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INVADERS HOST DEFENDING USFL CHAMPION STARS SUNDAY

Charlie Sumner's exuberance over his victorious debut as a pro head coach--31-10 over the Denver Gold--resulted in his being presented the game ball and the realization that the 1985 USFL season has a long way to go.

The road gets very tough this week as Sumner's Invaders host the defending USFL champion Baltimore Stars at the Oakland Coliseum on Sunday, March 3, at 1 p.m. PST.

"Baltimore is a very good team that's lost only six regular season games in the history of the league," Sumner said. "That's pretty impressive, especially when you add the fact that the Stars have played in both USFL Championship Games.

"Our offense got a little greedy too early last Sunday and that's my fault. We saw a lot of things open. In the second half, we came out running because I wanted to settle them down a little bit. We won't be able to play hot and cold against the Stars; we'll have to be more consistent."

Sumner noted that the team could have used another preseason game to become more fluid. 'We didn't look like we should for the whole game,' he said.

While the Stars were losing to the Jacksonville Bulls, 22-14, the Invaders took a 7-0 lead before 23,622 fans as quarterback Bobby Hebert connected with wide receiver Derek Holloway for a 25-yard touchdown pass midway through the first quarter. Oakland led 10-7 at halftime and saw the game tied at 10 in the fourth quarter.

After a Denver punt to midfield, Hebert immediately went to air and hit Anthony Carter with a 50-yard touchdown bomb, giving Oakland a 17-10 lead. Cornerback Derrick Martin intercepted a Vince Evans pass on the next drive, setting up another Hebert TD pass, a 3-yarder to tight end Brian Williams.

Leading 24-10, the Invaders' defense took control of the game for good as Martin intercepted Evans again, setting up Hebert's final touchdown pass, a 14-yarder to halftack John Williams.

In all, the Invaders' defense held Evans to 150 yards passing, completing just 14 of 45 passes with 3 interceptions. Denver rushed for only 60 yards.

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Sun., March 3, 1 p.m. PST

Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum

LAST WEEK:

The Invaders beat the Denver Gold in Oakland's home opener, 31-10, as Bobby Hebert threw 4 touchdown passes--3 in the fourth quarter. Cornerback Derrick Martin's 2 interceptions in the fourth quarter set up touchdowns as Oakland's defense allowed only a field goal. Derek Holloway led the Invaders' receivers with 4 catches for 86 yards, including a 25-yard TD, while fullback Tom Newton rushed for a game-high 72 yards on 13 carries. The defending USFL champion Stars lost, 22-14, to the Bulls before a crowd of 51,045. The Stars totaled just 12 first downs as quarterback Chuck Fusina completed 8 of 15 passes for 122 yards and 2 interceptions.

INJURIES:

S David Greenwood (knee) and DE Bob Standifer (knee) did not play against the Gold. Greenwood may return this week, while Standifer will be out a few more weeks after having undergone arthroscopic surgery last week.

SERIES:

The Stars lead the series, 3-0. In 1983, the Stars beat the host Invaders, 17-7, then beat Oakland, 12-6, late in the season during a heavy rain in Philadelphia. In 1984, the Stars came back from a 7-0 halftime deficit to beat the Invaders, 28-7.

LAST MEETING:

On March 18, 1984, the host Stars beat the Invaders, 28-7, as All-USFL running back Kelvin Bryant gained 173 yards on 24 carries and scored 2 touchdowns. Chuck Fusina completed 19 of 31 passes for 260 yards with 2 touchdowns and an interception. The game marked the debut of Chuck Hutchison as head coach of the Invaders, replacing John Ralston.

QUOTES:

Head Coach Charlie Sumner: "Yeah, I was nervous about today's (Sunday) game. But the guys went out and did it. How can you ask for anything more when you go out and win your first game as a pro head coach?" Quarterback Bobby Hebert: "I was a little inconsistent, but we won the game and that's the important thing. We seemed to be pressing but it was our first game with a new offense and that will get ironed out as time goes by."

Wide receiver Anthony Carter on his 50-yard TD catch: "It was the basic post pattern and it was open all day. Bobby did a great job in getting the ball to me."

PR ADVANCE:

Bob Moore, the Stars' director of public relations, can be reached Thursday at the Oakland Airport Hyatt (415-562-6100). The team will arrive Friday.

RADIO:

KGO (810), the Invaders' 50,000-watt flagship station, will carry the broadcast with Joe Starkey and Lee Grosscup. The pregame show starts at 12:45 p.m. PST.

MEDIA LUNCHEON:

Head Coach Charlie Sumner will be available for media interviews next Tuesday at noon at the Invaders' practice facility in San Leandro.

