





ever, **Dallas Pelz (Holland, NY/St. Francis)** missed a 41-yard field goal with 7:50 remaining in the first quarter.

The Chippewas took advantage, driving 76 yards in six plays, capped by a 20-yard burst by Mixon. Central extended their lead to 10-0 with a 44-yard field goal by Savich with 2:01 remaining in the first quarter after UB cornerback **Mark Graham (Monroe, MI/Monroe)** broke up a deep pass on third down. Graham had three pass breakups on the game.



Mark Graham

Central got another Savich field goal, this one from 33 yards out, early in the second quarter. The Chippewas had 38 yards on the ground in the 51-yard drive.

Buffalo could not take advantage of another first-half chance when senior nose guard **Bob Dzvonic (Pittsburgh, PA/Shaler)** recovered a fumble forced by strong safety **Youdlain Marcellus (Longueil, Quebec/Vanier Prep)** at the Buffalo 25-yard line. Dzvonic had five tackles in the game while Marcellus had

a career-best 10 tackles.

The Bulls drove to the CMU 32, with key passes from Freedy to **Andre Forde (Penfield, NY/Penfield)** for 30 yards and Freedy to Bradford for 15. However, Pelz' 40-yard attempt was blocked and Buffalo could not mount another scoring drive in the first half.

The Bulls stayed within striking distance in the second half thanks to a sterling effort by the UB defense. The Chippewas moved inside the UB 20-yard line on three occasions but could not get points on the board. The Bulls



Duane Williams

stuffed CMU on two plays from the Bulls' one-yard line – first by junior linebacker **Ryan Buttles (Pike, NY/Letchworth)** on third down – and by seniors **Duane Williams (Detroit, MI/Denby)** and **Chris Shelly (Pittsburgh, PA/Shaler)** on fourth down. Williams and Shelly stopped Kenan Lawhorne behind the line of scrimmage on a fourth-and-inches to the UB end zone. Williams had a career-best 12 tackles and a pass breakup while

Shelly had seven stops and a half-sack.

Senior linebacker **Bobby Johnson (Trabuco Hills, CA/Trabuco Hills)** had a career-best 17 tackles and a pass breakup to pace the Buffalo defense that kept the Bulls close in the second half. Johnson leads the team with 43 tackles this season.



Bobby Johnson

Offensively, UB tailback **Marquis Dwarte (Baltimore, MD/Perry Hall)** led the rushing game with 17 carries for 75 yards. Freedy finished 17-for-36 for 194 yards with a touchdown and two interceptions. Forde had five catches for 68 yards while Bartoszek had four catches for 71 yards and his third career touchdown.

Freedy moved into fourth place all-time in career passing yardage (4,435) in the game and tied Gordon Bukaty for fifth place in career touchdown passes (25). Safety **Craig Rohlf (Cincinnati, OH/Moeller)** had 11 tackles in the game, including eight solo stops which leapfrogged him from eighth to sixth-all time

**• MAC P E P S I PLAYERS OF THE WEEK (SEPT. 24 TH) •**

**• EAST DIVISION PLAYERS OF THE WEEK •**

**Offense:** Byron Leftwich, QB, Marshall (Jr., Washington, DC) - Led the Thundering Herd to a come-from-behind 37-31 MAC East Division victory over Bowling Green. The league's top rated quarterback, Leftwich completed 21-of-35 passes for 327 yards and four touchdowns. His final TD pass came with 2:38 left to give Marshall a 35-31 lead and preceded a two-point conversion pass.

**Defense:** Terrell Colbert, LB, Akron (Sr., Rahway, NJ) - In a game where the defense carried the day for his team, Colbert blocked a field goal and recovered a Kent State fumble in the end zone, thwarting another score, as the Zips came back from a 10-0 deficit for a 14-10 win. Colbert also had a team-high eight solo tackles. His fumble recovery came with 2:12 left in the game.

**Special Teams:** Roberto Terrell, Returner, Marshall (Fr., Dunnellon, FL) - Terrell recorded three kickoff returns against Bowling Green for 92 yards, including a 60-yard return in the first quarter to set up a game-tying touchdown. The redshirt freshman was also thrown into the fire in the secondary, posting seven tackles against BGSU.

**• WEST DIVISION PLAYERS OF THE WEEK •**

**Offense:** Terrence Jackson, FB, Central Michigan (So., Somerset, NJ) - With the Chippewas' top two tailbacks down with injuries, Jackson rushed 29 times for 123 yards while leading CMU to a 16-8 win at Buffalo. Jackson had just 92 career rushing yards prior to the game. He averaged 4.2 yards per carry while stabilizing a Chippewa offense that controlled the ball for over 35 minutes.

**Defense:** Tom Ward, ILB, Toledo (Jr., Defiance, OH) - Ward had nine tackles, including four tackles for a loss in a 41-20 win over Northern Illinois. Ward added a sack for a 12-yard loss and a pass deflection.

**Special Teams:** Ronald Rogers, Kick Returner, Western Michigan (Sr., Miami, FL) - Rogers returned a kickoff 92 yards for a touchdown in the 31-10 win at Eastern Michigan. Rogers leads the MAC and ranks second nationally in kickoff returns with an average of 40.4 ypr.



in career solo stops (128).

*JOHNSON PUTS UP HUGE NUMBERS:* Senior linebacker **Bobby Johnson** was extremely active in UB's 16-8 loss to Central Michigan while continuing to rank among the MAC leaders in tackles.

Johnson recorded 17 tackles against the Chippewas (nine solos, eight assists), the most by a Bull since all-time leading tackler **Craig Guest** recorded a school-record 29 tackles versus Maine on Oct. 7, 1995.

Along with his 17 tackles, Johnson also had a pass breakup in the game. The California native is making a bid for All-MAC status as he ranks fourth in the conference in total tackles with 43 stops (20 solos, 23 assists) through four games.

He also has two pass breakups and his first career interception (at Connecticut) thus far this year.

*BULLS-REDHAWKS HISTORY:* Saturday's battle between the Bulls and RedHawks will be the fourth-ever between the two schools with Buffalo looking for its first win.

This will be the third meeting at Yager Stadium in Oxford, including the first between the teams back in 1951 that the RedHawks won 27-7. Miami posted a 43-0 shutout back in 1999 in Oxford and eked out a 17-16 win at Buffalo last season.

Miami head coach Terry Hoepfner is 2-0 all-time against Buffalo.

*REDHAWKS NIPPED BULLS TO END 2000 SEASON:* Buffalo saw a potential game-winning 21-yard field goal with 7:24 remaining sail just wide as Miami hung on for a 17-16 Mid-American Conference win in the last meeting between the teams that closed the 2000 season.

The Bulls had one more chance but were stopped on a 4th-and-2 play from

their own 34 with 1:49 remaining. The loss ruined an otherwise very strong performance by the Bulls.

The UB running game amassed a season-high 290 yards, with running back **Marquis Dwart** finishing over 100 yards for the second straight week. Dwart had a career-high 26 carries for 156 yards while junior **Derrick Gordon** had 11 carries for 70 yards. **Marvin Breton** also had 39 yards on just five carries as UB averaged 5.2 yards per carry on the day.

The Bulls spotted the RedHawks a 17-6 lead in the first half before rallying and shutting out Miami in the second half. The UB defense was excellent throughout, forcing a season-high five turnovers and allowing only 17 points when Miami was inside the Buffalo 40-yard line nine times. The RedHawks offense revolved around tailback Steve Little who ran for a career-best 222 yards on 35 carries and scored two touchdowns.

The Bulls began their rally with a touchdown toss from junior **Joe Freedy** to Dahnell Singfield from 13 yards out with just :18 left in the first half to make it 17-13 at halftime. Freedy earlier had snuck the ball in from one-yard out for Buffalo's first score.

In the second half, the game went back and forth as a steady snow began falling and both teams fought the turnover bug. At one point, the two teams exchanged the ball on turnovers on three straight plays. However, the Bulls pulled within one at 17-16 on a 20-yard field goal by Keller with :44 left in the third quarter, setting up the late-game drama.

The UB defense had plenty of heroes, none bigger than Chris Gray and Marcus Cole. Gray had 12 tackles, two for losses,



Marquis Dwart

and a sack. Cole had eight tackles, two for losses and broke up two passes. Other standouts for UB included linebackers **Brandon Jordan** and **Duane Williams** and cornerback **Mark Graham**.

Jordan had six tackles, a pass breakup and his first career interception. Williams had five tackles, a forced fumble, a fumble recovery, his third interception of the season and two pass breakups while Graham had four tackles, a sack, a pass breakup and his third interception of the season as well.

*UB DEFENSE TREMENDOUS IN THE RED ZONE:* If the proof of a good defense is what it does when the opponent gets close to its goal line than the Bulls have something special going in 2001.

Opponents have been inside the Buffalo **20-yard line 14 times** on the season but have scored just **three** touchdowns and eight times overall (57%). More impressive is the fact that the Bulls have stopped opponents on downs four times already this season, including three of them inside their five-yard line.

Since the Rutgers opener, opponents have been in the red zone a total of 12 times with just one touchdown scored.

