



2000 UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO WEEKLY FOOTBALL RELEASE

• THIS WEEK'S GAME •

MIAMI (OH) (5-5, 3-2) AT BUFFALO (2-8, 2-3)

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Quick Facts

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SENIOR SALUTE AS BULLS WRAP 2000 SEASON: The University at Buffalo will say thanks and goodbye to many people who have helped to build the Bulls Division I-A program on Saturday in the season finale against Mid-American Conference rival Miami at UB Stadium.

It will be the final game in the Blue & White for 17 seniors as well as the end of the tenure of head coach Craig Cirbus, who has overseen UB's development from Division I-AA to Division I-A and two victories in the MAC this season. Cirbus will not have his contract renewed at the conclusion of the season.

The Bulls will try to bounce back from a 49-14 loss at Akron last Saturday, while the RedHawks of Miami were beaten 51-31 by Marshall in Huntington, WV.

Although the game will not play a part in the MAC playoff race, it is important for both teams. Buffalo seeks to finish .500 in the MAC East Division after going winless just one season ago. Miami, meanwhile, is hoping to finish above .500 for the seventh straight season dating back to 1993 (4-7).

The Bulls are 2-2 at home this season while Miami has lost four straight road games in 2000.

AKRON HANDLES DEPLETED BULLS: The University of Akron took advantage of a depleted and frustrated Buffalo team and scored a 49-14 Mid-American Conference football victory on Saturday night at the Rubber Bowl.

The Bulls played without four starters for most of the game and Akron took better advantage of first-half miscues to pull away from Buffalo late in the first half to improve to 5-5 and 4-1 in the MAC East

Division. Buffalo fell to 2-8 and 2-3 in the MAC East with the loss.

Already missing flanker **Zeke McKine (Hollywood, FL/McArthur)** and free safety **Craig Rohlf's (Cincinnati, OH/Moeller)**, the Bulls lost split end **Andre Forde (Penfield, NY/Penfield)** on the opening kickoff to a hip pointer and also played without defensive end **Jamie Guerra (Belle Vernon, PA/Belle Vernon)** for most of the game.

More than that, however, head coach

Craig Cirbus felt his team lost its composure and that led to several costly penalties and four turnovers.

"The number one thing that impacted everything was that we lost our poise," said Cirbus. "Now when you combine that with not having so many key players, you have the potential for bad news."

The news wasn't good early for the Bulls as Akron opened the scoring with a 71-yard drive in five plays capped by Brandon Payne scoring from seven yards

2000 Mid-American Conference Standings

East Division

Team	MAC Div.		MAC Overall		Overall		Strk
	W	L	W	L	W	L	
Marshall#	5	0	5	2	6	4	W-4
Akron	4	1	4	3	5	5	W-1
Miami	3	2	4	3	5	5	L-1
Ohio	3	2	4	3	6	4	W-1
Buffalo	2	3	2	5	2	8	L-1
Bowling Green	1	5	2	5	2	8	L-2
Kent State	0	5	1	6	1	9	L-4

West Division

Team	MAC Div.		MAC Overall		Overall		Strk
	W	L	W	L	W	L	
Toledo	4	1	5	1	9	1	W-6
Western Michigan	3	1	6	1	8	2	L-1
Eastern Michigan	2	2	2	4	3	7	W-2
Ball State	2	3	4	3	4	6	L-2
Northern Illinois	1	3	3	3	5	5	L-2
Central Michigan	1	3	2	5	2	8	W-1

Saturday's Games

Central Michigan @ N. Illinois, 1:05 pm

Miami @ Buffalo, 1:00 pm

E. Michigan @ W. Michigan, 1:00 pm

Connecticut at Ball State, 1:00 pm

Akron at Kent State, 2:00 pm

Marshall at Ohio, 4:00 pm

Saturday's Results

@ Toledo 31, Ball State 3

@ Central Michigan 21, W. Michigan 17

@ E. Michigan 39, N. Illinois 32

Ohio 23, @ Bowling Green 21

@ Akron 49, Buffalo 14

@ Marshall 51, Miami 31

(Idle – Kent State)

(MAC games in italics)



out. The Bulls, however, responded immediately as **Albert Grundy (Springfield, PA/Springfield)** capped a 14-play, 69-yard drive with a one-yard plunge to tie the score at 7-7 with 1:38 remaining in the first half.

After the Zips surged ahead 14-7, two key plays changed the game. After UB's **Duane Williams (Detroit, MI/Denby)** intercepted his second pass of the season to set up the Bulls at the Akron 43, the Zips recovered a fumble by Grundy on second down and increased their lead to 17-7 on a 35-yard field goal by Zac Derr. On Buffalo's next possession the Bulls drove to midfield before quarterback **Joe Freedy (Bethel Park, PA/Bethel Park)** was intercepted by All-MAC cornerback Dwight Smith who returned it 59 yards for the crucial touchdown to make it 24-7 Zips.

Akron would go on to score 39 unanswered points in all to clinch the contest and snap a three-game losing streak.

"We created some turnovers, which was encouraging," said Cirbus. "We get a big interception by Duane but give it right back on a good hit by Akron and that affected us. Later on the interception (by Smith) put the icing on the cake."

Freedy, without his top two targets of McKine and Forde for the game, struggled throughout. He completed just 9-of-26 passes for 100 yards and was sacked three times. Senior tight end

Brandon Shaughnessy (Stafford, NY/LeRoy) was Freedy's favorite target with three receptions for 44 yards.

The UB running game, however, had very impressive numbers led by the play of redshirt freshman **Marquis Dwarte (Baltimore, MD/Perry Hall)**. Dwarte had a career-best 24 carries for 163 yards and helped set up both UB scoring drives with strong runs. Grundy, meanwhile, scored a pair of touchdowns to bring his total to four on the season. Dwarte's 100-yard effort was the third time that UB has had a rusher go over 100 yards in a game and the Bulls' rushed for 243 yards on the game – their second-best effort of the season.

The UB defense was paced by senior safety **Tory Smith (Centereach, NY/Half Hollow East)** who had eight solo stops while senior linebacker **Marcus Cole (Buffalo, NY/Turner-Carroll)** had four solo stops and his first career interception. Redshirt freshman **Lamar Wilcher (Ossining, NY/Ossining)** had three tackles for loss.



Marquis Dwarte



Tory Smith

UB NAMES PERMANENT CAPTAINS: University at Buffalo head coach Craig Cirbus announced on Monday that his team had voted on permanent captains for the 2000 season after selecting weekly captains throughout the year.

The Bulls selected, on offense: senior tight end **Brandon Shaughnessy** and senior guard **Gabe Kogler** and on defense: senior linebackers **Marcus Cole** and **Chris Gray** and senior safety **Tory Smith**.

"Those players are indicative of the type of leadership, class and perseverance that embodied this team," said Cirbus. "They all have a great love for the game of football and care deeply about their teammates and this program."

BULLS RUNNING IN RIGHT DIRECTION: The Bulls' biggest improvement from start to finish this season has been in their running attack and that has resulted in the emergence of a pair of first-year Bulls: redshirt freshman **Marquis Dwarte (Baltimore, MD/Perry Hall)** and **Albert Grundy (Springfield, PA/Springfield)**.

Between the two, the Bulls have had a player over the 100-yard barrier in three of the last four games (Grundy twice and Dwarte once) and against Ball State nearly had both over the century mark.

Dwarte now leads UB with 445 yards rushing (4.4 average) and a touchdown,

• MAC Peps! Players of The Week •

Offensive Player of the Week: Walt Church (Eastern Michigan). Church led his team to an amazing comeback win, rallying the Eagles from a 32-12, fourth-quarter deficit for a 39-32 win over Northern Illinois. Church's 25-yard touchdown pass to Kevin Walter with 25 seconds remaining provided the winning points. For the game, Church completed a school record 36 passes out of 50 attempts for 372 yards and two touchdowns. Both of his scoring passes came in the final three minutes of the game. Church also became the fourth quarterback in league history to pass for over 9,000 career yards as he now has 9,002.