1985 INVADERS GAME HIGHS

Yards Rushing Rushing Attempts	72 13	Tom Newton vs. Denver (2/24) Tom Newton vs. Denver (2/24)		
Yards Passing Pass Attempts Pass Completions Touchdowns Passing	233 26 15 +4	Bobby Hebert vs. Denver (2/24)		
Yards Receiving Pass Receptions Touchdowns Receiving	4	Derek Holloway vs. Denver (2/24) Derek Holloway vs. Denver (2/24) Derek Holloway, Anthony Carter, Brian Williams, John Williams vs. Denver (2/24)		

Interceptions Longest Field Goal Longest Punt

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2 Derrick Martin vs. Denver (2/24) 32 Novo Bojovic vs. Denver (2/24)

50 Stan Talley vs. Denver (2/24)

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1985 DAKLAND INVADERS ALPHABETICAL ROSTER (As of 2/25/85)

No. Name Pos. Ht. Wt. Birthdate Exp. College 88 Banks, Gordon WR 5-10 177 3/12/58 5 Stanford 91 Bennett, Monte DE 6-4 276 4/27/59 4 Kansas State 32 Bentley, Albert FR 5-11 208 8/15/60 Miami (Fla.) 50 Bentley, Ray LB 6-2 250 11/25/60 3 Central Michigan 14 Besana, Fred QB 6-4 226 3/ 9/54 3 California 79 Bethea, Larry DE 6-5 245 7/21/56 Michigan State 3 Bojovic, Novo K 5-9 170 11/ 2/59 3 Central Michigan 23 Brown, Otis HB 5-11 206 2/ 3/60 2 Jackson State 73 Browning, Dave DE 6-5 245 8/18/56 Washington Carter, Anthony WR 5-11 162 9/17/60 3 Michigan 52 Carter, Thomas LB 6-2 230 2/ 5/61 2 San Diego State 89 Cozen, Doug TE 6-4 241 7/ 9/57 3 Illinois 21 Davis, Oliver CB 6-2 205 8/29/54 9 Tennessee State Faulkner, Shawn 28 HB 5-11 188 6/22/62 1 Western Michigan 64 Franz, Trace G 6-5 260 3/26/60 2 San Jose State 86 Gilbert, Lewis TE 6-4 235 5/24/56 6 Florida 31 Greenwood, David S 6-3 208 3/25/60 3 Wisconsin Hart, Darul CB 5-10 172 1/10/61 2 Lane College 11 Hebert, Robbo QB 6-4 208 8/19/60 3 NW Louisiana Hollie, Doug DE 6-3 265 12/15/60 2 SMU 29 Holloway, Derek WR 5-7 165 1/17/61 3 Arkansas 80 Howell, Wes WR 6-3 212 3/ 8/60 1 California 65 Irving, Reggie G 6-2 260 12/22/57 2 Grambling 20 Jordan, Erica HB 6-0 210 11/17/61 2 Purdue 63 Leonard, Jim C-G 6-3 260 10/19/57 6 Santa Clara 48 Lucas, Tim LB 6-4 225 4/ 3/61 California 72 Markham, Dale T 6-9 285 7/24/57 North Dakota 24 Martin, Derrick CB 5-11 185 5/31/57 San Jose State 57 McClanahan, Randy LB 6-5 235 12/12/54 SW Louisiana 36 McKeever. Vito CB 6-0 180 10/ 8/61 2 Florida 92 Moore, Tim NT 6-4 288 9/27/60 Southern U. 45 Newton, Tom FR 6-0 238 3/ 8/54 8 California 74 Pinney, Ray T 6-4 270 6/29/54 9 Washington 51 Plummer, Gary LB 6-1 243 1/26/60 3 California 40 Quinn, Marcus 5 6-0 200 6/27/59 3 LSU 58 Shaw, David LB 6-0 225 5/27/57 3 California 85 Shumann, Mike WR 6-2 171 10/13/54 7 Florida State 59 Snipes, Angelo I.R 6-0 208 1/11/63 R West Georgia 90 Standifer, Rob DE 6-5 257 6/ 3/63 R Tenn.-Chattanooga 96 Sullivan, Carl DE 6-4 242 4/30/62 2 San Jose State Sullivan, John 41 S 6-1 190 10/15/61 2 California 10 Tallev, Stan P 6-5 225 9/ 5/58 3 Texas Christian 15 Torchio, J QB 6-2 210 9/14/60 2 California 56 Turnure, Tom C 6-4 257 7/ 9/57 6 Washington 77 Vaughan, Ruben NT 6-1 261 8/ 6/56 3 Colorado 75 Wall, Darnell DE 6-4 266 4/27/61 R Virginia Union 81 Williams, Brian TE 6-5 240 10/14/57 2 Southern U. 43 Williams, John HB 5-11 213 10/26/60 3 Wisconsin 62 Wiska, Jeff G 6-4 265 10/17/59 3 Michigan State 70 Wright, Steve T 6-6 250 4/ 8/59 5 Northern Iowa

