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UB ANNOUNCES 2003 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Bulls to host six games; road slate includes non-league games at Rutgers and Iowa

BUFFALO, NY – Road dates at Rutgers of the BIG EAST and Iowa of the Big Ten as well as home games against Connecticut and Marshall highlight the 2003 University at Buffalo football schedule.

The Bulls will once again play a 12-game schedule in 2003 – with six dates at UB Stadium – including the home opener on Sept. 13 against intrastate foe Colgate University. That game will follow a pair of rugged non-conference games that open the '03 slate.

Buffalo will begin the season on August 30 when they return to Rutgers, the site of a 34-11 win last season over the Scarlet Knights of the BIG EAST. The following week, the Bulls will travel to Big Ten country to face the Iowa Hawkeyes, who participated in the Orange Bowl this past season and finished as co-champions of the Big Ten and had an overall mark of 11-2.

Following a home game on Sept. 20 against future BIG EAST member Connecticut, Buffalo will play eight straight games against Mid-American Conference competition, starting with a home game against Akron on Sept. 27.

Buffalo will also welcome four-time MAC champion Marshall on Homecoming Weekend (Oct. 18) as well as Ohio (Oct. 25) and Northern Illinois (Nov. 8) to UB Stadium in MAC contests, while traveling to Central Florida, Miami (OH), Toledo and Kent State.

“I think this is the most ambitious schedule UB has ever had,” said head coach Jim Hofher. “We are playing a BIG EAST opponent in Rutgers on the road, the defending co-champion of the Big Ten at Iowa, a rugged Eastern Division schedule in the MAC and we play the two superior teams in the West Division (Toledo and Northern Illinois). It will be a great challenge for our team and our program, and we are looking forward to it.”

Hofher enters his third season at the helm of the Bulls' program, while Buffalo will begin its fifth season as a member of the Mid-American Conference in 2003.

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University at Buffalo 2003 Football Schedule

<i>Date</i>	<i>Opponent</i>	<i>Site</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Series Record</i>
Aug. 30	at Rutgers	Piscataway, NJ	TBA	RU leads, 2-1
Sept. 6	at Iowa	Iowa City, IA	TBA	First meeting
Sept. 13	Colgate	UB Stadium	6 pm	Series tied, 7-7
Sept. 20	Connecticut	UB Stadium	6 pm	UC leads, 9-4
Sept. 27	Akron*	UB Stadium	6 pm	UA leads, 4-0
Oct. 4	at Central Florida*	Orlando, FL	TBA	UCF leads, 4-0
Oct. 11	at Miami (OH)*	Oxford, OH	TBA	UM leads, 5-0
Oct. 18	Marshall*#	UB Stadium	1 pm	UM leads, 6-1
Oct. 25	Ohio University*	UB Stadium	1 pm	OU leads, 6-3
Nov. 1	at Toledo*	Toledo, OH	7 pm	UT leads, 3-2
Nov. 8	Northern Illinois*	UB Stadium	1 pm	NIU leads, 3-1
Nov. 15	Bye week			
Nov. 22	at Kent State*	Kent, OH	2 pm	KSU leads, 6-5

all times tentative and subject to change

home games in bold

*Mid-American Conference games

#Homecoming

