



2004 UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

#6 Delaware (1-1) vs. West Chester (2-1)

September 18, 2004 • 7 p.m. • Newark, DE

Tubby Raymond Field at Delaware (Freshman Family Weekend)

Game

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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), WVUD (www.wvud.org), and UD Athletics statistics webcast (www.udel.edu/sportsinfo/football)...**National Rankings:** Delaware is ranked No. 6 in the the Sept. 13 TheSports Network poll and No. 5 in the Sept. 13 USA Today/ESPN poll.

TEAM SCHEDULES/RESULTS

DELAWARE "Blue Hens" (1-1, 1-0 Atlantic 10)

Sept. 2	New Hampshire.....	L	21-24
11	*Towson (Band Day).....	W	21-17
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.

WEST CHESTER "Golden Rams" (2-1, 0-0 PSAC)

Aug. 28	at Clarion.....	W	20-17
Sept. 4	at NWMissouri State.....	L	7-38
11	at Glenville State (WV).....	W	62-3
18	at Delaware.....		7 p.m.
25	at *Cheyney.....		1 p.m.
Oct. 2	*Kutztown.....		7 p.m.
9	*Millersville.....		2 p.m.
16	*Mansfield.....		1 p.m.
23	at *East Stroudsburg.....		1 p.m.
30	*Bloomsburg.....		7 p.m.
Nov. 6	Shippensburg.....		1 p.m.

*=Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Game

GAME PREVIEW

No. 6 ranked University of Delaware heads back to non-conference action this week as the Blue Hens continue their season-opening three-game homestand against long-time local rival and traditional NCAA Division II playoff contender West Chester. The Blue Hens (1-1) look to put a winning streak together after opening Atlantic 10 play with a hard-fought 21-17 comeback win over Towson Saturday night at Delaware Stadium. The Rams, coached by former Blue Hen quarterback Bill Zwaan, are off to a 2-1 start after having an easy time of it in Saturday's 62-3 win over Glenville State. Tonight's game is the fourth of five straight road games to the start the season for West Chester.



THE SERIES

Delaware continues its most-played rivalry this week as the Hens take on West Chester for the 46th time since the initial meeting in 1941. The Hens hold a commanding 38-6-1 advantage in the series and have won 10 straight and 13 of the last 14 meetings, including last year's 49-7 win here at Delaware Stadium on Sept. 20. West Chester's last win in the series was a 21-20 victory in 1992. All 45 games have been played in Newark, including the the last 39 at Delaware Stadium. *(more series details on page 2)*

THE COACHES

Delaware: K.C. Keeler (Delaware '81)...22-8 (.733) in third season at Delaware...110-29-1 (.789) in his 12th season as a college coach...13-6 (.684) all-time in Atlantic 10 Conference play...2-0 all-time vs. West Chester as Delaware's head coach and 4-0 vs. the Rams while he was a player with the Blue Hens...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 34-4 (.895) record all-time as a player and coach at Delaware Stadium, including a 16-2 (.889) 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...played three times vs. West Chester in his career, starting in wins of 56-0 in 1978, 42-6 in 1979, and 28-7 in 1980...had three tackles in 1978 game and seven tackles in 1980 game...Delaware held West Chester to total yardage figures of 160 (78), 141 (79), and 156 (80) in the three games...Kurt Charles Keeler...born July 26, 1959...native of Emmaus, PA

West Chester: Bill Zwaan (Delaware '76)...10-4 (.714) in his second season at West Chester University...64-18 (.780) all-time in his eighth season as a college coach...previously served as head coach at nearby NCAA III power Widener (Chester, PA) from 1997 until 2002 and led the Pioneers to three straight

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Blue Hens on the Web - 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.

WVUD 91.3 FM: University of Delaware student station WVUD broadcasts all Blue Hen football games home and away live in 2004. **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. 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 and go to the "Live Stats" link for football located on the right side of the page.

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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Middle Atlantic Conference titles in 2000-02...led Widener to the NCAA III quarterfinals in 2001...two-time Middle Atlantic Conference and Region Coach of the Year....was a three-year letterwinner as a quarterback at Delaware in 1973-75...led team to three-year record of 28-9, three Lambert Cup trophies, and two ECAC Team of the Year awards..1974 team advanced to the NCAA II championship game...still ranks No. 11 all-time at Delaware in passing yardage with 2,967 yards.



KEY INJURIES

Delaware: WR **David Boler** (hamstring) did not play vs. Towson last week and is probable; **Paul Thomson** (elbow) is probable; DE **Lou Samba** (shoulder) is questionable; **West Chester:** Contact the West Chester Sports Information Office for latest injury report.

LAST WEEK FOR DELAWARE: Sidney Haugabrook ignited Delaware with an 80-yard punt return for a touchdown midway through the third quarter and Niquan Lee scored the game-winner with a one-yard dive with 7:26 left to play as No. 7 ranked Delaware rallied to defeat Towson 21-17 in the Atlantic 10 Football Conference opener for both teams Saturday night at sold-out Delaware Stadium. The defending Atlantic 10 conference and NCAA I-AA national champion Blue Hens (1-1) overcame a sluggish offensive effort and three interceptions by Towson's Allante Harrison to take the early Atlantic 10 lead. It was a defensive struggle for most of the evening as Delaware managed just 213 total yards and Towson tallied only 152. The game also featured 17 punts and four turnovers before the Hens pulled out the win. The 213 total yards by the Blue Hens was the lowest total in three seasons under head coach K.C. Keeler. The winning drive was set up when Delaware defensive lineman Chris Mooney recovered a bad pitch by Towson QB Andrew Goldbeck at the Towson 13-yard line. Lee scored what proved to be the game-winner three plays later.

LAST WEEK FOR WEST CHESTER: West Chester had little trouble in its game at Glensville (WV) State Saturday afternoon as the Rams (2-1) broke out to a 28-3 halftime lead and romped to a 62-3 victory on the road. West Chester piled up 301 of its 443 total yards on the ground and scored all nine of its touchdowns by rush. QB Bob Findora hit on 13 of 20 passes for 142 yards and rushed for a touchdown, Delaware transfer Brent Steinmetz ran for 127 yards and three touchdowns, Osagie Osunde had 100 yards rushing and a touchdown, and Josh Fidler scored three times. West Chester held Glensville State to just 243 total yards and a first quarter field goal.

