



2011 Baldwin-Wallace College Football Game Notes: Game #5 at Otterbein University



THE BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE Yellow Jacket football team travels to Westerville, Ohio on Saturday, October 8, 2011 to play Ohio Athletic Conference rival Otterbein University in Memorial Stadium at 7:00 p.m. This is the fifth game of the regular season for each team. This is the 108th season of football at the College.

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BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE

LOCATION : Berea, Ohio
NICKNAME: Yellow Jackets
2011 RECORD: 3-1
OAC RECORD: 2-1
LAST GAME: Won at Marietta College, 17-7, in Marietta on October 1
HEAD COACH: John Snell
ALMA MATER/ YEAR: Baldwin-Wallace / 1987
YEAR AT B-W: 10th
B-W RECORD: 59-37
CAREER RECORD: same
SERIES BEGAN: 1925, B-W won, 7-0.
LAST METING: 2010, B-W won, 35-34, in Berea.



OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Westerville, Ohio
NICKNAME: Cardinals
2011 RECORD: 1-3
OAC RECORD: 0-3
LAST GAME: Lost at John Carroll University, 47-41 in 2 O.T., in University Hts. on Oct. 1
HEAD COACH: Joe Loth
ALMA MATER / YEAR: Otterbein / 1991
YEAR AT SCHOOL: Ninth
SCHOOL RECORD: 47-38
CAREER RECORD: 54-60 in 12 years overall
ALL-TIME SERIES: B-W leads, 35-7-1
SERIES STREAK: B-W, one game

The Game -- The Baldwin-Wallace College Yellow Jacket football will look to win its third straight road game this season when it travels to Westerville, Ohio to play Ohio Athletic Conference rival Otterbein University.

The Yellow Jackets are 3-1 overall and 2-1 in the OAC following their 17-7 win at Marietta College last Saturday (October 1). B-W opened its season with a 23-0 shutout at The College of Wooster in Wooster on Sept. 1, defeated Heidelberg University, 35-20, at home on Sept. 17, and was upset by Capital University, 14-11, at home on Sept. 24.

The Cardinals enter this game at 1-3 overall and 0-3 in the OAC following a 47-41 double overtime loss at John Carroll University last Saturday in University Heights. Otterbein opened the season by beating Gallaudet (D.C.) University, 28-27 in overtime, but has since lost to Ohio Northern University, 34-33 in overtime, on Sept. 17 and then to Heidelberg University, 41-20, in the annual Rhine River Classic on Sept. 24.

The Baldwin-Wallace Versus Otterbein Series Notes -- The Yellow Jackets and the Cardinals have previously met 43 times on the gridiron with Baldwin-Wallace holding a 35-7-1 series lead. The series began in 1925 with the Yellow Jackets defeating the Cardinals, 7-0, in Berea. A year ago, on October 9, 2010, B-W beat Otterbein, 35-34, on Homecoming in Berea. The last Otterbein win came in 2009 when the Cardinals beat the Yellow Jackets, 21-17, in Berea.

Last Year's Game in Berea: Baldwin-Wallace -- 35, Otterbein -- 34 -- A year ago in Berea, the Yellow Jackets defeated the Cardinals on Homecoming in a 35-34 shootout, on October 9, 2010 on Tressel Field in The George Finnie Stadium. B-W led 7-0 after one quarter and 28-27 at halftime, but trailed 34-28 after three periods. An eight-play 59-yard game-winning drive capped off by a 23-yard touchdown run by current senior running back **Tim Miker (Parma/ Senior)** and converted PAT with 2:02 left were the only points of the fourth quarter and helped B-W earn the victory.

On special teams, B-W had two kickoff returns for TDs. Current sophomore defensive back/ wide receiver **Kevin Johnson (Maple Heights/ Cleveland St. Ignatius)** ran one back for 94 yards for one TD, and current sophomore WR **Josiah Holt (Elyria/ Grafton Midview)** returned another kickoff for a 90-yard TD. Offensively, B-W was led by current junior quarterback **Ryan O'Rourke (Avon/ Senior)**, **Tim Miker** and graduated WR Josh Oswalt. **O'Rourke** completed 9-of-18 passes for 103 yards with one TD. **Miker** led all runners with 70 yard in 10 attempts and scored the game-tying TD. He also caught two passes for 37 yards. **Oswalt** caught one reception for 20 yards and a TD. On defense, current senior All-OAC cornerback **Matt Bowen (Tiffin/ Columbian)** returned an interception for a TD (for the second consecutive game) and graduated 2-time All-OAC linebacker Ryan Kish had three tackles for loss, one quarterback sack, and the most tackles with nine.

