



BUTLER FOOTBALL

2008 News & Notes

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Game Data



Game: Butler (3-1) at Campbell (1-5)
Date: Saturday, Oct. 11
Site: Barker-Lane Stadium (5,000)
 Buies Creek, N.C.
Time: 12 p.m. (ET)
Radio: XL950 (AM)
 BigPlayProductions.com

Coaches

Butler: Jeff Voris (DePauw '89)
 10-15 (3rd year at Butler)
 25-50 (7th year overall)
 0-0 vs. Campbell
CU: Dale Steele (South Carolina '76)
 1-5/1st year
 0-0 vs. Butler

Series

First Meeting

Butler and Campbell are meeting for the first time as football opponents. Football has returned to the Campbell University campus for the first time in more than half a century this season.

•Campbell fielded a varsity football team from 1925 to 1950, dropping the program after the 1950 season due to the Korean Conflict. In 2004, Campbell began to explore the possibility adding football, and in 2006, the North Carolina school submitted an application to join the Pioneer Football League. Coach Dale Steele was hired in June of 2006, and he assembled his staff and first recruiting class in 2007. The team's first official practice was conducted on August 28, 2007, with more than 100 participants.

•Butler is making the first of two trips to North Carolina this season. The Bulldogs will return to the Tar Heel state on Nov 22 to play Davidson.

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Bulldogs Visit Campbell For Initial Meeting

ROAD WORK: Butler will make the first of consecutive road trips when it visits Buies Creek, N.C., on Saturday, Oct. 11, to face first-time foe Campbell. The Pioneer Football League game will be played at Barker-Lane Stadium, beginning at 12 p.m. (ET). Butler (3-1, 1-0 PFL) is coming off a 21-15 home field victory over Drake in last weekend's PFL opener. The victory snapped a nine-game league losing streak and a three-game home field skid for the Bulldogs and gave Butler its first 1-0 start in the PFL since 2001. The Bulldogs are looking for their first 2-0 PFL start since 1993. Campbell (1-5, 0-3 PFL), playing intercollegiate football for the first time in more than half a century, dropped a 42-0 decision at Dayton in its last outing. The Bulldogs, who play at Valparaiso on Oct. 18, are looking for their first PFL road win since 2002.

Butler is 2-0 on the road in 2008.

TOP DOGS: Butler used several key defensive stops and two long scoring drives to beat Drake for the first time since 2002. The Indiana Bulldogs jumped in front in the first quarter on a six-yard **Matt Kobli** to **Dan Bohrer** touchdown pass, following an eight-play, 91-yard drive, and held the lead for the rest of the game. Butler's final touchdown followed a 12-play, 80-yard drive that culminated with a 15-yard touchdown run by tailback **Ryan Hitchcock** late in the third quarter. Drake drove inside the Butler 20-yard line on five occasions in the game, but nicked Butler's defense for just a single touchdown and three field goals.

PFL HONOR: Sophomore defensive back **Rob Blevins** earned Pioneer Football League Defensive Player of the Week recognition for his effort in Butler's victory Drake. The Butler safety turned in perhaps the biggest defensive play of the game late in the second quarter when he intercepted a Drake pass and returned it 39 yards for a touchdown to extend the Bulldogs' lead to 14-6. It was the first Butler pass interception returned for a touchdown since Oct. 27, 2007, when **Jacob Fritz** had a 35-yard

Pioneer Football League 2008 Standings

North Division	PFL				Overall			
	W	L	T	PCT.	W	L	T	PCT.
San Diego	3	0	0	1.000	5	0	0	1.000
Dayton	1	0	0	1.000	4	1	0	.800
Butler	1	0	0	1.000	3	1	0	.750
Morehead State	1	0	0	1.000	3	2	0	.600
Davidson	1	1	0	.500	2	2	0	.500
Jacksonville	1	1	0	.500	2	3	0	.400
Valparaiso	0	1	0	.000	1	3	0	.250
Drake	0	2	0	.000	2	3	0	.400
Campbell	0	3	0	.000	1	5	0	.167

PFL This Week (All times local)

Oct. 9

Webber International at Jacksonville, 7 p.m.