TEAM STATISTICAL LEADERS

Delaware

Rushing - Sean Bleiler, 29 carries for 163 yards, 5.6 avg., 1 TD; Lonnie Starks, 18-82-4.6-0 TD; Niquan Lee, 8-46-5.8-1 TD.

Passing - Sonny Riccio, 27 of 48 for 182 yds., 2 TD, 4 Int.; Ryan Carty, 3-5-71-0-0

Receiving - G.J. Crescione, 7 catches for 55 yards, 7.9 avg., 0 TD; Brian Ingram, 6-42-7.0-0 TD; Lonnie Starks, 4-40-10.0-1 TD; Justin LaForgia, 4-16-4.0-0 TD

Kicking - Brad Shushman, 4-4 PAT, 2-4 FG (Long 27); Mike Weber, 12 punts for 37.0 avg. (Long 50)

Defense - Mondoe Davis, 22 tackles (15 solo), 3.0 TFL; Kyle Campbell, 19 tackles (18 solo), 2.0 TFL; Rashaad Woodard, 16 tackles (11 solo), 1 Int., 1 PB; Tom Parks, 10 tackles (6 solo), 2 sacks.

See website www.udel.edu/sportsinfo/football/stats04.html for complete Delaware statistics

West Chester

Rushing - Osagie Osunde, 55-236-4.3-3 TD; Brent Steinmetz, 23-290-8.3-3 TD; Josh Fidler, 14-50-3.6-4 TD

Passing - Bob Findora, 34-64-286-1 TD-5 Int.; Matt Burdalski, 1-5-0-5-0 TD-0 Int.

Receiving - Brandon Simmons, 12-114-19.5-1 TD; Matt Chambers, 7-52-7.4-0 TD; Cory DeForrest, 5-94-18.8-90 TD

Kicking - Cody Collins, 11-12 PAT, 0-1 FG; Chad Weaver, 12 punts, 35.6 avg. (Long 51)

Defense - Dan Faubel, 22 tackles (10 solo), 2.0 TFL; Lateef Ferguson, 21 tackles (9 solo), 0.5 sacks; Isaiah Harrison, 20 tackles (12), 2.0 TFL, 2 Int.

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DELAWARE VS. WEST CHESTER SERIES

- The West Chester series is the Blue Hens' most played rivalry with this week's game the 46th meeting
- Delaware leads the series by a 38-6-1 margin (all games played at Newark, DE) with 10 straight wins and 13 wins in the last 14 meetings. West Chester's last victory in the series was a 21-20 win in 1992.
- During the the 10-game series winning streak, Delaware has outscored the Rams by an average margin of 26.0 points per game but two of the games have been decided by a touchdown or less

YEAR BY YEAR

1941 - *Tie, 7-7	1982 - *Delaware, 55-13
1942 - *Delaware, 20-0	1983 - *WCU, 35-27
1948 - *Delaware, 19-0	1984 - *Delaware, 21-20
1949 - *Delaware, 27-14	1985 - *Delaware, 37-22
1950 - *Delaware, 16-13	1986 - *Delaware, 33-31
1951 - *Delaware, 47-20	1987 - *Delaware, 28-21
1952 - * WCU, 24-20	1988 - *WCU, 33-13
1953 - * WCU, 27-13	1989 - *Delaware, 41-21
1954 - * Delaware, 40-6	1990 - *Delaware, 13-12
1956 - * WCU, 10-7	1991 - *Delaware, 28-0
1968 - *Delaware, 28-0	1992 - *WCU, 21-20
1969 - *Delaware, 24-8	1993 - *Delaware, 56-41
1970 - *Delaware, 39-22	1994 - *Delaware, 58-55
1971 - *Delaware, 47-8	1995 - *Delaware, 49-21
1972 - *Delaware, 31-14	1996 - *Delaware, 24-17
1973 - *Delaware, 49-14	1997 - *Delaware, 28-7
1974 - *Delaware, 31-3	1998 - *Delaware, 42-21
1975 - *Delaware, 35-7	1999 - *Delaware, 29-10
1976 - *Delaware, 42-7	2000 - *Delaware, 84-0
1977 - *Delaware, 17-15	2001 - No Game (9/11)
1978 - *Delaware, 56-0	2002 - *Delaware, 31-0
1979 - *Delaware, 42-7	2003 - *Delaware, 49-7
1980 - *Delaware, 28-7	
1981 - *Delaware, 31-14	*= AtNewark, DE

LAST MEETING

Delaware 49, West Chester 7
September 20, 2003 - Delaware Stadium

NEWARK, DE -- No. 8 Delaware scored twice in the first three minutes of the game and rolled out to a 42-0 halftime lead on the way to a 49-7 romp over West Chester.

The Blue Hens (3-0) pounded out 356 first half yards and never looked back in downing the Division II Rams (2-1) for the 10th straight time and for the 13th time in the last 14 meetings. Delaware is now off to a 3-0 start for the first time since 2000 and the 42-0 halftime lead was the team's second largest halftime winning margin in school history, second only to a 43-0 intermission lead over West Chester in an 84-0 win in 2000. The Hens have scored 40 or more points in their first three games for the first time since 1973.

AndyHall, who entered the game as the highest

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DELAWARE NOTES OF INTEREST

BACK TO WINNING WAYS: After losing their season opener Sept. 2 to New Hampshire, the Hens got back to winning ways last Saturday night vs. Towson, winning their Atlantic 10 opener by a 21-17 score. The Hens avoided an 0-2 start - something that has happened just three times in the last 40 seasons. A win this week over West Chester would give the Hens a 2-1 or better start for the 13th time in the last 15 seasons. The Hens started 1-2 in both 2001 and 2002 before starting last year 3-0 on the way to a 9-0 start.

HAUGABROOK HONORED BY ATLANTIC 10: Delaware senior cornerback **Sidney Haugabrook** was honored by the Atlantic 10 this week as the league's Special Teams Player of the Week. Haugabrook, who earned the award for the second time in his career, sparked the Blue Hens to a 21-17 win over Towson Saturday as he returned a punt 80 yards for a touchdown to tie the score at 7-7 midway through the third quarter. Haugabrook, who also returned a punt 80 yards for a touchdown in last year's win over Maine, has now scored four career touchdowns. He also returned two kickoffs for 54 yards vs. Towson.

