Men's Basketball (8-5, 0-0 MAC)
Head Coach: Rob Murphy

- Closing out the 2013 calendar year, the Eastern Michigan University men's basketball team dropped a 70-48 decision to No. 2-ranked Syracuse University Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 31, in the Carrier Dome. For the third straight season, the Eagles scored exactly 48 points against the Orange.
- It was a homecoming of sorts for EMU Head Coach Rob Murphy, who coached under Syracuse Head Coach Jim Boeheim for seven seasons. In the third matchup between the two, the legendary coach's team held his former assistant's team to a season-low 48 points.
- Glenn Bryant recorded a season-high 19 points to lead Eastern in scoring, also grabbing a team-best eight rebounds. The redshirt senior was on the receiving end of four alley-oops while shooting 8-of-11 throughout the contest. Raven Lee converted 4-of-5 from beyond the arc as the only other Eagle in double digits. As a team, EMU struggled shooting, making 17-of-54 for a 31.5 percent clip overall, including 7-of-28 from long range.
- Jerami Grant and Rakeem Christmas paced Syracuse with 15 points apiece as they were two-of-four Orange in double figures. C.J. Fair chipped in with 13 points while Trevor Cooney also scored 10. While starting point guard Travis Ennis did not score, he did tally a team-high nine assists. SU shot extremely well from the floor, sinking 51 percent of its shots (26-of-51). While the Orange struggled from long range (3-of-14), they found success in the paint, racking up 40 points in that area.
- The team welcomed the new year with a victory in its non-conference season finale against Rochester College. The 92-54 win leaves the Eagles boasting an 8-5 record heading into Mid-American Conference competition.
- The Green and White was led by Karrington Ward with 14 points. Four other Eagles notched double-digit figures as Darel Combs, Glenn Bryant, Raven Lee and Daylen Harrison all added at least 10 points for EMU. Da'Shonte Riley had a career game on the boards after pulling down 14 rebounds for the team. Mike Talley and Lee setup the Eagle offense, each handing out three assists apiece while Lee grabbed an additional three steals.

Women’s Basketball (7-1, 0-0 MAC)
Head Coach: Tory Verdi

- The Eastern Michigan University's women's basketball team extended its current winning streak to four games with a victory over Lawrence Tech University, Tuesday, Dec. 31, at the Convocation Center. The 95-62 win boosts the Eagles to a 10-1 record going into Mid-American Conference competition, while the Blue Devils fall to 5-7. The 10-1 mark is the quickest to 10 wins in a season since the Green and White went 10-1 during the 2004-05 season.
- As a team, the Green and White shot 37-of-77 for 48.1 percent and hit five shots from beyond the arc. The Eagles were formidable under the hoop, as they out-rebounded the Blue Devils 53-30. The squad also came away with 19 assists, 18 steals and six blocks.
- The Eagles were led by freshman Cha Sweeney, who recorded 21 points for the Green and White. Redshirt-junior Olivia Fouty was just shy of a double-double, as she had 19 points and a game-high nine rebounds. Senior Natachia Watkins was the third Eagles in double-digit figures, as she added 18 points to the victory. Fouty and senior Desyree Thomas tied for team-highs in assists, as each dished out five dimes.
- Lawrence Tech was held to 24-of-63 shooting for a 38.1 percentage, led by Allison Bicknell with 15 points. Bicknell scored the entirety of her points in the first half after hitting five three-point shots. Hali Buter and Allison Kitchen recorded 12 and 10 points, respectively.

Football (0-0, 0-0 MAC)
Head Coach: Chris Creighton
• Chris Creighton, the head football coach at Drake University for the past six years, has been named the new head football coach at Eastern Michigan University, Vice President/Director of Intercollegiate Athletics Heather Lyke announced today, Dec. 11.
• Newly appointed head coach Chris Creighton was introduced as the head man of the EMU football team Thursday afternoon, Dec. 12, at a press conference held at the Convocation Center.
• Coach Creighton will appear on the upcoming week’s edition of the EMU Coaches’ Show. The radio show is broadcast on 1050 AM WTKA. Fans can watch the show live at Red Rock Bar-B-Que in downtown Ypsilanti.