Defensive Player of the Week: Brian Leigeb (Central Michigan). Leigeb led a defensive charge that held Western Michigan to 17 points in a 21-17 CMU victory that snapped the Broncos' eight-game winning streak. Leigeb had 10 solo tackles and three assisted tackles and returned an interception 26 yards. The Chippewa defense held the Broncos, a team averaging 33 points a game, to just one offensive touchdown.

Special Teams Player of the Week: Raynald Ray (Ohio). Ray established Ohio season and career records for punt return yardage with his three punt returns for 56 yards at Bowling Green. His second-quarter, 41-yard return gave the Bobcats the ball at midfield. In all, Ray accounted for 135 all-purpose yards on 13 touches. Ray's records include single-season punt return yards (389) and career punt return yards (657).



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while Grundy has 391 yards (5.4 average) and four touchdowns.

The UB front five, from left tackle to right tackle, senior **David Pruce (Chardon, OH/Chardon)**, sophomore **Matt Baniewicz (Fairport, NY/Valley Forge Military)**, junior **John Nolan (Lenexa, KS/Shawnee Mission West)**, senior **Gabe Kogler (Hamburg, NY/Hamburg)**, and junior **Tim Hedges (Buffalo, NY/Kenmore East)**, have just gotten better and better as the season has progressed.

The Bulls, who didn't rush for over 140 yards in any of their first five games, have been over that figure in four of the last five games, including over 200 yards on two occasions.

Here is a number comparison:

UB Rushing Off.	Wks 1-5	Wks 6-10
Yds per game	50.4	177.4
Rushing TD's	1	6
100-yard rushers	0	3

A LOOK AT UB'S SENIOR CLASS: Seventeen Bulls will play their final game at UB Stadium and in the Blue & White against Miami. Here is a capsule look at each player:

• **Adolphus Barkor (Brooklyn, NY/Boys and Girls):** Unfortunately was not able to recover from double knee surgery during the winter and play during the 2000 season...key contributor during the 1998 and 1999 seasons when he started nine games and racked up 64 tackles and broke up seven passes.

• **Kulaa Bacheyie (LaSalle, Ontario/Sandwich Secondary):** A reliable backup throughout his career, Bacheyie was lost for the season before the Kent State game with a dislocated elbow. Bacheyie had seven tackles this season and 38 stops in his career, including three tackles for loss.

• **Noah Burroughs (Hempstead, NY/Hempstead):** Great special teams player since transferring from Nassau CC...great

athletic ability allowed him to move from defensive secondary to outside linebacker...has recorded 20 tackles, a sack, a fumble recovery and blocked a kick this year.

• **Marcus Cole (Buffalo, NY/Turner-Carroll):** Great two-year career since transferring from Alfred State College...leader on and off the field...has recorded 97 tackles in his career, including 15 tackles for loss, six sacks, an interception, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery...second on team in 2000 with four sacks and fourth in total tackles with 47.

• **Chris Gray (Frewsburg, NY/Frewsburg):** Emotional leader of UB defense who leads UB in both solo stops (53) and total tackles (87)...second on team in 2000 with 11 tackles for loss and has 15 TFL's in career...also has 3.5 sacks in career and four passes defensed...no one loves football more than Chris Gray.

• **Jason Hayden (Cheektowaga, NY/Maryvale):** Consistent and reliable backup who has seen action on both the offensive and defensive lines during his UB career...highlight of career was recovering a fumble that led to a score at

Lafayette (9/19/98) in UB road win.

• **Scott Keller (Amherst, NY/Amherst Central):** Four-year starter as UB's placekicker...with one PAT against Miami he would become UB's all-time leader in that category...ranks fourth all-time in field goals with 18 and seventh all-time in scoring with 124 points.

• **Gabe Kogler (Hamburg, NY/Hamburg Central):** Courageous performance this season as he has played the entire year with a torn ACL suffered during spring drills...part of offensive line that has helped Bulls average 313.6 yards of total offense and throw for nearly 2,000 yards in 2000...a three-year starter who spent previous three years at tight end and caught 16 passes for 201 yards.

• **Mike Masucci (Syracuse, NY/Christian Brothers Academy):** Four-year starter will leave UB as one of the best punters in school history...will finish career second in total punts, punting average and punting yardage...his 41.8 yard average this season is tops in school history...has had 41 kicks downed inside the 20-yard line in his career, including 11 this season...also had career-best 63-yard kick at Marshall this year.

• *Numbers of Note in Cirbus Era* •

	<i>1995-present</i>	<i>2000</i>
Playing at home	12-20	2-2
Playing on road	7-26	0-6
Playing on grass	16-33	2-4
Playing on turf	3-13	0-4
Leading at halftime	11-4	0-1
Trailing at halftime	6-40	2-7
Game tied at halftime	2-2	0-0
Winning turnover margin	12-6	0-0
Losing turnover margin	3-33	1-6
Even in turnover margin	4-7	1-2
Rushing for over 200 yards	10-7	0-2
Rushing for less than 200 yards	9-39	2-6
Passing for more than 200 yards	8-18	1-3
Passing for less than 200 yards	11-28	1-5



• **Joe McKoy (Jamestown, NY/Jamestown):** One of UB's Unsung Heroes, McKoy has played at both fullback and defensive end since transferring from Alfred State College...has started all 10 games this season despite breaking his hand in fall practices...has 22 tackles, including three for losses, this year.

• **Rob Meyer (Bay Village, OH/Bay Village):** Reliable backup at both guard and tackle throughout his career...has done whatever has been asked of him throughout his career.

• **Brandon Nishnick (Waterford, PA/Fort LeBoeuf):** Former walk-on who has been a special teams standout and solid backup at inside linebacker...has rung up 60 total tackles in his career, a sack, and five tackles for loss...named to 1998 District I Academic All-American team.

• **David Pruce (Chardon, OH/Chardon):** One of UB's most consistent performers and holder of UB's longest current starting streak...will start his 35th straight game versus Miami...twice named to District I Academic All-American team, including in 2000...part of offensive line that has helped Bulls average 313.6 yards of total offense and throw for nearly 2,000 yards in 2000.

• **Brandon Shaughnessy (Stafford, NY/LeRoy):** Emerged as one of UB's leaders in his final season and has played every game of his four-year career...has 21 receptions for 240 yards this season, with 13 of his catches going for first downs...superb blocker as well...UB's nominee for the MAC's **Vern Smith Award (MVP)** this year...has matched his career reception total this year alone and has 42 catches for 462 yards and a touchdown in his career...member of 2000 Verizon District I Academic All-American team.

• **Tory Smith (Centereach, NY/Half**

Hollow East): Has gotten better and better during his career...moved to safety this year and ranks second on the team with 73 tackles, including five for losses...tied for team lead with two interceptions...has started 27 games in his career, including all 10 this season...ranks seventh all-time in solo tackles with 121, including 49 this season...has accumulated 189 tackles in his career...school record holder in pass breakups in a game (4) and has 14 passes defended in his career.

• **Carlos Spencer (Buffalo, NY/South Park):** The consummate teammate and leader...will start his 33rd straight game against Miami...ranks ninth all-time in solo tackles with 118 and has made 173 stops in his career...has ranked among UB's top six tacklers over the past three years...ranks sixth this year with 41 tackles and has three pass breakups...a former walk-on who earned the respect of his teammates and coaches.

• **Theron Walker (Pickering, Ontario/Dunbarton HS):** Solid backup and special teams player for Bulls...has accumulated 452 yards rushing and has scored five touchdowns in his career.

RED CROSS REPORT: The Bulls are extremely banged up as they prepare for their final game of the season.

The Bulls will be without freshman flanker **Zeke McKine** and without free safety **Craig Rohlf**s, who are both suffering from shoulder separations.

In addition, sophomore split end **Andre Forde** (hip pointer), sophomore defensive end **Jamie Guerra** (shoulder/knee) and junior **Omari Jordan** (shoulder) are all questionable for the game. **Carlos Spencer (Buffalo, NY/South Park)** also left the Akron game with a shoulder and hip injury. He and **Jason Coley (Rochester, NY/Greece-Olympia)** (shoulder) are

both questionable for this week.