Oct. 11

Butler at Campbell, 12 p.m.
 Drake at Dayton, 1 p.m.
 Davidson at Valparaiso, 1 p.m.
 Morehead State at San Diego, 6 p.m.

touchdown return against Davidson. Blevins finished the game with seven total tackles, including four solo stops.

Rob Blevins is the third Butler player to earn PFL Player of the Week recognition, joining Dan Bohrer and Matt Kobli.

STRETCH DRIVE: Quarterback **Matt Kobli** engineered Butler's second and third longest drives of the season to key the Bulldogs' victory over Drake. He completed six of six passes for 72 yards on Butler's 91-yard first quarter drive that wound up giving the Bulldogs the lead for good. He then threw for 27 yards and rushed for 18 more on Butler's 80-yard touchdown drive in the third quarter. Kobli completed 12 of 22 passes for 117 yards and one touchdown in the game, and he added a team-high 50 rushing yards on 11 carries. Butler's longest drive of the season came at Missouri S&T, when the Bulldogs marched 99 yards for a touchdown.

Butler Two-Deep Depth Chart

OFFENSE

WR	15	Alex White, 6-2, 215, Sr.	81	Eddie McHale, 6-2, 190, So.
RT	78	Mike Staniewicz, 6-6, 280, So.	72	Pete Mattingly, 6-5, 330, Fr.
RG	67	Rob Noel, 6-3, 300, Sr.	53	Rob Hobson, 6-4, 295, R-Fr.
C	60	Ryan Secrist, 6-4, 265, So.	71	Robbie Person, 6-2, 280, Sr.
LG	64	Donny Gilmore, 6-3, 290, So.	73	Jack Winter, 6-3, 285, Fr.
LT	76	Brian Crable, 6-4, 250, Jr.	62	Mike Fiedler, 6-8, 300, R-Fr.
TE	80	Luke Johnson, 6-2, 230, Sr.	93	Eric Notestine, 6-3, 245, Sr.
QB	12	Matt Kobli, 6-3, 215, So.	9	Andrew Huck, 6-2, 185, Fr.
RB	8	Ryan Hitchcock, 5-8, 190, R-Fr.	23	Dionte Wiggins, 5-10, 185, R-Fr.
FB	33	William Bork, 6-0, 225, R-Fr.	38	Matt Casula, 5-11, 220, Fr.
FL	89	Dan Bohrer, 6-2, 190, Jr.	27	Stuart Harvey, 6-1, 185, R-Fr.

DEFENSE

DE	96	Grant Hunter, 6-3, 230, R-Fr.	52	Jeff Poss, 6-2, 230, R-Fr.
NG	57	Ross Teare, 6-1, 285, Fr.	50	Peter Xander, 5-9, 250, Jr.
DT	58	Jared Branyon, 6-0, 235, Jr.	90	Larry Thomas, 5-10, 240, Fr.
DE	99	Derek Day, 6-4, 250, Sr.	56	Chase Donner, 6-2, 230, Jr.
LB	17	Mike Bennett, 6-1, 230, Sr.	13	Brian Adika, 5-8, 200, Jr.
LB	37	Derek Guggenberger, 6-1, 220, Jr.	45	Nick Comotto, 6-0, 215, Jr.
LB	14	Nick Caldicott, 6-1, 215, R-Fr.	31	Derek Bradford, 6-2, 195, So.
CB	28	Tadd Dombart, 5-10, 185, So.	32	Mark Kwiatkowski, 6-0, 190, Sr.
CB	2	Jacob Fritz, 5-10, 180, So.	11	Jack McKenna, 6-0, 180, R-Fr.
SS	5	Spencer Summerville, 5-8, 200, Jr.	16	Mark Giacomantonio, 5-11, 195, R-Fr.
FS	3	Rob Blevins, 6-1, 200, So.	4	Ryan Schmitz, 5-11, 200, Sr.