DELAWARE STADIUM SUCCESS: 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 had won 10 straight games at Delaware Stadium before the 24-21 loss to New Hampshire in the season opener Sept. 2 and after the win over Towson last week, the Hens have won 17 of their last 19 here in Newark. The Hens have posted an all-time record of 245-74-4 (.765) in 323 games over 51 seasons since 1952 at Delaware Stadium. 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. Delaware has won seven straight games vs. non-Atlantic 10 Conference teams at Delaware Stadium since a Dec. 9, 2000 NCAA tournament loss to Georgia Southern. 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 Bend, IN in 2003.

ABUNDANT ATTENDANCE: 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 and there's a good chance that streak will be continuing in 2004. Delaware sold a school-record 10,500 season ticket packages during the pre-season and currently ranks second nationally in NCAA I-AA in home attendance with a mark of 22,755 over the first two games, trailing only Montana (23,164). Delaware drew 22,782 fans for the Towson game, the ninth largest crowd in UD history and 22,727 for the New Hampshire game, the 10th largest all-time. That gives the Hens consecutive 22,000+ attendance games for the first time since 1999. Delaware has drawn 19,000 or more fans in 16 straight games and with a crowd of 22,000 or more this week, would draw three straight games over 22,000 for the first time in school history.

SEPTEMBER NIGHTS: Delaware has enjoyed great success in the month of September and at night in recent years. Since 1969, Delaware is 16-4 (.800) in all night games, including a mark of 13-2 (.867) at home. The Hens had won seven straight home night games (since a 10-7 loss to Rhode Island on Aug. 30, 2001) before the loss to New Hampshire Sept. 2. In September, the Hens are 42-13 (.764) overall since 1990, including a mark of 29-3 (.906) in home September games during the period. The loss to New Hampshire snapped a 14-game home win streak in September. Delaware will play its first three games in September, at night, at home to open the 2004 season, including this week's game vs. West Chester.

WEST CHESTER-DELAWARE TIES: As you might expect with two colleges within 45 minutes of each other, Delaware and West Chester have several "family" ties. For example, University of Delaware President **Dr. David P. Roselle** is a 1961 graduate of West Chester; Delaware Senior Associate Director of Athletics **Kate Pohlrig** was a standout basketball player for the Rams and was a former WCU athletic administrator. Also for Delaware, junior LB **John Mulhern's** father, Brian, was an All-American football player at West

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rated passer in I-AA football, enjoyed another superb game as he hit on 9 of 13 passes for 176 yards and three touchdowns and rushed for 54 yards on four carries before sitting down for the entire second half.

Hall threw for three touchdowns for the third straight game, connecting with Joe Bleymaier for a 12-yard score just two minutes into the game and hitting Brian Ingram on scoring tosses of 71 yards late in the first quarter and five yards late in the second quarter.

The Hens struck early, driving 48 yards after the opening kickoff capped by Hall's scoring pass to Bleymaier. Just 76 seconds later, the score was 14-0 when Sidney Haugabrook intercepted a pass by Bob Findora and raced 39 yards for the touchdown.

Delaware extended the lead to 21-0 when wide receiver Justin Long took a reverse and fired a 64-yard scoring strike to G.J. Crescione who outran the defense for his first career touchdown. Hall followed three three minutes later with a 71-yard bomb to Ingram and the Hens took a 28-0 lead into the second stanza. A one-yard Germaine Bennett dive and Ingram's second touchdown pass gave the Hens the 42-0 lead at intermission.

West Chester, which has not won in this neighborhood series since 1992, scored its only touchdown on the first play of the fourth quarter when Osagie Osunde capped an 18-play, 79-yard drive that consumed 9:04 with a two-yard run.

The Rams, who entered the game averaging 489.5 total yards, 296.5 yards rushing, and 42 points per game, were held to just 242 total yards and rushed 35 times for 55 yards. Mike Eckmeyer, who ran for 170 yards in last year's 31-10 loss to Delaware, was held to just 66 yards. Findora threw for 181 yards and was intercepted twice.

West Chester	0	0	0	7	-	7
Delaware	28	14	7	0	-	49

UD - Bleymaier 12 pass from Hall (Shushman kick), 13:08 (1st)

UD - Haugabrook 39 int. return (Shushman kick), 11:52 (1st)

UD - Crescione 64 pass from Long (Shushman kick), 4:47 (1st)

UD - Ingram 71 pass from Hall (Shushman kick), 1:47 (1st)

UD - Bennett 1 run (Shushman kick), 14:17 (2nd)

UD - Ingram 5 pass from Hall (Shushman kick), :34 (2nd)

UD - Carly 30 run (Shushman kick), 8:58 (3rd)

WCU - Osunde 2 run (Davis kick), 14:54 (4th)

WCU	TEAM STATISTICS	UD
11	First Downs	18
35-55	Rushes-yards	42-215
18-35-2-187	Passing	11-19-0-246
242	Total Offense	461
8-44.5	Punts-Avg.	5-45.6
3-1	Fumbles-lost	1-1
6-55	Penalties-yards	6-45
33:33	Time of Possession	26:27

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - West Chester, Mike Eckmeyer, 14-66, Josh Fidler, 4-8, Omar Harris, 1- (-1), Osagie Osunde, 10-(-3), Bob Findora, 6-(-15); Delaware, Germaine Bennett, 15-71, Andy Hall, 4-54, Ryan Carly, 2-42, Niquan Lee, 10-39, Brent Steinmetz, 7-9, Brad Michael, 4-0; Passing -West Chester, Findora, 17-29-2-181, Matt Burdalski, 1-6-0-6; Delaware, Hall, 9-13-0-176, Carly, 0-3-0-0, Michael, 1-2-0-6, Justin Long, 1-1-0-64; Receiving - West Chester, Cory DeForrest, 4-56, George Caroulis, 4-31, Brandon Simmons, 3-34, Eckmeyer, 2-29, Osunde, 2-17, Harris, 1-9, Luther Bowen, 1-7, Elzar Camper, 1-4; Delaware, Brian Ingram, 4-87, G.J. Crescione, 2-70, Joe Bleymaier, 2-25, Bennett, 1-31, Long, 1-27, Bryan Tingle, 1-6.

