



MONROE — 1965 STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS

Seated in front: Tom Mitchell (left) and Bob Buchholtz (right); Standing (left to right): Manager John Trumpy, Bill Norder (32), Keith Burrington (44), Dan Franklin, Dave Holling (42), Alan Barnes, Coach Lee Mitchell, Mark Wenzeneid (54), Assistant Coach Gary Ruge, Terry Hayes (30), Jim Dearth, Wynn Grendahl (52), Dick Swiggum (24), Manager Marshall Zwygart.

Basketball

Monroe kept basketball laurels in the southern part of the state by winning the state championship to climax the 1964-65 season for the wintertime's most popular sport.

The Cheesemakers of the Badger Conference concluded the campaign with a perfect 26-0 record to duplicate the performance of Dodgeville of the previous year.

Monroe won the crown in a tremendous and widely-acclaimed 74-71 title tussle with Eau Claire Memorial to put the finishing touches on a state tournament that featured an outstanding field. Two unbeaten teams (Cumberland in addition to Monroe), one with a single loss (Wauwatosa East) and two with only two setbacks (Brookfield Central and Appleton) were included among the eight finalists.

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As usual, it was another outstanding year from the standpoint of spectators. A record number of almost 385,000 persons (paid attendance) watched the tournament series. It is estimated that regular season games around the state attracted around 3½ million fans. Thus, high school basketball games in Wisconsin attracted a total of about four million people during the 1964-65 season.

Top 1964-65 Records

No Defeats

Monroe	26	0
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One Defeat

Cumberland	24	1	Holmen	22	1
Alma	23	1	Milwaukee North	19	1
Baraboo	22	1	Ondossagon	17	1
Platteville	16	1			

Two Defeats

Wauwatosa East	24	2	New Holstein	19	2
Muskego	20	2	Osceola	19	2
Southern Door	20	2	Pittsville	19	2
Cassville	19	2	Gillett	18	2
Eleva-Strum	19	2	New Richmond	17	2
Winneconne	17	2			

Three Defeats

Juneau	20	3	Mosinee	17	3
Algoma	18	3	Soldiers Grove	17	3
Clinton	18	3	Wittenberg	17	3
River Falls	18	3	Neillsville	16	3
Superior East	18	3	Wabeno	16	3
Three Lakes	18	3	Solon Springs	15	3
Albany	17	3	West Salem	14	3
Gratiot	17	3			

State Tournament Teams

Monroe	26	0	Wauwatosa East	24	2
Eau Claire Memorial	22	5	Appleton	22	4
Cumberland	24	1	Madison East	17	6
Brookfield Central	22	4	Stevens Point	19	6

State Title to Monroe

Monroe — the class of a classy field!

This was the final story out of the State Basketball Tournament for 1965.

Monroe captured the championship of the 50th annual WIAA meet by edging Eau Claire Memorial, 74-71, to climax three exciting days of basketball (March 18-19-20) at the University of Wisconsin fieldhouse.

The title game was generally regarded as one of the best — if not THE best ever — championship contest on record, and it saw both teams — in their shooting and their floor play — at perhaps their peak for the season.

The Cheesemakers of Coach Lee Mitchell thus wound up a perfect season with 26 wins — the third time in the last four years that an unbeaten team has won the state championship. And the Badger Conference representatives established field goal shooting records in the process, including a fancy .588 mark in the title battle. It was Monroe's first State title and its first appearance in a championship game.

It was a heartbreaker to lose for Eau Claire Memorial as the Old Abes of Coach Harry Gibbs capped a game-long drive by taking the lead with less than two minutes to play. But the Big Rivers boys couldn't hold off Monroe's determination not to lose in the final seconds and Eau Claire counted its seventh runnerup position in a history of ten championship game appearances since the State Meet began in 1915-16.

Tremendous outside shooting by the diminutive Bob Buchholtz featured Monroe's first-half performance. The 5-7 guard had the first three baskets and six goals in all in the first 10 minutes as he and his mates took a 22-15 lead. Eau Claire refused to let Buchholtz' fantastic shooting demoralize it, however, and — paced by big Jeff Ellenson with seven baskets — stayed within range at 36-32 at halftime. Buchholtz had nine baskets and Mitchell six for Monroe during the first two quarters.