Scouting the Yellow Jackets of Baldwin-Wallace College -- Baldwin-Wallace is 3-1 overall and 2-1 in the OAC and returned 43 lettermen and 18 starters.

Offensively, the Yellow Jackets average 19.0 points per game and 365.2 yards of total offense, including 175.0 rushing and 190.2 passing yards. Junior QBs **Ryan O'Rourke** and **Andrew Dziak (Maple Heights/ Parma Padua)** run the offense. **O'Rourke** starts and has completed 65-of-107 passes for 744 yards with five TDs and six interceptions. **Dziak** enters the game in "wild cat" situations and has completed 1-of-1 passes for 17 yards. He also has run 11 times for 37 more yards. In the backfield, junior **Tyler Lohr (Kent/ Roosevelt)** and freshman **Willie Jackson (Citrus Springs, Fla/ Crystal River)** carry the load and are replacing **Tim Miker**, who is injured and out for the season. **Lohr** starts and has a team-leading 381 rushing yards in 76 attempts with three TDs. **Jackson** is second with 305 yards in 53 trips (5.8 yards per carry) with one TD. He also has five catches for 76 yards and another score. **Josiah Holt** leads the receiving corps with 13 catches for 129 yards and one TD. Nine separate receivers have each caught four or more passes with **Holt**, senior All-OAC tight end **Aaron Hurd (Tiffin/ Columbian)**, **Jackson**, junior **Troy VanMeter (Toledo/ Cardinal Stritch)** and **Kevin Johnson** each catching one TD pass. The offensive line returns four starters, including senior guard **Rudy Ackerman (Sheffield Village/ Brookside)**, senior tackle **Travis Barnhill (Findlay/ Senior)**, senior center **Jimmy Basar (Parma/ Senior)** and sophomore guard **Jason Cook (Streetsboro)**.

Defensively, the Yellow Jackets allow 10.3 points per game and 272.5 yards of total offense per game, including 90.5 rushing and 182.0 passing yards. B-W has forced 13 turnovers and sacked the opposing QB 21 times in four games (5.25 QB sacks per game).

The defense is led by senior outside linebackers **Brett Thompson (Shelby)** and **J.J. Laseak (Mentor)** and senior 2-time All-OAC safety **Ryan Dugan (Mentor)** with 28, 26 and 23 tackles, respectively. Senior **Derron Hamilton (Euclid)**, this week's *OAC Defensive Player of the Week*, is third in tackles with 24, including a team-leading 11 tackles for a loss (55 yards) and 8.5 QB sacks (for losses of 51 yards). He has recorded seven QB sacks in the past two games. In addition, senior DE **Sonny Hazelwood (Elyria/ Senior)** has 18 tackles and is second in tackles for loss with seven and sacks with 3.5; senior LB **John Harasyn (Mentor)** has returned a fumble and an interception for TDs and is fifth with 21 stops. **Dugan** has the most interceptions with two.

On special teams, senior **Dave Cantu (Amherst/ Steele)** kicks off, sophomore **Chris Mohler (Kent/ Roosevelt)** does the placekicking and sophomore **Matt Harmon (Canfield)** is the punter. Mohler kicked in his first varsity game last Saturday at Marietta and was 2-of-2 in PAT kicks and 1-of-2 in field goal attempts for five points. **Cantu** is 2-of-3 on field goals and 5-of-9 in PAT kicks for 11 points. **Harmon** is averaging 37.0 yards in 22 punts, including an OAC-leading nine boots that have landed inside the opponents 20-yard line. The sophomore kick-return duo of **Johnson** and **Holt** are two of the best in Division III. Each was among the national leaders a year ago and have forced opponents this season to kick short. Look for junior RB **Pat LaGuardia (Brunswick/Parma Padua Franciscan)** and sophomore **Kory Gillissie (Parma/ St. Ignatius)** to return punts. **LaGuardia** leads the Yellow Jacket return team with 11 returns for a 11.5-yard average.

