



TOWSON TIGERS

2009 Towson University Football

2009 Towson Schedule

Sept. 5	at Northwestern	L, 14-47
Sept. 19	COASTAL CAROLINA	W, 21-17
Sept. 26	at Morgan State	L, 9-12
Oct. 3	NEW HAMPSHIRE * (CSN)	L, 7-57
Oct. 10	at Rhode Island *	W, 36-28
Oct. 17	DELAWARE * (HC)	L, 21-49
Oct. 24	at Northeastern *	L, 7-27
Oct. 31	RICHMOND *	L, 14-42
Nov. 7	at William & Mary *	L, 0-31
Nov. 14	VILLANOVA *	L, 7-49
Nov. 21	at James Madison *	3:00 p.m.
All games broadcast on WNST-AM 1570		
Home games at Unitas Stadium in BOLD CAPS		
CSN - broadcast on Comcast SportsNet		
HC - Homecoming		
* - Colonial Athletic Association game		

2009 CAA Standings

North Division	CAA		Overall	
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
#11 New Hampshire	5-2	.714	8-2	.800
Maine	4-3	.571	5-5	.500
Massachusetts	3-4	.429	5-5	.500
Hofstra	2-5	.286	4-6	.400
Northeastern	2-5	.286	2-8	.200
Rhode Island	0-7	.000	1-9	.100
South Division	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
#4 Richmond	6-1	.857	9-1	.900
#2 Villanova	6-1	.857	9-1	.900
#5 William & Mary	6-1	.857	9-1	.900
#25 Delaware	4-3	.571	6-4	.600
James Madison	3-4	.429	5-5	.500
TOWSON	1-6	.143	2-8	.200

Rankings are weekly national rankings by Sports Network.

Media Information

TV: None.

Radio: WNST-AM 1570 - **Spiro Morekas** and **Tom Judd** will call the action for Saturday's game.

Post-Game Interviews: All post-game interviews will be held in the media area designated by James Madison University's Sports Information Office.

After a ten-minute cooling off period, Towson Coach **Rob Ambrose** and selected Towson players will be available for interviews.

The Towson locker room is closed at all times.

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Towson (2-8, 1-6) vs. James Madison (5-5, 3-4)

November 21, 2009 • 3:00 p.m.
Bridgeforth Stadium, Harrisonburg, Va.



TIGERS END SEASON AGAINST JMU FOR 6th YEAR IN A ROW: Towson and James Madison are facing each other in the regular season finale for the 11th time in the 22-game history of the series ... This is the sixth consecutive year that they have played in the season finale ... This is also one of the few times that the Towson-JMU game doesn't have playoff implications ... In four of the last five years, the Dukes have used a season-ending win over Towson to nail down an NCAA FCS playoff berth.

TIGERS vs. JAMES MADISON: For Towson and James Madison, this is the longest active rivalry for both programs ... When the teams first played on Sept. 18, 1976, they were young football programs that played at the NCAA Division III level ... In 1976, Towson had just been re-named Towson State University and was starting its seventh year of intercollegiate football ... Known as Madison College, the Dukes were playing their fifth season ... Although JMU has played more games against Richmond and William & Mary, the Dukes did not play their first game against Richmond until 1981 ... With 15 wins over Towson, JMU has more wins over the Tigers than any other opponent.

This is the 22nd game between the schools in a series that the Dukes lead by a 15-5-1 margin ... JMU has played 32 games against William & Mary (17-15) and 27 games against Richmond (12-15) ... Towson has also played 22 games against local rival Morgan State ... The Tigers own a 16-6 series lead against Morgan.

When the Tigers and the Dukes have met in the regular season finale, there have been some memorable moments ... In 1982, JMU handed Towson a 42-24 loss in the season finale to close out an 8-3 season ... The Dukes were hoping for an NCAA I-AA playoff berth but did not get one ... In 1983, Towson handed JMU a 10-3 loss in the regular season finale at Bridgeforth Stadium ... The win clinched a berth in the NCAA Division II playoffs and completed a 10-1 regular season ... In 1984, JMU handed the Tigers a 24-14 loss in the regular season finale but Towson still made the Division II playoffs ... In 1985, JMU shut out Towson by 13-0, keeping the Tigers from making a third straight trip to the Division II playoffs ... In 1986, the teams played to a 7-7 tie and the Tigers went to the Division II playoffs for the final time.

In 1987, the teams met at mid-season and the Dukes edged Towson, 21-19, despite an outstanding performance from All-American **David Meggett**, who had 300 all-purpose yards ... In 1988, the Tigers handed JMU a stunning 34-6 loss ... In 1992, the Tigers used a school record 264-yard rushing effort by All-American **Tony Vinson** to beat the Dukes, 28-21.

The Tigers and the Dukes did not play from 1993 to 2003 ... The series resumed when Towson joined the Atlantic 10 Football Conference (now the CAA) ... Since the schools became conference rivals, the Dukes have won all five meetings, outscoring Towson by a 205 (41.0) to 74 (14.8) margin ... In 2004, the Dukes' 31-17 win at Towson clinched an NCAA Division I-AA playoff berth that led to the Dukes' national championship ... In 2005, the Dukes dealt Towson a decisive 55-14 loss in the season finale ... But, the Dukes' win did not impress the committee and JMU did not earn a bid ... The Dukes' 38-3 win at Towson in 2006 completed a 9-2 regular season and earned an NCAA Playoff berth ... In 2007, JMU needed a 23-13 win over Towson to clinch another trip to the NCAA Tournament.

Last year, the Dukes came to Unitas Stadium as the number one-ranked team in the nation and rolled to an impressive 58-27 win over the Tigers ... Quarterback **Rodney Landers** ran for 117 yards and scored 3 touchdowns as JMU clinched the CAA championship and the top seed in the NCAA FCS Playoffs ... JMU ran for 440 yards in the win ... The victory enabled the Dukes to finish the regular season with their best record ever at 10-1.

Towson vs. James Madison

2008	*James Madison 58, Towson 27...H
2007	*James Madison 23, Towson 13...A
2006	*James Madison 38, Towson 3...H
2005	*James Madison 55, Towson 14...A
2004	*James Madison 31, Towson 17...H
1992	Towson 28, James Madison 21...H
1991	James Madison 55, Towson 31...A
1990	James Madison 21, Towson 14...H
1989	James Madison 41, Towson 6....A
1988	Towson 34, James Madison 6....H
1987	James Madison 21, Towson 19...A
1986	James Madison 7, Towson 7 .....H
1985	James Madison 13, Towson 0.....A
1984	James Madison 24, Towson 14...H
1983	Towson 10, James Madison 3....A
1982	James Madison 42, Towson 24...H
1981	James Madison 20, Towson 7....A
1979	Towson 18, James Madison 8....H
1978	James Madison 21, Towson 14...A
1977	Towson 13, James Madison 13...H
1976	James Madison 28, Towson 26...A

*conference games



Coach
Rob
Ambrose
Towson, '93
1st season
2-8

Only the fourth head coach in Towson football history, Rob Ambrose is no stranger to the Tiger football program. A 1993 Towson graduate, he started his coaching career while he was still a student.

From 1992 to 2000, he served as a member of the Towson coaching staff. He was the Tigers' Wide Receivers Coach from 1992 to 1996. In 1997, Coach Gordy Combs promoted him to Offensive Coordinator. In 2000, he earned the title of Associate Head Coach.

Coach Ambrose left his alma mater after the 2000 season and became the head coach at Catholic University. After one year at Catholic, he joined the coaching staff at the University of Connecticut where he worked for Coach Randy Edsall.

Coach Ambrose spent seven seasons on the UConn staff as the program moved from NCAA Division I-AA status to NCAA Division I-A classification. Ambrose spent four years as the Quarterbacks Coach at UConn and three years as the Offensive Coordinator.

During that time, he helped UConn compile a 49-36 record with the first three Bowl Game appearances in school history. In 2004, UConn beat Toledo in the Motor City Bowl, 39-10. In 2007, UConn faced Wake Forest in the Meineke Car Care Bowl and lost to the Demon Deacons. In his final season at UConn, the Huskies earned a berth in the International Bowl in Toronto. Ambrose coached the Huskies to a win over Buffalo even though he had already been named as the new coach at Towson.

