

SEASON TRACK LIST

A game-by-game recap of North Dakota State's season:

Bison 128, Mayville State 64
 The story: Seven Bison players score in double figures in the team's season-opening victory.
 Record: 1-0

Idaho 78, Bison 69
 The story: NDSU is outscored 40-26 in the second half in its first road game of the year.
 Record: 1-1

Bison 89, Northern Arizona 82
 The story: NDSU opens up 17-point halftime lead. Ben Woodside leads the way with 29 points.
 Record: 2-1

Minnesota 90, Bison 76
 The story: The Gophers lead throughout this game at Williams Arena.
 Record: 2-2

Bison 83, Oral Roberts 75
 The story: Woodside scores 24 n NDSU's first big victory of the season.
 Record: 3-2

Bison 68, Centenary 53
 The story: Brett Winkelman scores 26 points as NDSU improves to 2-0 in The Summit League.
 Record: 4-2

Stephen F. Austin 112, Bison 111 (30T)
 The story: Woodside scores 60 points in 51 minutes in this three-overtime thriller.
 Record: 4-3

Bison 98, Georgia Southern 77
 The story: Woodside scores 31 points. NDSU scores 55 first-half points.
 Record: 5-3

Bison 83, Valley City State 61
 The story: Winkelman scores 23 points as nine different NDSU players score.
 Record: 6-3

Southern California 61, Bison 57
 The story: NDSU shoots 36 percent from the floor in this close contest.
 Record: 6-4

Bison 90, Northern Arizona 68
 The story: Michael Tveidt scores 23 points and goes 9-for-9 from the field.
 Record: 7-4

Bison 67, IPFW 60
 The story: NDSU wins despite a cold shooting night (36 percent).
 Record: 8-4

Oakland 77, Bison 76
 The story: NDSU leads by nine early in the second half but falls victim to a late 3-pointer.
 Record: 8-5

Bison 55, IUPUI 52
 The story: Woodside (18 points) and Winkelman (16 points) lead the way again.
 Record: 9-5

Bison 81, Western Illinois 64
 The story: Woodside scores 26 and Mike Nelson adds 13 as NDSU cruises to the victory.
 Record: 10-5

Bison 76, Southern Utah 53
 The story: Nelson goes 7-for-9 from the floor and NDSU shoots 56 percent as a team.
 Record: 11-5

Bison 65, UM-Kansas City 60 (OT)
 The story: Woodside goes 15-for-16 from the free-throw line and scores 28.
 Record: 12-5

Bison 98, Utah Valley 71
 The story: Woodside and Winkelman combine for 54 points. NDSU scores 61 in the first half.
 Record: 13-5

Bison 87, South Dakota State 77 (OT)
 The story: Woodside and Winkelman combine for 59 points and NDSU hits 10 free throws in overtime.
 Record: 14-5

Bison 81, Oakland 71
 The story: All five NDSU starters score in double figures.
 Record: 15-5

Bison 74, IPFW 43
 The story: NDSU holds IPFW to 27 percent shooting in the second half.
 Record: 16-5

Bison 61, Western Illinois 52
 The story: Winkelman scores 19 points to lead NDSU.
 Record: 17-5

Bison 91, IUPUI 69
 The story: Nelson scores 22 and goes 10-for-12 from the floor in the easy victory.
 Record: 18-5

Bison 87, UM-Kansas City 49
 The story: Eleven players score and no NDSU player logs more than 24 minutes in this win.
 Record: 19-5

Southern Utah 74, Bison 69
 The story: So. Utah shoots 55 percent from the floor and hands NDSU a rare home loss.
 Record: 19-6

Bison 96, South Dakota State 74
 The story: NDSU hits 12 of 21 3-pointers, including one from center Lucas Moormann.
 Record: 20-6

Bison 77, UW-Milwaukee 69
 The story: Nelson scores 22 points in NDSU's ESPN BracketBusters victory.
 Record: 21-6

Bison 89, Centenary 79
 The story: Winkelman (34) and Woodside (32) combine for 66 points in the victory.
 Record: 22-6

Bison 75, Oral Roberts 72
 The story: NDSU overcomes 11-point deficit and claims Summit League regular-season title.
 Record: 23-6

Bison 83, Centenary 77
 The story: NDSU surrenders 21-point lead but holds off Centenary in opening round of Summit tournament.
 Record: 24-6

Bison 79, Southern Utah 67
 The story: Nelson scores 22 points to lead NDSU into The Summit League championship.
 Record: 25-6

Bison 66, Oakland 64
 The story: Tveidt keeps NDSU in the game and Woodside hits game-winner with 4 seconds to play to send Bison into NCAA tournament for the first time in school history.
 Record: 26-6

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North Dakota State's Michael Tveidt hit all four 3-pointers he took against Oakland.