Here is a list of UB players that were lost for the 2000 season to injury this season:

<i>Player</i>	<i>Injury</i>
David Alabi*	Torn ACL
Adolphus Barkor	Knee surgery
Kulaa Bacheyie	Dislocated elbow
Chris Bonner*	Sprained knee
Terrance Dawson*	Shoulder surgery
Mark Campanella	Sprained knee
Zeke McKine	Shoulder separation
Craig Rohlfs	Shoulder separation
Josh Stello*	Torn ACL
Eric Weber*	Broken ankle
Vaughn Welch*	Torn ACL
*redshirt candidates	

KELLER CLOSING ON RECORD: Senior **Scott Keller (Amherst, NY/Amherst Central)** will take over the top spot all-time for career PAT's with one against Miami.

Keller has 70 PAT's in his career and needs just one to pass **Mark Mozrall** (1991-94).

FORDE ROLLS THROUGH FLASH SECONDARY: Sophomore split end **Andre Forde** set career bests against Kent State with 10 receptions for 158 yards.

Forde's 10 receptions are good for a tie for seventh place all-time for single-game receptions, while his 158 yards receiving were the most since **Drew Haddad** went for 166 yards through the air at Liberty University on October 24, 1998.

GRUNDY GRINDING UP YARDAGE: Junior running back **Albert Grundy (Springfield, PA/Springfield)** became the first Bull since **Derrick Gordon (Brooklyn, NY/August Martin)** against Central Michigan (10/9/99) to rush for multiple touchdowns in a game.

The transfer from Valley Forge Military Academy scored a pair of touchdowns at



Akron to bring his season total to four. Earlier this year, Grundy became the first UB player since **Josh Roth** last year (vs. Hofstra and Virginia) to go over 100 yards in back-to-back games. The 6-2, 230-pound Grundy ran for 106 yards on 11 carries against Ball State and then piled up a career-best 173 yards on 18 carries at Northern Illinois.

Grundy's 173 yards were the most since all-time leading rusher **Anthony Swan** ran for 216 yards at Lehigh back in 1996.

Grundy's 173 yards also rank as the 10th-best total in school history for a single game.

DUANE DOES IT AGAIN: Junior outside linebacker **Duane Williams (Detroit, MI/Denby)** is having an All-MAC caliber year and is climbing up the single-season defensive statistical chart in a few categories.

Williams currently is first in the MAC in sacks and third in tackles for loss with 12. The junior from Detroit is now tied for fourth all-time in sacks in a season and tied for fifth in tackles for loss (14).

SCOUTING THE REDHAWKS: Like Akron last week, the Bulls face a team that has had its share of ups and downs this season in Miami.

The RedHawks are looking to avoid their first losing season since 1993 and are coming off of a 51-31 loss at Marshall. Miami opened the season very strongly with wins at Vanderbilt and Eastern Michigan and lost just 27-16 to Ohio State. Since then, however, the RedHawks have lost four of seven.

RedHawk bullet points:

- Miami quarterback **Mike Bath** is questionable for Saturday's game with a sprained knee suffered last week against Marshall. Bath is the catalyst for Miami, averaging 231.1 yards passing per game – second in the

conference. Bath has mirrored the team this year in that he has been up and down at times, completing just 49.6% of his passes with 13 touchdowns and 13 interceptions. If he can't go, senior **John Schacke** has more experience than freshman **Ryan Hawk**.

- Senior flanker **Sly Johnson** is one of the top big play receivers in the MAC with 37 receptions for 620 yards (16.8 per catch) and five touchdowns. **Ty Buxton** (42 receptions, 511 yards) and **Eddie Tillitz** (39 receptions, 387 yards) are also highly-productive receivers.
- **Steve Little** leads the RedHawk rushers with 764 yards on 154 carries (5.0 average) and has scored six touchdowns. Little has been over 100 yards rushing in four of his last six outings and had 103 yards at Marshall.
- Linebacker **Matt Robillard** leads the Miami defense with 95 tackles, while defensive end **Brian Potter** is among the MAC leaders in sacks with 7.5. All-MAC defensive tackle candidate **Andy Aracri** also has 4.0 sacks and is a force in the middle.
- Miami boasts excellent special teams as kicker **Andy Brumberg** and punter **Kent McCullough** are among the MAC's best. Brumberg has converted 11-of-15 field goals, including 3-of-4 from 40-49 yards while McCullough ranks second in the MAC with a 42.5 yard punt average and has had 12 downed inside the 20-yard line.

BULLS-REDHAWKS MEET FOR THIRD TIME:

This will be the third meeting between Miami and Buffalo, but the first time the RedHawks have ever played in Buffalo.

Miami has claimed both of the other games by a combined score of 70-7, including a 43-0 shutout victory to end the 1999 season.

The all-time series year-by-year:

<i>Year (Site)</i>	<i>Winner, Score</i>	<i>Series</i>
1951 (Oxford)	Miami, 27-7	MU, 1-0
1999 (Oxford)	Miami, 43-0	MU, 2-0

REDHAWKS THREW SHUTOUT IN '99: The University at Buffalo football team ran into a buzzsaw as Miami University defeated the Bulls, 43-0, in a Mid-American Conference game to close the 1999 regular season.

Senior quarterback **Mike Bath** threw three first-half touchdown passes as Miami raced to a 33-0 halftime lead and was never threatened in the game. Bath threw for 236 of his 257 yards in the game in the first half and the RedHawks capitalized on four Buffalo turnovers in the game.

Miami finished its season 7-4 while the Bulls ended their first year back in Division I-A in 29 years with an 0-11 record.

The RedHawks jumped all over Buffalo, scoring on their second possession on an 84-yard pass from Bath to **Trevor Gaylor**. On the ensuing kickoff, the Bulls were trapped in their end zone and allowed a safety to make it, 9-0. When Heisman Trophy candidate **Travis Prentice** went 49 yards for a score with 7:56 remaining in the first quarter the rout was on.

Prentice finished the game with 29 carries for 163 yards and the one score. The Buffalo defense did a respectable job against the reigning MAC Most Valuable Player, limiting him to just one touchdown in the game. Prentice was the NCAA Division I-A all-time leader in touchdowns scored after passing Texas' Ricky Williams earlier this season.

The Bulls never got untracked offensively and couldn't finish several long drives. The Bulls were inside the Miami 30-yard line four times but were unable to get any points on the board. A pair of seniors went out in fine fashion for the Bulls as fullback **Josh Roth** and **Drew**



Haddad had big games.

Roth had 12 carries for 64 yards in the game while Haddad finished with 184 all-purpose yards. Haddad had five punt returns for 72 yards, 10 receptions for 100 yards and one carry for 12 yards.

Defensively, **Dan Curcione** had a season-high eight tackles to lead the Bulls. Safety **Jeff Lawrence** added seven tackles for the Bulls.

The RedHawk defense was overwhelming throughout the game and finished with a season-high eight quarterback sacks.

FORDE CONTINUES TOUCHDOWN DRIVE:

Sophomore split end **Andre Forde (Penfield, NY/Penfield)** has a new nickname: the Cris Carter of the MAC.

Carter, the future Hall-of-Famer of the Minnesota Vikings, earned his fame for the slogan, "all he does is catch touchdowns."

Forde has now earned that reputation with the Bulls. Forde got to the end zone in five straight games this season, a figure unmatched by any UB player since the Bulls' return to Division I competition in 1993.

Forde continues to show an incredible ability at getting in the end zone. In his two-year career, Forde has now caught 44 passes of which eight of them have gone for touchdowns (or one in every 5.5 receptions). This year, his average is even better with six TD catches on 32 receptions (1:5.3 catches).

SINGFIELD HAS FIRST MULTIPLE TD GAME:

Junior flanker **Dahnel Singfield** played the finest all-around game of his career against Kent State and scored two touchdowns for the first time in his career.

Singfield had six receptions for 115 yards receiving, three carries for five yards and a TD on the ground and also

returned three punts for 38 yards. In all, he had 158 all-purpose yards.

SOMETHING IN THE NUMBER 15? Junior quarterback **Joe Freedy** is beginning to etch his name into the UB record book and further into the lore of quarterbacks who have worn the number 15 at UB.