SPECIALISTS

P	3	Rob Blevins, 6-1, 200, So.	10	Jordan Quiroz, 5-7, 180, Sr.
PK	10	Jordan Quiroz, 5-7, 180, Sr.	35	David Lang, 6-0, 210, Fr.
KO	35	David Lang, 6-0, 210, Fr.	10	Jordan Quiroz, 5-7, 180, Sr.
LS	56	Chase Donner, 6-2, 230, Jr.	59	Robert Koteff, 6-1, 215, Fr.
H	4	Ryan Schmitz, 5-11, 200, Sr.	35	David Lang, 6-0, 210, Fr.
PR	28	Tadd Dombart, 5-10, 185, So.	8	Ryan Hitchcock, 5-8, 190, R-Fr.
KR	5	Spencer Summerville, 5-8, 200, Jr.	28	Tadd Dombart, 5-10, 185, So.

SPECIAL GROUP: In a win that featured big offensive and defensive plays, Butler head coach Jeff Voris was quick to praise the Bulldogs' special teams' effort against Drake. "We really had terrific play on special teams and that played a big role in the win," noted Voris after the game. "Our kick and punt coverage was very good, and our kicking game was consistent. I really felt our special teams made a difference today." Butler punter **Rob Blevins** averaged 37.0 yards on six kicks in the game, and Drake averaged just 2.7 return yards on the six punts.

FAMILIAR LEADER: When Butler leading tackler **Mike Bennett** went to the bench with an injury in the first half of the Drake game, head coach Jeff Voris didn't have to look far to find someone to step up and fill the void. Junior linebacker **Derek Guggenberger**, who led the Bulldogs in tackles last season despite not starting a single game, took over against Drake and led all players with a career-high 12 tackles. He had a team-high six solo tackles, including one of Butler's five tackles for loss in the contest.

Derek Guggenberger is tied for fourth in the PFL in tackles (8.2 pg).

BIG PLAY: Senior tight end **Luke Johnson** only caught one pass against Drake, but it turned out to be one of the biggest receptions of the game. With the Bulldogs holding on to a two-point lead and facing a third and three situation at their own 27-yard line late in the third quarter, Johnson hauled in a four-yard pass from quarterback **Matt Kobli** to give Butler a crucial first down. Butler continued to march down field and ultimately scored the decisive touchdown with 1:31 left in the third period.

FEET FIRST: Senior placekicker **Jordan Quiroz** was successful on all three of his PAT kick attempts against Drake, boosting his career scoring total to 141 points. He enters this week's action in 12th place on Butler's all-time scoring list, just two points behind Mario Neto Brocchi (1998-2001) in 11th place. Quiroz has connected on 72 of 78 PAT kicks and 23 of 36 field goal attempts during his Butler career.

Bulldog Bits

•Senior linebacker **Mike Bennett** is one of 164 semifinalists for the 2008 Draddy Trophy and a candidate for a National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame National Scholar-Athlete Award. The awards recognize college football players for athletic performance, academic excellence and community leadership. Bennett is an honor student and a four-year football regular for the Bulldogs.

•**Mike Bennett** was sidelined by injury during the Drake game, but he may be available for action at Campbell. Bennett had three tackles against Drake, boosting his Butler career total to 199 tackles.

•Sophomore running back **Scott Gray**, who led the PFL in scoring last year, has begun working out with the Bulldogs and may be available for action as soon as the Campbell game. Gray, who was Butler's leading rusher last year, has missed the Bulldogs' first four games with injury.

•Sophomore quarterback **Matt Kobli** continues to rank second in the PFL in passing efficiency (142.4) and total offense (266.2 ypg). He ranks fourth in the circuit in passing average (215.5 ypg) and is tied for fifth in the league in rushing (50.8 ypg).

