GAME #18
ST. THOMAS (12-4-1/6-2-0 MIAC) at CONCORDIA COLLEGE (1-15-1/0-7-1 MIAC)
February 1, 2008
Moorhead Sports Center Moorhead, Minn.

GAME TIME: 7 p.m.
SERIES: St. Thomas leads 73-29-5
SERIES STARTED: 1958-59
LAST YEAR: Last year St. Thomas swept the series, winning 9-3 and 5-1 in St. Paul. In the first game, the Cobbers allowed the Tommies to score six power play goals in eight attempts and lost by six. UST held a 2-1 advantage at the start of the second period and then scored five straight goals to break the game open. Concordia’s first goal came from Ryan Clukey at the 5:04 mark of the second frame. Clukey would add a second goal in the game less than five minutes before the end of the third period. Knut Bitustoen scored the team’s other goal – midway through the final period. St. Thomas was led by Nick Harris who had four goals and two assists. He scored three of the team’s first five goals in the game. Nick Pernula had two goals and one assist and Matt Kaiser and Ryan Van Bockel each had three assists for the Tommies. St. Thomas outshot the Cobbers 31-24 in the game. CC goalie Jeremy Boniface made 22 saves, while St. Thomas netminder Treye Kettwick stopped 21 of 24 shots in goal. In the series finale, it was more of the same as the Cobbers gave up four power play goals and lost by four. The game was decided in the second period. After the two teams skated to a 0-0 tie after the opening period. UST scored two of their four power play goals in the middle period and grabbed a 3-0 lead heading into the final period of play. The Tommies added two more power play goals in the final 20 minutes of play before the Cobbers were able to get on the scoreboard with the shutout-busting goal at 17:22. Joachim Flaten notched his fourth goal of the season for CC. Concordia was held to only 16 shots on goal for the game, one of the lowest totals of the season. Kevin Rollwagen and Nick Pernula were the Cobber killers for the game. Rollwagen had five points and scored a natural hat trick in the second period while Pernula scored the other two goals for UST. St. Thomas finished the game with 39 shots on goal. Cobber goalie Jeremy Boniface made 34 saves while Tommie goalie Cameron Voss stopped 15 shots to earn his sixth win of the season.

SERIES SYNOPSIS: Concordia is winless against the Tommies in the last eight games of the series. The last time the Cobbers beat St. Thomas was in 2002-03. That capped the most productive stretch for CC against UST. Concordia and St. Thomas were deadlocked at four games each from 2000-03. The Cobbers are 2-14-3 against the Tommies in the last 19 games played at home. The last time CC beat UST in Moorhead was back on Dec. 1, 2001 (4-3).

COBBER UPDATE
Concordia lost a pair of games last weekend to Bethel. The Cobbers were close in both games but were undone by their inability to score on the power play and in the second period. CC went 1-for-10 against the Royals in man-advantage situations. In the two second periods, Concordia was outscored by a combined total of 6-1. Bethel scored six of its eight goals in the series in the second period. The Cobbers are still searching for their first league win of the year and the first overall victory since they beat UW-Eau Claire 2-1 in the season opener.

SECOND PERIOD BLUES
As mentioned above, the second period has been a thorn in the side of the Cobbers all season long. Heading into tonight’s game, Concordia has been outscored by a combined total of 45-9 in the middle period. Opponents have scored a total of 50 goals in the first and third periods combined. Since the Christmas holiday, Concordia has been outscored 17-2 in the second period.

POWERLESS PLAY II
Even though the Cobbers were only 1-for-10 on the power play last weekend, the good news is that Concordia scored a goal. Before they scored in the second period against the Royals on Saturday, CC had been mired in a 0-for-34 slump on the power play. CC is now 3-for-49 (6.1%) on the power play in the last eight games.

MY KINGDOM FOR A SCORER
Concordia is led in scoring by Shawn Goos and Ryan Clukey. Goos has a team-high five goals, while Clukey has a team-high seven assists. The Cobbers are the only team in the MIAC that does not have at least one player in double figures in points. Tonight’s opponent, St. Thomas, has seven players with at least 10 points on the year. St. Mary’s leads the league with 10 players who have point totals in double figures. All told there are 56 players in the MIAC with at least 10 points on the year.

UP NEXT
After the series with St. Thomas, the Cobbers will finish off the home part of their 2007-08 schedule next weekend when they host Augsburg. Friday night’s game will be the annual senior recognition night. After the series with the Auggies, Concordia will play at St. John’s and then finish the season at Gustavus.