Freedy follows a long line of UB quarterbacks who have worn the #15, many with great results. The first was **Gordon Bukaty**(1958-60) who set the all-time offensive record with 2,493 net yards and helped UB to the Lambert Cup in 1958. His records were later rewritten by future NFL quarterback "Long" **John Stofa** (1961-63), who went on to play with the Miami Dolphins and Cincinnati Bengals.

Back in 1996, when the Bulls went 8-3 and gained their first national ranking as a Division I team (then as a I-AA entry), **Mark Taylor** led the Bulls at quarterback.

Freedy is now putting himself in those players' company as he is already among UB's career leaders in attempts (5th, 615), completions (5th, 324), yards (5th, 3,716), total offense (7th, 3,393) and touchdowns (7th, 21) as a junior.

Freedy's three touchdowns against Ball State (10/21) matched his career high and his 13 touchdown tosses this season ranks tied for sixth all-time for a single season. The school record is held by **Marty Barrett** with 18 in 1983.

Here's a look at where Freedy's numbers stand this season and in his career:

Pass Category	2000	Career
Attempts	4th/316	5th/615
Completions	3rd/173	5th/324
Yards	8th/1,941	5th/3,716
Comp. Pct.	6th/54.7	5th/52.7
Touchdowns	T-6th/13	7th/21
Total Offense	10th/1,757	6th/3,393

SHAUGHNESSY IS MR. FIRST DOWN: Tight end **Brandon Shaughnessy (Stafford, NY/**

LeRoy) is quietly having a very solid senior season and is very efficient at moving the chains.

Shaughnessy has caught 21 passes for 240 yards on the season and has seen 13 of his 21 receptions (61.9%) go for first downs.

STREAKING BULLS: The following UB players put streaks on the line on Saturday:

Senior tight end **Brandon Shaughnessy** has caught a pass in 11 straight games.

Senior tackle **David Puce** has started 34 straight games for the Bulls.

Senior cornerback **Carlos Spencer (Buffalo, NY/South Park)** has started 32 straight games.

STATISTICAL TRENDS IN 2000: Some interesting statistical tidbits after nine weeks of the 2000 season:

Middle quarter blues. The Bulls are being outscored by a margin of 290-68 in the second and third quarters this season.

*Spreading it around:*Last year, current Buffalo Bill **Drew Haddad** caught 52% of the passes the Bulls threw. This year, UB is really spreading its passing game out, with 15 players catching passes this year, including seven players who have 10 or more catches this season.

*Getting in the backfield:*Last season the Bulls recorded 67 tackles for loss for the entire season and just 12 sacks. So far in 2000, the Bulls have already registered 22 sacks and 82 tackles for loss. The Bulls are led by **Duane Williams (Detroit, MI/Denby)** (14 tackles for loss) and **Chris Gray (Frewsburg, NY/Frewsburg)**, who has 11 tackles for loss.

BULLS BLOCKING KICKS: Since Craig Cirbus' arrival at UB in 1995, the Bulls'



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special teams have been among the nation's best in blocking kicks.

That trend has continued this season, with UB already blocking two punts this year, and deflecting two others.

Against Ball State, UB blocked a PAT that nearly made the difference in the game.

Since 1995, the Bulls have blocked 28 total kicks, including 11 in Cirbus' first season.

CAREER BESTS VS. AKRON: The following Bulls posted career-best totals against Akron:

Player	Career Best
Marquis Dwarto	163 yds rushing
Rob Barber	2 rec., 18 yards
Marcus Cole	1st career interception

BULLS SET SCHOOL RECORD FOR SACKS IN WIN OVER BG: The UB defense saw a pair of sack records fall in its first-ever MAC win against Bowling Green on Sept. 23.

Duane Williams (Detroit, MI/Denby) earned the MAC's Defensive Player of the Week award after posting a school-record four sacks, while as a team the Bulls had seven sacks in the game, another all-time best.

Williams shattered the record held by **Vince Canosa**, who had 3.5 sacks against Buffalo State on October 16, 1993.

NEW LOOK OFFENSIVE LINE: The Bulls' offensive line has gone from the most experienced in the country in 1999 (with over 150 career starts) to one of the least experienced in the MAC.

Senior *David Pruce (Chardon, OH/Chardon)* is the only lineman to have started a game on the offensive line heading into this season. Pruce has the longest current starting streak on the team, having started 33 straight games

dating back to 1997.

EXCELLING IN THE CLASSROOM: The UB football program continues to excel in the classroom as the Bulls currently have 10 players with a cumulative GPA over 3.0 and have averaged over 30 players per semester over that mark. The list:

Player	GPA
Andy Avery	3.59
Marquis Dwarto	3.24
Andre Forde	3.34
Ron Gannello	3.20
Mike Gaydosz	3.13
Alex Lazo	3.55
Jeff Mills	3.66
David Pruce	3.53
Brandon Shaughnessy	3.24
Jason Smalarz	3.36

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

The games can also be heard over the internet by going to UB's website (buffalobulls.com).

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

In addition, for the sixth consecutive season, head coach Craig Cirbus will join Assistant Athletic Director Paul Vecchio for *Bulls Football Focus* on the Empire Sports Network. The show will air this year on Tuesday nights at 9:00 pm on Empire Sports Network.

UB's final home game versus Miami will air on tape delay on Adelphia. That game will feature **Brian Blessing** and **Mark Collins** on the call with **Gary Pufpaff** handling sideline duties. The

remaining Adelphia schedule:

Game	Replay Date/Time
Miami, OH	11/19 (1:00 pm, 8:30 pm)

THE COACHING MATCHUP: The Bulls are coached by Craig Cirbus (Buffalo, '80) in his sixth year as head coach after spending 11 seasons as an assistant for legendary Joe Paterno at Penn State.

Cirbus has a 19-46 career record and earned NCAA Division I-AA Independent Coach of the Year honors after leading UB to an 8-3 record in 1996 – UB's first winning season in over a decade.

Terry Hoepfner is in his second season at Miami after taking over for Randy Walker, currently at Northwestern. Hoepfner has a career mark of 12-9 and was previously the defensive coordinator for the RedHawks. He is a 1969 graduate of Franklin College.

STILL LOOKING FOR PAYDIRT ON KICKOFF RETURN: The Bulls have gone 120 straight games without returning a kickoff for a score.

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

BULLS AGAINST THE MAC: The Bulls currently have an all-time record of 12-28 against the MAC. The breakdown: Akron (0-2), Ball State (0-3), Bowling Green (1-0), Central Michigan (0-1), Eastern Michigan (0-0), Kent State (5-4), Marshall (1-4), Miami, OH (0-2), Northern Illinois (1-3), Ohio University (2-5), Toledo (2-3) and Western Michigan (0-1).

The Bulls do not play Toledo, Eastern, Central or Western Michigan this season.



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• GAME RECAP – WEEK 10 •

AKRON 49, BUFFALO 14
NOVEMBER 11, 2000 • RUBBER BOWL
AKRON, OH

•Scoring Summary•

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Buffalo	7	0	7	0	14
Akron	7	24	15	3	49

Team Per. Time

UA	1	8:23
UB	1	1:38
UA	2	13:16
UA	2	6:22
UA	2	3:32
UA	2	1:10
UA	3	12:48
UA	3	10:40
UB	3	8:49
UA	4	13:31

Scoring Play

Payne 7 run (Derr kick), 7-0
Grundy 1 run (Keller kick), 7-7
Zuercher 1 pass from Washington (Derr kick), 14-7
Derr 35 FG, 17-7
Smith 59 interception return (Derr kick), 24-7
McCray 29 run (Derr kick), 31-7
Bailey 21 pass from Washington (Zuercher pass), 39-7
Schifino 85 pass from Washington (Derr kick), 46-7
Grundy 2 run (Keller kick), 46-14
Derr 41 FG, 49-14

•Team Statistics•

	Bulls	Zips
First downs	22	22
Rushing Attempts-Yards	54-243	42-241
Passing yards	100	287
Passing (C-A-I)	9-26-1	12-25-2
Offensive plays	80	67
Total net yards	343	528
Average gain per play	4.3	7.9
Fumbles (number-lost)	4-3	0-0
Penalties (number-yards)	6-82	12-120
Interceptions by (number-yards)	2-20	1-59
Number of Punts-Avg.	4-38.2	2-39.0
Punt returns-yards	2-17	1-8
Kickoff returns-yards	9-171	1-28
Possession time	33:41	26:19
Third down conversions	6-of-17	4-of-11
Fourth down conversions	1-of-4	0-of-1
Sacks by (number-yards)	0-0	3-18

•Individual Statistics•

Rushing: UB: Dwarte 24-163, Grundy 11-32, Singfield 3-23, Brereton 4-20, Gordon 4-18, Jackson 2-6, McDonald 1-(-1), Freedy 3-(-18). UA: T. McCray 4-89, Payne 11-41, Basch 4-29, Hendry 2-25, Ruhlin 4-21, Gray 11-18, Washington 3-11, R. McCray 2-6, Zuercher 1-1.