Gymnastics (0-0, 0-0 MAC)
Head Coach: Steve Wilce
• The EMU gymnastics team has been predicted to finish fifth in the Mid-American Conference, as the conference office released the 2014 MAC Gymnastics Preseason Coaches’ Poll, Friday, Jan. 3. The seven conference teams will test the predictions, March 22, as EMU hosts the 2014 MAC Gymnastics Championship at the Convocation Center.
• The Eagles will open up the 2014 campaign by taking on the preseason favorites as the Golden Flashes also welcome George Washington and Rutgers to town for a quad meet, Jan. 17. The meet is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. from the M.A.C. Center in Kent, Ohio.

Men’s Swimming (1-1, 0-0 MAC)
Head Coach: Peter Linn
• The Mid-American Conference announced Monday, Dec. 9 that Eastern Michigan University sophomore Andrew Henry was named MAC Swimmer of the Week. The award marks the first of Henry’s career, and it is the third honor of the 2013-14 campaign for the men's swimming and diving program. Additionally, the squad has had a member named Swimmer of the Week for every week in which they have competed this season.
• The Eagles will take nearly a month-long break before heading to Miami, Fla. to swim in the Florida International Invitational, Saturday, Jan. 4, 2014.

Women’s Swimming (3-2, 2-0 MAC)
Head Coach: Peter Linn
• The Eagles will take nearly a month-long break before heading to Miami, Fla. to swim in the Florida International Invitational, Saturday, Jan. 4, 2014.

Men’s Indoor Track and Field (0-0, 2-0 MAC)
Head Coach: John Goodridge
• The squad is off until Friday, Jan. 10, 2014, when it will host the EMU Triangular in Bowen Field House.

Women’s Indoor Track and Field (0-0, 2-0 MAC)
Head Coach: Sue Parks
• The team will be off until Jan. 10, 2014, when it will host the EMU Triangular in Bowen Field House.

Wrestling (7-1, 1-0 MAC)
Head Coach: Derek DelPorto
• The Eastern Michigan University wrestling team completed the 51st Ken Kraft Midlands Championships at Ryan-Welsh Arena on the campus of Northwestern University. The Eagles saw its best finish in the five times they have competed in the tournament as they placed 19th out of 47 teams and scored 21 points, which marks the third-highest point total in Green and White history.
• Redshirt-senior Brandon Zeerip was unable to clinch a win on day two of the tournament as he fell in a 19-6 major decision to Isaiah Martinez.
- Iowa kept its commanding lead over the field on day two as it took home the team championship with 187.5 points, 85 points ahead of second-place Edinboro. The Hawkeyes had three first-place grapplers and four second-place winners, while sixth-place Maryland had two wrestlers take their weight division.

**General Department News**
- Join us for the Eagle Nation Insider Coach’s Show on WTKA (1050 AM) every Monday night throughout the football season at Red Rock Downtown Barbecue located at 207 West Michigan Ave. in Ypsilanti...The broadcast runs from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. and fans are encouraged to attend...As added incentive, Red Rock will also be offering half-off appetizers during the show.

**Eastern Michigan Upcoming Schedule**

**Wednesday, Jan. 8**
MBB at Bowling Green Bowling Green, Ohio 7 p.m.

**Thursday, Jan. 9**
WBB vs. Ball State Convocation Center 7 p.m.

**Friday, Jan. 10**
MSWIM at Denison University Grandville, Ohio 2 p.m.
WSWIM at Denison University Grandville, Ohio 2 p.m.
MTRACK EMU Triangular Bowen Field House All Day
WTRACK EMU Triangular Bowen Field House All Day

**Saturday, Jan. 11**
MBB at Buffalo Buffalo, N.Y. 2 p.m.

**Sunday, Jan. 12**
WREST at Pitt Duals Pittsburgh, Pa. All Day
WBB at Northern Illinois DeKalb, Ill. 2 p.m.

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