



# 2004 UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE *Game* FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

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#1 Delaware (0-0) vs. New Hampshire (0-0)  
September 2, 2004 • 7 p.m. • Tubby Raymond Field at  
Delaware Stadium

## MEDIA COVERAGE

**Delaware Radio/TV Coverage:** Live radio coverage on Blue Hen Radio Network on The River 94.7 FM throughout the state of Delaware with Mike Corey and Bill Komissaroff calling the action. Live coverage on UD student station WVUD 91.3 with Brendan Boylan and Craig Schlosser calling the action...**Television:** Tape delay broadcast on UD student network STN TV (Mondays at 6 p.m on UD campus Channel 49...**Internet Broadcast:** The River ([www.river947.com](http://www.river947.com)), WVUD ([www.wvud.org](http://www.wvud.org)), and UD Athletics statistics webcast ([www.udel.edu/sportsinfo/football](http://www.udel.edu/sportsinfo/football))...**National Rankings:** Delaware is No. 1 in both The Sports Network Poll and USA Today/ESPN pre-season polls...New Hampshire is unranked

## TEAM SCHEDULES/RESULTS

### DELAWARE "Blue Hens" (0-0, 0-0 Atlantic 10)

|         |  |           |
|---------|--|-----------|
| Sept. 2 | New Hampshire                            | 7 p.m.    |
| 11      | *Towson                                  | 7 p.m.    |
| 18      | West Chester (Freshman Family Weekend)   | 7 p.m.    |
| 25      | at *Massachusetts (CSTV/CN8)             | 1 p.m.    |
| Oct. 2  | *Maine (A10 TV/CSTV TV / Homecoming)     | 12 noon   |
| 16      | at *Hofstra                              | 1:30 p.m. |
| 23      | *William & Mary (Parents/Family Weekend) | 1 p.m.    |
| 30      | at Navy (CN8 TV)                         | 1:30 p.m. |
| Nov. 6  | at *James Madison                        | 1:30 p.m. |
| 13      | at *Richmond                             | 1 p.m.    |
| 20      | *Villanova (CN8 TV/ Hall of Fame Day)    | 1 p.m.    |

### NEW HAMPSHIRE "Wildcats" (0-0, 0-0 Atlantic 10)

|         |                  |            |
|---------|------------------|------------|
| Sept. 2 | at Delaware      | 7 p.m.     |
| 11      | at Rutgers       | 7 p.m.     |
| 18      | *William & Mary  | 12 Noon    |
| 25      | at Dartmouth     | 12:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 2  | at *Villanova    | 6 p.m.     |
| 16      | *Massachusetts   | 12 Noon    |
| 23      | *Hofstra         | 12 Noon    |
| 30      | at *Northeastern | 12 Noon    |
| Nov. 6  | at *Rhode Island | 12 Noon    |
| 13      | *Towson          | 12 Noon    |
| 20      | at *Maine        | 1 p.m.     |

\*=Atlantic 10 Conference Games

## THE SERIES

**All-Time:** This week's game is the 27th meeting between the two teams...Delaware leads 19-7 since the first meeting in 1953...Delaware has won three straight and seven of the last eight meetings. New Hampshire's last win in the series was a 45-44 overtime victory in Newark, DE in 2000.

**All-Time at Newark, DE:** Delaware leads the series 8-4 in games played in Newark, DE (all at Delaware Stadium). The Hens won the last meeting by a score of 21-9 in 2002.

**Last Meeting:** Germaine Bennett's one-yard dive into the end zone with 1:58 left to play completed No. 4 ranked Delaware's comeback and gave head coach K.C. Keeler his 100th career victory with a 22-21 victory last Oct. 11 in Durham, NH. The Hens (6-0, 4-0 Atlantic 10) trailed 21-3 after the first quarter but slowly climbed back into the game. The win wasn't complete until New Hampshire's Connor McCormick was just inches wide right on a 34-yard field goal attempt with four seconds left to play. Delaware won for the fifth straight time at Cowell Stadium. New Hampshire (2-5, 0-4), which led 21-3 after a Paul McKinney one-yard run with 2:10 left in the first quarter but would not score again, dropped its second straight game. Blue Hen QB Andy Hall threw for 186 yards and one touchdown and rushed for another 95 yards, including a 38-yard scamper that set up Bennett's game-winner. Bennett finished with 96 yards on 25 carries while David Boler reached career-highs with eight receptions for 121 yards and a touchdown. Kicker Brad Shushman converted a school-record tying three field goals in a school-record five attempts.

## THE COACHES

**Delaware: K.C. Keeler** (Delaware '81)...21-7 (.750) in third season at Delaware...109-28-1 (.793) in his 12th season as a college coach...one of just 17 active I-AA coaches to have reached 100 wins...led Delaware to 2003 NCAA I-AA national title with 15-1 record...placed fifth in voting for the Eddie Robinson I-AA Coach of the Year Award...named 2003 Maxwell Football Club Tri-State Coach of the Year...owns 33-3 (.917) record all-time as a player and coach at Delaware Stadium, including a 15-1 (.937) mark as a coach...led NCAA III Rowan to five NCAA national championship game appearances in 1993-2001...starting linebacker at Delaware in 1978-80, leading Blue Hens to 1979 NCAA II national title under head coach Tubby Raymond.

**New Hampshire: Sean McDonnell** (New Hampshire '78)...23-33 (.411) in his fifth season at New Hampshire, 14-28 (.333) in Atlantic 10 play...1-4 all-time vs. Delaware...former UNH offensive coordinator who took over for long-time head coach Bill Bowes (175-106-5 in 1972-98)...played safety and was a member of 1975 New Hampshire squad that lost to Delaware, 16-7, in Durham, NH.

