

2017-18 VALPARAISO WOMEN'S BASKETBALL QUICK FACTS

GENERAL

Name of School: Valparaiso University
City/Zip: Valparaiso, Ind. 46383
Founded: 1859
Enrollment: 4,544
Nickname: Crusaders
School Colors: Brown and Gold
Home Court (Capacity): Athletics-Recreation Center (5,000)
Press Row Phone: 219-548-1502
Affiliation: NCAA Division I
Conference: Missouri Valley Conference
President: Dr. Mark Heckler
Athletics Director: Mark LaBarbera
Senior Woman Administrator: Kimberly Smith
Athletics Department Phone: 219-464-6894
Ticket Office Phone: 219-464-5233
Website: www.valpoathletics.com

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Tracey Dorow (sixth season)
Alma Mater (Year): Western Michigan (1996)
Record at Valpo (Seasons): 43-111 (five seasons)
Overall Record (Seasons): 275-274 (19 seasons)
Women's Basketball Office Phone: 219-464-5254
Assistant Coaches: Justin Rees (fourth season), Clyde Manns (first season), Megan Leuzinger (second season)
Director of Basketball Operations: Kevin Clark (first season)

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TEAM INFORMATION

Overall Record last year: 10-21
Conference Record (Finish): 4-14 (9th/10) [Horizon League]
Home/Road/Neutral: 7-8 / 2-12 / 1-1
Final Ranking last year: n/a
Postseason: n/a
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/3
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1

HISTORY

First year of women's basketball: 1971-72
All-time record: 522-626 (45 seasons)
NCAA Tournament appearances: 2
Last NCAA Tournament appearance: 2003-04
Result: L 71-63 vs. Kansas State
All-time NCAA Tournament record: 0-2

MEDIA INFORMATION

Radio: Valpo Sports Radio Network (WVUR, 95.1 FM, Valparaiso)
Play-by-play: Payton Ball / Ben Ariano
Color analyst: Renee' Turpa / Brandon Vickrey
Contact: Brandon Vickrey

Newspaper: Times of Northwest Indiana
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Sports Editor: Mike Clark
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Sports Editor: Robert Augsdorfer
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CRUSADER NOTES

- The Valparaiso University women's basketball program embarks on a new journey this season, as the 2017-18 campaign marks the program's first season as a member of the Missouri Valley Conference. Valpo joins The Valley after spending the last 10 seasons in the Horizon League.

- The Crusaders will look to build on a solid finish to the 2016-17 season as they enter their first year in The Valley. Valpo had the biggest jump from the first half of league play to the second of any Horizon League squad. In first matchups against Horizon League opponents, Valpo went 0-9, before going 4-5 in second meetings. The plus-four win turnaround was the best in the Horizon League. No other team was better than plus-two. In addition, Valpo went 4-4 over its final eight games of the regular season, its best eight-game finish to a season of the Tracey Dorow era.

- The Crusaders return four starters and 10 of 13 letterwinners from last year's team.

- The 2017-18 season is head coach Tracey Dorow's sixth in charge of Valpo's program. Dorow has led the Crusaders to a Horizon League tournament victory in four of her first five seasons at the helm. Dorow arrived at Valpo after spending 14 seasons as the head coach at Ferris State University, guiding the Bulldogs to four NCAA Division II Tournament appearances, two Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) North Division championships and four 20-win seasons.

- During the 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 seasons, Valpo boasted three all-freshman team members, a Freshman of the Year, a Sixth Player of the Year, an all-league second-team honoree and an all-defensive team member. The Crusaders have enjoyed a significant uptick in all-league recognition under Dorow's watch, as they had three total league honors in the five seasons before that three-year span.

- Dani Franklin enters her senior season with 1,236 career points, which already ranks sixth in program history. In 2016-17, Franklin became the first Valpo player in the last 23 years to score 500 points in a single season. She finished the season with 559 total points, the second most in program history.

- Franklin is joined by Georgi Donchetz to comprise Valpo's senior class. Donchetz had a break out junior season, playing in 28 games and making eight starts for the Crusaders after seeing limited duty in each of her first two seasons.

- The Crusaders have a three-member junior class that features Meredith Hamlet, Hannah Schaub and Allison Schofield. Hamlet was a member of the 2015-16 Horizon League All-Freshman team after setting the program record for 3-pointers made by a freshman. She reached the 500-point mark for her Valpo career as a sophomore. Schaub enters her junior season already ranked 17th in program history in career assists with 325. Schofield scored a career-high 15 points in Valpo's final game of last year's league tournament, going 4-for-4 from 3-point range against Green Bay.

