

2009 COLLEGE BASKETBALL INVITATIONAL

FIRST ROUND

MARCH 17 & 18

QUARTERFINALS

MARCH 23



SEMIFINALS

MARCH 25

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

MARCH 30, APRIL 1 & 3



GAME 4

VERMONT VS. GREEN BAY
CBI FIRST ROUND - MARCH 18, 2009 - 7 PM CT
RESCH CENTER - GREEN BAY, WIS.

PROBABLE LINEUPS

VERMONT	POS	GREEN BAY	POS
Mike Trimboli	G	Troy Cotton	G
Nick Vier	G	Rahmon Fletcher	G
Garvey Young	G	Ryan Tillema	G
Marqus Blakely	F	Terry Evans	F
Colin McIntosh	F	Mike Schachtner	F

PLAYERS TO WATCH



MIKE TRIMBOLI

Sr. • G • Vermont

Senior Mike Trimboli led the Catamounts in scoring this season, averaging 16.4 points per game, finishing fifth in the conference, and also placing

second in the league in assists with 4.9 per game. Trimboli is Vermont's all-time leader in assists. He was named to the United States Basketball Writers Association All-District I Team, as well as the America East All-Conference First Team for the second time. He has earned a spot on the all-league squad in each of his four seasons.



RYAN TILLEMA

Sr. • G • Green Bay

Tillema was named to the NCAA Division I All-District 12 first team as well as first-team All-Horizon League. Tillema led the league in scoring with 17.4

points per game and won Horizon League Player of the Week accolades twice. Tillema also topped the circuit in 3-pointers made per game (2.9) and 3-point percentage (.454). His 3-point accuracy currently ranks 17th nationally. He was also among the league's top 10 in field goal percentage (.476) and free throw percentage (.752). Tillema had a career-high 36 points at Valparaiso.

TONIGHT'S OTHER GAMES

St. John's vs. Richmond • 7 p.m. ET
Robins Center • Richmond, Va.

Charleston vs. Troy • 8 p.m. ET
Trojan Arena • Troy, Ala.

Buffalo vs. Wichita State • 8 p.m. ET
Koch Arena • Wichita, Kans.

Houston vs. Oregon State • 10 p.m. ET
Gill Coliseum • Corvallis, Ore.

Boise State vs. Stanford • 10 p.m. ET
Maples Pavilion • Stanford, Calif.

VERMONT CATAMOUNTS

23-8 overall, 13-3 America East (T-1st)

NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	CL	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)	G	MIN	PTS	REB	AST
3	Joey Accaoui	G	5-10	165	So.	Lincoln, R.I. (St. Andrews)	31	15.2	4.7	1.0	1.4
12	Nick Vier	G	6-1	165	Jr.	Franklin Lakes, N.J. (Bergen Catholic)	31	26.1	6.7	2.7	2.9
13	Mike Trimboli	G	6-1	180	Sr.	Norwalk, Conn. (St. Luke's School)	30	35.3	16.0	3.7	4.8
15	Greg Hughes	G	6-1	190	Fr.	West Rutland, Vt. (West Rutland)	14	1.6	0.0	0.1	0.0
21	Garvey Young	G	6-4	190	Fr.	Washington, D.C. (Georgetown Prep)	31	21.5	6.2	3.0	1.3
23	Marqus Blakely	F	6-5	225	Jr.	Metuchen, N.J. (Metuchen)	31	32.3	15.9	9.0	2.6
24	Maurice Joseph	G	6-4	190	R Jr.	Montreal, Quebec (Michigan State)	31	21.2	7.7	2.3	0.9
25	Jordan Clarke	F	6-7	240	Fr.	Rockville, Md. (Our Lady of Good Counsel)	20	7.0	1.5	1.7	0.2
30	Pat Bergmann	F/C	6-10	210	R Fr.	Burlington, Vt. (Rice Memorial)	14	2.1	0.1	0.7	0.1
32	Evan Fjeld	F	6-8	215	So.	Durham, N.C. (Durham Academy)	31	13.9	4.7	2.6	0.6
34	Jordan Dean	F	6-6	205	Sr.	Eldora, N.J. (St. Augustine's Prep)	15	2.3	0.9	0.5	0.1
40	Colin McIntosh	F	6-8	210	Sr.	Milton, Maine (Northfield Mt. Hermon)	31	26.4	13.2	5.2	1.1
42	Ryan Shields	F	6-8	245	Sr.	Wilton, Conn. (St. Luke's School)	21	3.8	0.4	0.8	0.1
45	Garrett Kissel	F	6-9	245	So.	Springfield, Maine (St. Andrews)	25	4.0	0.8	1.2	0.1