## KEY INJURIES

**Delaware:** RB **Niquan Lee** (foot) and DB **Zach Thomas** (kidney stones) are questionable; **New Hampshire:** Contact the New Hampshire Information Office for latest injury report.

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## MEDIA CONTACTS

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Blue Hens on the Web - [www.udel.edu/sportsinfo](http://www.udel.edu/sportsinfo)



## ON THE AIRWAVES

**THE RIVER 94.7 FM:** The River (WRDX FM 94.7 in Wilmington, DE) is currently in its sixth season as the flagship station for the Blue Hen Radio Network, airing UD football live throughout Delaware and parts of Maryland, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. **Mike Corey** once again handles play-by-play duties with **Bill Komissaroff** handling analysis, and **Paul Schmidt** providing on the field coverage. **Rob Reb** will serve as the in-game engineer. In addition to broadcasting all Delaware games live, Corey hosts the weekly K.C. Keeler Show live each Wednesday at the Deer Park Tavern in Newark. The weekly call-in show airs at 7-8 p.m. All broadcasts can also be heard via the internet at [www.wrdx.com](http://www.wrdx.com).

**WVUD 91.3 FM:** University of Delaware student station WVUD broadcasts all Blue Hen football games home and away live in 2003. **Brendan Boylan** handles the play-by-play duties and **Craig Schlosser** provides color. Games can also be heard via the internet at [www.wvud.org](http://www.wvud.org). Games will also be simulcast on TV Channel 2 on Comcast cable systems.

**TELEVISION:** In addition to University of Delaware student station STN TV (Channel 49) televising all Delaware home games on a tape delay basis (Mondays at 6 p.m.), Delaware will appear on television four times during the 2004 season - Sept. 25 at Massachusetts (CN8 TV); Oct. 2 vs. Maine (CSTV/A10 TV); Oct. 30 at Navy (CN8 TV); and Nov. 20 vs. Villanova (CN8 TV).

**LIVE STATS:** Live statistics for each Delaware home game are available once again during the 2004 season on the University of Delaware Athletics Website. Click on [www.udel.edu/sportsinfo](http://www.udel.edu/sportsinfo) and go to the "Live Stats" link for football located on the right side.

## ATLANTIC 10 WEEKLY TELECONFERENCE

The Atlantic 10 Conference conducts a weekly teleconference involving all 12 league coaches. Each Monday during the season, coaches will be available for media interviews through the teleconference beginning at 10 a.m. and running until 12 noon. To take part in the teleconference, contact Delaware SID Scott Selheimer for the phone number. Below is the weekly schedule.

10:00 a.m. Atlantic 10 Update  
10:10 - Dave Clawson - Richmond  
10:20 - Jimmie Laycock - Wm. & Mary  
10:30 - Andy Talley - Villanova  
10:40 - Rocky Hager - Northeastern  
10:50 - Mickey Matthews - James Madison  
11:00 - Jack Cosgrove - Maine  
11:10 - Don Brown - Massachusetts  
11:20 - Tim Stowers - Rhode Island  
**11:30 - K.C. Keeler - Delaware**  
**11:40 - Sean McDonnell - UNH**  
11:50 - Joe Gardi - Hofstra  
12:00 - Gordy Combs - Towson

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## DELAWARE NOTES OF INTEREST

**A SEASON TO REMEMBER:** The University of Delaware is coming off the finest season in school history as the Blue Hens won the sixth national title in school history, its first ever in NCAA I-AA, and its first since winning the 1979 NCAA II title in 2003. The Hens set a school record with 15 wins in a 15-1 season and were named Lambert Cup Eastern champions for the 18th time and the ECAC Team of the Year for the 10th time. Delaware was also named State Team of the Year by the Delaware Sportswriters and Broadcasters Association and Local Team of the Year by the Philadelphia Sportswriters. The Hens captured their 14th conference title all-time, including their seventh as a member of the Yankee Conference/Atlantic 10 Conference. This season, Delaware and head coach **K.C. Keeler** will be looking to become the first team to repeat as NCAA I-AA national champions since Georgia Southern in 1999-2000.



**THE SEASON AHEAD:** The Blue Hens, who welcome back 15 starters and 40 letterwinners from last year's national championship team, were the overwhelming No. 1 pre-season pick in both The Sports Network and USA Today/ESPN polls selected from I-AA head coaches, sports information directors, and media members. This year marks the first time that Delaware (or any team from the Atlantic 10) was the pre-season No. 1 pick but the Hens appeared in the pre-season poll for the 13th straight season. Delaware received 57 of the 71 first place picks in The Sports Network poll and 26 of the 35 first place votes in the USA Today/ESPN poll. In addition, the Blue Hens were the No. 1 pre-season pick by Street & Smith's Magazine and Lindy's Magazine and picked No. 3 in Athlon Magazine. Ironically, Delaware was not picked to finish first in its own Atlantic 10 Conference based on a poll conducted by league coaches and media members. Delaware was picked No. 2 behind Villanova in the Atlantic 10 South Division and ahead of William & Mary, James Madison, Richmond, and league newcomer Towson. In the North Division, Maine was the pre-season No. 1 pick followed by Northeastern, defending league co-champion Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Hofstra.

