



2011 Baldwin-Wallace College Football Game Notes: Game #9 at the University of Mount Union



THE BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE Yellow Jacket football team travels to Alliance, Ohio to play the University of Mount Union in an Ohio Athletic Conference game on Saturday, November 5, 2011 at Mount Union Stadium at 1:30 p.m. This is the ninth game of the regular season for each team.

TELEVISION/ SPORTSTIME OHIO -- The B-W versus Mount Union game will be televised on regional cable TV giant SportsTime Ohio. The game will air on Sunday, November 6 at 5:00 a.m., on Monday, Nov. 7 at 12:00 noon and on Thursday, Nov. 10 at 5:00 a.m. Five of B-W's 10 games in 2011 are being broadcast on STO. You also can view archived B-W athletics telecasts at www.bw.edu/athletics/video/.

RADIO -- B-W Campus radio station WBWC, 88.3 FM, broadcasts all home and away Yellow Jacket football games. You also can listen to the games live via the WBWC Internet Web site at www.wbwc.com. The pregame show generally starts 20 minutes prior to kickoff. For more information, please call the station offices at (440) 826-2145 or its listening line at (440) 826-2187.

BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE

LOCATION : Berea, Ohio
NICKNAME: Yellow Jackets
2011 RECORD: 7-1
OAC RECORD: 6-1
LAST GAME: Beat Muskingum University, 29-17, in Berea on October 29
HEAD COACH: John Snell
ALMA MATER/ YEAR: Baldwin-Wallace / 1987
YEAR AT B-W: 10th
B-W RECORD: 63-37
CAREER RECORD: same
SERIES BEGAN: 1896, B-W won, 10-0.
LAST METING: 2010, UMU won, 41-13, in Berea.



THE UNIVERSITY OF MOUNT UNION

LOCATION: Alliance, Ohio
NICKNAME: Purple Raiders
2011 RECORD: 8-0
OAC RECORD: 7-0
LAST GAME: Beat Otterbein, 42-0, in Alliance on October 29
HEAD COACH: Larry Kehres
ALMA MATER / YEAR: Mt. Union / 1971
YEAR AT SCHOOL: 26th
SCHOOL RECORD: 311-23-3
CAREER RECORD: same
ALL-TIME SERIES: UMU leads, 27-21-1
SERIES STREAK: UMU, 16 straight games

Todays Game -- The Baldwin-Wallace College Yellow Jacket football team (currently receiving votes in both the d3football.com and AFCA Coaches national Division III polls) travels to Alliance, Ohio to play arch-rival the University of Mount Union in a game that has OAC title and NCAA Division III Playoff implications for each team. This game has always been one of the best in Division III.

The Yellow Jackets enter this game at 7-1 overall and 6-1 in the OAC following their 29-17 win against Muskingum University last Saturday (Oct. 29) in Berea on Professor Appreciation Day. B-W needs to beat the Purple Raiders to legitimize its Division III playoff chances. A win would put the Jackets and Raiders into a first place tie.

The Purple Raiders enter this game at 8-0 overall and 7-0 in the OAC following a 42-0 win against Otterbein University on Oct. 29 in Alliance. Mt. Union is looking to capture its 20th straight OAC regular season title and try to win its 11th Div. III national title.

The Baldwin-Wallace Versus Mount Union Series Notes -- The Yellow Jackets and the Purple Raiders have previously met 49 times on the gridiron with Mount Union holding an 27-21-1 series lead, including a 41-13 victory a year ago in Berea and victories in each of the past 16 meetings. The series began in 1896 with the Yellow Jackets defeating the Purple Raiders, 10-0. The last Yellow Jacket win came in 1994 when the Yellow Jackets beat Mount Union, 23-10, in Alliance.

Last Year's Game in Berea: Mount Union -- 41, Baldwin-Wallace -- 13 A year ago in Berea, the Purple Raiders defeated the Yellow Jackets, 41-13, on Tressel Field in The George Finnie Stadium in Berea. The two teams were tied 13-13 after one quarter, Mt. Union led 20-13 at halftime and 27-13 after three stanzas. Overall, the Purple Raiders outgained B-W, 337-200.

B-W was led offensively by current senior running back **Tim Miker (Parma/ Senior)** and junior quarterback **Ryan O'Rourke (Avon/ Senior)**. **Miker** ran for a team-high 56 yards in 17 attempts with a touchdown. **O'Rourke** completed 12-of-22 passes for 166 yards with a TD but was picked off three times. The Jacket defense was led by senior linebacker **J.J. Laseak (Mentor)** with 13 tackles, including three for loss, a QB sack and a forced fumble. In addition, graduated senior All-OAC linebacker **Ryan Kish** had seven tackles.