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Chester. John's sister, Kate, was a standout field hockey and lacrosse player at West Chester. The list grew last year as first-year Ram head coach **Bill Zwaan**, a former standout Delaware quarterback, took over the helm. Zwaan led the Blue Hens to the NCAA I title game in 1974. On the field, West Chester sophomore running back **Brent Steinmetz**, who played in three games during Delaware's 2003 NCAA I-AA national championship run and had nine carries for 13 yards (including seven carries for nine yards vs. West Chester), is coming off an outstanding effort in West Chester's win over Glenville State last week when he rushed for 127 yards and three touchdowns.

CLAMPING DOWN: The Delaware defense came up with a big effort in Saturday's 21-17 victory over Towson. The Blue Hens held Towson to just nine first downs and 152 total yards, including just 93 yards on the ground and 59 yards through the air. The 152 yards was the lowest amount allowed by a Delaware defense since the Blue Hens held The Citadel to just 92 yards in a 38-0 victory Sept. 9, 2000. The Hens currently rank sixth in the Atlantic 10 and 19th nationally in total defense, allowing 246.0 yards per game.

SENSATIONAL SIDNEY: University of Delaware senior cornerback and co-captain **Sidney Haugabrook**, a three-time All-Atlantic 10 selection and the 2001 Atlantic 10 and ECAC Rookie of the Year, 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 back 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. In late August, 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 LB Liam Ezekiel. Haugabrook has enjoyed a solid start in 2004 and will start his 41st straight game this week vs. West Chester. In last week's win over Towson, for which he was named the Atlantic 10 Special Teams Player of the Week, Haugabrook returned a punt 80 yards for a touchdown to tie the score at 7-7 midway through the third quarter, returned two kickoffs for 54 yards, and posted four tackles. He upped his career tackle total to 248, breaking the Delaware career record for cornerbacks previously held by former NFL player Tim Jacobs, who had 246 stops in 1989-92. Haugabrook currently ranks second in NCAA I-AA with a 47.7 yard punt return average and also ranks fifth in the Atlantic 10 in kickoff returns (24.2).

MAKING HISTORY IN THE TRENCHES: University of Delaware freshman **Mike Byrne**, an offensive lineman from Lititz, PA (Manheim Central HS), made history Saturday night in the 21-17 victory over Towson. When starting offensive tackle **Paul Thomson** left the game in the first quarter with an elbow injury, Byrne entered the game, becoming the first true freshman offensive lineman to appear in a game in Delaware history. Byrne played the rest of the half before Thomson returned to the lineup in the second half. He is listed as probable to play this week vs. West Chester. Byrne earned first team Associated Press All-State honors last fall at Manheim Central High School, leading the squad (along with current UD freshman quarterback Jarryd Moyer) to the state AAA title.

"LONG" ON MILESTONES: Delaware junior **Justin Long** is approaching an impressive milestone this week vs. West Chester. One of four junior standouts on the Blue Hen receiver corps, Long enters this week's game with 99 career receptions. He needs just one catch to become the seventh player to reach the 100-reception milestone in Delaware history, joining a group that includes Eddie Conti (192 in 1994-98), Courtney Batts (179 in 1994-97), Jamin Elliott (158 in 1988-2001), Ron Withelder (118 in 1967-69), Bob Norris (112 in 1984-86), and Dan Cooper (105 in 1990-93). Also fast approaching the same milestone are **Brian Ingram** (91) and **David Boler** (88).

ATLANTIC 10 SUCCESS: This fall the Blue Hens 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

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ATLANTIC 10 CONFERENCE UPDATE

(through games of Sept. 17)

	Conference		Overall		
	W	L	W	L	This Week
South					
Delaware	1	0	1	1	W. Chester (7)
James Madison.....	0	0	1	0	at Villanova (1)
Richmond	0	0	1	1	at UMass (1)
Villanova	0	0	2	0	JMU(1)
William & Mary.....	0	0	0	1	at UNH (12)
Towson	0	1	1	1	Idle
North					
Hofstra	0	0	1	1	Idle
Maine.....	0	0	1	1	at Miss. St. (7)
Massachusetts.....	0	0	2	0	Richmond (1)
New Hampshire....	0	0	2	0	Wm. & Mary (12)
Northeastern	0	0	1	1	Idle
Rhode Island.....	0	0	2	0	Idle

LAST WEEK IN THE ATLANTIC 10

Delaware def. Towson, 21-17
 Montana def. Hofstra, 41-23
 Maine def. Northern Colorado, 38-0
 Massachusetts def. Colgate, 30-20
 New Hampshire def. Rutgers, 35-24
 Navy def. Northeastern, 28-24
 Rhode Island def. Central Connecticut, 39-7
 Richmond def. Virginia Military Institute, 34-7
 Villanova def. Lehigh, 22-16

ATLANTIC 10 / NCAA I-AA STATISTICAL RANKINGS

Delaware	Category	W. Chester
10th / 60th (21.0)	Scoring Offense	(29.7)
8th / 49th (155.5)	Rushing Offense	(165.3)
9th / 87th (126.5)	Passing Offense	(130.3)
10th / 87th (282.0)	Total Offense	(295.7)
7th / 53rd (20.5)	Scoring Defense	(19.3)
8th / 42nd (125.0)	Rushing Defense	(130.7)
4th / 13th (121.0)	Passing Defense	(182.7)
6th / 19th (246.0)	Total Defense	(313.3)
11th / 82nd (94.06)	Pass Efficiency	(88.61)
7th / 53rd (110.2)	Pass Eff. Defense	(118.0)
8th / 60th (32.2)	Net Punting	-
10th / 87th (-1.5)	Turnover Margin	(+.33)
1st / 1st (36.2)	Punt Returns	(16.0)

DELAWARE PLAYERS IN A-10 / NCAA RANKINGS(Top 50 only)

SidneyHaugabrook - 1st in punt return avg. (47.6);
 2nd in NCAA I-AA; 5th in kick return avg. (24.2); 7th in all-purpose (132.0), 50th in NCAA
Brad Shushman - 3rd in field goals (2); 19th in NCAA;
 7th in kick scoring (5.0)
Mondoe Davis - 3rd in tackles (11.0)
Tom Parks - 5th in sacks (2.0)
Rashaad Woodard - 6th in interceptions (0.5)
Mike Weber - 7th in punting (37.0)
Sean Bleiler - 7th in rushing (81.5)

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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 102-44 (.698) since joining the league in 1986. Following last week's win over Towson, the Hens are now 12-7 all-time in Atlantic 10 openers.