ROCK STARS

Comparing NDSU's Fab Four with the original, the Beatles

They were a group often dubbed “The Fab Four.” They were mobbed. They signed autographs. They created a frenzy never seen in these parts before. We're talking about The Beatles, here – one of the most commercially successful and critically acclaimed bands in the history of popular music. But at the risk of being overly dramatic and silly, we could be talking about North Dakota State's own Fab Four – the four fifth-year seniors who have vaulted the Bison men's basketball team into the school's first NCAA tournament. Ben Woodside, Brett Winkelman, Mike Nelson and Lucas Moormann have taken the state of North Dakota and the region on a “Magical Mystery Tour.” After surviving “The Long and Winding Road” of a Summit League championship, they have earned a “Ticket to Ride” – causing Bison fans to “Twist and Shout.” They realize they may need some “Help” when they play their first NCAA tournament game against defending national champion Kansas on Friday in the Metrodome. But you can hear them saying “I'm Just Happy to Dance with You.” To continue this outlandish theme, we asked NDSU head coach Saul Phillips to have some fun with this – comparing each of his Fab Four to the Fab Four of the 1960s.

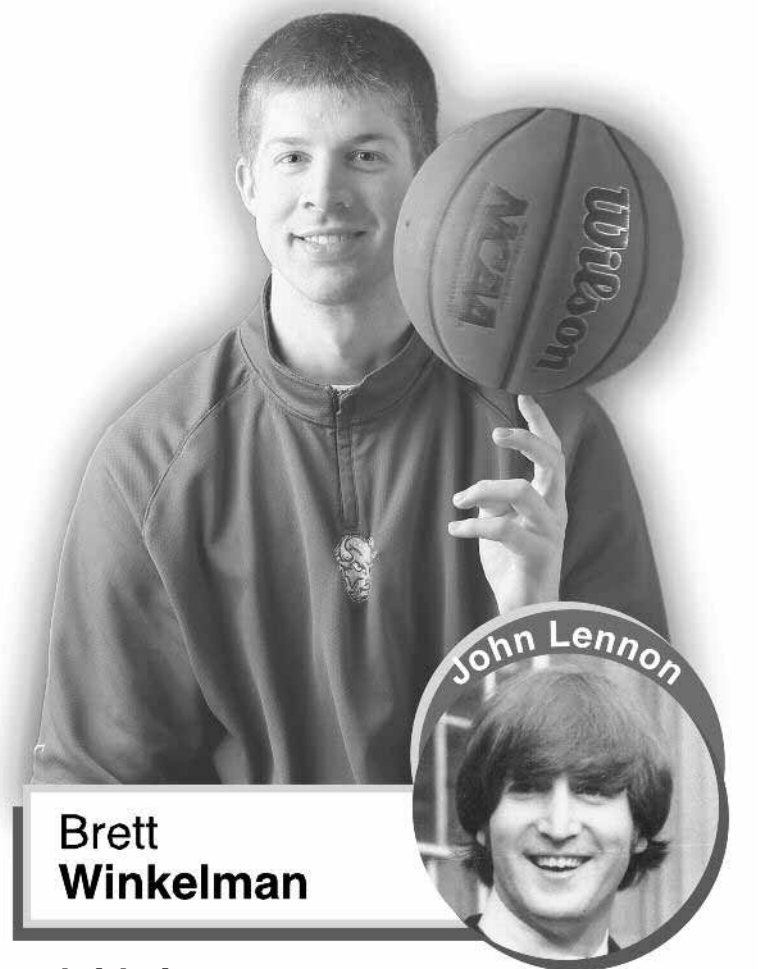
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Ben Woodside

... is Paul McCartney

“Paul McCartney is one of the most recognizable entertainers in the world. And Ben Woodside is easily one of the most recognizable entertainers in North Dakota and this region,” Phillips said. There is no arguing that – especially after Woodside hit the national scene last December when he scored an insane 60 points in one game. He made 30 of 35 free throws in that triple-overtime loss to Stephen F. Austin – tying an NCAA record set by the legendary “Pistol” Pete Maravich. A few weeks later, he became NDSU's all-time leading scorer. Later, he was named The Summit League player of the year – a few days before he hit the game-winning shot that sent the Bison flying with “Wings” (McCartney's group) into the Big Dance.



