VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM

MOUNT UNION PURPLE RAIDERS



(18-6, 6-2 OAC)

VS.

OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY CARDINALS



(19-7, 8-0 OAC)

RIKE CENTER - WESTERVILLE, OHIO (October 27, 2023)

MATCH PREVIEW:

Otterbein goes for a perfect OAC slate after clinching its second regular-season title in as many years against Marietta on Wednesday. The Cards will also be the top seed in the league's upcoming postseason tournament.

Mount Union enters with much to play for as well, as the Purple Raiders are tied with Marietta for second place in the standings. Only the top-two teams will receive a bye in the six-team event.

The Cardinals have won seven of the past eight matchups in this series, including a wild 3-2 comeback last year in Alliance for Morgan Hartman surpassed 1,000 career kills. Otterbein eventually stood on top that day with line scores of 22-25, 21-25, 25-14, 25-14, 15-12.

A 12-match winning streak is in progress for Otterbein, which has dropped just two sets all season in league play. Mount has won four straight after dropping a non-league affair with top-ranked (and reigning national champ) Juniata middle of this month.

For the Raiders, leading hitter Heaven Bartell ranks top five in the league at 3.3 kills per set. Libero Averi Haley is fourth in the OAC at 5.1 digs per frame.

This event also marks Senior Night for Hartman, Madison McCoy, Anna Cecil and Kailey Mishler. The quartet has gone 85-22 since arriving to campus.

2023 Schedule							
9/1	vs. St. Olaf	L 3-1					
9/1	at #14 Wash U	L 3-0					
9/2	vs. #6 Hope	L 3-2					
9/2	vs. North Central (Ill.)	L 3-0					
9/8	HANOVER	W 3-1					
9/9	vs. Bethany	W 3-0					
9/9	vs. Earlham	W 3-1					
9/10	at Ohio Wesleyan	L 3-1					
9/10	vs. Birmingham-Southern	W 3-1					
9/13	vs. Millikin	W 3-1					
9/16	vs. #14 Berry (Ga.)	L 3-0					
9/17	at Centre	W 3-1					
9/19	at Wittenberg	W 3-1					
9/22	#17 TRANSYLVANIA	L 3-0					
9/22	#19 MOUNT ST. JOSEPH	W 3-2					
9/27	at Muskingum	W 3-1					
9/29	CAPITAL	W 3-0					
9/30	vs. DePauw	W 3-2					
9/30	at Wooster	W 3-0					
10/4	at #24 Ohio Northern	W 3-0					
10/11	WILMINGTON	W 3-0					
10/14	Heidelberg / Kenyon	W 3-0, 3-0					
10/18		W 3-1					
10/21	at Baldwin Wallace	W 3-0					
10/25	MARIETTA	W 3-0					
	MOUNT UNION	7 p.m.					
10/28	at Case Western Reserve	5 p.m.					
11/1	at Denison	7 p.m.					

OTTERBEIN Roster

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown / High School
1	Rylee Ritzhaupt	Fr.	OH	5-9	Bucyrus / Colonel Crawford
2	Emma Steiger	Fr.	OH	5-7	Bucyrus / Wynford
3	Kira Appeman	So.	DS	5-8	Milan / Edison
4	Kristen Scherger	Jr.	MH	5-11	Findlay / Findlay
5	Aubrey Geis	Jr.	MB	5-10	Clearwater, Fla. / Central Catholic
6	Maddie Mergen	So.	OH	6-0	Sylvania / Notre Dame Academy
7	Olivia Krill	Fr.	MH	6-0	Whitelake, Mich. / Lakeland
8	Kennedy Hoffman	Jr.	OH	5-11	Seymour, Ind. / Trinity Lutheran
9	Annie Casper	So.	MB	5-11	Morrow / Little Miami
10	Brooke Barb	So.	OH	5-10	Johnstown / Johnstown-Monroe
11	Emily Skelley	So.	DS	5-8	Urbana / Urbana
12	Olivia Vitaz	So.	S/RS	5-10	Milan / Edison
13	Kayla Lechnir	So.	OH	5-11	Dayton / Carroll
14	Madison McCoy	Sr.	MH	5-11	Wooster / Wooster
15	Kailey Mishler	Sr.	S	5-8	Columbus / Gahanna Lincoln
16	Grace Ganz	So.	DS	5-5	Powell / Olentangy Liberty
17	Amanda Troyer	Jr.	DS	5-5	Berlin / Hiland
18	Olivia Jurcevic	So.	DS	5-6	Chardon / Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin
19	Lexi Scott	Fr.	OH	5-11	Chillicothe / Zane Trace
20	Bailee Toadvine	Fr.	DS	5-2	Athens / Athens
21	Makenzie Schellenberger	Fr.	OH	5-9	Medina / Medina
22	Anna Cecil	Sr.	OH	5-11	Lewis Center / Olentangy
23	Hope Cuppett	Jr.	OH	6-2	Cuyahoga Falls / Cuyahoga Falls
30	Morgan Hartman	Sr.	ОН	5-10	Lancaster / Fairfield Union



COACHING STAFF:

Head Coach: Monica Wright (17th season)

Assistant Coaches: Heather Bailes, Leslie Davenport, Max Miller, Tasia Lauth

MOUNT UNION Roster

No. 1 2	Name Ava Bolen Kalie Campbell	Pos. MH DS	Yr. Fr. Fr.	Ht. 6-2 5-6	Hometown / High School Wellsburg, W. Va. / Brooke Wooster / Triway
3	Casey Kildow	S	Jr.	5-7	Bethesda / Union Local
4	Adrian Petrisko	DS	Sr.	5-6	Elyria / Elyria
5	Alexis Meyer	MH	Jr.	6-0	Avon Lake / Avon Lake
6	Sadie Thomas	OH	Fr.	5-10	Cambridge Springs, Pa. / Maplewood
7	Allie Gunn	S	So.	5-9	Olmsted Falls / Magnificat
8	Lanie Schultz	DS	Fr.	5-4	South Park Township, Pa. / South Park
9	Heaven Bartell	OH	Jr.	5-10	Cleveland / St. Joseph Academy
10	Averi Haley	L	Fr.	5-9	Orrville / Orrville 1
11	Riley Meister	RS	Fr.	5-9	
12	Sydney Mercer	OH	So.	5-7	Salem / West Branch
13	Ábby DeGeorge	DS	Fr.	5-4	
14	Maddie Wentz	OH	Sr.	5-8	Broadview Heights / Akron Hoban
15	Jordin Kauffman	MH	So.	5-11	Avon / Avon
16	Katelyn Lesko	DS	Jr.	5-6	Mineral Ridge / Mineral Ridge
17	Melissa Hansen	S	Fr.	5-8	Hudson / Hudson
18	Darby Leininger	OH	Jr.	5-10	
19	Ryann Kanable	OH	So.	5-8	Powell / Olentangy Liberty
20	Anna English	S	Fr.	6-0	Mentor / Mentor
21	Jaclyn Scherb	DS	Jr.	5-4	Carmel, Ind. / Carmel
22	Katie Guerra	DS	Sr.	5-6	Avon Lake / Avon Lake
23	Lily Stark	RS	So.	5-11	New Albany / New Albany
24	Avery Ollinger	OH	Fr.	5-9	Erie, Pa. / Mercyhurst Prep
25	Molly McKee	MH	Fr.	5-10	North Ridgeville / North Ridgeville



Head Coach: Melissa Mahnke-Morrison (9th Season)

Assistant Coaches: Brittany Woodard, Maria Ellesin, Natalie Maiorana