POLL TALK: Delaware, the No. 1 pick in the pre-season polls released by both The Sports Network and USA Today/ESPN, remained in the Top 10 last week despite the season-opening loss to New Hampshire, dropping to the No. 7 spot by TheSports Network but still receiving two first place votes. USA Today/ESPN did not release a poll last week. After downing Towson last week, the Hens have moved up to No. 6 in The Sports Network and have now appeared in TheSports Network Top 25 poll for 18 straight weeks.

ENTERING ON A ROLL: The Blue Hens, who opened the 2004 season riding a six-game winning streak since a 24-14 setback at Northeastern last Nov. 8, continued their winning ways last week with the 21-17 win over Towson. The Hens have now won 22 of their last 30 games under **K.C. Keeler** and 24 of their last 33 games overall since 2001. The Hens are 38-16 (.704) this decade, including a mark of 24-12 (.667) in conference play.

SCORING IN BUNCHES: Whether it be the former Delaware Wing-T or the current Spread, the Delaware offensive has always enjoyed its share of success. The Hens, who led the Atlantic 10 and ranked ninth nationally in NCAA I-AA last season when they averaged 34.7 points per game, continue to put up big numbers. Following the 21-point effort in last week's win over Towson, the Hens have now scored in 100 straight games since a 27-0 loss at Villanova in 1996 and have tallied 10 or more points in 114 of their last 123 games (92.6 percent of their games) since 1994. The Blue Hens have not suffered a shutout in a span of 138 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 that 27-0 setback to Villanova in 1996.

HAVEN'T LOST BY MUCH: Head coach **K.C. Keeler's** squads have posted a record of 22-8 in his three seasons at Delaware. His team's average winning margin in the 22 victories is a formidable 10.2 points per game. His average losing margin is a paltry 4.9 points per game with only two setbacks over five points and none over 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 is 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 (1,625) and four-year standout Antawn Jenkins. No matter who takes over the role (it was **Sean Bleiler** in the first two games), 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 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 Bleiler (163 yards in two games), sophomore **Niquan Lee** (8-46-1 TD vs. Towson), and redshirt freshman **Lonnie Starks** (74 yards vs. UNH) will all play key roles in the Blue Hen backfield this season.

QUITE A PASS-CATCHING TRIO: The Blue Hens returned a talented corps at wide receiver in 2004, which will only help as Delaware breaks in a new starting quarterback (Missouri transfer **Sonny Riccio**) 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 missed the Towson game with a hamstring injury, has now caught at least one pass in 22 straight games and has recorded career totals of 88 receptions (13th all-

- over for more -

NCAA I-AA TOP 25 RANKINGS

The Sports Network
(September 13, 2004)

1. Montana (61)	2-0	2,492
2. Southern Illinois (26)	1-1	2,340
3. Wofford (6)	1-0	2,295
4. Furman (3)	2-0	2,225
5. Villanova	2-0	2,016
6. Delaware	1-1	1,837
7. Northern Iowa (1)	1-1	1,789
8. Georgia Southern	1-1	1,740
9. Massachusetts (1)	2-0	1,685
10. New Hampshire (5)	2-0	1,498
11. Western Kentucky	1-1	1,487
12. Colgate	0-1	1,367
13. Stephen F. Austin	2-0	1,360
14. Montana State	1-0	1,237
15. Maine	1-1	1,177
16. Western Illinois	1-1	1,141
17. McNeese State	1-1	967
18. Northeastern	1-1	670
19. Northern Arizona	0-2	666
20. Appalachian State	1-1	650
21. Northwestern State	1-1	616
22. Cal Poly	2-0	300
23. Penn	0-0	269
24. Lehigh	1-1	231
25. Southeast. Louisiana	2-0	229

ESPN/USA Today
(September 13, 2004)

1. Montana (19)
2. Southern Illinois (14)
3. Wofford (4)
Furman (1)
5. Delaware
6. Villanova
7. Northern Iowa
8. Georgia Southern
9. New Hampshire (3)
10. Western Kentucky
11. Massachusetts
12. Stephen F. Austin
13. Colgate
14. Montana State
15. Western Illinois
16. Maine
17. McNeese State
18. Northern Arizona
19. Northeastern
20. Northwestern State
21. Appalachian State
22. Cal-Poly
23. Southeast Louisiana
24. Pennsylvania
25. Lehigh

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time at UD) for 1,266 yards (10th) while Long has caught a team-leading 99 career passes (7th all-time) for 1,156 yards (15th) and Ingram has caught 91 passes (12th) for 1,093 yards (16th). Below is a breakdown of the trio's 2004 and career statistics:

Player	2004 Season (Rec.-Yds.-TDs-Avg.)	Career (Rec.-Yds.-TDs-Avg.)
Brian Ingram.....	6 - 42 - 0 - 7.0	91 - 1093 - 4 - 12.0
David Boler	1 - 64 - 0 - 64.0	88 - 1269 - 12 - 14.4
Justin Long	3 - 18 - 1 - 6.0	99 - 1156 - 10 - 11.7

JUST GIVE ME THE BALL: Delaware senior running back and co-captain **Sean Bleiler** has been used as a special teams standout, tight end, blocking back, and receiving back during his career with the Blue Hens, but he never really has gotten the chance to run with the ball. Well, in the season opener vs. New Hampshire he got his chance and ran with it. Bleiler, who had carried the ball just twice over the last two seasons, both for 24-yard runs off fake punts, and just 21 times in his career, carried 12 times for a team-high 90 yards vs. New Hampshire and scored on a seven-yard touchdown run with 13:56 left to play that gave the Hens a brief 21-17 lead. Bleiler had another solid effort vs. Towson as he ran a career-high 17 times for 73 yards.

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.

NEW UNIFORMS: The Blue Hens are 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 new road uniforms Sept. 25 at Massachusetts.