ST. THOMAS UPDATE
The Tommies (12-4-1/6-2-0 MIAC) dropped two slots to No. 8 in this week’s Division III rankings after a split with Gustavus. UST won 3-0 at home but lost 3-0 in St. Peter. It was UST’s first shutout loss in MIAC play in 67 games dating back four seasons. The Tommies currently have a three-game road losing streak. The loss against the Gusties knocked UST out of first place. The Tommies (6-2) have 12 MIAC points, one behind Hamline (6-1-1, 13 points) and Bethel (6-3-1, 13). After this weekend, UST has remaining February series with Hamline, St. Mary’s and St. Olaf. UST needs one win or two ties to secure the program’s 26th consecutive winning season.

THE RYAN EXPRESS
St. Thomas senior forward Nate Ryan is currently second on the team in scoring in 2007-08. Ryan has 13 goals and 12 assists on the year for 25 points. He recently had a nine-game scoring streak come to an end. Ryan had scored in nine consecutive games before Saturday’s shutout loss at Gustavus.

TOO TOUGH TYLER
St. Thomas sophomore goalie Tyler Chestnut has three shutouts this season and has an overall record of 11-4-1 with a .916 save percentage and a 2.09 GAA. A former Shattuck-St. Mary’s teammate of NHL star Sydney Crosby, Chestnut played junior hockey after high school and played last season at Division I Holy Cross.

THIS DATE IN BAUMGARTNER HISTORY
February 1
In honor of head coach Steve Baumgartner’s final season, the Gameday Staff will use this portion of the program to highlight some of the things that happened on this day in the history of the Cobber men’s hockey team.

1991 – Concordia beats St. John’s 4-2. Mike Hassman has 69 points on the season.
1992 – CC beats Bethel 6-2 at home. Thad Jensen and Darren Zinger lead the Cobbers in points that year with 32.
2003 – Cobbers score four times in the first period and hang on to beat Hamline 6-5. Antonio Castaneda has a hat trick for Concordia.
**MEET THE 2007-08 COBBERS**

**2007-08 Concordia Schedule**

**NOVEMBER**
1. at Hamline L 3-8
2. at St. Mary's L 2-7
3. at St. Michael's L 2-3
4. vs. Neumann (Pa.) L 3-6

**DECEMBER**
1. at Hamline L 1-4
2. St. Mary's L 3-14
3. at St. Mary's L 2-7
4. at St. Michael's L 2-3
5. vs. Neumann (Pa.) L 3-6

**FEBRUARY**
1. St. Thomas 7 p.m.
2. St. Thomas 2 p.m.
3. Augustsburg 7 p.m.
4. Augustsburg 2 p.m.
5. at St. John's 7 p.m.
6. at St. John's 2 p.m.
7. Gustavus 7:05 pm
8. Gustavus 2:05 pm

**2006-07 Results**

**NOVEMBER**
1. at Northland W 1-0
2. at Northland W 3-2
3. at U-M-Crookston W 8-3
4. Gustavus L 1-2
5. Gustavus L 2-5
7. St. Scholastica L 3-5

**DECEMBER**
8. Hamline W 4-0
9. Hamline W 6-4
10. at U-M-Crookston W 8-0

**JANUARY**
5. at U-W-Eau Claire L 0-9
6. at U-W-Stevens Point L 2-8
7. at U-W-Stout L 3-9
8. at St. Mary's L 3-6
9. at St. Mary's L 1-7
10. at St. Thomas L 3-9
11. at St. Thomas L 1-5
12. at Augustsburg L 2-6
13. at Augustsburg L 2-4
14. at St. John's W 6-3
15. St. John's L 1-3

**FEBRUARY**
2. at Bethel L 2-8
3. at Bethel L 1-7
4. at St. Thomas L 3-9
5. at St. Thomas L 1-5
6. at Augustsburg L 2-6
7. at Augustsburg L 2-4
8. vs. St. Michael's L 2-3
9. vs. St. Michael's L 2-3
10. vs. Neumann (Pa.) L 3-6

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**Gameday Player Profile**

Name: Ryan Clukey  
Sport: Hockey  
Year: Senior  
Hometown: Moorhead, Minn.  
Last Team: Moorhead H.S.  
Parents: Terry and Silvia  
Major: Business  

Career Highlights: 2006-07 Season: Played in 24 games for the Cobbers...Tied for 3rd on the team with 8 goals...1st on the team with 15 assists...2nd on the team in total points with 23...Had a plus/minus rating of +6 good for 2nd on the team...Recorded 5 power play goals. 2005-06 Season: Played in 25 games for the Cobbers...tallied a total of 4 goals and 5 assists for a total of 9 points.