HEAD COACH – Matt Lonergan (fourth season), 77-58 (.570) at Vermont

ASSISTANT COACHES – Haj Turner, Matt Hahn, John Becker

ABOUT VERMONT – Vermont is coming off another successful season led by junior stand out Marqus Blakely who brought home the America East Player of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year awards. This marks the ninth straight season that a Catamount has won a major conference award. Head Coach Mike Lonergan has guided this experienced team through a tough non-conference schedule, with seniors Mike Trimboli and Colin McIntosh leading the way with Blakely. Freshman Garvey Young was acknowledged by the America East, earning a spot on the All-Rookie team.

HOW THEY GOT HERE – The Catamounts earned a share of the America East Regular Season Championship and No. 2 seed in the conference tournament. They had four players honored at the America East Banquet, including Marqus Blakely, who earned the Player of the Year award.

GREEN BAY PHOENIX

22-10 overall, 13-5 Horizon League (2nd)

NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	CL	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)	G	MIN	PTS	REB	AST
0	Bryquis Perine	G	6-3	180	So.	Milwaukee, Wis. (Milwaukee Vincent)	32	17.2	3.8	0.9	2.0
3	Brent Eaton	G	6-5	200	Fr.	Middlebury, Ind. (Northridge)	27	6.6	2.2	0.5	0.3
10	Troy Cotton	G	6-1	180	Jr.	Milwaukee, Wis. (Rusus King)	32	31.4	12.4	3.0	1.3
11	Jonathan Anderson	G	5-9	180	So.	Ashwaubenon, Wis. (Ashwaubenon)	6	2.5	0.5	0.2	0.2
12	Tony Walls	G	5-10	185	Fr.	Wauwatosa, Wis. (East)	12	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.1
20	Rahmon Fletcher	G	5-10	165	So.	Kansas City, Mo. (Paseo)	32	27.5	10.7	2.2	4.1
21	Terry Evans	F	6-5	195	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Cardinal Ritter)	30	32.1	9.8	5.2	2.6
23	Randy Berry	F	6-9	225	Jr.	Plover, Wis. (Almond-Bancroft)	32	25.3	6.5	5.4	0.8
24	Ryan Tillema	G	6-8	215	Sr.	Randolph, Wis. (Randolph)	25	26.0	16.9	4.4	1.5
43	Mike Schachtner	F	6-9	215	Sr.	Somerset, Wis. (Somerset)	32	24.8	11.6	4.5	0.9
50	Pat Nelson	F	6-9	240	Jr.	Rockford, Ill. (Ball State)	31	10.0	1.0	2.3	0.4

HEAD COACH – Tod Kowalczyk (seventh season), 114-98 (.537) at Green Bay

ASSISTANT COACHES – Brian Wardle, Angres Thorpe, Tim Walsh

ABOUT GREEN BAY – Green Bay is one of just two schools in the Horizon League to receive a bye in the league tournament four times in the past six years. The 2008-09 season marked the first time since their 2004-05 season that the Phoenix finished second in the league standings. The thirteen conference wins by the team this year were the highest total since the 1995-96 season. Senior Ryan Tillema led the Phoenix throughout the season and was named to the NCAA Division I All-District 12 first team. This is the first postseason appearance for Green Bay since 1996.

HOW THEY GOT HERE – The Phoenix had a pair of byes into the semifinals of the Horizon League tournament. Seniors Ryan Tillema and Mike Schachtner scored 21 and 16 points respectively, while the team dropped a closely fought game to Cleveland State.