**BLUE HENS IN SEASON OPENERS:** Delaware will open its 113th season of play vs. New Hampshire this week, the third under head coach **K.C. Keeler**. The Blue Hens have won eight of their last nine season openers, including last year's 41-7 win over The Citadel at Delaware Stadium. The Hens have captured 13 of their last 14 season openers with the lone blemish was a 10-7 setback to Rhode Island Aug. 30, 2001. The Hens are 14-4 in season openers since joining the Atlantic 10 in 1986. Keeler is 2-0 all-time in season openers with the Blue Hens and a perfect 11-0 all-time in season openers as a college head coach (including a 9-0 record at Rowan University). Delaware opens at home for the fourth straight season and will play each of its first three games at home and four of its first five at the friendly confines of Tubby Raymond Field at Delaware Stadium.

**ENTERING ON A ROLL:** After sweeping through the the NCAA I-AA tournament last fall with one-sided wins over Southern Illinois, Northern Iowa, Wofford, and Colgate, the Hens are riding a six-game winning streak since a 24-14 setback at Northeastern last Nov. 8. The Hens have won 21 of their last 28 under K.C. Keeler and 23 of their last 31 games overall since 2001. The Hens are 37-15 (.711) this decade, including a conference mark of 23-12 (.657) in conference play.

**HOME SWEET HOME:** Delaware was the only school in all of college football in 2003 to play 10 home games – and the Blue Hens posted a perfect 10-0 record at Tubby Raymond Field at Delaware Stadium. The Hens outscored opponents 414-154 for an average win margin of 26.0 points per game. Delaware has now won 10 straight games and 16 of its last 17 home games at Delaware Stadium and have posted an all-time record of 244-73-4 (.766) in 321 games over 51 seasons since 1952. That mark includes an all-time NCAA playoff home record of 15-5, including a 3-0 mark in 2003 when the Hens defeated Southern Illinois, Northern Iowa, and Wofford to advance to the I-AA championship. The Blue Hens are the only school in NCAA I-AA to average over 20,000 fans per game during the regular season each of the past five seasons.

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## DELAWARE VS. NEW HAMPSHIRE SERIES

### SERIES NOTES

- Delaware leads the series by a 19-7 margin
- Delaware has won three straight and 7 of the last 8 meetings
- Three of the last five games have been decided by four points or less, including last year's 22-21 Delaware win at New Hampshire
- Two games have extended into overtime with UNH winning both contests at Delaware, by scores of 28-21 in 1986 and 45-44 in 2001.
- Delaware is 7-4 all-time vs. New Hampshire in Newark, DE (all at Delaware Stadium), including a 21-9 win in the Wildcats' last visit in 2002

### YEAR BY YEAR

|                         |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1953 - *Delaware, 48-0  | 1988 - Delaware, 38-20  |
| 1954 - Delaware, 19-13  | 1989 - *UNH, 27-17      |
| 1955 - *Delaware, 20-18 | 1990 - UNH, 34-7        |
| 1956 - Delaware, 14-6   | 1991 - *UNH, 45-28      |
| 1957 - *Delaware, 59-6  | 1992 - Delaware, 42-22  |
| 1958 - Delaware, 36-14  | 1997 - Delaware 27-10   |
| 1959 - *Delaware, 50-12 | 1998 - *Delaware, 31-7  |
| 1960 - UNH, 31-14       | 1999 - Delaware, 14-10  |
| 1970 - *Delaware, 53-12 | 2000 - *UNH, 45-44 (ot) |
| 1971 - Delaware, 40-7   | 2001 - Delaware, 49-36  |
| 1974 - *Delaware, 34-10 | 2002 - *Delaware, 21-9  |
| 1975 - Delaware, 16-7   | 2003 - Delaware, 22-21  |
| 1986 - *UNH, 28-21 (ot) |                         |
| 1987 - UNH, 45-21       | *=at Newark, DE         |

### LAST MEETING:

#### Delaware 22, New Hampshire 21

#### Oct. 11, 2004 • Cowell Stadium, Durham, NH

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### 3-3-3-3

A sellout crowd is expected for the season opener vs. New Hampshire, in part because Delaware has sold a school-record 10,500 season ticket packages. Against New Hampshire, the Hens will surpass a total of 19,000 fans for the 14th straight game and could post the 33rd game all-time with an attendance of 22,000 or more. Tubby Raymond Field is named in honor of Delaware's long-time head coach who served as the Blue Hen mentor for 36 season, notching 300 wins and leading the Blue Hens to three national titles. Raymond, who continues to attend UD games and works as a color analyst for WDEL Radio, was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in South Ben, IN in 2003.

**SEPTEMBER NIGHTS:** Delaware has enjoyed great success in the month of September and at night in recent years. Since 1969, Delaware is 15-3 in night games, including a mark of 12-1 with seven straight victories at home. In September, the Hens are 41-12 (.773) since 1990, including a mark of 28-2 (.933) with 14 straight wins in home September games during the period. Delaware will play its first three games in September, at night, at home to open the 2004 season. It all starts tonight vs. New Hampshire.

**FIRST-TIMERS:** The Blue Hens expect to have just five players make their first career start in a Delaware uniform vs. New Hampshire - sophomore TE **Steve Selk**, redshirt freshman OG **Rich Beverley**, junior quarterback **Sonny Riccio**, sophomore cornerback **Rashaad Woodard**, and senior free safety **Garron Bible**. Selk takes over for two-time All-Atlantic 10 selection Rick Lavelle, Beverley starts in place of pre-season All-Atlantic 10 selection Jared Wray who will miss the entire season and end his career due to a back injury suffered prior to the 2003 season, Riccio is a first-year transfer from the University of Missouri who will try to fill the shoes of All-American Andy Hall, and Bible is a first-year transfer from Notre Dame where he started eight games a year ago for the Irish.