Last season, Buffalo was scored on 81.8% of the time that opponents were in the red zone with 69.1% of them being touchdowns.

A comparison from 2000 to 2001:

Year	Opp. in 20	Scores	Score%	TD%
2000	55	45	81.8%	69.1%
2001	14	8	57.1%	21.4%

*CARDIAC KIDS?:* The Bulls last three wins have all come when trailing at halftime.

Buffalo trailed Bowling Green and Kent State at the half last season before pulling out identical 20-17 victories and were in a 13-3 hole at halftime to Connecticut.

The 10-point deficit the Bulls overcame at halftime was the largest since coming



back from 10 points down to win 14-10 at Hofstra in 1996.

*HOFHER OVERHEARD:* Head coach Jim Hofher participated in the weekly Mid-American Conference teleconference call on Monday morning and had the following comments:

**On the loss to Central Michigan**

"They controlled the line of scrimmage really very well for the bulk of the game and I think the statistics probably indicate kind of how the game went, and yet truly in the end its the score that is the mark. At 1:51 of the first quarter it was a 10-0 ballgame and it ended up being 16-8. As much as I give credit to Central for doing a good job in winning the game, our defense played 93 plays and there should have been a lot more points than 16 and I really want to credit the effort that our kids gave."

"We struggled in terms of our being able to run the ball and I think that was probably the tale of the tape for us."

**On facing Miami this week**

"I think they've played an extremely challenging schedule, opening up at Michigan and Iowa and playing in a traditional rivalry game (with Cincinnati) that I know about because my first coaching job was at Miami back in 1981 and 82, and than playing at Ball State this past weekend. In every single ballgame they really look the same in many respects. They are a very good physical football team and they play very hard. They have played the same at home or on the road in the four games they have played so far. They have gotten tremendous production from a young quarterback (Ben Roethlisberger) who is very exciting to watch and I think they've got some guys on their team who are playmakers."

*SCOUTING THE REDHAWKS:* Miami has an

emerging star in redshirt freshman quarterback **Ben Roethlisberger** , the MAC Offensive Player of the Week two weeks ago.

Roethlisberger leads an offense that averages 383.8 yards per game. Although slightly inconsistent (seven touchdowns, six interceptions), the Findlay, OH native is completing 61% of his passes for 752 yards and has a quarterback efficiency rating of 133.60.

Tailback **Cal Murray** has eye-popping numbers on the ground. Murray is averaging 8.5 yards per carry with 290 yards on 34 carries and three touchdowns. Roethlisberger's favorite target has been 6-5 Jason Branch, who has 16 catches for 215 yards and two scores.

The Miami defense is paced by All-MAC candidate Matt Robillard, who is tied with UB's Bobby Johnson for fifth in the MAC in tackles per game (10.8). Robillard also has three sacks (tied for fifth in the MAC).

Miami coach Terry Hoepfner comments:

**On the win at Ball State**

"We made some errors early and they took advantage of them and turned them into points so we were behind the eight ball early down 14-0 in the first quarter, that's not what you plan on. I give a lot of credit to our guys, they hung in there and we overcame some things. We lost a couple of linemen in the game and one of our receivers, but the biggest problem all day was Ball State because they played well. It was a good win for us, anytime you get a conference win on the road it's a big win."

**On the matchup with Buffalo**

"I think that give Coach Hofher some time there and they will be a contender in this league. Where they are and where they can recruit from, we played up there last year and its a nice facility.

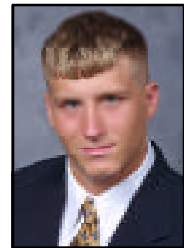
They keep getting better, their third in

the league in total defense and first in pass defense so they're going to be a test for our young quarterback and receivers. They'll put pressure on us and if they can get their running game going, the guy (Marquis Dwart) ran the ball pretty good on us last year, we've got to contain that again."

*SEVERAL BULLS HEADING TO FAMILIAR*

*SURROUNDINGS:* Senior free safety **Craig Rohlf** (Cincinnati, OH/Moeller) , freshman wide receiver **Matt Kneuen** (Cincinnati, OH/LaSalle) and head coach **Jim Hofher** will all be returning to familiar grounds this week-end.

Rohlf and Kneuen starred as preps in Cincinnati while Hofher earned his first full-time coaching job at Miami. Hofher was quarterbacks and wide receivers coach with the RedHawks for the 1981 and '82 seasons when Miami posted a 15-6-1 record.



Matt Kneuen

*CAREER HIGHS VS. CMU:* Several players set career highs in the loss to Central Michigan.

Player	Career best
Chad Bartoszek	71 receiving yards
Bobby Johnson	17 tackles
Duane Williams	12 tackles
Ryan Buttles	11 tackles
Youdlain Marcellus	10 tackles
Mark Graham	3 pass breakups

*FREEDY FIRES BACK:* Senior quarterback **Joe Freedy** responded in the best way possible to the thought of losing his starting job: he played one of the best games of his career.

Freedy completed 16-of-26 passes for 175 yards and a touchdown **in the**



**second half alone** at Connecticut in UB's 37-20 win after being pulled from the Bowling Green game in week two.

His 20 completions moved him past Chad Salisbury into third place all-time and he now ranks among the top three in pass attempts, completions and yards all-time. In addition, Freedy tied Gordon Bukaty for fifth-place all-time with 25 career touchdowns last week (see list on page 7).

*THE COACHING MATCHUP:* The Bulls are coached by Jim Hofher (Cornell, '79), who was named the 22nd head coach in UB football history on November 30, 2000.

Hofher is into his 23rd year of collegiate coaching – all at the Division I level – this year and has an all-time head coaching record of 45-39 after spending eight seasons as head coach at Cornell (1990-97).

Hofher has also been on staffs at Wake Forest, Tennessee, Syracuse, North Carolina and Mid-American Conference rival Miami, OH.



Jim Hofher

As an assistant coach he was part of two staffs that saw their head coaches earn National Coach of the Year honors, with John Mackovic at Wake Forest and at Syracuse with Dick MacPherson.

As a head coach, he led the Big Red of Cornell to more Ivy League victories than any other coach in school history and captured a pair of Ivy League titles.

Hofher is a native of Middletown, CT and was recruited and played quarterback for NFL coaching legend George Seifert at Cornell.

Miami is coached by Terry Hoepfner who is into his third season at the helm of the RedHawks. He has compiled a record

of 15-11 over that tenure and took over for current Northwestern coach Randy Walker after spending four seasons as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator (1995-98).

*BULLS HAVE SHONE IN SECOND HALF:* The Bulls defense has shown the dividends of UB's intense conditioning and fitness program overseen by strength coach Jim Peal.

The Bulls have allowed just two second half touchdowns in the first four games and have outscored their opponents 57-25 in the second half this season.

*BUTTLES STEPS IN ABLY:* Junior linebacker **Ryan Buttles** has been biding his time patiently since transferring two years ago from Siena College.

The last two weeks, however, he has been very busy filling in for the injured **Lamar Wilcher**, who may return this week from a partially dislocated right shoulder.

Buttles recorded six tackles, an interception and had a key fourth down stop against Connecticut and recorded a career-best 11 tackles (six solos, five assists) in the loss to Central Michigan.

*BULLS BOAST DEFENSIVE TURNAROUND:* The latest Mid-American Conference team statistics confirm UB's improvement on the defensive side of the ball.

The Bulls, who ranked last in total defense in the MAC last season, continue to move up the ladder in the MAC and the national charts in 2001 under the direction of defensive coordinator **Thurmond Moore**.

Buffalo currently ranks **first** in the



Thurmond Moore

MAC in pass defense and **sixth in the nation** giving up just 133.8 yards per game. That figure has helped UB rank third in the conference in total defense (328.8).

The Bulls rank 40th nationally in total defense as compared to closing the 2000 season at 101st in the nation.

*KICKERS HAVE CAREER DAY:* The UB kicking combination of **Dallas Pelz** and **Scott McMahan** had career days in the win over Connecticut.

Pelz hit all three field goal attempts in the game (36, 32 and 37 yards) and accounted for 13 points in the game. McMahan, meanwhile, averaged 42.8 yards per punt and boomed a career-best 60-yarder in the first half.

*ROHLFS HITS STRIDE AGAIN:* Senior free safety **Craig Rohlf**s has been one of the MAC's best when healthy and so far this year he is back to his old form.

Rohlf's, fully recovered from a pair of shoulder surgeries that limited him to six games last season, had his seventh career interception and his first collegiate touchdown when he returned a pass 82 yards for Buffalo's first score against Rutgers.

Rohlf's interception return was the third longest in UB history and Buffalo's first interception return for a score since the final game of the 1998 season (22 games). It was also the 15th career turnover Rohlf's has been involved in (7 interceptions/5 fumble recoveries/3 forced fumbles) during his UB career.

Rohlf's ranks sixth all-time in solo tackles with 128 and, if healthy, could finish as high as third by the end of the season (see chart page 7).

*BARTOSZEK = BIG-PLAYS:* Junior tight end **Chad Bartoszek** is becoming one of the dominant tight ends in the MAC.