The sizzling battle didn't change as the second half began. Ellenson continued hot for the Old Abes and Buchholtz sent his field goal total to an even dozen at the three-way mark. But four points by John Sleizer, the game's only substitute, plus three by Ellenson and two by Gary Rheingans gave Eau Claire

a 9-2 bulge in the last two minutes to cut the difference from 54-46 to 56-55 after three periods.

Rheingans put Eau Claire on top as the final stanza started but Keith Burlington and Jim Dearth quickly countered with seven points and it was a 63-57 Monroe lead with 5½ minutes to go. Eau Claire battled back again with Ellenson getting four points along the way to knot the score at 65 with 3½ minutes to play.

Buchholtz' 13th and last field goal was offset by two Phil Hagen free throws to leave the score at 67 and Burlington's rebounder was equalled by Rheingans' jumper to continue the tie at 69 with 1:56 to go. With little more than 90 seconds to go, Bob Hall — expertly defended all night by Mitchell — scored on a lay-in for 71-69 Eau Claire lead. But Burlington's jump shot seconds later tied it again at 71. A missed free throw with 1:09 to play hurt Eau Claire as Dearth with 1:06 to play connected on two gifters for a 73-71 lead. Eau Claire had two chances thereafter but shots on both occasions missed their mark and Dearth settled the issue with his free throw with six seconds to play.

Ellenson had 31 points to lead all scorers, 24 of them coming on 12 baskets in 21 shots. Rheingans added 16 for the losers. Buchholtz blitzed the nets for 29 points, including 13 of 20 fielders. He had great support from Mitchell with 19, (including eight of 10 from the field), Burlington with 13 and Dearth with 11.

Third place went to Cumberland with a comeback 62-54 victory over Brookfield Central while consolation honors went to Wauwatosa East with another

come-from-behind win, 74-69, over Appleton. Monroe rolled over Brookfield Central, 83-67, and Eau Claire Memorial held on to beat Cumberland, 65-63, in the championship semi-finals. Monroe also had to hold on for a 66-65 win over Appleton in the opening-round's closest game while Eau Claire Memorial had its hands full in nipping Stevens Point, 62-59. Cumberland stunned the opening day crowds with a tremendous 88-59 upset win over Wauwatosa East that endeared the "little" school from the north to the hearts of the crowd the rest of the meet. Brookfield Central stopped Madison East in the other first-day contest, 66-59. Consolation semi-finals saw Wauwatosa East defeat Stevens Point, 79-50, and Appleton nudge Madison East, 63-59.

Cumberland outscored Brookfield, 31-17, in the last 11 minutes to win the third-place game. John Schell, who received perhaps as tremendous an ovation as one individual ever has received at the State Meet, scored 20 points — nine in the last quarter — to pace the winners. Wauwatosa East trailed, 49-38, with 12 minutes to go, then out-tallied Appleton, 36-20, down the stretch to win consolation honors. Ted Voigt and Bob Purvis had 21 for the winners and Bruce Miller had 20 for the losers.

Eau Claire led from the start in its win over Cumberland in the semi-finals but lost all but one point of a 13-point (58-45) lead with seven minutes to play. Schell had nine points in the final period and 26 in all but it wasn't enough as Hall hit seven of 11 in the first half and finished with 19 points for the game. Two baskets by Mitchell early in the second period started Monroe on its way to winning over Brookfield which was outscored, 42-24, in the second half. Burlington had 25 points and Mitchell 20 for Monroe while Bob Wille had 28 in defeat.

Eau Claire jumped to 10-point leads over Stevens Point in the opening quarter-final contest but found itself behind, 53-51, halfway through the final period. Ellenson scored twice in the next minute to tie the score and put the Abes in front, and they held on precariously down the stretch. Ellenson had 20 for

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Cumberland showed signs of an upset win from the start of play in its contest with Wauwatosa East but not until the final quarter did the amazing turn-of-events reach the proportions of a rout. The difference was only 46-43 with two minutes to go in the third period but in the final 10 minutes Cumberland had a 42-16 command and an eventual 29-point victory. The five Cumberland starters had double-figure points, paced by Schell with 18, while Sheldon Ferguson had 19 in defeat.