- Valpo has five sophomores on the roster. Marlee Profitt and Addison Stoller were both sidelined by injuries for the bulk of last season. Caitlin Morrison, Grace Hales and Maya Meredith all saw regular playing time as freshmen. Morrison made 25 starts and saw action in 29 games. She was named the team's Rookie of the Year. Hales was a constant force off the bench, contributing 5.5 points per game while making one start in 31 appearances on her way to being named the team's Sixth Player of the Year.

- The Crusaders welcome in a five-member freshman class comprised of Ella Ellenson, Nicole Johnason, Nicole Konieczny, Bryce Blood and Taylor Richards.

- Valpo has nine players on the roster listed at 6-foot or taller. This is the most players listed at 6-foot or taller on the roster in program history. Previously, the most was eight in 1990-91 and 1995-96.

2017-18 VALPARAISO WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER

#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/High School [Prev. School(s)]
0	Maya Meredith	G	5-7	So.		Indianapolis, Ind./Cathedral
2	Meredith Hamlet	G	5-8	Jr.		McBain, Mich./McBain
3	Hannah Schaub	G	5-6	Jr.		Brooklyn Park, Minn./Park Center
11	Georgi Donchetz	G	5-10	Sr.		Savage, Minn./Burnsville
12	Addison Stoller	G/F	6-0	R-Fr.		Cissna Park, Ill./Cissna Park
13	Ella Ellenson	F	6-2	Fr.		Rice Lake, Wis./Rice Lake
14	Marlee Profitt	F	6-2	R-Fr.		Medina, Ohio/Highland
15	Nicole Johanson	F	6-5	Fr.		Herscher, Ill./Herscher
20	Nicole Konieczny	G	5-9	Fr.		Granger, Ind./South Bend Saint Joseph
22	Bryce Blood	F	6-2	Fr.		Toledo, Ohio/Whitmer
25	Grace Hales	G/F	6-0	So.		Cromwell, Ind./Westview
32	Dani Franklin	F	6-1	Sr.		Cedar Rapids, Iowa/George Washington
33	Allison Schofield	G/F	5-9	Jr.		McCordsville, Ind./Heritage Christian
34	Taylor Richards	G	6-0	Fr.		Doylestown, Ohio/Chippewa
40	Caitlin Morrison	F	6-2	So.		Glenview, Ill./Glenbrook South

Head Coach: **Tracey Dorow** – 6th season

Assistant Coach: **Justin Rees** - 4th season

Assistant Coach: **Clyde Manns** - 1st season

Assistant Coach: **Megan Leuzinger** - 2nd season

Director of Basketball Operations: **Kevin Clark** – 1st season

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NON-CONFERENCE	6-7	4-2	1-4	1-1

#	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg	
					fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fa	ft%	off	def	tot	avg									
32	Dani Franklin	31-31	1055	34.0	199-444	.448	64-149	.430	97-113	.858	72	170	242	7.8	68	1	28	75	16	35	559	18.0	
02	Meredith Hamlet	29-28	867	29.9	90-257	.350	32-127	.252	49-62	.790	25	97	122	4.2	48	0	79	99	1	21	261	9.0	
24	Amber Lindfors	29-28	715	24.7	93-195	.477	0-4	.000	41-62	.661	78	140	218	7.5	82	1	10	41	70	13	227	7.8	
25	Grace Hales	31-1	515	16.6	51-147	.347	22-76	.289	48-59	.814	21	36	57	1.8	63	1	16	29	4	12	172	5.5	
40	Caitlin Morrison	29-25	638	22.0	50-159	.314	22-80	.275	26-33	.788	24	97	121	4.2	77	2	9	50	12	25	148	5.1	
11	Georgi Donchetz	28-8	499	17.8	51-132	.386	9-31	.290	28-39	.718	33	55	88	3.1	74	3	56	52	5	15	139	5.0	
42	Haylee Thompson	26-3	408	15.7	52-123	.423	3-8	.375	21-32	.656	28	33	61	2.3	42	1	12	36	14	14	128	4.9	
12	Addison Stoller	5-0	52	10.4	6-15	.400	0-0	.000	6-8	.750	5	6	11	2.2	11	1	2	4	0	2	18	3.6	
03	Hannah Schaub	31-30	817	26.4	42-144	.292	11-54	.204	14-26	.538	26	63	89	2.9	57	3	134	88	4	28	109	3.5	
33	Allison Schofield	29-0	283	9.8	32-85	.376	18-55	.327	7-11	.636	7	28	35	1.2	29	0	17	26	0	11	89	3.1	
23	Imani Scott-Thompson	14-1	87	6.2	8-29	.276	5-20	.250	2-2	1.000	1	6	7	0.5	3	0	2	7	0	1	23	1.6	
00	Maya Meredith	28-0	254	9.1	13-67	.194	3-20	.150	14-25	.560	6	29	35	1.3	25	0	41	49	5	8	43	1.5	
14	Marlee Profitt	2-0	8	4.0	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	1	0	1	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1.0	
Team											66	66	132		1		23						
Total.....		31	6198		687-1798	.382	189-624	.303	355-474	.749	393	826	1219	39.3	580	13	406	579	131	185	1918	61.9	
Opponents.....		31	6201		766-1944	.394	234-729	.321	448-633	.708	427	770	1197	38.6	502	-	454	399	96	334	2214	71.4	