**THE START CHART**

The following list includes all 2001 players who have started at least one game at Buffalo. Numbers in parentheses indicate current streak of consecutive starts:

Chris Shelly .....	31 (4)
Bob Dzvonic .....	30 (3)
Joe Freedy .....	26 (26)
Craig Rohlf .....	25 (4)
Brandon Jordan .....	16
Tim Hedges .....	15 (15)
Duane Williams .....	13 (2)
Andre Forde .....	13 (4)
Derrick Gordon .....	13
Jamie Guerra .....	12 (9)
Mike Lambert .....	10 (4)
Marquis Dwarte .....	9 (1)
John Nolan .....	9
Mark Graham .....	8 (8)
Zeke McKine .....	6
Marvin Brereton .....	5
Bobby Johnson .....	6 (4)
Omari Jordan .....	6 (4)
Andy Avery .....	4 (4)
Eric Weber .....	4 (4)
Erik Zeppuhar .....	4 (4)
Jeff Mills .....	4 (4)
Chad Bartoszek .....	4 (4)
J.J. Gibson .....	4 (4)
Scott McMahan .....	4 (4)
Dallas Pelz .....	4 (4)
Youdlain Marcellus .....	3
Albert Grundy .....	3
Dan Lindsay .....	3
Lamar Wilcher .....	2
Kevin Dunn .....	2
Brian Johnessee .....	2
Ryan Buttles .....	2 (2)
Maurice Bradford .....	2 (2)
Tom Shaughnessy .....	1
Matt Kneuvan .....	1 (1)
Marcus Clarett .....	1

**QUICKIE STATS**

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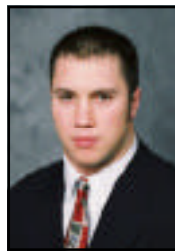
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When trailing at the half .....	1-3
When leading after three quarters .....	0-0
When trailing after three quarters .....	0-3
When tied after three quarters .....	1-0
When scoring first .....	1-0
When opponent scores first .....	0-3
When running more plays than opponent .....	1-0
When opponent runs more plays .....	0-3
When committing more turnovers .....	0-2
When committing less turnovers .....	1-1
When turnovers are even .....	0-0
When committing at least two turnovers .....	1-3
When committing less than two turnovers .....	0-0
When winning time of possession .....	1-0
When opponent wins time of possession .....	0-3
When running 70 or more off. plays .....	1-0
When running less than 70 off. plays .....	0-3
Rushing for 200 yards or more .....	0-0
Rushing for less than 200 yards .....	1-3
When passing for 200 yards or more .....	1-0
When passing for less than 200 yards .....	0-3
Gaining more total yards than opponent .....	1-0
Gaining less total yards than opponent .....	0-3
Playing at home .....	0-2
Playing on the road .....	1-1
Playing on natural grass .....	1-3
Playing on artificial surface .....	0-0

The Salamanca, NY native ranks second on the team with 14 receptions for 182 yards (13.0 per catch) and caught the third touchdown reception of his career, a 32-yarder versus Central Michigan.

Bartoszek is familiar with the end zone from his high school career. The 6-6, 250-pounder caught 13 touchdown tosses his senior season at Salamanca.

*SHELLY APPROACHING TOP TEN:* Senior defensive end **Chris Shelly** is approaching UB's top 10 in tackles for loss in a career.

Shelly, a Pittsburgh, PA native, currently has 20 stops behind the line of scrimmage in his career, three behind former teammate Dan Poulsen (23) for 10th place.



Chris Shelly

Shelly had a half-sack against Central Michigan and ranks first among UB defensive linemen in tackles (20).

Shelly had a second-quarter sack versus Rutgers and also had six tackles in the game. The sack was Shelly's first since registering one at Kent State back on October 30, 1999. Shelly has made the transition from linebacker to defensive end for his senior season.

*GIBSON MAKING AN IMPACT:* Redshirt freshman **J.J. Gibson** is second on the team in tackles through four games in his first season at Buffalo and has proven himself to be an extremely sure-handed tackler.

Of his 34 tackles so far this season, 26 of them have been solo, putting him on pace to rank among the top three in single-season history for solo stops.

Gibson played his high school ball in

the shadow of UB's North Campus at Sweet Home High School. He became the first freshman since Buffalo has returned to Division I to lead the Bulls in tackles in his very first game.

*BRADFORD FINDING A HOME:* Junior flanker **Maurice Bradford** is another Bull who is starting to get comfortable in new surroundings.

Bradford, a second-team Junior College All-American at tailback at SUNY Morrisville in 1999, was UB's top receiver against Connecticut with six catches for 71 yards and caught his first career touchdown pass in the process.

Bradford made the adjustment during spring drills after timing out as UB's fastest player. The Binghamton, NY native rushed for over 1,600 yards in his final year at Morrisville.

*NEW FACES IN NEW PLACES:* The Bulls had eight new starters in the lineup for the season opener versus Rutgers, including four redshirt freshmen (offensive linemen **Eric Weber** and **Erik Zeppuhar**, defensive tackle **Craig Johnson** and strong safety **J.J. Gibson**).

Other first-time starters were tight end **Chad Bartoszek**, offensive tackles **Andy Avery** and **Jeff Mills** and linebacker **Lamar Wilcher**.

*BANGED-UP BULLS:* The Bulls have been fortunate in terms of major injuries thus far this season.

Buffalo has lost only senior tight end **Marvin Brereton** for an extended period of time. Brereton was lost for the season when he suffered a torn patella tendon in his left knee in the opener versus Rutgers. He is expected to apply for a sixth-year with the NCAA.

Sophomore linebacker **Lamar Wilcher** has missed the last two games with a



**BULLS IN THE RECORD BOOKS**

**PASSING YARDS**

- 1. Cliff Scott (1991-94) \_\_\_\_\_ 7,578
- 2. Marty Barrett (1980-83) \_\_\_\_\_ 6,945
- 3. Chad Salisbury (1997-98) \_\_\_\_\_ 4,947
- 4. **Joe Freedy (1998-present)** \_\_\_\_\_ **4,435**
- 5. Frank Reilly (1988-90) \_\_\_\_\_ 4,246
- 6. Ken Hyer (1981-84) \_\_\_\_\_ 3,420
- 7. Jim Rodriguez (1978-80) \_\_\_\_\_ 3,401
- 8. Mark Taylor (1993-96) \_\_\_\_\_ 3,143
- 9. Mick Murtha (1966-69) \_\_\_\_\_ 2,885
- 10. John Stofa (1961-63) \_\_\_\_\_ 2,133

**TOUCHDOWN PASSES**

- 1. Marty Barrett (1980-83) \_\_\_\_\_ 44
- 2. Cliff Scott (1991-94) \_\_\_\_\_ 43
- 3. Chad Salisbury (1997-98) \_\_\_\_\_ 31
- 4. Frank Reilly (1988-90) \_\_\_\_\_ 27
- 5. Gordon Bukaty (1958-60) \_\_\_\_\_ 25
- 6. **Joe Freedy (1998-present)** \_\_\_\_\_ **25**
- 7. Ken Hyer (1981-84) \_\_\_\_\_ 22
- 8. Jim Rodriguez (1978-80) \_\_\_\_\_ 20
- 9. Mick Murtha (1966-69) \_\_\_\_\_ 16
- 10. John Stofa (1961-63) \_\_\_\_\_ 14
- Mark Taylor (1993-96) \_\_\_\_\_ 14

**SOLO TACKLES (1977-PRESENT)**

- 1. Craig Guest (1993-96) \_\_\_\_\_ 236
- 2. Pete Conley (1992-95) \_\_\_\_\_ 191
- 3. Shane Currey (1978-81) \_\_\_\_\_ 148
- 4. Mike Laipple (1983-86) \_\_\_\_\_ 137
- 5. Cosmo Nestola (1979-92) \_\_\_\_\_ 135
- 6. **Craig Rohlfis (1998-present)** \_\_\_\_\_ **128**
- 7. Tory Smith (1997-2000) \_\_\_\_\_ 125
- 8. Frank Berrafato (1978-81) \_\_\_\_\_ 123
- 9. Bill Stonecypher (1989-92) \_\_\_\_\_ 121
- 10. Carlos Spencer (1997-2000) \_\_\_\_\_ 120

**TACKLES-FOR-LOSS (1977-PRESENT)**

- 1. Keith Hansen (1994-97) \_\_\_\_\_ 41
- 2. Craig Guest (1993-96) \_\_\_\_\_ 40
- 3. Vince Canosa (1992-95) \_\_\_\_\_ 37
- 4. John White (1979-81) \_\_\_\_\_ 34
- Hardy Mitchell (1994-97) \_\_\_\_\_ 34
- 6. Dave May (1983-86) \_\_\_\_\_ 33
- 7. Mike Laipple (1983-86) \_\_\_\_\_ 28
- 8. Cosmo Nestola (1979-82) \_\_\_\_\_ 27
- 9. Gary Brown (1979-82) \_\_\_\_\_ 25
- 10. Dan Poulsen (1995-98) \_\_\_\_\_ 23

(Chris Shelly - 20)

**KICKOFF RETURNS (1949-PRESENT)**

- 1. Kali Watkins (1995-98) \_\_\_\_\_ 67
- 2. Dahnell Singfield (1998-present) \_\_\_\_\_ 54
- 3. Chaz Ahmed (1987-89) \_\_\_\_\_ 43
- 4. Alan Bell (1989-92) \_\_\_\_\_ 39
- Willie Ford (1992-94) \_\_\_\_\_ 39
- 6. Keith Warren (1993-96) \_\_\_\_\_ 36
- 7. **Andre Forde (1999-present)** \_\_\_\_\_ **36**
- 8. Pat Patterson (1967-69) \_\_\_\_\_ 29
- Dan Withers (1983-86) \_\_\_\_\_ 29
- 10. Joe Licata (1979-80) \_\_\_\_\_ 27

sublexed right shoulder.