Favorite Food: Lasagna  
Favorite Restaurant: Johnny Carinos  
Favorite TV Show: Entourage  
Favorite Musical Group(s): Everything  
Favorite Movie: The Guardian  
Favorite Holiday: Christmas  
One thing I can't live without: Family  
Best class ever taken at Concordia: Human Anatomy  
Nobody knows how much I like to: Play Cribbage and other card games  
Biggest Influence on my athletic career: My parents  
If I were to play another sport it would be: Football

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Head Coach – Steve Baumgartner (Concordia '82; 22nd Season – 220-290-33 Overall)  
Assistant Coaches – Tim Laurila (2nd Season), Joel Ferrie (2nd Season)
Shattuck-St. Mary's and in Junior hockey then played in 11 games last season at Division captain, had eight goals in 58 games; and Ryan, an HM All-MIAC honoree last year, had eight goals and 17 assists in 2006-07.

Top forwards include seniors Ryan Hoehn, Nick Nelson and Nate Ryan. Hoehn is 26 goals in 84 career games; Nelson, an assistant and 22 assists for 47 points in 27 games. In 42 career games he has 28 goals and 30 assists. In 16-game MIAC stats he was first in consecutive multi-goal games end with a March 3 5-3 loss to Bethel in the conference playoff finals. Pernula finished with 25 goals Skrypek is hoping that senior forward Nick Pernula can pick up where he left off last season. The All-American had a streak of six new faces, Skrypek is looking to post the program's 26th consecutive win 9-11-08 ST. THOMAS SEASON PREVIEW (Courtesy of the St. Thomas SID)

Coach Terry Skrypek starts his 21st season and will coach his 700th collegiate game in February. With a good mix of veterans and fresh faces, Skrypek is looking to post the program's 26th consecutive winning season and make a run at the institution's 30th MIAC hockey title. Skrypek's teams have advanced to the conference playoffs all 20 years, made the finals 19 times, and won the 2004 and 2007 postseason crowns on the road as a No. 2 seed.

The Tommies are now 971-567-2005 postseason crowns on the road as a No. 2 seed. That tradition helped UST garner the No. 13 ranking in the Division III top-15 national poll by U.S. College Hockey Online.

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Leading the defense will be senior captains Garrett Gruenke (70 career games) and Andrew Panchenko (68 games), two of the holdovers from the 2004-05 NCAA runner-up team.

In goal, the Toms graduated two-year co-captain Treye Kettwick, but return honorable-mention All-MIAC player Cameron Voss. Voss won six consecutive starts before losing in the MIAC playoff finals. In 14 games in net he finished 8-5 with an .889 save percentage and a 2.78 goals-against average with one shutout. The goalie depth was bolstered with the transfer of sophomore Tyler Chestnut, who had a strong career at Shattuck-St. Mary's and in Junior hockey then played in 11 games last season at Division-I Holy Cross.
UPCOMING GAMES
Feb. 1 (Friday)
St. Thomas @ Concordia 7 p.m.
St. Mary’s @ St. Olaf 7 p.m.
Augsburg @ Gustavus 7:05 p.m.
Bethel @ Hamline 7:15 p.m.

Feb. 2 (Saturday)
St. Thomas @ Concordia 2 p.m.
Hamline @ Bethel 7 p.m.
St. Olaf @ St. Mary’s 7 p.m.
Gustavus @ Augsburg 7:05 p.m.

Feb. 8 (Friday)
Augsburg @ Concordia 7 p.m.
St. Mary’s @ Bethel 7 p.m.
Hamline @ St. Thomas 7 p.m.
St. John’s @ Gustavus 7:05 p.m.

Feb. 9 (Saturday)
Augsburg @ Concordia 2 p.m.
Gustavus @ St. John’s 7 p.m.
Bethel @ St. Mary’s 7 p.m.
St. Thomas @ Hamline 7:15 p.m.

Feb. 15 (Friday)
St. Olaf @ Bethel 7 p.m.
Hamline @ Augsburg 7:05 p.m.
St. Thomas @ St. Mary’s 7:05 p.m.

RECENT RESULTS
Jan. 26 (Saturday)
Bethel 5 @ Concordia 2
Augsburg 0 @ St. John’s 6
St. Thomas 0 @ Gustavus 3
Hamline 4 @ St. Olaf 1
Jan. 25 (Friday)
Bethel 3 @ Concordia 1
St. Olaf 2 @ Hamline 2 OT
Gustavus 0 @ St. Thomas 3
St. John’s 6 @ Augsburg 4
Jan. 22 (Tuesday)
UW-Stout 2 @ St. Mary’s 4
Jan. 21 (Monday)
Bethel 6 @ Lawrence 6 OT
Jan. 19 (Saturday)
Concordia 2 @ St. Olaf 9
St. Thomas 3 @ St. John’s 4
Gustavus 5 @ Bethel 3
Hamline 3 @ St. Mary’s 1
Jan. 18 (Friday)
Concordia 3 @ St. Olaf 3 OT
St. John’s 2 @ St. Thomas 5
Bethel 6 @ Gustavus 3
St. Mary’s 5 @ Hamline 8