season has been plugged by Smith, a key starter as a freshman. Smith scored 11, snatched 13 rebounds and dished out 10 assists against the Panthers.

Davis added another stalwart performance, with 20 points and 13 boards. Through the first couple games, she has averaged 26.5 points and 13 rebounds per contest, while shooting 61 percent from the field and 82 percent from the

free throw line.

Senior Tara McCoy also reached double figures with 10 points.

Coach Jeannie King's squad traveled to Fayetteville, NC and knocked off Methodist College Wednesday, December 2 to up its



Brenda Davis: ODAC player of the week

record to 2-1. The Lady Quakers had to go to overtime to defeat the Monarchs, but finally won 71-70.

Davis again led the team, scoring 21 points and pulling down 20 rebounds. Herring played her second great game in a row, hitting ten of nineteen from the floor for 20 points, and grabbing eight rebounds.

Freshman Anitra Everett chipped in with 11 points, and Becky Shotwell had nine.

Davis was named Old Dominion Athletic Conference Player of the Week for her performance in the Methodist game.

Guilford returns home tonight to face cross-town rival Greensboro College.

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## 1992-93 Guilford College Women's Basketball Schedule

Date	Day	Opponent	Time
Dec. 10	Thursday	GREENSBORO	7 p.m.
Dec. 12	Saturday	BRIDGEWATER*	2 p.m.
Jan. 8	Friday	at Randolph-Macon*	7 p.m.
Jan. 9	Saturday	at Virginia Wesleyan*	3 p.m.
Jan. 12	Tuesday	EMORY & HENRY*	7 p.m.
Jan. 16	Saturday	LYNCHBURG*	2 p.m.
Jan. 18	Monday	at Randolph-Macon Woman's*	7 p.m.
Jan. 22	Friday	at Eastern Mennonite*	7 p.m.
Jan. 23	Saturday	at Bridgewater*	3 p.m.
Jan. 26	Tuesday	VIRGINIA WESLEYAN*	7 p.m.
Jan. 28	Thursday	at Hollins*	7 p.m.
Jan. 30	Saturday	at Emory & Henry*	7 p.m.
Feb. 2	Tuesday	at Greensboro	7 p.m.
Feb. 5	Friday	ROANOKE*	7 p.m.
Feb. 6	Saturday	EASTERN MENNONITE*	3 p.m.
Feb. 9	Tuesday	RANDOLPH-MACON WOMAN'S*	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 10	Wednesday	at Meredith	7 p.m.
Feb. 13	Saturday	RANDOLPH-MACON*	3 p.m.
Feb. 16	Tuesday	at Lynchburg*	7 p.m.
Feb. 20	Saturday	Hollins*	3 p.m.

### HOME GAMES IN CAPS

\* Old Dominion Athletic Conference game