**BULLS' CAPTAINS:** University at Buffalo head football coach Jim Hofher announced his team's 2001 captains following a team vote prior to the annual Blue-White Spring Scrimmage back in April.

Named as captains by vote of their teammates for the 2001 season are seniors **Joe Freedy (Bethel Park, PA/Bethel Park)** on offense and **Bob Dzvonic (Pittsburgh, PA/Shaler)**, **Craig Rohlfis (Cincinnati, OH/Moeller)** and **Duane Williams (Detroit, MI/Denby)** on defense.

"The kids on the team felt very strongly when given a chance to select captains for the 2001 season, and have selected these seniors overwhelmingly," said Hofher. "We as a staff feel like the most powerful award for an athlete to receive is to be selected by his peers as an acknowledged leader, and all four of these guys fit the bill."

**OFFENSIVE LINE TURNS TO YOUTH:** The Bulls' offensive line is the team's youngest unit.

Before the season started, Buffalo lost returning starter **Matt Baniewicz** for medical reasons and a week into camp, fifth-year senior **Josh Stello** was unable to overcome a complete reconstruction of his right knee and was forced to end his career.

That means that of the six UB starters upfront last season (including the tight end), the Bulls lost four of them (Baniewicz and seniors Gabe Kogler, David Pruce and Brandon Shaughnessy) before the season opener in 2001. That unit last season averaged 196 yards rushing per game in the final six weeks of the season.

On opening night against Rutgers, **Andy Avery, Eric Weber, Erik Zeppuhar** and **Jeff Mills** all made their first career starts alongside senior **Tim Hedges**, who

has started 14 consecutive games.

**SHALER CONNECTION:** The Bulls have three starters from Shaler High School in Pittsburgh, PA.

Offensive guard **Erik Zeppuhar**, nose guard **Bob Dzvonic** and defensive end **Chris Shelly** are all UB starters and played under the tutelage of Frank Rocco for the Titans of Shaler.

**100 YARDERS X 3:** The Bulls have a trio of players on their roster who have rushed for over 100 yards in a game in their careers as seniors **Albert Grundy** and **Derrick Gordon** and sophomore **Marquis Dwart** have all turned the trick.

Grundy and Gordon have both been over the century mark twice while Dwart had his third 100-yard game in a 37-20 win over Connecticut when he rambled for 150 yards on 25 carries with three touchdowns.

**LAZOR AMONG YOUNGEST IN COUNTRY:** UB assistant coach Bill Lazor is currently the youngest offensive coordinator in Division I-A, and the second youngest coordinator overall, according to information compiled by Navy Sports Information Director Scott Strasemeier.

Lazor, who starred at Cornell from 1991-93 under UB head coach Jim Hofher,



Bill Lazor

saw his career records for attempts (873), completions (470), yards (5,697) and touchdowns (34) broken by his quarterback Ricky Rahne at Cornell last season.

Lazor directed Cornell's passing game last season and helped the Big Red average 294.4 passing yards per game and 26.4 points per game.

The list of youngest coordinators:



**2001 Practice and Interview Schedule**

**Sunday**

No player interviews.  
Phone interviews available with Coach Hofher or players by appointment only.

**Monday**

Coach Hofher on Mid-American Conference Media Teleconference from 11:05-11:13.  
Phone number: 913-981-5509  
Replay number: 402-530-0485  
Print and Radio Media  
Interviews with players between 1:30-2:00 pm at UB Stadium. Coach Hofher by appointment only.

**Tuesday**

Weekly Football Media Luncheon at Holiday Inn Amherst: 11:30 am-12:15 pm  
Featured players and Coach Hofher available for one-on-ones after formal conference.

Print and Radio Media

Interviews with players between 1:30-2:00 pm at UB Stadium. Coach Hofher by appointment only.

Television and Still Photographers

Coach Hofher and players available for one-on-one interviews from 3:30-3:45 pm. The first 20 minutes of practice may be shot by television and still photographers.

**Wednesday**

Print and Radio Media

Interviews with players between 1:30-2:00 pm at UB Stadium. Coach Hofher by appointment only.

Television and Still Photographers

Coach Hofher and players available for one-on-one interviews from 3:30-3:45 pm. The first 20 minutes of practice may be shot by television and still photographers.

**Thursday**

Print and Radio Media

Interviews with players between 1:30-2:00 pm at UB Stadium. Coach Hofher by appointment only.

Television and Still Photographers

Coach Hofher and players available for one-on-one interviews from 3:30-3:45 pm. The first 20 minutes of practice may be shot by television and still photographers.

**Friday**

No player/coaches interviews.

**Saturday**

Game day – post-game interviews only.

**All interviews must be arranged through:  
PAUL VECCHIO**

**Asst. Athletic Director for Communications**

office - 716-645-6840

home - 716-941-0291

cell - 716-912-0631

Coordinator/School	Position	Age
Tyrone Nix/So. Miss.	Defensive	28
Bill Lazor/Buffalo	Offensive	29
Rob Boras/UNLV	Offensive	30
Matt Eberflus/Missouri	Defensive	31
Jon Wauford/Miami, OH	Defensive	31
Bill O'Brien/Georgia Tech	Offensive	31
Mark Hudspeth/Navy	Offensive	32
Al Golden/Virginia	Defensive	32

*STILL LOOKING FOR PAYDIRT ON KICKOFF*

*RETURN:* The Bulls have gone 125 straight games without returning a kickoff for a score.

You have to go back to Oct. 14, 1989 when UB Hall of Famer **Alan Bell** returned a kickoff 89 yards against Ithaca for the last time a Buffalo player took a kickoff back for six.

*EXCELLING IN THE CLASSROOM:* The UB football program continues to excel in the classroom as six current Bulls earned distinction on the Mid-American Conference honor roll last fall.

They are:

Player	Major
Andy Avery	Psychology/Pre-Med
Marquis Dwart	Psychology
Andre Forde	Business Management
Alex Lazo	Financial Analysis
Jeff Mills	Math/Economics
Jason Smalarz	Finance

*ON THE AIRWAVES:* All UB football games can be heard on WGR Sports Radio 55 this season with **Chris Maloney** (play-by-play) and **Paul Vecchio** (color analysis) on the call.

The games can also be heard over the internet by going to WGR's website ([www.wgr55.com](http://www.wgr55.com)). In addition, this year Bulls' home football games are expected to have instant stats on the UB website ([www.buffalobulls.com](http://www.buffalobulls.com)).

*ON THE TUBE:* The Bulls will get plenty of exposure on television this season with two home games and one road game aired live in Buffalo and all five home games rebroadcast in the Buffalo market.

In addition, head coach Jim Hofher will join Assistant Athletic Director Paul Vecchio for **Bulls Football Focus** on the Empire Sports Network. The show will air this year on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm on the Empire Sports Network.

UB's home games will air on tape delay on Adelphia 13. Those games will feature **Brian Blessing** and **Mark Collins** on the call with **Gary Pufpaff** handling sideline duties.

The Adelphia 13 schedule:

Game	Replay Date/Time
Marshall	Sun., 10/14 – 12:30, 7:30 pm
Ohio	Sun., 11/4 – 12:30, 7:30 pm
Akron	Sun., 11/11 – 12:30, 7:30 pm

*BULLS AGAINST THE MAC:* The Bulls currently have an all-time record of 12-30 against MAC members. The breakdown: Akron (0-2), Ball State (0-3), Bowling Green (1-1), Central Michigan (0-2), Eastern Michigan (0-0), Kent State (5-4), Marshall (1-4), Miami, OH (0-3), Northern Illinois (1-3), Ohio University (2-5), Toledo (2-3) and Western Michigan (0-1).

The Bulls do not play Toledo, Ball State, Northern Illinois or Western Michigan this season.

*PAIR OF BULLS IN THE NFL:* Two former Buffalo standouts - Ed Ellis, '97 and Drew Haddad, '00 are on NFL rosters with the San Diego Chargers and the Indianapolis Colts, respectively.