A native of Middletown, Md., Ambrose is the son of Tim Ambrose, one of the winningest high school coaches in the state of Maryland. He played for his father at Middletown High School. His younger brother, Jared, was an assistant coach at Delaware for two years and is part of the Tigers' coaching staff this season. He is the Tigers' Tight Ends Coach.

He was named as the Tigers' head coach on December 27, 2008.

Tigers' Coaching History

Coach	Seasons	Record
Carl Runk	1969-71	11-14-1
Phil Albert	1972-91	117-91-3
Gordy Combs	1992-2008	92-90-0
Rob Ambrose	2009-	2-8-0

QUOTING ROB AMBROSE

On facing James Madison: "We are going to re-evaluate our injury list and see who is still standing. This game is all about pride. JMU is a perennial winner and they are getting better every week."

On playing nationally-ranked teams week after week: "I don't care how mismatched we are. Quitting is never an option. If you don't want to fight the fight, then you don't get to wear the jersey. I don't care if we are playing Alabama. If they're the guys dressed up on the other side of the line of scrimmage, then we're going to fight to the end. If not, then you are not going to play football here at Towson. That's just the way it is."

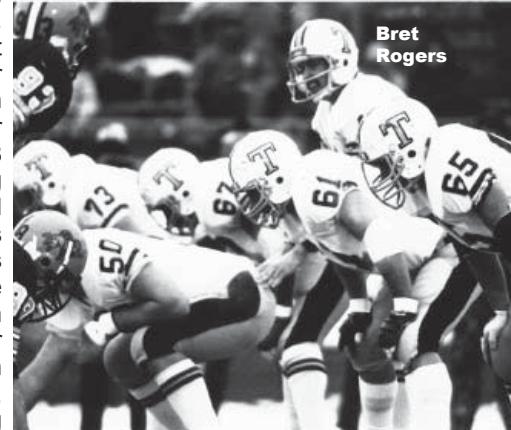
On the Tigers' injuries: "Our injury list keeps getting longer. It's not a question of toughness. There is a difference between being hurt and being injured and our players are injured. We are holding things together with scotch tape and bubble gum, moving players around and adjusting. One of the most positive aspects of this situation is that our injured players are working very hard to get back on the field. In some cases, they are pestering the trainers to let them return before they are truly ready. But we are not doing that."

On the Tiger coaching staff: "I am very fortunate to have a coaching staff that is comprised of coaches who are hard-working, dedicated, black-and-gold bleeding guys who have a passion to succeed. To them, this isn't a job. It's a mission."

On the Tigers' seniors: "I am very proud of this group of seniors. With the coaching change, they were put in a very tough situation. I give them a lot of credit. It's very hard when you come to your last football game. It's a shock to your soul. But they have done a lot for this football program and they've done a lot for the University. I will always appreciate that."

ROB AMBROSE vs. JAMES MADISON: Although he is facing James Madison for the first time as the Tigers' head coach, **Rob Ambrose** played against JMU three times in his career ... He also coached against JMU once as an assistant coach ... As a player, he was 1-2 against the Dukes ... In 1991, he caught an 11-yard touchdown pass from **Dan Crowley** in Towson's 55-31 loss at JMU ... It was one of his three career touchdown receptions ... He was the Tigers' receivers coach in 1992 when Towson edged James Madison, 28-21 ... Ironically, Ambrose was heavily recruited by James Madison and Coach **Joe Purzycki** when he was an All-State quarterback at Middletown High School in Maryland.

AT BRIDGEFORTH STADIUM: The Tigers are playing their 11th game at Bridgeforth Stadium this week ... In the past, Bridgeforth Stadium has not been a popular destination for the Tiger football team ... Towson has a 1-9 record against the Dukes at Bridgeforth Stadium ... The Tigers have lost their last six games at James Madison ... Towson's only win over JMU in Harrisonburg was a 10-3 victory on November 19, 1983 ... In that game, the Tiger defense, which led NCAA Division II with a 5.8 scoring average, held JMU to 26 yards rushing on 28 attempts ... Linebacker **Bob Poist** led the defense with 9 tackles, including 4 sacks ... Linebacker **Jeff Kihn** intercepted 2 passes ... However, it took a defensive stand by the Tigers in the final minute to nail down the win ... When future Washington Redskin receiver **Gary Clark** caught a pass at the Towson 10-yard line on the final play of the game, **Mark Kauffman** made a touchdown-saving tackle ... **Brian O'Neal** led the Tiger offense with 125 all-purpose yards ... He caught 7 passes for 90 yards, including a 12-yard touchdown pass from **Bret Rogers**, the only TD of the game ... Towson finished the regular season with a 10-1 record, earning a bid to the NCAA Division II playoffs for the first time.



TIGERS HAVE PLAYED 7th TOUGHEST SCHEDULE ... Through the first 11 weeks of the season, Towson has played the 7th toughest schedule of any NCAA FCS team ... Past Tiger opponents have a .578 winning percentage ... All Towson opponents have a .570 percentage ... In mid-October, Towson had the toughest schedule in NCAA FCS ... Not surprisingly, six CAA teams are ranked among the top ten teams with the most difficult schedules ... Delaware, ranked 25th in the nation, has played the toughest schedule while James Madison is tenth on the list.

NCAA FCS Teams With Toughest Schedules

Team (Rank)	Past Opps. W-L	Future Opps. W-L	Cum. Opps. W-L
1. Delaware (25)	45-35 (.563)	9-1 (.900)	54-36 (.600)
2. Villanova (3)	53-36 (.596)	5-4 (.556)	58-40 (.592)
3. Dartmouth	47-29 (.618)	3-6 (.333)	50-35 (.588)
4. Lehigh	48-39 (.552)	8-2 (.800)	56-41 (.577)
5. William & Mary (5)	47-41 (.534)	9-1 (.900)	56-42 (.571)
5. Davidson	40-30 (.571)	-----	40-30 (.571)
7. Towson	52-38 (.578)	5-5 (.500)	57-43 (.570)
8. Lafayette (21)	50-35 (.588)	3-7 (.300)	53-42 (.558)
9. Northeastern	54-35 (.607)	1-9 (.100)	55-44 (.556)
10. James Madison	51-36 (.586)	2-8 (.200)	53-44 (.546)

TIGER SENIORS PLAYING FINAL COLLEGE FOOTBALL GAME:

The Tigers have a very young team ... In last week's home finale against Villanova, Towson honored its 14 senior football players and team managers **Mike Lewandowski** and **Travis Punt** ... Coach **Rob Ambrose** says, "This is a very impressive group of seniors. They have done everything possible to help us establish this program. All of them have accepted the challenge. They have provided tremendous leadership for the younger players on our team. I have promised them that, in the future, they will be very proud to have been part of this program when it all started."

The Tigers' seniors:

51 - Alex Avolio, Def. Tackle: Two-year reserve on defensive line ... has played in seven games this season and made six tackles.

98 - Jon Boyer, Place Kicker: Temple transfer ... played in 3 games before hurting knee ... scored 8 points ... kicked 32-yd. FG at Morgan.

76 - Dan Bridges, Tackle: Tigers' most experienced offensive lineman ... fourth-year starter at right tackle ... has started 42 games.

47 - Alex Butt, Linebacker: Tigers' lone returning senior on defense ... two-year starter who has made 51 tackles in 9 games this season ... started 20 games in a row before missing William & Mary game with shoulder injury ... has made 135 tackles in career.



Tiger Seniors

Front Row: Tamba Tongu, Casey Cegles, Alex Butt, David Newsom.

Second Row: Bill Shears, John Godlasky, Richard Lee, Wes White, Dan Bridges, Brady Smith.

14 - Casey Cegles, Wide Receiver: Sure-handed receiver who has caught 79 passes for 991 yards and 6 touchdowns in career.

42 - John Godlasky, Tight End: Third-year starter ... started 25 straight games before missing two games this season due to appendicitis ... has 35 catches for 378 yards and 9 TD's in career.

80 - David Newsom, Wide Receiver: Second-year receiver ... leads Tigers with 27 catches for 375 yards and 3 touchdowns ... caught 68 passes for 859 yards and 5 touchdowns in career ... suffered season-ending ankle injury last week.

17 - Blair Peterson, Quarterback: Transfer from New Mexico ... has played in 10 games the last two seasons.