•**Matt Kobli** is the only player in the PFL to own a 100-yard rushing game and a 300-yard passing game this season.

•Junior **Dan Bohrer** stands second in the PFL in receiving yards (74.0 ypg), and he's third in receptions (5.5 pg). Bohrer had a team-high four catches for 41 yards in Butler's win over Drake.

•Junior **Spencer Summerville** had a season-long, 31-yard kickoff return against Drake. He finished the game with four returns for 86 yards and moved into 10th place in the PFL in kickoff returns (19.8 ypr). Summerville also ranks 11th in the PFL in tackles (7.2).

•Sophomore **Tadd Dombart** continues to lead the PFL in punt return average (22.2).

•Redshirt-freshman **Grant Hunter** ranks fourth in the PFL in quarterback sacks. The Butler defensive end has three sacks in four games this season.

•Running back **Ryan Hitchcock** has had a career-high 12 rushing attempts in each of Butler's past two games. He scored his first career rushing touchdown at Missouri S & T and added a second TD against Drake.

2008 Butler Football Statistics

SCORING	G	TD	PAT-1	PAT-2	FG	PTS
Dan Bohrer	4	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	30
Jordan Quiroz	4	0	14-15	0-0	2-2	20
Eddie McHale	4	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
Ricky Trujillo	4	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
Ryan Hitchcock	4	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
Matt Kobli	4	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Stuart Harvey	4	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Luke Johnson	4	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Rob Blevins	4	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Butler	4	15	14-15	0-0	2-2	110
Opponents	4	7	4-6	0-1	7-11	67

FGs	G	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG
Jordan Quiroz	4	0-0	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	24
Butler	4	0-0	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	24
Opponents	4	0-0	5-7	2-2	0-1	0-1	39

RUSHING	G	ATT	GAIN	LOSS	NET	TD	AVG
Matt Kobli	4	36	230	27	203	1	5.6
Ryan Hitchcock	4	39	167	7	160	2	4.1
Ricky Trujillo	4	25	100	0	100	2	4.0
Dionte Wiggins	4	26	102	13	89	0	3.4
Dan Bohrer	4	1	0	3	-3	0	---
Team	4	2	0	7	-7	0	---
Butler	4	129	599	57	542	5	4.2
Opponents	4	122	520	104	416	3	3.4

PASSING	G	ATT	COMP	PCT.	INT	TD	YDS.
Matt Kobli	4	130	87	.669	2	9	862
Butler	4	130	87	.669	2	9	862
Opponents	4	148	88	.595	4	4	1169

RECEIVING	G	NO.	YDS.	TD	AVG.	LG
Dan Bohrer	4	22	296	5	13.5	48
Eddie McHale	4	15	148	2	9.9	32
Alex White	4	14	180	0	12.9	35
Stuart Harvey	4	10	63	1	6.3	16
Luke Johnson	4	6	45	1	7.5	16
Ricky Trujillo	4	6	10	0	1.7	9
Ryan Hitchcock	4	4	42	0	10.5	34
Dionte Wiggins	4	3	18	0	6.0	11
Eric Notestine	4	2	36	0	18.0	32
Steve Rickert	4	1	6	0	6.0	6
William Bork	4	1	5	0	5.0	5
Rob Noel	4	1	3	0	3.0	3
Jordan Koopman	1	1	1	0	1.0	1
Zach Watkins	1	1	9	0	9.0	9
Butler	4	87	862	9	9.9	48
Opponents	4	88	1169	4	13.3	49

PUNTING	G	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	LG
Rob Blevins	4	20	787	39.3	57
Team	4	1	0	0.0	0
Butler	4	21	787	37.5	57
Opponents	4	18	712	39.6	54

PUNT RETURNS	G	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	LG
Tadd Dombart	4	4	89	22.2	49
Ryan Hitchcock	4	2	4	2.0	5
Butler	4	6	93	15.5	49
Opponents	4	6	51	8.5	15