**NEW UNIFORMS:** The Blue Hens will be sporting new Nike uniforms and helmets with new colors this fall. Delaware will go back to its official school color of royal blue for its uniforms and its distinctive helmet. The helmet, which will not change design, had previously consisted of gold and navy or dark blue for its colors. The helmet will now be a royal metallic blue which better matches the royal blue colors in Delaware's new uniforms. The Hens will debut the home uniforms Sept. 2 vs. New Hampshire and the road uniforms Sept. 25 at Massachusetts.

**ATLANTIC 10 SUCCESS:** Delaware is currently playing its 19th season in the Atlantic 10 Conference (originally the Yankee Conference) this fall and will look to capture consecutive league titles for the first time since sharing the league title with Villanova and New Hampshire in 1991 and winning the title outright in 1992. Delaware is looking to become the first Atlantic 10 team to share a piece of the league title in consecutive years since New Hampshire accomplished the feat in 1996-97. Delaware has been the pride of the Atlantic 10 since joining the league in 1986, capturing its 100th Atlantic 10 victory in 2003 with a 51-45 overtime win over UMass - the Hens are now 101-44 (.695) since joining the league in 1986. Tonight's game vs. New Hampshire will count as a league game for both teams despite being members of the Atlantic 10. League schedules include just eight league games this season.

**THESE HENS HAVE BRAINS.....:** Not only have the Blue Hens got the job done on the field, they are seeing outstanding results in the classroom. No less than seven Delaware players are potential Verizon/CoSIDA Academic All-American candidates. To be eligible for the award, student-athletes must have at least sophomore standing, be a starter or key reserve, and hold a 3.2 or better grade points index. Leading the way is senior defensive lineman **Ben Cross** who holds a 3.9 grade point index as a civil engineering major. Cross, who is also a National Football Foundation Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award candidate, earned the inaugural Atlantic 10 Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award last season when he also was named to the CoSIDA Academic All-American second team. In addition to Cross, other Blue Hens eligible for the Academic All-American team are junior wide receiver **Joe Bleymaier**, sophomore quarterback **Ryan Carty**, graduate linebacker **Mondoe Davis**, senior defensive lineman **Chris Mooney**, senior linebacker **Mark Moore**, and defensive lineman **Tom Parks**. Cross, Bleymaier, and Mooney were also named to the CoSIDA District 2 team a year ago. The Hens would have had an eighth candidate but senior pre-season All-Atlantic 10 offensive guard **Jared Wray** suffered a career-ending back injury in pre-season and will not play this fall. Four current UD players are currently enrolled in graduate school - Davis, Sean Bleiler, Garron Bible, and Dominic Santoli.

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## HENS IN THE PRE-SEASON TOP 25

The Sports Network      ESPN/USAToday

|                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Delaware (57)      | 1. Delaware (26)      |
| 2. So. Illinois (7)   | 2. So. Illinois (6)   |
| 3. Montana (3)        | 3. Montana            |
| 4. Wofford (1)        | 4. Wofford (1)        |
| 5. Colgate            | 5. Colgate            |
| 6. Northern Iowa (2)  | 6. Northern Iowa (1)  |
| 7. Furman (1)         | 7. McNeese State (1)  |
| 8. McNeese State      | 8. Furman             |
| 9. Villanova          | 9. Georgia Southern   |
| 10. Georgia Southern  | 10. Villanova         |
| 11. Maine             | 11. Maine             |
| 12. Western Illinois  | 12. Western Illinois  |
| 13. Western Kentucky  | 13. Northern Arizona  |
| 14. Northern Arizona  | 14. Western Kentucky  |
| 15. Montana State     | 15. Montana State     |
| 16. Stephen F. Austin | 16. Grambling         |
| 17. Grambling State   | 17. Stephen F. Austin |
| 18. Northwestern St.  | 18. Northwestern St.  |
| 19. Massachusetts     | 19. Massachusetts     |
| 20. Appalachian State | 20. Appalachian State |
| 21. Eastern Kentucky  | 21. Northeastern      |
| 22. Northeastern      | 22. Lehigh            |
| 23. Lehigh            | 23. Eastern Kentucky  |
| 24. N. Carolina A & T | 24. N. Carolina A&T   |
| 25. Pennsylvania      | 25. Southern          |

( )=First Place Votes

## ATLANTIC 10 CONFERENCE UPDATE

(through games of Sept. 1)

|                         | Conference |   | Overall |   |                    |
|-------------------------|------------|---|---------|---|--------------------|
| South                   | W          | L | W       | L | This Week          |
| Delaware .....          | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | UNH(Tonight)       |
| James Madison....       | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | Lock Haven (Sat.)  |
| Richmond .....          | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | at N.C. St. (Sat.) |
| Towson .....            | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | at Elon (Sat.)     |
| Villanova .....         | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | Bucknell (Tonight) |
| William & Mary.....     | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | at UNC (Sat.)      |
| North                   | W          | L | W       | L | This Week          |
| Hofstra .....           | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | Albany (Tonight)   |
| Maine.....              | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | at Montana (Sat.)  |
| Massachusetts.....      | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | at DelState (Sat.) |
| <b>New Hampshire</b> .. | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | at Delaware        |
| Northeastern .....      | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | Cheyney (Sat.)     |
| Rhode Island.....       | 0          | 0 | 0       | 0 | at Fordham         |

### Next Week in the Atlantic 10

Towson at Delaware  
 Hofstra at Montana  
 Central Connecticut at Rhode Island  
 Villanova at Lehigh  
 Northeastern at Navy  
 Northern Colorado at Maine  
 Colgate at UMass  
 Richmond at VMI  
 New Hampshire at Rutgers