11 - Bill Shears, Punter: Tigers' punter for the 4th year ... has a career average of 37.4 yards with 45 punts inside the 20-yard line.

95 - Brady Smith, Defensive End: Transfer from Boston College ... Tiger game captain in all ten games ... ranks 4th on team with 54 tackles ... tied for team lead with three sacks.

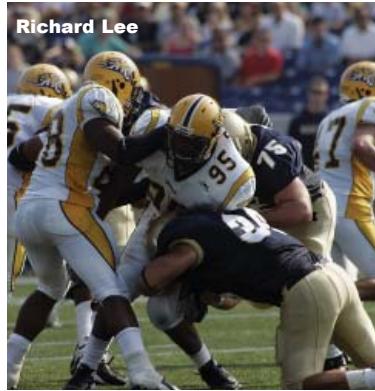
67 - Leon Stevenson: Veteran offensive lineman who has played in 24 career games ... dislocated ankle in 2007 hurt his performances.

89 - Tamba Tongu, Wide Receiver: Veteran receiver and special teams standout ... has caught 12 passes in career for 83 yards.

86 - Wes White, Tight End: Reserve tight end ... has missed five games this season due to injury ... has caught one pass in career, a one-yard TD against Columbia in 31-24 win.

RICHARD LEE'S NEW ROLE:

The Tigers' 14th senior is **Richard Lee**, a former defensive lineman ... A native of Severn, Md., Lee contributed to the program as a student assistant ... A three-year performer at defensive tackle, Lee suffered a career-ending neck injury in a 31-24 win over Columbia last year ... Despite successful surgery, he was advised that further injury to his neck could paralyze him ... In three years, he played in 25 games and started 19 times ... He had 55 tackles and 3 sacks ... The fact that Lee played 3 years of football is remarkable considering he was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Disease as a high school senior ... When he recovered, he came to Towson earned a scholarship after one year.



Peter Athens

TIGER CUBS: In the opener at Northwestern, Coach **Rob Ambrose** played seven first-year freshmen ... Quarterback **Peter Athens** started and completed 15 of 25 passes for 140 yards and a TD ... Quarterback **Tommy Chroniger** also saw action at Northwestern, rushing for 3 yards on 1 carry ... Wide receiver **Alex Blake** caught 1 pass while wide receiver **Tom Ryan** also played against the Wildcats ... Running back **B.J. Greening** ran for 35 yards on 9 carries in his debut ... Place kicker **Marc Magas** kicked off three times ... Defensive back **Dwayne Price** made 2 tackles against the Wildcats in his college debut ... They are the only first-year freshmen who have played this season ... Despite their injury problems, the Tigers have been able to "red shirt" nine first-year freshmen.



BRADY'S BUNCH:

In ten games as the Tigers' defensive end, senior **Brady Smith** has made a bunch of tackles ... With 54 tackles, he is fourth on the team ... Averaging 5.4 tackles per game, Smith is seventh in the Colonial Athletic Association among defensive linemen ... Smith has made 8.5 tackles for lost yardage and has three sacks ... The Loyola Blakefield product started the season opener at Northwestern and led the Tigers with a game high 11 tackles ... It was also a career high for Smith, who had 55 tackles in two seasons at Boston College.



Brady Smith

YAKY TALK:

Junior defensive tackle **Yaky Ibia** has been one of the Tigers' most improved players this season ... He was sidelined with an injury at Rhode Island but he returned to action against Delaware ... In nine games, he has made 51 tackles, fifth on the team ... Ibia made a career high 7 tackles in the Tigers' win over Coastal Carolina ... He matched that total with 7 tackles at Morgan ... At Morgan, he had 2.5 tackles for lost yardage ... Ibia is sixth in the Colonial Athletic Association for tackles among defensive linemen ... Ibia is seventh in the CAA with 11.5 tackles for lost yardage.



2009 Tiger Football Game Notes

TIGERS' COACHING STAFF: When **Rob Ambrose** became the Tigers' head coach, there were plenty of new faces on the coaching staff ... Of the Tigers' ten assistant coaches, four of them were retained from last year's staff.

Offensive Line Coach **John Donatelli** is the dean of the Tiger staff ... In his 13th year as an assistant coach, Donatelli coached with Ambrose when he was the Offensive Coordinator.

Wide Receivers Coach **Guilian Gary**, Cornerbacks Coach **Derrick Johnson** and Defensive Line Assistant **Konstantinos Kosmakos** were also retained ... Coach Gary is a 5th-year member of the staff while Johnson and Kosmakos are back for a second year.

Defensive Coordinator **Matt Hachmann** came to Towson from Lafayette where he coached for 8 years and worked with the linebackers ... **Brian Fleury**, a Towson grad who was the Defensive Coordinator at Sacred Heart for 3 years, serves as the Secondary Coach ... **Canute Curtis**, a former All-American linebacker at West Virginia and a six-year NFL veteran, is the Defensive Line Coach ... Kosmakos and Johnson complete the defensive staff.

On the offensive side, **John Kaleo** is the Quarterbacks Coach after spending two seasons as the Offensive Coordinator at Iona ... **James Vollono**, a member of the staff at North Carolina, coaches the running backs and works with special teams ... Tight Ends Coach **Jared Ambrose** joined the Towson staff after two years at Delaware ... Donatelli and Gary round out the offensive staff.

The Tigers' 10 coaches graduated from eight schools ... Three coaches (Rob Ambrose, Fleury, Kosmakos) are Towson graduates ... Gary and Kaleo attended Maryland ... Hachmann is a graduate of St. Thomas (Minn.) and Donatelli is a Frostburg alum ... Vollono graduated from Catholic while Curtis is a West Virginia alum ... Jared Ambrose is a Shepherd graduate ... Johnson played cornerback at North Carolina.

FORMER PROS ON THE TIGER COACHING STAFF: Quarterbacks Coach **John Kaleo** and Defensive Line Coach **Canute Curtis** are coaching college football after retiring from pro football.

Kaleo, an outstanding quarterback at Maryland, enjoyed a very productive 14-year career playing the Arena Football League ... In his career, he played for ten different teams and compiled a 78-62 record as a starting quarterback ... In 2003, he led Tampa Bay to the Arena Football League title ... During his career, he completed 2,929 passes in 4,880 attempts (60%) while passing for 35,335 yards ... He threw 581 touchdown passes and ran for 59 TD's.

Coach Curtis played linebacker for the Cincinnati Bengals for six years ... A sixth round draft pick, he played in 70 career games with 15 starts ... In his career, he made 101 tackles with three quarterback sacks ... The 2002 season was his final NFL season and it was his best ... He appeared in all 16 games and started 11 times ... Curtis finished ninth on the Bengals with 51 tackles.

NCAA FBS TRANSFERS: Like many NCAA FCS teams, Towson University has a significant number of transfers from NCAA FBS programs

... Since players transferring from FBS to FCS are not required to sit out a year, many players transfer to FCS level ... On the Tiger roster, there are 11 players who transferred from NCAA FBS programs.



James Vollono

MARYLAND TIGERS: There is a very strong Maryland flavor to the Tigers' roster this season ... Of the 83 players on the Tigers' roster, 51% of them are natives of Maryland ... There are 42 Marylanders on the roster while New Jersey and Pennsylvania have 12 products each ... Ten Tigers are natives of the state of Virginia.

The Maryland flavor even extends to the Tigers' coaching staff ... While Coach **Rob Ambrose** is a native of Middletown, Md., seven of his assistant coaches are also from Maryland ... **Jared Ambrose** (Middletown, Md.), **John Donatelli** (Baltimore, Md.), **Brian Fleury** (Frederick, Md.), **Derrick Johnson** (Upper Marlboro, Md.), **John Kaleo** (Annapolis, Md.), **Konstantinos Kosmakos** (Phoenix, Md.) and **James Vollono** (Kensington, Md.) are Maryland natives who played high school football in the state.

Even **Matt Hachmann** and **Guilian Gary** have ties to the state of Maryland ... Hachmann, a native of Queens, N.Y., was the Director of Operations for the University of Maryland's football program in 1999 ... Coach Gary is a 2002 graduate of Maryland who finished his career as one of the top receivers in the history of Terrapin football ... He caught 113 passes for 1,552 yards and 13 touchdowns at Maryland.