LAST WEEK: B-W -- 17, Marietta -- 7 in Don Drumm Stadium in Marietta -- B-W improved to 3-1 overall and 2-1 in the OAC as the Yellow Jackets defeated the Pioneers, 17-7, in its first OAC "road test" of the season. B-W led 3-0 at halftime, trailed 7-3 after three quarters and scored 14 fourth quarter points to earn the win. B-W scored its points via a 20-yard field goal by **Mohler** on the last play of the first half, on a 13-yard TD run by **Tyler Lohr** at the 14:01 mark of the fourth period and via a 48-yard interception return for a TD by **John Harasyn** with 6:59 to play. **Lohr** and **Willie Jackson** led the offense as each student-athlete ran for more than 100 yards this season. **Lohr** had 112 yards in 18 attempts with the go-ahead TD run, and **Jackson** had 119 yards in 18 attempts. The defense was led by OAC *Defensive Player of the Week* **Derron Hamilton's** career-high 11-tackle and second straight 3.5-sack performance. **Harasyn** also had a fumble recovery to go with his interception and return for TD. The B-W defense forced five turnovers (four interceptions and the fumble), sacked Marietta's QBs six times and allowed just 151 yards of total offense.

Scouting the Cardinals of Otterbein University -- Otterbein is 1-3 overall and 0-3 in the OAC and returned 49 lettermen and 18 starters.

Offensively, Otterbein is scoring 30.5 points per game and averaging 385.5 yards of total offense, including 102.2 rushing and 283.2 passing yards. Senior QB Austin Schlosser is the starter and junior Rocco Pentello also sees action. Schlosser has completed 71-of-113 passes for 1,069 yards with 11 TDs and three interceptions. He also has rushed for 54 yards and a team-leading two TDs. Pentello is 6-of-15 for 64 yards with a TD and three interceptions. He also has 15 rushing yards and a TD. The feature back is junior Cody Green with 193 yards in 30 attempts with a TD and junior Brock Burzanko has 100 yards in 24 attempts. The top receivers are seniors Trey Fairchild and Steve Kuzyk. Fairchild has 31 receptions for 547 yards and five TDs and Kuzyk has 22 grabs for 290 yards and four scores.

Defensively, the Cardinals allow 37.3 points per game and 433.8 yards of total offense, including 257.5 rushing yards and 176.2 passing yards. They are led by senior LB Shane Centers with 54 total tackles, including a team-leading 5.5 for loss. Junior safety Matt Cantrell is second with 27 stops and with 3.5 tackles for loss. Sophomore LB Eric Mitchell and sophomore LB Chad Pepper are tied for third with 24 tackles each. The Cardinals have just two QB sacks and only one interception as opponents have mostly run against their defensive alignment.

On special teams, junior Aaric Milligan handles the placements and junior Aaron Kingcade is the punter. Milligan is 2-of-5 in field goal attempts and 14-of-16 in PAT kicks for 20 points. Kingcade is averaging an OAC-leading 42.9 yards in 15 attempts with six landing inside the opposition's 20-yard line. Fairchild returns punts and is averaging 2.3 yards in three attempts and Pentello has returned one for 15 yards. Fairchild also is the top kick return-man by averaging 26.9 yards in 15 attempts.

LAST WEEK: JOHN CARROLL -- 47, OTTERBEIN -- 41 in Double Overtime at Don Shula Football Stadium in University Heights -- Otterbein dropped to 1-3 overall and 0-3 in the OAC when it lost to host John Carroll University, 47-41 in double overtime, before 2,617 fans at Don Shula Football Stadium in University Heights. JCU led 17-0 after one quarter, 27-13 at halftime and at the end of the third quarter. A 21-7 Cardinal fourth quarter scoring spree tied matters at 34-34 and sent the game to overtime. After each team scored in the first overtime, Otterbein missed a field goal in the second O.T. and JCU ended the game with a TD. Offensively, Otterbein was outgained 597-442. Austin Schlosser completed 20-of-34 passes for 353 yards and five TD without an interception. Steve Kuzyk and Trey Fairchild each caught eight passes and each had a pair of TD catches. Cody Green led the running game with 109 yards in 15 attempts with a TD. Defensively, Shane Centers had 17 tackles and Eric Mitchell had 11.

The B-W Football Notebook

B-W Among the Nation's Winningest College Football Programs -- The Baldwin-Wallace College football program is one of the winningest programs in college football history. The Yellow Jackets have an all-time record of 549-320-30 with an impressive and OAC-best .627 winning percentage in their 108-year history on the gridiron. Remarkably, B-W has had 42 winning seasons in the past 45 years, including a 38-year winning streak from 1967 through 2004.

OAC Titles and NCAA Playoff History -- The B-W football program has won 12 Ohio Athletic Conference titles (1935, 1937, 1968, 1977, 1978, 1980, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1988, 1991, 1994) and appeared in the NCAA Division III National Tournament six times (1978, 1979, 1980, 1982, 1991 and 2003). B-W earned its first national championship with a 24-10 victory over Wittenberg University in the 1978 Stag Bowl.

Trio of Great Coaches Have Reached the Century Club at B-W -- Three former B-W legends, Ray E. Watts '23, Lee Tressel '48 and Bob Packard '65 are the only three football coaches in college football history who have won 100 or more games at the same school. Watts won 104 games, compiled a 104-58-14 with a .631 winning percentage and coached from 1928 through 1948. Tressel won 155 games in his College Football Hall of Fame career, compiled a 155-52-6 record and had a .742 winning percentage. Bob Packard won a school-record 156 games, compiled a 156-54-2 mark and had a .741 winning percentage. Comparably after nine seasons, John Snell '87 is 59-37 with a .615 winning percentage.

B-W Leads Season Series Against Eight of its Ten 2011 Opponents -- Entering the 2011 season, B-W leads the all-time season series against eight of its 10 opponents and is tied with OAC and Cleveland cross-town rival John Carroll University, 23-23-4. This season also marks the second meeting between B-W and The College of Wooster since 1983. The Yellow Jackets also have played Heidelberg University 65 times for the most of any opponent and lead that series, 46-19.

Annual Community Service Projects: Church Street Ministries -- On August 12, when the B-W football team reported to preseason camp, each student-athlete brought to campus a bag or box filled with school supplies for needy children. Those supplies were then donated to the organization Church Street Ministry. You can read a story about the event at <http://www.bw.edu/athletics/fb/features/1112/pictureday/>.

Five of 10 Games to be Broadcast on SportsTime Ohio -- Five of the 10 Yellow Jacket football games, including three home games, will be shown this fall on SportsTime Ohio and are available on cable, Direct or Dish television. The three home contests, versus Heidelberg University on Sept. 17, the October 15 Homecoming contest versus Ohio Northern University and the November 12 "Battle" for the Cuyahoga Gold Bowl Trophy" game versus John Carroll University. The two away games on STO were the Sept. 1 game at Wooster and the upcoming Nov. 5 contest at the University of Mount Union. All televised Yellow Jacket athletic events are archived on its web site at www.bw.edu/athletics/video/.

2011 Promotional Dates -- The three remaining Yellow Jacket home games are promotional dates. Oct. 15 (Ohio Northern) is Homecoming, Oct. 29 (Muskingum) is Professor Appreciation Day and Nov. 12 (John Carroll) is Seniors' Day.

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The "Sackmaster" is the OAC Defensive Player of the Week -- Senior defensive end **Derron "The Sackmaster" Hamilton (Euclid)** is this week's OAC Defensive Player of the Week by virtue of his career-high 11 tackles and 3.5 QB sacks in last Saturday's 17-7 win at Marietta. He has an OAC-leading 8.5 total quarterback sacks this season and has been involved in 10 sacks overall (seven solo and three assisted). In just the past two weeks, he has seven total sacks (six solo and two assisted) for a total of 40 yards in losses.

Harasyn is Opportunistic -- Senior linebacker **John Harasyn (Mentor)** has been opportunistic this year. He returned a fumble 68 yards for a touchdown in B-W's season-opening 23-0 win at Wooster on September 1 and returned an interception 48 yards for a TD last Saturday in the 17-7 win at Marietta.

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