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ABOUT THE CBI

The College Basketball Invitational (CBI) provides a meaningful opportunity for teams that are deserving of a postseason experience. Sixteen teams compete in this new postseason event, hosted at on-campus arenas throughout the country.

The CBI is a single-elimination tournament, up until the Championship Series, with all games played at campus sites. The Championship Series is a best of three series in which the higher seed will get the first and last (if necessary) home games.

The event features eight first-round games, four second-round (or quarterfinal) games, a semifinal round and then a Championship Series.

Bracketing is conducted geographically into four regions of the country (East, West, South, Midwest) to minimize missed class time. The goal of the brackets is to create a competitive balance within each region. The final process takes place after the NCAA Tournament field is announced.

The 16-team field consists of teams not selected for the NCAA Tournament. Teams are invited based upon performance during their conference and non-conference schedule, as well as how well the team is playing at the end of the regular season.

The College Basketball Invitational is produced by The Gazelle Group in Princeton, N.J. The Gazelle Group is a sports marketing firm, specializing in event production and management, client representation, and sponsorship consulting. For more information, visit gazellegroup.com.

2009 CBI TOURNAMENT NOTES

History Lesson – The introduction of the College Basketball Invitational marked the first time in over 30 years that there had been a third postseason tournament, other than the NCAA or the NIT. In 1974 and 1975, the Collegiate Commissioners Association Tournament was an eight-team tournament run by the NCAA, featuring teams that came in second in their conferences.

Down To The Wire – The 2008 College Basketball Invitational had the most competitive games among the three postseason tournaments...

- 7.0 – average margin of victory in CBI
- 12.7 – average margin of victory in NIT
- 14.3 – average margin of victory in NCAA

Filling It Up – A total of 87,455 fans attended games during the 2008 College Basketball Invitational, including sellout crowds of 9,014 at Bradley and 8,455 at Tulsa during the "Best of Three" Championship Series.

Conference Call – For the second straight year, the CBI will include teams from 13 different conferences. Three conferences, WAC (Nevada, Boise State), Conference USA (UTEP, Houston) and the Pac-10 Conference (Oregon State, Stanford), received multiple bids.

Welcome Back – Four teams return to play in the 2009 CBI after appearing in the inaugural event one year ago. Richmond, Nevada, UTEP and Houston appeared in last year's event, with Houston going to the tournament semifinals.

It's Been A While – Nine CBI teams in this year's field have waited at least four seasons since their last visit to the postseason. For Green Bay, the Phoenix are headed back to

postseason play for the first time since 1996. Head Coach Tod Kowalczyk led Green Bay to a 22-10 record and a second place finish in the Horizon League.

Just Win, Baby – Thirteen of the sixteen teams in the 2009 CBI field won at least 18 games this season, including six 20-win teams: Buffalo, Charleston, Green Bay, Houston, Nevada and Vermont.

Wins, Wins and More Wins – CBI Tournament teams average 19.3 wins overall and 10.1 wins in conference play.

Even More Wins – College of Charleston has the most overall victories (26) and conference wins (15) of any team in the 2009 CBI.

Sharing The Wealth – Two teams in the CBI field, Vermont (America East) and Buffalo (MAC), earned a share of the regular-season championship in their conferences.