Ellis, a 1997 UB grad, is listed as San Diego's starter at right tackle. He was a four-year starter for the Bulls on their offensive line, and he earned All-America honors from Gridiron Report after his senior season in 1996, helping the Bulls to



**Third Down Efficiency**

Opponent	Result	Pct.
Rutgers	3-14	21.4%
Bowling Green	4-16	25%
UConn	10-20	50.0%
C. Michigan	4-of-15	26.7%
Miami		
Marshall		
Kent State		
E. Michigan		
Ohio		
Army		
Akron		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>21-of-65</b>	<b>32.3%</b>

**Time of Possession**

Opponent	Buffalo	Opp.	Diff.
Rutgers	28:58	31:02	-2:04
Bowling Green	23:09	36:51	-13:42
UConn	33:53	26:07	+7:46
C. Michigan	24:47	35:33	-11:14
Miami			
Marshall			
Kent State			
E. Michigan			
Ohio			
Army			
Akron			
<b>Avg. per game</b>	<b>27:37</b>	<b>32:23</b>	<b>-5:26</b>

**Number of Plays**

Opponent	Buffalo	Opp.	Diff.
Rutgers	65	68	-3
Bowling Green	62	76	-14
UConn	86	57	+29
C. Michigan	60	93	-33
Miami			
Marshall			
Kent State			
E. Michigan			
Ohio			
Army			
Akron			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>-21</b>

**Turnover Breakdown**

Opponent	Buffalo	Opp.	Diff.
Rutgers	2	3	+1
Bowling Green	3	0	-3
UConn	2	3	+1
C. Michigan	3	1	-2
Miami			
Marshall			
Kent State			
E. Michigan			
Ohio			
Army			
Akron			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-3</b>

an 8-3 record. In his five-year professional football career, Ellis has also been a member of the New England Patriots, where he was a fourth-round draft pick in 1997, and the Washington Redskins organizations. He signed a three-year deal with the Chargers in March.

Haddad earned a spot on the Colts' roster after an impressive preseason, and he is listed as a backup on the depth chart at wide receiver and punt returner.

Haddad led the Colts in receiving during the preseason with 16 catches for 170 yards and one touchdown. Even more noteworthy, however, were the two punt returns he ran back for touchdowns in back-to-back weeks during the pre-season - a 94-yard return against Seattle and an 84-yard return against Detroit. In the Colts' 49-year regular season history, no player has ever run back punt returns for touchdowns in consecutive games.

Haddad signed on as a free agent with the Colts in January after spending parts of the 2000 campaign on both the Colts' and the Buffalo Bills' practice squads.

*NEW ERA/NEW LOOK:* The Bulls not only have a new head coach (23-year college veteran Jim Hofher) but will be sporting a new look in 2001.

The Bulls will be wearing new home and away jerseys as well as a new helmet design featuring a Bulls' horn on a blue helmet.

*BULLS' DID YOU KNOW?*

Sophomore **Demetrius Austrum** is the cousin of former Florida State standout Corey Simon, drafted by the Philadelphia Eagles in the first round of the 2000 draft.

**Andy Avery**, **Jason Smalarz** and **Jeff Mills** were all admitted into UB's prestigious Honors Program upon enrolling.

Junior college transfer **Maurice**

**Bradford** has modeled for Abercrombie and Fitch, Polo and Target Stores and his work was featured in ESPN's College Gameday Preview in August.

**Bob Dzvonic**'s father is a well-known judge in the Pittsburgh area.

Redshirt freshman offensive guard **Dan Minocchi** is a relative of former heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano.

Redshirt freshman offensive lineman **Will Paris** is the son of long-time NFL standout Bubba Paris, who was part of several San Francisco 49er Super Bowl champion teams.

**Derrick Gordon** comes from Jamaican descent and, as a superstition, eats raw onions before games.

Running backs coach **Brian Polian** is the son of Indianapolis Colts President and General Manager Bill Polian and grew up in the Buffalo area while his father was the architect of the Bills' unprecedented four-year run to the Super Bowl.

Junior **Jason Montanez** is related to noted musician/producer Wyclef Jean.

**Aaron McMickle** traveled with a USA wrestling team to Russia and Turkey and his father ran for Senate in Ohio.

Freshman **Tim Dance** worked at a cemetery in his native Erie, PA.

Freshman **Rob Schroeder** was named Defensive MVP of the New York vs. New Jersey Governor's Bowl this summer as the Empire State won for the first time in four meetings.

Freshman **Kevin Concepcion** was named Offensive MVP of the Rochester-area Eddie Meath All-Star Game.

Defensive tackle **Bill Meholif** was named MVP of the prestigious Northeast Ohio All-Star classic this summer. Meholif attended St. Ignatius High School in Cleveland, the alma mater of former UB great Drew Haddad, currently with the Indianapolis Colts.



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**RUTGERS 31, BUFFALO 15**  
**AUGUST 30, 2001 • UB STADIUM**  
**AMHERST, NY**

**BOWLING GREEN 35, BUFFALO 0**  
**SEPT. 8, 2001 • PERRY STADIUM**  
**BOWLING GREEN, OH**

**•Scoring Summary•**

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Rutgers	7	13	3	8	31
Buffalo	0	0	0	15	15

**•Scoring Summary•**

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Buffalo	0	0	0	0	0
Bowling Green	7	21	0	7	35

Team	Per. Time	Scoring Play
RU	1 4:36	Seabrooks 73 interception return (Sands kick), 7-0
RU	2 14:41	Smith 1 pass from Cubit (pass failed), 13-0
RU	2 4:57	Thomas 1 run (Sands kick), 20-0
RU	3 5:57	Sands 44 FG, 23-0
UB	4 11:32	Rohlfis 82 interception return (Pelz kick), 23-7
RU	4 9:25	Martin 24 pass from Cubit (Carty pass), 31-7
UB	4 5:15	Lindsay 16 pass from Freedy (Forde pass), 31-15

Team	Per. Time	Scoring Play
BG	1 13:20	Alls 2 run (Suisham kick), 7-0
BG	2 12:20	Harris 5 run (Suisham kick), 14-0
BG	2 9:54	Redd 13 pass from Sahn (Suisham kick), 21-0
BG	2 :55	Alls 2 run (Suisham kick), 28-0
BG	4 8:13	DiBacco 18 run (Suisham kick), 35-0

**•Team Statistics•**

	Scarlet Knights	Bulls
First downs	15	16
Rushing Attempts-Yards	45-196	25-55
Passing yards	157	180
Passing (C-A-I)	11-23-2	21-40-2
Offensive plays	68	65
Total net yards	353	235
Average gain per play	5.2	3.6
Fumbles (number-lost)	1-1	2-0
Penalties (number-yards)	10-59	11-71
Interceptions by (number-yards)	2-73	2-81
Number of Punts-Avg.	6-47.3	11-39.0
Punt returns-yards	3-11	4-25
Kickoff returns-yards	0-0	6-116
Possession time	31:02	28:58
Third down conversions	8-of-16	3-of-14
Fourth down conversions	0-of-0	0-of-0
Sacks by (number-yards)	2-16	3-20

**•Individual Statistics•**

**Rushing:** UB: Grundy 13-51, Dwarte 7-32, Freedy 5-(-28). RU: Thomas 30-177, Ohene 9-31, Jones 1-0, Cubit 5-(-12).  
**Passing:** UB: Freedy 21-40-2 180. RU: Cubit 11-23-2 157.  
**Receiving:** UB: Bartoszek 5-66, Forde 4-41, Dwarte 4-10, Lindsay 3-39, Grundy 2-7, Knueven 1-11, Vargas 1-6, Breerton 1-0. RU: A. Martin 5-131, Smith 4-17, Stringer 1-11, Thomas 1-(-2).  
**Time of game:** 3:35. **Attendance** – 22,658

**•Team Statistics•**

	Bulls	Falcons
First downs	7	19
Rushing Attempts-Yards	24-43	50-184
Passing yards	162	133
Passing (C-A-I)	16-38-2	15-26-0
Offensive plays	62	76
Total net yards	205	317
Average gain per play	3.3	4.2
Fumbles (number-lost)	1-1	1-0
Penalties (number-yards)	6-33	6-45
Interceptions by (number-yards)	0-0	2-28
Number of Punts-Avg.	9-39.0	7-38.7
Punt returns-yards	0-0	6-96
Kickoff returns-yards	3-18	0-0
Possession time	23:09	36:51
Third down conversions	4-of-16	5-of-16
Fourth down conversions	0-of-1	1-of-3
Sacks by (number-yards)	0-0	1-8

**•Individual Statistics•**

**Rushing:** UB: Grundy 8-18, Dwarte 8-11, Secky 6-10, Gordon 1-4, Freedy 1-0. BG: Harris 13-61, Alls 17-59, DiBacco 9-35, Gibson 3-24, Magner 2-6, Sahn 5-2, Team 1-(-3).  
**Passing:** UB: Secky 12-29-0 134, Freedy 4-9-2 28. BG: Harris 7-13-0 74, Sahn 8-12-0 59.  
**Receiving:** UB: Forde 4-33, Bradford 3-40, Knueven 2-11, McKine 1-47, Vargas 1-9, Grundy 1-7, Bartoszek 1-5, Gordon 1-4, Dwarte 1-4, Lindsay 1-2. BG: Bautista 6-70, Gerling 3-23, Redd 3-12, Baker 1-16, Gibson 1-10, Alls 1-2.  
**Time of game:** 3:00. **Attendance** – 16,183



