

**Northern Ill. ( 8 - 4 - 0 ) Thru: 01/04/03**

SCHEDULE AND 8-4-0L-1 RESULTS						TEAM RANKINGS							
Mid-American Conference Record: 7-1-0						117 teams ranked in Division IA 14 teams ranked in Mid-American Conference							
						Category	National Rank	Actual National Leader	Actual National Rank	Conf Mid-American Conference Leader	Actual		
08/29/02	+	Wake Forest	42	41	OT	Rushing Offense	27	200.75	Air Force	307.77	6	Ohio	239.83
09/07/02		South Fla.	6	37		Passing Offense	90	175.42	Texas Tech	388.86	11	Marshall	369.54
09/14/02		Wisconsin	21	24		Total Offense	55	376.17	Boise St.	501.46	7	Marshall	495.31
09/21/02	+	Western Ill.	26	29		Scoring Offense	27	31.25	Boise St.	45.62	6	Bowling Green	40.83
09/28/02	+	Kent St.	13	6		Rushing Defense	38	131.83	TCU	64.83	1	Northern Ill.	131.83
10/05/02		Ball St.	41	29		Pass Efficiency Defense	55	120.13	Miami (Fla.)	83.91	4	Marshall	96.79
10/12/02		Miami (Ohio)	48	41		Total Defense	73	386.75	TCU	240.25	7	Western Mich.	330.67
10/19/02	+	Central Mich.	49	0		Scoring Defense	49	24.83	Kansas St.	11.85	2	Marshall	24.23
10/26/02		Western Mich.	24	20		Net Punting	110	29.82	B r i g h a m Young	42.69	13	Central Fla.	37.53
11/09/02	+	B o w l i n g Green	26	17		Punt Returns	1	20.19	Northern Ill.	20.19	1	Northern Ill.	20.19
11/16/02		Eastern Mich.	49	21		Kickoff Returns	33	21.93	Iowa	25.11	3	Western Mich.	22.89
11/23/02	+	Toledo	30	33		Turnover Margin	26	.67	South Fla.	1.91	2	Bowling Green	.75
+ Home Game	\$ Neutral Site	* Night Game	O T Overtime Game			Pass Defense	103	254.92	Miami (Fla.)	119.69	12	Marshall	161.46
						Passing Efficiency	26	132.27	Boise St.	169.39	6	Toledo	152.83

**PLAYER RANKINGS (Player must have played in 75% of Teams games  
Summary of Top 100 National Leaders and top 25 in conference  
12 Categories Ranked**

Category	Player	National Rank	Actual National Leader	Actual National Rank	Conf Mid-American Conference Leader	Actual		
Rushing	Michael Turner	2	159.58	L.Johnson, PennSt	160.54	1	Turner, NIll	159.58
Passing Efficiency (Min. 15 Att./Game)	Joshua Haldi	27	132.98	Banks, Iowa	157.12	6	Leftwich, Marsh	156.52
Total Offense	Joshua Haldi	86	161.42	Leftwich, Marsh	355.58	10	Leftwich, Marsh	355.58
	Michael Turner	90	159.58			12		
Receptions Per Game	Dan Sheldon		3.33	Burleson, Nevada	11.50	20	Walter, EMich	7.75
Receiving Yards Per Game	Dan Sheldon	60	65.25	Tolver, SDSt	137.31	10	Walter, EMich	114
	Sam Hurd		42.67			18		
Interceptions	Randee Drew	8	.58	Leonhard, Wis	.79	1	Drew, NIll	.58
	Vince Thompson	9	.56			2		
	Justin Dole		.25			13		
	Akil Grant		.17			23		
	Kursten Strothman		.17			23		
Punting (Min. 3.6 Punts/Game)	Jimmy Erwin	84	38.29	Payne, BYU	47.59	9	Rysko, EMich	41.56
Punt Returns (Min. 1.2 Ret./Game)	Dan Sheldon	1	22.71	Sheldon, NIll	22.71	1	Sheldon, NIll	22.71
Kickoff Returns (Min. 1.2 Ret./Game)	Randee Drew	15	26.13	Pauley, SnJose	31.55	1	Drew, NIll	26.13
Field Goals	Steve Azar	16	1.50	Browne, TCU	1.92	1	Azar, NIll	1.5
Scoring	Michael Turner	8	10.00	Forsey, Boise	14.77	2	Harris, BGreen	11.17
	Steve Azar	36	7.92			5		
All-Purpose Runners	Michael Turner	2	190.33	L.Johnson, PennSt	204.23	1	Turner, NIll	190.33
	Dan Sheldon	36	128.50			7		

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