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 point 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

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 (nouse)

#43 Mark Zambrano (sam-brah-no)

#45 KeiAndre Hepburn (key-andre)

#47 Sidney Haugabrook (hog-a-brook)

#49 Emanuel Benezby (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)

DID YOU KNOW?

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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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**.

.....**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 tests. And this year, for the second time in three seasons, 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 Ciavarella** (offensive line). Individual event leaders were Ciavarella (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).

BLUE HEN PRE-SEASON HONORS:

SidneyHaugabrook (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

OH BROTHER! The Hens have two sets of brother on the team this season - linebackers **Marquez and Mondoe Davis** from Newport News, VA, and freshman defensive backs **Rafiq and Jahiri Gunthorpe** from Brandywine, MD. In addition, 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 and captains Pat and Dan, senior running back **Sean Bleiler** is the younger brother of former Blue Hen punter Ryan Bleiler; No. 3 quarterback **T.J. DiMuzio** is the son of former Delaware All-American quarterback Tom DiMuzio, and sophomore DB **Zach Thomas** is the younger brother of New Hampshire senior DB Aaron Thomas.

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. Quarterback **AndyHall** and defensive end **Shawn Johnson**, both 2003 All-Americans who led Delaware to the NCAA I-AA title last fall, are on the practice squads of the Philadelphia Eagles and Tennessee Titans respectively. Johnson was picked up after being released by Oakland in the pre-season. Also on an NFL practice squad this fall is 2003 Delaware co-captain, safety **Mike Adams**, who is with the San Francisco 49ers. In addition to those four, former Delaware wide receiver **Jamin Elliott** was released by the Chicago Bears, and 2003 All-American guard **Jason Nerys** and 2002 leading rusher **Keith Burnell** were released by the New York Jets in pre-season.



PROBABLE TWO-DEEP LINEUPS • Sept. 18, 2004

DELAWARE VS. WEST CHESTER

DELAWARE OFFENSE

TE	87	STEVE SELK *	(So., 6-2, 225)
	80	Justin LaForgia *	(Jr., 6-5, 220)
WR	6	DAVID BOLER **	(Jr., 6-2, 215)
	36	Bryan Tingle **	(Jr., 5-10, 185)
WR	18	JOE BLEYMAIER **	(Jr., 5-10, 185)
	3	G.J. Crescione ***	(Sr., 5-9, 180)
WR	8	JUSTIN LONG **	(Jr., 6-0, 190)
or	7	Brian Ingram **	(Jr., 6-5, 180)
LT	72	TRIP DELCAMPO ***	(Sr., 6-5, 300)
	60	Marco Kristen	(Fr.r, 6-8, 285)
LG	67	RICH BEVERLEY	(Fr.r, 6-5, 285)
	64	Greg Benson	(Fr.r, 6-4, 265)
C	69	CHRIS EDWARDS ***	(Sr., 6-3, 290)
	63	Mark Ciavarella	(Fr.r., 6-3, 295)
RG	74	BRIAN SIMS **	(Jr., 6-4, 280)
	68/98	Scott Conley *	(So., 6-3, 280)
RT	78	PAUL THOMSON **	(Sr., 6-6, 330)
	75	Mike Byrne	(Fr., 6-5, 265)
QB	5	SONNY RICCIO	(Jr., 6-2, 215)
	10	RyanCarty *	(So., 5-11, 210)
RB	22	SEAN BLEILER ***	(Sr., 6-0, 220)
	20	Lonnie Starks	(Fr.r, 5-9, 165)
or	40	Niquan Lee *	(So., 6-0, 230)

DELAWARE DEFENSE

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

DELAWARE SPECIALISTS

K/KO	21	BRAD SHUSHMAN **	(Sr., 5-11, 190)
	25	Chris Rossman	(Fr., 6-0, 185)
PUNT	19	MIKE WEBER *	(Jr., 6-2, 195)
	21	Brad Shushman **	(Sr., 5-11, 190)
HOLD	18	JOE BLEYMAIER **	(Jr., 5-10, 185)
	3	G.J. Crescione ***	(Sr., 5-9, 180)
LS	65	BRETT WHARTON **	(Jr., 6-1, 205)
	53	Mark Moore ***	(Jr., 5-11, 200)
SS	68	SCOTT CONLEY *	(So., 6-3, 280)
	65	Brett Wharton **	(So., 6-1, 205)
KR	47	SIDNEY HAUGABROOK ***	(Sr., 5-10, 185)
	15	Rashaad Woodard *	(So., 5-9, 185)
PR	47	SIDNEY HAUGABROOK ***	(Sr., 5-10, 185)
	7	Brian Ingram **	(Jr., 6-5, 180)

WEST CHESTER OFFENSE

TE	84	JOE BERNATOWICZ	(Sr., 6-3, 235)
	45	Matt McNally	(Fr.r, 6-2, 235)
FL	83	CORY DEFORREST	(Sr., 6-4, 210)
	21	Matt Chambers	(Sr., 6-2, 170)
SE	1	BRANDON SIMMONS	(Jr., 6-0, 190)
	88	Omar Harris	(Sr., 6-0, 175)
LT	71	MARK MAYNARD	(So., 6-1, 280)
	76	Ed McDuffie	(Fr.r, 6-5, 315)
LG	61	JIM BRAZILL	(Sr., 6-2, 245)
	55	Pat Battel	(Jr., 6-0, 240)
C	62	DANTYGH	(Sr., 6-2, 290)
	54	Bob Hahn	(Jr., 6-0, 255)
RG	65	BRAD SAUERZOPF	(Sr., 6-2, 265)
	64	David Eshun	(Fr.r, 6-3, 280)
RT	66	JACK ORWIG	(Sr., 6-6, 315)
	60	Ryan Devlin	(Fr.r., 6-3, 290)
QB	2	BOB FINDORA	(Sr., 6-2, 210)
	7	Matt Burdalski	(So., 6-3, 210)
FB	42	JOSHFIDLER	(Jr., 6-0, 230)
	28	Dean Millard	(Fr.r, 5-10, 195)
TB	33	OSAGIE OSUNDE	(So., 5-10, 185)
	3	Brent Steinmetz	(So., 5-9, 185)