Brookfield had the upper hand from the start over Madison East but was forced to repel a late threat to emerge with a seven-point win. Wille was the top scorer with 23 points for Brookfield while Ron Gillingham had 19 for Madison.

Monroe had a 17-8 edge in the first five minutes of the second period to pull in front of Appleton, then stretched the difference to 16 points at 53-37 in the third period while Miller sat out with a bad ankle. Miller returned — and so did Appleton, cutting the difference to a single point to almost upset Monroe's stalling tactics in the last quarter. Burlington's 27 points topped the winners and Miller had 20 for the Terrors.

Several Share Individual Honors

A 31-point outburst in the championship game gave Jeff Ellenson of Eau Claire Memorial the individual scoring honors of the 1965 State Basketball Tournament.

Ellenson finished with 66 points, an average of 22 per game, to edge out Keith Burlington of Monroe by one point. Burlington was held to 13 in the title contest to wind up with 65 and a 21.7 average. John Schell of Cumberland and Bob Wille of Brookfield Central tallied 64 and 63, respectively, to finish fourth and fifth.

Ellenson had the most field goals, 28, followed by Wille with 27 and Burlington and Schell with 24 each. Jim Dearth of Monroe had 18 free throws to set the

pace in this department. Burlington and Charlie Jack of Brookfield Central had 17 each. The top rebounder was Bob Purvis of Wauwatosa East with 56. Tom Mitchell of Monroe had the best field goal shooting average, .714 (20 of 28), and Schell had the top free throw aim, .889 (16 of 18).

TOP SCORERS

Name and School	FG	FT	PTS
Ellenson, Eau Claire	28	10	66
Burlington, Monroe	24	17	65
Schell, Cumberland	24	16	64
Wille, Brookfield	27	9	63
Miller, Appleton	22	10	54
Ferguson, Wauwatosa	21	11	53
Mitchell, Monroe	20	12	52
Voigt, Wauwatosa	23	3	49
Jack, Brookfield	15	17	47
Dearth, Monroe	13	18	44
Purvis, Wauwatosa	18	8	44
Tepper, Appleton	19	6	44
Buchholtz, Monroe	20	4	44
Hall, Eau Claire	18	7	43
O'Dell, Cumberland	13	15	41
Ness, Appleton	18	4	40

FIELD GOAL ACCURACY

Name and School	FGA	FG	PCT
Mitchell, Monroe	28	20	.714
Nelson, Brookfield	19	12	.632
Kiesch, Cumberland	18	11	.611
Buchholtz, Monroe	33	20	.606
Dearth, Monroe	23	13	.565
Burlington, Monroe	46	24	.522
Tepper, Appleton	37	19	.514
Ellenson, Eau Claire	55	28	.509
Wille, Brookfield	53	27	.509

TOP REBOUNDERS

Name and School	Total
Purvis, Wauwatosa	56
Ellenson, Eau Claire	48
Voigt, Wauwatosa	46
Schell, Cumberland	44
Jack, Brookfield	38
Dearth, Monroe	31
O'Dell, Cumberland	29

FREE THROW ACCURACY

Name and School	FTA	FT	PCT
Schell, Cumberland	18	16	.889
Mitchell, Monroe	14	12	.857
Helbig, Cumberland	13	11	.846
Morgan, Wauwatosa	13	11	.846
Jack, Brookfield	21	17	.810
Ferguson, Wauwatosa	14	11	.786
Dearth, Monroe	24	18	.750
Burlington, Monroe	23	17	.739
Nelson, Brookfield	15	11	.733
Miller, Appleton	14	10	.714

Records Fall In State Meet

One individual record was set and another equalled while several team marks were either established or tied

in the 1965 State Basketball Tournament.