KICKOFF RETURNS	G	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	LG
Spencer Summerville	4	10	198	19.8	31
Luke Johnson	4	1	7	7.0	7
Tadd Dombart	4	1	5	5.0	5
Stuart Harvey	4	1	1	1.0	1
Butler	4	13	211	16.2	31
Opponents	4	18	348	19.3	33

TEAM STATISTICS	BUTLER	OPPONENTS
First Downs	77	83
By Rush	30	26
By Pass	41	52
By Penalty	6	5
Rush Yards Per Game	135.5	104.0
Pass Yards Per Game	215.5	292.2
Points Per Game	27.5	16.8
Total Plays	259	270
Total Offense	1404	1585
Offense Per Play	5.4	5.9
Offense Per Game	351.0	396.2
Fumbles/Lost	6/3	7/3
Penalties/Yards	16/120	22/196
Third Down Conversions	25/57	19/56
Fourth Down Conversions	4/6	4/5
Time of Possession/Game	30:27	29:33

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	T
Butler	20	31	28	31	0	110
Opponents	3	19	29	16	0	67

2007 RESULTS (3-1, 1-0 PFL)	BU	OPP.	ATTD.
S. 6 - At Albion	20	6	3,246
S. 13 - FRANKLIN	28	31	4,049
S. 20 - HANOVER (Cancelled)			
S. 27 - At Missouri S & T	41	15	2,500
O. 4 - DRAKE*	21	15	2,171
O. 11 - At Campbell*			
O. 18 - At Valparaiso*			
O. 25 - MOREHEAD STATE*			
N. 1 - JACKSONVILLE*			
N. 8 - DAYTON*			
N. 15 - At San Diego*			
N. 22 - At Davidson*			

*--Pioneer Football League game.

BUTLER UNIVERSITY DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

PLAYER	G	ST	AT	TOTAL	TACKLES		QB	FORCED FUMBLE	PASS INT.	PASS BRKUP
					FOR LOSS	SACKS				
Derek Guggenberger	4	13	20	33	4.5-13	2-9	0	0	0-0	0
Mike Bennett	4	11	19	30	0.5-1	0-0	0	0	1-8	1
Spencer Summerville	4	15	14	29	1-1	0-0	0	1	0-0	1
Derek Bradford	4	12	10	22	2-8	0-0	0	0	0-0	2
Rob Blevins	4	11	10	21	0.5-1	0-0	0	0	1-39	0
Tadd Dombart	4	15	6	21	0.5-2	0-0	1	0	1-35	2
Jacob Fritz	4	9	6	15	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	1
Nick Caldicott	4	9	4	13	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	1
Grant Hunter	4	4	7	11	3.5-18	3-15	0	0	0-0	1
Derek Day	4	7	2	9	2.5-15	2-14	0	1	0-0	0
Chase Donner	4	5	3	8	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	1
Jared Branyon	4	3	4	7	2.5-5	1-3	0	0	0-0	0
Jeff Poss	4	4	3	7	1.5-9	1-8	0	0	0-0	0
Larry Thomas	4	1	5	6	0.5-3	1-3	0	0	0-0	0
Brian Adika	4	3	3	6	0.5-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	2
Mark Kwiatkowski	4	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Nick Comotto	2	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Ross Teare	4	1	4	5	0.5-1	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Peter Xander	4	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Jack McKenna	4	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Nick Clarkson	4	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Rob Cosler	4	0	3	3	0.5-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Matt Casula	4	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Thorn Murphy	4	1	1	2	1-1	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Chris Salvi	4	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Alex White	4	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Ryan Schmidt	4	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	1	1-63	0
Mark Giacomantonio	4	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Robert Koteff	2	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Logan Sullivan	4	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
Ryan Hitchcock	4	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	0

Blocked Kicks: Tadd Dombart (PAT vs. Missouri S & T).