Passing: UB: Freedy 9-23-1 100. UA: Washington 12-24-2 287, Faler 0-1-0.

Receiving: UB: Shaughnessy 3-44, Singfield 2-25, Barber 2-18, Lindsay 1-9, Broccuto 1-4. UA: Bailey 5-111, Schifino 4-136, Payne 1-20, Ritley 1-19, Zuercher 1-1.

Time of game: 3:07. **Attendance** – 5,132

• GAME RECAP – WEEK 9 •

BUFFALO 20, KENT STATE 17 (OT)
NOVEMBER 4, 2000 • UB STADIUM
AMHERST, NY

•Scoring Summary•

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Kent State	0	10	0	7	0	17
Buffalo	0	7	7	3	3	20

Team Per. Time

KSU	2	12:37
UB	2	9:50
KSU	2	:42
UB	3	2:02
KSU	4	14:49
UB	4	0:00
UB	OT	15:00

Scoring Play

Valentino 4 run (Pavich kick), 7-0
Singfield 4 run (Keller kick), 7-7
Pavich 28 FG, 10-7
Singfield 32 pass from Freedy (Keller kick), 10-14
Curry 18 pass from Valentino (Pavich kick), 17-14
Keller 22 FG, 17-17
Keller 38 FG, 17-20

•Team Statistics•

	Golden Flashes	Bulls
First downs	17	24
Rushing Attempts-Yards	39-108	50-73
Passing yards	185	323
Passing (C-A-I)	18-31-1	23-36-1
Offensive plays	70	86
Total net yards	293	396
Average gain per play	4.2	4.6
Fumbles (number-lost)	0-0	0-0
Penalties (number-yards)	10-58	3-14
Interceptions by (number-yards)	1-12	1-0
Number of Punts-Avg.	8-37.4	5-40.0
Punt returns-yards	2-14	3-38
Kickoff returns-yards	3-109	4-80
Possession time	24:22	35:38
Third down conversions	6-of-17	6-of-17
Fourth down conversions	1-of-1	1-of-3
Sacks by (number-yards)	6-39	3-14

•Individual Statistics•

Rushing: UB: Dwarte 16-42, Grundy 18-38, Brereton 5-17, Singfield 3-5, Gordon 1-2, Freedy 7-(-31). KSU: Murphy 18-75, Vann 10-43, Lundy 3-2, Moore 1-(-5), Valentino 7-(-7).

Passing: UB: Freedy 23-36-1 323. KSU: Valentino 18-30-1 185, Lundy 0-1-0.

Receiving: UB: Forde 10-158, Singfield 6-115, McKine 2-13, Grundy 2-2, Dwarte 1-26, Gordon 1-5, Shaughnessy 1-4. KSU: Kelly 5-45, Curry 4-65, Quinn 4-40, Shoemaker 3-21, Moore 1-8, Buckosh 1-6.

Time of game: 3:25. **Attendance** – 7,131



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• GAME RECAP – WEEK 8 •

NORTHERN ILLINOIS 73, BUFFALO 10
OCTOBER 28, 2000 • HUSKIE STADIUM
DEKALB, IL

•Scoring Summary•

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Buffalo	0	0	3	7	10
Northern Illinois	17	28	14	14	73

Team	Per. Time	Scoring Play
NIU	1 13:13	Hammock 13 run (Azar kick), 7-0
NIU	1 9:21	McCareins 15 pass from Finlen (Azar kick), 14-0
NIU	1 4:01	Azar 26 FG, 17-0
NIU	2 13:39	McCareins 22 pass from Finlen (Azar kick), 24-0
NIU	2 5:15	Hammock 1 run (Azar kick), 31-0
NIU	2 2:58	Urban 2 run (Azar kick), 38-0
NIU	2 :40	McCareins 2 pass from Urban (Azar kick), 45-0
UB	3 12:57	Keller 40 FG, 45-3
NIU	3 11:22	Urban 3 run (Azar kick), 52-3
NIU	3 8:16	Turner 5 run (Azar kick), 59-3
UB	4 13:31	Bartoszek 23 pass from Gaydosz (Keller kick), 59-10
NIU	4 12:01	Lanum 38 run (Azar kick), 66-10
NIU	4 8:17	Lanum 3 run (Azar kick), 73-10

•Team Statistics•

	Bulls	Huskies
First downs	12	33
Rushing Attempts-Yards	30-174	54-286
Passing yards	107	360
Passing (C-A-I)	9-29-4	21-32-0
Offensive plays	59	86
Total net yards	281	646
Average gain per play	4.8	7.5
Fumbles (number-lost)	2-0	2-0
Penalties (number-yards)	13-95	4-34
Interceptions by (number-yards)	0-0	4-1
Number of Punts-Avg.	7-39.7	2-27.0
Punt returns-yards	0-0	2-49
Kickoff returns-yards	9-160	3-121
Possession time	25:29	34:31
Third down conversions	3-of-13	8-of-13
Fourth down conversions	1-of-2	1-of-2
Sacks by (number-yards)	1-8	0-0

•Individual Statistics•

Rushing: UB: Grundy 18-173, Gordon 7-14, Dwarte 6-5, Walker 2-1, Jackson 1-1, Team 1-(-20). NIU: Hammock 23-147, Lanum 5-45, Turner 14-43, Pery 1-20, Scaramella 4-15, McCareins 1-9, Thomas 2-9, Urban 2-5, Finlen 2-(-7)
Passing: UB: Freedy 5-13-4 51, Gaydosz 4-16-0 56. NIU: Finlen 13-18-0 223, Urban 7-11-0 122, Harmon 3-1-0 15.
Receiving: UB: Singfield 4-37, Shaughnessy 1-25, Bartoszek 1-23, McKine 1-15, Lindsay 1-6, Grundy 1-1. NIU: McCareins 10-151, Pery 7-132, Archie 1-42, Pugh 1-15, Turner 1-14, Reed 1-6.
Time of game: 3:20. **Attendance** – 16,586

• GAME RECAP – WEEK 7 •

BALL STATE 44, BUFFALO 35
OCTOBER 21, 2000 • UB STADIUM
AMHERST, NY

•Scoring Summary•

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Ball State	14	21	6	3	44
Buffalo	7	0	14	14	35

Team	Per. Time	Scoring Play
UB	1 13:26	Forde 37 pass from Freedy (Keller kick), 7-0
BSU	1 7:10	Merriweather 1 run (Langford kick), 7-7
BSU	1 3:26	Manley 39 blocked punt return (Lanford kick), 14-7
BSU	2 12:37	Streit 8 pass from Hill (Langford kick), 21-7
BSU	2 6:55	Merriweather 10 run (Langford kick), 28-7
BSU	2 :19	Westbrook 27 pass from Hill (Langford kick), 35-7
UB	3 11:16	Freedy 1 run (Keller kick), 35-14
BSU	3 3:22	Schembra 43 pass from Hill (Langford kick), 41-14
UB	3 2:18	McKine 20 pass from Freedy (Keller kick), 41-21
UB	4 13:49	McKine 48 pass from Freedy (Keller kick), 41-28
UB	4 6:40	Grundy 2 run (Keller kick), 41-35
BSU	4 1:11	Langford 21 FG, 44-35