MOORE YARDAGE FROM HAKEEM

HAKEEM: After missing the first two games of the season, junior wide receiver **Hakeem Moore** has returned to the Tiger lineup and is contributing "moore" every week ... Moore is ranked third in the Colonial Athletic Association, averaging 117.1 all-purpose yards per game ... He is also third in the CAA with a 22.2 average on kickoff returns.



Hakeem Moore

ORTS PHOTO

At Rhode Island, he had a huge impact on the game ... On the second play of the game, he caught a sideline pass and raced 78 yards down the sideline for a touchdown, giving Towson a very quick 6-0 lead ... He also returned two kickoffs for 78 yards and finished the game with 168 all-purpose yards.

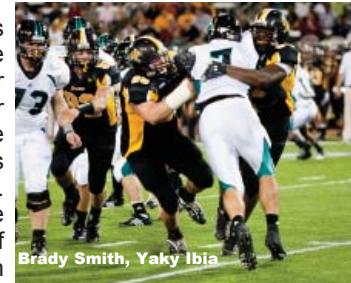
Moore is the Tigers' second-leading receiver with 25 catches for 271 yards and one touchdown.

Last year, he caught 45 passes for 527 yards and a touchdown ... He returned four punts for 30 yards and he also averaged 22.1 yards per kickoff return ... He led Towson with 1,000 all-purpose yards.

NEW-LOOK ON DEFENSE: Coming off a season in which the Tiger defense established school records for points allowed (423) and total yardage allowed (5,181), drastic changes were in order ... In 2008, Towson allowed 231.67 rushing yards per game, a mark that was ranked 112th out of 118 teams in NCAA FCS ... Towson was 109th in the nation by giving up 35.25 points per game while ranking 107th with 431.75 yards of total offense per game.

Defensive Coordinator **Matt Hachmann**, a member of the Lafayette staff for 7 seasons, installed a 4-3 defense on a team that played the 3-4 defense for years.

Although the Tigers had 6 starters returning on defense, not everyone is playing the same position ... Senior **Alex Butt** went from inside linebacker to middle linebacker ... The defensive line was rearranged as the Tigers went from a 3-4 setup to a 4-3 ... Junior **Yaky Ibia** moved from nose guard to tackle ... The addition of defensive end **Brady Smith**, a Boston College transfer, has also helped.



Brady Smith, Yaky Ibia

The Tigers had four players who started all 12 games in 2008 ... Along with Ibia and Butt, linebacker **Donte Blakey** and cornerback **Ollie Thomas** started every game in 2008.

The Tigers' improvement has been apparent ... In the home opener, the defense held off Coastal Carolina in the final minutes for a 21-17 win ... In September, Towson held Morgan to 12 points and 145 yards of offense ... The Tigers' 12-9 loss was Towson's lowest-scoring game since a 10-3 win over Liberty on Sept. 16, 2006.



TIGERS

On The Road

When the Tigers faced William & Mary, they played their 35th game in the state of Virginia ... Virginia has not been kind to Towson over the years ... The Tigers have an all-time record of 9-26 while playing games in the state of Virginia ... Harrisonburg has been an especially difficult destination for the Tigers ... Towson has a record of 1-9 at James Madison.

Not surprisingly, the Tigers have played the most games in neighboring Pennsylvania where they have a 14-24 record.

The Tigers have played 25 games in New York where they have an 11-13-1 record.

New Jersey and Washington, D.C. are two of the Tigers' favorite out-of-state destinations ... Towson is 7-1 in the Garden State and 7-1 in Washington, D.C. ... Towson is 7-9 in games played in Delaware ... The Tigers are 4-4 at Delaware State and 3-5 at Delaware.

C.W. Post and Monmouth are the favorite out-of-state destinations ... Towson is 4-0 at both C.W. Post and Monmouth.

The Tigers' out-of-state record:

Pennsylvania	14-24
New York	11-13-1
Virginia	9-26
New Jersey	7-1
Washington, D.C.	7-1
Delaware	7-9
Connecticut	4-6
North Carolina	3-1
South Carolina	2-1
Rhode Island	3-2
Maine	2-3
Massachusetts	2-8
Ohio	1-5
Indiana	1-0
Iowa	1-0
West Virginia	1-1
Illinois	0-1
North Dakota	0-1
California	0-1
Michigan	0-1
Alabama	0-2
New Hampshire	0-3

The Tigers' games in Alabama were NCAA play-off games ... In 1976, Towson lost to St. John's (Minn.) in the Stagg Bowl, the NCAA Division III championship ... In 1984, the Tigers played at Troy State in the Division II semi-finals and lost, 45-3 ... Troy State went on to win the national championship.

Madison in the season finale ... Junior **Jeremy Jayne** has also seen action in three games at quarterback this season.

UPON FURTHER REVIEW: Senior wide receiver **David Newsom**, who suffered a season-ending ankle injury against Villanova last week, achieved a unique distinction in the Tigers' season opener at Northwestern ... He became the first player in Towson football history to score a touchdown with the assistance of a replay review.

In the third quarter, he caught a pass near the sideline at the Northwestern 15-yard line from **Peter Athens** ... While running toward the end zone, he was close to being knocked out of bounds ... When he reached the three-yard line, he left his feet and hurdled himself toward the goal line ... He hit the pylon before landing out of bounds in the end zone.

Although the Tigers were signalling for a touchdown, the officials had a brief conference and ruled that Newsom stepped out of bounds at the Wildcats' one-yard line ... While the Tigers lined up to run a play, the officials stopped the clock ... The on-field officials were told that the Replay Official in the press box was reviewing the play ... This is a rule in all NCAA FBS games that are televised ... Since the game was being aired on the Big Ten Network, the play was subject to review.

Moments later, word came down from the press box that Newsom had scored and the Tigers staged a delayed celebration.

Newsom led the Tigers with 27 receptions for 375 yards and three touchdowns before he was injured.

SECONDARY IS EXPERIENCED: Led by cornerbacks **Jeremy Gardner** and **Ollie Thomas**, the Tigers have a very experienced secondary ... In his career, Gardner has started 27 games while Thomas has made 26 starts ... With 58 tackles in 10 games, Gardner is sixth among Colonial Athletic Association defensive backs, averaging 6.8 tackles per game ... He had 10 tackles at William & Mary ... Thomas has made 39 tackles and has broken up three passes.

Gardner has one of the Tigers' three interceptions ... Junior safety **Raymond White** has 42 tackles and intercepted a pass at Northwestern ... Safety **Danny Collins** has made 61 tackles and has one interception ... He is fourth in the CAA for tackles among defensive backs with 6.1 tackles per game ... In the win over Coastal Carolina, Collins and Gardner intercepted passes, marking the first time since Nov. 11, 2006 that Towson intercepted more than one pass in a game ... In 2006, the Tigers picked off three passes in a 31-7 win over Richmond ... It took 26 games for Towson to accomplish the feat again.

The quartet of Gardner, Thomas, Collins and White has started all 10 games ... The secondary has helped Towson rank 5th in the CAA in pass defense, allowing 179.2 yards per game.

GAME BALLS: After the Tigers' victory over Coastal Carolina, Coach **Rob Ambrose** initiated a new post-game tradition ... After each Tiger win, three game balls will be awarded - one for offense, one for defense and one for special teams ... Here are the first recipients:

Offense	Defense	Special Teams
Coastal Carolina	David Newsom, WR	Brady Smith, DE
Rhode Island	Hakeem Moore, WR	Marcus Valentine, DT

ATHENS HONORED BY CAA: Quarterback **Peter Athens**, a first-year freshman, became the first Tiger football player to be named as the Colonial Athletic Association Rookie of the Week when he was honored after their win over Coastal Carolina ... Athens completed 13 of 18 passes for 132 yards and two touchdowns ... He also had one interception ... In six games, Athens completed 59 of 112 passes (.527) for 691 yards and six touchdowns ... He started the Tigers' first six games of the season before suffering a season-ending injury against Delaware.

QUARTERBACK COMPETITION:

Through the first 10 games of the season, Towson has used five quarterbacks ... This is quite a contrast from the last four years when record-breaker **Sean Schaefer** started 44 of a possible 45 games.