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**BUFFALO 37, CONNECTICUT 20**  
**SEPT. 22, 2001 • MEMORIAL STADIUM**  
**STORRS, CT**

**CENTRAL MICHIGAN 16, BUFFALO 8**  
**SEPT. 29, 2001 • UB STADIUM**  
**AMHERST, NY**

**•Scoring Summary•**

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Buffalo	3	0	10	24	37
Connecticut	0	13	0	7	20

**•Scoring Summary•**

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Central Michigan	10	6	0	0	16
Buffalo	0	0	0	8	8

**Team Per. Time**

UB	1	5:04
UConn	2	9:19
UConn	2	:49
UConn	2	:10
UB	3	9:08
UB	3	4:45
UB	4	12:50
UB	4	9:27
UB	4	5:05
UB	4	2:43
UConn	4	2:16

**Scoring Play**

Pelz 36 FG, 3-0
Hickok 30 FG, 3-3
Hickok 33 FG, 3-6
Wilson 54 pass from Henry (Hickok kick), 3-13
Dwarte 8 run (Pelz kick), 10-13
Pelz 32 FB, 13-13
Dwarte 1 run (Pelz kick), 20-13
Bradford 10 pass from Freedy (Pelz kick), 27-13
Pelz 37 FG, 30-13
Dwarte 23 run (Pelz kick), 37-13
Hill 72 fumble recovery (Hickok kick), 37-20

**•Team Statistics•**

	Bulls	Falcons
First downs	25	11
Rushing Attempts-Yards	45-149	35-115
Passing yards	237	106
Passing (C-A-I)	23-41-0	7-22-3
Offensive plays	86	57
Total net yards	386	221
Average gain per play	4.5	3.9
Fumbles (number-lost)	3-2	0-0
Penalties (number-yards)	6-50	9-93
Interceptions by (number-yards)	3-44	0-0
Number of Punts-Avg.	4-42.8	6-41.2
Punt returns-yards	4-32	3-43
Kickoff returns-yards	2-44	6-105
Possession time	33:53	26:07
Third down conversions	10-of-20	4-of-14
Fourth down conversions	2-of-2	0-of-1
Sacks by (number-yards)	1-10	2-20

**•Individual Statistics•**

**Rushing:** UB: Dwarte 25-150, Gordon 9-24, Freedy 8-(-7), Secky 2-(-16), Team 1-(-2). UC: Small 21-81, Henry 11-37, Benson 2-7, Orlovsky 1-(-10).  
**Passing:** UB: Freedy 20-36-0 218, Secky 3-5-0 19. UC: Henry 7-18-1 106, Orlovsky 0-4-2 0.  
**Receiving:** UB: Bradford 6-71, Bartoszek 4-40, McKine 3-31, Vargas 3-30, Knueven 3-25, Forde 2-30, Lindsay 2-10. UC: Hill 3-28, Wilson 1-54, Drayton 1-10, Ridley 1-7, Collins 1-7.  
**Time of game:** 3:06. **Attendance** – 16,517

**Team Per. Time**

CMU	1	6:30
CMU	1	2:01
CMU	2	11:50
CMU	2	0:00
UB	4	:45

**Scoring Play**

Mixon 20 run (Savich kick), 7-0
Savich 44 FG, 10-0
Savich 33 FG, 13-0
Savich 19 FG, 16-0
Bartoszek 32 pass from Freedy (Bartoszek pass), 16-8

**•Team Statistics•**

	Chippewas	Bulls
First downs	24	14
Rushing Attempts-Yards	65-285	24-42
Passing yards	139	194
Passing (C-A-I)	14-28-0	17-36-2
Offensive plays	93	60
Total net yards	424	236
Average gain per play	4.6	3.9
Fumbles (number-lost)	1-1	1-1
Penalties (number-yards)	11-83	7-50
Interceptions by (number-yards)	2-0	0-0
Number of Punts-Avg.	6-32.7	7-40.7
Punt returns-yards	4-13	1-19
Kickoff returns-yards	1-20	4-76
Possession time	35:33	24:27
Third down conversions	10-of-22	4-of-15
Fourth down conversions	1-of-2	0-of-0
Sacks by (number-yards)	6-40	1-9

**•Individual Statistics•**

**Rushing:** UB: Dwarte 17-75, Freedy 7-(-33). CMU: Jackson 29-123, Lawhorne 16-71, Mixon 9-70, Vickers 8-20, Parks 1-4, Team 2-(-3).  
**Passing:** UB: Freedy 17-36-2 194. CMU: Vickers 14-28-0 139.  
**Receiving:** UB: Forde 5-68, Bartoszek 4-71, Bradford 3-45, Dwarte 3-3, Knueven 2-7. CMU: Turner 6-63, Lawhorne 2-26, McKnight 2-22, Humphrey 2-9, Means 1-16, Hill 1-3.  
**Time of game:** 2:43. **Attendance** – 10,930



**BULLS AMONG THE MAC/NATIONAL LEADERS**

- **JOE FREEDY** •  
7th in the MAC in passing yards per game (155.0)
- **MARQUIS DWARTE** •  
T-4th in the MAC in scoring per game (4.5)
- **DALLAS PELZ** •  
T-6th in the MAC in field goals per game (.75)
- **LAMAR WILCHER** •  
T-2nd in the MAC in tackles for loss per game (2.0)
- **ANDRE FORDE** •  
T-6th in the MAC in punt return average (8.4)
- **SCOTT McMAHAN** •  
4th in the the MAC in punting average (39.9)
- **CRAIG ROHLFS** •  
8th in the MAC in kickoff return average (21.0)
- **BOBBY JOHNSON** •  
5th in the MAC in tackles per game (10.8)

**Bulls In the MAC Team Rankings**

- 1st in pass defense (133.8 ypg)
- 3rd in total defense – yards per game (328.8 ypg)
- 4th in net punting per attempt (34.6 ypk)
- 6th in passing offense per game (193.2 ypg)
- 6th in scoring defense per game (25.5 ppg)
- 7th in punt return average (8.4 ypr)
- 10th in rushing defense per game (195.0 ypg)
- T-12th in turnover margin per game (-0.75)
- 11th in kickoff return average (16.9 ypr)
- 12th in total offense per game (265.5 ypg)
- 12th in scoring offense per game (15.0 ppg)
- 13th in rushing offense per game (72.2 ypg)

**•BULLS-REDHAWKS STATISTICAL COMPARISON•**

	Buffalo	Miami
Points Per Game	15.0	20.3
Rushing Offense Per Game	72.3	175.8
Passing Offense Per Game	193.3	208.0
Total Offense Per Game	265.5	383.8
Rushing Defense Per Game	195.0	144.2
Passing Defense Per Game	133.8	199.5
Total Defense Per Game	328.8	343.8
Kickoff Return Average	16.9	21.3
Punt Return Average	8.4	7.9
Net Punting	34.6	30.4
Quarterback sacks-yards lost	5-39	6-45
Third Down Conversions	21-of-65	27-of-65
Third Down Percentage	32%	42%
Fourth Down Conversions	2-for-3	6-of-9
Fourth Down Percentage	66.7%	66.7%
Turnover Margin Per Game	-0.8	-0.8
Penalties-Yards	30-204	23-202
Penalty yards per game	51.0	50.5

**2001 UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS**

	Rutgers	Bowling Green	Connecticut	C. Michigan	Miami, OH	Marshall	Kent State	E. Michigan	Ohio	Army	Akron
<b>- Offense -</b>											
LT	Avery	Avery	Avery	Avery							
LG	<b>Hedges</b>	<b>Hedges</b>	<b>Hedges</b>	<b>Hedges</b>							
C	Weber	Weber	Weber	Weber							
RG	Zeppuhar	Zeppuhar	Zeppuhar	Zeppuhar							
RT	Mills	Mills	Mills	Mills							
TE	Bartoszek	Bartoszek	Bartoszek	Bartoszek							
SE	Forde	Forde	Forde	Forde							
FL	Lindsay	Lindsay	Bradford	Bradford							
TB	<b>Grundy</b>	<b>Grundy</b>	<b>Gordon</b>	Dwarte							
FB	-----	-----	Shaughnessy	-----							
QB	<b>Freedy</b>	<b>Freedy</b>	<b>Freedy</b>	<b>Freedy</b>							
TE	<b>Brereton</b>	-----	-----	-----							
SE	----	McKine	-----	Kneuen							
<b>- Defense-</b>											
DE	Guerra	Guerra	Geurra	Guerra							
NG	C. Johnson	<b>Dzvonick</b>	<b>Dzvonick</b>	<b>Dzvonick</b>							
DT	<b>O. Jordan</b>	<b>O. Jordan</b>	<b>O. Jordan</b>	<b>O. Jordan</b>							
DE	<b>Shelly</b>	<b>Shelly</b>	<b>Shelly</b>	<b>Shelly</b>							
OLB	<b>Williams</b>	<b>B. Jordan</b>	<b>Williams</b>	<b>Williams</b>							
MLB	Wilcher	Wilcher	Buttles	Buttles							
OLB	<b>B. Johnson</b>	<b>B. Johnson</b>	<b>B. Johnson</b>	<b>B. Johnson</b>							
CB	Lambert	Lambert	Lambert	Lambert							
CB	Graham	Graham	Graham	Graham							
SS	Gibson	Gibson	Gibson	Gibson							
FS	<b>Rohlfs</b>	<b>Rohlfs</b>	<b>Rohlfs</b>	<b>Rohlfs</b>							