•Team Statistics•

	Cardinals	Bulls
First downs	24	21
Rushing Attempts-Yards	57-192	44-252
Passing yards	248	172
Passing (C-A-I)	13-18-0	14-24-1
Offensive plays	75	68
Total net yards	440	424
Average gain per play	5.9	6.2
Fumbles (number-lost)	3-2	1-1
Penalties (number-yards)	3-49	2-19
Interceptions by (number-yards)	1-7	0-0
Number of Punts-Avg.	4-30.0	3-31.0
Punt returns-yards	2-60	2-73
Kickoff returns-yards	3-49	7-107
Possession time	33:57	26:03
Third down conversions	2-of-10	5-of-13
Fourth down conversions	1-of-2	1-of-5
Sacks by (number-yards)	0-0	4-32

•Individual Statistics•

Rushing: UB: Grundy 11-106, Dwarte 20-93, Brereton 3-24, Smith 1-11, Jackson 1-8, Freedy 1-8, Gordon 2-(-1), Forde 1-(-3), Team 1-10. BSU: Merriweather 30-178, Jones 12-19, Conn 1-3, Hill 12-(-5), Team 2-(-3).
Passing: UB: Freedy 14-24-1 172. BSU: Hill 13-18-0 248.
Receiving: UB: Dwarte 4-9, McKine 3-78, Forde 2-51, Shaughnessy 2-18, Jackson 1-6, Lindsay 1-5, Grundy 1-5. BSU: Schembra 8-181, Westbrook 2-38, Eckert 1-11, Lynch 1-10, Streit 1-8.
Time of game: 3:17. **Attendance** – 13,064



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• GAME RECAP – WEEK 6 •

OHIO 42, BUFFALO 20

OCTOBER 7, 2000 • PEDEN STADIUM

ATHENS, OH

•Scoring Summary•

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Buffalo	7	0	0	13	20
Ohio	7	14	14	7	42

Team Per. Time

OU	1	3:22
UB	1	:33
OU	2	11:06
OU	2	1:36
OU	3	11:29
OU	3	5:19
OU	4	12:20
UB	4	4:47
UB	4	:28

Scoring Play

Mohler 40 pass from Jackson (Kerr kick), 7-0
 Forde 61 pass from Freedy (Keller kick), 7-7
 Patterson 5 run (Kerr kick), 14-7
 R. Ray 20 run (Kerr kick), 21-7
 Brinker 5 run (Kerr kick), 28-7
 Brinker 1 run (Kerr kick), 35-7
 R. Ray 39 pass from F. Ray (Kerr kick), 42-7
 Grundy 4 run (Keller kick), 42-14
 Walker 6 pass from Freedy (kick failed), 42-20

•Team Statistics•

	Bulls	Bobcats
First downs	22	25
Rushing Attempts-Yards	46-145	62-367
Passing yards	262	109
Passing (C-A-I)	17-31-1	4-8-1
Offensive plays	77	70
Total net yards	407	476
Average gain per play	5.3	6.8
Fumbles (number-lost)	3-3	2-0
Penalties (number-yards)	5-49	6-52
Interceptions by (number-yards)	1-48	1-18
Number of Punts-Avg.	4-48.0	1-52.0
Punt returns-yards	1-6	4-35
Kickoff returns-yards	7-103	2-36
Possession time	30:23	29:37
Third down conversions	5-of-15	5-of-9
Fourth down conversions	4-of-5	0-of-2
Sacks (number-yards)	0-0	4-36

•Individual Statistics•

Rushing: UB: Dwarto 18-87, Walker 9-39, Grundy 9-34, Gordon 4-20, Brereton 1-1, Freedy 5-(-31). OU: Jackson 14-139, Brinker 15-73, Sherrill 10-57, Patterson 13-50, R. Ray 4-44, Rozzoni 1-9, Logan 2-7, F. Ray 3-(-12).
Passing: UB: Freedy 17-31-1 262. OU: Jackson 1-5-1 40, F. Ray 3-3-0 69.
Receiving: UB: Grundy 4-35, Forde 3-85, McKine 3-75, Singfield 2-22, Shaughnessy 2-15, Barber 1-13, Lindsay 1-11, Walker 1-6. OU: Gandy 2-30, Mohler 1-40, Ray 1-39.

Time of game: 3:11. **Attendance** – 17,634

• GAME RECAP – WEEK 5 •

MARSHALL 47, BUFFALO 14

SEPTEMBER 30, 2000 • MARSHALL STADIUM

HUNTINGTON, WV

•Scoring Summary•

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Buffalo	0	14	0	0	14
Marshall	7	10	21	9	47

Team Per. Time

MU	1	1:21
UB	2	9:22
MU	2	6:08
UB	2	5:47
MU	2	:26
MU	3	8:30
MU	3	1:00
MU	3	0:00
MU	4	13:28
MU	4	10:11

Scoring Play

Foye 53 pass from Leftwich (Jenkins kick), 7-0
 Singfield 18 pass from Freedy (Keller kick), 7-7
 Rodgers 1 run (Jenkins kick), 14-7
 Forde 72 pass from Freedy (Keller kick), 14-14
 Jenkins 36 FG, 17-14
 Watts 61 pass from Leftwich (Jenkins kick), 24-14
 Wallace 1 run (Jenkins kick), 31-14
 Washington 3 pass fro Leftwich (Jenkins kick), 38-14
 Tisdale safety, blocked punt out of end zone, 40-14
 Washington 90 pass from Galbraith (Jenkins kick), 47-14

•Team Statistics•

	Bulls	Thundering Herd
First downs	10	26
Rushing Attempts-Yards	25-6	46-148
Passing yards	186	483
Passing (C-A-I)	15-28-1	28-41-2
Offensive plays	53	87
Total net yards	192	631
Average gain per play	3.6	7.3
Fumbles (number-lost)	2-1	0-0
Penalties (number-yards)	4-26	14-191
Interceptions by (number-yards)	2-56	1-39
Number of Punts-Avg.	10-36.1	3-44.7
Punt returns-yards	1-5	4-33
Kickoff returns-yards	6-103	4-56
Possession time	24:19	35:32
Third down conversions	2-of-13	4-of-14
Fourth down conversions	0-of-1	1-of-4
Sacks (number-yards)	2-21	2-11

•Individual Statistics•

Rushing: UB: Dwarto 8-17, Jackson 3-17, Brereton 2-7, Gordon 4-3, Gaydosz 1-(-4), Barber 1-(-13), Freedy 6-(-21). MU: Rodgers 16-49, Carey 5-46, Watts 3-32, Wallace 6-18, Spearman 1-5, Coke 6-1, Pertee 2-1, Galbraith 1-(-1), Leftwich 6-(-3).
Passing: UB: Freedy 15-28-1 186. MU: Leftwich 25-36-2 378, Galbraith 3-5-0 105.
Receiving: UB: Singfield 4-61, Gordon 3-(-5), Forde 2-84, McKine 2-9, Shaughnessy 1-17, Dwarto 1-14, Barber 1-3, Brereton 1-3. MU: Washington 7-143, Foye 4-97, Watts 3-91, Cooper 3-47, Poole 3-34, Rodgers 2-26, Jones 2-15, Kellett 2-14, Carey 1-9, Wallace 1-7.
Time of game: 3:18. **Attendance** – 29,089



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• GAME RECAP – WEEK 4 •

BUFFALO 20, BOWLING GREEN 17
SEPTEMBER 23, 2000 • UB STADIUM
BUFFALO, NY

•Scoring Summary•

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Bowling Green	0	14	0	3	17
Buffalo	7	6	0	7	20

Team Per. Time

UB	1	4:48
BGSU	2	11:33
BGSU	2	9:50
UB	2	6:31
BGSU	4	13:22
UB	4	1:27

Scoring Play

Bartoszek 2 pass from Freedy (Keller kick), 7-0
 Gibson 2 run (Knapp kick), 7-7
 Sahn 1 run (Knapp kick), 14-7
 Forde 3 pass from Freedy (kick failed), 14-13
 Knapp 32 FG, 17-13
 Dwarto 27 run (Keller kick), 17-20