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Date	Opponent	Score	Att.	High Points	High Rebounds
11/12/16	at Stetson	75-87 L	338	(34)Dani Franklin	(8)Amber Lindfors
11/16/16	at Chicago State	W 53-51	148	(17)Dani Franklin	(7)Dani Franklin (7)Caitlin Morrison
11-19-16	at Illinois State	56-77 L	614	(9)Meredith Hamlet (9)Caitlin Morrison (9)Addison Stoller	(7)Addison Stoller (7)Amber Lindfors (7)Dani Franklin
11/21/16	IU KOKOMO	W 102-47	309	(24)Dani Franklin	(12)Amber Lindfors
11/25/16	LIBERTY	W 70-68	319	(29)Dani Franklin	(12)Amber Lindfors
11/30/16	EVANSVILLE	65-70 L	396	(15)Dani Franklin	(16)Dani Franklin
12/3/16	EASTERN ILLINOIS	W 73-68	345	(33)Dani Franklin	(8)Amber Lindfors (8)Caitlin Morrison
12/4/16	at Notre Dame	54-114 L	8132	(18)Dani Franklin	(4)Dani Franklin
12/10/16	GRACE	W 71-49	307	(17)Dani Franklin (17)Amber Lindfors	(7)Haylee Thompson (7)Amber Lindfors
12/11/16	at Indiana	58-87 L	2611	(18)Dani Franklin	(5)Caitlin Morrison
12/19/16	BRADLEY	56-67 L	318	(13)Meredith Hamlet	(7)Amber Lindfors (7)Dani Franklin
12/29/16	*at Detroit Mercy	60-85 L	702	(14)Dani Franklin	(8)Georgi Donchetz
12/31/16	*at OAKLAND	63-104 L	734	(18)Meredith Hamlet (18)Dani Franklin	(5)Meredith Hamlet
1/5/17	*GREEN BAY	36-75 L	453	(8)Haylee Thompson (8)Meredith Hamlet	(9)Dani Franklin
1/7/17	*MILWAUKEE	74-85 L	379	(17)Dani Franklin	(13)Dani Franklin
01/12/17	*at Cleveland State	60-71 L	303	(24)Dani Franklin	(10)Dani Franklin
1/14/17	*at Youngstown State	70-76 L	1938	(29)Meredith Hamlet	(10)Meredith Hamlet
1/17/17	*at Green Bay	35-56 L	1901	(15)Dani Franklin	(6)Dani Franklin
1/20/17	*NORTHERN KENTUCKY	55-70 L	429	(29)Dani Franklin	(10)Dani Franklin
1/22/17	*WRIGHT STATE	52-65 L	511	(15)Haylee Thompson	(8)Dani Franklin
01/28/17	*at UIC	60-74 L	427	(20)Dani Franklin	(8)Amber Lindfors (8)Dani Franklin
2/2/17	*YOUNGSTOWN STATE	W 77-60	313	(22)Amber Lindfors	(11)Amber Lindfors
2/4/17	*CLEVELAND STATE	62-66 L	351	(26)Dani Franklin	(10)Dani Franklin
2/9/17	*at Wright State	48-63 L	364	(19)Dani Franklin	(16)Dani Franklin
02/11/17	*at Northern Kentucky	W 41-32	1549	(11)Dani Franklin	(17)Amber Lindfors
2/16/17	*OAKLAND	60-98 L	297	(11)Grace Hales	(12)Amber Lindfors
2/18/17	*DETROIT MERCY	W 57-55	370	(16)Dani Franklin	(10)Amber Lindfors
2/20/17	*at Milwaukee	64-80 L	311	(19)Dani Franklin	(5)Dani Franklin
2/25/17	*UIC	W 72-63	344	(24)Dani Franklin	(9)Haylee Thompson
3/3/17	vs Youngstown State	W 79-62	5468	(19)Dani Franklin	(15)Amber Lindfors
03/04/17	vs Green Bay	60-89 L	8481	(15)Allison Schofield	(6)Amber Lindfors

* - Conference game

Attendance Summary	Games	Attend	Avg/Game
Home	15	5441	363
Away	14	20072	1434
Neutral	2	13949	6974
Total	31	39462	1273