Through the first six games, it seemed that Coach **Rob Ambrose** had settled on a quarterback as first-year freshman **Peter Athens** started every contest ... However, the position has been in flux since Athens suffered a season-ending knee injury against Delaware

... **Tommy Chroniger** is the only quarterback who has played in every game ... Chroniger started three games ... Last week, senior **Blair Peterson** made the start due to Senior Day ... **Brian Potts**, a "red shirt" freshman, played well against Villanova and could be the fourth different quarterback to start for the Tigers if he makes

the start at James

Madison in the season finale ... Junior **Jeremy Jayne** has also seen

action in three games at quarterback this season.

UPON FURTHER REVIEW: Senior wide receiver **David**

Newsom, who suffered a season-ending ankle injury against

Villanova last week, achieved a unique distinction in the Tigers' sea-

son opener at Northwestern ... He became the first player in Towson

football history to score a touchdown with the assistance of a replay review.

TIGER QUARTERBACKS BY GAME

Game	Quarterbacks
Northwestern	Athens (S), Chroniger, Potts
Coastal Carolina	Athens (S), Chroniger
Morgan	Athens (S)
New Hampshire	Athens (S), Chroniger, Peterson
Rhode Island	Athens (S)
Delaware	Athens (S), Peterson, Potts, Chroniger
Northeastern	Chroniger (S), Jayne, Potts
Richmond	Chroniger (S), Jayne
William & Mary	Chroniger (S), Jayne, Peterson
Villanova	Peterson (S), Chroniger, Potts

TIGER QUARTERBACKS IN 2009

Name	GP	Passing	Yards	TD	Rushes	Yards	Long	TD
Peter Athens	6	59-112-12	691	6	31	132	35	1
Tommy Chroniger	10	19-50-6	183	2	59	154	71	2
Jeremy Jayne	3	27-53-3	302	1	5	- 14	2	0
Brian Potts	4	25-45-4	220	0	13	19	14	0
Blair Peterson	4	3-11-1	44	0	4	4	4	0





TIGER FOOTBALL

... The Last Time

**TIGERS PLAYED AN OVERTIME GAME:**

Oct. 5, 2002 - Cornell 34, Tigers 31 - 2 OT ... The Tigers have played 6 overtime games since 1996 and are 4-2 ... The longest game was a 3 OT game at Marist on Nov. 2, 1996 won by Towson, 33-32.

Towson has played 84 games since its last overtime contest.

TIGERS WERE SHUT OUT:

Nov. 7, 2009 - William & Mary 31, Towson 0

TIGERS SHUT OUT OPPONENT:

Sept. 10, 2005 - Towson 70, Lock Haven 0

TIGER RETURNED KICKOFF FOR TD:

Sept. 9, 1995 - Maurice Sydnor - 89 yds. vs. Butler ... There have been 5 KO returns for TD's in school history (Maurice Sydnor 2, David Meggett 2, Mike Barth)

OPPONENTS RETURNED KICKOFF FOR TD:

Oct. 17, 2009 - Jerry Butler, Delaware, 89-yd. kickoff return

TIGER RETURNED PUNT FOR TD:

Sept. 26, 1998 - Dennis Cliggett - 71 yds. vs. Fordham ... There have been 12 punt returns for TD's - 3 by Gary Gist in 1970 and 1971

OPPONENTS RETURNED PUNT FOR TD:

Sept. 11, 2004 - Sidney Haugabrook, Delaware - 80 yds.

TIGER HAD INTERCEPTION RETURN FOR TD:

Nov. 11, 2006 - Drew Mack - 49 yds. at. Richmond

OPPONENTS INTERCEPTION RETURN FOR TD:

Oct. 31, 2009 - Tremayne Graham, Richmond - 32 yds.

TIGER HAD BLOCKED PUNT RETURN FOR TD:

Nov. 5, 2005 - Josh Corle - 28 yds. vs. Villanova

TIGER HAD FUMBLE RETURN FOR TD:

Nov. 5, 2005 - Trent Covington - 70 yds. vs. Villanova

TIGER BLOCKED A PUNT:

Oct. 3, 2009 - Hakeem Moore vs. New Hampshire

OPPONENTS BLOCKED A PUNT:

Nov. 14, 2009 - Tony Cinci, Villanova

TIGER BLOCKED PAT:

Nov. 15, 2008 - Rob Osborne vs. Villanova

TIGER BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL ATTEMPT:

Sept. 13, 2008 - Yaky Ibia at Richmond

OPPONENTS BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL ATTEMPT:

Nov. 15, 2008 - Tim Kukucka, Villanova

TIGER HAD A PAT RETURN FOR 2 POINTS:

Nov. 5, 2005 - Davon Telp vs. Villanova

OPPONENTS PAT RETURN FOR 2 POINTS:

Sept. 26, 2009 - Darren McKhan, Morgan State

TIGERS RECORDED A SAFETY:

Oct. 21, 2006 - at Villanova (center snap on punt out of end zone)

OPPONENTS RECORDED A SAFETY:

Oct. 3, 2009 - New Hampshire (center snap on punt out of end zone)

TIGER INTERCEPTED 3 PASSES IN A GAME:

Sept. 11, 2004 - Allante Harrison at Delaware

OPPONENT INTERCEPTED 3 PASSES IN A GAME:

Oct. 19, 1985 - David Meggett, Morgan State

TIGER RUSHED FOR OVER 300 YARDS:

Nov. 20, 1993 - Tony Vinson - 327 yds. (32 carries) at Morgan State

OPPONENT RUSHED FOR OVER 300 YARDS:

Aug. 30, 2008 - Shun White, Navy - 348 yds. (19 atts) - school rec.

TIGER RUSHED FOR OVER 200 YARDS:

Sept. 8, 2001 - Noah Read - 218 yds. (38 carries) vs. Lafayette

OPPONENT RUSHED FOR OVER 200 YARDS:

Oct. 24, 2009 - John Griffin, Northeastern - 200 yds. (29 carries)

TIGER RUSHED FOR OVER 100 YARDS:

Sept. 26, 2009 - Tremayne Dameron - 126 yds. (28 atts) at Morgan

OPPONENT RUSHED FOR OVER 100 YARDS:

Oct. 31, 2009 - Justin Forte, Richmond - 121 yds. (22 carries)

TIGER PASSED FOR OVER 500 YARDS:

Oct. 30, 1999 - Joe Lee - 567 yds. (47-77-2) at Lehigh - school rec.

TIGER PASSED FOR OVER 400 YARDS:

Oct. 28, 2006 - Sean Schaefer - 435 yds. (27-37-0) vs. Delaware

OPPONENT PASSED FOR OVER 400 YARDS:

Nov. 4, 2006 - Mike Potts, William & Mary - 409 yds. (28-44-1)

TIGER PASSED FOR OVER 300 YARDS:

Nov. 22, 2008 - Sean Schaefer - 315 yds. (27-48-0) vs. J. Madison

OPPONENT PASSED FOR OVER 300 YARDS:

Oct. 13, 2007 - Brian Savage, Hofstra - 301 yds. (24-38-2)

TIGER PASSED FOR 5 TOUCHDOWNS:

Oct. 28, 2006 - Sean Schaefer - 5 at Delaware (tied school record)

TIGER PASSED FOR 4 TOUCHDOWNS:

Nov. 15, 2008 - Sean Schaefer - 4 TD passes vs. Villanova

OPPONENT PASSED FOR 4 TOUCHDOWNS:

Oct. 25, 2008 - R.J. Toman, New Hampshire - 4 TD passes

TIGER RAN FOR 5 TOUCHDOWNS:

Nov. 20, 1993 - Tony Vinson - 5 TD's at Morgan (school record)

TIGER CAUGHT 5 TOUCHDOWN PASSES:

Sept. 24, 2005 - Andrae Brown - 5 TD receptions at Northeastern (school record, CAA record)

TIGER CAUGHT 10 PASSES:

Sept. 13, 2008 - David Newsom at Richmond (10-106-0)

OPPONENT CAUGHT 10 PASSES:

Oct. 13, 2007 - Charles Sullivan, Hofstra (14-184-0)

TIGER KICKED A 50-YARD FIELD GOAL:

Nov. 1, 1980 - Sean Landeta - 57-yard FG vs. Del. St. - school rec.