Brett Winkelman

... is John Lennon

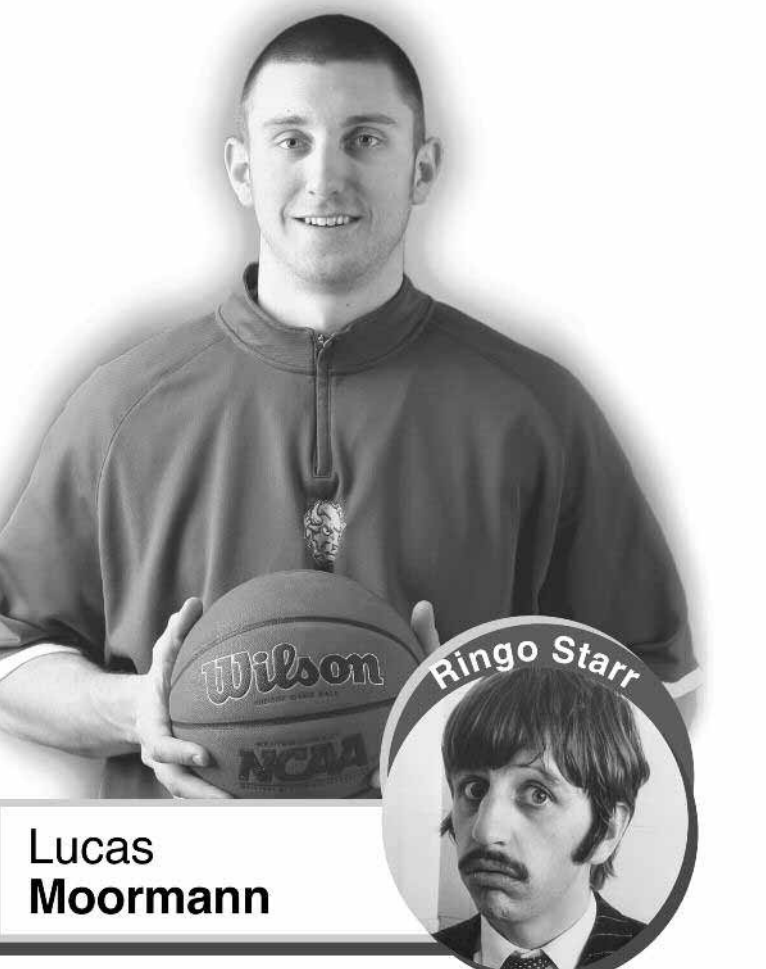
“Just because he operates at a different intellectual level,” Phillips said. Although Lennon did drop out of college, he wrote two books and was often considered the leader of the group. Winkelman has no intentions of dropping out. In fact, he will graduate with an industrial engineering degree and carries a 3.88 grade point average. He was named the academic All-American of the year among all Division I basketball players by ESPN The Magazine. While excelling in the classroom, Winkelman was picking a mean guitar on the court – becoming NDSU's No. 2 all-time leading scorer and rebounder.



Mike Nelson

... is George Harrison

“Because he is the probably the least appreciated of the group given his huge impact on this team. He doesn't play for the accolades,” Phillips said. Harrison was often referred to as “the quiet Beatle” who, although not fast and flashy, was considered one of the most complete guitar players in his time. There is no doubt, Nelson is one of the most complete players NDSU's program has ever seen. While he has become NDSU's No. 7 all-time leading scorer, he has had enough energy left over to routinely shut down the opponent's best scoring guard. Just another “Hard Day's Night” for Nelson.



Lucas Moormann

... is Ringo Starr

“People look at Ringo as if a lot of people could do his job when, in reality, he is the only one in the world that fulfills that role,” Phillips said. While Ringo was described at times as the underrated drummer for The Beatles, Moormann has become the overlooked banger for the Bison. A 6-foot-10 center with a goofy sense of humor, Moormann has bolstered the middle of the Bison defense – becoming NDSU's No. 5 all-time leading shot blocker and without question, according to Phillips, this year's leader in taking charging fouls. Moormann, pushing and shoving against the opponent's big man all season long, isn't about to say, “I Want to Hold Your Hand.”

