



# 2002 SAN DIEGO RIPTIDE INFORMATION GUIDE

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### Arena Football Mission Statement

*"To serve our community with pride and passion as a quality example of individual and team excellence on the field, in the office, at the arena and within the community by consistently exceeding our customers' expectations by demonstrating the highest character, appreciation and respect for our game, customers, teammates and partners as a cost-effective and visionary organization providing a total entertainment experience."*



# SAN DIEGO **RIPTIDE** **HISTORY**





## **CHRONOLOGY OF THE SAN DIEGO RIPTIDE**

**May 16, 1998** — Gil Saily attends his first Arena football game as the Arizona Rattlers win 62-61 when the Milwaukee Mustangs' two-point conversion to win the game fails. Saily is fascinated with ArenaBall and begins working on getting an Arena football team for the San Diego area.

**June 27, 1998** — Cree Morris leaves playing for the Iowa Barnstormers in order to bring Arena football to his hometown of San Diego. He contacts the AFL upon his return to Southern California and they inform him that Saily is in the process of getting San Diego an Arena team.



**July 5, 1998** — Morris and Saily meet at the Old Town Mexican Café and decide to combine their efforts in bringing Arena football to San Diego Arena.

**Jan. 15, 1999** — While at the gym, Morris informs his long-time friend Eddie Quiroz of his pursuit of Arena football. Quiroz expresses interest and he joins Morris and Saily's efforts.

**Aug. 24, 1999** — The AFL Board of Directors approved the final four applications for arenafootball2 (af2) to begin play in March 2000. Saily focuses his efforts from an Arena team to an af2 team.

**Mid-June, 2001:** AFL Commissioner C. David Baker was on Xtra Sports 690 with Scott Kaplan and Billy Ray Smith. Kaplan and Smith

express interest in an af2 team to Baker after the show. Within a week, Smith and Kaplan are told about Saily's group and they decide to combine their efforts.

**Sept. 28, 2001** — Tampa Bay Storm Director of Media Relations, Andy Lopusnak comes to San Diego working for CBS Sports to cover a Chargers game and meets Scott Kaplan, who was the sideline reporter for the game. The two discuss Arena football for hours and Lopusnak expresses interest in San Diego's efforts for making af2 football happen in Southern California. He leaves the Storm and is hired on 12/12/01.

**Oct. 24, 2001:** San Diego approved for the 34th and final team for the 2002 arenafootball2 season.

**Nov. 11, 2001:** Mike Arenzana's entry of "Riptide" on sandiegoarenafootball.com is one of over 150 names.

**Dec. 15, 2001:** Team hosts its first open player tryout at Balboa Stadium. Seventy-five potential players attend the tryout, including eight players that are on the team's training camp roster.



**Dec. 19, 2001:** The af2 officially approves the name of the team as the "Riptide."





**Dec. 27, 2001:** The af2 assigns San Diego State standout Rico Curtis and former Oceanside High phenom Jerry Garrett to San Diego. They become the first two players in team history.

**Jan 10, 2002:** Mike Arenzana is told that his entry of "Riptide" has been chosen as the team name. He will receive four season tickets.

**Jan. 15, 2002:** Team formally announces that "Riptide" will be the team's name. Also, the team management, coaches and first three players assigned by the af2 announced. The team website, [www.sandiegoriptide.com](http://www.sandiegoriptide.com), is launched immediately following the press conference.



**Jan. 27, 2002:** The Riptide Dance Team has their first audition and five members are chosen from the tryout.

**Feb. 6, 2002:** Former San Diego Charger and Super Bowl winner Steve Hendrickson is assigned to the Riptide roster.

**Feb. 9, 2002:** The Riptide hold their final open-player tryout and over 230 potential players tryout for the team. The Riptide eventually sign 12 players from the workout.

**Feb. 10, 2002:** The Riptide Dance Team holds their final audition and the remainder of the squad is finalized.

**Feb. 15, 2002:** The Riptide initiate their community-involvement campaign with the first of many outings with the Greater San Diego Inner-City Games after-school program.



**March 11, 2002:** OL/DL Brad Elmore is signed by the AFL's Arizona Rattlers, becoming the first Riptide player signed away by an Arena football team.



**April 6, 2002:** Riptide play their first game against the Bakersfield Blitz.







## ***RIPTIDE IN THE COMMUNITY***

### **Commitment To The Community**

The San Diego Riptide's mission is simply to be the best. On the field, the Riptide will strive to provide the highest quality entertainment to their fans while presenting a superior product that fans will be proud to call their own. Off the field, the Riptide will work just as hard to ensure that the investment made by the citizens of San Diego will be returned. The Riptide commits to representing the city and county of San Diego with competitiveness, respect and dignity.



To that end the San Diego Riptide organization is committed to the betterment of the city of San Diego. Proudly displaying the city's name, the Riptide takes its role as a civic leader as important as its role as an ArenaCup contender.

From blood drives to visiting hospitals across the county, the franchise is devoted to casting a positive, fan-friendly image. Our mission is to provide San Diego with the highest level of entertainment, while also helping to make the San Diego community a better place for all of us to live.

### **Youth Involvement Initiative**

The children of America are our future and the Riptide believe in providing the youth of Southern California with a safe, fun means of expressing themselves.

The Riptide began intensive work with the Greater San Diego Inner-City Games program in February. This after-school program offers kids an alternative to gangs, violence and drugs through sports and physical fitness.



In addition, the Riptide is actively visiting local elementary, middle and high schools talking to kids about athletics, academics and the importance of staying in school, as well as creating football fundamental clinics.

**Donation and Player Appearance Program**

The San Diego Riptide football team is committed to giving 100% both on and off the playing field. It is our goal to not only make an impact on the field, but also in our community. Through our donation program and community involvement, the Riptide hopes to make a difference in the lives of others.



The Riptide will play an active role in the community during their 2002 inaugural season and will participate heavily with civic and non-profit organizations. We make every effort to reach out to different areas of the community. However, due to the limited number of appearance opportunities available for a professional athlete and the tremendous volume of requests received, it is not possible to fulfill each and every request; though we will make every effort to accommodate all requests.

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## **SAN DIEGO SPORTS ARENA**

The San Diego Sports Arena, after spending nearly four decades bringing Southern California the greatest names in sports and entertainment, celebrated its 35th anniversary this past November.

With over 150 diverse and exciting events a year, the arena has been consistently one of the top ten arenas in the U.S. in gross dollar sales and in 2001, *Amusement/Billboard Magazine* named the venue #1 in the U.S. for arenas 10,001 to 15,000 seats.

Robert Breitbard, a local high school and San Diego State football star, built the arena for \$6.4 million to bring professional sports to the San Diego community. It opened its doors for the first time on November 17, 1966 when the San Diego Gulls defeated the Seattle Totems 4-1.

Since that historic game, thousands of concerts, sporting and other entertainment events have taken place in this revolutionary venue. Legendary headliners like Elvis Presley, Frank Sinatra, U2, \*NSYNC, Led Zeppelin, The Who, James Brown, Garth Brooks and the Rolling Stones have performed before millions of guests here.

Millions of others have witnessed some of the greatest moments in sports history, including the 1975 NCAA Final Four, when John Wooden coached his final collegiate game as the UCLA Bruins won their tenth title under him, and the first Muhammad Ali-Ken Norton heavyweight fight in 1973. Norton, a San Diego native, broke the jaw of Ali in the first round and then went on to win the bout in a split decision.

The Sports Arena is currently the home of the 10-time MISL champion San Diego Sockers, the 4-time Taylor Cup winning San Diego Gulls of the WCHL and now the expansion San Diego Riptide of arenafootball2.

The 1971 NBA All-Star game took place at the arena and the NBA's Rockets and Clippers once called the Sports Arena home before moving to Houston and Los Angeles, respectively.

The arena continues to make improvements to enhance the entertainment experience with a new scoreboard, food court, JBL sound system, dressing rooms, production room, catering room and interactive displays by the World-Famous San Diego Zoo and San Diego Wild Animal Park.

As a celebration of the facilities 35-year anniversary in 2002, the arena will be unveiling an enormous life-sized photo display of the most historic moments at the arena as it continues to grow and expand well into the 21st century.

### **San Diego Sports Arena Facts and Figures**

<b>Original cost:</b>	\$6.4 million
<b>Company that built it:</b>	Trepte Construction
<b>Outside made of:</b>	Pre-fabricated Concrete
<b>Food/beverage stands:</b>	9 permanent, many portable
<b>Seats for Arena football:</b>	approx. 12,000
<b>Restrooms:</b>	12
<b>Glass windows:</b>	66
<b>Square footage:</b>	116,885
<b>Parking spaces on site:</b>	about 4,000



*Building the Sports Arena, circa 1965*





**SAN DIEGO**  
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Arena	San Diego Sports Arena (12,000)
af2 Season	1st
Alignment	National Conference, West Division
Colors	Blue, Silver, Black and White

### **ADMINISTRATION**

#### **Managing Operators**

President/C.O.O

Vice President, Communications

Vice President, Sales & Marketing

Director, Football Operations

Director, Game-Day Operations

Director, Season & Group Sales

Director, Cheerleading

Director, Community Relations

Ticket Manager

Receptionist

Senior Marketing Executives

Communications Assistant

Orthopedic Surgeon

Team Physician

Graphic Designer

Team Photographer

Assistant Photographer

Media Consultants

Assistant Cheerleading Directors

Gil Saily

Eddie Quiroz

Gil Saily

Andy Lopusnak

Andrew Kline

Cree Morris

Eddie Quiroz

Rito Arciaga

Stacey Rogne

Dawn Ridz

Karen Nims-April

Elsa White

Ross Marchbanks

Aurelio Perez

Traelee Giacometti

Dr. David Chao

Dr. Lee Rice

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Essy Ghavameddini

Paul Martinez

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Scott Kaplan

Rick Schloss

Billy Ray Smith

Tonya Dupree

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### **FOOTBALL OPERATIONS**

Head Coach

Defensive Coordinator/Secondary Coach

Line Coach

Defensive Assistant

Assistant Coach

Equipment Manager

Head Athletic Trainer

Cree Morris

Derek Dahlen

Tim White

Henry Milton

Pat Gregory

Matt Lambert

Dennis Greenhill, ATC





## **ADMINISTRATIVE PROFILES**

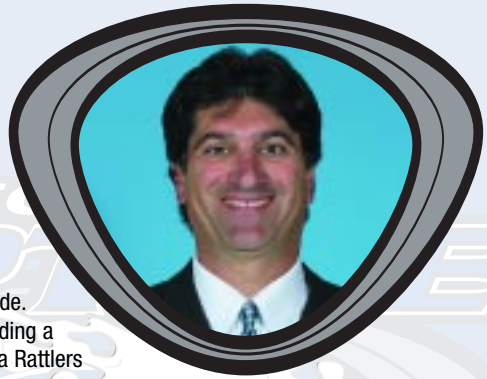
### **Gil Saily**

#### **President/C.O.O.**

(SAY-dee)

Saily's three and a half year vision of bringing fan-friendly, affordable and fun professional football to Southern California becomes a reality with the San Diego Riptide.

He was drawn to Arena football after attending a game in 1998 in Phoenix, when the Arizona Rattlers won 62-61 over the Milwaukee Mustangs.



With the always-escalating cost of sporting events today, Saily believes that the average family needs an alternative with fan interaction with the players, cheerleaders and coaches at an affordable price. Soon after that game, he contacted the AFL and began the process of bringing ArenaBall to his home of more than 23 years. And so, the San Diego Riptide were born.

Saily has been serving the San Diego community for 18 years as the owner and founder of one of the top travel agencies in the area, *Aer Travel*, listed by the *San Diego Business Journal* for over 15 years. A visionary in the industry, his company was the first to go global, in Southern California, using the Internet in 1995.

His business philosophy of giving the very best in customer service and doing whatever it takes to make the customer happy made the Arena Football League an ideal place to transfer his philosophy to the sports world.

He and his wife, Michele, live in Encinitas.





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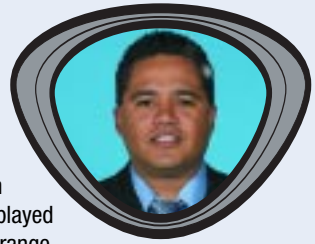


## **ADMINISTRATIVE PROFILES**

### **Eddie Quiroz**

#### **Managing Operator/Director, Game-Day Operations (KEY-rose)**

Since attending Cal State-San Marcos, Quiroz has helped operate a major leasing company in San Diego, where he serves as VP of Sales and Manager of Credit. The organization has increased 3,000% in size during his four years there. He played high school football with Riptide Head Coach Cree Morris at Orange Glen High in Escondido. He is single and resides in Temecula, California.



### **Andy Lopusnak**

#### **Vice President, Communications (low-PUSH-nack)**

After four seasons with the Arena Football League's Tampa Bay Storm, Lopusnak joins the Riptide.

A long-time fan of Arena football, Lopusnak, saw the first AFL game in 1987 on ESPN and fell in love with the sport. In 1991, when the Pittsburgh Gladiators moved to Tampa to become the Storm, he attended their first game. Five years later, at the age of 20, he started to work games as a statistician, and in 1998 began working in the communications department.

In the off-season, he works as a statistician for CBS Sports, which brought him to San Diego for three Charger games in 2001, where he met Scott Kaplan and the Riptide administration.

He and his girlfriend, Traelee, drove over 2,500 miles to get here from Tampa on New Year's Day 2002 and now reside in San Diego.



### **Andrew Kline**

#### **Vice President, Sales and Marketing**

Kline comes to the Riptide with an impressive career that includes being the C.O.O of Kline & Associates, a PR, marketing and advertising company in San Diego. He played football for San Diego State and was teammates with many of the former Aztecs playing for the Riptide. He resides in San Diego.



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## **ADMINISTRATIVE PROFILES**

### **Rito Arciaga**

#### **Director, Season & Group Sales**

Arciaga begins his first season with the Riptide after serving the past nine with the NFL Chargers (1993-97) and WCHL Gulls (1997-2002). He was a Marketing and Season Ticket Sales Rep for the Chargers'. He became the Gulls Director of Season Tickets and Group sales in 1997. The Gulls were the top attended WCHL team from 1998-2001 when he was there.

He earned a degree in Marketing from San Diego State. In his spare time, he plays for the Chargers band "Time Out." He resides in San Diego with his wife, Karen, his daughter, Alana, and his two sons, Jason and Jordan.



### **Stacey Rogne**

#### **Director, Cheerleading**

Rogne is an honors graduate from the University of Nevada, Reno where she received a dual degree in Elementary and Special Education. She was a member and captain of the University of Nevada Cheer and Dance Team for three years. During her studies at Nevada, Stacey co-coached a Pop-Warner Cheer Team that placed first in State and third in Regional Championships. She currently teaches sixth grade math, science, writing and P.E. in the Chula Vista Elementary School District. She is also a former, three-year member of the San Diego Charger Girls.



### **Dawn Ridz**

#### **Director, Community Relations**

Ridz oversees all Riptide appearances and involvement with local youth organizations. She is also responsible for developing the team's ticket outreach programs which donates tickets to each home game to local schools and children's groups. She graduated with a Bachelors in Human Resources Management from San Diego State.



Ridz began her community work by volunteering with organizations such as the Terrell Davis Salute the Kids Foundation, Two Tons of Fun, and Inner-City Games. She is currently the Executive Director of the Elizabeth Gillespie Fund for Life (a foundation established in her aunt's memory) and the Event & Community Relations Director for the Jonas Lewis Make the Play Foundation.



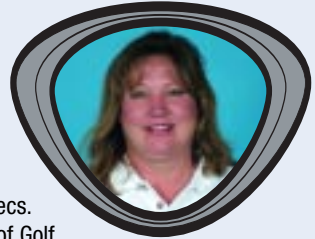


## **ADMINISTRATIVE PROFILES**

### **Karen Nims-April**

#### **Ticket Manager**

Nims-April oversees the daily operation of all ticket sales and manages all season seat accounts. She has worked in the San Diego sports community for 25 years. She has worked in the ticket offices of the San Diego Chargers, San Diego Padres and most recently the San Diego State Aztecs. She has managed many special events such as Tournament of Golf Champions in La Costa, Rock n Roll Marathon and Street Scenes. She has her degree in Recreation from San Diego State University. Karen and her husband Bruce reside in El Cajon with their two children Ashley and Cassidy.



### **Ross Marchbanks**

#### **Senior Account Executive**

Marchbanks comes to the Riptide from San Diego State University where he graduated from in 2001 with a B.S. in Business Management. While at SDSU he played football for the Aztecs from 1999-2001, and was teammates with current Riptide players Rico Curtis, Kevin Burton, Brian Berg, Aazaar-Abdul Rahim, Zack LaMonda, Scott Johnson, as well as V.P. of Sales & Marketing Andrew Kline.

Marchbanks is originally from Bakersfield, California and played football for US Military Academy West Point and Bakersfield College before transferring to SDSU. He currently resides in Mission Beach.



### **Aurelio Perez**

#### **Senior Marketing Executive**

Perez attended St. Mary's College with Riptide coaches Cree Morris and Derek Dahlen, majoring in Business Administration and Spanish. Played football and rugby in college. Played rugby six years for OMBAC and was a member of the 1996 National Champions. He has a background in marketing and advertising sales in TV and radio. Perez is single and lives near downtown San Diego.



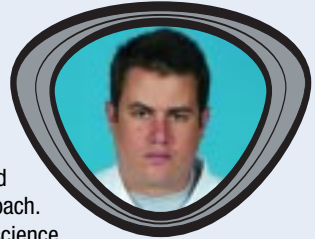


## **ADMINISTRATIVE PROFILES**

### **Matt Lambert**

#### **Equipment Manager**

Lambert enters his first season as a football equipment manager. Lambert has spent the past seven years coaching high school football in the San Diego community. From 1999-2001, he was at Castle Park as their wide receivers coach and from 1996-99 at Benito Vista, where he was the secondary coach. He currently is attending San Diego State, majoring in social science. He is single and resides in San Diego.



### **Dennis Greenhill, ATC**

#### **Head Athletic Trainer**

Greenhill has spent the past two seasons with the minor league pro basketball teams in San Diego. From 1999-2000 with the Stingrays of the IBL as their assistant trainer and 2000-01 with the ABA's Wildfire as their head athletic trainer. He holds a P.E./Athletic Training degree from SDSU and is currently working on his masters in sports medicine. Works for Alliant International University as the head athletic trainer. He is engaged to Kelly and they plan to get married in September; they reside in Clairemont.



### **Dr. Lee Rice**

#### **Team Physician**



### **Dr. David Chao**

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## **COACHING PROFILES**

### **Cree Morris**

#### **Head Coach/ Director of Football Operations**

The Riptide's first head coach is former Orange Glen High School quarterback Cree Morris, who has playing experience with the NFL, Arena Football League and the World League. Morris also played collegiate football with San Diego State and St. Mary's College.

Morris, 31, led Orange Glen to a 12-1 record his senior year in 1988, finishing second in the state in passing with over 3,000 yards and 30 TDs. He was named Palomar League Offensive Player of the Year, First-Team All-CIF and Honorable Mention All-State.

He spent three years at San Diego State, where he had the rare distinction of throwing Darnay Scott his first collegiate touchdown and handing Marshall Faulk his first collegiate carry in the same game — a 49-13 win over Cal State Long Beach on 9/8/1991.

In 1992, Morris transferred to Division II St. Mary's College in Moraga, California, where he earned a B.A. in Health, Fitness and Recreation with an emphasis on teaching. In two seasons with the Gaels, he threw for 3,451 yards and 24 TDs, as well as six rushing scores. He is listed 16 times in the school's all-time record books after leading them to consecutive winning seasons in just 15 starts.

He participated in the training camp of the Los Angeles Raiders in 1994. In April of 1995, Morris signed with the San Jose SaberCats of the Arena Football League, however, the St. Louis Rams invited him to their training camp. In 1996, Morris spent a season in the World League of American Football with the London Monarchs.

The following year, Morris began his two-year Arena career spending a year and half with the Arena League's San Jose SaberCats (1997-98) and finishing his career with the Iowa Barnstormers (1998).

Following his playing career, Morris focused on bringing Arena football to the San Diego area.

He has served as an assistant coach at John Swett High in the Bay Area (1994), his alma mater Orange Glen (1997-98) and Castle Park High (2000-01).

He's married to Stephanie, who he has been dating since they were 12. On December 8, they had their first child, Noah Trey.





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## **COACHING PROFILES**

### **Derek Dahlen**

#### **Defensive Coordinator/Secondary Coach**

He is a renowned rugby player, with seven years experience with San Diego's OMBAC 15's and 7-on-7 teams that have won two national championships. Last year, Dahlen had the honor of representing the United States in a Mediterranean and Middle Eastern tour that had a 9-1 record and became the first U.S. team to win an international tournament in Budapest since the 1924 Olympics.



He attended St. Augustine High in North Park, where he lettered in football, basketball and wrestling. He met Riptide Head Coach Cree Morris while participating in a scrimmage against San Diego State, while he was at Mesa Junior College in 1989. Transferred to St. Mary's in 1990 and was named the team's Rookie of the Year in 1991 and Defensive Back of the Year in 1992. Was a roommate of Morris' when the Riptide head coach transferred there.

When not playing rugby, Dahlen has been a high school football assistant coach with John Swett (1993-94) and Castle Park since 2000. One of his former players, Chris Riggs, was named All-CIF, All-County and voted Player of the Year.

Dahlen is the VP and general manager of one of San Diego's favorite restaurants, Bully's East in Mission Valley. His father opened Bully's in 1971 and the Dahlen family has been serving the San Diego community ever since.

### **Tim White**

#### **Offensive/Defensive Line Coach**

White is a math teacher at University of San Diego High School, where he also is the assistant head football coach and the head coach of the junior varsity and freshmen wrestling teams. White was also the Assistant Head Football Coach for St. Augustine High School and before that, three seasons with Santana High School. He was a tutor and volunteer for 2 seasons for San Diego State University's Football Program. He also served as the Offensive Assistant with San Jose State University's Football Program.



White believes that children are the key to a brighter future and volunteers his spare time travelling the country, participating in numerous football clinics and other sports-related community service events. He is married to Carmen; they are expecting their first child this June. His father is former Charger and Viking great "Big" Ed White.



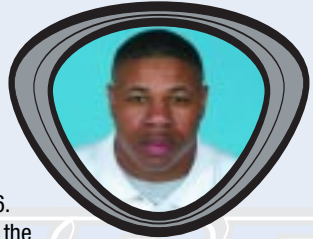


## **COACHING PROFILES**

### **Henry Milton** **Defensive Assistant**

Milton brings eight years of indoor football experience to the Riptide. He played seven seasons in the Arena Football League with Sacramento (1992), Cleveland (1994), Arizona (1995-96), San Jose (1997, 99) and Milwaukee (1998). He set an Arena record with a 49-yard fumble return for a TD in 1996. In 2000, he played with the Fargo Freeze as a player/coach in the Indoor Football League.

While at Sonoma State, Milton was First team All-Northern California in his junior and senior seasons at wide receiver. He has spent the Arena off-season as the Defensive Coordinator with Edison High (Fresno, CA) and Madera High (Madera, CA).



### **Pat Gregory** **Assistant Coach**

The San Diego native played two seasons of ArenaBall with the Sacramento Attack (1992) and the Miami Hooters (1993), and then three seasons with the Birmingham Bulls of the British-American Football Association (1992-94), where the Bulls won the 1994 National title. He also was the defensive coordinator all three seasons with Birmingham. He has coached defensive backs locally at University of San Diego High (1992, 94) and Patrick Henry High (1995).

Played collegiate ball at Bethany University (WV), where he first started playing Ironman-type football. He was first-team all-conference cornerback and second-team all-conference tailback.

He has three daughters — Chelsie (01/21/89), Katie (07/10/94) and Zoe (07/14/99). Is married to Mandi and resides in Pacific Beach. Works construction with San Diego Concrete and Pumping, when not coaching football.



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# ABDUL-RAHIM



**Wide Receiver/Defensive Back**  
**Height:** 5' 11"      **Weight:** 175 lbs  
**DOB:** 11/11/1976  
**College:** San Diego State  
**af2 Experience:** Rookie

**College:** Played three seasons with San Diego State at corner and led the Aztecs in interceptions his senior season and was five in tackles. Finished his career with SDSU with 124 tackles and eight interceptions. Before joining State, Abdul-Rahim was a two-year letter winner at Mesa CC in Mesa, AZ. As a freshman, tallied 41 tackles and two interceptions and earned All-Arizona, All-Region and second team Western States Football League honors. He played sparingly during his sophomore year due to injury, but was a pre-season All-American.

**High School:** Attended Paul Laurence Dunbar High School in Washington D.C., where he was a three-year letterman. As a junior and senior played both wide receiver and defensive back, leading the Crimson Tide in tackles, receiving yards, receptions and interceptions. He was an All-City team selection and a Blue Chip All-Region honoree. He also competed in track & field and swimming.

**Personal:** Majored in social science and was the 1998 Big Red Award winner for maintaining a 3.2 GPA or better.

# JOHN AVALOS



**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**  
**Height:** 6'2"      **Weight:** 260 lbs  
**DOB:** 09/29/1973  
**College:** Southern Oregon  
**af2 Experience:** rookie

**Pro:** Played for the Southern Oregon Heat of the NIFL last season.

**College:** At Southern Oregon, he was a two-time All-CFA selection. In his junior year, Avalos recorded 55 tackles 17 tackles for loss and 5.5 sacks at defensive end. Then in his senior year, he recorded 30 tackles, 15 tackles for loss and 7.5 sacks in just seven games. Transferred from Grossmont College, where he earned All-Conference and was named the team's best lineman.

**High School:** Attended Helix High, where he was an All-CIF, All-County and First Team All-League on both offense and defense.

**Personal:** Coaches the linebackers for his alma mater, Helix High. Helix won the state and CIF title last year. Avalos holds a Sociology degree from Southern Oregon. He resides in La Mesa.





## BRAW BEATS

**Fullback/Linebacker**

**Height: 6' 0"**

**Weight: 255 lbs**

**DOB: 03/02/1978**

**College: San Diego State**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**College:** In two years at San Diego State, he started 13 games and compiled 116 tackles and recovered three fumbles at weak side linebacker. He tallied 93 his senior season, finishing third on the team in tackles. Redshirted at UCLA before transferring to Saddlebrook Junior College and was named the team's MVP both years. He is the school's all-time leading tackler with 241 stops and had 25 in a single game en route to J.C. Gridwire All-American status.

**High School:** At Santa Margarita Catholic High, he registered 130 tackles and 15 sacks as a defensive lineman and was twice named All-League, the team MVP his senior season and All-County and All-CIF.

**Personal:** Worked out for the San Jose SaberCats during the 2001 AFL season. He works as a sales rep. He is single and lives in Mission Viejo.

## MELVIN BILLS

**Fullback/Linebacker**

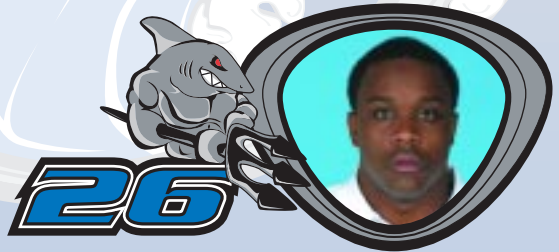
**Height: 6'1"**

**Weight: 250 lbs**

**DOB: 04/05/1976**

**College: Utah State**

**af2 Experience: 2nd season**



**Pro:** In 2001, played four games with the AFL's Toronto Phantoms, recording four tackles and seven rushing yards on five carries. Also played six games with the af2's Iowa Barnstormers last season, leading the team in rushing with 101 yards and 8 TDs on 23 carries. Also registered 14 tackles, a sack and an interception.

**College:** Lettered three seasons with Utah State, earning All-Big West honors, rushing for over 800 yards with 10 TDs in 1997.

**High School:** Attended Phindas Banning High in Wilmington, CA, where he was All-League and All-Conference his junior and senior years.

**Personal:** Finishing his Journalism degree from Cal State-Northridge. Has a daughter, Symphony (03/08/1998).



## BRAD BROWN

**Kicker**

**Height: 5' 7"**

**DOB: 02/12/1978**

**College: Utah State**

**af2 Experience: rookie**

**Weight: 175 lbs**



**Pro:** Participated in the 2001 Detroit Lions pre-season. On August 18, hit the game-winning field goal against Indianapolis to give the Lions a 27-26 win.

**College:** His 284 career points rank third in Big West Conference and first in Utah State history. During his senior year, he hit 14-of-20 FG attempts, 28-of-31 PATs and finished with 70 points, earning second-team All-Big West honors. Converted 23-of-25 PATs for 59 points in 1999 and hit a career-long of 55 yards against BYU. In 1998, he established a Big West record for field goals made in a season (24-of-28). His 24 FGs were the ninth most made in NCAA history. His average of 2.18 FGs per game ranked second in the NCAA, while his 8.09 points per contest ranked 29th in the country. His 85.7% is the second best in school history. Was an All-Big West first-team selection as a sophomore and junior, as well as an academic All-Big West pick during those two years, and academic All-Region three years.

**High School:** Named All-Pacific Coast League, All-Daily Pilot and All-South County as a senior in 1995 at Laguna Beach High. Played in the 1996 Orange County All-Star Game. Made six-of-nine field goals and every PAT as a senior. Four of his six field goals were outside 40 yards including a career-long of 49 yards. Laguna Beach won a total of six games during his career and he provided the game-winning points in five of those contests. Earned the first football college scholarship from his high school in 12 years. Was a four-year letter winner in football and soccer. He earned all-league honors as a defender in 1995 for soccer.

**Personal:** Holds two degrees from Utah State one in psychology and another secondary education. He is a personal trainer for 24-hour Fitness. He was the Scholar Athlete of the Year for Utah State his senior year. Born in San Diego.

## JASON BROWN

**Wide Receiver/Defensive Back**

**Height: 6' 0"**

**Weight: 203 lbs**

**DOB: 05/06/1979**

**College: Grossmont College**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**College:** At Grossmont, finished third in the nation in receptions among junior colleges en route to All-League honors and winning the Shrine Potato Bowl over rival Bakersfield JC. Quarterbacked one season with Mesa Junior College, before transferring to Grossmont and switching positions to receiver.

**High School:** Attended Scripps-Ranch High School, where he lettered in baseball, basketball and football. He earned honorable All-American honor, was the team MVP, First Team All-League three seasons and All-CIF twice.

**Personal:** Is a Customer Service Representative for Pacific Builders in Vista, CA, where he resides with his girlfriend, Stephanie. Born in Olongapo City in the Philippines. His family moved to San Diego when he was four.



## REMY BROWN

**Defensive Specialist**

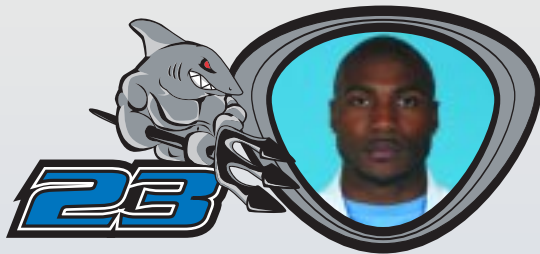
**Height: 6' 0"**

**Weight: 190 lbs**

**DOB: 10/27/1974**

**College: Glenville State (WV)**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Played nine games, starting three, for the CFL's Winnipeg Blue Bombers in 2000. Signed by the San Diego Chargers in January of 1999 and released before training camp, then attended the New England Patriots training camp. Recorded seven interceptions with three returned for TDs and started the All-Star game for the San Diego Jaguars in 1997. Also named to the First Team Special Teams and Second Team defensive teams.

**College:** Two-year starter at Grossmont College, where he was voted the team's best DB while leading the team in interceptions and tackles both seasons. Transferred to San Diego State and was redshirted before moving on to Glenville State in West Virginia. There he played one season and was named the team's best secondary player, recording 65 tackles, an interception and forced three fumbles en route to Second Team All-Conference status.

**High School:** Attended Lincoln High School, where he was All-League his junior and senior seasons in football and also ran track. Voted the team's Best Defensive Back and played in the 2A/3A All-Star game.

**Personal:** First player from the 2/09 open tryout to be assigned to the team. Has a daughter, Kiana (3/16/1995). His older brother, Charles, played for the Chargers from 1994-95.

## JASON BURK

**Fullback/Linebacker**

**Height: 6'0"**

**Weight: 245 lbs**

**DOB: 07/04/1977**

**College: Nevada**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**College:** Following a redshirt season at the University of Nevada in 1997, Burk moved into a starter's role in game two of 1998 and never gave it back. He came off the bench in the first game of the season vs. Oregon State and recorded nine tackles. He went on to lead the Wolf Pack with 101 tackles and was named first-team all conference. He was named Big West player of the week twice following an 11-tackle, 9-for-losses performance in Nevada's upset of Fresno State. Then he repeated the honor after chalking up 16 tackles in the Utah State game. In 11 games, he was in double figure tackles five times. His senior year, Burk recorded 73 tackles. Transferred from Palomar College, where he earned Defensive Player Award and was named second team All-Mission Conference after turning in over 100 tackles with eight QB sacks.

**High School:** Earned two varsity letters in football at Mt. Carmel High School. Named Second Team All-League and most inspirational player.

**Personal:** A physical education major. Nickname is "Jaybird." He is the brother of former Nevada linebacker Jimmy Burk. Enjoys surfing, weight lifting and basketball.



## KEVIN BUTLER

**Defensive Specialist**

**Height: 6'1"**

**Weight: 200 lbs**

**DOB: 09/23/1978**

**College: San Diego State**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**College:** Attended San Diego State, where he played three seasons (1998-2000). Returned a blocked punt 23 yards for a touchdown his first season with the Aztecs and recorded his only interception in his second in a game against South Florida. Tallied 45 tackles, an interception and eight pass breakups in his time at SDSU. Transferred to SDSU from Bakersfield Community College where he was a two year starter. Had five interceptions and averaged eight tackles a game as a sophomore. Earned All-Western States Conference first team honors in '97. Listed as one of Prep Star's Top 100 Junior College Transfers for 1998.

**High School:** Played basketball for Banning HS in Wilmington, CA. He did not play football until junior college.

**Personal:** Majored in sociology at SDSU. Enjoys fishing, reading and writing his own music.

## MARK BUTLER

**Offensive Specialist**

**Height: 5'11"**

**Weight: 185 lbs**

**DOB: 01/24/1974**

**College: Pittsburgh**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**College:** In his three years at Pitt, Butler grabbed 52 balls for 675 yards and five TDs. He was the second leading receiver for the Panthers in 1996 with 28 catches and three TDs. Finished fourth on the team in his junior year with 18 grabs. He transferred to Pitt after spending two seasons starting at Mt. San Antonio Junior College. At Mt. San Antonio, he earned First Team JC All-American and First Team All-State honors.

**High School:** Attended Bishop Amat High School, in the Los Angeles area, receiving two letters in football and two more in track. Won the Coach's Award and was named All-League. He was selected as the most valuable athlete for the track team his senior year, when he finished first in the state in the 400-meter relay and the 100 meter sprint.

**Personal:** Signed with the Saskatchewan Roughriders of the Canadian Football League in 1999, but was released before the start of the season. Majored in social sciences.





## TEAM CLAUCH

**Quarterback**

**Height: 6' 3"**

**Weight: 220 lbs**

**DOB: 11/30/1978**

**College: Montana Tech**

**af2 Experience: 2nd season**



**Pro:** Played in three games for the af2's Rochester Brigade in 2001. He was injured in his first game and then started, and won, the final two games of the season with the Brigade. In three games with the Brigade, Claunch completed 54.3% of his passes for 521 yards with seven TDs and five interceptions.

**College:** Attended Montana Tech, where he was a three-year starter, posting a 20-12 record and three winning seasons. With the Orediggers, Claunch completed 57% of his passes for 6,208 yards with 45 TDs and a 130.15 passing efficiency.

**Personal:** He moved from Los Angeles to Montana in his 9th grade year. Will be marrying Naomi Kaio on August 17 of this year, they met in college. He earned a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering and a minor in Business Administration from Montana Tech. He is a field engineer, when not playing ArenaBall.

## TEAM CURTIS

**Fullback/Linebacker**

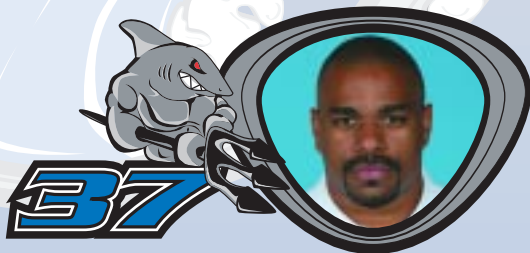
**Height: 6' 1"**

**Weight: 235 lbs**

**DOB: 06/01/1977**

**College: San Diego State**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Attended the San Diego Chargers mini-camp in 2000.

**College:** Redshirted in 1995, but went on the finish second all-time in tackles in Aztec history while at San Diego State with 355. Was named the team's MVP in his senior year and received numerous other awards while at SDSU.

**High School:** Attended Serra High School, where he was first team All-CIF, All-Eastern League and All-San Diego County selection. Set a school record when he returned an interception 95 yards for a touchdown against St. Augustine.

**Personal:** Curtis is single and resides in San Diego. He was born in San Bernardino, but his family moved to Orange, Texas before he was one and then moved back to Southern California when Rico was in tenth grade. Majored in psychology. Full name is Ricardo Lee Curtis II.



## DAVE CUMMERS

**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**  
**Height:** 6'2"      **Weight:** 255 lbs  
**DOB:** 07/04/1975  
**College:** Tusculum College  
**af2 Experience:** rookie



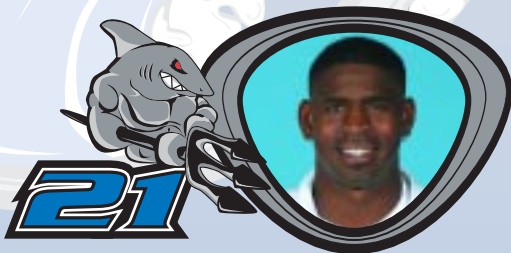
**College:** Finished second in school history in career fumble recoveries (6) at Tusculum College in Tennessee. In 2000, he was an All-South Atlantic Conference Second Team selection, leading TC to a 7-4 record, finishing third on the team in tackles with 74, including 13 for loss and four sacks. Recorded a career-best 13 stops against Lenoir-Rhyne with a sack and recovered a critical fumble. In his junior campaign, he led TC in several statistical categories including tackles for loss (10), sacks (6), interceptions (2) and fumble recoveries (3). Accounted for 64 hits, which was fourth on the squad. Recovered a fumble and returned it 35 yards for a TD vs. Newberry and tallied eight stops. Played at Ventura JC where he was a Second Team All-Conference selection in 1998. Led the Pirates as team captain to their first bowl bid in a decade.

**High School:** Lettered two seasons at Nordhoff High School. Named Small Division Defensive Lineman of the Year. First Team All-Conference and was named to the Los Angeles Times First Team. Played in the County All-Star game. Established a school record with 16.5 sacks in a season.

**Personal:** Works for his uncle's company, Scott's Titus Painting. He has a son, Cameron, and resides in San Diego.

## MICHAEL DUNN

**Wide Receiver/Defensive Back**  
**Height:** 6' 3"      **Weight:** 225 lbs  
**DOB:** 02/12/1974  
**College:** San Diego State  
**af2 Experience:** rookie



**Pro:** Spent five seasons (1997-2001) playing semi-pro ball in the San Diego area with the San Diego Jaguars (1997-98), San Diego Patriots (1999-2000) and the San Diego Saints (2001). In that time he was named the Team Defensive MVP three seasons and played safety, defensive end, linebacker and corner.

**College:** Attended San Diego State (1992-95). Was redshirted in 1992 and then named the team's Prep Player of the year in 1993. Injured during his sophomore season and did not receive a lot of playing time the rest of his time with the Aztecs.

**High School:** He was a three-year starter at Point Loma High, where he was named All-CIF, All-City and All-County. The team won the CIF title in his junior season as the school went 13-1. Lettered three times in basketball and four times in track.

**Personal:** He and his wife, Stacie, have a daughter (Latayla - 9/28/94).



## CARE EELS

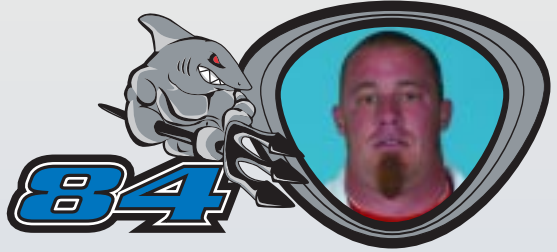
**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**

**Height:** 6'3"      **Weight:** 276 lbs

**DOB:** 01/18/1976

**College:** Phoenix College

**af2 Experience:** rookie



**Pro:** Played for Globe-Miami of the Arizona Football League in 2001, earning All-League First Team honors at tight end with 14 TDs, with several player of the week honors on the 11-0 Sting team. In 2002, he played two games before being assigned to the Riptide, scoring two TDs.

**College:** Attended Phoenix Junior College, but shattered his hand and missed the entire season after transferring from Scottsdale J.C. Barely played any college football.

**High School:** Lettered all three seasons in football and track at Mesa High, in Arizona. Was selected All-State in his junior and senior seasons with the Jackrabbits. Played in the High School Downunder Bowl in Australia his senior year. Ran the 100M hurdle three years on the track squad.

**Personal:** Has been married to Jonnie since 1998 after shattering his hand at Phoenix College. Works as a plumber for Burrell Plumbing.

## MATT GALLOW

**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**

**Height:** 6'2"      **Weight:** 255 lbs

**DOB:** 9/25/1973

**College:** Missouri Western

**af2 Experience:** rookie



**College:** While at Missouri Western, he earned Second Team All-Conference, All-League and received an academic athletic excellence award his senior season.

**High School:** Went to Cordova High School in Sacramento, CA where he played offensive guard and defensive tackle.

**Personal:** Works as a computer and licensing consultant. Received degrees in accounting and management from Missouri Western and is currently working on his masters from San Diego State.



## JERRY GARRETT

**Offensive Specialist**

**Height: 6' 0"**

**Weight: 200 lbs**

**DOB: 11/06/1972**

**College: Wayne State**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Played briefly with the CFL's B.C. Lions in 1995 before an injury forced him out of sports until 1998 when he began playing 8-on-8 flag football. That is where he played with Head Coach Cree Morris and played against new teammate Michael Driver.

**College:** Transferred to Wayne State (Neb) after two seasons at Palomar J.C., where he earned All-America honors, leading the nation with 95 catches for 1,501 yards. At Wayne State, Garrett grabbed 145 catches, which is still fourth in school history. Wayne State has produced Arena football stars such as Kevin Swayne (now with the NY Jets), Shon King (NY Dragons) and Lamont Cooper (Buffalo Destroyers).

**High School:** Lettered 11 times in four sports (football, 3; basketball, 4; track, 2; and baseball, 2) while at Oceanside High School.

**Personal:** Single and resides Vista, California with his four children: Anthony (6/13/1992), Janae (3/17/1995), Janicia (2/26/1998) and Jaida (5/02/2001).

## BRAD GARRETT

**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**

**Height: 6'3"**

**Weight: 250 lbs**

**DOB: 05/13/1978**

**College: California Lutheran**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Played briefly in the Spring Football League for the LA Dragons.

**College:** Went to Cal Lutheran, where he earned Second Team All-Conference honors his senior season. Transferred from Palomar College.

**High School:** Attended Orange Glen High School in Escondido, where he earned Second Team All-League honors.

**Personal:** Received a degree in business/finance from California Lutheran. Currently, works as a personal trainer.





# STEVE HENDERSON

**Fullback/Linebacker**

**Height: 6' 0"**

**Weight: 250 lbs**

**DOB: 08/30/1966**

**College: California**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Played seven seasons in the NFL with the Cowboys (1989), 49ers (1989), Chargers (1990-94), Eagles (1995) and Oilers (1995). Came to NFL as sixth round draft choice by 49ers in 1989, 167th player chosen overall. He played in over 100 NFL games and received a Super Bowl ring his rookie season with the 49ers and played in another one with the Chargers. Named to the 1993 All-Madden Team for his special teams play.

**College:** Named the Most Valuable Player of the Year as fullback and linebacker junior and senior years at Cal. Had career high 134 tackles in his senior season, earning honorable mention All-PAC 10, and Associated Press All America honorable mention. Named the Blue-Gray game's Defensive MVP.

**High School:** Four-year starting fullback and linebacker at Napa High, where he led them to a 33-8 record. Rushed for 1,013 yards and was named First Team All-State linebacker at Napa High. Finished third in the state in wrestling (heavyweight) his senior year. Named twice the Monticello Empire League Player of the Year.

**Personal:** Nicknamed "rocket" by teammates for special teams demeanor. He is the youngest of seven children. Majored in history at Cal. He is the NFL Alumni (San Diego Chapter) President. He founded procelebrities.com in order to network professional athletes with corporate America with well over 2,000 athletes available for special events, including golf tournaments, autograph signings and speaking engagements. Steve and wife, Carla, have a daughter, Courtney, and a son, Kyle. The family resides in San Diego, California.

# JASON HENRY

**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**

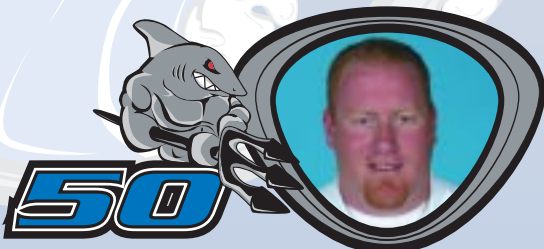
**Height: 6' 02"**

**Weight: 285 lbs**

**DOB: 12/31/1976**

**College: Emporia State**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Invited to the Iowa Barnstormers immediately before the 2001 season, but decided to go back to school and finish his degree. Also worked out for the Pittsburgh Steelers and the AFL's Los Angeles Avengers.

**College:** Captain of the 1998 JuCo National Champion Palomar team. He played center for two seasons with Palomar, where he was First Team All-Conference and All-State.

**High School:** Attended San Dieguito High School in Encinitas. Named Honorable Mention All-CIF offensive guard his senior season. Also wrestled.

**Personal:** Majored in sociology with a minor in criminology. Currently is the manager of Martini Ranch in Encinitas. In 2001, began coaching the offensive line of his JuCo alma mater, Palomar, under current SDSU Head Coach Tom Craft. His three starting interior lineman went onto All-League honors. The team improved from 7-4 to 10-2 in his first season there. They played for the national title game.



## CAL JACKSON

**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**  
**Height:** 6' 2"      **Weight:** 290 lbs  
**DOB:** 07/04/1978  
**College:** Southern Utah  
**af2 Experience:** rookie



**Pro:** Worked out for the CFL's Toronto Argonauts and the AFL's Los Angeles Avengers in 2002.

**College:** Played offensive guard, center and tackle, as well, as defensive nose guard for Southern Utah. Attended Mesa Junior College, where was the team captain and the team's Offensive Player of the Year from the center position.

**High School:** Attended Poway High School, where he played both sides of the ball and earned All-County, All-CIF First Team honors playing center. Also garnered All-CIF honors in track (discus).

**Personal:** Received B.S. degrees in History and Criminal Justice at Southern Utah. Works construction when not playing for the Riptide.

## SCOTT JOHNSON

**Wide Receiver/Linebacker**  
**Height:** 6'0"      **Weight:** 205 lbs  
**DOB:** 03/03/1977  
**College:** San Diego State  
**af2 Experience:** rookie



**Pro:** Played a season for the San Diego Saints semi-pro club, averaging 10 tackles a game en route to Co-Defensive Player of the Year honors. Also invited to the All-Star game.

**College:** Played weak-side linebacker for four years at San Diego State, recording 66 tackles.

**High School:** A three-year varsity starter at Morse High School in San Diego. His top single game performance was in the 1994 CIF championship game against Patrick Henry HS when he recorded 19 tackles and two sacks. Was a 1994 first-team All-CIF, All-Eastern League and All-Region selection. Also lettered in basketball, wrestling and track & field for the Tigers. In all received 11 varsity letters. Carried a 3.3 GPA. Associated Student Body President as a junior.

**Personal:** He recently married Akilah, his college sweetheart. Works at a local lumber company. Received his degree in New Media Technology.



## ZACK LEWANDA

**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**  
**Height:** 6'2"      **Weight:** 285 lbs  
**DOB:** 07/02/1979  
**College:** San Diego State  
**af2 Experience:** rookie



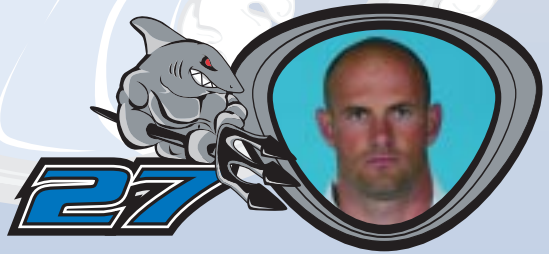
**College:** Played center three seasons with San Diego State. Missed his entire junior season with a severe arch sprain, and did not fully recover for his senior campaign.

**High School:** Came from perennial Orange County power Servite High School, where he helped lead the Friars to a cumulative 34-7 record and three league titles during his prep career. Rated one of the top offensive linemen in the West Region by *PrepStar* magazine. Played center, guard and tackle on the offensive line and nose guard on defense. Was also the team's long snapper. He was a first team all-CIF, all-league and all-county selection in his junior and senior seasons. Competed in the shot and discus on the school's track and field team, lettering three times.

**Personal:** Received his B.S. degree in Information Systems from SDSU and is in the process of getting his MBA in Business Management.

## DAVEY MANTOSH

**Wide Receiver/Defensive Back**  
**Height:** 6' 0"      **Weight:** 205 lbs  
**DOB:** 08/01/1975  
**College:** Central Washington  
**af2 Experience:** rookie



**Pro:** Played six games in 2000 for the Indoor Football League's Madison Mad Dogs. Tried out for the Los Angeles Avengers in 2001 and was invited to camp by the Bakersfield Blitz in 2002, but opted to come to the Riptide.

**College:** Played at Central Washington after transferring from Foothill C.C., where he earned Special Teams Player of the Week twice, but an injury sidelined him six games.

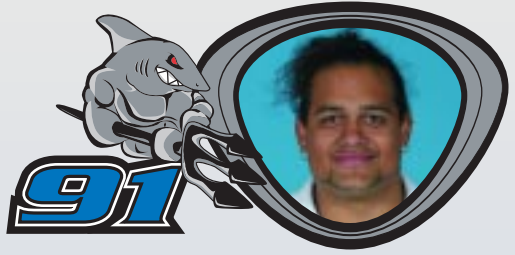
**High School:** Attended Robert Louis Stevenson High School in Pebble Beach, where he was an All-County and All-League selection en route to starting in the All-Star game his senior season at defensive back. Started on varsity every game in his four-year prep career. Also starred on the Lacrosse team, where he started all four seasons and received All-League honors.

**Personal:** Works as a Social Service children's counselor for the city of San Jose, CA. Plans on marrying his college sweetheart, Tawanda Johnson, on August 18.



## TREVOR MISPERA

**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**  
**Height: 6'1"      Weight: 325 lbs**  
**DOB: 06/17/1979**  
**College: Western Washington**  
**af2 Experience: rookie**



**College:** He was selected honorable mention Columbia Football Association all-star in 2000, started all 10 games for Western Washington University. Credited with 29 tackles, three for losses of minus-3 yards, also recovered two fumbles. Transfer from Idaho State University where he earned three letters. With the Bengals, he registered 31 tackles (11 for loss), five sacks and forced a fumble.

**High School:** First-team All-California Interscholastic Federation, All-Valley, All-county and All-conference choice at Temecula Valley High School. Started both ways as junior and senior on state championship teams. Also league champion in wrestling (heavyweight division) and track (shot putter).

**Personal:** Majored in Business Management. Represented American Samoa in the 2001 World Games and ran the 100 meter sprint. His sister, Lisa, attended University of South Carolina where she was one of nation's top hammer throwers, representing Samoa in 1996 and 2000 Olympics. She won the bronze in the 1999 World Games. Trevor coaches offensive and defensive line for Chaparral High School and is the manager of his family's sandwich and bakery shop, *Ernie Bs*, in Temecula.

## ARMY WELSON

**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**  
**Height: 6' 4"      Weight: 270 lbs**  
**DOB: 03/09/1978**  
**College: Brown**  
**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Worked out for the San Jose SaberCats in 2002.

**College:** Was a member of the Brown University football team from 1996-98 and three-year member of the school's wrestling team.

**High School:** Attended Palo Alto High School, near San Jose, CA. Was an All-Section, All-Peninsula selection his senior year at offensive and defensive tackle. Named the Team MVP that season. Finished sixth in the state in wrestling the same year.

**Personal:** Majored in Computer Science at Brown. Coached high school linemen at his alma mater (Palo Alto, 1998, 2001). Three of his linemen went on to earn scholarships and All-League status. Also assists the Stanford University wrestling team.





## JUSTIN OWEN

**Wide Receiver/Defensive Back**

**Height: 6'3"      Weight: 235 lbs.**

**DOB: 12/31/1974**

**College: Notre Dame**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**College:** Attended Notre Dame University, where he played all four seasons on special teams. Named Academic All-American and also played on the baseball team his senior year.

**High School:** Went to Providence Catholic High in Joliet, IL, where he was an All-State selection both seasons he played football at wide receiver and free safety. Named All-American after recording over 70 receptions, 35 TDs and 14 interceptions his senior season. Also participated in track, going to state in the 100M run. Played a season of baseball as well.

**Personal:** Received two degrees from Notre Dame in computer science and history in 1998. Has been a member of the US National bobsled team for the past three years. Won the gold medal in the 2-man and 4-man world push championships in Monaco (1998). Met his girlfriend, Jean, while training for the bobsled team. She competed in the 2002 Winter Olympics and is a 3-time defending world champion driver.

## ALVIN PARKER

**Wide Receiver/Defensive Back**

**Height: 5' 10"      Weight: 180 lbs**

**DOB: 08/24/1976**

**College: Colorado State**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**College:** Attended Colorado State University. He was redshirted in 1994 and played seven games in 1995 as the Rams won the WAC. He grabbed nine passes for 87 yards. Injuries shortened his collegiate career.

**High School:** Played football, basketball and track at Crawford High, where he led the state of California in receptions with 95 and tallied 1,197 yards. Set CIF records for most catches in a season and was All-League, All-CIF and Second-Team All-State.

**Personal:** Works for Qualcomm as a shuttle bus driver. Plays flag football in his spare time, that's where he met Riptide Head Coach Cree Morris and teammate Jerry Garrett. Recruited by San Diego State and Riptide teammate Michael Driver was his host. Assigned to Riptide after the December open tryout.



# WESLEY PHILLIPS

**Quarterback**

**Height: 6' 3"**

**DOB: 02/17/1979**

**College: UTEP**

**af2 Experience: rookie**

**Weight: 215 lbs**



**College:** Starting QB with University of Texas-El Paso in 2001, where he completed 55.9% of his passes for 1,839 yards and 10 touchdowns.

**High School:** Earned two letters in football and basketball at Williamsville High School, in Williamsville, NY. He was the team offensive MVP in football and team captain in football and basketball. Was also the team MVP in basketball.

**Personal:** Philosophy major at UTEP with a minor in Criminal Justice. His father, Wade Phillips, and grandfather, Bum Phillips, were head coaches in the NFL. Wade coached the New Orleans Saints (1985 – final four games as interim head coach), Denver Broncos (1993-94) and Buffalo Bills (1998-2000). Bum coached the Houston Oilers (1975-80) and New Orleans Saints (1981-85).

# JEROME FRYE

**Wide Receiver/Linebacker**

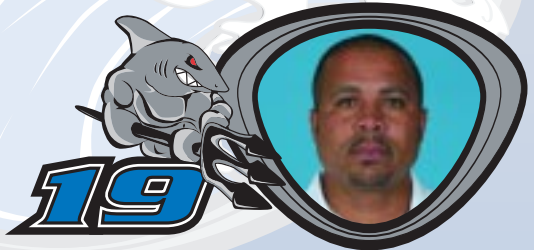
**Height: 6' 2"**

**Weight: 201 lbs**

**DOB: 01/10/1971**

**College: Grossmont College**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Played semi-pro with the San Diego Patriots in 2000, grabbing seven TDs on just 10 catches and being selected First Team All-Conference. Played professional basketball with the High-Five America Traveling team (1994-95). Also played point guard for Cananea (1996-98 in Sonora, Mexico), where he was First Team All-Conference with 31.4 points and ten rebounds per game.

**College:** Played basketball and track for Grossmont College. He was the JC long jump champion his sophomore year and averaged 25 points and ten rebounds a game on the court en route to First Team Pacific Coast and Second Team All-State.

**High School:** Attended University City High as a three-sport star (football, basketball and track). He was the 1989-90 San Diego Union-Tribune Prep Male Athlete of the Year. Had a stellar senior year. . . state and national champion in the long jump; First Team All-CIF and LA Times with 55 catches for 1,065 yards and 10 TDs; and in basketball was Second Team All-CIF and First Team Western League with 17.1 points per game and the 1989 high school slam dunk champion.

**Personal:** Lives in San Diego with his wife, April, and their two boys Darius (12/07/99) and Isaiah (11/30/01). Works as a Site Supervisor for Harmonium, Inc. Plays on one of the best 8-on-8 flag football teams in the country, which has won five national titles in the past seven years.



## SHAWIL READER

**Defensive Specialist**

**Height: 5' 10"      Weight: 183 lbs**

**DOB: 09/30/1975**

**College: Mt. San Antonio (CA)**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Played semi-pro football for CFA Pajoma Valley Dragons (2000-01), voted to the All-Star game at CB with three INTs, 17 PBs and two sacks. No one scored a TD on him in his two seasons with the Dragons.

**College:** All-Mission Conference honorable mention while at Mt. San Antonio J.C. in Walnut, CA. Finished 1995 with two interceptions and eight pass breakups. Transferred to Wayne State.

**High School:** Attended West Covina High School near Los Angeles. All-Seirra League. Earned four letters in football and track.

**Personal:** Single and lives West Covina, CA. Psychology major with a minor in sociology. Cousin of NFL linebacker Lonnie Martz.

## LEBRICE REYNOLDS

**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**

**Height: 6'3"      Weight: 290 lbs**

**DOB: 05/25/1971**

**College: San Diego State**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Spent one season with the Indoor Football League's Black Hills Machine and Erie Invaders, starting nine games in 2000. Selected by the San Francisco Demons in the 2001 Territorial Draft before the XFL folded.

**College:** Briefly attended San Diego State before leaving for a family emergency. Transferred from Modesto Junior College, where he registered 10 sacks in 10 games as the team's starting defensive tackle in 199, when they went one to win the Graffiti Bowl champs.

**High School:** Attended Modesto High, near Fresno, where he was an All-Conference fullback with 11 TDs his senior year and finished seventh in the Central California Conference in receptions.

**Personal:** Works at Cold Supply Integrated. He has three children: Martel (6/03/89), Malik (4/09/96) and Amaya (2/08/00).



## KEVIN ROBERTS

**Offensive/Defensive Lineman**

**Height: 6'5"      Weight: 285 lbs**

**DOB: 05/31/1971**

**College: Cal State-Northridge**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Has spent the last eight seasons playing semi-pro ball in the San Diego area with the Jaguars (1992-93), Storm (94-96), Patriots (97-99) and Saints (2000-01). In his rookie season with the Jags, he earned lineman of the year and went on to be a seven-time All-Star.

**College:** Went to Cal State-Northridge after transferring from San Diego City College, where he was an All-League Mission Conference selection both seasons at linebacker.

**High School:** Attended Monte Vista High School in San Diego. Started on varsity all four seasons on the defensive line. Also played two seasons on the varsity track and basketball teams.

**Personal:** Currently he works as a union ironworker in San Diego. Received his degree in Education.

## MIKE THOMPSON

**Quarterback**

**Height: 6' 5"**

**Weight: 250 lbs.**

**DOB: 9/16/1968**

**College: Baker (KS)**

**af2 Experience: rookie**



**Pro:** Played two semi-pro seasons with the San Diego Storm (1995) and Patriots (1996), leading both teams to conference championships. Earned first team All-League honors in 1996.

**College:** Did not play QB while in college. Attended Baker, where he starred at tight end and defensive end. His senior year he posted 14.5 sacks en route to All-Conference honors. Transferred from Grossmont College, where he played tight end, safety, linebacker and both sides of the line.

**High School:** Went to El Capitan High School in Lakeside. He started his freshman and sophomore years as the varsity quarterback, posting an impressive 20-2 record. Switched to tight end and defensive end in his junior year. He did not play his senior year when he broke his hand. Also was on the varsity track team for four years.

**Personal:** Owns an on-line rental business. Received his BS from Baker in Administration of Justice.







## **RIPTIDE PLAYERS/COACHES WITH LOCAL CONNECTIONS**

<b>Player</b>	<b>Local Connection</b>
Aazaar Abdul-Rahim	SDSU
John Avalos	Helix High
Brian Berg	SDSU
Brad Bohn	Born in SD
Jason Brown	Scripps-Ranch High/Grossmont College
Kevin Brown	Lincoln High/Grossmont College/SDSU
Kevin Burton	SDSU
Jason Burk	Mt. Carmel High/Palomar College
Rico Curtis	SDSU
Michael Driver	Point Loma High/SDSU
Jerry Garrett	Oceanside High/Palomar College
Brad Greetis	Orange Glen High/Palomar College
Steve Hendrickson	Played for SD Chargers
Jason Henry	San Dieguito High/Palomar College
Cal Jackson	Poway High/Mesa Junior College
Scott Johnson	Morse High/SDSU
Zack LaMonda	SDSU
Trevor Misipeka	Temecula Valley High
Altie Parker	Crawford High
Jerome Price	University City High/Grossmont College
LaPrice Reynolds	SDSU
Keith Roberts	Monte Vista High/San Diego City College
Mike Thompson	El Capitan HS/Grossmont College

<b>Coaching Staff</b>	<b>Local Connection</b>
Cree Morris	Escondido High/SDSU
Derek Dahlen	St. Augustine High/Mesa JC
Pat Gregory	Patrick Henry High/Mesa JC
Tim White	Julian Union High/Southwestern JC/SDSU





## TRAINING CAMP ROSTER - NUMERICAL

as of March 18, 2002

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2	Justin Orr	WR/DB	6' 3"	220	Notre Dame
3	Brian Berg	FB/LB	6' 0"	255	San Diego State
4	Scott Johnson	WR/LB	6' 0"	205	San Diego State
5	Shamil Reader	DS	5' 10"	183	Mt. San Antonio (CA)
6	Brad Bohn	K	5' 7"	175	Utah State
7	Wesley Phillips	QB	6' 3"	215	UTEP
8	Jerry Garrett	OS	6' 0"	200	Wayne State
9	Kevin Burton	DS	6' 1"	200	San Diego State
11	Jason Brown	WR/DB	6' 0"	203	Grossmont College
12	Mike Thompson	QB	6' 5"	250	Baker (KS)
16	Kane Claunch	QB	6' 3"	220	Montana Tech
19	Jerome Price	WR/LB	6' 2"	201	Grossmont College
21	Michael Driver	WR/LB	6' 3"	225	San Diego State
23	Kevin Brown	DS	6' 0"	190	Glenville State
24	Altie Parker	WR/DB	5' 10"	180	Colorado State
26	Melvin Blue	FB/LB	6' 1"	250	Utah State
27	Hawley McIntosh	WR/DB	6' 0"	205	Central Washington
33	Jason Burk	FB/LB	6' 1"	235	Nevada
34	Steve Hendrickson	FB/LB	6' 0"	250	California
37	Rico Curtis	FB/LB	6' 1"	235	San Diego State
50	Jason Henry	OL/DL	6' 2"	285	Emporia State
51	Nathan Gallow	OL/DL	6' 2"	255	Missouri Western
55	John Avalos	OL/DL	6' 2"	260	Southern Oregon
66	Zack LaMonda	OL/DL	6' 2"	285	San Diego State
70	Cal Jackson	OL/DL	6' 2"	290	Southern Utah
71	Aaron Nelson	OL/DL	6' 4"	270	Brown
81	Mark Butler	OS	5' 11"	185	Pittsburgh
84	Cabe Ellis	OL/DL	6' 3"	276	Phoenix
87	Brad Greetis	OL/DL	6' 3"	250	Cal Lutheran
91	Trevor Misipeka	OL/DL	6' 1"	325	Western Washington
93	Ryan Cuthbert	OL/DL	6' 2"	255	Tusculum College
94	LaPrice Reynolds	OL/DL	6' 3"	290	San Diego State
95	Keith Roberts	OL/DL	6' 3"	285	Cal State-Northridge



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as of March 18, 2002

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### **THE ARENA FOOTBALL LEAGUE, EVOLUTION OF A FAN FRIENDLY SPORT**

On February 11, 1981, while watching the Major Indoor Soccer League all-star game at Madison Square Garden, James Foster drew the outline of a miniature football field over a hockey rink on a manila envelope and penciled in notes on what would evolve into a curiously new and exciting adaptation of America's favorite team sport. The NFL marketing veteran had created a unique new game of "indoor" professional football that was quite distinct from the established outdoor game. He began with a proven sport — American football — and knowing that there was no room for competition with the NFL, he decided to create an indoor, summer "hybrid." In doing so, he applied the best of the outdoor game with innovative twists: 50-yard fields, eight-player single-platoon system, drop kicks and rebound nets.

### **FASCINATING, COMPLEX NEW GAME PIQUES FANS' INTEREST**

In 1985, after the rise and fall of the USFL, Foster began to further develop the game. To measure public response, he conducted a "test game" in Rockford, Ill. on April 26, 1986. The response led to a "showcase game" Feb. 26, 1987 at the Rosemont Horizon in Chicago. The game was greeted enthusiastically by 8,200 fans and set the stage for the national debut of the Arena Football League in June 1987. Four teams were fielded for the inaugural 1987 season: Chicago Bruisers, Denver Dynamite, Pittsburgh Gladiator, and Washington Commandos. The Dynamite, led by quarterback Whit Taylor, defeated the Gladiators, 45-16, to become champions of ArenaBowl I before 13,232 fans in Pittsburgh's Civic Arena and a live ESPN audience. The average attendance in that inaugural season was 11,279.



### **DETROIT "DRIVES" TO BE THE BEST**

Pizza mogul and owner of the NHL's Detroit Red Wings and MLB's Detroit Tigers brings ArenaBall to the Motor City in 1988. In their six seasons in the Arena Football League, the Detroit Drive participated in the ArenaBowl in every season of their existence winning four — their only losses coming to the hands of Jay Gruden and the Tampa Bay Storm. The Drive were led by AFL legendary Head Coach Tim Marcum and players like **George LaFrance**, Art Schlichter, Gary Mullen, Dwayne Dixon and Alvin Rettig.

### **INDOOR WAR BECOMES RIVAL-FREE**

A new era of "The 50-Yard Indoor War" unfolded in 1990. Foster and partners at Gridiron Enterprises, Inc. made the decision to sell licenses to investors in major markets, and thereby enabled private ownership of teams. On March 27, 1990, the U.S. Patent Office issued patent No. 4,911,443 for the Arena Football Game System, making it the only sports league in history able to play a patented, rival-free game.



## **STORM WARNING LOOMS, ATTENDANCE SKYROCKETS**

Following the 1990 season, the league made its second venture onto foreign "turf." The Detroit Drive, after winning their third straight title, collided with the Dallas Texans before 14,257 fans in Paris, France. Back in the United States, the league expanded from six to eight teams in 1991, including the debut of the Orlando Predators and the Tampa Bay Storm. The Storm established a single game attendance record with 24,445 fans versus Denver — that record, however, was broken two years later by the Storm, whom hold every attendance record in AFL history. The league averaged an all-time high of 12,813 fans per game.

## **TAMPA BAY-ORLANDO "WAR ON I-4" RIVALRY BEGINS; STORM WIN FIRST OF FOUR TITLES IN SIX YEARS**

On June 1, 1991, the Tampa Bay Storm and Orlando Predators play their first game in each's team history. Orlando prevails 51-38 in the first of many "War on I-4" battles. The rivalry is the greatest in AFL history. Both have won ArenaBowl titles against each other and won semi-final games to advance to ArenaBowls. Twelve seasons later, the Storm have four titles and the Predators two. The two teams have appeared in 11 title games. In 1991, the Storm, in their first year, beat three-time defending champ Detroit 48-42 for their first of four titles in six seasons.

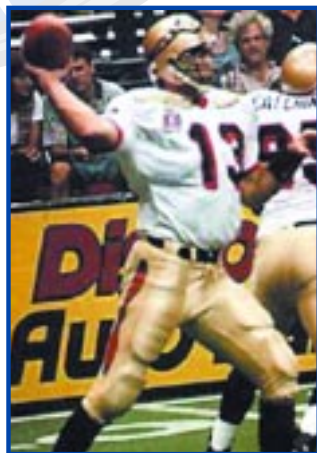


## **THE SNAKEPIT COMES TO LIFE, WAGNER WINS FIRST OF SIX STRAIGHT IRONMAN AWARDS**

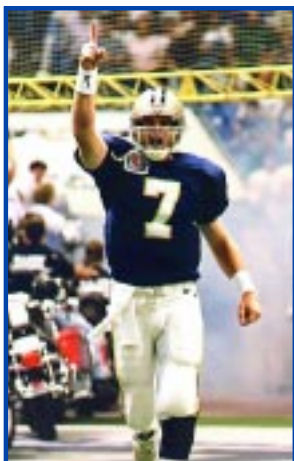
The four-time winner of the NBA's Executive of the Year award, Jerry Colangelo, brought Arena football to Phoenix in 1992. The Rattlers were, and still are, coached by former Dallas Cowboy great Danny White and averaged 15,505 fans in America West Arena (The Snakepit). The league introduced divisional play for the first time. On the field, the Predators "unleashed" Barry Wagner, who claimed the first of six consecutive Ironman of the Year awards. In 1993, both the Rattlers and Predators sold-out each home game. While at the ThunderDome in St. Petersburg, Storm shattered their own attendance record for a regular season game (28,746 vs. Orlando) and playoff contest (21,111 vs. Albany).

## **RATTLERS STUN PREDATORS, MILWAUKEE WELCOMES ARENABALL, STORM WIN THIRD TITLE**

The 1994 season was highlighted by great team accomplishment. Only a 40-39 loss to Tampa Bay in the final game of the season kept the Predators from becoming the seventh team in the history of professional football to go undefeated and untied in a regular season. Arizona became the lowest seed ever to win the league title, climbing from the third seed to upset Orlando, 36-31, in ArenaBowl VIII. The Rattlers become the first pro team from the state Arizona to win a pro championship. The true meaning of fan support was demonstrated in Milwaukee as 14,232 fans per game struggled along with the expansion Mustangs through a 0-12 season. In 1995, the expansion Iowa Barnstormers, quarterbacked by future two-time NFL and Super Bowl XXXIV MVP Kurt Warner, fell eight points short of an ArenaBowl IX appearance. The Storm beats the Predators 48-35 in ArenaBowl IX in front of 25,087 at the ThunderDome; George LaFrance earns his third ArenaBowl MVP award.







### TEN YEARS LATER, FAN TOTAL REACHES ONE MILLION FOR SEASON

The league's 10th Anniversary season in 1996 proved to be record setting. More than one million fans attended games for the first time in history. Additionally, ESPN's broadcast of ArenaBowl X between the Storm and Barnstormers, quarterbacked by Warner, surpassed one million households. Tampa Bay wins 42-38, when Warner fails to win the game with four snaps near the goal line in the final minute.

### GRUDEN ENDS PLAYING CAREER WITH TITLE; STARTS HEAD COACHING ONE WITH ANOTHER; NOW PLAYING AGAIN

Storm quarterback **Jay Gruden** plays his final game in ArenaBowl X after a stellar career where he led Tampa Bay to a 12-2 playoff record, four championships in six seasons and finished with every AFL career passing mark. In 1998, he took over as head coach of Orlando, the Storm's bitter rival, and led the Predators to an ArenaBowl title that year and another in 2000. This season, Gruden will take the field as the Predators starting quarterback, playing his first pro game in more than five years.

### BAKER BEGINS ARENA REIGN; RATTLERS CLAIM TITLE SECOND CHAMPIONSHIP; WARNER PLAYS LAST AFL GAME

The 1997 season marked **C. David Baker's** first as league commissioner, and what followed was a "high-scorin", heart-stoppin', helmet-poppin'" experience. The Rattlers, who led the 14-team circuit with nearly 16,000 fans per game, claimed their second title in ArenaBowl XI against the Barnstormers before 17,436 fans, a team record. It marked the last Arena football game for Kurt Warner, who was later signed by the St. Louis Rams. The Arena Football Hall of Fame inducts its first class of inductees. On the year, five clubs averaged more than 50 points per game - the league's per game combined point total reached an all-time high 91 points per game.



### ABC TELEVISES ARENABOWL, NFL-AFL ANNOUNCE ALLIANCE, LEAGUE UNVEILS FANS' BILL OF RIGHTS

ABC Sports broadcasts ArenaBowl XII, won 62-31 by the Predators over the Storm on Aug. 23, 1998. Former Storm QB, Jay Gruden, coached the Predators to their first of two championships in his first year as head coach. Albany's Chad Dukes snapped Wagner's streak and won the Ironman of the Year trophy. The league also shattered the previous mark of 91.6 combined points per game, scoring a whopping 97.4 in 1998, including a record 111.1 in Week 13. According to a 1998 ESPN Chilton Sports poll, Arena Football was named as one of the "hottest new sports" that has emerged in the United States over the last decade. On Feb. 8, 1999, the National Football League agreed to purchase an exclusive option to acquire an equity interest in the AFL. The option will give the NFL a minority ownership interest (up to 49.9%) in the AFL and a voice in the operation of the league. The alliance between the NFL and the AFL began on June 3, 1998,



when the AFL Board of Directors approved the application of New Orleans Saints owner Tom Benson to place a team in New Orleans. NFL bylaws previously prohibited NFL owners from investing in other football leagues or teams, but an amendment to NFL rules was adopted on May 22, 1998, allowing an exception for AFL teams in an NFL club's own market. In April of 1999, the AFL unveiled its Fans' Bill of Rights - the first of its kind by any pro sport.

### WARNER MAKES BIG IMPACT IN NFL; ARENA FOOTBALL VIDEO GAME "UNLEASHED"

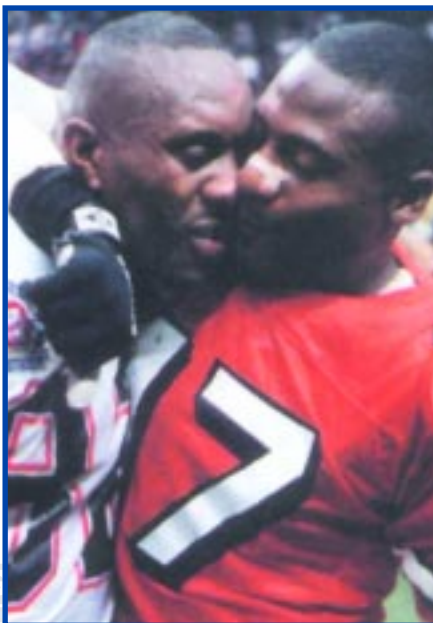
Former Barnstormer QB **Kurt Warner** gets the starting nod with the St. Louis Rams for the 1999 season after high-priced free-agent QB Trent Green was injured in the preseason. Warner went onto lead the Rams from a 3-13 record in '98 to a 13-3 record and the franchise's first Super Bowl



victory. Warner was the 1999 NFL MVP and Super Bowl XXXIV MVP. Last season, he received his second NFL MVP award and led the Rams to the Super Bowl. In his short three seasons as an NFL starter, Warner holds nearly every passing record in NFL history for that period of time and is the NFL career leader in completion percentage and passer rating. On May 26, 2000, Midway Entertainment released the first Arena football video game — Kurt Warner's Arena Football Unleashed.

### **af2 KICKS OFF, FIREBIRDS CELEBRATE 10 SEASONS WITH ARENABOWL TRIUMPH**

On August 24, 1999, the AFL Board of Directors approved the final four applications for arenafootball2 to begin play in April 2000. The original 15 teams consisted mostly midsize cities in the southeast and Midwest, operating in arenas with capacity of 6,000 to 12,000. The Firebirds, celebrating 10 years in Albany, won ArenaBowl XIII over defending champion Predators, 59-48. Albany's **Eddie Brown** won a record third Offensive Player of the Year award and was MVP of ArenaBowl XIII, while Arizona's Hunkie Cooper garnered his first of two straight Ironman of the Year trophy. The Detroit Fury owned in partnership by Palace Sports & Entertainment and William Ford Jr. of the Detroit Lions began play in 2001, while another group backed in part by the late Walter Payton — the Chicago Rush — also began in 2001; both teams made the playoffs with the Rush beating the defending champion Predators in the first round of the playoffs. Washington Redskins owners Daniel Snyder and Fred Drasner were awarded an expansion team for the DC area that will begin play in the 2003 season.



### **MILLENNIUM SEASON INCLUDES 32 MARKETS PLAYING ARENA FOOTBALL**

For the AFL, the 2000 season was, to say the least, yet another moment of history in the making. With new NFL owners signing on, including the Cowboys and Redskins, plans for future All-Star and international exhibition games and increasing resolution to the labor dispute, the AFL continues its climb to the next tier of major professional sports. Nearly 80 regular season records were matched or broken in 2000, including Aaron Garcia's 92 passing TDs (he passed for 104 the following season) and Mike Horacek's 46 touchdown receptions for the Barnstormers. Horacek also broke a 13-year old record for receiving yards, gathering 285 in Iowa's 77-76 win over the Firebirds. The New England Sea Wolves and San Jose SaberCats combined to score a then record 161 points. In that game, rookie Anthony Derricks of the Sea Wolves returned five kicks for touchdowns, a league record. More than two million fans attended regular season Arena Football games in the 32 markets competing in both the AFL and af2. It was the fifth consecutive year that the AFL surpassed one million fans. In their inaugural season, 15 af2 teams drew nearly one million fans. Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones and family were awarded an AFL franchise in Dallas, TX — the Desperados begin play this season.







## **af2 LAUNCHES INTO STARDOM WITH INAUGURAL "KICKOFF 2000" GAME**

With over a year of planning and organizing, af2 becomes a reality on March 31, 2000 at the Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center as the Tennessee Valley Vipers (Huntsville, AL) take on the home-standing Birmingham Steeldogs in front of a frantic 14,831 fans on opening night.

OL/DL Heath Springer of Tennessee Valley scored the first ever points in af2 history on a safety in the first quarter, which sparked the visiting Tennessee Valley Vipers to victory, 58-19.

## **af2 BECOMES A LEAGUE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR ITS PLAYERS, COACHES AND OFFICIALS**

The movement of af2 players to other leagues with 70 af2 players were moved up to the CFL, AFL or NFL throughout the inaugural season. Tulsa Talons' lineman David Camacho started the first wave of player movement when the NFL's Baltimore Ravens, showing that the af2 is a "league of opportunity" for its players, signed him. Almost 20% of af2 players on rosters for the 2000 season moved up to another league. Two af2 head coaches also got opportunities at the next level as Tulsa Talons' Head Coach Jon Norris signed on to be an assistant with the AFL's Oklahoma Wranglers and Augusta Stallions' Coach of the Year Mike Neu is now the Head Coach of the Carolina Cobras. The excitement of af2 caught on to the officials as eleven total officials who were on af2 crews in 2000 were moved up to officiate in the AFL for the 2001 season. The growth of af2 has spawned a new generation of athletes, coaches and officials.

## **af2 PROVES TO BE A "HIT" AT THE TURNSTILES**

Through a vigorous 120-game, 18-week schedule, af2 fans across the league turned out in bunches to cheer on their respective teams. The Arkansas Twisters proved to everyone that the game of Arena Football could work in mid-sized communities. The Twisters led af2 in attendance in 2000 with an average of 13,766 fans per game including two games this season with over 16,000 fans. In total, arenafootball2 averaged 7,239 fans per game and over 900,000 fans walked through turnstiles in af2 venues throughout the regular season and playoffs. Besides the NFL, NHL and NBA, af2 was the only other professional sports league to fill its buildings to over 70% capacity in 2000 (af2 was at 72%).

## **af2's QUAD CITY BREAKS THE CENTURY MARK**

On May 26, 2000, the Quad City Steamwheelers beats Greensboro 103-3 in the most-lopsided game in professional football history. They become the first team to score over 100 points in a single contest and their 100-point margin of victory is the largest in pro football history.



## **PERFECTION FOR QUAD CITY; ARENACUP BROADCAST ON TNN**

The stage was set as the undefeated Quad City Steamwheelers looked to finish off a historic first season in ArenaCup 2000 against the hungry Tennessee Valley Vipers. In front of a sellout crowd of 9,201 fans at The Mark in Moline, IL and a national television audience on TNN, the two teams played the most exciting game of 2000. Back and forth they went until Quad City finally pulled ahead for a 68-59 victory and a record-setting 19-0 unblemished mark and championship. Over 300,000 fans tuned in to the TNN broadcast announced by Eli Gold, Mark May and Jill Arrington, to provide the perfect end to a historic season. Players, who played for the love of the game and to keep their



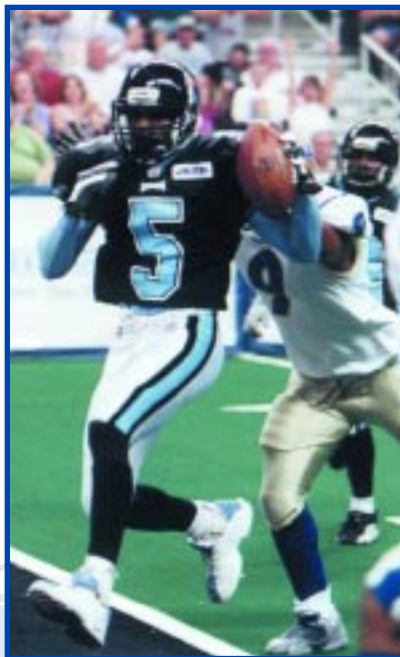
dream alive, coaches, officials and especially the fans worked together to make af2's first season an overriding success.

### **ONE MILLIONTH FAN, STEAMWHEELERS REPEAT, SWINTON FINDS SUCCESS IN THE NFL**

At Pensacola's home game against Rochester on July 12, 12-year-old Brain Martin becomes af2's one-millionth fan. The af2 became the first current professional football league to reach the 1 million mark in just its second season. On August 10, 2001 the Quad City Steamwheelers slipped past the Richmond Speed 55-51 to become two-time ArenaCup champions. Neither team recorded back-to-back scores, as there were 16 lead changes, including WR/LB Scott Hvistendahl's 3-yard championship-winning touchdown catch from QB Jay McDonagh with 10 seconds left to play. After lighting-up the af2 in 2001, former Arkansas Twister **Reggie Swinton** finishes his first NFL season. Playing in all 16 games, Swinton returned 56 kickoffs for 1,327 yards (5th in NFL) and took back 31 punts for 414 yards (5th in NFL) including one for TD. He averaged 23.7 yards per kickoff return (5th in NFL, minimum 50 returns) and 13.4 yards per punt return (3rd in NFL, minimum 25 returns). Swinton also caught seven passes for 117 yards and one TD.

### **GARCIA AIRS IT OUT IN NEW YORK**

On July 7, 2001, **Aaron Garcia**, of the AFL's New York Dragons, hurls 11 TDs and runs in another as the Dragons beat Carolina 99-68 in a game that saw 22 TDs scored by the teams combined, five field goals and even a safety. The 167 points is the most in Arena history for a single game. Garcia would finish the season with a pro football record 104 passing touchdowns.



### **10 TEAMS ADDED FOR 2002 SEASON, WEST DIVISION OPENS**

af2 continues to grow in 2002, as 10 expansion teams are added. Albany, N.Y.; Bakersfield, Calif.; Cape Fear (Fayetteville), N.C.; Fresno, Calif.; Honolulu, Hawaii; Mobile, Ala.; Mohegan (Uncasville) Conn.; New Haven, Conn.; San Diego, Calif. and Wilkes-Barre/Scranton, Pa. will all try to reach ArenaCup III. The expansion class features Pro Football Hall of Famer Johnny Unitas, co-operator of the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Pioneers, and former NFL quarterback Ken Stabler, co-operator and director of football operations for the Mobile Wizards. The league sticks with the two-conference format, but expands to four divisions in each conference, including the new West Division. af2 reaches all-time highs with the 34-team, 18-week, 272-game regular season schedule.



# arenafootball2 Chronology

## KEY DATES OF 2000

**1/14:** af2 announces inaugural 2000 season schedule, featuring an 18-week, 120-game regular season schedule and four-team playoff format, which was later changed to a eight-team playoff.



**3/31:** 14,831 fans attend *Kickoff 2000* in Birmingham, AL to watch the Tennessee Valley Vipers defeat the Birmingham Steeldogs 59-18. Former University of Alabama QB Jay Barker and Eli Gold announced the game for Comcast Cable, which reaches more than 1 million households throughout the southeast. First points scored in af2 history were a safety scored by the Tennessee Valley OL/DL Heath Springer. The Vipers win 59-18.

**4/8:** Arkansas has a crowd of 16,068, the largest crowd to see an af2 game in the 2000 season as they wallop Charleston 86-13. Richmond QB Cody Whipple catches a 32-yard touchdown pass from himself after a deflection off of a defender, but the Speed loss 48-41 at Pensacola.

**4/19:** Tulsa OL/DL David Camacho gets signed by the Baltimore Ravens, making him the first af2 player to make the leap up to the NFL.

**4/22:** Norfolk kicker Lee McDonald converts 6 of 7 field goal attempts to give Norfolk a 39-38 win against Charleston in the first ever af2 game that goes to overtime. McDonald's six field goals is an af2 record for most three-point field goals made in a game.

**5/5:** Charleston Swamp Foxes' kicker Tom Sellers successfully drop kicks a 25-yard field goal, worth 4 points, as the Swamp Foxes beat Richmond 51-44. He becomes the first kicker since the AFL's St. Louis Stampede's Tom Whelihan did so in 1996.

**5/16:** Tennessee Valley OL/DL Curtis Jeter signs with the Saskatchewan Roughriders, becoming the first af2 player to sign with the Canadian Football League.

**5/26:** Quad City defeats host Greensboro 103-3. Quad City's 103 points is the most points ever scored in an Arena Football game. Quad City OS **Shon King** grabs seven TDs and returns a kick for another for a total of eight scores and 48 points; both af2 records.

**6/3:** Jacksonville kicker Jim Tarle connects on a 58-yard field goal (af2 record) in a losing effort against Richmond. Arkansas QB Jon Neilson passes for Arena-record 11 touchdowns in the Twisters 88-33 blowout over the Greensboro Prowlers.

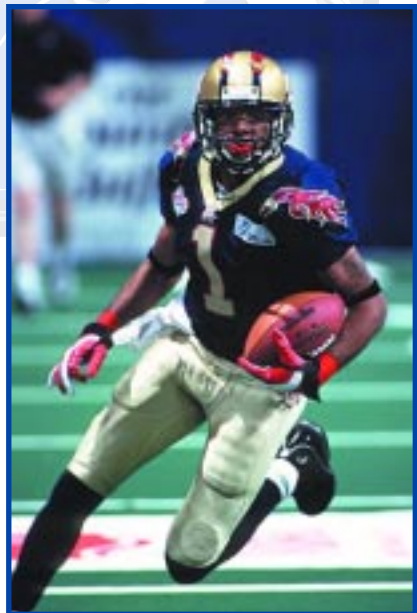
**7/29:** Quad City finishes regular season with a 16-0 record becoming the first af2 undefeated team.

**8/1:** af2 announces its final regular season attendance of 868,696 for 120 games.

**8/11:** Quad City defeats Tennessee Valley 68-59 in the ArenaCup 2000. Steamwheelers become first professional football team to win 19 games in a season (19-0).

**10/20:** The Indoor Football League (IFL) is sold to Arena Football League – the Peoria Pirates and Lincoln Lightning are the only IFL teams to be integrated into the af2.

**12/14:** The NFL begins to oversee and manage Arena Football League and af2 game officials.





## KEY DATES OF 2001

**2/23:** af2 announces that 11 officials earn a promotion to the AFL.

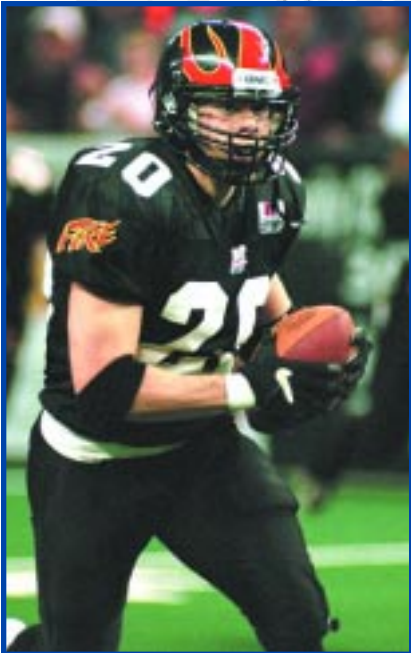
**3/29:** The much anticipated match up between 2000 ArenaCup champion Quad City (19-0) and the IFL Gold Cup champion Peoria Pirates (17-0) does not live up to its billing as the Pirates get blanked 41-0 becoming the first af2 to be shutout. Peoria's Todd Kurz misses six field goals and the Steamwheelers limit the Pirates to just 59 yards of total offense.

**4/7:** Lincoln WR/DB Heath Staples sets af2 record for most tackles in a game with 14.5 in the Lightning's 50-45 win over the Iowa Barnstormers.

**4/11:** af2 announces that 32 players from 2000 season make final 2001 rosters of AFL teams.

**4/13:** Quad City OS **Craig Cole** becomes only player with two missed field goal returns for a touchdown in a game against Memphis in the Steamwheelers 97-7 win over the Xplorers.

**4/19:** Norfolk sign former NFL QB Mike Buck as their head coach. He losses his first game 30-27 to Tallahassee, but leads the Nighthawks to wins in five of their next six.



**4/21:** Roanoke FB/LB Roy Johnson sets af2 record for longest rush from scrimmage with a 49-yarder in their overtime win over Jacksonville 50-47.

**5/4:** The Quad City Steamwheelers defeat Bossier City 55-43 to bring their all-time record to an unprecedented 24-0. The 24-game win streak is the longest win streak in professional football history and ties for second-longest undefeated streak in pro football history.

**5/12:** Quad City loses its first ever game 49-47 to Tulsa after Jay McDonough's two-point attempt to tie fell incomplete with 16 seconds left in the game. After recording two touchdowns, Birmingham OS Wayne Thomas set the career scoring record with 288 total points. The Steeldogs went on to a 65-42 win over Peoria. Thomas added 150 more points by the end of the season, bringing his career mark to 438.

**5/19:** Throwing for 225 yards against Peoria, Tulsa QB Craig Strickland sets the all-time league record for total offense with 4,458 total yards in a losing effort against the Pirates (51-28). He finished the season with 4,035, bringing his two-year career total to 6,918.

**6/8:** With three kickoff returns for touchdowns, Louisville WR/DB **Brian McDonald** sets the season record and ties the league record for most kickoff returns for a touchdown in a game against Roanoke in the 83-41 Fire victory. He finishes the season with seven kickoff returns for scores.

**6/22:** With his 2.0 sacks against Jacksonville, Tallahassee OL/DL Ernest Certain set the single-season record for sacks. He finished the season with 20.0.

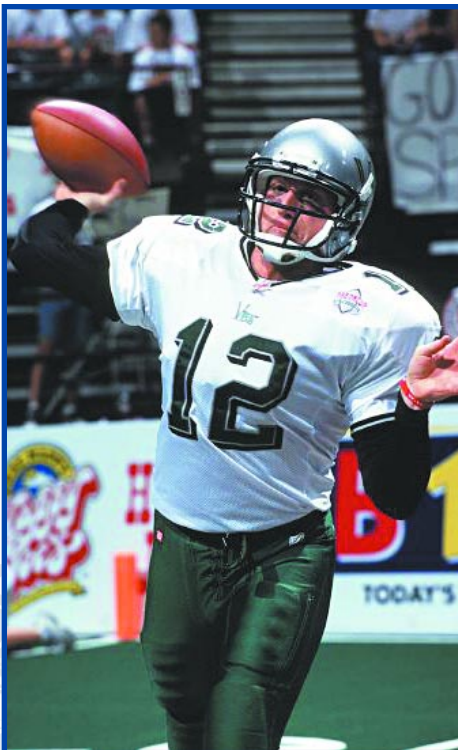


**6/29:** With a 223 yards receiving and seven receiving touchdowns, Birmingham OS Wayne Thomas ties the league record for most receiving touchdowns in the Steeldogs 69-48 win over Baton Rouge.

**7/7:** Two Memphis players—FB/LB Quentin Cradle and FB/LB Jeremy Scruggs—break the single-season rushing record (312) in the same game against Baton Rouge. At the time, Cradle had 317 yards and Scruggs has 314. They finished the season with 402 and 333, respectively. Louisville WR/DB Brian McDonald sets the league record for kickoff return yards in a game with 240 in a 59-32 losing effort against Iowa.

**7/12:** At Pensacola's home game against Rochester, 12-year-old Brain Martin becomes the one-millionth fan for the 2001 season. The home-standing Barracudas lose 31-28. The af2 become the first current professional football league to reach the 1 million in total attendance in just its second season.

**7/14:** Charleston WR/DB **Kenyatta Spruill** rushes for 96 yards against Norfolk and Baton Rouge's Leonard Holmes rushes for 93 yards against Birmingham as both break the former af2 record for most rushing yards in a game (79). Richmond DS Tyrone Laster becomes the first and only player in af2 history to return 2 interceptions for touchdowns in a game against Memphis. One of the returns (57 yards) is an af2 record for longest interception return.

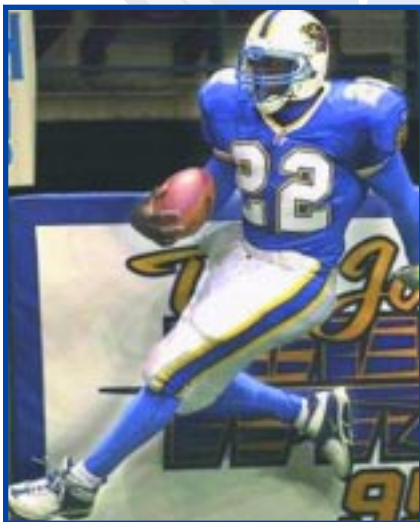


**7/21:** Tennessee Valley QB **Matt Sauk** sets league record for most passing attempts (60) and completions (38) in Vipers' 56-55 season-finale win against Arkansas. The Vipers trailed 55-21 with 14:50 left in the fourth quarter and staged the biggest comeback in Arena history (34 points) to beat the Twisters.

**7/24:** af2 announces the addition of Wilkes-Barre/Scranton to the expansion class of 2002. The team is co-operated by Johnny Unitas, a Pennsylvania native, and Pro Football Hall of Famer.

**8/1:** Former Alabama and NFL quarterback Ken Stabler was introduced as part of the operator group and director of football operations for the Mobile Wizards.

**8/10:** The Quad City Steamwheelers slip by the Richmond Speed 55-51 to become two-time ArenaCup champions. Neither team recorded back-to-back scores, as there were 16 lead changes, including WR/LB Scott Hvistendahl's 3-yard championship-winning touchdown catch from QB Jay McDonagh with 10 seconds left to play. TNN broadcasts the game for the second straight year.





**9/4:** Two former arenafootball2 players — Arkansas OS **Reggie Swinton** and Jacksonville kicker Jim Tarle — make the final 53-player roster cuts in the NFL for the Dallas Cowboys and Jacksonville Jaguars, respectively. A third player, Justin Skaggs, made the Washington Redskins' practice squad.

**10/24:** San Diego, California is approved to have a team for the 2002 season and thus the Riptide were born.

**12/21:** af2 announces that the two-time defending ArenaCup champion Quad City Steamwheelers would be ineligible for the 2002 postseason due to various violations of internal league policy. The team also received a fine and was placed on probation for two years.

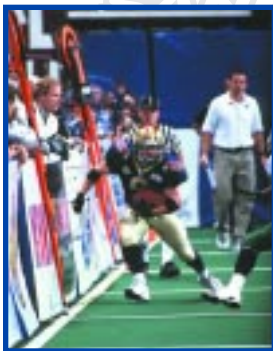
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13.4 yards per punt return (3<sup>rd</sup> in NFL). Swinton also caught seven passes for 117 yards and one TD.

**2/1:** Louisville Fire star Brian McDonald signs with the Philadelphia Eagles. McDonald is the single-season record holder for all-purpose yards (3,271) in af2 history. His statistics with the Louisville Fire for 2001 included: 83 receptions for 1058 yards with 16 TDs; 13 missed field goal returns for 325 yards with 3 TDs, and 90 kick returns for 1879 yards, resulting in 7 TDs. AFL and the US Army form a partnership.

**2/4:** AFL holds Pacific Rim Training Camp in Honolulu, Hawaii. Nearly 200 participants from Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Samoa, Tonga and Fiji participate in the weeklong camp. This is just another step to globalizing Arena Football.





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## 2000 af2 IN REVIEW

### American Conference

Team	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Augusta Stallions	13	3	.812	884	585
Norfolk Nighthawks	10	6	.625	672	682
Jacksonville Tomcats	9	7	.562	674	680
Carolina Rhinos	9	7	.562	786	701
Richmond Speed	7	9	.438	610	665
Charleston Swamp Foxes	4	12	.250	585	802
Greensboro Prowlers	3	13	.188	407	831
Roanoke Steam	3	13	.188	619	897

### National Conference

Team	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
QC Steamwheelers	16	0	1.00	1074	474
Tennessee Valley Vipers	10	6	.625	759	582
Tulsa Talons	9	7	.562	843	808
Pensacola Barracudas	8	8	.500	723	795
Birmingham Steeldogs	7	9	.438	666	825
Arkansas Twisters	7	9	.438	840	721
Tallahassee Thunder	5	11	.312	780	780

### Playoff results

#### First Round

Tenn Valley 49, Tulsa 28

Augusta 76, Carolina 64

Norfolk 41, Jacksonville 28

Quad City 55, Pensacola 19

#### Second Round

Tenn Valley 47, Augusta 40

Quad City 75, Norfolk 27

### ArenaCup I

Quad City 68, Tennessee Valley 59

MVP: Shon King

IRONMAN: Xavier Patterson

### Award Winners

Coach of the Year - Mike Neu, Augusta

IRONMAN of the Year - Xavier Patterson, Quad City

Offensive Player of the Year - Aaron Sparrow, Augusta

Defensive Player of the Year - Cornelius Coe, Quad City

### All-af2 teams

#### First Team

QB Aaron Sparrow, Aug  
 FB/LB Tommy Hornick, Car  
 OL/DL Lawrence Lewis, Rich  
 OL/DL Greg Taylor, Ark  
 OL/DL Silas DeMary, Norf  
 WR/DB Xavier Patterson, QC  
 WR/DB Lennie Johnson, Ark  
 WR/LB Charles Briggs, Roan  
 OS Carl Bond, Tall  
 DS Cornelius Coe, QC  
 DS Brian Livingston, Jax  
 K Brian Reaves, Pen  
 Spec. Adali Trone, Birm

#### Second Team

Billy Dicken, QC  
 Curtis James, Ten  
 A.J. Blum, Aug  
 Heath Springer, Ten  
 Jamarr Ward, QC  
 Terrance Flagler, Jax  
 Calvin Ceasar, Aug  
 Doug Seidenstricker, Norf  
 Shon King, QC  
 David Knott, Ten  
 Nick Rawls, Aug  
 Chris Chambers, Aug  
 Lawrence Pullen, Car

### League Leaders

Passing	Team	Comp/Att	Yds	TD	Int	Rating
Billy Dicken	QC	272/408	3444	73	4	128.3
Aaron Sparrow	AUG	335/513	4000	78	5	122.9
Shane Stafford	TALL	317/558	4394	85	20	105.4
Chris Wallace	CAR	180/339	2469	52	10	102.7
Jeff McCrone	JAX	180/359	2756	46	15	101.6

Receiving	Team	Rec.	Yds	Avg.	TD
Carl Bond	TALL	138	2086	15.1	44
Shon King	QC	136	1858	13.7	39
B. Burnside	TUL	120	1721	14.3	33
Kelly Fields	TEN	115	1447	12.6	21
Wayne Thomas	BIR	114	1643	14.4	32

Rushing	Team	Rush	Yds	Avg.	TD
Bobby Phillips	RICH	67	312	4.7	11
Chris Wallace	CAR	51	236	4.6	9
Tony Morrison	NOR	72	203	2.8	6
John Lewis	GRE	52	183	3.5	6
Tommy Hornick	CAR	45	176	3.9	7

All-Purpose	Team	Rush	Rec	MFG	KOR	Yards
Shon King	QC	-5	1858	373	972	3198
Bobby Phillips	RICH	312	904	382	1352	2950
Kelly Fields	TEN	0	1447	391	1065	2903
Lawrence Pullen	CAR	41	1123	393	1053	2610
Rod Woodham	PEN	3	1074	122	1331	2530

Scoring (TDs)	Team	TD	Rsh	Rec	Ret	PAT	Pts
Shon King	QC	47	2	39	6	1	284
Carl Bond	TALL	45	0	44	1	1	272
B. Burnside	TUL	33	0	33	0	0	198
X. Patterson	QC	32	2	24	6	0	192
Wayne Thomas	BIRM	32	0	32	0	0	192

Scoring (Kick)	Team	PATs	2PAT	FGs	Pts
Brian Reaves	PEN	77-85	0-0	28-52	161
Brian Hurley	QC	121-146	1-1	12-31	158
Chris Chambers	AUG	90-103	0-0	18-30	144
Jim Tarle	JAX	77-84	0-0	17-48	128
B. Stewart	BIRM	59-83	3-4	16-51	120

Interceptions	Team	Num	Sacks	Team	Num
B. Livingston	JAX	11	L. Lewis	RICH	14.5
C. Thompson	QC	10	S. DeMary	NORF	12.0
David Knott	TEN	9	C.J. McClain	ARK	8.5
Itis Atkinson	TUL	8	Jamarr Ward	QC	8.5
C. Coe	QC	8	A. Abston	ARK	8.0

Tackles	Team	Num	Tackle/Loss	Team	Num
C. Coe	QC	139	J. Kirkland	ROAN	9
Itis Atkinson	TUL	120	R. Marsh	CAR	7
B. Livingston	JAX	115	A.D. Badon	JAX	6
David Knott	TEN	107	R. Stromas	PEN	6
R. Ridley	TEN	92	K. Hairston	ROAN	5





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## American Conference

Northeast Division	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Richmond Speed	13	3	.812	814	605
Carolina Rhinos	12	4	.750	687	519
Roanoke Steam	7	9	.438	631	611
Charleston Swamp Foxes	7	9	.438	597	704
Norfolk Nighthawks	7	9	.438	702	765
Greensboro Prowlers	5	11	.312	538	673
Rochester Brigade	4	12	.250	542	749

Southeast Division	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Tallahassee Thunder	11	5	.688	789	608
Macon Knights	10	6	.625	814	696
Augusta Stallions	9	7	.562	776	682
Jacksonville Tomcats	9	7	.562	767	737
Florida Firecats	7	9	.438	654	675
Pensacola Barracudas	5	11	.312	621	698
Columbus Wardogs	0	16	.000	418	948

## National Conference

South Central Division	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Tennessee Valley Vipers	14	2	.875	872	611
Birmingham Steeldogs	12	4	.750	873	703
Baton Rouge Blaze	10	6	.625	746	783
Bossier City Battle Wings	7	9	.438	843	845
Arkansas Twisters	6	10	.375	782	762
Lafayette Roughnecks	3	13	.188	654	868
Memphis Xplorers	3	13	.188	607	893

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
QC Steamwheelers	15	1	.938	1016	453
Tulsa Talons	13	3	.812	774	676
Iowa Barnstormers	9	7	.562	797	721
Wichita Stealth	7	9	.438	715	726
Peoria Pirates	7	9	.438	569	689
Lincoln Lightning	6	10	.375	532	705
Louisville Fire	6	10	.375	711	736

## Playoff results

<b>First Round</b>	<b>Second Round</b>
Quad City 80, Macon 55	Quad City 35, Carolina 16
Carolina 69, Tulsa 35	Richmond 51, Tenn. Valley 50
Tenn. Valley 70, Tallahassee 52	
Richmond 67, Birmingham 60	

## ArenaCup II

Quad City 55, Richmond 51
MVP: Jay McDonagh
IRONMAN: Scott Hvistendahl

## Award Winners

- Built-Ford Toughman of the Year** - Ronnie Washburn, CAR
- IRONMAN of the Year** - Kevin Harvey, RICH
- Offensive Player of the Year** - Jay McDonagh, QC
- Defensive Player of the Year** - Ernest Certain, TALL
- Lineman of the Year** - Jamarr Ward, QC
- Rookie of the Year** - Matt Sauk, TEN
- Expansion Team of the Year** - Macon Knights
- Coach of the Year** - Bret Munsey, TEN
- Executive of the Year** - Art Clarkson, TEN

## All-af2 Team

	First team	Second Team
QB	Jay McDonagh, QC	Matt Sauk, TV
FB/LB	Corky Martin, Tulsa	Jeremy Scruggs, MEMP
OL/DL	Ernest Certain, TALL	Marvin Davis, NORF
OL/DL	Jamarr Ward, QC	Ronnie Washburn, CAR
OL/DL	Richard McCleskey, TUL	Curtis Jeter, TV
WR/DB	Kevin Harvey, RICH	Xavier Patterson, QC
WR/LB	Jeremy Wilkinson, QC	Terrance Flagler, JAX
OS	Anthony Bright, JAX	James Dickerson, TALL
DS	Donvetus Franklin, CAR	Jeremy Flowers, TUL
DS	Clarence Thompson, QC	Tyrone Laster, RICH
K	Stan Whitlock, COL	Danny Boyd, BAT

## League Leaders

Passing	Team	Comp/Att	Yds	TD	INT	Rating
Jay McDonagh	QC	303/424	3822	73	7	131.9
Anthony Buich	IOWA	238/376	3051	58	12	113.6
Matt Sauk	TEN	352/574	4185	86	15	110.1
Chris Hixson	TALL	202/348	2621	58	14	104.7
C. Strickland	TUL	318/574	4009	80	13	102.9

Receiving	Team	Rec	Yds	Avg.	TD
Pascal Volz	WICH	148	1624	11.0	26
Kelly Fields	TEN	143	1638	11.5	32
Craig Cole	QC	126	1570	12.5	26
Anthony Bright	JAX	120	2017	16.8	42
Tim Dumas	AUG	117	1370	11.7	25

Rushing	Team	Rush	Yds	Avg.	TD
Quentin Cradle	MEMP	91	402	4.4	14
Jeremy Scruggs	MEMP	85	333	3.9	17
Kenyatta Sprull	CHRL	76	324	4.3	17
Randy Sullivan	CAR	69	316	4.6	11
Sherard Poteete	BOS	97	276	2.8	23

All-Purpose	Team	Rush	Rec	MFG	KOR	Yards
Brain McDonald	LOU	9	1058	325	1879	3271
James Dickerson	TALL	53	1702	296	987	3038
A. Stringfield	NORF	6	1249	320	1097	2676
Archie Turner	BAT	39	874	316	1405	2634
Derek Baker	ROC	13	1273	133	1200	2619

Scoring (TDs)	Team	TD	Rsh	Rec	Ret	PAT	Pts
J. Dickerson	TALL	41	2	37	2	5	256
Anthony Bright	JAX	42	0	42	0	1	254
Wayne Thomas	BIRM	41	0	41	0	0	246
C. Pratt	FLA	39	10	24	5	3	240
Reggie Swinton	ARK	37	3	33	1	0	222







# ARENACUP I IN REVIEW

## ArenaCup I: Quad City 68, Tennessee Valley 59

August 10, 2000 – The Mark; Moline, Illinois

**MVP:** Shon King, QC **IRONMAN:** Xavier Patterson, QC

**MOLINE, IL** — Xavier Patterson's 37-yard touchdown reception from Billy Dicken with just more than two minutes into the fourth quarter gave Quad City a 61-59 lead and proved to be the winning score for the Steamwheelers. Shon King gave Quad City a 14-0 lead in the first quarter on a 54-yard kickoff return just nine seconds into the game and a 29-yard pass from Dicken. Quad City pushed its lead to 27-14 on King's 32-yard reception early in the third quarter after two scoring strikes from Tennessee Valley QB Bryan Snyder. But the Vipers rallied to take a 45-41 lead early in the third quarter after Bobby Washington's 34-yard reception and a 1-yard plunge by Snyder. Ten seconds later, Tennessee Valley took a 52-41 lead when Quad City fumbled the ensuing kickoff, which was recovered for the score. But Quad City's King turned the game around with a 57-yard kickoff return for a score followed by a 53-yard missed field goal return for a score to give the Steamwheelers a 55-52 lead. A 16-yard reception by Washington with 20 seconds left in the third quarter gave Tennessee Valley its final lead of the game at 59-55. King ended the game with 338 all-purpose yards (174 kickoff return, 53 missed field return, 111 receiving) and five touchdowns en route to Game MVP honors.

### Scoring Summary:

Qtr	Time	Play	Score
1st	14:51	King 54yd kickoff return – PAT good	00-07
	10:49	King 29yd pass (Dicken) PAT good	00-14
	06:29	Bonner 11yd pass (Snyder) PAT good	07-14
	03:45	Patterson 3yd run – PAT good	07-21
	00:25	Thomas 15yd pass (Snyder) PAT good	14-21
2nd	13:50	King 32yd pass (Dicken) PAT failed	14-27
	09:48	Washington 3yd pass (Snyder) PAT good	21-27
	07:28	Dicken 1yd run – PAT good	21-34
	04:55	Fields 25yd pass (Snyder) PAT good	28-34
	03:00	Patterson 12yd pass (Dicken) PAT good	28-41
	00:04	Proctor 18yd field goal	31-41
3rd	13:12	Washington 34yd pass (Snyder) PAT good	38-41
	11:14	Snyder 1yd run – PAT good	45-41
	11:04	Bonner 0yd net recovery – PAT good	52-41
	10:22	King 57yd kickoff return – PAT good	52-48
	05:46	King 53yd missed field goal return – PAT good	52-55
	00:22	Washington 16yd pass (Snyder) PAT good	59-55
4th	12:55	Patterson 37yd pass (Dicken) PAT good	59-61
	00:58	Dicken 1yd run – PAT good	59-68

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Tennessee Valley	14	17	28	0	59
Quad City	21	20	14	13	68

### Team Statistics

	Tennessee Valley	Quad City
1st Downs	23	10
Rushes-Yards	5-2	6-11
Passing yards	357	231
Passes Att-Comp-Int	51-32-1	18-14-1
Total Offensive Plays-Yards	59-359	24-242
Average Gain Per Play	6.1	10.1
Kickoff Returns-Yards	7-87	8-257
Interception Returns-Yards	1-2	1-6
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	2-11	8-34
Time of Possession	40:27	19:33
3rd Down Conversions	6/10	2/2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	3-22

### Individual Leaders

	Tennessee Valley	Quad City
Passing:	Snyder: 32-50-379-6-1 Thomas: 0-1-0-0-0	Dicken: 14-18-231-4-1
Receiving:	Fields: 10-114-1 Washington: 7-115-3 Kendall: 6-59-0 Thomas: 5-58-1 Bonner: 3-33-1	King: 6-111-2 Hvistendahl: 4-60 Patterson: 2-49-2 Williams: 1-7-0 Carter: 1-4-0
Rushing:	Rogers: 1-2-0 James: 1-1-0 Synder: 3-(-1)-1	Van Wetzinga: 2-5-0 Patterson: 1-3-0 Dicken: 3-3-2
KO Returns:	Fields: 6-82-0 Washington: 1-5-0	King: 4-174-2 Patterson: 4-83-0
MFG Returns:	None	King: 1-53-1
INT Returns:	Bonner: 1-2-0	Thompson: 1-6
Sacks:	None	Ward: 1.0 Brown: 1.5 Van Wetzinga: 0.5
Tackles:	Knott: 9 Brown: 3	Coe: 8 Thompson: 7





# ARENA CUP II IN REVIEW

## ArenaCup II: Quad City 55, Richmond 51

August 10, 2001 – The Mark; Moline, Illinois

Attendance: 8,261 MVP: Jay McDonagh, QC IRONMAN: Scott Hvistendahl, QC

**MOLINE, IL** — Neither team record back-to-back scores as there were 16 lead changes, including WR/LB Scott Hvistendahl's 3-yard championship-winning touchdown catch from QB Jay McDonagh with 10 seconds left to play to give the Quad City Steamwheelers their second consecutive af2 championship. With 1:22 remaining, Richmond WR/DB Kevin Harvey scored on a 13-yard strike from QB Bob Bees to give the Speed a 51-48 lead. But Richmond left too much time on the clock for the defending ArenaCup champions. On Quad City's ensuing possession after the Speed's final score, the Steamwheelers took over on their 18-yard line and QB Jay McDonagh, the championship's MVP, promptly connected with OS Craig Cole for a 15-yard gain. McDonagh then hit Hvistendahl, named the game's IRONMAN, for receptions of six and seven yards before the 6-foot-3, 335-pound Jamarr Ward managed just 1 yard on a carry on the next play. With 14 seconds on the clock, Quad City called a timeout and organized a play for Patterson, but Hvistendahl broke open across the backline and reeled in the championship-winning reception. McDonagh had a game-high 280 yards passing on 28-of-35 passing with no interceptions and three touchdowns. Richmond's Bees had 270 yards on 26-of-37 passing with one interception and five touchdowns.

### Scoring Summary:

Qtr	Time	Play	Score
1st	08:54	Groschelle 32yd field goal	03-00
	05:41	McDonagh 1yd run – PAT good	03-07
	02:18	Harvey 1yd run – PAT blocked	09-07
2nd	11:42	Ward 4yd run – PAT good	09-14
	07:45	Williams 10yd pass (Bees) – PAT failed	15-14
	06:33	Robinson 45yd pass (McDonagh) – PAT good	15-21
	02:30	Williams 16yd pass (Bees) – PAT good	22-21
	00:27	Carter 8yd run – PAT good	22-28
3rd	00:02	Harvey 16yd pass (Bees) – PAT good	29-28
	13:47	Wilkinson 29yd pass (McDonagh) – PAT good	29-35
	04:22	Townsley 21yd pass (Bees) – PAT good	36-35
4th	13:35	McDonagh 2yd run – PAT failed	36-41
	07:50	Harvey 2yd run – Miles 2pt rush	44-41
	03:44	Robinson 2yd run – PAT good	44-48
	01:22	Harvey 13yd pass (Bees) – PAT good	51-48
	00:10	Hvistendahl 3 yd pass (McDonagh) – PAT good	51-55

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Richmond	9	20	7	15	51
Quad City	7	21	7	20	55



Team Statistics	Richmond	Quad City
1st Downs	21	17
Rushes-yards	5-7	8-26
Passing yards	253	280
Passes Att-Comp-Int	37-26-1	35-28-0
Total Offensive Plays-yards	44-260	43-306
Average Gain Per Play	5.9	7.1
Kickoff Returns-Yards	8-165	8-166
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-21
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	7-39	10-54
Time of Possession	32:56	27:04
3rd Down Conversions	5 of 7	3 of 5
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	2-17

Individual Leaders	Richmond	Quad City
Passing:	Bees: 26/37-270-5-1	McDonagh: 28/35-280-3-0
Receiving:	Williams: 11-116-2	Cole: 9-93-0
	Harvey: 9-86-2	Hvistendahl: 6-47-1
	Jones: 3-30-0	Robinson: 4-64-1
Rushing:	Harvey: 2-3-2	Carter: 2-12-1
	Williams: 1-4-0	Ward: 2-5-1
	Bees: 2-0-0	McDonagh: 2-3-2
KO Returns:	Williams: 5-109-0	Patterson: 3-71-0
MFG Returns:	None	None
INT Returns:	None	Thompson: 1-21-0
Sacks:	None	Smith/Fourdyce: 1 each
Tackles:	Laster: 9	Thompson: 9
	Moore: 6	McClendon: 6





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## PASSING

Attempts, season: 624, Jon Nielson, Arkansas (2000)  
 Attempts, game: 60, Matt Sauk, TV at ARK (7/21/01)  
 Completions, season: 354, Bryan Snyder, TV (2000)  
 Completions, game: 38, Matt Sauk, TV at ARK (7/21/01)  
 Highest comp%, season: 71.5, Jon McDonagh, Quad City (2001)  
 Yards gained, season: 4,417, Jon Nielson, Arkansas (2000)  
 Yards gained, game: 459, Shane Stafford, TALL at BIRM (6/02/00)  
 Longest completion: 49, Zack Siegrist, WICH vs. QC (7/14/01)  
 86, Matt Sauk, TV (2001)  
 TD passes, season: 11, Jon Nielson, Ark vs. Greens (6/03/00)  
 TD passes, game: 23, Jon Nielson, Arkansas (2000)  
 INTs thrown, season: 23, Josh Luedtke, Lincoln (2001)  
 INTs thrown, game: Three times, last:  
 5, Matt Lefever, MEMP vs. ARK (5/05/01)  
 Times sacked, season: 36, Sherard Potete, BC (2001)  
 Times sacked, game: 11, Mike Carubba, ROCH vs. RICH (5/18/01)  
 Fumbles, season: 23, Will Burch (11 lost), ROA (2001)  
 Fumbles, game: 5, Will Burch (4 lost) ROA at QC (6/03/00)  
 5, Will Burch (4 lost) ROA at JAX (7/22/00)

## RECEIVING

Receptions, season: 148, Pascal Volz, Wichita (2001)  
 Receptions, game: 17, Carl Bond, TALL vs. TUL (7/28/01)  
 Yards, season: 2,086, Carl Bond, Tallahassee (2001)  
 Yards, game: 277, Carl Bond, TALL vs. TUL (7/28/01)  
 High yds/catch, season: 17.2, Reggie Swinton, Ark (2001)  
 TD receptions, season: 44, Carl Bond, Tallahassee (2001)  
 TD receptions, game: 7, Shon King, QC at GRE (5/27/00)  
 7, Wayne Thomas, BIRM at BAT (6/29/01)  
 Six times, last:  
 49, Willie Grissom, WICH vs. QC (7/14/01)

## RUSHING

Attempts, season: 97, Sherard Potete, Bossier City (2001)  
 Attempts, game: 17, Tony Morrison, NORF at CHRL (4/22/00)  
 17, Chris Windsor, BIRM at RICH (5/19/00)  
 17, Carlos Joseph, MAC at JAX (6/30/01)  
 Yards, season: 402, Quentin Cradle, Memphis (2001)  
 Yards, game: 96, Kenya Spruill, CHRL vs. NORF (7/14/01)  
 TDs rushing, season: 23, Sherard Potete, Bossier City (2001)  
 TDs rushing, game: 5, Melvin Hill, BAT at MEMP (7/07/01)  
 5, Fred Lester, JAX vs. BIRM (5/26/00)  
 Longest rush: 49, Roy Johnson, ROA vs. JAX (4/21/01)

## KICKING

Points Scored, season: 161, Brian Reaves, Pensacola (2000)  
 PATs Attempted, season: 148, Brion Hurley, QC (2000)  
 PATs Attempted, game: 15, Brion Hurley, QC at GRE (5/26/00)  
 PATs Made, season: 121, Brion Hurley, QC (2000)  
 PATs Made, game: 12, Chris Chambers, AUG-GRE (6/02/00)  
 86, Phil Setterquist, TAL (2001)  
 2pt PAT Att., season: 60, Phil Setterquist, TAL (2001)  
 2pt PAT Made, season: 56, James Thomas, Greensboro (2001)  
 FGs attempted, season: 8, four times, last:  
 James Thomas, GRE at CAR (5/19/01)  
 28, Brian Reaves, Pensacola (2000)  
 6, Marshall McDonald, NRF at CHRL (4/22/00)  
 58, Jim Tarle, JAX vs. RICH (6/03/00)  
 4pt FG Att., season: 4, Phil Setterquist, TAL (2001)  
 4pt FG Made, season: 2, Phil Setterquist, TAL (2001)

## KICKOFF RETURNS

Returns, season: 90, Brian McDonald, Louisville (2001)  
 Returns, game: 11, R. Woodham, PEN vs. TUL, (6/10/00)  
 11, Craig Aiken, GRE at AUG, (6/30/00)  
 Yards, season: 1,879, Brian McDonald, Louisville (2001)  
 Yards, game: 240, B. McDonald, LOU at IOWA (7/07/01)  
 TDs returned, season: 8, Adlai Trone, Birmingham (2000)  
 TDs returned, game: 3, Adlai Trone, BIRM vs. TALL (6/02/00)  
 3, Brian McDonald, LOU vs. ROA (6/08/01)  
 57, 24 times, last:  
 Dammon Benning, LIN at ROA (7/14/01)

## MISSED FIELD GOAL RETURNS

Returns, season: 22, Kelly Fields, TV (2000)  
 Returns, game: 6, Kelly Fields, TV vs. GRE, (5/12/00)  
 Yards, season: 393, Lawrence Pullen, Carolina (2000)  
 Yards, game: 158, Kelly Fields, TV vs. GRE, (5/12/00)  
 TDs returned, season: 3, Brian McDonald, Louisville (2001)  
 TDs returned, game: 2, Craig Cole, QC vs. MEMP (4/13/01)  
 Longest return: 57, four times, last:  
 Jeff Higgins, MAC at COL (7/21/01)

## COMBINED RETURNS

Returns, season: 103, Brian McDonald, LOU (2001)  
 Returns, game: 13, R. Woodham, PEN vs. TUL (6/10/00)  
 Yards, season: 2,204, Brian McDonald, LOU (2001)  
 Yards, game: 258, B. McDonald, LOU at IOWA (7/21/01)  
 TDs returned, season: 10, Brian McDonald, LOU (2001)  
 TDs returned, game: 3, B. McDonald, LOU vs. ROA (7/08/01)  
 3, Adlai Trone, BIRM vs. TALL (6/02/00)

## SCORING

Pts Scored, season: 284, Shon King, QC (2000)  
 Pts Scored, game: 48, Shon King, QC at GRE (6/03/00)  
 TDs Scored, season: 47, Shon King, QC (2000)  
 TDs Scored, game: 8, Shon King, QC at GRE (6/03/00)

## ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

Yards, season: 3,271, Brian McDonald, LOU (2001)  
 Yards, game: 351, Archie Turner, BAT at MEM (7/07/01)

## DEFENSE

Interceptions, season: 14, Tyrone Laster, RICH (2001)  
 Interceptions, game: 3, 13 times, last:  
 Reggie Blanchard, GRE at ROCH (7/21/01)  
 182, Tyrone Laster, RICH (2001)  
 INT yards, season: 57, T. Laster, RICH vs. MEMP (7/14/01)  
 INT yards, game: 57, T. Laster, RICH vs. MEMP (7/14/01)  
 Longest INT return: 57, T. Laster, RICH vs. MEMP (7/14/01)  
 INT ret for TD, game: 2, T. Laster, RICH vs. MEMP (7/14/01)  
 Fumbles Rec, season: 6, three times, last:  
 Anthony Giovingo, LAF (2001)  
 117, Cornelius Coe, QC (2000)  
 Tackles, season: 14.5, Heath Staples, LIN at ROA (7/14/01)  
 Tackles, game: 20.0, Ernest Certain, TALL (2001)  
 Sacks, season: 4.5, Derrick Coakley, PEN at NOR (4/07/01)  
 Sacks, game: 4.5, Reggie Cooley, ARK at MEM (5/05/01)  
 4.5, Spencer Conley, NOR vs. GRE (5/12/01)





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April 13 . . . . .at Rochester . . . . .7:30	June 15 . . . . .at New Haven . . . . .7:30
April 20 . . . . .WB/Scranton . . . . .7:30	June 20 . . . . .at Rochester . . . . .7:30
April 27 . . . . .Rochester . . . . .7:30	June 29 . . . . .Richmond . . . . .7:30
May 10 . . . . .at Mohegan . . . . .7:30	July 7 . . . . .at Cape Fear . . . . .4:00
May 18 . . . . .Roanoke . . . . .7:30	July 13 . . . . .New Haven . . . . .7:30
May 25 . . . . .WB/Scranton . . . . .7:30	July 20 . . . . .at WB/Scranton . . . . .7:30
June 1 . . . . .at Richmond . . . . .7:00	July 27 . . . . .Mohegan . . . . .7:30



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April 20 . . . . . Wichita . . . . . 7:00	June 22 . . . . . Tulsa . . . . . 7:00
<b>April 27 . . . . . San Diego . . . . . 7:00</b>	June 28 . . . . . at Birmingham . . . . . 7:00
May 4 . . . . . at Tenn Valley . . . . . 7:30	July 6 . . . . . Fresno . . . . . 7:00
May 11 . . . . . at Tulsa . . . . . 7:00	July 12 . . . . . Hawaii . . . . . 7:30
May 18 . . . . . Memphis . . . . . 7:00	<b>July 20 . . . . . at San Diego . . . . . 7:00</b>
June 1 . . . . . at Memphis . . . . . 7:30	July 26 . . . . . at Bossier City . . . . . 7:30

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Account Executive

Account Executive

Sales/Promotions Consultant

Business Manager

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach/Dir. of FB Operations

Defensive Coordinator

Sports Medicine Consultant

Team Physicians

Mike Hold  
 Bubba Diggs  
 Brian Lancaster  
 Arlon H. Jahnke, Jr.  
 Robert L. Brand  
 Andy Eberheart

Head Trainer

### AUGUSTA STALLIONS

April 6	.....at Jacksonville	.....7:30	June 8	.....Jacksonville	.....7:30
April 20	.....at Cape Fear	.....7:30	June 15	.....at Tallahassee	.....7:00
April 27	.....Carolina	.....7:30	June 21	.....Columbus	.....7:30
May 4	.....at Columbus	.....7:00	June 29	.....at Roanoke	.....7:30
May 10	.....Macon	.....7:30	July 5	.....Florida	.....7:30
May 18	.....at Carolina	.....7:30	July 13	.....at Charleston	.....7:00
May 24	.....Charleston	.....7:30	July 20	.....Tallahassee	.....7:30
May 31	.....at Macon	.....7:30	July 27	.....Norfolk	.....7:30



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## BAKERSFIELD BLITZ

1325 P. Street  
Bakersfield, CA 93301



Phone Number	(661) 634-9132
Fax Number	(661) 325-7074
Web Address	bakersfieldblitz.com
Media Contact	Todd Anderson
Media E-Mail	tanderson@bakersfieldblitz.com
Arena	Centennial Garden (8,700)
af2 season	1st
Alignment	National Conference, West Division
Colors	Dark Blue, Light Blue, Blitz Orange, Yellow

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

President/CEO	Casey Wasserman
General Manager	Brad Hoffman
Director of Operations	Joel Hupp
Director of Public/Media Relations	Todd Anderson
Account Executive	Mike Krause
Office Manager	Holly Moore
Webmaster	Bryan Williams

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	James Fuller
Defensive Assistant	Dennis Manning
Line Coach	Steve Fickert
Linebackers/Fullback Coach	Steven Folmar
Head Athletic Trainer	Joel Oetker

### BAKERSFIELD BLITZ

<b>April 6</b> . . . . .at San Diego . . . . . <b>7:00</b>	<b>June 8</b> . . . . .San Diego . . . . . <b>7:00</b>
April 13 . . . . .at Hawaii . . . . .7:00	June 15 . . . . .at Peoria . . . . .7:30
April 20 . . . . .Louisville . . . . .7:00	June 22 . . . . .Hawaii . . . . .7:00
April 27 . . . . .at Tulsa . . . . .7:00	June 29 . . . . .at Hawaii . . . . .7:00
May 4 . . . . .Fresno . . . . .7:30	July 6 . . . . .at Quad City . . . . .7:00
May 18 . . . . .Peoria . . . . .7:00	July 13 . . . . .Wichita . . . . .7:00
<b>May 25</b> . . . . .at San Diego . . . . . <b>7:00</b>	July 20 . . . . .at Fresno . . . . .7:00
June 1 . . . . .Fresno . . . . .7:00	July 27 . . . . .Tulsa . . . . .7:00

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## BIRMINGHAM STEELDOGS

P.O. Box 1506  
Birmingham, AL 35201



Phone Number	(205) 458-TUFF
Fax Number	(205) 458-8489
Web Address	steeldogs.com
Media Contact	Michael Bencs, Jr.
Media E-Mail	mbencs@steeldogs.com
Arena	Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center (16,850)
af2 Season	3rd
Alignment	National Conference, South Division
Colors	Orange and Black

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Operator	King Myers Sports Group
President & COO	Scott Myers
Director of Marketing	Kraig Obarski
Director of Public Relations	Michael Bencs, Jr.
Corporate Marketing Rep.	Steve Mezrano
Director of Ticket Sales	Tim Russell
Community Affairs	Amy Lee
Office Manager	Mica Johnson
Public Relations Assistant	Carol Crump

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Bobby Humphrey
Assistant Head Coach/Special Teams	Jim Hilyer
Defensive Coordinator	Chris Goode
Receivers	Chris Williams
Line Coach	Kenneth Brooks
Equipment Manager	David Cobbs
Medical Trainer	David Gable

### BIRMINGHAM STEELDOGS

April 6	.....at Tulsa	.....7:00	June 7	.....Louisville	.....7:30
April 12	.....Mobile	.....7:30	June 15	.....at Columbus	.....7:30
April 19	.....at Pensacola	.....7:00	June 22	.....Macon	.....7:30
April 27	.....Columbus	.....7:30	June 28	.....Arkansas	.....7:30
May 3	.....at Florida	.....7:30	July 5	.....at Mobile	.....7:00
May 11	.....Pensacola	.....7:30	July 13	.....Tennessee Valley	.....7:30
May 18	.....at Tenn Valley	.....7:30	July 20	.....at Macon	.....7:30
June 1	.....Bossier City	.....7:30	July 27	.....at Louisville	.....7:00



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## BOSSIER CITY BATTLE WINGS

2000 CenturyTel Center Parkway  
Bossier City, LA 71112



Phone Number	(318) 752-2847
Fax Number	(318) 752-2878
Web Address	battlewings.com
Media Contact	Brandon Walker
Media E-Mail	bwalks@hotmail.com
Arena	CenturyTel Center (12,500)
af2 Season	2nd
Alignment	National Conference, Central Division
Colors	Black, Silver, White

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Managing Operator	Dr. Michael Plaman
General Manager	Jason Rent
Assistant General Manager	Kerry Blanchard
Communications/Broadcasting	Brandon Walker
Director of Ticket Sales	Troy Holleman
Sales Manager	Christopher Wright
Merchandise Manager	Keena Ladd
Account Executive	Linda Jackson

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Pat Tilley
Assistant Coach	Ross Setters
Assistant Coach	Larry Anderson
Assistant Coach	Chris Hearn
Physician	Christus Schumpert
Equipment Manager	Billy T. Welker

### BOSSIER CITY BATTLE WINGS

April 6 . . . . .at Quad City . . . . .7:30	June 1 . . . . .at Birmingham . . . . .7:30
April 13 . . . . .Tulsa . . . . .7:30	June 8 . . . . .at Arkansas . . . . .7:30
April 20 . . . . .at Memphis . . . . .7:30	June 15 . . . . .at Tulsa . . . . .7:30
April 27 . . . . .Peoria . . . . .7:30	June 22 . . . . .Wichita . . . . .7:30
May 4 . . . . .at Pensacola . . . . .7:30	June 29 . . . . .Quad City . . . . .7:30
May 11 . . . . .Mobile . . . . .7:30	July 6 . . . . .at Peoria . . . . .7:30
May 17 . . . . .at Mobile . . . . .7:30	July 20 . . . . .Pensacola . . . . .7:30
May 25 . . . . .Memphis . . . . .7:30	July 26 . . . . .Arkansas . . . . .7:30

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## CAPE FEAR WILDCATS

225 Greene St. Ste. 900  
Fayetteville, NC 28301



Phone Number	(910) 222-9453
Fax Number	(910) 222-2874
Web Address	catsfootball.com
Media Contact	Emerson Phillips
Media E-mail	emerson_Phillips@hotmail.com
Arena	Cumberland County Crown Coliseum
af2 Season	1st
Alignment	American Conference, Atlantic Division
Colors	Royal Blue, Silver, Black and White

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

General Manager	Wilbur Christy
Director of Operations	Lee Washburn
Director of Marketing	Skip Carr
Director of Ticket Sales	Jonathan Mitchell
Director of Media Relations	Emerson Phillips
Director of Community Relations	Marla Fulford
Director of Merchandise	Nadja Troublefield

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Chris Siegfried
Assistant Head Coach	Matt Storm
Defensive Coordinator	Troy Biladeau
Assistant Coach	Marcus Wall
Football Operations	Jonathan Mitchell
Equipment Manager	Chuck Fry

### CAPE FEAR WILDCATS

April 6	.....at Norfolk	.....7:00	June 8	.....at Greensboro	.....7:30
April 13	.....at New Haven	.....7:00	June 15	.....at Carolina	.....7:00
April 20	.....Augusta	.....7:30	June 21	.....Greensboro	.....7:30
May 2	.....at Richmond	.....7:00	June 28	.....at Mohegan	.....7:30
May 10	.....Charleston	.....7:30	July 7	.....Albany	.....4:00
May 18	.....Norfolk	.....7:30	July 13	.....Carolina	.....7:30
May 25	.....at Roanoke	.....7:30	July 19	.....Richmond	.....7:30
June 1	.....Roanoke	.....7:30	July 27	.....at Charleston	.....7:30



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## CAROLINA RHINOS

650 N. Academy St.  
Greenville, SC 29601



Phone Number	(864) 467-4777
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Web Address	rhinosfootball.com
Media Contact	Bill McLaughlin
Media E-Mail	bmclaughlin@biloctr.com
Arena	BI-LO Center (12,811)
af2 Season	3rd
Alignment	American Conference, Northeast Division
Colors	Blue, Silver, Red

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Chairman/CEO  
President  
Operators

Carl Scheer  
Bob Scheer  
Carl Scheer, Bill Bradshaw  
Rodney Williams,  
Leighton Cubbage  
Byron Rucker  
Cathy Lauder  
Mitch Mann  
Dan Carpenter  
Bill McLaughlin  
Ethan Wade

General Manager, Senior VP of Sports Operations  
Chief Financial Officer  
Vice President/Sales  
Vice President/Marketing  
Director of Media Relations  
Dir. of Season Ticket Sales

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach/Dir. of FB Ops  
Def. Coordinator/DL Coach  
OL Coach/Special Teams  
Special Teams Coordinator  
Head Athletic Trainer  
Equipment Managers

Rod Miller  
Tim Edwards  
Steve Smith  
Tom Mollison  
Heather Newman  
John C. Bewley, Tony Butler

### CAROLINA RHINOS

April 6	.....at Macon	.....7:30	June 7	.....Roanoke	.....7:30
April 19	.....Macon	.....7:30	June 15	.....Cape Fear	.....7:30
April 27	.....at Augusta	.....7:30	June 22	.....at Roanoke	.....7:30
May 4	.....Greensboro	.....7:30	June 29	.....at Columbus	.....7:30
May 12	.....at Greensboro	.....4:00	July 6	.....Columbus	.....7:30
May 18	.....Augusta	.....7:30	July 13	.....at Cape Fear	.....7:30
May 25	.....at Norfolk	.....7:00	July 20	.....Charleston	.....7:30
May 31	.....at Louisville	.....7:30	July 27	.....Richmond	.....7:30

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## CHARLESTON SWAMP FOXES

P.O. Box 80027  
Charleston, SC 29416



Phone Number	(843) 554-4321
Fax Number	(843) 744-1233
Web Address	swampfoxes.net
Media Contact	Sherri Hering
Media E-Mail	sabreadv@aol.com
Arena	North Charleston Coliseum (10,400)
af2 Season	3rd
Alignment	American Conference, South Division
Colors	Blue, Red, Orange, Green

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Operator/President  
Sales & Marketing

Danny Blyth  
Johnathon Clark  
Kristi Atkinson  
DJ Reedy  
Mary Ellen  
Dennis Morgan

Office Manager  
Ticket Manager

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach  
Dir. of Player Personnel/FB/LB Coach  
Defensive Coordinator  
WR/DB Coach  
Offensive Line Coordinator

Jimmy Dunn  
Daryl Evans  
Rik Richards  
Jody Kafina  
Jody Kafina

### CHARLESTON SWAMP FOXES

April 14	.....at Greensboro	.....4:00	June 8	.....Norfolk	.....7:00
April 19	.....Tallahassee	.....7:00	June 15	.....Florida	.....7:00
April 26	.....at Jacksonville	.....7:30	June 22	.....at Norfolk	.....7:00
May 3	.....at Tallahassee	.....7:00	June 29	.....Greensboro	.....7:00
May 10	.....at Cape Fear	.....7:30	July 6	.....Richmond	.....7:00
May 18	.....Jacksonville	.....7:00	July 13	.....Augusta	.....7:00
May 24	.....at Augusta	.....7:30	July 20	.....at Carolina	.....7:30
June 1	.....at Florida	.....7:30	July 27	.....Cape Fear	.....7:00



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## COLUMBUS WARDOGS

PO Box 1505  
Columbus, GA 31902-1505



Phone Number	(706) 653-7789
Fax Number	(706) 653-7793
Web Address	columbuswardogs.com
Media Contact	Jerry Patterson
Media E-Mail	jerrypatterson@columbuswardogs.com
Arena	The Columbus Civic Center
af2 Season	2nd
Alignment	American Conference, South Division
Colors	Red, White, and Blue

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

General Manager	Mike Sammond
VP Football Operations	DJ Jones
Corporate Sales	Steve Gates
	Eddie Pritchett

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach/Off. Coordinator	Tete Costanza
Defensive Coordinator	Flint Fleming
Defensive Backs	Nate Odom
Wide Receivers	Wade Johnson
Offensive Line	Mark Rosycki



## COLUMBUS WARDOGS

April 13	.....at Florida	.....7:30	June 8	.....at Macon	.....7:30
April 20	.....Jacksonville	.....7:00	June 15	.....Birmingham	.....7:00
April 27	.....at Birmingham	.....7:30	June 21	.....at Augusta	.....7:30
May 4	.....Augusta	.....7:00	June 29	.....Carolina	.....7:00
May 11	.....Tallahassee	.....7:00	July 6	.....at Carolina	.....7:00
May 18	.....at Louisville	.....7:30	July 13	.....at Tallahassee	.....7:00
May 25	.....Macon	.....7:00	July 20	.....Florida	.....7:00
May 31	.....at Jacksonville	.....7:00	July 27	.....Mobile	.....7:00

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

**FLORIDA FIRECATS**  
11000 Everblades Parkway  
Estero, FL 33928



Phone Number	(941) 390-2287
Fax Number	(941) 390-2286
Web Address	firecatsfootball.com
Media Contact	Amber Rish
Media E-Mail	mediarelations@firecatsfootball.com
Arena	TECO Arena
af2 Season	2nd
Alignment	American Conference, South Division
Colors	Purple, Red, Silver

## FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Operator	Andrew Vallozzi
President/GM/COO	Christopher Vallozzi
Vice President	Kimberlee Vallozzi-Eckel
VP Sales, Marketing Operations	Phillip Eckel
Media and Community Relations	Amber Rish
Director of Ticket Sales	Derek D. Johnson

## FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	John Fourcade
Assistant Head Coach	Kevin Bouis
Assistant Offensive	Jimmy Magas
Head Trainer	Adam Bort
Team Physicians	Dr. James J. Guerra
Team Chiropractor	Kenneth French
Team Dentist	Larry Dunford

## FLORIDA FIRECATS

April 6	..... Mobile	..... 7:30	June 7	..... at Mobile	..... 7:30
April 13	..... Columbus	..... 7:30	June 15	..... at Charleston	..... 7:00
April 27	..... at Memphis	..... 7:30	June 22	..... Tallahassee	..... 7:30
May 3	..... Birmingham	..... 7:30	June 29	..... Memphis	..... 7:30
May 11	..... Jacksonville	..... 7:30	July 5	..... at Augusta	..... 7:30
May 18	..... at Tallahassee	..... 7:00	July 13	..... Pensacola	..... 7:30
May 24	..... at Jacksonville	..... 7:30	July 20	..... at Columbus	..... 7:00
June 1	..... Charleston	..... 7:30	July 27	..... at Pensacola	..... 7:00



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## FRESNO FRENZY

2913 Tulare Street  
Fresno, CA 93721



Phone number	(559) 498-1241
Fax number	(559) 486-1222
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Media Contact	Chris Nieto
Media E-mail	cneito@fresnofrenzy.com
Arena	Selland Arena (8,911)
af2 season	1st
Alignment	National Conference, West Division
Colors	Silver, Blue and Black

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

CEO of Wasserman Sports  
 President/Ceo of Wasserman Sports  
 General Manager  
 VP/Operations  
 VP/Finance  
 Ticket Manager/Office Manager  
 Director of Media Relations  
 Director of Community Relations  
 Director of Game Operations  
 Sponsorships/Operations  
 Webmaster/Creative Services  
 Administrative Assistant

Casey Wasserman  
 Todd Merkow  
 Bob Martin  
 Bob Flynn  
 Greg Campbell  
 Jan Lawsom  
 Chris Nieto  
 Kristi Johnson  
 Greg Bray  
 Rick Finlay  
 Eric Broadwater  
 Jameelah Warren

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach  
 Defensive Line/Defensive Coordinator  
 Defensive Backs/Wide Receiver Coach  
 Defensive Backs/Wide Receiver Coach  
 Offensive Line Coach/Assistant Head Coach  
 Special Teams  
 Equipment Manager  
 Equipment Assistant

Rick Worman  
 Dick Gaskell  
 Keith Day  
 James Fuller  
 Bill Dole  
 Keith Gooch  
 Norman Ching  
 Bob Harrigan

### FRESNO FRENZY

Mar 30	.....at Hawaii	.....7:00	June 1	.....at Bakersfield	.....7:00
<b>April 13</b>	<b>.....San Diego</b>	<b>.....7:30</b>	June 8	.....at Wichita	.....7:30
April 19	.....at Peoria	.....7:00	June 15	.....Arkansas	.....7:30
April 27	.....Quad City	.....7:30	<b>June 29</b>	<b>.....at San Diego</b>	<b>.....7:00</b>
May 4	.....at Bakersfield	.....7:00	July 6	.....at Arkansas	.....7:00
May 11	.....Wichita	.....7:30	July 13	.....at Tulsa	.....7:30
<b>May 18</b>	<b>.....San Diego</b>	<b>.....7:30</b>	July 20	.....Bakersfield	.....7:30
May 25	.....Hawaii	.....7:30	July 27	.....Hawaii	.....7:30

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**2002 af2 TEAMS**  
**GREENSBORO PROWLERS**  
 P.O. Box 3387  
 Greensboro, NC 27402



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 Arena Greensboro Coliseum (10,602)  
 af2 Season 3rd  
 Alignment American Conference, Atlantic Division  
 Colors Columbia Blue, Gold, Black, and Red

**FRONT OFFICE STAFF**

CEO	Art Donaldson
President/COO	Gary Tufford
Ops Director	Jeff Gonos
Executive Assistant	Stephanie Osbourne
Accountant Rep.	Ricky Evans
Stats/Media Assistant	Jon Cole

**FOOTBALL OPERATIONS**

Head Coach	Gary Tufford
Trainer	Blake Mench

**GREENSBORO PROWLERS**

April 6 . . . . .at WB/Scranton . . . . .7:30	June 1 . . . . .at Norfolk . . . . .7:00
April 14 . . . . .Charleston . . . . .4:00	June 8 . . . . .Cape Fear . . . . .7:30
April 21 . . . . .Roanoke . . . . .4:00	June 15 . . . . .Rochester . . . . .7:30
April 27 . . . . .WB/Scranton . . . . .7:30	June 21 . . . . .at Cape Fear . . . . .7:30
May 4 . . . . .at Carolina . . . . .7:00	June 29 . . . . .at Charleston . . . . .7:00
May 12 . . . . .Carolina . . . . .4:00	July 7 . . . . .Norfolk . . . . .4:00
May 18 . . . . .Richmond . . . . .7:30	July 13 . . . . .at Richmond . . . . .7:30
May 24 . . . . .at Rochester . . . . .7:30	July 20 . . . . .at Roanoke . . . . .7:30



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## HAWAIIAN ISLANDERS

345 Queen Street, Suite 907  
Honolulu, HI 96813



Phone Number	(808) 672-7362
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Media Contact	Aaron Custodio
Media E-mail	<a href="mailto:acustodio@hawaiianislanders.com">acustodio@hawaiianislanders.com</a>
Arena	Neal Blaisdell Center (6,600)
af2 season	1st
Alignment	National Conference, West Division
Colors	Red, Yellow, Black

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Operator	Kimberly & Charles Wang
GM/Managing Director	Jerry Kurz
Director of Marketing	Carl Vincenti
Director of Operations	Cynthia Henry
Director of Merchandising/Tickets	Lori Shelton
Director of Communication Relations	Jesus Salud
Director of Media/Public Relations	Aaron Custodio
Director of Sponsorship Fulfillment	Marci Joy

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Guy Benjamin
Defensive Coordinator	Al Noga
Assistant Coach	Chad Carlson
Assistant Coach	Jon Fia
Team Trainer	Chris Anderson
	Sean Freeman
Equipment Manager	Kevin Lulloff

## HAWAIIAN ISLANDERS

March 30	..... Fresno	..... 7:00	<b>June 1</b>	..... <b>at San Diego</b>	..... <b>7:00</b>
April 13	..... Bakersfield	..... 7:00	June 8	..... Peoria	..... 7:00
April 20	..... at Quad City	..... 7:00	<b>June 14</b>	..... <b>San Diego</b>	..... <b>7:00</b>
April 27	..... at Wichita	..... 7:00	June 22	..... at Bakersfield	..... 7:00
May 4	..... Tulsa	..... 7:00	June 29	..... Bakersfield	..... 7:00
<b>May 11</b>	..... <b>San Diego</b>	..... <b>7:00</b>	July 12	..... at Arkansas	..... 7:30
May 18	..... at Tulsa	..... 7:30	July 20	..... Quad City	..... 7:00
May 25	..... at Fresno	..... 7:30	July 27	..... at Fresno	..... 7:30

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## JACKSONVILLE TOMCATS

1000 West Bay Street  
Jacksonville, FL 32204



Phone Number	(904) 358-7825
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Web Address	jacksonvilletomcats.com
Media Contact	Tricha Wilhelm
Media E-Mail	twilhelm@jacksonvilletomcats.com
Arena	Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Coliseum (8,150)
af2 Season	3rd
Alignment	American Conference, South Division
Colors	Orange and Black

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Chairman and CEO

Steve Umberger

Partner

Katherine Umberger

General Manager

Bruce Burge

Executive Administrator

Brendan Cunningham

Director of Media Relations

Jane Moon

Director of Marketing

Tricha Wilhelm

Joe "Tank" Harbough

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach/Dir. of FB Ops

Earnest Wilson

Assistant Coach

Michael Gholson

Equipment Manager

John Bewley

## JACKSONVILLE TOMCATS

April 6	..... Augusta	..... 7:30	June 8	..... at Augusta	..... 7:00
April 20	..... at Columbus	..... 7:30	June 14	..... Macon	..... 7:30
April 26	..... Charleston	..... 7:30	June 21	..... Pensacola	..... 7:30
May 4	..... at Macon	..... 7:30	June 29	..... at Pensacola	..... 7:00
May 11	..... at Florida	..... 7:30	July 5	..... Tallahassee	..... 7:30
May 18	..... at Charleston	..... 7:00	July 13	..... Mobile	..... 7:30
May 24	..... Florida	..... 7:30	July 19	..... at Mobile	..... 7:30
May 31	..... Columbus	..... 7:30	July 27	..... at Tallahassee	..... 7:00



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS



## LOUISVILLE FIRE

PO Box 21607  
Louisville, KY 40221

Phone Number	(502) 368-0009
Fax Number	(502) 368-4006
Web Address	www.firefootball.cc
Media Contact	Kym Hunt
Media E-Mail	kymahunt@aol.com
Arena	Freedom Hall (17,200)
af2 Season	2nd
Alignment	National Conference, Midwest Division
Colors	Black, Red, Gold, and Silver

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Operator	Will Wolford
General Manager	Dave Arnold
Assistant GM	Bob Redman
Dir. of Promotions and Advertising	Tricia Keans
Director of Media/Public Relations	Kym Hunt

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Jeff Brohm
Defensive Coordinator	Tommy Johnson
Offensive Coordinator	Oscar Brohm

## LOUISVILLE FIRE

April 6	..... Memphis	..... 7:00	June 7	..... at Birmingham	..... 7:30
April 12	..... Quad City	..... 7:30	June 15	..... at Wichita	..... 7:00
April 20	..... at Bakersfield	..... 7:00	June 22	..... at Memphis	..... 7:30
April 27	..... at Roanoke	..... 7:30	June 29	..... Wichita	..... 7:00
<b>May 4</b>	<b>..... at San Diego</b>	<b>..... 7:00</b>	July 6	..... Tennessee Valley	..... 7:00
May 18	..... Columbus	..... 7:00	July 13	..... at Quad City	..... 7:00
May 25	..... at Peoria	..... 7:00	July 20	..... Peoria	..... 7:00
May 31	..... Carolina	..... 7:30	July 27	..... Birmingham	..... 7:00

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## MACON KNIGHTS

170 Starcadia Circle  
Macon, GA 31201



Phone Number	(478) 314-3000
Fax Number	(478) 314-3001
Web Address	maconknights.net
Media Contact	Angela Hynes-Porter
Media E-Mail	ahynes@sportstowne.net
Arena	Macon Coliseum (7,182)
af2 Season	2nd
Alignment	American Conference, Eastern Division
Colors	Blue, Black, and Bronze

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Operator	Beverly Olson
President/CEO	Bryan Watson
Director of Marketing and Sales	Angela Hynes-Porter
Director of Public Relations	Angela Hynes-Porter

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach/Dir. of FB Ops	Kevin Porter
Offensive Coordinator	Tress Sullivan
Line Coach	Webbie Burnette
Equipment Manager	Steven Otis Smith

### MACON KNIGHTS

April 6 . . . . . Carolina . . . . . 7:30	May 31 . . . . . Augusta . . . . . 7:30
April 13 . . . . . at Tallahassee . . . . . 7:30	June 8 . . . . . Columbus . . . . . 7:30
April 19 . . . . . at Carolina . . . . . 7:00	June 14 . . . . . at Jacksonville . . . . . 7:30
April 27 . . . . . Tennessee Valley . . . . . 7:30	June 22 . . . . . at Birmingham . . . . . 7:00
May 4 . . . . . Jacksonville . . . . . 7:30	June 28 . . . . . Tallahassee . . . . . 7:30
May 10 . . . . . at Augusta . . . . . 7:30	July 6 . . . . . at Pensacola . . . . . 7:30
May 17 . . . . . Pensacola . . . . . 7:30	July 20 . . . . . Birmingham . . . . . 7:30
May 25 . . . . . at Columbus . . . . . 7:00	July 27 . . . . . at Tenn Valley . . . . . 7:30



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## MEMPHIS XPLOERS

4560 Venture Dr.  
Southaven, MS 38671



Phone Number	(662) 342-1755
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Web Address	xplorersaf2.com
Media Contact	Steve McCall
Media E-Mail	smccall@riverkings.com
Arena	DeSoto Civic Center (8,552)
af2 Season	2nd
Alignment	National Conference, Central Division
Colors	Blue, Red, and Silver

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Operator	Horn Chen
GM/Director of Marketing	Robbie Nichols
Director of Public Relations	Steve McCall
Director of Ticketing	Kevin Brooks
Business Manager	Denise DeHart

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach/Dir. of Football Operations	Danton Barto
Offensive Coordinator	Keith Benton
Special Teams / Backs Coach	Rod Brown
Offensive/Defensive Line	Jay McGee
Head Athletic Trainer	Patrick Boscaccy
Equipment Manager	Drew Terry

### MEMPHIS XPLOERS

April 6 . . . . .at Louisville . . . . .7:00	June 1 . . . . .Arkansas . . . . .7:30
April 12 . . . . .at Peoria . . . . .7:00	June 8 . . . . .at Tulsa . . . . .7:30
April 20 . . . . .Bossier City . . . . .7:30	June 15 . . . . .Quad City . . . . .7:30
April 27 . . . . .Florida . . . . .7:30	June 22 . . . . .Louisville . . . . .7:30
May 4 . . . . .at Mobile . . . . .7:00	June 29 . . . . .at Florida . . . . .7:30
May 11 . . . . .Tennessee Valley . . . . .7:30	July 6 . . . . .Tulsa . . . . .7:00
May 18 . . . . .at Arkansas . . . . .7:00	July 20 . . . . .at Tenn Valley . . . . .7:30
May 25 . . . . .at Bossier City . . . . .7:00	July 27 . . . . .Peoria . . . . .7:30

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## MOBILE WIZARDS

301 Government Street, Suite 203  
Mobile, AL 36602



Phone Number	(251) 694-0200
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Web Address	themobilewizards.com
Media Contact	Gary Godwin
Media E-mail	ggodwin@themobilewizards.com
Arena	Mobile Civic Center (8,800)
af2 Season	1st
Alignment	National Conference, South Division
Colors	Teal, Purple

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Majority Operators  
Minority Operators

Norris and Beth Armstrong

Ken Stabler  
Steve Clements

General Manager  
Director of Administration  
Director of Sales/Marketing  
Corporate Sales  
Special Projects Manager  
Director of Cheerleading  
Webmaster

Alan Risher  
Donna Williamson  
Kim Bush  
Carl Douglas  
Dan Todd  
Aleesha Palumbo  
Sheree Armstrong

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Director of Football Operations  
Head Coach  
Defensive Coordinator  
Offensive Coordinator

Ken Stabler  
Chad Lindsey  
Brian Decker  
Noah Addison

### MOBILE WIZARDS

April 6	.....at Florida	.....7:30	June 1	.....at Tallahassee	.....7:00
April 12	.....at Birmingham	.....7:30	June 7	.....Florida	.....7:30
April 20	.....at Tenn Valley	.....7:00	June 14	.....Pensacola	.....7:30
April 26	.....at Pensacola	.....7:00	June 28	.....Tennessee Valley	.....7:30
May 4	.....Memphis	.....7:30	July 5	.....Birmingham	.....7:30
May 11	.....at Bossier City	.....7:30	July 13	.....at Jacksonville	.....7:30
May 17	.....Bossier City	.....7:30	July 19	.....Jacksonville	.....7:30
May 24	.....Tallahassee	.....7:30	July 27	.....at Columbus	.....7:30



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

**MOHEGAN WOLVES**  
300 State Street, Suite 420  
New London, CT 06320



Phone Number	(860) 443-1900
Fax Number	(860) 443-2900
Web Address	moheganwolves.com
Media Contact	Andy Osborne
Media E-mail	andy.osborne@moheganwolves.com
Arena	Mohegan Sun Arena
Af2 season	1st
Alignment	American Conference, Northeast Division
Colors	Metallic Blue, Silver and Gold

## FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Operator	Dr. Eric Margenau
General Manager	Jim Odle
Corporate Sales/Account Executive	Angelo Mazzela
Account Executive	Rob Odle
Ticket Manager	Dustin Ward
Director of Media Relations	Andy Osborne
Director of Marketing and Sales	Amber Reed

## FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Gary Porter
Assistant Head Coach	Chris Hill
Defensive Backs	Phil Schneider
Special Teams Coach	Sam Romanella
Fullback/Linebacker Coach	Stan Holmes
Director of Football Operations	Andy Osborne
Strength and Conditioning Coordinator	Bruce Buchla
Equipment Manager	Tom Pomposello

## MOHEGAN WOLVES

April 5	..... Albany	..... 7:30	May 31	..... New Haven	..... 7:30
April 12	..... Norfolk	..... 7:30	June 7	..... WB/Scranton	..... 7:30
April 19	..... at Rochester	..... 7:30	June 15	..... at WB/Scranton	..... 7:30
April 27	..... at New Haven	..... 7:00	June 22	..... at Richmond	..... 7:30
May 4	..... at Norfolk	..... 7:30	June 28	..... Cape Fear	..... 7:30
May 10	..... Albany	..... 7:30	July 13	..... at WB/Scranton	..... 7:30
May 17	..... Rochester	..... 7:30	July 19	..... Rochester	..... 7:30
May 24	..... at New Haven	..... 7:30	July 27	..... at Albany	..... 7:30

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## NEW HAVEN NINJAS

275 South Orange Street  
New Haven, CT 06510



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Media Contact	Todd Degree
Media E-mail	todd.degree@newhavenninjas.com
Arena	New Haven Coliseum
Alignment	American Conference, Northeast Division
Colors	Orange, Black and Yellow

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

#### Operators

Charles Wang

#### General Manager

Sanjay Kumar

#### Public/Community Relations Manager

Rick Buffington

#### Ticket Sales/Game Presentation Manager

Todd Degree

#### Sales/Marketing Coordinator

Jessica Sousa

#### Ticket Sales Representative

Rob Rosenberg

#### Director of Football Business

John Murphy

Brad Barton

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

#### Head Coach

Rick Buffington

#### Offensive Coordinator

Wayne Morris

#### Football Ops, FB/LB Coach

John Mancinelli

#### Dir. of Player Personnel/Special Teams

Chris Bauer

#### Line Coach

John Heywood

#### Defensive Backs

Merv Mosley

#### Equipment Manager

Dennis Baker

### NEW HAVEN NINJAS

April 6	.....at Rochester	.....7:30	June 8	.....at Albany	.....7:30
April 13	.....Cape Fear	.....7:00	June 15	.....Albany	.....7:00
April 20	.....at Richmond	.....7:00	June 22	.....WB/Scranton	.....7:30
April 27	.....Mohegan	.....7:00	June 29	.....at Norfolk	.....7:30
May 3	.....at Rochester	.....7:30	July 6	.....at WB/Scranton	.....7:30
May 18	.....WB/Scranton	.....7:00	July 13	.....at Albany	.....7:30
May 24	.....Mohegan	.....7:00	July 20	.....Norfolk	.....7:00
May 31	.....at Mohegan	.....7:30	July 27	.....Rochester	.....7:00



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## NORFOLK NIGHTHAWKS

PO Box 2033  
Norfolk, VA 23501



Phone Number	(757) 626-0500
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Web Address	<a href="http://norfolknighthawks.com">norfolknighthawks.com</a>
Media Contact	Mike McCaffrey
Media E-Mail	<a href="mailto:hawkmac12@hotmail.com">hawkmac12@hotmail.com</a>
Arena	Scope Arena (8,950)
af2 Season	3rd
Alignment	American Conference, Atlantic Division
Colors	Old Gold and Navy

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

President/GM	Ken Easley, Jr.
Operator	Bruce Smith
Assistant GM	Bill Mann
VP of Marketing/Game-Day Operations	Patricia Baines
VP of Football Operations	Keith Easley
VP of Media Relations/Merchandise	Mike McCaffrey
VP of Administration	Adrianna Manzella
Director of Ticketing	Stephanie Guilliams
Account Exec/Asst. Game Ops	Laura Kenny

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach/Director of Player Personnel	Tony Missick
Offensive Coordinator	Ron Hill
Defensive Backs/Special Teams	Keith Easley
Line Coach	Rodney Swanigan
Strength and Conditioning Coach	Nguyen Phan
Head Trainer	Chris Vigneault
Assistant Head Trainer	Wayne Gatewood
Equipment Manager	Jonathan Katona
Assistant Equipment Manager	Tony Kerrin

### NORFOLK NIGHTHAWKS

April 6 . . . . .Cape Fear . . . . .7:00	June 8 . . . . .at Charleston . . . . .7:30
April 12 . . . . .at Mohegan . . . . .7:30	June 15 . . . . .Richmond . . . . .7:00
April 27 . . . . .at Richmond . . . . .7:00	June 22 . . . . .Charleston . . . . .7:00
May 4 . . . . .Mohegan . . . . .7:00	June 29 . . . . .New Haven . . . . .7:00
May 11 . . . . .at Roanoke . . . . .7:30	July 7 . . . . .at Greensboro . . . . .4:00
May 18 . . . . .at Cape Fear . . . . .7:00	July 13 . . . . .Roanoke . . . . .7:00
May 25 . . . . .Carolina . . . . .7:00	July 20 . . . . .at New Haven . . . . .7:00
June 1 . . . . .Greensboro . . . . .7:00	July 27 . . . . .at Augusta . . . . .7:30

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## PENSACOLA BARRACUDAS

201 East Gregory St.-Rear  
Pensacola, FL 32501



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Media Contact	Paul Chestnut
Media E-Mail	pchestnut@icepilots.com
Arena	Pensacola Civic Center (8,118)
af2 Season	2nd
Alignment	American Conference, Southeast Division
Colors	Blue, Gray, Green

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Chief Executive Officer	David Berkman
President	Charles Felix
VP of Business Operations	Neil Hoyt
Office Manager	Kristie Breach
Public Relations Manager	Craig Falanja
Director of Game Ops	Adela Godinez
Director of Marketing	Chris Dienna
Director of Ticket Sales	Stacy Starling
Ticket Coordinator	Steve Schickel

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Mike Buck
Assistant Head Coach	Ed Cunningham
Defensive Backs	Brian Young
Equipment Manager	John Krouse

### PENSACOLA BARRACUDAS

April 6	.....at Tallahassee	.....7:00	June 8	.....Tallahassee	.....7:00
April 19	.....Birmingham	.....7:00	June 14	.....at Mobile	.....7:30
April 26	.....Mobile	.....7:00	June 21	.....at Jacksonville	.....7:30
May 4	.....Bossier City	.....7:00	June 29	.....Jacksonville	.....7:00
May 11	.....at Birmingham	.....7:30	July 6	.....Macon	.....7:00
May 17	.....at Macon	.....7:30	July 13	.....at Florida	.....7:30
May 25	.....Tennessee Valley	.....7:00	July 20	.....at Bossier City	.....7:30
June 1	.....at Tenn Valley	.....7:30	July 27	.....Florida	.....7:00



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

**PEORIA PIRATES**  
331 Fulton St., Suite 405  
Peoria, IL 61602



Phone Number	(309) 637-7777
Fax Number	(309) 637-7778
Web Address	peoriapirates.net
Media Contact	Jim Preston
Media E-Mail	jimpress11@aol.com
Arena	Peoria Civic Center (9,772)
af2 Season	2nd
Alignment	National Conference, Midwest Division
Colors	Black and Silver

## FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Operator	Orlando Predator Entertainment, Inc.
General Manager	Greg Griffith
Assistant General Manager	Andrea Soffietti
Public Relations Director	Jim Preston
Ticket Manager	Jan Anderson
Operations Manager	Andrea Soffietti
Account Executive	Dave Milligan

## FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Bruce Cowdrey
Offensive Coord./Dir. of Football Operations	Tony Johnson
Defensive Coordinator/Asst. Head Coach	Jim Donahue
Strength & Conditioning/Asst. Coach	Garry Vujanov
Special Teams/Asst Coach	Tim Lance
Equipment Manager	Brian Wilkerson

## PEORIA PIRATES



April 4	.....at Wichita	.....7:30	June 1	.....at Quad City	.....7:00
April 12	.....Memphis	.....7:00	June 8	.....at Hawaii	.....7:00
April 19	.....Fresno	.....7:00	June 15	.....Bakersfield	.....7:00
April 27	.....at Bossier City	.....7:30	<b>June 22</b>	<b>.....at San Diego</b>	<b>.....7:00</b>
May 3	.....Wichita	.....7:00	June 29	.....Tulsa	.....7:00
May 10	.....Quad City	.....7:00	July 6	.....Bossier City	.....7:00
May 18	.....at Bakersfield	.....7:00	July 20	.....at Louisville	.....7:00
May 25	.....Louisville	.....7:00	July 27	.....at Memphis	.....7:30

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## QUAD CITY STEAMWHEELERS

207 E. 2nd Street  
Davenport, IA 52801



Phone Number	(563) 324-4888
Fax Number	(563) 324-4777
Web Address	www.steamwheelers.com
Media Contact	Corinne Henyan
Media E-Mail	chenyan@steamwheelers.com
Arena	The MARK of the Quad-Cities (9,200)
af2 Season	3rd
Alignment	National Conference, MidWest Division
Colors	Navy Blue, Gold, and Red

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Managing Operator	Jim Foster
General Manager/Director of Marketing	Ed Knupp
Director of Tickets	Brian Forts
Cheerleading Coordinator/Merchandise	Jillian Ver Cautren
Public Relations/Publications	Corinne Henyan
Operations Director/Sales Rep	Kevin Snodgrass
Sponsors Sales/Promotion Manager	Shelley Ditto

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Rich Ingold
Assistant Coach	Phil Roehlk
Assistant Coach	Jon Roehlk
Assistant Coach	Reggie Mathias
Head Trainer	Craig Wianwirght
Equipment Manager	Phil Heyek

### QUAD CITY STEAMWHEELERS

April 6	..... Bossier City	..... 7:00	June 8	..... Tennessee Valley	..... 7:00
April 12	..... at Louisville	..... 7:30	June 15	..... at Memphis	..... 7:00
April 20	..... Hawaii	..... 7:00	June 22	..... at Tenn Valley	..... 7:30
April 27	..... at Fresno	..... 7:00	June 29	..... at Bossier City	..... 7:00
May 10	..... at Peoria	..... 7:00	July 6	..... Bakersfield	..... 7:00
May 18	..... Wichita	..... 7:00	July 13	..... Louisville	..... 7:00
May 25	..... at Wichita	..... 7:30	July 20	..... at Hawaii	..... 7:00
June 1	..... Peoria	..... 7:00	<b>July 27</b>	<b>..... San Diego</b>	<b>..... 7:00</b>



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## RICHMOND SPEED

1809 E. Broad Street  
Richmond, VA 23223



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Media Contact	Ryan Schuiling
Media E-Mail	richmondspeed@hotmail.com
Arena	Richmond Coliseum (11, 088)
af2 Season	3rd
Alignment	American Conference, Atlantic Division
Colors	Blue, Black, Silver, White

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

COO Operator	BK Katherman
General Manager/Dir. of Operations	Bobbi Southard
Director of Ticket Operations	Andrea Brown
Director of Media/Public Relations	Ryan Schuiling
Manager of Public Relations	JR Haddaway
Community Relations Manager	Judy Todd
Director of Corporate Sales/Marketing	Sam Hopkins
Community/Volunteer Coordinator	Jay Page
Corporate Market Executive	Jim Hannon

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Richard Davis
Line Coach	Billy Jarvis
Quarterback/Receivers	Brent Williams
Defensive Assistant	Michael McDowell
Defensive Back	John Trott
Fullbacks/Linebackers	Lenny Pritchard & Steve Criswell
Team Trainer	Dennis Spurrier
Team Doctors	Dr. Steve Melhorn & Dr. William Nordt
Equipment Managers	Dave and Dana Sparrows

### RICHMOND SPEED

Mar 30	..... Roanoke	..... 7:00	June 8	..... Rochester	..... 7:00
April 6	..... at Roanoke	..... 7:30	June 15	..... at Norfolk	..... 7:00
April 12	..... at WB/Scranton	..... 7:30	June 22	..... New Haven	..... 7:00
April 20	..... New Haven	..... 7:00	June 2	..... at Albany	..... 7:30
April 27	..... Norfolk	..... 7:00	July 6	..... at Charleston	..... 7:30
May 2	..... Cape Fear	..... 7:00	July 13	..... Greensboro	..... 7:00
May 18	..... at Greensboro	..... 7:30	July 19	..... at Cape Fear	..... 7:00
June 1	..... Albany	..... 7:00	July 27	..... at Carolina	..... 7:30

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## ROANOKE STEAM

4420 Electric Road, Suite S-04  
Roanoke, VA 24014



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Web Address	RoanokeSteam.com
Media contact	Galen Clavio
Media E-mail	voiceofthsteam@yahoo.com
Arena	Roanoke Civic Center (8,373)
af2 Season	3rd
Alignment	American Conference, Atlantic Division
Colors	Electric Green, Grape, Black, White

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Managing Operator	Harold Jordan
Co-operators	Richard Yancey
	Richard Macher
General Manager	Mary Donn Jordan
Asst. GM	Ed Jenkins
Director of Media/Public/Community Relations	Galen Clavio
Ticket Manager	Steven Penn
Director of Sales and Marketing	Britton Julian
Marketing Assistant	Dan Millet
Office Interns	Rebecca Lazor, Sarah McClurg

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Steven Jerry
Asst. Coach (Defensive Coordinator)	Joe Campbell
Asst. Coach (Offensive Coordinator)	Mike Weneta
Asst. Coach (Special Teams)	Maceo Tony
Asst. Coach / Director of Football Ops	Richard Britt
Equipment Manager	Danny Updike
Strength and Conditioning	Maggie Mace
Video Coordinator	Rob Stoots

### ROANOKE STEAM

Mar 30	.....at Richmond	.....7:00	June 1	.....at Cape Fear	.....7:30
April 6	.....Richmond	.....7:30	June 7	.....at Carolina	.....7:30
April 21	.....at Greensboro	.....4:00	June 15	.....at Tenn Valley	.....7:00
April 27	.....Louisville	.....7:30	June 22	.....Carolina	.....7:30
May 4	.....at WB/Scranton	.....7:00	June 29	.....Augusta	.....7:30
May 11	.....Norfolk	.....7:30	July 6	.....Rochester	.....7:30
May 18	.....at Albany	.....7:30	July 13	.....at Norfolk	.....7:00
May 25	.....Cape Fear	.....7:30	July 20	.....Greensboro	.....7:30



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS



**ROCHESTER BRIGADE**  
2700 Brighton-Henrietta TL Road  
Rochester, New York 14623

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Web Address	rochesterbrigade.com
Media Contact	Jeff Roncone
Media E-Mail	jroncone@rochesterbrigade.com
Arena	Blue Cross Arena At The War Memorial (11,200)
af2 Season	2nd
Alignment	American Conference, Northeast Division
Colors	Black, Grey, and Red

## FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Chairman and CEO	Mark E. Hamister
VP, Football Operations	Ray Bentley
General Manager	Mark Saunders
Media Relations Director	Jeff Roncone
Advertising Sales	Neil Fortier
Director of Sales/Marketing	Jerry DeCarolis

## FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	★ Mark Saunders
Assistant Coach	Phil Cole

## ROCHESTER BRIGADE

April 6	..... New Haven	..... 7:30	June 1	..... at WB/Scranton	..... 7:30
April 13	..... Albany	..... 7:30	June 8	..... at Richmond	..... 7:00
April 19	..... Mohegan	..... 7:30	June 15	..... at Greensboro	..... 7:00
April 27	..... at Albany	..... 7:30	June 20	..... Albany	..... 7:30
May 3	..... New Haven	..... 7:30	June 29	..... WB/Scranton	..... 7:30
May 10	..... WB/Scranton	..... 7:30	July 6	..... at Roanoke	..... 7:00
May 17	..... at Mohegan	..... 7:30	July 19	..... at Mohegan	..... 7:30
May 24	..... Greensboro	..... 7:30	July 27	..... at New Haven	..... 7:00

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## TALLAHASSEE THUNDER

505 West Pensacola Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32301



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Media Contact	Ketsia Colimon
Media E-Mail	thunderaf2@aol.com
Arena	Leon County Civic Center (10,200)
af2 Season	3rd
Alignment	American Conference, South Division
Colors	Blue, Black, and Silver

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

#### Operators

Donna Tuttle  
Dave Elmore

#### Vice-President/GM

Monk Bonasorte

#### Director of Public Relations

Ketsia Colimon

#### Director of Group Sales

Scott Noland

#### Business Manager/Accounting

Ivy Danforth

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

#### Head Coach

Mike McClenton

#### Offensive Coordinator

Ricky Bell

#### Defensive Coordinator

Michael McClenton

#### Strength and Conditioning

Alexis Gaston

#### Defensive Back

Monk Bonasorte

#### Team Doctor

Dr. Donald Dewey

#### Medical Trainer

Kent Knisley

#### Equipment Manager

Jim Watson

Derek Craft

### TALLAHASSEE THUNDER

April 6	.....Pensacola	.....7:00	June 8	.....at Pensacola	.....7:00
April 13	.....Macon	.....7:00	June 15	.....Augusta	.....7:00
April 19	.....at Charleston	.....7:00	June 22	.....at Florida	.....7:30
May 3	.....Charleston	.....7:00	June 28	.....at Macon	.....7:00
May 11	.....at Columbus	.....7:30	July 5	.....at Jacksonville	.....7:30
May 18	.....Florida	.....7:00	July 13	.....Columbus	.....7:00
May 24	.....at Mobile	.....7:30	July 20	.....at Augusta	.....7:30
June 1	.....Mobile	.....7:00	July 27	.....Jacksonville	.....7:00



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**2002 af2 TEAMS**  
**TENNESSEE VALLEY VIPERS**  
 700 Monroe Street  
 Huntsville, AL 35801



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 Arena Von Braun Center (6,624)  
 af2 Season 3rd (24-10: ArenaCup I runner up)  
 Alignment National Conference, South Division  
 Colors Green and Silver

**FRONT OFFICE STAFF**

President	Art Clarkson
Vice President/GM	Joe Stroud
Assistant General Manager	Chris Anderson
VP of Communications	Ashley Balch
VP of Group Sales/Merchandise	Jim Allison
Office Manager	Carrie Lewallen
Team Photographer	Greg Machen

**FOOTBALL OPERATIONS**

Head Coach and Director of FB Ops	Kevin Guy
Assistant Head Coach/Off. Coordinator	Ray Greene
Offensive/Defensive Line	John Kirk
Wide Receivers	Marty Hammond
Head Athletic Trainer	Eric Myers
Videographer	Joe Rogers

**TENNESSEE VALLEY VIPERS**

April 6 . . . . .at Arkansas . . . . .7:30	June 8 . . . . .at Quad City . . . . .7:00
April 20 . . . . .Mobile . . . . .7:30	June 15 . . . . .Roanoke . . . . .7:30
April 27 . . . . .at Macon . . . . .7:30	June 22 . . . . .Quad City . . . . .7:30
May 4 . . . . .Arkansas . . . . .7:30	June 28 . . . . .at Mobile . . . . .7:30
May 11 . . . . .at Memphis . . . . .7:00	July 6 . . . . .at Louisville . . . . .7:30
May 18 . . . . .Birmingham . . . . .7:30	July 13 . . . . .at Birmingham . . . . .7:30
May 25 . . . . .at Pensacola . . . . .7:00	July 20 . . . . .Memphis . . . . .7:30
June 1 . . . . .Pensacola . . . . .7:30	July 27 . . . . .Macon . . . . .7:30

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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

## TULSA TALONS

9128 E. 46th Street  
Tulsa, OK 74145



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Fax Number	(918) 632-0006
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Media Contact	Brad Borrer
Media E-Mail	brad@tulsatalons.com
Arena	Tulsa Convention Center (7,096)
af2 Season	3rd
Alignment	National Conference, Midwest Division
Colors	Red, White and Blue

### FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Operator	Jeff Lund
General Manager	Tommy Thompson
Assistant General Manager	Corey McIntyre
VP/Business Manager	Terry Evans
Business Manager	Jessica Adams
Director of PR/Game Ops	Brad Borrer

### FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach	Skip Foster
Defensive Coordinator	Jeff Jarnagan
Head Athletic Trainer	Stuart Nichols
Equipment Manager	Steve Enlow

## TULSA TALONS

April 6	..... Birmingham	..... 7:30	June 8	..... Memphis	..... 7:30
April 13	..... at Bossier City	..... 7:30	June 15	..... Bossier City	..... 7:30
<b>April 20</b>	<b>..... at San Diego</b>	<b>..... 7:30</b>	June 22	..... at Arkansas	..... 7:00
April 27	..... Bakersfield	..... 7:30	June 29	..... at Peoria	..... 7:00
May 4	..... at Hawaii	..... 7:00	July 6	..... at Memphis	..... 7:30
May 11	..... Arkansas	..... 7:30	July 13	..... Fresno	..... 7:30
May 18	..... Hawaii	..... 7:30	July 20	..... at Wichita	..... 7:30
June 1	..... Wichita	..... 7:30	July 27	..... at Bakersfield	..... 7:00



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# 2002 af2 TEAMS

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Arena	Kansas Coliseum (9,686)
af2 Season	2nd
Alignment	National Conference, MidWest Division
Colors	Black, Purple, Copper

## FRONT OFFICE STAFF

Operator	Wichita Professional Football
General Manager	Mike McCoy
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## FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator	Land Jacobsen
Line Coach	George Papageorgiou
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	Chris Fox
Team Trainer	Chris Canizzo
Equipment Manager	Brian Harrod
Strength & Conditioning	Kerry Rosenboom

## WICHITA STEALTH

April 4	..... Peoria	..... 7:30	June 1	..... Wichita	..... 7:30
April 13	..... Arkansas	..... 7:30	June 8	..... Fresno	..... 7:30
April 20	..... at Arkansas	..... 7:00	June 15	..... Louisville	..... 7:30
April 27	..... Hawaii	..... 7:30	June 22	..... at Bossier City	..... 7:00
May 3	..... at Peoria	..... 7:00	June 29	..... at Louisville	..... 7:00
May 11	..... at Fresno	..... 7:30	<b>July 6</b>	..... <b>San Diego</b>	..... <b>7:30</b>
May 18	..... at Quad City	..... 7:30	July 13	..... Wichita	..... 7:00
May 25	..... Quad City	..... 7:30	July 20	..... Tulsa	..... 7:30

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**2002 af2 TEAMS**  
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**WILKES-BARRE/SCRANTON PIONEERS**

April 6 . . . . . Greensboro . . . . . 7:30	June 1 . . . . . Rochester . . . . . 7:30
April 12 . . . . . Richmond . . . . . 7:30	June 7 . . . . . at Mohegan . . . . . 7:30
April 20 . . . . . at Albany . . . . . 7:30	June 15 . . . . . Mohegan . . . . . 7:30
April 27 . . . . . at Greensboro . . . . . 7:30	June 22 . . . . . at New Haven . . . . . 7:30
May 4 . . . . . Roanoke . . . . . 7:30	June 29 . . . . . at Rochester . . . . . 7:30
May 10 . . . . . at Rochester . . . . . 7:30	July 6 . . . . . New Haven . . . . . 7:30
May 18 . . . . . at New Haven . . . . . 7:00	July 13 . . . . . Mohegan . . . . . 7:30
May 25 . . . . . at Albany . . . . . 7:30	July 20 . . . . . Albany . . . . . 7:30



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# af2 WEEK-BY-WEEK SCHEDULE

## Week 1

**Saturday, March 30, 2002**

Roanoke at Richmond 7:00  
Fresno at Hawaii 7:00  
All other teams have a bye

## Week 2

**Thursday, April 4, 2002**

Peoria at Wichita 7:30

**Friday, April 5, 2002**

Albany at Mohegan 7:30

**Saturday, April 6, 2002**

Memphis at Louisville 7:00  
Cape Fear at Norfolk 7:00  
Pensacola at Tallahassee 7:00  
Mobile at Florida 7:30  
Augusta at Jacksonville 7:30  
Carolina at Macon 7:30  
Richmond at Roanoke 7:30  
New Haven at Rochester 7:30  
Greensboro at WB/Scranton 7:30  
Tenn. Valley at Arkansas 7:00  
Bossier City at Quad City 7:00  
Birmingham at Tulsa 7:30  
Bakersfield at San Diego 7:00

**BYE:** Charleston, Columbus, Fresno, Hawaii

## Week 3

**Friday, April 12, 2002**

Quad City at Louisville 7:30  
Norfolk at Mohegan 7:30  
Richmond at WB/Scranton 7:30  
Memphis at Peoria 7:00  
Mobile at Birmingham 7:30

**Saturday, April 13, 2002**

San Diego at Fresno 7:30  
Cape Fear at New Haven 7:00  
Macon at Tallahassee 7:00  
Columbus at Florida 7:30  
Albany at Rochester 7:30  
Tulsa at Bossier City 8:30  
Arkansas at Wichita 8:30  
Bakersfield at Hawaii 7:00

**Sunday, April 14, 2002**

Charleston at Greensboro 4:00

**BYE:** Augusta, Carolina, Jacksonville, Pensacola, Roanoke, Tennessee Valley

## Week 4

**Friday, April 19, 2002**

Tallahassee at Charleston 7:00  
Macon at Carolina 7:30  
Mohegan at Rochester 7:30  
Birmingham at Pensacola 7:00

Fresno at Peoria 7:00

**Saturday, April 20, 2002**

Jacksonville at Columbus 7:00  
New Haven at Richmond 7:00  
WB/Scranton at Albany 7:30  
Augusta at Cape Fear 7:30  
Wichita at Arkansas 7:00  
Hawaii at Quad City 7:00  
Bossier City at Memphis 7:30  
Mobile at Tenn. Valley 7:30  
Louisville at Bakersfield 7:00  
Tulsa at San Diego 7:00

**Sunday, April 21, 2002**

Roanoke at Greensboro 4:00

**BYE:** Florida, Norfolk

## Week 5

**Friday, April 26, 2002**

Charleston at Jacksonville 7:30  
Mobile at Pensacola 7:00

**Saturday, April 27, 2002**

Mohegan at New Haven 7:00  
Norfolk at Richmond 7:00  
Rochester at Albany 7:30  
Carolina at Augusta 7:30  
WB/Scranton at Greensboro 7:30  
Tennessee Valley at Macon 7:30  
Louisville at Roanoke 7:30  
San Diego at Arkansas 7:00  
Columbus at Birmingham 7:30  
Peoria at Bossier City 7:30  
Florida at Memphis 7:30  
Bakersfield at Tulsa 7:30  
Hawaii at Wichita 7:30  
Quad City at Fresno 7:30

**BYE:** Cape Fear, Tallahassee

## Week 6

**Thursday, May 2, 2002**

Cape Fear at Richmond 7:00

**Friday, May 3, 2002**

Charleston at Tallahassee 7:00  
Birmingham at Florida 7:30  
New Haven at Rochester 7:30  
Wichita at Peoria 7:00

**Saturday, May 4, 2002**

Augusta at Columbus 7:00  
Mohegan at Norfolk 7:00  
Greensboro at Carolina 7:30  
Jacksonville at Macon 7:30  
Roanoke at WB/Scranton 7:30  
Bossier City at Pensacola 7:00  
Memphis at Mobile 7:30  
Arkansas at Tenn. Valley 7:30

Fresno at Bakersfield 7:00

Louisville at San Diego 7:00

Tulsa at Hawaii 7:00

**BYE:** Albany, Quad City

## Week 7

**Friday, May 10, 2002**

Charleston at Cape Fear 7:30  
Macon at Augusta 7:30  
Albany at Mohegan 7:30  
WB/Scranton at Rochester 7:30  
Quad City at Peoria 7:00

**Saturday, May 11, 2002**

Tallahassee at Columbus 7:00  
Jacksonville at Florida 7:30  
Norfolk at Roanoke 7:30  
Pensacola at Birmingham 7:30  
Mobile at Bossier City 7:30  
Tenn. Valley at Memphis 7:30  
Arkansas at Tulsa 7:30  
Wichita at Fresno 7:30  
San Diego at Hawaii 7:00

**Sunday, May 12, 2002**

Carolina at Greensboro 4:00

**BYE:** Bakersfield, Louisville, New Haven, Richmond

## Week 8

**Friday, May 17, 2002**

Pensacola at Macon 7:30  
Rochester at Mohegan 7:30  
Bossier City at Mobile 7:30

**Saturday, May 18, 2002**

Jacksonville at Charleston 7:00  
Columbus at Louisville 7:00  
WB/Scranton at New Haven 7:00  
Florida at Tallahassee 7:00  
Roanoke at Albany 7:30  
Norfolk at Cape Fear 7:30  
Augusta at Carolina 7:30  
Richmond at Greensboro 7:30  
Memphis at Arkansas 7:00  
Wichita at Quad City 7:00  
Birmingham at Tenn. Valley 7:30  
Hawaii at Tulsa 7:30  
Peoria at Bakersfield 7:00  
San Diego at Fresno 7:30

## Week 9

**Friday, May 24, 2002**

Mohegan at New Haven 7:00  
Charleston at Augusta 7:30  
Florida at Jacksonville 7:30  
Greensboro at Rochester 7:30  
Tallahassee at Mobile 7:30

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**Saturday, May 25, 2002**

Macon at Columbus 7:00  
 Carolina at Norfolk 7:00  
 WB/Scranton at Albany 7:30  
 Cape Fear at Roanoke 7:30  
 Tenn. Valley at Pensacola 7:00  
 Louisville at Peoria 7:00  
 Memphis at Bossier City 7:30  
 Quad City at Wichita 7:30  
 Bakersfield at San Diego 7:00  
 Hawaii at Fresno 7:30

**BYE:** Arkansas, Birmingham  
 Richmond, Tennessee Valley

**Week 10****Friday, May 31, 2002**

Columbus at Jacksonville 7:30  
 Carolina at Louisville 7:30  
 Augusta at Macon 7:30  
 New Haven at Mohegan 7:30

**Saturday, June 1, 2002**

Greensboro at Norfolk 7:00  
 Albany at Richmond 7:00  
 Mobile at Tallahassee 7:00  
 Roanoke at Cape Fear 7:30  
 Charleston at Florida 7:30  
 Rochester at WB/Scranton 7:30  
 Peoria at Quad City 7:00  
 Bossier City at Birmingham 7:30  
 Arkansas at Memphis 7:30  
 Pensacola at Tenn Valley 7:30  
 Wichita at Tulsa 7:30  
 Fresno at Bakersfield 7:00  
 Hawaii at San Diego 7:00

**Week 11****Friday, June 7, 2002**

Roanoke at Carolina 7:30  
 WB/Scranton at Mohegan 7:30  
 Louisville at Birmingham 7:30  
 Florida at Mobile 7:30

**Saturday, June 8, 2002**

Norfolk at Charleston 7:00  
 Rochester at Richmond 7:00  
 New Haven at Albany 7:30  
 Jacksonville at Augusta 7:30  
 Cape Fear at Greensboro 7:30  
 Columbus at Macon 7:30  
 Bossier City at Arkansas 7:00  
 Tallahassee at Pensacola 7:00  
 Tenn. Valley at Quad City 7:00  
 Memphis at Tulsa 7:30  
 Fresno at Wichita 7:30  
 San Diego at Bakersfield 7:00  
 Peoria at Hawaii 7:00

**Week 12****Friday, June 14, 2002**

Macon at Jacksonville 7:30  
 Pensacola at Mobile 8:30  
 San Diego at Hawaii 7:00

**Saturday, June 15, 2002**

Florida at Charleston 7:00  
 Birmingham at Columbus 7:00  
 Albany at New Haven 7:00  
 Richmond at Norfolk 7:00  
 Augusta at Tallahassee 7:00  
 Cape Fear at Carolina 7:30

Rochester at Greensboro 7:30  
 Mohegan at WB/Scranton 7:30  
 Bakersfield at Peoria 7:00  
 Quad City at Memphis 7:30  
 Roanoke at Tenn. Valley 7:30  
 Bossier City at Tulsa 7:30  
 Louisville at Wichita 7:30  
 Arkansas at Fresno 7:30

**Week 13****Thursday, June 20, 2002**

Albany at Rochester 7:30

**Friday, June 21, 2002**

Columbus at Augusta 7:30  
 Greensboro at Cape Fear 7:30  
 Pensacola at Jacksonville 7:30

**Saturday, June 22, 2002**

Charleston at Norfolk 7:00  
 Mohegan at Richmond 7:00  
 Tallahassee at Florida 7:30  
 WB/Scranton at New Haven 7:30  
 Carolina at Roanoke 7:30  
 Tulsa at Arkansas 7:00  
 Macon at Birmingham 7:30  
 Wichita at Bossier City 7:30  
 Louisville at Memphis 7:30  
 Quad City at Tenn. Valley 7:30  
 Hawaii at Bakersfield 7:00  
 Peoria at San Diego 7:00

**BYE:** Fresno, Mobile

**Week 14****Friday, June 28, 2002**

Tallahassee at Macon 7:30  
 Cape Fear at Mohegan 7:30  
 Arkansas at Birmingham 7:30  
 Tenn. Valley at Mobile 7:30

**Saturday, June 29, 2002**

Greensboro at Charleston 7:00  
 Carolina at Columbus 7:00  
 Wichita at Louisville 7:00  
 New Haven at Norfolk 7:00  
 Richmond at Albany 7:30  
 Memphis at Florida 7:30  
 Augusta at Roanoke 7:30  
 WB/Scranton at Rochester 7:30  
 Jacksonville at Pensacola 7:00  
 Tulsa at Peoria 7:00  
 Quad City at Bossier City 7:30  
 Fresno at San Diego 7:00  
 Bakersfield at Hawaii 7:00

**Week 15****Friday, July 5, 2002**

Florida at Augusta 7:30  
 Tallahassee at Jacksonville 7:30  
 Birmingham at Mobile 7:30

**Saturday, July 6, 2002**

Richmond at Charleston 7:00  
 Tenn. Valley at Louisville 7:00  
 Columbus at Carolina 7:30  
 Rochester at Roanoke 7:30  
 New Haven at WB/Scranton 7:30  
 Fresno at Arkansas 7:00  
 Macon at Pensacola 7:00  
 Bossier City at Peoria 7:00  
 Bakersfield at Quad City 7:00  
 Tulsa at Memphis 7:30

San Diego at Wichita 7:30

**Sunday, July 7, 2002**

Albany at Cape Fear 4:00  
 Norfolk at Greensboro 4:00

**BYE:** Hawaii, Mohegan

**Week 16****Friday, July 12, 2002**

Hawaii at Arkansas 7:30

**Saturday, July 13, 2002**

Augusta at Charleston 7:00  
 Roanoke at Norfolk 7:00  
 Greensboro at Richmond 7:00  
 Columbus at Tallahassee 7:00  
 New Haven at Albany 7:30  
 Carolina at Cape Fear 7:30  
 Pensacola at Florida 7:30  
 Mobile at Jacksonville 7:30  
 Mohegan at WB/Scranton 7:30  
 Louisville at Quad City 8:00  
 Tenn. Valley at Birmingham 8:30  
 Fresno at Tulsa 8:30  
 Wichita at Bakersfield 7:00

**BYE:** Bossier City, Macon, Memphis, Peoria, Rochester, San Diego

**Week 17****Friday, July 19, 2001**

Richmond at Cape Fear 7:30  
 Rochester at Mohegan 7:30  
 Jacksonville at Mobile 7:30

**Saturday, July 20, 2002**

Florida at Columbus 7:00  
 Peoria at Louisville 7:00  
 Norfolk at New Haven 7:00  
 Tallahassee at Augusta 7:30  
 Charleston at Carolina 7:30  
 Birmingham at Macon 7:30  
 Greensboro at Roanoke 7:30  
 Albany at WB/Scranton 7:30  
 Pensacola at Bossier City 7:30  
 Memphis at Tenn. Valley 7:30  
 Tulsa at Wichita 7:30  
 Arkansas at San Diego 7:00  
 Bakersfield at Fresno 7:30  
 Quad City at Hawaii 7:00

**Week 18****Friday, July 26, 2002**

Arkansas at Bossier City 7:30

**Saturday, July 27, 2002**

Cape Fear at Charleston 7:00  
 Mobile at Columbus 7:00  
 Birmingham at Louisville 7:00  
 Rochester at New Haven 7:00  
 Jacksonville at Tallahassee 7:00  
 Mohegan at Albany 7:30  
 Norfolk at Augusta 7:30  
 Richmond at Carolina 7:30  
 Florida at Pensacola 7:00  
 San Diego at Quad City 7:00  
 Peoria at Memphis 7:30  
 Macon at Tenn. Valley 7:30  
 Tulsa at Bakersfield 7:00  
 Hawaii at Fresno 7:30

**BYE:** Greensboro, Roanoke, Wichita, Wilkes-Barre/Scranton





# PLAYOFF FORMAT

## 2002 af2 Playoff Schedule

Each of the eight division winners qualify for post-season play, plus the runner up in each division for a total of sixteen teams. Each conference will play teams in their conference until the ArenaCup title game. Seeding, after the quarterfinals, is based on geographical proximity with the team with the better record hosting each game. In the ArenaCup, the team with the better record will host the championship game.

**Conference Quarterfinals**  
(July 30-31)

**Conference Semifinals**  
(August 2-4)

**Conference Championships**  
(August 9-10)

**ArenaCup III**  
(August 15 – TNN)



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**Northeast Division**

				
Albany Conquest	Mohegan Wolves	New Haven Ninjas	Rochester Brigade	Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Pioneers

**Atlantic Division**

				
Cape Fear Wildcats	Greensboro Prowlers	Norfolk Nighthawks	Richmond Speed	Roanoke Steam

**Eastern Division**

			
Augusta Stallions	Carolina Rhinos	Columbus Wardogs	Macon Knights

**South Division**

			
Charleston Swampfoxes	Florida Firecats	Jacksonville Tomcats	Tallahassee Thunder

### NATIONAL CONFERENCE

**Central Division**

			
Arkansas Twisters	Bossier City Battle Wings	Memphis Explorers	Tulsa Talons

**Midwest Division**

			
Louisville Fire	Peoria Pirates	Quad City Steamwheelers	Wichita Stealth

**South Division**

			
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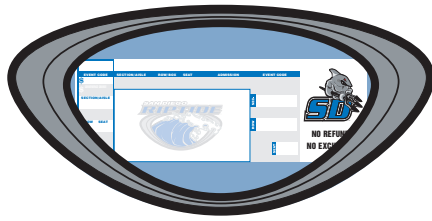
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## ***FANS' BILL OF RIGHTS***

### **The Arena Football League Fans' Bill of Rights**

In furtherance of our Mission Statement we, the players, coaches, officials, staff and owners of the Arena Football League are thankful to the Fans that we serve, appreciate their support and dedicate ourselves collectively to protecting their rights as the greatest sports and entertainment Fans in the world.

**We** believe that every Fan is entitled to a wholesome environment for guests and family members, free of violence, profane gestures and language or rude and invasive behavior that could in any way interfere with a first-class entertainment experience.

**We** believe that every Fan demands that we maintain absolute respect for the game of Arena Football and maintain the integrity of the finest of fair competition at all times.

**We** believe that every Fan deserves our very best effort on a consistent basis, on every play on the field, every action in the stands, every call to our office, and every involvement in our community.

**We** believe that every Fan is entitled to a total entertainment experience at an affordable cost for all members of the family from the time they arrive at the arena to the time they depart.

**We** believe that every Fan should receive the very best in competitive football, entertainment, merchandise, food and beverage for their purchasing power.

**We** believe that every Fan is entitled to interact with and have access to players and coaches for autographs and conversation in recognition of their support at every game.

**We** believe that Fans are entitled to fast, accurate, and complete information about our players, coaches, league, games, and performance.

**We** believe that Fans expect the Arena Football League to be comprised of gentlemen and ladies who are examples and role models for youth, free of physical violence, drugs, alcohol, and gambling abuse.

**We** believe that Fans expect us to honor our country and to be involved in our communities to make contributions for a better, safer, and more positive place to live.

**We** believe that Fans should know that we are committed to serve and not to be served, to give and not to just take, and to inspire and encourage people to higher levels of personal and professional achievement, growth, maturity, and respect for each other.





## ***RULES OF THE GAME***

### **THE FIELD**

An indoor padded surface 85 feet wide and 50 yards long with eight-yard end zones.

Goal posts are nine feet wide with a crossbar height of 15 feet (NFL goal posts are 18-1/2 feet wide with the crossbar at 10 feet).

The goal-side rebound nets are 30 feet wide by 32 feet high. The bottoms of the nets are eight feet above the ground.

Sideline barriers are 48 inches high and made of high-density foam rubber.

### **THE EQUIPMENT**

The official football is the same size and weight as the National Football League ball. Each ball is manufactured by Wilson Sporting Goods.

### **THE PLAYERS AND FORMATIONS**

Eight players on the field; 19-man active roster; two-man inactive roster.

Players play offense and defense with the exception of the kicker, quarterback, offensive specialist (the kick returner on defense) and two defensive specialists.

Substitution: All non-specialists may substitute only once during each quarter.

Four (4) offensive players must line up on the line of scrimmage.

Three (3) defensive players must be down linemen (in a three of four-point stance). One linebacker may blitz on either side of the center. Alignment is two (2) or more yards off the line of scrimmage. No stunting or twisting.

Offensive motion: Once receiver may go in forward motion before the snap.

### **TIMING**

Four 15-minute quarters with a 15-minute halftime.

The clock stops for out-of-bounds plays or incomplete passes only in the last minute of each half or when the referee deems it necessary for penalties, injuries or timeouts.

Each team is allowed three (3) time-outs per half.

### **MOVEMENT OF THE BALL AND SCORING**

Four (4) downs are allowed to advance the ball ten (10) yards for a first down, or to score.

Six (6) points for a touchdown.

One (1) point for a conversion by place kick after a touchdown, two (2) points for a conversion by drop kick and two (2) points for successful run or pass after a touchdown.

Three (3) points for a field goal by placement or four (4) points for a field goal by drop kick.

Two (2) points for a safety.

### **THE KICKING**

Kickoffs are from the goal line. Kickers may use a one-inch tee.

Punting is illegal. On fourth down, a team may go for a first down, touchdown or field goal.

The receiving team may field any kickoff or missed field goal that rebounds off the net.

Any kickoff untouched which its out of bounds will be placed at the 20-yard line or the place where it went out of bounds, whichever is more advantageous to the receiving team.

### **PASSING**

Passing rules in Arena Football are the same as outdoor NCAA Football in which receivers must have one foot inbounds. A unique exception involves the rebound nets. A forward pass that rebounds off of the end zone net is a live ball and is in play until it touches the playing surface.

### **OVERTIME RULES**

Overtime periods are 15 minutes during the regular season and the playoffs.

Each team gets one possession to score. If, after each team has had one possession, one team is ahead, that team wins. If the teams are tied after each has had a possession, the next team to score wins.







## HOW TO CALCULATE ARENA FOOTBALL PASSER RATING

The AFL, like the NFL and other professional football leagues, rates its passers against certain performance standards. The NFL has been rating passers since 1960 with this QB rating system. This system can rate anything from a single passing attempt to a player's career. The AFL's rating system differs from its professional counterparts in only a slightly, but big enough to make a difference: touchdown percentage. The AFL multiplies the TD% by .15 instead of .20 like the NFL.

### **Four categories are used to calculate QB rating:**

- Completion percentage
- Average yards per attempt
- Touchdown percentage
- Interception percentage

The maximum any passer can receive in any category is 2.375 and least is zero. For example, to gain 2.375 in completion percentage, a passer would have to complete 77.5 percent of his passes. The AFL-record for a season is 69.6 by the New York Dragons' Aaron Garcia in 2001.

To achieve 2.375 in average yards per attempt, a passer would have to average at least 12.5 yards per attempt. The AFL single-season record is by San Jose's Mark Grieb (10.23 in 2001).

For a 2.375 in touchdown percentage, a passer would have to have 15.83% of passes be touchdowns. Grieb's 20.5 ration in 2001 is the single season mark. Twenty others have surpassed the 15.83% mark in a season in AFL history.

And finally, a passer would have to not throw an interception in order to get a 2.375 in the interception % category.

The four category scores are then converted to a 100-point scale. It is possible to gain as much as a 158.33 rating when the passer has 2.375 in all four categories.

A "perfect game" or 158.33 rating has only occurred in nine NFL games since 1960, a record two by former All-Arena QB-turned Super Bowl MVP Kurt Warner.

For a season, the NFL highest is by Steve Young in 1994 with a 112.8 rating. In the AFL rating scale he would, however, have only a 106.5 rating. Grieb's amazing 2001 season rating of 134.15 tops the AFL charts. He would have the same rating in the NFL scale since his TD % (20.5) was higher than 15.83.

For example, Mark Grieb was 157-of-229 for 2,343 yards with 47 TDs and 4 interceptions in 2001 for the SaberCats.

### **This is how his 134.15 rating is calculated:**

Completion Percentage – 157-of-229 is 68.6 percent. Subtract 30 from the completion percentage (34.3) and multiply the result by 0.05. The result is a point rating of 1.715.

Average Yards Gained Per Attempt – 2,343 yards divided by 229 attempts is 10.23. Subtract three yards from yards-per-attempt (7.23) and multiply the result by 0.25. The result is 1.8075.

Touchdown Percentage - 47 touchdowns in 229 attempts is 20.5 percent. Multiply the touchdown percentage by 0.15. The result is 3.075, which will be credited as 2.375 since his TD% is higher than 15.83.

Interception Percentage - 4 interceptions in 229 attempts is 1.7467 percent. Multiply the interception percentage by 0.25 (0.43667) and subtract the number from 2.375. The result is 1.9383.

The sum of the four steps is (1.715+1.8075+ 2.375+ 1.9383) 8.049. The sum is then divided by six (1.3415) and multiplied by 100. In this case, the result is 134.15.





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## 2002 SAN DIEGO RIPTIDE SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
April 6	BAKERSFIELD BLITZ	7:00pm
April 13	at Fresno Frenzy	7:30pm
April 20	TULSA TALONS	7:00pm
April 27	at Arkansas Twisters	5:00pm
May 4	LOUISVILLE FIRE	7:00pm
May 11	at Hawaiian Islanders	10:00pm
May 18	at Fresno Frenzy	7:30pm
May 25	BAKERSFIELD BLITZ	7:00pm
June 1	HAWAIIAN ISLANDERS	7:00pm
June 8	at Bakersfield Blitz	7:30pm
June 14	at Hawaiian Islanders	10:00pm
June 22	PEORIA PIRATES	7:00pm
June 29	FRESNO FRENZY	7:00pm
July 6	at Wichita Stealth	5:30pm
July 12-14	— <i>Open Week</i> —	
July 20	ARKANSAS TWISTERS	7:00pm
July 27	at Quad City Steamwheelers	5:00pm

All 8 Riptide home games will be played on Saturday nights at the San Diego Sports Arena. All times are Pacific and subject to change. Games will be broadcast live on KSDO 1130AM. KPOP 1360 will handle games that conflict with any San Diego Gulls playoff games.

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