TIGER KICKED A 40-YARD FIELD GOAL:

Oct. 11, 2008 - Mark Bencivengo - 40-yard FG vs. URI

SCORED 30 POINTS:

Oct. 10, 2009 - Tigers 36, Rhode Island 28

ALLOWED 30 POINTS:

Nov. 7, 2009 - William & Mary 31, Towson 0

SCORED 40 POINTS:

Oct. 28, 2006 - Tigers 49, Delaware 35

ALLOWED 40 POINTS:

Nov. 14, 2009 - Villanova 49, Towson 7

SCORED 50 POINTS:

Sept. 10, 2005 - Tigers 70, Lock Haven 0

ALLOWED 50 POINTS:

Oct. 3, 2009 - New Hampshire 57, Tigers 7

RUNNING QUARTERBACKS: Freshman quarterbacks Peter Athens and Tommy Chroniger have given the Tigers an added dimension on offense - quarterbacks who are threats to run the ball.

The 2009 season has produced two of the rushing performances by Tiger quarterbacks ... In the Tigers' win at Rhode Island, Athens broke the school record for rushing yards by a quarterback when he ran for 74 yards on 13 carries against the Rams ... His 35-yard TD run in the fourth quarter sealed the win for the Tigers ... Athens broke the school record set by former All-American **Dan Dullea** on Nov. 16, 1974 ... In the season finale of the Tigers' perfect 10-0 season, Dullea ran for 60 yards on five carries.

While Dullea's record lasted for 35 years, Athens' record only lasted one week ... In the Tigers' Homecoming Game against Delaware, Chroniger ran for 97 yards on 11 carries and scored the first touchdown of his career against the Blue Hens ... Chroniger's 71-yard run in the fourth quarter is the second-longest run by a quarterback in school history ... Dullea set that record with an 81-yard run at Federal City.

For most of Towson's 41-year history, Tiger quarterbacks have been drop-back passers who usually finished the season with negative rushing yards as a result of being sacked.

TOP SINGLE GAME RUSHING EFFORTS BY TOWSON QUARTERBACKS

97 yds.	Tommy Chroniger (11-97-1) vs. Delaware, Oct. 17, 2009
74 yds.	Peter Athens (13-74-1) at Rhode Island, Oct. 24, 2009
69 yds.	Gary Worthington (29-69-1) vs. Boston University, Sept. 14, 1991
60 yds.	Dan Dullea (5-60-1) at Federal City, Nov. 16, 1974
54 yds.	Gary Worthington (14-54-0) vs. Delaware State, Sept. 21, 1991

TURNOVER TRACKING: Since the Tigers have such a young team, it's not surprising that they have been hurt by turnovers ... Through 10 games, the Tigers have a minus-17 turnover ratio, last in the Colonial Athletic Association.

The Tigers have turned the ball over 31 times and have forced 14 turnovers ... Towson has scored 42 points off turnovers while opponents have converted turnovers into 75 points.

The Tigers have recovered 11 fumbles and intercepted 3 passes ... In 12 games last year, the Tigers forced only 12 turnovers and turned the ball over 23 times ... Their minus-11 turnover ratio was underscored by the fact that Towson scored only 28 points off 11 takeaways ... Meanwhile, opponents scored 113 points off Towson turnovers ... Opponents scored on all but five of the Tiger turnovers last year.

The Tigers have been much better at forcing turnovers this season ... In ten games this season, the Tigers have 14 takeaways.

TIGER TURNOVERS

Opp.	TOW TO Opp. Pts.	Opp. TO TOW Pts.	Ratio
Northwestern	2	0	- 1
C. Carolina	3	0	- 1
Morgan	3	0	- 2
New Hamp.	8	26	- 7
Rhode Island	2	7	+ 1
Delaware	2	14	EVEN
Northeastern	5	7	- 4
Richmond	2	14	EVEN
William & Mary	3	0	- 3
Villanova	1	7	EVEN
Totals	31	75	- 17



TIGER GAMES GET SETTLED IN REGULATION: It has been 84 games since a Tiger football game went to overtime ... The Tigers have not played an overtime game since Oct. 5, 2002 when they lost at Cornell in double overtime, 34-31.

Towson enters this week's game with the third-longest non-overtime streak in NCAA FCS ... Jacksonville (97) has the longest streak ... The Dolphins have not played an overtime game since October 28, 2000.

Lafayette went 92 games without an overtime before the Leopards edged Pennsylvania, 20-17, on September 26 ... Ironically, their last overtime game had been a 16-13 loss at Towson on Sept. 8, 2001.

James Madison entered the season with a 74-game streak without an overtime ... That streak ended in September when JMU lost at Maryland, 38-35.

LONGEST NCAA FCS STREAKS OF GAMES DECIDED IN REGULATION

Streak	School	Last Overtime Game
96	Jacksonville	Oct. 28, 2000 - Stony Brook; W, 17-14 (2 ot)
91	Weber State	Nov. 17, 2001 - Utah State; L, 43-56 (ot)
84	TOWSON	Oct. 5, 2002 - Cornell; L, 31-34 (2 ot)
82	San Diego	Sept. 27, 2003 - Holy Cross; W, 46-45 (ot)
76	Mississippi Valley	Nov. 16, 2002 - Alabama State; W, 13-10 (2ot)

ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® CANDIDATE: Junior defensive tackle **Yaky Ibia** has been selected to ESPN The Magazine's Academic All-America® District 2 University Division football team, it has been announced by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) ... An Actuarial Science major with a 3.60 G.P.A., Ibia is one of 25 Scholar-Athletes named to the District 2 team ...

Along with the other 24 honorees, he is a candidate for ESPN The Magazine's Academic All-America® University Division Football team which will be announced on November 24 ... The All-Academic District 2 team is comprised of NCAA Division I football players at the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) and the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) ... Student-Athletes must carry a 3.30 cumulative G.P.A. to be eligible ... District 2 includes schools in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Washington, D.C. and West Virginia.

A second-year starter, Ibia has started 9 games for the Tigers ... With 51 tackles, he is fifth on the team ... The 6-2, 295-pound native of Calabar, Nigeria leads Towson with 10 tackles for lost yardage ... He ranks 6th among all Colonial Athletic Association defensive linemen with 5.7 tackles per game and is 7th in the CAA with 11.5 tackles for lost yardage ... Ibia is one of 6 CAA players on the District 2 team.

TIGER DEFENSIVE SCORING STATISTICS ARE MISLEADING: The Tiger defense has played much better than its scoring defensive statistics would indicate ... According to the Colonial Athletic Association statistics, the Tigers are 11th in the CAA, allowing 35.9 points per game ... Towson has surrendered 359 points in 10 games ... However, the Tiger defense has not been on the field for some of those points.

In reality, the defense has only allowed 314 points in 10 games, a more respectable number ... Towson has allowed 55 points while the defense has been on the sidelines ... Tiger opponents have returned 5 interceptions and 2 kickoffs for touchdowns ... In addition, Towson has surrendered 2 safeties and a defensive 2-point conversion at Morgan.

PENALTY-FREE GAME: Although records are not kept on this statistic, Towson and Richmond may have played the most penalty-free game in Colonial Athletic Association history on October 31 ... In the entire game, there was only one penalty called ... After a penalty-free first half, Richmond was penalized for roughing-the-passer in the third quarter ... But that was it for the game ... For the first time in school history, Towson played a penalty-free game ... Towson's previous low had been one penalty for 10 yards in a 1990 contest at Delaware State.



WHITE-OUT:

Throughout the 2009 season, linebacker **Danzel White** has been the Tigers' top tackler ... With 105 tackles, he is third in the Colonial Athletic Association, averaging 10.5 tackles per game ... Linebacker **Rob Damon** (11.4) of Rhode Island leads the CAA while **Tyler Holmes** of Massachusetts is 2nd with an 11.2 average ... **Matt Hansen** of URI (10.1) is ranked fourth ... He is ranked 14th in NCAA FCS in tackles ... Last month, White had 15 tackles against New Hampshire ... He topped that total with 16 tackles against Richmond ... White has made five tackles for lost yardage and he has recovered two fumbles ... He has had ten or more tackles in a game five times this season ... Danzel is one of two players named White who starts on defense for the Tigers ... Junior safety **Ray White** has started all ten games this season.