Scouting the Yellow Jackets of Baldwin-Wallace College -- Baldwin-Wallace is 7-1 overall and 6-1 in the OAC and returned 43 lettermen and 18 starters.

Offensively, the Yellow Jackets average 29.6 points per game and 384.4 yards of total offense, including 191.2 rushing and 193.1 passing yards. Junior QBs **Ryan O'Rourke** and **Andrew Dziak (Maple Heights/Parma Padua Franciscan)** run the offense. **O'Rourke** has started all eight games this season and has completed 115-of-193 passes for 1,432 yards with 12 TDs and six interceptions. **Dziak** enters the game in "wildcat" situations and has completed 6-of-11 passes for 113 yards with two TDs and no interceptions. He also has run 38 times for 142 more yards and three TDs. In the backfield, junior **Tyler Lohr (Kent/ Roosevelt)** and freshman **Willie Jackson (Citrus Springs, Fla./ Crystal River)** carry the load and are replacing injured senior RB **Tim Miker**, who is out for the season. **Lohr** starts and has a team-leading 748 rushing yards in 155 attempts with six TDs. **Jackson** is second with 432 yards in 76 trips (5.7 yards per carry) with two TDs. He also has eight catches for 98 yards and another score. Sophomore wide receiver **Josiah Holt (Elyria/ Grafton Midview)** leads the receiving corps with 21 catches for 227 yards and two TDs. Junior WR **Troy VanMeter (Toledo/ Cardinal Stritch)** has a team-leading three TD grabs. 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 10.6 points per contest and 282.5 yards of total offense per game, including 86.6 rushing and 195.9 passing yards. It has forced 27 turnovers and sacked opposing QBs 33 times (4.13 per game). The defense is led by senior two-time All-OAC safety **Ryan Dugan (Mentor)** and **J.J. Laseak** with 51 and 45 tackles, respectively. Senior outside linebacker **Brett Thompson (Shelby)** is third with 44 stops and also leads the team in interceptions with four. Senior **Derron Hamilton (Euclid)** leads the OAC in tackles for a loss (14.5) and QB sacks (11). In addition, senior DE **Sonny Hazelwood (Elyria/ Senior)** has 12 tackles for loss and 6.5 sacks and senior **LB John Harasyn (Mentor)** has scored two defensive TDs. Senior All-OAC cornerback **Matt Bowen (Tiffin/ Columbian)** has 23 tackles to go along with his team-leading 12 pass break ups. **Bowen** is also tied for second on the team with three interceptions. Senior safety **Corey Hildreth (Massillon/ Washington)** is tied with **Bowen** for interceptions with three. **Hildreth** also is fourth on the team with 41 tackles.

On special teams, sophomore **Chris Mohler (Kent/Roosevelt)** does the placekicking, senior **Dave Cantu (Amherst/ Steele)** kicks off and sophomore **Matt Harmon (Canfield)** is the punter. **Mohler** has kicked the past five games and is 19-of-24 in PAT boots and is 1-of-4 in field goals for 22 points. **Cantu**, who started the first three games, is 2-of-3 on field goals and 5-of-9 in PAT kicks for 11 points. **Harmon** is averaging 39.0 yards in 34 punts, including an OAC-leading 14 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. This season, **Holt** averages 25.4 yards in nine tries with one TD and **Johnson** averages 17.4 in eight attempts. Look for junior WR **Pat LaGuardia (Brunswick/Parma Padua Franciscan)** and sophomore **Kory Gillissie (Parma/ St. Ignatius)** to return punts. **LaGuardia** leads the Yellow Jacket return team with 16 returns for a 10.4-yard average.

LAST WEEK: BALDWIN-WALLACE -- 29, Muskingum -- 17 at George Finnie Stadium in Berea -- B-W improved to 7-1 overall and 6-1 in the OAC as the Yellow Jackets defeated the Fighting Muskies, 29-17, in Berea. B-W led 7-0 after one quarter, 14-7 at halftime and 22-14 after three quarters. Leading the way on offense was **O'Rourke, Dziak, Johnson, Manders** and junior running back **Tyler Lohr** led the way. **O'Rourke** completed 8-of-18 passes for 83 yards and two TDs. He also ran for 60 yards in six attempts with the 71-yard TD run. **Dziak** was 2-of-4 passing for 64 yards and a TD and ran for 10 yards in 10 carries. **Lohr** was the top runner with 86 yards in 18 attempts. **Johnson** and **Manders** each had a team-high two catches and a TD each. The defense was led by **Wagner** and **Hazelwood**. **Wagner** had eight tackles, including 2.5 QB sacks, four tackles for lost yardage, a forced a fumble and the third quarter safety. **Hazelwood** had six tackles, 2.5 sacks and four tackles for lost yardage.