TOWSON DEFENSE

LE	95	GRAHAM EGGLESTON	(Sr., 6-3, 235)
	59	David Montgomery	(So., 6-1, 230)
DT	94	ERIC MAYNARD	(Sr., 6-2, 290)
	78	Gary Whitehead	(Jr., 6-1, 240)
RE	90	SHAWN BEALLA	(So., 6-3, 290)
	91	Jared Souders	(Jr., 6-2, 235)
OLB	8	TIM GARMAN	(Jr., 6-2, 230)
	49	Joe Cefalo	(Fr.r, 6-1, 195)
ILB	56	DAN FAUBEL	(Jr., 6-1, 240)
	4	Marc Statler	(Sr., 6-2, 235)
ILB	58	SCOTT DUDLEY	(Sr., 6-2, 240)
	36	Lateef Ferguson	(Fr.r, 6-1, 220)
OLB	43	CHAD WEAVER	(Sr., 6-0, 195)
	57	Randy Reinert	(Jr., 6-2, 220)
LCB	18	TYRIK MACKALL	(Fr., 5-9, 160)
	29	Rashad Grimsley	(Fr.r, 6-1, 190)
SS	15	ISAIAH HARRISON	(Sr., 6-1, 180)
	31	Angel Santana	(So., 6-1, 195)
FS	10	JOE BROOKS	(Sr., 6-1, 170)
	39	Mike Mignogno	(Fr.r, 6-2, 200)
RCB	22	AMEL ODOM	(Sr., 6-2, 195)
	17	Eric Engstrom	(Sr., 5-10, 195)

WEST CHESTER SPECIALISTS

K/KO	16	CODY COLLINS	(Fr., 5-11, 170)
	97	Rocky Davis	(So., 6-0, 210)
PUNT	43	CHAD WEAVER	(Sr., 6-0, 195)
	16	Cody Collins	(Fr., 5-11, 170)
HOLD	21	MATT CHAMBERS	(Sr., 6-1, 170)
	43	Chad Weaver	(Sr., 6-0, 195)
LS	93	NICHOLAI JABLOKOV	(Jr., 6-3, 240)
	48	Jimmy Lewis	(Fr., 6-1, 210)
SS	93	NICHOLAI JABLOKOV	(Jr., 6-3, 240)
	48	Jimmy Lewis	(Fr., 6-1, 210)
KR	1	BRANDON SIMMONS	(Jr., 6-0, 190)
	33	Osagie Osunde	(So., 5-10, 185)
PR	33	OSAGIE OSUNDE	(So., 5-10, 185)
	3	Brent Steinmetz	(So., 5-9, 185)

2004 SEASON IN REVIEW

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#1 DELAWARE21

September 2, 2004 • Delaware Stadium (22,727)

NEWARK, DE -- Redshirt freshman QB Ricky Santos took over for injured starter Mike Granieri in the first half and hit on 10 of 11 passes for 146 yards and threw a game-clinching 44-yard touchdown pass to David Ball early in the fourth quarter as New Hampshire upset top-ranked and defending NCAA I-AA national champion Delaware in the season opener for both teams.

The Wildcats, who defeated a No. 1 ranked team for the first time in school history, held the lead for the entire game before Delaware went up 21-17 on a seven-yard touchdown run by Sean Bleiler with 13:56 left to play. But New Hampshire came right back on its next possession and moved 67 yards on eight plays for the what proved to be the winning score when Santos hit Ball across the middle for a 44-yard pass play.

Delaware, which won its final six games on the way to capturing the 2003 NCAA I-AA title with a 15-1 mark, had a 10-game home win streak as the sellout crowd of 22,727 went home disappointed. The Hens lost just their second season opener in the last 10 years.

Granieri, a third-year starter and widely considered one of the best quarterbacks in the Atlantic 10, went down with a season-ending knee injury midway through the second half. But Santos was up to the task in relief in leading UNH to the win.

New Hampshire running back R.J. Harvey rushed 32 times for 114 yards and two touchdowns, including a one-yard scoring dive to open the scoring with 6:32 left in the first quarter and on an eight-yard run with 2:10 left in the third quarter that gave the Wildcats their biggest lead of the night at 17-8. Ball caught five passes for 118 yards to aid the UNH attack. New Hampshire, although outgained 351-340 by the Blue Hens, held a 12-minute advantage in time of possession.

Delaware junior quarterback Sonny Riccio, a transfer from Missouri who was making his first start at Delaware, completed 13 of 17 passes for 101 yards and one touchdown, a 29-yard screen pass to redshirt freshman running back Lonnie Starks with 1:34 left in the third quarter that cut the UNH lead to 17-15. Starks rushed for 74 yards on 11 carries and caught four passes for 40 yards. Brad Shushman added field goals of 27 and 22 yards for the Blue Hens.

New Hampshire.....	7	0	10	7	-	24
Delaware.....	0	3	12	6	-	21

New Hampshire - Harvey 1 run (McCormick kick), 6:32 (1st Quarter)

Delaware - FG Shushman 27, 13:44 (2nd)

New Hampshire - FG McCormick 36, 11:46 (3rd)

Delaware - Team Safety, 7:17 (3rd)

Delaware - FG Shushman 22, 5:37 (3rd)

New Hampshire - Harvey 8 run (McCormick kick), 2:10 (3rd)

Delaware - Starks 29 pass from Riccio (Shushman kick), 1:34 (3rd)

Delaware - Bleiler 7 run (Carty pass failed), 13:56 (4th)

New Hampshire - Ball 44 pass from Santos (McCormick kick), 11:13 (4th)

UNH	TEAM STATISTICS	UD
19.....	First Downs	16
59-157.....	Rushes-yards	35-179
14-18-1.....	Passing	16-22-1
340.....	Total Offense	351
5-41.4.....	Punts-Avg.....	2-2
2-1.....	Fumbles-lost	0-0
7-40.....	Penalties-yards	4-51
35:57.....	Time of Possession	24:03

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - **New Hampshire**, B.J. Harvey, 32-114, Mike Granieri, 7-40, John McCoy, 11-24, Ricky Santos, 7-9, Shaun Diner 1-6, Team, 1-(-36); **Delaware**, Sean Bleiler, 12-90, Lonnie Starks, 11-74, Sonny Riccio, 10-9, Ryan Carty, 1-5, Joe Bleymaier, 1-1; **Passing: New Hampshire**, Santos 10-11-146-0, Granieri 4-7-1-37-0; **Delaware**, Riccio 13-17-101-1, Carty 3-5-0-71-0; **Receiving: New Hampshire**, David Ball, 5-118, David Bailey, 3-4, McCoy 2-34, Harvey 2-8, Jonathan Williams 1-13, Aaron Brown 1-6; **Delaware**, Starks, 4-40, Brian Ingram, 3-26; Bleiler, 3-22, Justin LaForgia, 2-10, David Boler, 1-61, Justin Long, 1-11, G.J. Crescione, 1-1, Steve Selk, 1-1.