Danzel White

DANZEL WHITE GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	Solo	Assists	Tackles	For-Loss	FR
Northwestern	5	4	9	0-0	0
C. Carolina	3	3	6	0.5-1	0
Morgan State	4	8	12	1.5-6	0
New Hampshire	3	12	15	1.5-2	0
Rhode Island	5	3	8	0-0	1
Delaware	2	5	7	0-0	0
Northeastern	4	5	9	0-0	0
Richmond	4	12	16	0-0	1
William & Mary	7	5	12	0-0	0
Villanova	3	8	11	1.5-5	0
Totals	40	65	105	5-14	2

TIGERS' NEW LOOK: The Tigers have a new uniform look that features black football helmets ... The helmets have the Tiger head logo on each side ... They have a gold stripe and a white stripe down the middle ... Towson wore white helmets from 1969 to 2003 and gold helmets the last four years ... The Tigers' new uniforms were designed by Under Armour.

CUTTING DOWN THE PENALTIES: After being penalized 47 times for 402 yards in the first six games of the season, the Tigers have been drastically better in recent weeks ... In their last four games, the Tigers have been penalized only 11 times for 101 yards ... Towson actually played the first penalty-free game in school history three weeks ago against Richmond ... With 58 penalties for 503 yards, the Tigers are ranked sixth in the Colonial Athletic Association in fewest penalty yards per game.

TIGER GAMES HAVE BEEN QUICK:

The Tigers have played some of the fastest games in the history of the program this year ... Through 10 games, the Tigers are averaging 2:46 of playing time ... None of Towson's last 5 games have gone 2 hours and 50 minutes ... The Delaware game was played in 2:49 while the game at Northeastern took 2:40 ... Towson and Richmond played in just 2:32 ... After the William & Mary game was played in 2:37, the Towson-Villanova game lasted only 2 hours and 31 minutes, the fastest game in school history.

Opponent	Time
at Northwestern	2:51
Coastal Carolina	2:55
at Morgan State	2:55
New Hampshire	2:59
at Rhode Island	2:51
Delaware	2:49
at Northeastern	2:40
Richmond	2:32
at William & Mary	2:37
Villanova	2:31

RUSH HOUR:

The Tigers came into the season with a plan to improve their running game and they have ... Through ten games, they have rushed for 1,067 yards, an average of 106.7 yards per game ... Their total of 1,067 yards is the best single season total since they ran for 1,499 yards in 2005 ... **Tremayne Dameron** has led the Tigers with 521 yards in 10 games ... He ran for 126 yards at Morgan State, the most rushing yards by a Tiger since **Nick Williams**, '08 ran for 139 yards at William & Mary on Sept. 29, 2007 ... Dameron scored 3 touchdowns at Rhode Island and he leads the team with 6 touchdowns.



INJURIES HINDER TIGER OFFENSE: The Tigers' extensive injury list has hampered the Tigers' offense significantly ... On the offensive line, the Tigers have had 11 different players start games ... Quarterback **Peter Athens** started the first six games but suffered a season-ending knee injury against Delaware.

During the first six games, the Tigers averaged 18.0 points per game as well as 285.0 total yards and 143.2 rushing yards per game.

However, the offensive production has fallen off sharply since the injury to Athens ... In the last four games, the Tigers have scored 28 points (7.0 average) ... They are also averaging 200.0 total yards per game and 52.0 rushing yards per contest in recent weeks.

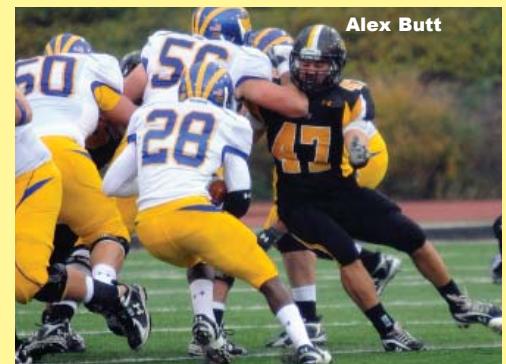
DEFENSIVE IMPROVEMENT: In 2008, the Tigers allowed 231.7 rushing yards per game, shattering the school record ... Towson ranked 112th among 118 NCAA FCS teams in rushing defense ... Through the first ten games, the Tiger run defense has been much improved ... Allowing 175.9 yards per game, Towson is tenth in the Colonial Athletic Association ... Only two players have run for 100 yards against Towson this season ... **John Griffin** of Northeastern (200) and **Justin Forte** of Richmond (121) are the only backs to run for 100 yards ... Last year, 7 players ran for more than 100 yards against Towson ... In 2008, 6 of 12 opponents ran for more than 200 yards while Navy (558) and James Madison (440) piled up more than 400 yards.

At Morgan, Towson allowed 33 rushing yards ... It was the Tigers' best effort since they limited Lock Haven to 13 yards in a 70-0 win on Sept. 10, 2005.

GAME CAPTAINS

For the first time ever, the Tigers have had individual game captains:

Northwestern:	Alex Butt, Casey Cegles, Dave Newsom, Brady Smith, Ollie Thomas
Coastal Carolina:	Alex Butt, Dave Newsom, Tonga Tombu, Brady Smith
Morgan State:	Casey Cegles, Dave Newsom, Brady Smith, Ollie Thomas
New Hampshire:	Alex Butt, Casey Cegles, David Newsom, Brady Smith
Rhode Island:	Alex Butt, Casey Cegles, Tomba Tongu, Brady Smith
Delaware:	Alex Butt, Casey Cegles, Tomba Tongu, Brady Smith
Northeastern:	Alex Butt, Casey Cegles, Tomba Tongu, Brady Smith
Richmond:	Alex Butt, Casey Cegles, David Newsom, Brady Smith
William & Mary:	Alex Butt, Casey Cegles, David Newsom, Brady Smith, Ollie Thomas
Villanova:	Alex Butt, Casey Cegles, David Newsom, Brady Smith, Tamba Tongu



Alex Butt

2009 Tiger Football Game Notes



TIGERS Career Starts

Player	2009	Career
Dan Bridges (OT)	10	42
Chuck Taylor (OG)	6	*31
John Godlasky (TE)	8	32
Jeremy Gardner (DB)	10	27
Ollie Thomas (DB)	10	26
Steve Jordan (OC)	6	20
Alex Butt (LB)	9	21
Yaky Ibia (DT)	9	21
Brady Smith (DE)	10	*21
David Newsom (WR)	10	21
Chris Ritter (OG)	6	19
Donte Blakey (LB)	4	17
Danny Collins (DB)	10	19
Ray White (DB)	10	15
Dan Hurley (OG)	5	14
Casey Cegles (WR)	10	13
Henry Glackin (OT)	3	11
Rob Osborne (NT)	1	8
Marcus Valentine (DT)	10	10
Leon Stevenson (OT)	0	7
Paul Stefanik (FB)	2	6
Peter Athens (QB)	6	6
John Esposito (OG-OT)	4	6
Danzel White (LB)	9	9
Tremayne Dameron (TB)	8	8
Romale Tucker (LB)	7	7
Frank Beltre (DE)	7	7
Derek Cardaci (OT)	6	6
Matt Morgan (DE)	3	3
Tony Zaccarelli (TE)	3	3
Tommy Chroniger (QB)	3	3
Chris Patterson (LB)	0	3
Erron Banks (WR)	2	2
Tom Ryan (WR)	2	2
Hakeem Moore (WR)	1	1
Alex Blake (WR)	1	1
Dominique Booker (TB-WR)	1	1
Wes White (TE)	0	1
Damien Kinchen (TB)	0	1
Colin Bass (OC)	1	1
Tim Farley (OG)	1	1
Ben Hunolt (OT)	2	2
Ryan Hanley (OG)	1	1
Tamba Tongu (WR)	1	1
Blair Peterson (QB)	1	1

Smith started 11 games at Boston College ... Taylor started 25 games at New Mexico State.

TIGERS' RECORD WHEN SCORING

Points	W	L	T
*70	1	0	0
60-69	3	0	0
50-59	12	0	0
40-49	27	3	0
30-39	69	9	1
20-29	69	41	1
10-19	38	75	0
**2-9	2	50	1
0	0	23	1
All-Time	222	203	4

* Towson had 70 points in a win over Lock Haven (2005).