Seniors indicated in **BOLD**



## Bulls Two-Deep

### •OFFENSE•

FL 86 – Zeke McKine <i>(So., 5-8, 156)</i>	82 – Dan Lindsay <i>(Jr., 5-11, 183)</i>	85 – Matt Kneuvan <i>(Fr., 6-2, 200)</i>
TE 88 – Chad Bartoszek <i>(Jr., 6-6, 250)</i>	47 – Mark Campanella <i>(So., 6-3, 244)</i>	89 – Jason Smalarz <i>(So., 6-4, 244)</i>
LT 78 – Andy Avery <i>(So., 6-6, 262)</i>	60 – John Nolan <i>(Sr., 6-3, 266)</i>	
LG 66 – Tim Hedges <i>(Sr., 6-6, 288)</i>	68 – Aaron McMickle <i>(Sr., 6-0, 272)</i>	
C 65 – Eric Weber <i>(R-Fr., 6-6, 291)</i>	64 – Kevin Dunn <i>(So., 6-2, 264)</i>	
RG 79 – Erik Zeppuhar <i>(R-Fr., 6-4, 264)</i>	71 – Brian Johnessee <i>(Sr., 6-7, 299)</i>	72 – Dan Minocchi <i>(R-Fr., 6-2, 270)</i>
RT 63 – Jeff Mills <i>(So., 6-6, 285)</i>	75 – Alex Alvarez <i>(Jr., 6-5, 290)</i>	
TB 28 – Marquis Dwart <i>(So., 5-6, 170)</i>	31 – Derrick Gordon <i>(Sr., 5-9, 202)</i>	32 – Albert Grundy <i>(Sr., 6-2, 231)</i>
FB 40 – Tom Shaughnessy <i>(So., 6-1, 231)</i>	31 – Derrick Gordon <i>(Sr., 5-9, 202)</i>	
QB 15 – Joe Freedy <i>(Sr., 6-3, 190)</i>	7 – Randall Secky <i>(R-Fr., 6-4, 215)</i>	
SE 81 – Andre Forde <i>(Jr., 6-0, 208)</i>	20 – Maurice Bradford <i>(Jr., 5-10, 172)</i>	6 – Ruben Vargas <i>(Sr., 5-9, 190)</i>

### •DEFENSE•

DE 38 – Chris Shelly <i>(Sr., 6-1, 227)</i>	56 – Anthony Andriano <i>(Fr., 6-2, 225)</i>	
DT 91 – Omari Jordan <i>(Sr., 6-6, 299)</i>	48 – Terrance Dawson <i>(So., 6-3, 265)</i>	
DT 96 – Bob Dzvonic <i>(Sr., 6-1, 284)</i>	94 – Craig Johnson <i>(R-Fr., 6-2, 296)</i>	
DE 37 – Jamie Guerra <i>(Jr., 6-3, 246)</i>	52 – Demetrius Austrum <i>(So., 6-2, 223)</i>	
OLB 99 – Duane Williams <i>(Sr., 6-3, 250)</i>	36 – Brandan Jordan <i>(Sr., 5-11, 214)</i>	
ILB 33 – Ryan Buttles <i>(Jr., 6-1, 218)</i>	4 – Lamar Wilcher <i>(So., 6-1, 230)</i>	44 – Rodney Morris <i>(R-Fr., 5-11, 226)</i>
OLB 10 – Bobby Johnson <i>(Sr., 6-1, 200)</i>	1 – Jason Coley <i>(Jr., 6-1, 200)</i>	
CB 2 – Mark Graham <i>(So., 6-1, 190)</i>	8 – Terek Henderson <i>(R-Fr., 5-7, 168)</i>	
SS 29 – J.J. Gibson <i>(R-Fr., 5-9, 178)</i>	22 – Youdlain Marcellus <i>(Jr., 5-10, 201)</i>	
FS 24 – Craig Rohlfis <i>(Sr., 5-11, 192)</i>	19 – Deonne McClelland <i>(Jr., 6-1, 195)</i>	
CB 35 – Mike Lambert <i>(Jr., 5-10, 196)</i>	12 – Darren Hicks <i>(R-Fr., 5-8, 161)</i>	

### •SPECIAL TEAMS•

P 11 – Scott McMahan <i>(Jr., 5-11, 170)</i>	5 – Dallas Pelz <i>(So., 6-0, 185)</i>	
PK 5 – Dallas Pelz <i>(So., 6-0, 185)</i>	18 – Michael Baker <i>(Fr., 5-11, 185)</i>	
KO 5 – Dallas Pelz <i>(So., 6-0, 185)</i>	18 – Michael Baker <i>(Fr., 5-11, 185)</i>	
HLD 15 – Joe Freedy <i>(Sr., 6-3, 190)</i>	7 – Randall Secky <i>(R-Fr., 6-4, 215)</i>	
SNP 51 – Kevin McCarthy <i>(Sr., 5-11, 209)</i>	24 – Craig Rohlfis <i>(Sr., 5-11, 192)</i>	
PR 81 – Andre Forde <i>(Jr., 6-0, 208)</i>	86 – Zeke McKine <i>(So., 5-8, 156)</i>	
KOR 81 – Andre Forde <i>(Jr., 6-0, 208)</i>	24 – Craig Rohlfis <i>(Sr., 5-11, 192)</i>	20 – Maurice Bradford <i>(Jr., 5-10, 172)</i>



## RedHawks Two-Deep

### •OFFENSE•

WR 80 – Jason Branch <i>(Jr., 6-6, 218)</i>	88 – Korey Kirkpatrick <i>(So., 6-1, 199)</i>
LT 78 – Joe Costello <i>(Sr., 6-6, 318)</i>	
LG 54 – Frank Smith <i>(So., 6-3, 285)</i>	61 – Dave Rehker <i>(Fr., 6-5, 285)</i>
C 77 – Paul Thaler <i>(Sr., 6-3, 292)</i>	54 – Frank Smith <i>(So., 6-3, 285)</i>
RG 73 – Phil Hawk <i>(Sr., 6-5, 321)</i>	64 – Ben Hartings <i>(Fr., 6-4, 275)</i>
RT 63 – Justin Smith <i>(Jr., 6-5, 290)</i>	71 – Ben Herrell <i>(So., 6-7, 299)</i>
TE 84 – Robert Frazier <i>(Sr., 6-4, 246)</i>	87 – Matt Brandt <i>(So., 6-5, 231)</i>
QB 7 – Ben Roethlisberger <i>(R-Fr., 6-5, 209)</i>	12 – Ryan Hawk <i>(So., 6-2, 193)</i>
RB 43 – Cal Murray <i>(So., 5-10, 190)</i>	25 – Steve Little <i>(Sr., 5-10, 207)</i>
WR 4 – Eddie Tillitz <i>(Jr., 5-9, 174)</i>	2 – Mike Iriti <i>(Fr., 6-0, 170)</i>
WR 13 – Chauncey Henry <i>(Jr., 6-1, 206)</i>	81 – Randy Stegman <i>(Jr., 5-10, 190)</i>

### •DEFENSE•

LE 92 – Bob Petrovic <i>(Sr., 6-5, 246)</i>	58 – Kurt Mester <i>(Jr., 6-4, 260)</i>
LT 96 – Gino DiGiandomenico <i>(Sr., 6-4, 277)</i>	52 – Will Rueff <i>(Fr., 6-4, 270)</i>
RT 56 – Ryan Terry <i>(Jr., 6-2, 327)</i>	95 – Adam Ward <i>(So., 6-3, 249)</i>
RE 57 – Phil Smith <i>(So., 6-1, 246)</i>	49 – Will Stanley <i>(So., 6-1, 239)</i>
OLB 17 – Matt Robillard <i>(Jr., 6-3, 220)</i>	29 – James Sterling <i>(So., 6-3, 233)</i>
MLB 3 – Terrell Jones <i>(So., 5-9, 210)</i>	51 – Cortt Cousino <i>(Jr., 5-10, 214)</i>
OLB 45 – Nathan Clayton <i>(So., 6-2, 240)</i>	21 – Eddie Price <i>(Jr., 5-11, 221)</i>
CB 18 – Milt Bowen <i>(Jr., 6-2, 206)</i>	22 – Ryan Sprague <i>(So., 5-10, 198)</i>
SS 19 – Matt Pusateri <i>(Fr., 5-11, 195)</i>	26 – Delvin Walls <i>(Jr., 5-8, 178)</i>
FS 5 – Rod Clark <i>(Sr., 5-8, 188)</i>	20 – Van Monroe <i>(Fr., 6-3, 180)</i>
CB 1 – Michael Adams <i>(Sr., 5-9, 177)</i>	9 – Alphonso Hodge <i>(Fr., 5-11, 194)</i>