CHART TOPPERS

A look at where current Bison players rank in various career categories:



Scoring

1. Ben Woodside (2005-09)	2,278
2. Brett Winkelman (2005-09)	1,947
3. Denver TenBroek (1999-03)	1,813
4. Joe Regnier (1985-89)	1,717
5. Jeff Askew (1979-83)	1,694
6. Steve Saladino (1972-76)	1,652
7. Mike Nelson (2005-09)	1,559
8. Marv Bachmeier (1958-61)	1,553
9. Brian Sand (1992-96)	1,540
10. Mike Kuppich (1969-72)	1,493

Field goals made

1. Jeff Askew (1979-83)	710
2. Steve Saladino (1972-76)	699
3. Joe Regnier (1985-89)	696
4. Ben Woodside (2005-09)	687
5. Brett Winkelman (2005-09)	678
6. Brian Sand (1992-96)	617
7. Denver TenBroek (1999-03)	598
8. Mark Emerson (1972-76)	590
9. Mike Nelson (2005-09)	576
10. Paul Shogren (1975-79)	576

3-point field goals made

1. Ben Nemmers (2000-04)	257
2. Denver TenBroek (1999-03)	255
3. Ben Woodside (2005-09)	225
4. Ross Manson (1990-94)	213
5. Mike Nelson (2005-09)	207
6. Adam Dobmeier (2001-05)	155
7. Juno Pintar (1985-89)	142
8. Dustin Payne (1992-96)	123
9. Brett Winkelman (2005-09)	116
10. Fred Riley (1995-97)	114

3-point percentage

1. Ben Nemmers (2000-04)	461
2. Jason Retzlaff (1998-00)	460
3. Fred Fridley (1994-96)	444
4. Mike Nelson (2005-09)	436
5. Brett Winkelman (2005-09)	420
6. Scott Majkrzak (1993-02)	417
7. Ben Woodside (2005-09)	407
8. Tyson Maroney (1993-95)	395
9. Adam Witt (2000-04)	393
10. Leonard Prescott (1997-99)	391

Free throws made

1. Ben Woodside (2005-09)	679
2. Brett Winkelman (2005-09)	475
3. Marv Bachmeier (1958-61)	465
4. Mike Kuppich (1969-72)	437
5. Pat Driscoll (1968-71)	393

Free throws attempted

1. Ben Woodside (2005-09)	824
2. Mike Kuppich (1969-72)	687
3. Marv Bachmeier (1958-61)	618
4. Brett Winkelman (2005-09)	591
5. Joe Regnier (1985-89)	561

Rebounds

1. Joe Regnier (1985-89)	872
2. Brett Winkelman (2005-09)	862
3. Steve Saladino (1972-76)	853
4. John Wojtak (1968-71)	831
5. Mike Kuppich (1969-72)	744

Games played

1. Ben Woodside (2005-09)	117
1. Mike Nelson (2005-09)	117
1. Brett Winkelman (2005-09)	117
4. Jeff Askew (1979-83)	116
5. Mike Driscoll (1977-81)	114

Games started

1. Ben Woodside (2005-09)	117
1. Brett Winkelman (2005-09)	117
3. Dan Wilberscheid (1984-88)	110
4. Joe Regnier (1985-89)	107
5. Lucas Moormann (2005-09)	104
5. Jeff Askew (1979-83)	104
5. Ben Nemmers (2000-04)	104
8. Mike Nelson (2005-09)	103
9. Mike Driscoll (1977-81)	100
10. David Ryles (1983-87)	94

HIT RECORDS

A look at various NDSU records held by current players:



Ben Woodside

► Points in one season	729
► Free throws in one season	223
► Games played in one season	32
► Games started in one season	32
► Points in one game	60
► Free throws in one game	30
► Free-throw attempts in one game	35

Brett Winkelman

► Games played in one season	32
► Games started in one season	32

Mike Nelson

► Games played in one season	32
► Games started in one season	32
► 3-point pct. in one game	1.000 (5-5)

Lucas Moormann

► Games played in one season	32
► Games started in one season	32

Michael Tveidt

► Games played in one season	32
► Games started in one season	32
► 3-point pct. in one game	1.000 (5-5)

Josh Vaughan

► Games played in one season	32
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Dejuan Flowers

► Games played in one season	32
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2008-09 team

► Points in one season	2,585
► FT pct. in one game855 (21-22)