Name Fos. Ht. Wt. Age Exp. College Anthony Carter WR 5-11 162 24 3 Michigan 3 Novo Rojovic K 5-9 170 25 3 Central Michigan 7 Daryl Hart CB 5-10 172 24 2 Lane College 10 Stan Tallev P 6-5 225 26 3 Texas Christian 11 Robby Hebert QB 6-4 208 24 3 NW Louisiana 14 Fred Resana QB 6-4 226 30 California 15 J Torchio QB 6-2 210 24 2 California 20 Eric Jordan* FB 6-0 210 23 Furdue 21 Oliver Davis CB 6-2 205 30 9 Tennessee State 23 Otis Brown FB 5-11 204 25 Jackson State 24 Derrick Martin CB 5-11 185 27 San Jose State 28 Shawn Faulkner HB 5-11 188 22 1 Western Michigan 29 Derek Holloway WR 5-7 165 24 3 Arkansas 31 David Greenwood S 6-3 208 3 24 Wisconsin 32 Albert Bentley FB 5-11 208 24 2 Miami (Fla.) 34 Vito McKeever CB 6-0 180 23 2 Florida Marcus Quinn 40 S 6-0 200 3 24 LSU 41 John Sullivan S 6-1 190 23 2 California 43 John Williams HB 5-11 213 24 3 Wisconsin 45 Tom Newton FR 6-0 238 30 8 California 48 Tim Lucas LB 6-4 225 22 3 California 50 Ray Bentley LB 6-2 250 24 3 Central Michigan 51 Gary Flummer LB 6-1 243 25 3 California 52 Thomas Carter LB 6-2 230 24 2 San Diego State 56 Tom Turnure C 6-4 257 27 Washington 57 Randy McClanahan LB 6-5 235 30 SW Louisiana 58 David Shaw LB 6-0 225 27 3 California 59 Angelo Snipes LB 6-0 208 22 R West Georgia 62 Jeff Wiska G 6-4 265 25 3 Michigan State 63 Jim Leonard C-G 6-3 260 27 6 Santa Clara 64 Tracu Franz 6-5 260 24 2 San Jose State 65 Reggie Irving G 6-2 260 27 2 Grambling 70 Steve Wright T 6-6 250 25 Northern Iowa 72 Dale Markham T 6-9 285 27 4 North Dakota 73 Dave Browning DE 6-5 245 28 8 Washington 74 Ray Pinney T 6-4 270 30 9 Washington 75 Darnell Wall DE 6-4 265 23 Virginia Union 77 Ruben Vaughan NT 6-1 261 28 3 Colorado 79 Larry Bethea DE 6-5 245 28 8 Michigan State 80 Wes Howell WR 6-3 212 24 1 California 81 Brian Williams TE 6-5 240 27 Southern U. 85 Mike Shumann WR

*Roster exemption.

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Head Coach: Charlie Sumner

Lewis Gilbert

Gordon Banks

Bob Standifer

Monte Bennett

Carl Sullivan

Doug Hollie

Doug Cozen

Tim Moore

Assistant Coaches: Ron Lynn, Fred Biletnikoff, Bill Dickey, Mike Dolby, Ed Flanagan, Mike Haluchak, Lary Kuharich, MacArthur Lane.

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Florida State

Kansas State

San Jose State

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Tenn.-Chattanooga

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Illinois

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^{*}Roster exemption:

¹⁻⁻A first-year veteran who previously attended a pro training camp.

INVADERS DEPTH CHART

(As of 2/25/85)

OFFENSE

WR 1 Anthony Carter	85 Mike Shumann	
LT 74 Ray Pinney	70 Steve Wright	
LG 62 Jeff Wiska	65 Reggie Irving	
C 63 Jim Leonard	56 Tom Turnure	
RG 64 Tracy Franz	65 Reggie Irving	
RT 72 Dale Markham	70 Steve Wright	
TE 81 Brian Williams	86 Lewis Gilbert	89 Doug Cozen
QB 11 Bobby Hebert	14 Fred Besana	15 J Torchio
HB 43 John Williams	28 Shawn Faulkner	
FB 45 Tom Newton	32 Albert Bentley	23 Otis Brown
WR 88 Gordon Banks	29 Derek Holloway	80 Wes Howell
DEFENSE		
LE 91 Monte Bennett	96 Carl Sullivan	99 Doug Hollie 90 Bob Standifer
NT 92 Tim Moore	77 Ruben Vaughan	
RE 73 Dave Browning	79 Larry Bethea	75 Darnell Wall
OLB 48 Tim Lucas	52 Thomas Carter	
ILB 51 Gary Plummer	57 Randy McClanahan	
ILB 50 Ray Bentley	57 Randy McClanahan	
OLB 58 David Shaw	52 Thomas Carter	59 Angelo Snipes
LC 36 Vito McKeever	7 Daryl Hart	
RC 24 Derrick Martin	7 Daryl Hart	
SS 40 Marcus Quinn	21 Oliver Davis	31 David Greenwood
FS 41 John Sullivan	21 Oliver Davis	

SPECIALISTS

P	 10	Stan Talley	31	David Greenwoo
Κ	 3	Novo Bojovic	10	Stan Talley
Н	 14	Fred Besana	11	Bobby Hebert
PR	 28	Shawn Faulkner	88	Gordon Banks
KR	 28	Shawn Faulkner	23	Otis Brown
PC	 56	Tom Turnure	63	Jim Leonard
KC	 56	Tom Turnure	63	Jim Leonard