Tom Mitchell of Monroe shot field goals at a .714 clip (20 of 28) during the tournament to account for the individual record. Bob Purvis of Wauwatosa East tied a record with 56 rebounds for the three games.

Most notable team records came in field goal percentage by Monroe — its .574 mark for three games, its .625 mark for a single game and its .588 in the championship game all accounting for new records. The combined field goal shooting mark of Monroe and Eau Claire Memorial (.5042) also set a mark for a championship contest. Cumberland set a free throw shooting record for three games, .787, and Monroe set a record for a single game, .920. Wauwatosa East established rebounding records for all games (177) and a single game (75).

This is a rundown on records established or equalled:

Team Records

Most Tournaments — 28 by Eau Claire Memorial.
Most Tournament Games Played — 79, by Eau Claire Memorial.
Most Tournament Victories — 46, by Eau Claire Memorial.

Most Times Appearing in Championship Finals — 10, by Eau Claire Memorial (1917, 1919, 1927, 1944, 1946, 1948, 1950, 1955, 1962 and 1965).
Most State Championship Games Lost — 7, by Eau Claire Memorial (1919, 1944, 1946, 1948, 1950, 1962, and 1965).

Most Field Goal Attempts for Three Games — 254, by Wauwatosa East.

Best Field Goal Percentage for Three Games — .574 by Monroe (83 field goals in 148 attempts).
Best Field Goal Percentage for Single Game — .625 by Monroe vs. Appleton (25 of 40 attempts) in championship quarter-finals.

Best Field Goal Percentage for State Title Game — .588 by Monroe (30 of 51 attempts).

Best Field Goal Percentage for Both Teams, Title Game — .5042 (Monroe .588, Eau Claire Memorial .441).

Best Free Throw Percentage for Three Games — .787 by Cumberland (59 of 75 free throw attempts).

Best Free Throw Percentage for Single Game — .920 by Monroe (23 of 25 attempts) vs. Brookfield Central in championship semi-finals.

Best Combined Free Throw Percentage for Both Teams, Single Game — .900 (Monroe .920, Brookfield Central .867) on 36 free throws made in 40 attempts.

Most Rebounds for Three Games — 177 by Wauwatosa East.

Most Rebounds for Single Game — 75 by Wauwatosa East vs. Stevens Point in consolation semi-finals.

Individual Record

Best Field Goal Percentage for Three Games — .714 by Tom Mitchell, Monroe (20 of 28 attempts).

Team Records Equalled

Undefeated Teams Which Have Won State Championships — Fond du Lac (16-0) in 1919; Superior (12-0) in 1920; Wisconsin High of Madison (21-0)

in 1931; Mayville (20-0) in 1935 Class B; Fall Creek (21-0) in 1937 Class C; Rhinelander (20-0) in 1939; Two Rivers (21-0) in 1941; Milwaukee Lincoln (26-0) in 1962; Dodgeville (26-0) in 1964; and Monroe (26-0) in 1965.

Most Field Goal Attempts in Single Game — 96 by Wauwatosa East vs. Stevens Point in consolation semi-final game. (Record set by Neenah — vs. Stevens Point — in 1946.)

Individual Records Equalled

Most Rebounds in Three Games — 56 by Bob Purvis, Wauwatosa East. (Record set by Jay Schauer, South Milwaukee, in 1952.)

These are other existing State Basketball Tournament records:

Team

Most Points In Three Games — 249, by Waukesha, 1961 (88, 73, 88).

Most Points In One Game — 99, by Waukesha (defeating Waterloo 99-76 in 1964).

Most Points In Title Game — 93, by Milwaukee Lincoln in 1962 (Milwaukee Lincoln 93, Eau Claire 80).

Most Points for Two Teams In One Game — 175 (Milwaukee North 94, Waterloo 81; and Waukesha 99, Waterloo 76).

Most Points For Two Teams In Title Game — 173, (Milwaukee Lincoln 93, Eau Claire 80).

Biggest Victory Margin In One Game — 39 points (DePere 51, Edgerton 12) in 1941.