### •SPECIAL TEAMS•

P 16 – Mike Wafzig <i>(Fr., 6-4, 220)</i>	7 – Ben Roethlisberger <i>(R-Fr., 6-5, 209)</i>
PK 36 – Andy Brumbergs <i>(Jr., 6-5, 226)</i>	26 – Jared Parseghian <i>(Fr., 5-10, 186)</i>
KO 36 – Andy Brumbergs <i>(Jr., 6-5, 226)</i>	26 – Jared Parseghian <i>(Fr., 5-10, 186)</i>
HLD 14 – J.D. Vonderheide <i>(So., 6-0, 180)</i>	12 – Ryan Hawk <i>(So., 6-2, 193)</i>
SNP 53 – Scott Sagehorn <i>(Jr., 6-3, 212)</i>	51 – Cortt Cousino <i>(Jr., 5-10, 214)</i>
PR 4 – Eddie Tillitz <i>(Jr., 5-9, 174)</i>	43 – Cal Murray <i>(So., 5-10, 190)</i>
KOR 18 – Milt Bowen <i>(Jr., 6-2, 206)</i>	88 – Korey Kirkpatrick <i>(So., 6-1, 199)</i>

## LONGEST PLAYS

### Longest Rushing Play:

1. 95 - Ed Malanowics vs. Hobart, Nov. 16, 1929 (TD)
2. 91 - Alan Bell vs Westminster, Sept. 22, 1990 (TD)
3. 3 players tied with runs of 87 yards

### Longest Passing Play:

1. 91 - Mark Taylor to Jamie Gasparre vs. Hofstra, Nov. 2, 1996 (TD)
2. 89 - Jim Rodriguez to Gary Quatrani vs. John Carroll, Sept. 15, 1979 (TD)
3. 87 - Mark Taylor to Kali Watkins vs. Maine Nov. 16, 1996 (TD)

### Longest Punt:

1. 86 - Dana Loucks vs. Frostburg State, Nov. 14, 1987  
David Anastasi vs. John Carroll, Sept. 2, 1989
2. 81- Bill Brogan vs. Cortland State, 1959
3. 79 - Gerald Carlson vs. Edinboro, Sept. 28, 1996

### Longest Field Goal:

1. 54 - Gerald Carlson vs. Edinboro, Sept. 28, 1996
2. 52 - Bernie Weber vs. Canisius, Oct. 8, 1983  
Gerald Carlson vs. Villanova, Oct. 30, 1995
3. 51 - Mark Mozrall vs. Youngstown State, Oct. 30, 1993

### Longest Interception Return:

1. 90 - Gerry LaFountain vs. Delaware, Nov. 6, 1965 (TD)
2. 89 - Bill Tipton vs. Lehigh, September 21, 1996 (TD)
3. 82 - Craig Rohlfvs vs. Rutgers, Aug. 30, 2001 (TD)

### Longest Punt Return:

1. 94 – Drew Haddad at Cornell, Oct. 3, 1998 (TD)
2. 82 – Drew Haddad at Liberty, Oct. 24, 1998 (TD)
3. 80 - Lou Corriere vs. Johns Hopkins, Nov. 23, 1946 (TD)

### Longest Kickoff Return:

1. 100 - Judd Rosengrant vs. Hobart, 1926 (TD)  
Chuck Daniels vs. Cortland, Sept. 22, 1956 (TD)
2. 95 - Jim Ryan vs. Villanova, Oct. 5, 1963 (TD)  
O.D. Underwood vs. Findlay, Sept. 5, 1987 (TD)

## THE LAST TIME

### Last Shutout:

Oct. 17, 1998 – Buffalo 47, Canisius 0

### Last Time Shutout:

Sept. 8, 2001 – Bowling Green 35, Buffalo 0

### Last Overtime Game:

Nov. 4, 2000 – vs. Kent State, 20-17 (win)

### Last Overtime Win:

Nov. 4, 2000 – vs. Kent State, 20-17 (win)

### Last Overtime Loss:

Oct. 24, 1998 – at Liberty, 27-24 (loss)

### Last Tie:

Oct. 8, 1977 – Buffalo 7, RIT 7

### Last Kickoff Returned for a Touchdown:

Oct. 14, 1989 – Alan Bell vs. Ithaca (88 yds)

### Last Punt Returned for a Touchdown:

Oct. 24, 1998 – Drew Haddad at Liberty (82 yards)

### Last Interception Returned for a Touchdown:

Aug. 30, 2001 – Craig Rohlfvs vs. Rutgers (82 yards)

### Last Fumble Returned for a Touchdown:

Sept. 13, 1997 – Londell Young vs. Delaware State (28 yards)

### Last 100 yd Rush Game:

Sept. 22, 2001 – Marquis Dwarte at Connecticut (150 yds, 25 atts)

### Last 200 yd Rush Game:

Sept. 21, 1996 – Anthony Swan vs. Lehigh (215 yards)

### Last 100 yd Receiving Game:

Nov. 4, 2000 – Andre Forde (158 yards); Dahnel Singfield (115 yards) vs. Kent State

### Last 200 yd Receiving Game:

Sept. 12, 1981– Joe D'Amico vs. Cortland St., (218 yards)

### Last 300 yd Passing Game:

Nov. 4, 2000 – Joe Freedy vs. Kent State (323 yards)

### Last 400 yd Passing Game:

Oct. 18, 1997 – Chad Salisbury vs. Massachusetts (459 yards)

### Last Defensive Two-Point Conversion:

Nov. 18, 1995 – Eric Lee vs. Boston University (102 yards)

### Last 50-Yard Plus Field Goal:

Sept. 28, 1996 – Gerald Carlson vs. Edinboro (54 yards)

## 2001 University at Buffalo Football Game-by-Game Statistical Leaders

Game/Result	Rushing	Passing	Receiving	Punting	FG's (Good as marked)	Defense
<b>Aug. 30 RUTGERS L, 31-15</b>	Grundy 13-51 Dwarte 7-32	Freedy 21-40-2 180 yards, 1 TD	Bartoszek 5-66 Forde 4-41 Lindsay 3-39, 1 TD	McMahan 11-429 39.0, (long 48)	Pelz 0-0 1-1 PAT's	Gibson (9-1 – 10) B. Johnson (6-1 – 7) Wilcher (5-1 – 6, 1 FR)
<b>Sept. 8 at Bowling Green L, 35-0</b>	Grundy 8-18 Dwarte 8-11	Secky 12-29-0 134 yards, 0 TD	Forde 4-33 Bradford 3-40 McKine 1-47	McMahan 9-351 39.0, (long 47)	Pelz 0-0 (34) 0-0 PAT's	Wilcher (6-6 – 12, 2 TFL) Rohlfs (5-5 – 10, 1 TFL) Gibson (5-4 – 9, 1 TFL)
<b>Sept. 22 at Connecticut W, 37-20</b>	Dwarte 25-150, 3 TDs Gordon 9-24	Freedy 20-36-0 218 yards, 1 TD	Bradford 6-71, 1 TD Bartoszek 4-40 McKine 3-31	McMahan 4-171 42.8, (long 60)	Pelz 3-3 (36, 32, 37) 4-4 PAT's	B. Johnson (3-7 – 10, 1 INT) Gibson (7-0 – 7) Buttles (6-0 – 6, 1 INT)
<b>Sept. 29 C. MICHIGAN L, 16-8</b>	Dwarte 17-75	Freedy 17-36-1 194 yards, 1 TD	Forde 5-68 Bartoszek 4-71, TD Bradford 3-45	McMahan 7-285 40.7, (long 47)	Pelz 0-2 (41, 40) 0-0 PATs	B. Johnson (8-9 – 17, 1 PD) Williams (7-5 – 12, 1 TFL) Rohlfs (8-3 – 11, 1 PD)
<b>Oct. 6 at Miami (OH) 2:00 pm</b>						
<b>Oct. 13 MARSHALL 1:00 pm</b>						
<b>Oct. 20 at Kent State 2:00 pm</b>						
<b>Oct. 27 at E. Michigan 1:00 pm</b>						
<b>Nov. 3 OHIO 1:00 pm</b>						
<b>Nov. 10 at Army 1:00 pm</b>						
<b>Nov. 17 AKRON 1:00 pm</b>						

### – 2001 Football Highlights –

The Bulls battled BIG EAST Rutgers before a UB Stadium record crowd of 22,658 fans in the home opener. Quarterback Joe Freedy went over 4,000 career passing yards in the game.

Buffalo broke an 18-game road losing streak and scored their first road win since rejoining the Division I-A ranks with a 37-20 win at Connecticut on 9/22. Tailback Marquis Dwarte rushed for 150 yards and three touchdowns and the Bulls scored 34 unanswered points to rally from a 13-3 halftime deficit in the victory.

Bobby Johnson accumulated 17 tackles in a 16-8 loss to Central Michigan, the most by a Buffalo player since Craig Guest set a school record with 29 vs. Maine on October 7, 1995.