#7 DELAWARE21

Towson.....17

September 11, 2004 • Delaware Stadium (22,782)

NEWARK, DE -- Sidney Haugabrook ignited Delaware with an 80-yard punt return for a touchdown midway through the third quarter and Niquan Lee scored the game-winner with a one-yard dive with 7:26 left to play as No. 7 Delaware rallied to defeat Towson 21-17 in the Atlantic 10 Football Conference opener for both teams.

The Blue Hens (1-1, 1-0) overcame a sluggish offensive effort and three interceptions by Towson's Allante Harrison to take the early Atlantic 10 lead. Towson (1-1, 0-1), a first-year member of the Atlantic 10 after seven years in the Patriot League, almost pulled the big upset.

It was a defensive struggle for most of the evening as Delaware managed just 213 total yards and Towson tallied just 152. The game also featured 17 punts and four turnovers before the Hens pulled out the win. The 213 total yards by the Blue Hens was the lowest total in three seasons under head coach K.C. Keeler.

Towson took the early lead when Corle scored from four yards out to cap a 43-yard drive that consumed over five minutes. The sluggish Delaware offensive was finally ignited with 7:16 left in the third quarter when Haugabrook took a punt at his own 20-yard line, dodged a trio of tacklers, and romped 80 yards for his second career punt return for a touchdown.

The tie was short-lived though as Will Marcus returned the ensuing kickoff 69 yards to set up a career-long 41-yard field goal by Towson's Stephan Toth, giving the Tigers a 10-7 edge with 5:17 left in the third quarter.

The rest of the scoring took place in the final quarter as the Hens took the lead on a six-yard pass from Sonny Riccio to Justin Long to cap a 14-play, 74-yard drive and give Delaware a 14-10 lead with 13:15 remaining. But back came Towson again as Harrison picked off his third pass of the game, and his fifth in two games this season, and returned it 54 yards for a touchdown to give the Tigers a 17-14 lead with 12:39 remaining.

With Towson facing a second and three at its own 27-yard line midway through the final stanza, Goldbeck made an errant pitch to Miles and Chris Mooney recovered for the Hens. After Sean Bleiler gained 12 yards on two carries, Lee leaped over from the one-yard line for what proved to be the winning score. Towson put one last drive together and got down to the Delaware 23-yard line but the Hens threw Miles for a one-yard loss and Goldbeck's four-yard pass to Jim Alexander on fourth down was short of the first down. Delaware closed out the win by getting two first downs, including runs of 14 and 20 yards by Lee.

Towson.....	0	7	3	7	-	17
Delaware.....	0	0	7	14	-	21

Towson - Corle 4 run (Toth kick), 6:40 left (2nd quarter)

Delaware - Haugabrook 80 punt return (Shushman kick), 7:16 (3rd)

Towson - FG Toth 41, 5:17 (3rd)

Delaware - Long 6 pass from Riccio (Shushman kick), 13:15 (4th)

Towson - Harrison 54 interception return (Toth kick), 12:39 (4th)

Delaware - Lee 1 run (Shushman kick), 7:26 (4th)

TOW	TEAM STATISTICS	UD
9.....	First Downs	14
35-93.....	Rushes-yards	38-132
15-28-0-59.....	Passing	14-31-3-81
152.....	Total Offense	213
11-36.5.....	Punts-Avg.....	8-37.6
1-1.....	Fumbles-lost	1-0
11-95.....	Penalties-yards	6-49
30:02.....	Time of Possession	29:58

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - **Towson**, Josh Corle, 15-46, Kerry Miles, 11-45, Eugene King, 4-9, Will Marcus, 1-5, Andrae Brown, 1-(-4), Andrew Goldbeck, 3-(-8); **Delaware**, Sean Bleiler, 17-73, Niquan Lee, 8-46, Lonnie Starks, 7-8, Sonny Riccio, 4-6, Team, 2-(-2); **Passing: Towson**, Goldbeck, 15-28-0-59; **Delaware**, Riccio, 14-31-3-81; **Receiving: Towson**, Jim Alexander, 4-20, Eric Yancey, 3-19, Will Marcus, 2-10, Paul

2004 Game by Game Team Statistics

GAME	1ST D	RUSH-YDS.	PASS YDS.	PASSES	TOT.YDS.	PUNT-AVG.	FUM-LST	PEN.-YDS	POSS.	3RD DWN.
#1 Delaware (21).....	16	35-179	172	16-22-1	351	4-35.8	2-2	4-51	24:03	4-12
New Hampshire (24) L.....	19	59-157	183	14-18-1	340	5-41.4	2-1	7-40	35:57	10-20
#7 Delaware (21) W.....	14	38-132	81	14-31-3	213	8-37.6	1-0	6-49	29:58	8-18
Towson (17).....	9	35-93	59	15-28-0	152	11-36.5	1-1	11-95	30:02	3-16

2004 Game by Game Starters

OFFENSE	QB	RB	WR	WR	WR	TE	LT	LG	C	RG	RT
New Hampshire	Riccio	Bleiler	Ingram	Long	LaForgia (TE)	Selk	Delcampo	Beverley	Edwards	Sims	Thomson
Towson.....	Riccio	Bleiler	Ingram	Long	Bleymaier	Selk	Delcampo	Beverley	Edwards	Sims	Thomson
DEFENSE	LE	LT	RT	RE	LLB	MLB	RLB	LCB	FS	SS	RCB
New Hampshire	Mooney	Jennings	Parks	Santoli	Mulhern	Mo. Davis	Moore	Woodard	Bible	Campbell	Haugabrook
Towson	Samba	Mooney	Parks	Santoli	Mulhern	Mo. Davis	Moore	Woodard	Bible	Campbell	Haugabrook