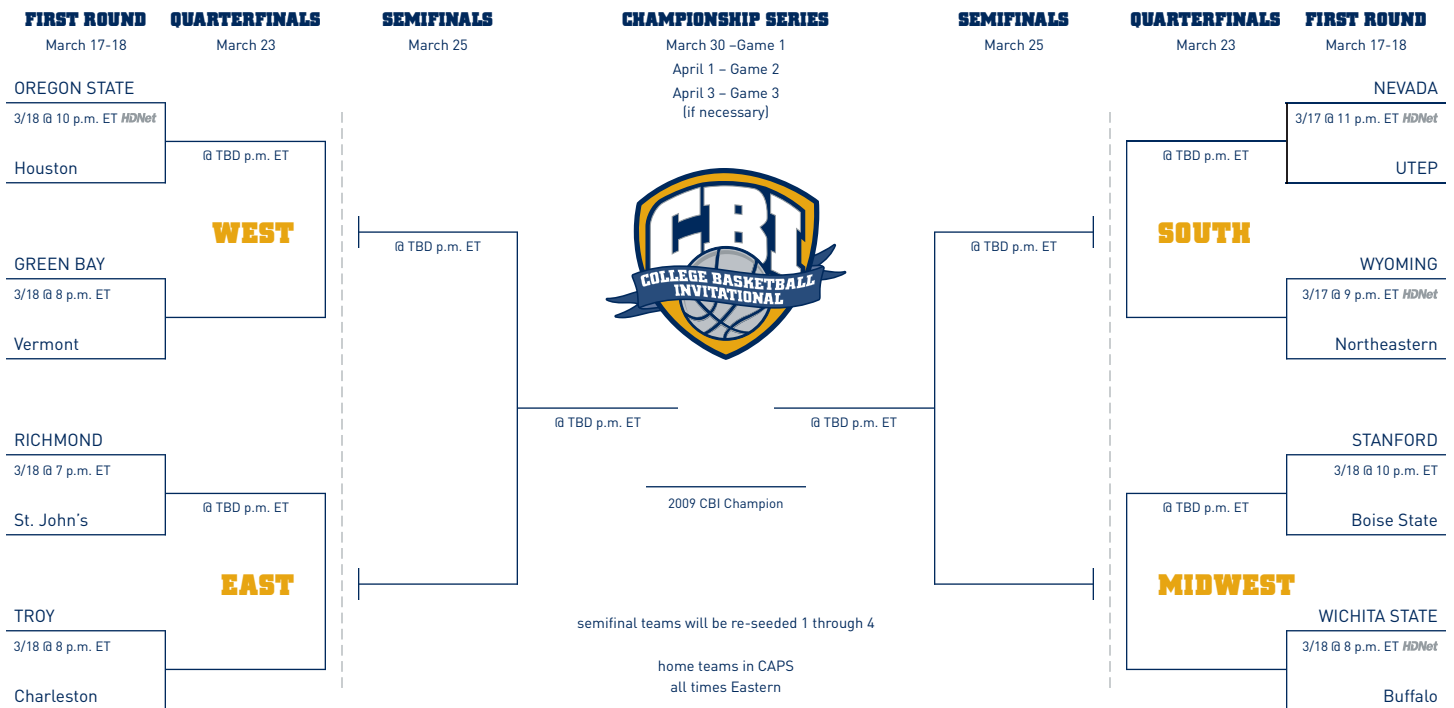
Conference Honors – The 2009 College Basketball Invitational features 26 players that received all-conference recognition, including 10 first-team selections.

More Honors – The 2009 CBI also features one conference "Player of the Year" winner. Vermont's Marqus Blakely won the honor in the America East Conference for the second year in a row. He is just the fifth player to win the award in consecutive seasons in the America East.

More Marqus – Blakely was named America East Defensive "Player of the Year" for the second year in a row, as well. He is the first player in conference history to win that award twice.

Fresh Faces – Nevada's Luke Babbitt and Wyoming's Afam Muojeke were named as their conference's "Freshman of the Year." The two could face off in the quarterfinals.

2009 CBI TOURNAMENT BRACKET



WHERE TO WATCH THE CBI

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HDNet TELEVISION SCHEDULE

(all times Eastern)

March 17
Northeastern vs. Wyoming – 9 p.m.
UTEP vs. Nevada – 11 p.m.

March 18
Buffalo vs. Wichita State – 8 p.m.
Houston vs. Oregon State – 10 p.m.

March 23
Quarterfinal – 8 p.m.
Quarterfinal – 10 p.m.

March 25
Semifinal – 8 p.m.
Semifinal – 10 p.m.

March 30
Championship Series, Game 1 – TBD

April 1
Championship Series, Game 2 – TBD

April 3 (if necessary)
Championship Series, Game 3 – TBD