•Team Statistics•

	Falcons	Bulls
First downs	13	18
Rushing Attempts-Yards	50-112	31-64
Passing yards	63	183
Passing (C-A-I)	5-20-0	24-38-2
Offensive plays	70	69
Total net yards	175	247
Average gain per play	2.5	3.6
Fumbles (number-lost)	1-0	1-1
Penalties (number-yards)	6-43	9-78
Interceptions by (number-yards)	2-0	0-0
Number of Punts-Avg.	8-32.9	9-39.4
Punt returns-yards	4-84	1-(-3)
Kickoff returns-yards	3-32	4-44
Possession time	30:33	29:27
Third down conversions	4-of-18	4-of-14
Fourth down conversions	1-of-3	0-of-0
Sacks (number-yards)	3-32	7-47

•Individual Statistics•

Rushing: UB: Forde 2-31, Dwarto 3-23, Gordon 7-20, Brereton 2-1, McKine 1-8, McDonald 11-3, Team 1-(-2), Freedy 4-(-33). BG: Gibson 15-60, Alls 14-49, Jarrett 7-42, Clark 2-4, Team 1-(-2), Smiley 1-(-8), Sahn 6-(-12), Schneider 4-(-21).
Passing: UB: Freedy 24-38-2 183. BG: Schneider 3-10-0 44, Sahn 2-9-0 19, Smiley 0-1-0 0.
Receiving: UB: McKine 6-46, Forde 5-46, Shaughnessy 4-36, McDonald 3-1, Dwarto 3-12, Singfield 2-24, Bartoszek 1-2. BG: Bautista 4-50, Pinchem 1-13.
Time of game: 3:25. **Attendance** – 8,081

• GAME RECAP – WEEK 3 •

CONNECTICUT 24, BUFFALO 21
SEPTEMBER 16, 2000 • UB STADIUM
BUFFALO, NY

•Scoring Summary•

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Connecticut	3	7	7	7	24
Buffalo	3	10	0	8	21

Team Per. Time

UC	1	8:56
UB	1	3:36
UB	2	11:55
UC	2	8:06
UB	2	:12
UC	3	8:48
UC	4	9:18
UB	4	2:21

Scoring Play

Heyl 21 FG, 3-0
 Keller 20 FG, 3-3
 Forde 38 pass from Freedy (Keller kick), 3-10
 Collins 6 pass from Tracey (Heyl kick), 10-10
 Keller 23 FG, 13-10
 Fitzsimmons 22 pass from Tracey (Heyl kick), 17-13
 Small 2 run (Heyl kick), 24-13
 Forde 3 pass from Freedy (McKine pass), 24-21

•Team Statistics•

	Huskies	Bulls
First downs	22	21
Rushing Attempts-Yards	38-139	36-101
Passing yards	199	259
Passing (C-A-I)	20-37-0	26-39-1
Offensive plays	75	76
Total net yards	338	360
Average gain per play	4.5	4.7
Fumbles (number-lost)	1-1	1-1
Penalties (number-yards)	4-20	5-37
Interceptions by (number-yards)	1-8	0-0
Number of Punts-Avg.	6-29.5	6-38.0
Punt returns-yards	1-5	3-19
Kickoff returns-yards	5-116	4-85
Possession time	30:23	29:37
Third down conversions	8-of-16	8-of-17
Fourth down conversions	0-of-1	0-of-0
Sacks (number-yards)	1-7	3-14

•Individual Statistics•

Rushing: UB: Gordon 9-45, McDonald 17-39, Freedy 6-9, Brereton 2-8, Dwarto 2-0. UC: Small 29-137, Tracey 7-5, Benson 1-(-1), Team 1-(-2).
Passing: UB: Freedy 26-39-1 259, Team 0-1-0 0. UC: Tracey 20-37-0 199.
Receiving: UB: McKine 10-122, Forde 6-95, Gordon 5-11, McDonald 3-7, Shaughnessy 2-24. UC: Fitzsimmons 4-49, Timko 4-37, Hill 3-42, Small 3-16, O'Connor 2-27, Sorrells 2-19, Collins 2-9.
Time of game: 3:17. **Attendance** – 13,678



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• GAME RECAP – WEEK 2 •

RUTGERS 59, BUFFALO 0

SEPTEMBER 9, 2000 • RUTGERS STADIUM

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ

•Scoring Summary•

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Buffalo	0	0	0	0	0
Rutgers	17	14	28	0	59

Team	Per.	Time	Scoring Play
RU	1	13:52	Ohene 3 run (Barone kick), 7-0
RU	1	3:09	Barone 31 FG, 10-0
RU	1	3:09	King 7 pass from McMahon (Barone kick), 17-0
RU	2	2:48	Stringer 20 pass from McMahon (Barone kick), 24-0
RU	2	1:17	Johnson 7 pass from McMahon (Barone kick), 31-0
RU	3	12:44	Anderon 2 run (Barone kick), 38-0
RU	3	9:39	King 15 pass from McMahon (Barone kick), 45-0
RU	3	6:13	Anderson 8 run (Barone kick), 52-0
RU	3	2:26	Stringer 15 pass from McMahon (Barone kick), 59-0

•Team Statistics•

	Bulls	Scarlet Knights
First downs	17	19
Rushing Attempts-Yards	37-(-7)	39-187
Passing yards	223	266
Passing (C-A-I)	24-25-1	19-29-0
Offensive plays	82	68
Total net yards	216	453
Average gain per play	2.6	6.7
Fumbles (number-lost)	5-3	3-1
Penalties (number-yards)	5-44	2-20
Interceptions by (number-yards)	0-0	1-39
Number of Punts-Avg.	9-32.3	3-42.0
Punt returns-yards	0-0	7-102
Kickoff returns-yards	5-93	1-22
Possession time	33:02	26:30
Third down conversions	2-of-16	3-of-11
Fourth down conversions	1-of-4	0-of-2
Sacks (number-yards)	0-0	4-33

•Individual Statistics•

Rushing: UB: McDonald 6-16, Gordon 12-15, Smith 1-14, Dwarte 3-13, Grundy 4-8, Brereton 1-2, Singfield 1-1, Freedy 7-(-42), Team 2-(-34). RU: Ohene 6-75, Leonor 10-40, Thomas 5-24, McMahon 2-24, Anderson 8-23, Ciurciu 1-3, Hinton 4-1, Stanton 1-0, Lovelace 1-(-1), Jones 1-(-2).

Passing: UB: Freedy 24-45-1 223. RU: McMahon 17-25-0 249, Jones 2-4-0 17.

Receiving: UB: McKine 4-58, Shaughnessy 4-46, McDonald 4-27, Singfield 3-32, Lindsay 3-24, Dwarte 2-19, Forde 1-8, Bartoszek 1-5, Grundy 1-4, Gordon 1-0. RU: King 5-73, Johnson 4-16, Smith 3-41, Stringer 2-35, Hobbs 1-57, Carty 1-19, Lovelace 1-9, Thomas 1-9, Mahoney 1-8.