** The 2 wins with 9 or less pts were 3-0 win vs. Randolph-Macon (1977) and 7-0 win vs. Wayne St. (1980).

Towson's Highest Scoring Offensive Games

2005	Towson 70, Lock Haven 0
1970	Towson 69, Albany (N.Y.) State 14
1974	Towson 63, Washington & Lee 16
1983	Towson 60, New York Tech 0
2002	Towson 56, Brown 42
1993	Towson 56, Morgan State 12
1975	Towson 55, Johns Hopkins 6
1996	Towson 54, St. Francis (Pa.) 14

Towson Opponent's Highest Scoring Games

2003	Yale 62, Towson 28
2004	New Hampshire 62, Towson 24
2005	New Hampshire 62, Towson 21
2008	James Madison 58, Towson 27
2009	New Hampshire 57, Towson 7
1972	Millersville 56, Towson 7
2005	Northeastern 56, Towson 41
1984	Delaware 56, Towson 23
1990	Bucknell 55, Towson 26
1990	New Haven 55, Towson 27
1991	James Madison 55, Towson 31
1992	Delaware 55, Towson 27
1998	Lehigh 55, Towson 7
2005	James Madison 55, Towson 14
1991	Indiana (Pa.) 54, Towson 10

EVER-EVOLVING OFFENSIVE LINE KEEPS CHANGING: With all of their injuries on the offensive line, the Tigers have had to try all different combinations this season ... Towson has used nine different lineups on the offensive line this year ... The Tigers have started 11 different linemen this season.

There have been so many injuries that the Tigers have converted two players to play the offensive line ... Sophomore **Ben Hunolt** (6-5, 252) was switched from defensive tackle to offensive tackle four weeks ago ... Junior **Ryan Hanley** (6-2, 258) moved from fullback to guard two weeks ago.

Senior right tackle **Dan Bridges** (6-6, 290) is the only lineman to start all ten games this season ... Junior offensive center **Steve Jordan** (6-3, 290) had started 20 games in a row before suffering a season-ending injury against Delaware ... **Colin Bass**, a "red shirt" freshman, made his first career start at center at Northeastern ... Sophomore **Dan Hurley** (6-2, 275) has started at center the last two weeks.

Sophomore **John Esposito** (6-5, 300), who started two games at guard, was the starting left tackle at Northeastern but he sustained an ankle injury and he is out for the season ... Sophomore **Henry Glackin** (6-6, 265), the starting left tackle last year, suffered a shoulder injury and he is out for the season.

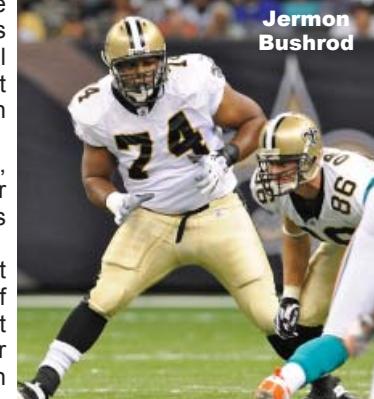
FATHER KNOWS BEST: Fullback **Billy Stup** is the son of former Tiger defensive tackle **Bill Stup** (1985-88) ... The Stups are the fifth father/son combination to play for Towson ... **Dannie Ross** (1969-1971) and **Dannie Ross Jr.** (1995-98) were the first ... The other two-generation Tigers are **Joe Vitt** (1974-77) and **Joey Vitt** (1998), **Bill Kluttz** (1972-74) and **Jesse Kluttz** (2003-05), and the Meehans, **Ron Meehan** (1977-80) and **Ryan Meehan** (2003-06).

Other Tigers have notable fathers ... Tailback **Jas Lee Rouson** is the son of **Lee Rouson**, a former NFL running back ... Wide receiver **Casey Cegles** is the son of **Vic Cegles**, the Director of Athletics at Long Beach ... Quarterback **Blair Peterson** is the son of **John Peterson**, the former head football coach at Frostburg (1977-1980), who scouts for the Carolina Panthers.

PERFECT SAINTS: With former Tiger offensive tackle **Jermon Bushrod** in the lineup, the New Orleans Saints are one of two undefeated teams remaining in the National Football League ... After a win over the St. Louis Rams last week, the Saints have a perfect 9-0 record and the fans in New Orleans are talking about a possible Super Bowl.

The Saints have the most explosive offense in the NFL, leading the league in total yards (426.1) and points (36.8) per game ... The Saints' offensive line has allowed only 13 sacks in nine games this season.

A fourth round draft pick in 2007, Bushrod made the first career start in the Saints' opener ... He has started eight of the Saints' first nine games this season ... However, he is not the only Towson connection to the Saints ... Former Tiger linebacker **Joe Vitt**, '78 is the Saints' Assistant Head Coach under **Sean Payton**.



TIGERS' INJURY REPORT

7 - PETER ATHENS, QB: Suffered knee injury vs. Delaware ... He is out for the year.

#28 - DONTE BLAKYE, LB: Neck injury ... He is out for the season.

#15 - DOMINQUE BOOKER, TB: Knee injury ... He will not play at James Madison.

#98 - JON BOYER, PK: Sustained a knee injury in practice ... He is out for the season.

#76 - DAN BRIDGES, PK: Sustained a thigh bruise ... He will play vs. James Madison.

#47 - ALEX BUTT, LB: Has arm injury ... He will play against James Madison.

#77 - JOHN ESPOSITO, OT: Has ankle injury ... He will not play at James Madison.

#82 - JUSTIN HARRIS, WR: Has an ankle injury ... He will not play at James Madison.

#20 - BRENT HAWKINS, LB: Suffered a neck injury ... He is out for the year.

#74 - HENRY GLACKIN, OT: Sustained a shoulder injury ... He is out for the year.

#73 - STEVE JORDAN, OC: Had concussion vs. Delaware ... He will not play at JMU.

#24 - DAMIEN KINCHEN, RB: Suffered ankle injury ... He may return this week.

#80 - DAVID NEWSOM, WR: Suffered knee injury vs. Villanova ... He won't play at JMU.

#22 - JAS LEE ROUSON, RB: Out for season due to knee surgery.

#29 - CHRIS SHEAHIN, WR-LS: Sustained knee injury ... He will play at JMU.

#96 - TONY ZACCARELLI, TE: Has a neck injury ... He will not play at JMU.

2009 Tiger Offensive Starters Thumbnails

10 - BRIAN POTTS, R-Fr. QB (4/0): Could make first career start at James Madison ... probably has the strongest arm of all the Tiger quarterbacks ... completed 21 of 31 passes for 177 yards against Villanova last week.

BRIAN POTTS CAREER HIGHS

Pass Attempts:	31, vs. Villanova, 2009
Pass Completions:	21, vs. Villanova, 2009
Passing Yards:	177 yds., vs. Villanova, 2009
Longest Pass:	27 yds., vs. Villanova, 2009
Touchdown Passes:	-----

34 - TREMAYNE DAMERON, R-Fr. TB (10/8): Tigers' leading rusher ... averages 52.1 yards per game ... picked up career high 126 yards on 28 carries at Morgan ... scored first career TD at Northwestern ... ran for 84 yards on 21 carries against Coastal Carolina ... scored 3 touchdowns in win at Rhode Island ... leads team with 6 touchdowns.

TREMAYNE DAMERON CAREER HIGHS

Rush Attempts:	28, at Morgan State, 2009
Rushing Yards:	126, at Morgan State, 2009
Rushing Touchdowns:	3, at Rhode Island, 2009
Longest Rush:	35 yds., at Morgan State, 2009

14 - CASEY CEGLES, Sr. WR (10/5): Tigers' fifth-leading receiver with 36 catches for 450 yards in 2008 ... missed 4 games with ankle injury ... had career high 9 catches for 95 yards at Villanova ... has caught 79 passes for 991 yards and 6 touchdowns in career.

CASEY CEGLES CAREER HIGHS

Pass Receptions:	9, at Villanova, 2008
Receiving Yards:	98, at Navy, 2008
Receiving Touchdowns:	1 - 6 different times
Longest Reception:	55 yds. (TD), vs. Morgan State, 2008

6 - HAKEEM MOORE, Jr. WR (8/6): