



2011 Baldwin-Wallace College Football Game Notes: Game #1 at The College of Wooster



The **BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE** Yellow Jacket football team opens its 2011 season on Thursday, September 1 against the Fighting Scots of The College of Wooster at John Papp Stadium in Wooster at 7:00 p.m. The game marks the beginning of the 107th season of football at the College.

TELEVISION -- The game will be broadcast on SportsTime Ohio on a delay basis on Friday, September 2 at 6:00 a.m. and again on Monday/Labor Day, Sept. 5 at 4:30 p.m.. Veteran sportscaster Adam Mendoza will provide the play-by-play and junior Chris Terlop (Strongsville) will be the color analyst. For more information, please log onto the SportsTime Ohio Web site at www.sportstimeohio.com. Five of 10 B-W football games this fall will be broadcast on STO. You can view past B-W football and basketball telecasts (1978-2009) 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.

BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE

LOCATION : Berea, Ohio
NICKNAME: Yellow Jackets
2009 RECORD: 7-3
OAC RECORD: 6-3, third
HEAD COACH: John Snell
ALMA MATER/ YEAR: Baldwin-Wallace / 1987
YEAR AT B-W: 10th
B-W RECORD: 56-36
CAREER RECORD: same
SERIES BEGAN: 1903, Wooster won, 56-0
LAST METING: 2010, B-W won, 38-14, in Berea.



THE COLLEGE OF WOOSTER

LOCATION: Wooster, Ohio
NICKNAME: Fighting Scots
2009 RECORD: 5-5
NCAC RECORD: 4-2, third
HEAD COACH: Mike Schmitz
ALMA MATER / YEAR: Bowling Green / 1974
YEAR AT SCHOOL: 12th
SCHOOL RECORD: 72-40
CAREER RECORD: same
ALL-TIME SERIES: B-W leads, 10-8-1
SERIES STREAK: B-W, eight straight



The Game -- The Baldwin-Wallace College Yellow Jacket football team opens its 2011 season at North Coast Athletic Conference foe The College of Wooster. This is the second straight season that B-W and Wooster have opened the season.

The Yellow Jackets finished the 2010 season with a 7-3 overall and 6-3 Ohio Athletic Conference record. This season, B-W is picked to finish third by both the OAC Coaches and the Media at the annual OAC Media Day in Canton on August 9. B-W's seven wins was its most since 2006.

Wooster finished the 2010 campaign at 5-5 overall and 4-2 in the North Coast Athletic Conference. Wooster was selected fourth in the NCAC Preseason Coaches Poll.

The Baldwin-Wallace Versus Wooster Series Notes -- The Yellow Jackets and the Fighting Scots have previously met 19 times on the gridiron with B-W holding a 10-8-1 series lead, including a 38-14 win a year ago (Sept. 2) in Berea. Wooster won the first eight meetings of the series, and its last win came in 1930. B-W has won 10 of the last 11 contests and there was a tie in 1944. B-W has won eight straight meetings, and prior to last year's win, the last B-W versus Wooster game occurred in 1983 when it beat the Scots, 35-16, in Berea. The series began in 1893 when the Wooster defeated the B-W, 56-0.

Scouting the Yellow Jackets of Baldwin-Wallace College -- B-W returns 43 lettermen and 18 starters from last year.

Offensively, the Yellow Jackets averaged 28.4 points per game and 314.0 yards of total offense per game. Look for B-W to utilize a spread-style offense, with shot-gun snaps and multiple receiver sets. Offensively, Head Coach John Snell utilizes a two-QB rotation of juniors **Ryan O'Rourke (Avon)** and **Andrew Dziak (Maple Heights/ Parma Padua)**. O'Rourke, who gets the majority of the playmng time, completed 119-of-213 passes for 55.9 percent for 1,513 yards with 16 TD and 10 interceptions a year ago. He also has rushed for three of TD. **Dziak** was two-of-four for 21 yards with a TD and rushed for 183 yards in 37 attempts with two TD. The running backs are led by senior **Tim Miker (Parma/ Senior)**, who was the leading rusher in 2010 with 595 yards on 129 carries with seven TD. Junior **Tyler Lohr (Kent/ Roosevelt)** and freshman **Willie Jackson (Citrus Springs, Fla./ Crystal River)** are battling with others to back up **Miker**.

The receiving corps will be led by senior All-OAC tight end **Aaron Hurd (Tiffin/ Columbian)** who led the team with 24 catches for 283 yards and three TD. In addition, look for junior wide receiver **Aaron Manders (Toledo/ Cardinal Stritch)**, who had 16 grabs for 239 yards and two TD; senior **Troy Van Meter (Gahanna/ Westerville North)**, who had 17 receptions for 219 yards and two TD; sophomore **Josiah Holt (Elyria/ Grafton Midview)**, who had 16 catches for 134 yards; and senior **Dan Turner (Youngstown/ Ursuline)**, who had seven grabs for 88 yards and a TD, to be the top wideouts.

The offensive line returns four starts, 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)**. There also is depth to back up the quartet.

On special teams, B-W returns senior kickoff specialist **David Cantu (Amherst/ Steele)**, who also is battling to be the placekicker. **Cantu** averaged 54.1 yards per kickoff a year ago. Sophomore **Matt Harmon (Canfield)** earned the job as the stating punter during training and is eager to show off his abilities. The return squad is led by sophomore cornerback and kick return specialist **Kevin Johnson (Garfield Hts./ Cleveland St. Ignatius)**, who averaged 28.7 yards on 20 kick returns with a TD, and **Holt**, who averaged 29.6 yards on 16 kick returns with a TD. **Lohr**, junior **Pat LaGuardia (Brunswick/ Parma Padua)** and sophomore DB **Kory Gillissie (Parma/ Cleveland St. Ignatius)** are battling to return punts.

Defensively, the Yellow Jackets allowed 21.3 points and 305.3 yards of offense per game. B-W will be led by its outstanding secondary which is headed by a pair of All-OAC standouts in two-time All-OAC safety **Ryan Dugan (Mentor)** and senior cornerback **Matt Bowen (Tiffin/ Columbian)**. The duo anchor a veteran secondary that includes **Johnson**, junior CB **Brandon Russo (Olmsted Falls)**, senior safety **Corey Hildreth (Massillon/ Washington)**, **Gillissie**, sophomore **Zach Barley (Hudson)** and junior **Tom Goebel (Parma/ Padua)**. **Hildreth** led the secondary with 55 tackles, including 34 solo stops, and had 2.5 tackles for loss, a QB sack, two interceptions and a fumble recovery. **Bowen** was second with 50 tackles, intercepted two passes and returned both for TD in back-to-back games and had a team-high 15 pass breakups. **Dugan**, who missed one full game and parts of two others with an injury, had 39 stops, led the team with three interceptions and was second with 11 breakups. He has 11 career thefts. **Russo** rounded out the starters with 35 tackles and seven breakups.

The line will be led by a pair of returning starters in senior defensive end **Sonny Hazelwood (Elyria/ Senior)** and senior tackle **Max Wagner (Mentor)**. Also look for junior "rushing end" **Derron Hamilton (Euclid)**, senior end **Joe Fitch (Elyria/ Senior)**, senior end **Matt Lewis (Bay Village/ Bay)** and sophomore tackles **Addison Carbone (Hudson)**, **Isaiah Kimmie (Cleveland/ Glenville)** and **Brad Hollifield (Barberton)** all to add strength, speed and depth up front. **Hazelwood** had 27 tackles, six tackles for loss, including a sack, intercepted a pass and had a team-leading three forced fumbles. **Wagner**, who missed eight games due to an injury and began the season as a starter, had seven stops in 2010 after making 19 stops as a sophomore. **Hamilton**, who played mostly in passing situations, had 34 tackles, including 5.5 tackles for loss, 4.5 sacks and six forced QB hurries. **Lewis** and **Carbone** both saw some playing time and contributed a combined 23 stops. **Fitch** returns after missing all of last season with an injury. He started several games in 2009.

For decades, B-W has been known for its outstanding linebackers. It graduated one of its all-time best in Ryan Kish '11 but returns at least two others excellent players in seniors **Brett Thompson (Shelby)** and **J.J. Laseak (Mentor)**. The duo return as starters and will joined as candidates for the open position by seniors **Brian Ellis (Fort Mitchell, Ky./ Dayton)**, **Matt Higgenbotham (Hartville/ Uniontown Lake)** and **John Haraysyn (Mentor)** and junior **Ben Penman (Warren/ Harding)**. A year ago, **Laseak** led the team in tackles with 81, was tied for third with 11.5 tackles for loss, had two sacks, forced one fumble and recovered another. **Thompson** was third with 60 stops, eight tackles for loss, three sacks, five pass breakups and six hurries. **Ellis** is coming back after missing last season with an injury. He played in nine games in 2009 and had seven tackles. **Higgenbotham** saw action in 10 games last season and had 24 tackles. **Haraysyn** saw action in all 10 games, made 31 tackles, had a sack, an interception and two pass breakups.

Scouting the Fighting Scots of The College of Wooster -- Wooster returns 36 lettermen and 17 starters from its team that finished 5-5 overall and 4-2 in the North Coast Athletic Conference.

Offensively, Wooster averaged 25.9 points and 332.9 yards of offense per game. Look for Wooster to run a spread style offense. The Scots will be led by sophomore QB Richard Barnes, who was last year's NCAC "Newcomer of the Year". He completed 189-of-301 passes for 2,046 yards with 14 TD and 11 interceptions. Extremely elusive, the 6'0" and 195-pound Barnes ran for 301 yards and six more TD. In the backfield, look for RB Robert Flagg to carry the load. Last season, he rushed for a team-leading 830 yards in 160 attempts and a team-high 10 TD. He also caught 29 passes for 319 yards and two TD. The receiving corps is led by junior Jordan McIntyre, who caught 36 passes for 402 yards and two TD; 6'3" senior TE Cameron Daniels, who caught 34 passes (in eight games) for 314 yards and four TD; and junior Zack Weidrick, who grabbed nine passes for 132 yards. In addition, four starters return on the line.

Defensively, the Fighting Scots gave up 18.4 points per game and an average of 310.5 yards of total offense per contest. Wooster runs a base 4-3 defense. Leading the way are senior Division III All-American tackle Dan Terhune, junior end Rob Holtz and senior nose guard Chris Moore. Terhune had 47 total tackles and led the Scots with 11 QB sacks, Holtz had seven sacks and Moore has started the past 13 contests. The linebacking corps is led by senior Matt Breidigam who had 57 tackles last season. The Scot secondary is solid with three All-NCAC starters back and led by Quinton Howard, Girard Ogletree-Crawford and Taylor Trout (2009 All-NCAC). Howard led Wooster with 82 tackles while Ogletree-Crawford and Trout combined for six pickoffs and 15 pass breakups.

On special teams, the Scots return All-NCAC punter Dana Obery, who averaged 40.5 yards per boot a year ago. In addition, Ogletree-Crawford, the NCAC Special Teams Player of the Year in 2010, averaged 24.0 yards per kick return, and Trout has led the NCAC in punt returns two of the past three seasons.

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 546-319-30 with an impressive and OAC-best .627 winning percentage in their 106-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.

John Snell 7-2 in Season Openers -- Yellow Jacket Head Coach John Snell enters the season with a 7-2 record in season-openers. Snell's Yellow Jackets defeated Allegheny (Pa.) College in the opener from 2002 through 2005, beat perennial NCAA Division III power Augustana (Ill.) College in both 2006 and 2007 and beat Wooster a year ago.

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 56-36 with a .609 winning percentage.

Finnie Stadium Success -- Since Finnie Stadium opened in 1971, the Yellow Jackets have compiled an impressive 147-31-2 home record with an .822 winning percentage.

Finnie Stadium Attendance Always Among National Leaders -- The faculty, administration, students, parents and friends of the B-W football have a long history of supporting the Yellow Jacket program. Every year since the NCAA has kept statistics on home game attendance, B-W has ranked in the Top-10 nationally in Division III. A year ago, B-W's six home games attracted 25,872 fans and ranked fourth in Div. III attendance by averaging 4,312 fans per game. That was an increase of 204 fans per contest.

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 marks the second meeting between B-W and The College of Wooster since 1983. The Yellow Jackets also have played Heidelberg University 64 times for the most of any opponent and lead that series, 45-19.

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/>.

B-W Picked Third by Coaches and Media in OAC Preseason Poll-- B-W was picked to finish third by the OAC football coaches and the media who cover the league at the annual OAC Football Media Day on August 9 at the Pro Football Hall of Fame and Museum in Canton. Mount Union was picked by the media and coaches to win the conference. Representing B-W at Media were senior DB **Ryan Dugan**, senior WR **Matt Hurd** and Head Coach **John Snell**.

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 include the Sept. 17 Community Night game versus Heidelberg University, 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 are the Sept. 1 game at Wooster and the Nov. 5 contest at the University of Mount Union.

2011 Promotional Dates -- All five Yellow Jacket home games are promotional dates. Sept. 17 (Heidelberg) is Community Night, Sept. 24 (Capital) is the Annual Lee Tressel Shrine Classic, 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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