Biggest Victory Margin In Title Game — 24 points (St. Croix Falls 59, Eau Claire 35) in 1950.

Most Points Allowed For Three Games — 249, by Waterloo in 1964.

Lowest Winning Score In Any Game — 7 (Edgerton 7, Galesville 3, for third place) in 1917.

Lowest Winning Score In Title Game — 9 (Stevens Point 9, River Falls 7) in 1926.

Lowest Total Score (Two Teams In Any Game) — 10 (Edgerton 7, Galesville 3) in 1917.

Lowest Total Score (Two Teams) In Title Game — 14 (LaCrosse Central 10, Shawano 4) in 1925.

Smallest Victory Margin In Title Game — 1 Point (Wisconsin High 20, Racine Park 19) in 1931, (Beloit 15, Wausau 14) in 1933, (Superior Central 22, Wisconsin Rapids 21) in 1936(A), and (Shawano 23, Marshfield 22) in 1940.

Highest Losing Score In Title Game — 80, by Eau Claire in 1962 (Milwaukee Lincoln 93, Eau Claire 80).

Highest Losing Score In Any Game — 86 by Shawano (vs. Waukesha) in 1961.

Lowest Losing Score In Any Game — 2 (Appleton 23, Neillsville 2 — latter failed to score a field goal) in 1921.

Lowest Losing Score In Title Game — 3 (Eau Claire 15, Waukesha 3 — latter failed to score a field goal) in 1917.

Most Field Goals In Three Games — 105 by Eau Claire in 1958.

Most Field Goals In Single Game — 42 by Eau Claire in 1958 (vs. Black River Falls).

Most Field Goals Scored, Both Teams, In Single Game — 71, by Milwaukee Lincoln (58) vs. Eau Claire (33) in 1962.

Most Field Goal Attempts In Single Game — 96 by Neenah (vs. Stevens Point) in 1947, equalled by Wauwatosa East (vs. Stevens Point) in 1965.

Most Free Throws Made In Three Games — 83 by Shawano in 1956.

Most Free Throws Attempted In Three Games — 113 by Menasha in 1953.

Most Free Throws Made In Single Game — 35 by Two Rivers (43 attempts) in 1957 vs. Shawano.

Most Free Throws Attempted In Single Game — 46 by Menasha (vs. Beloit) in 1953.

Best Field Goal Percentage For Consolation Game — .585 by Manitowoc (31 of 53 attempts vs. Eau Claire) in 1961.

Best Free Throw Percentage For Championship Game — .879 by Eau Claire (29 of 33 attempts vs. Superior Central) in 1955.

Most Rebounds for Title Game — 58 by South Milwaukee (vs. Stevens Point) in 1952.

Most Assists For Three Games — 48 by Stevens Point, 1952.

Most Assists For Single Game — 21 by Stevens Point (vs. Tomah) in semi-finals in 1952.

Most Consecutive Tournaments Played In — 10, by Superior Central, 1917 through 1926.

Most Championships Won — 5, by Beloit (1932, 1933, 1934(A), 1937(A), and 1947).

Longest Winning Streak in State Tournament — 16 games, by Beloit (3 in 1931 consolation bracket, 11 in championship bracket 1932-33-34, 2 in championship bracket, 1935).

Most Tournament Defeats — 36, by Superior Central.

Most Wins In Season By Team Winning State Championship — 27, by South Milwaukee (27-1) in 1952.

Most Defeats In Season By Team Winning State Championship — 9, by Wausau (17-9) in 1960.

Most State Championship Games Won — 5, by Beloit (1932, 1933, 1934(A), 1937(A), and 1947).

Individual

Most Points For Three Games — 102 by Roy Birk, Waukesha, in 1961.

Most Points In Single Game — 44 by Martin Gharrity, Shawano, in 1958 (15 FG, 14 FT, vs. Eau Claire).

Most Field Goals For Three Games — 41 by Sam Antcliff, West Allis Nathan Hale, 1946.

Most Field Goals For Single Game — 18 by Sam Antcliff, West Allis Nathan Hale, vs. LaCrosse Central in 1956.