## 4-4-4-4

.....**AND BRAUN**: According to University of Delaware strength and conditioning coach **Russell Barbarino**, the current Blue Hen roster is stronger and more fit than any other in school history. Broken records in spring and summer testing - including strength, speed, and agility drills - have become commonplace. Each summer Barbarino conducts a Best Conditioned Athlete contest with the overall winner having the most points from a battery of test. And this year, for the second time in three season, senior defensive lineman **Ben Cross** was named the winner. Cross earned first place with 3,239 points followed by LBMondoe Davis (3,082), and RB **Sean Bleiler** (2,961). Individual position leaders were Cross (defensive line), Davis (big skill), Bleiler (offensive sk), **SidneyHaugabrook** (defensive backs), and **Mark Ciavirella** (offensive line). Individual event leaders were Ciavirella (bench press - 455 lbs.), Davis (squat lift - 675 lbs.), LB **Ryan McDermond** (agility - 3.97); DL **Bubba Jespersen** (225 lb. lift - 27 times); Cross (vertical jump - 40 inches; power clean lift - 355 lbs.), and DB **Jeff Robinson** (broad jump - 11-2).

### HAUGABROOK ADDS BUCK BUCHANAN AWARD NOMINATION TO IMPRESSIVE PRE-SEASON LIST:

University of Delaware senior cornerback and co-captain **Sidney Haugabrook** has earned his share of pre-season notice lately. Haugabrook was a popular guy over the summer, being named to virtually every pre-season All-American team. He was named pre-season All-American by *Athlon Magazine*, *Street & Smith's Magazine*, *Lindy's Magazine*, and the TheSports Network. Locally, he was named pre-season first team All-Atlantic 10 at defensive and second team at kick returner by the league head coaches. In addition, Haugabrook was rated the top cornerback in NCAA I-AA by The Sports Network. Last week he was recognized as one of official candidates for the Buck Buchanan Award - which recognized the top defensive player in I-AA each season. Haugabrook was one of just five defensive backs on the "watch" list and one of two Atlantic 10 players, joining Northeastern LBLiam Ezekiel. Among those listed on the "watch list" for the Walter Payton Award (I-AA Offensive Player of the Year) were 2003 award winner RB Jamaal Branch and 2002 and 2003 award runner-up QB Bruce Eugene of Grambling. RB Marcus Williams of Maine was the only Atlantic 10 player recognized.

**MORE ABOUT "SID"**: A three-time All-Atlantic 10 selection, Haugabrook enters the season having started 38 straight games for the Blue Hens - the longest active streak by any team member. He has recorded 236 tackles (10 shy of the UD record for cornerbacks of 246 by Tim Jacobs in 1989-92) and intercepted 10 passes for his career and is among the nation's top punt returners, averaging 12.4 yards per return last season.

### BLUE HEN PRE-SEASON HONORS:

**Sidney Haugabrook (DB)** - Athlon Magazine Pre-Season All-American; Street & Smith's Magazine Pre-Season All-American; Lindy's Magazine Pre-Season All-American; The Sports Network Pre-Season 1st team All-American; 1st team Pre-Season All-Atlantic 10 (DB); 2nd team Pre-Season All-Atlantic 10 (KR); Buch Buchanan Award "Watch" List.

**Chris Mooney (DL)** - 1st team Pre-Season All-Atlantic 10; Lindy's Magazine Pre-Season All-American

**Mondoe Davis (LB)** - The Sports Network Pre-Season 2nd team All-American; 1st team Pre-Season All-Atlantic 10

**Trip DelCampo (OL)** - 1st team Pre-Season All-Atlantic 10

**Jared Wray (OL)** - 2nd team Pre-Season All-Atlantic 10

**John Mulhern (LB)** - 2nd team Pre-Season All-Atlantic 10

**'TIS BETTER TO RECEIVE**: The University of Delaware ranked among the national leaders in 2003 in turnover margin with a mark of +19. Over the last 10 seasons, Delaware is 76-14 (.844) when having a less or equal amount of turnovers than its opponents and is 52-7 (.881) with 13 straight wins when having less turnovers than its opponent.

**WELL GROUNDED**: Delaware will be looking at a brand new starter at running back this season with the graduation of UD single-season rushing record holder and All-American Germaine Bennett (1,6y25) and four-year standout Antawn Jenkins. No matter who takes over the role, if they can rush for 100 yards in a game it will almost guarantee a victory for the Hens. Delaware has won seven straight games when having

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## BLUE HEN PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

### Coaching Staff

Offensive Coordinator  
Kirk Ciarrocca (shuh-rock-uh)  
Passing Game  
Coordinator Bryan Bossard (bo-sard)  
Defensive Line Coach Rob Neviasser (nuh-visor)  
Graduate Assistant Lyle Hemphill (hem-pull)

### Players

#3 G.J Crescione (cresh-she-own)  
#5 Sonny Riccio (reach-e-o)  
#6 David Boler (bowler)  
#12 Jarryd Moyer (jared)  
#14 Armand Cauthen (ar-mond caw-thun)  
#15 Rashaad Woodard (ruh-shahd wood-urd)  
#16 Kervin Michaud (curvin muh-shawd)  
#18 Joe Bleymaier (blay-myer)  
#19 Mike Weber (Web-ur)  
#23 Rafiq Gunthorpe (ruh-feek)  
#24 Jahiri Gunthorpe (juh-hear-e)  
#29 Nicos Chavis (nee-cos chay-vus)  
#30 Anthony Cinelli (suh-nelli)  
#33 Jeremy Kametz (kuh-mets)  
#37 Lou Samba (sahm-ba)  
#39 Mario McLean (muh-clean)  
#40 Niquan Lee (nee-kwan)  
#41 John Nauss (nose)  
#43 Mark Zambrano (sam-brah-no)  
#45 KeiAndre Hepburn (key-andre)  
#47 Sidney Haugabrook (hog-a-brook)  
#49 Emanuel Beneby (ben-uh-be)  
#52 Demetrice Alexander (duh-me-truss)  
#55 Marquez Davis (mar-kwez)  
#58 Mondoe Davis (mon-dough)  
#63 Mark Ciavarella (cav-a-rella)  
#67 Rich Beverly (beverly)  
#76 Jared Wray (ray)  
#80 Justin LaForgia (la-four-ja)  
#82 Joe Cordrey (core-dree)  
#86 Jon Heydt (height)  
#93 Jim Casertano (cass-ur-tah-no)  
#96 Rachid Stoury (ra-sheed story)  
#97 Bubba Jespersen (jesper-son)

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a runner rush for over 100 yards in a game and have won 30 of their last 31 games since 1994 when that happens. Senior co-captain **Sean Bleiler**, sophomore **Niquan Lee**, and redshirt freshman **Lonnie Starks** will all play key roles in the blue Hen backfield this season.

**QUITE A TRIO:** The Blue Hens return a talented corps at wide receiver in 2004, which will only help as Delaware tries to break in a new starting quarterback with the graduation of All-American Andy Hall. The explosive trio of **David Boler**, **Justin Long**, and **Brian Ingram** each caught 48 or more passes last season with Boler leading the way with 60 catches for 716 yards and nine touchdowns. The trio combined to catch 158 passes for 1,890 yards and 17 touchdowns. All three also went over the 1,000 career yard receiving mark, making it the first time that Delaware has had three 1,000-yard receivers on the same team in school history. Boler, who has now caught at least one pass in 21 straight games, has recorded career totals of 87 receptions (12th all-time at UD) for 1,205 yards (13th) while Long has caught a team-leading 96 career passes (9th all-time) for 1,138 yards (15th) and Ingram has caught 85 passes (13th) for 1,051 yards (17th).

**OH BROTHER!** The Thomas brothers will once again be meeting up on the football field this week. Sophomore defensive back Zach Thomas, who has been sidelined the last two weeks with kidney stones and is questionable for tonight's game, is a defensive back and kick returner for Delaware while New Hampshire's Aaron Thomas is a standout defensive back. Zach Thomas played wide receiver for Delaware last season. And speaking of brothers, the Hens have two sets of them this season - linebackers **Marquez and Mondoe Davis** from Newport News, VA, freshman defensive backs **Rafiq and Jahiri Gunthorpe** from Brandywine, MD, redshirt freshman linebacker **Erik Johnson** is the younger brother of Delaware's 2004 All-American defensive end Shawn Johnson, junior linebacker **John Mulhern** is the younger brother of former Blue Hen standout linebackers Pat and Dan, senior running back **Sean Bleiler** is the younger brother of former Blue Hen punter Ryan Bleiler; and No. 3 quarterback **T.J. DiMuzio** is the son of former Delaware All-American quarterback Tom DiMuzio.

**IN THE PROS:** The National Football League career of former University of Delaware standout quarterback **Rich Gannon** has been well-documented. The former All-American still rates among the top signal callers in the NFL and he was the league Most Valuable Player in 2002 when he led the Oakland Raiders to a berth in the Super Bowl. But Gannon isn't the only former Blue Hen chasing professional glory. He is one of four former Delaware players currently on NFL roster. Gannon is joined by Chicago Bears wide receiver **Jamin Elliott**, New York Jets offensive guard **Jason Nerys**, San Francisco 49ers defensive back **Mike Adams**, and Oakland Raiders teammate and defensive end **Shawn Johnson**. All-American quarterback Andy Hall was released by the Philadelphia Eagles earlier this week and another former Blue Hen, running back **Keith Burnell**, was recently released by the New York Jets. Hall and Johnson were both sixth round picks in the NFL draft this past April.

### DID YOU KNOW?

- Head coach **K.C. Keeler's** has posted a record of 21-7 in his three seasons at Delaware. His team's average winning margin in the 21 victories is a formidable 10.5 points per game. His average losing margin is a paltry 5.1 points per game with only two setbacks over five points.
- Delaware has faced 28 Top 10 teams since 1991 and has posted an impressive mark of 18-10...
- Delaware has scored at least one touchdown in 98 straight games since a 27-0 loss at Villanova in 1996 and have tallied 10 or more points in 112 of its last 121 games (92.6 percent of their games) since 1994. The Blue Hens have also not been shutout in a span of 136 home games at Delaware Stadium since Holy Cross blanked them 24-0 in 1983 and have not been shutout on the road in their last 43 games since a 27-0 setback to Villanova in 1996.
- The fifth place finishing 4 x 100 meter relay team at the 2004 Colonial Athletic Association Outdoor Track and Field meet in Richmond last April had a distinctive Blue Hen football flavor. The foursome of Blue Hen junior defensive back **Roger Brown**, senior defensive back **Sidney Haugabrook**, sophomore defensive back **Rashaad Woodard**, and non-player **Charlie Williams** with a time of 42.49.



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## DELAWARE VS. NEW HAMPSHIRE

### DELAWARE OFFENSE

|    |    |                           |                   |
|----|----|---------------------------|-------------------|
| TE | 87 | <b>STEVE SELK *</b>       | (So., 6-2, 225)   |
|    | 80 | Justin LaForgia *         | (Jr., 6-5, 220)   |
| WR | 6  | <b>DAVID BOLER **</b>     | (Jr., 6-2, 215)   |
|    | 36 | Bryan Tingle **           | (Jr., 5-10, 185)  |
| WR | 18 | <b>JOE BLEYMAIER **</b>   | (Jr., 5-10, 185)  |
|    | 3  | G.J. Crescione ***        | (Sr., 5-9, 180)   |
| WR | 8  | <b>JUSTIN LONG **</b>     | (Jr., 6-0, 190)   |
| or | 7  | Brian Ingram **           | (Jr., 6-5, 180)   |
| LT | 72 | <b>TRIP DELCAMPPO ***</b> | (Sr., 6-5, 300)   |
|    | 60 | Marco Kristen             | (Fr.r, 6-8, 285)  |
| LG | 67 | <b>RICH BEVERLEY</b>      | (Fr.r, 6-5, 285)  |
|    | 64 | Greg Benson               | (Fr.r, 6-4, 265)  |
| C  | 69 | <b>CHRIS EDWARDS ***</b>  | (Sr., 6-3, 290)   |
|    | 63 | Mark Ciavarella           | (Fr.r., 6-3, 295) |
| RG | 74 | <b>BRIAN SIMS **</b>      | (Jr., 6-4, 280)   |
|    | 68 | Scott Conley *            | (So., 6-3, 280)   |
| RT | 78 | <b>PAUL THOMSON **</b>    | (Sr., 6-6, 330)   |
|    | 75 | Mike Byrne                | (Fr., 6-5, 265)   |
| QB | 5  | <b>SONNY RICCIO</b>       | (Jr., 6-2, 215)   |
|    | 10 | Ryan Carty *              | (So., 5-11, 210)  |
| RB | 22 | <b>SEAN BLEILER ***</b>   | (Sr., 6-0, 220)   |
|    | 20 | Lonnie Starks             | (Fr.r, 5-9, 165)  |
| or | 40 | Niquan Lee *              | (So., 6-0, 230)   |

### DELAWARE DEFENSE

|     |    |                              |                   |
|-----|----|------------------------------|-------------------|
| LE  | 1  | <b>DOMINIC SANTOLI ***</b>   | (Sr., 6-2, 245)   |
|     | 26 | Ben Cross ***                | (Sr., 5-10, 210)  |
| DT  | 92 | <b>CHRIS MOONEY ***</b>      | (Sr., 6-5, 270)   |
|     | 84 | Brian Jennings ***           | (Sr., 6-2, 270)   |
| DT  | 51 | <b>TOM PARKS **</b>          | (Jr., 6-4, 260)   |
|     | 97 | Bubba Jespersen *            | (So., 6-1, 240)   |
| RE  | 37 | <b>LOU SAMBA **</b>          | (Jr., 6-0, 250)   |
|     | 90 | Richard Washington           | (Fr.r, 6-2, 250)O |
| OLB | 44 | <b>JOHN MULHERN **</b>       | (Jr., 6-2, 225)   |
|     | 54 | Craig Browne **              | (Sr., 6-0, 215)   |
| MLB | 58 | <b>MONDOE DAVIS ***</b>      | (Sr., 6-1, 225)   |
|     | 9  | Ryan McDermond *             | (Sr., 6-1, 235)   |
| OLB | 53 | <b>MARK MOORE ***</b>        | (Sr., 5-11, 210)  |
|     | 45 | KeiAndre Hepburn *           | (So., 5-11, 210)  |
| LCB | 15 | <b>RASHAAD WOODARD *</b>     | (So., 5-9, 185)   |
|     | 4  | Roger Brown **               | (Jr., 5-11, 190)  |
| SS  | 17 | <b>DAVE CAMBURN ***</b>      | (Sr., 5-11, 188)  |
|     | 29 | Nicos Chavis *               | (So., 6-1, 180)   |
| FS  | 2  | <b>GARRON BIBLE</b>          | (Sr., 5-10, 197)  |
|     | 32 | Kyle Campbell *              | (So., 5-11, 190)  |
| RCB | 47 | <b>SIDNEY HAUGABROOK ***</b> | (Sr., 5-10, 185)  |
|     | 4  | Roger Brown **               | (Jr., 5-11, 190)  |

### DELAWARE SPECIALISTS

|      |    |                              |                  |
|------|----|------------------------------|------------------|
| K/KO | 21 | <b>BRAD SHUSHMAN **</b>      | (Sr., 5-11, 190) |
|      | 25 | Chris Rossman                | (Fr., 6-0, 185)  |
| PUNT | 19 | <b>MIKE WEBER *</b>          | (Jr., 6-2, 195)  |
|      | 21 | Brad Shushman **             | (Sr., 5-11, 190) |
| HOLD | 18 | <b>JOE BLEYMAIER **</b>      | (Jr., 5-10, 185) |
|      | 3  | G.J. Crescione ***           | (Sr., 5-9, 180)  |
| LS   | 65 | <b>BRETT WHARTON **</b>      | (Jr., 6-1, 205)  |
|      | 53 | Mark Moore ***               | (Jr., 5-11, 200) |
| SS   | 70 | <b>SCOTT CONLEY *</b>        | (So., 6-3, 280)  |
|      | 65 | Brett Wharton **             | (So., 6-1, 205)  |
| KR   | 6  | <b>DAVID BOLER **</b>        | (Jr., 6-2, 215)  |
|      | 47 | Sidney Haugabrook ***        | (Sr., 5-10, 185) |
| PR   | 47 | <b>SIDNEY HAUGABROOK ***</b> | (Sr., 5-10, 185) |
|      | 7  | Brian Ingram **              | (Jr., 6-5, 180)  |

### NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFENSE

|    |    |                             |                    |
|----|----|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| TE | 84 | <b>JONATHAN WILLIAMS</b>    | (Jr., 6-3, 220)    |
|    | 87 | Sean Lynch                  | (So., 6-2, 240)    |
| WR | 81 | <b>DAVID BAILEY</b>         | (Sr., 5-9, 165)    |
|    | 3  | David Ball                  | (So., 6-3, 185)    |
| WR | 86 | <b>AARON BROWN</b>          | (So., 6-3, 205)    |
|    | 19 | Keith LeVan                 | (Fr.r., 5-11, 185) |
| LT | 63 | <b>CHRISTIAN LEIBL-COTE</b> | (Sr., 6-2, 285)    |
|    | 70 | Brandon Graham              | (Fr.r., 6-4, 280)  |
| LG | 68 | <b>TUCKER PETERSON</b>      | (So., 6-2, 300)    |
|    | 76 | Dan McLean                  | (Jr., 6-4, 285)    |
| C  | 61 | <b>ADAM TRISCILA</b>        | (Jr., 6-2, 300)    |
|    | 64 | Nick Couturier              | (So., 6-2, 265)    |
| RG | 66 | <b>TIM CARIGNAN</b>         | (Jr., 6-4, 310)    |
|    | 72 | Tim Schwab                  | (So., 6-1, 290)    |
| RT | 75 | <b>DAVID SUNDBERG</b>       | (Jr., 6-4, 300)    |
|    | 74 | Will Yarborough             | (So., 6-4, 270)    |
| QB | 15 | <b>MIKE GRANIERI</b>        | (Sr., 6-1, 210)    |
|    | 7  | Hassan Noble                | (Sr., 6-1, 195)    |
| RB | 1  | <b>R.J. HARVEY</b>          | (Sr., 5-9, 200)    |
|    | 32 | Chris Ward                  | (Fr.r., 6-1, 220)  |
| FB | 85 | <b>JOE KREIDER</b>          | (Jr., 6-0, 240)    |
|    | 34 | Jon McCoy                   | (Jr., 5-11, 220)   |

### NEW HAMPSHIRE DEFENSE

|     |    |                        |                  |
|-----|----|------------------------|------------------|
| DE  | 43 | <b>JARED PERKOSKI</b>  | (Sr., 6-3, 265)  |
|     | 41 | Marvin Wright          | (Fr.r, 6-1, 245) |
| NG  | 62 | <b>DAN WAGNER</b>      | (So., 6-3, 245)  |
|     | 95 | Adam Kok               | (Sr., 6-4, 255)  |
| DT  | 91 | <b>DEREK STANK</b>     | (Jr., 6-5, 255)  |
|     | 47 | David Klapman          | (Fr.r, 6-1, 250) |
| DE  | 40 | <b>GEORGE PETERSON</b> | (Sr., 6-3, 255)  |
|     | 49 | Brent Barbato          | (Jr., 6-1, 230)  |
| LB  | 14 | <b>MARK RUTBERG</b>    | (Jr., 6-1, 190)  |
|     | 45 | Terrell Lewis          | (So., 6-2, 210)  |
| MLB | 90 | <b>AMIR SAADAH</b>     | (Sr., 6-2, 230)  |
|     | 94 | Reggie Godin           | (Sr., 6-1, 220)  |
| LB  | 56 | <b>ALAN TALLMAN</b>    | (Jr., 6-2, 235)  |
|     | 52 | E.J. DeWitt            | (Jr., 5-10, 200) |
| CB  | 24 | <b>ETIENNE BOULAY</b>  | (Jr., 5-9, 180)  |
|     | 37 | Will Morey             | (So., 5-9, 175)  |
| SS  | 33 | <b>BARON FLENORY</b>   | (Jr., 6-0, 190)  |
|     | 12 | Muji Karim             | (So., 5-10, 205) |
| FS  | 22 | <b>AARON THOMAS</b>    | (Sr., 5-11, 195) |
|     | 31 | Jeff Pammer            | (Fr., 6-0, 190)  |
| CB  | 8  | <b>COREY GRAHAM</b>    | (So., 5-11, 185) |
|     | 9  | Giovanni Benson        | (Jr., 5-10, 185) |

### NEW HAMPSHIRE SPECIALISTS

|      |    |                         |                  |
|------|----|-------------------------|------------------|
| K/KO | 99 | <b>CONNOR MCCORMICK</b> | (Jr., 5-10, 170) |
|      | 98 | Ryan Fragala            | (Jr., 6-0, 195)  |
| PUNT | 82 | <b>MATT HENRY</b>       | (So., 6-1, 195)  |
|      | 18 | Tom Bishop              | (Fr., 6-0, 175)  |
| HOLD | 15 | <b>MIKE GRANIERI</b>    | (Sr., 6-1, 210)  |
|      | 2  | Ricky Santos            | (Fr., 6-2, 195)  |
| LS   | 42 | <b>DAVID WYMAN</b>      | (Jr., 6-0, 220)  |
|      | 87 | Sean Lynch              | (So., 6-2, 240)  |
| KR   | 81 | <b>DAVID BAILEY</b>     | (Sr., 5-9, 165)  |
|      | 1  | R.J. Harvey             | (Sr., 5-9, 200)  |
| PR   | 81 | <b>DAVID BAILEY</b>     | (Sr., 5-9, 165)  |
|      | 9  | Giovanni Benson         | (Jr., 5-10, 185) |