Scouting the Purple Raiders of the University of Mount Union -- Mount Union is 8-0 overall and 7-0 in the OAC and returned 49 lettermen and 18 starters. The Purple Raiders are ranked second nationally in Division III by both d3football.com and the AFCA.

Offensively, Mount Union is scoring 45.8 points per game and averaging 496.2 yards of total offense, including 289.8 rushing and 206.5 passing yards. Junior QBs **Matt Piloto** and **Neal Seaman** lead the Purple Raider offense, but **Seaman's** availability for this game is in doubt due to an injury. **Piloto** has completed 53-of-79 passes for 809 yards and nine TDs and three interceptions. **Seaman** is 66-of-109 for 777 yards and eight TDs and one interception. **Seaman** has also rushed for 180 yards with two TDs. The top targets are junior WR **Jasper Collins**, senior WR **A.J. Claycomb** and junior WR **Chris Denton**. **Collins** has 38 receptions for 543 yards and nine TDs, **Claycomb** has caught 21 passes for 276 yards and two TDs and **Denton** has 17 catches for 224 yards and two TDs. The running game is spearheaded by juniors **Jeremy Murray**, **Jake Simon** and **Blair Skilliter**. **Murray** has 172 carries for an OAC-leading 1,105 yards and 14 TDs, **Simon** is second with 403 yards on 51 carries and four TDs and **Skilliter** is third with 43 attempts for 326 yards and four scores. The line is led by senior center and All-American candidate **Brrett Ekkens**.

Defensively, the Purple Raiders allow just 6.4 points per game and 169.9 yards of total offense, including 59.8 rushing yards and 110.1 passing yards. Mt. Union has forced 27 turnovers and sacked opposing QBs 20 times. The defense is led by junior strong safety **Nick Driskill**, junior tackle **Frank Orteca** and senior linebacker **Jorge Carbonell**. **Driskill** leads the team in tackles with 56, to go with two sacks, 9.5 tackles for a loss, four interceptions and one fumble recovery. **Carbonell** has 40 tackles and is third on the team in tackles for a lost with eight. **Orteca** has 38 tackles, 2.5 sacks and three tackles for a loss. Junior DE **Chuck Dieuseul** has a team-leading 4.5 sacks and is fourth with 34 total stops.

On special teams, senior PK **Tyler Almeida** handles the placements and junior punter/ WR **Brandon Mathie** punts. **Almeida** is 7-for-9 in field goal attempts and 46-of-48 in PAT kicks and is second on the team in scoring with 67 total points. **Mathie** is averaging 33.3 yards in 25 attempts with seven landing inside the opposition's 20-yard line. **Jasper Collins** and **Chris Denton** return punts. **Jasper Collins** is averaging 13.3 yards in 21 attempts. **Chris Denton** is averaging 7.2 yards in four attempts. **Tyler Alwardt** returns kicks and is averaging 18.1 yards in seven returns.

LAST WEEK: MOUNT UNION -- 42, Otterbein -- 0 at Mount Union Stadium in Alliance -- Mount Union improved to 8-0 overall and 7-0 in the OAC with a 42-0 shutout of the visiting Otterbein Cardinals before 1,841 fans at Mount Union Stadium in Alliance. The score was tied 0-0 after one quarter, The Purple Raiders led 28-0 at halftime and 42-0 after three quarters. Offensively, Mt. Union was led by **Matt Piloto**, **Jeremy Murray** and **A.J. Claycomb**. **Piloto** completed 16-of-22 passes for 223 yards and three TDs. He replaced **Neal Seaman**, who was injured and had to leave the game. **Murray** ran for a game-high 122 yards in 23 attempts and scored on runs of 4 and 1 yards during the 28-0 second quarter run. **A.J. Claycomb** led the receiving corps with five receptions for 88 yards and TD catches of 39 and 12 yards during the 14-0 third quarter. In addition, **Blair Skilliter** opened the scoring with a 59-yard TD run and junior WR **Shannon Stewart** caught a 23-yard TD pass from **Piloto** to end the third quarter run. Defensively, five separate Purple Raiders, senior cornerback **Tyler Alwardt**, junior free safety **Alex Nicholls**, **Nick Driskill**, **Jorge Carbonell** and **Chris Favazzo**, led the team in tackles with four each. **Favazzo** and **Nicholls** each added an interception.

The Yellow Jacket 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 553-320-30 with an impressive and OAC-best .629 winning percentage in their 107-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 Stagg 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 63-37 with a .630 winning percentage.

B-W Leads Season Series Against Eight of its Ten 2010 Opponents -- Entering the 2010 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 marked the second meeting between B-W and **The College of Wooster** since 1983. The Yellow Jackets also have played **Heidelberg University** 66 times for the most of any opponent and lead that series, 47-19.

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 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/.

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