Most Field Goal Attempts For Three Games — 84, by Bob Badura, Kohler, 1950; and by Bob Litzow, Stevens Point, 1954.

Most Field Goal Attempts For Single Game — 37 by Bob Badura, Kohler, vs. Wauwatosa in 1950.

Best Field Goal Percentage For Single Game — .833 by Paul Meany, Manitowoc (10 of 12 attempts) vs. Eau Claire in 1961.

Most Free Throws Made In Three Games — 32 by Bob Anderregg, Monroe (41 attempts) in 1955.

Most Free Throws Made In Single Game — 19 by Paul Antonie, Two Rivers, vs. Shawano (23 attempts) in 1957.

Most Free Throws Made In Succession — 23 by Dick Papke, Fort Atkinson (missed first attempt vs. LaCrosse Logan, then made 8 in row to finish game; made 5 vs. Madison West; 10 in row vs. Two Rivers) in 1957.

Best Free Throw Percentage For Three Games — .958 by Dick Papke, Fort Atkinson (23 of 24 attempts) in 1957.

Best Free Throw Percentage for Single Game — 1.000 by Fred Opperman, Shawano (12 of 12 attempts vs. Sauk City) in 1956. Four other players have made 10 of 10 attempts during game.

Most Free Throw Attempts For Three Games — 44 by Bob Barneson, Eau Claire (58 attempts) in 1955.

Most Free Throw Attempts For Single Game — 23 by Paul Antonie, Two Rivers (vs. Shawano, made 19) in 1957.

Most Rebounds In Three Games — 56 by Jay Schauer, South Milwaukee, in 1952.

Most Rebounds In Single Game — 26 by Jay Schauer, South Milwaukee (vs. Stevens Point) in 1952.

State Meet Box Scores

Championship Finals

EAU CLAIRE MEMORIAL	FGA	FG	FTA	FT	PF	PTS	REB
Gary Rheingans	21	8	0	0	3	16	7
Phil Hagen	8	3	2	2	3	8	3
Jeff Ellenson	21	12	9	7	3	31	13
Bob Hall	7	1	1	0	2	2	4
Mike Reetz	4	3	0	0	3	6	2
John Sleizer	7	3	2	2	1	8	0
(Team)	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
Totals	68	30	14	11	15	71	36

MONROE	FGA	FG	FTA	FT	PF	PTS	REB
Keith Burlington	13	5	6	3	2	13	5
Paul Dearth	4	3	7	5	1	11	7
Dave Holling	4	1	0	0	4	2	5
Tom Mitchell	10	8	3	3	1	19	2
Bob Buchholtz	20	13	4	3	3	29	4
(Team)	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
Totals	51	30	20	14	11	74	29

Officials: Richard Lowell and Orlando Palesse

Score by Periods — Eau Claire Memorial13 19 23 16—71

Monroe15 21 20 18—74

Third-Place Playoff

BROOKFIELD CENTRAL	FGA	FG	FTA	FT	PF	PTS	REB
Charlie Jack	14	5	4	3	4	13	16
Bill Siehr	9	3	0	0	3	6	5
Bob Wille	15	5	3	2	5	12	8
Dave Karth	14	2	0	0	4	4	3
Bill Nelson	9	6	5	3	1	15	3
Lowell Sibley	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
John Skinner	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
Dave McCord	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mike Runnoe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mike Curler	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(Team)	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
Totals	64	23	12	8	17	54	41

CUMBERLAND	FGA	FG	FTA	FT	PF	PTS	REB
Jim O'Dell	6	1	10	9	3	11	10
Carroll Schell	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
John Schell	20	7	7	6	2	20	16
Steve Helbig	16	5	3	2	3	12	3
Phil Nelson	3	1	3	3	1	5	2
John Talbot	5	1	2	2	1	4	7
Peter Kiesch	9	4	2	2	1	10	3
Alan Neurer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(Team)	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
Totals	60	19	27	24	11	62	48

Officials: Roy Elandt and Don Johnson

Score by Periods — Brookfield Central17 16 6 15—54

Cumberland12 10 17 23—62