Time of game: 3:11. **Attendance** – 26,511

• GAME RECAP – WEEK 1 •

SYRACUSE 63, BUFFALO 7

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•Scoring Summary•

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Buffalo	0	0	0	7	7
Syracuse	13	22	21	7	63

Team	Per.	Time	Scoring Play
SU	1	11:50	Davis 1 run (Shafer kick), 7-0
SU	1	7:36	Davis 2 run (kick failed), 13-0
SU	2	12:06	Johnson 4 run (Tyree pass from Nunes), 21-0
SU	2	8:22	Brown 2 pass from Nunes (Shafer kick), 28-0
SU	2	5:15	Harris 91 fumble return (Shafer kick), 35-0
SU	3	12:06	Brown 1 run (Shafer kick), 42-0
SU	3	7:49	Davis 20 run (Shafer kick), 49-0
SU	3	5:27	Tyree 20 blocked punt return (Shafer kick), 56-0
SU	4	6:27	Ferri 25 run (Shafer kick), 63-0
UB	4	:34	Singfield 34 pass from Freedy (Keller kick), 63-7

•Team Statistics•

	Bulls	Orangemen
First downs	14	23
Rushing Attempts-Yards	33-102	50-304
Passing yards	168	82
Passing (C-A-I)	16-36-2	6-9-1
Offensive plays	69	59
Total net yards	270	386
Average gain per play	3.9	6.5
Fumbles (number-lost)	4-3	2-0
Penalties (number-yards)	6-38	10-88
Interceptions by (number-yards)	1-5	2-25
Number of Punts-Avg.	8-29.8	4-32.8
Punt returns-yards	3-34	4-52
Kickoff returns-yards	10-108	2-90
Possession time	31:59	28:01
Third down conversions	3-of-17	2-of-5
Fourth down conversions	1-of-1	0-of-0
Sacks (number-yards)	2-23	3-27

•Individual Statistics•

Rushing: UB: McDonald 8-76, Brereton 4-26, Walker 5-19, Jackson 1-2, Dwarte 2-2, Grundy 1-0, Gordon 5-(-2), Freedy 7-(-21). SU: Brown 18-157, Ferry 7-55, Johnson 5-27, Scott 3-25, Davis 4-24, Nunes 5-23, Jackson 1-19, Anderson 2-6, Cusumano 2-0, Team 1-(-2), Williams 2-(-30).

Passing: UB: Freedy 16-36-2 168. SU: Nunes 5-8-1 25, Anderson 1-1-0 57, Williams 0-0-0 0.

Receiving: UB: Singfield 6-121, Forde 3-19, Bartoszek 2-13, Shaughnessy 1-11, Barber 1-11, Gordon 1-6, McDonald 1-1, McKine 1-(-14). SU: Woodcock 3-75, Campbell 1-4, Brown 1-2, Johnson 1-1.

Time of game: 3:01. **Attendance** – 40,634



UB BULLS AMONG THE MAC/NATIONAL LEADERS

• JOE FREEDY •

29th in the nation in pass completions per game (17.30)
6th in the MAC in passing average per game (192.7)
8th in the MAC in total offense per game (174.3)
9th in the MAC in pass efficiency rating (110.1)

• SCOTT KELLER •

10th in the MAC in scoring (kick) average per game (3.3)

• DUANE WILLIAMS •

T-16th in the nation/T-1st in the MAC in sacks per game (1.0)
T-3rd in the MAC in tackles for loss per game (1.6)

• CHRIS GRAY •

13th in the MAC in tackles per game (9.2)

• BUFFALO BULLS TEAM RANKINGS IN THE MAC •

9th in rushing offense per game (115.3 ypg)
7th in passing offense per game (198.3 ypg)
9th in total offense per game (313.6 ypg)
10th in scoring offense per game (16.1 ppg)
12th in net punting per attempt (30.0 ypg)
4th in punt return average (11.8 ypr)
11th in kickoff return average (16.2 ypr)
12th in rushing defense per game (208.4 ypg)
12th in pass defense (228.2 ypg)
13th in total defense – yards per game (436.6 ypg)
13th in scoring defense per game (43.5 ppg)
13th in turnover margin per game (-2.00)

• BULLS-REDHAWKS STATISTICAL COMPARISON •

	Buffalo	Akron
Points Per Game	16.1	25.5
Rushing Offense	115.3	148.7
Passing Offense	198.3	245.0
Total Offense	313.6	393.7
Rushing Defense	208.4	205.4
Passing Defense	228.2	199.0
Total Defense	436.6	404.4
Kickoff Returns	16.2	19.5
Punt Returns	11.8	11.8
Net Punting	30.0	34.7
Quarterback sacks	21-158	21-106
Third Down Conversions	28.9%	38.4%
Fourth Down Conversions	40%	61.9%
Turnover Margin	-2.00	-1.20
Penalties	58-460	65-590



Bulls Two-Deep

▪ OFFENSE ▪

FL	9 – Dahnel Singfield	82 – Dan Lindsay	
TE	88 – Brandon Shaughnessy	84 – Chad Bartoszek	
LT	74 – David Pruce	79 – Andy Avery	
LG	58 – Matt Baniewicz	56 – Rob Meyer	
C	60 – John Nolan	64 – Kevin Dunn	
RG	62 – Gabe Kogler	56 – Rob Meyer	
RT	66 – Tim Hedges	71 – Brian Johnessee	
TB	28 – Marquis Dwarte	42 – Kenon Jackson	26 – Bam McDonald
FB	32 – Albert Grundy	27 – Marvin Brereton	31 – Derrick Gordon
QB	15 – Joe Freedy	13 – Mike Gaydosz	
SE	81 – Andre Forde <i>or</i>	80 – Rob Barber	

▪ DEFENSE ▪

LT	37 – Jamie Guerra	91 – Omari Jordan	90 – Steve Fleming
NG	96 – Bob Dzvonic	50 – Marcus Clarett	78 – Ron Gannello
RT	43 – Joe McKoy	93 – Lorenzo Jones	
LOLB99	– Duane Williams	45 – Kulaa Bachevie	33 – Jason Coley
LILB	49 – Chris Gray	21 – Lamar Wilcher	54 – Brandon Nishnick
RILB	38 – Chris Shelly	36 – Brandon Jordan	54 – Brandon Nishnick
ROLB59	– Marcus Cole	19 – Noah Burroughs	45 – Kulaa Bachevie
S/CB	20 – Carlos Spencer	16 – Valdis Terrell	
SS	46 – Tory Smith	22 – Youldain Marcellus	
FS	5 – Bobby Johnson	30 – Mark Quinn	
CB	4 – Mark Graham	35 – Mike Lambert	

▪ SPECIAL TEAMS ▪

P	85 – Mike Masucci	98 – Dallas Pelz	
PK	7 – Scott Keller	98 – Dallas Pelz	
HLD	13 – Mike Gaydosz	15 – Joe Freedy	
LS	51 – Kevin McCarthy	84 – Chad Bartoszek	
SS	88 – Brandon Shaughnessy	51 – Kevin McCarthy	
PR	9 – Dahnel Singfield		
KOR	9 – Dahnel Singfield	81 – Andre Forde	26 – Bam McDonald



RedHawks Two-Deep

▪ OFFENSE ▪

SE	5 – Ty Buxton	4 – Eddie Tillitz	88 – Korey Kirkpatrick
LT	75 – Alex Sulfsted	63 – Justin Smith	
LG	78 – Joe Costello	79 – Jon Ryder	
C	77 – Paul Thaler	63 – Justin Smith	
RG	73 – Phil Hawk	76 – Brian Luebk	
RT	74 – Jacob Bell	71 – Ben Herrell	
TE	86 – Mike Sullivan	83 – Brett Bilins	
QB	8 – Mike Bath	12 – Ryan Hawk	15 – John Schacke
FB	32 – Julian Goodman	49 – Will Stanley	
TB	25 – Steve Little	43 – Cal Murray	35 – Andy Dooley
FL	80 – Jason Branch	13 – Chauncey Henry	

▪ DEFENSE ▪

LE	92 – Bob Petrovic	47 – Mike Montgomery	
LT	98 – Andy Aracri	89 – Joe Lyman	
RT	56 – Ryan Terry	96 – Gino DiGiandomenico	
RE	55 – Brian Potter	58 – Kurt Mester	
SOLB17	– Matt Robillard	48 – Robert Jordan	
MLB	3 – Terrell Jones	51 – Cortt Cousino	
OLB	21 – Eddie Price	57 – Phil Smith	
CB	18 – Milt Bowen	22 – Ryan Sprague	
SS	11 – Brandon Godsey	7 – Rod Clark	
FS	28 – Jacob Yavasile	38 – Luke Clemens	
CB	2 – DeMarrio Jones	1 – Michael Adams	

▪ SPECIAL TEAMS ▪

KO	10 – Kent McCullough		
HLD	10 – Kent McCullough	8 – Mike Bath	
SNP	53 – Scott Sagehorn	51 – Cortt Cousino	
KR	18 – Milt Bowen	2 – DeMarrio Jones	43 – Cal Murray
PR	4 – Eddie Tillitz		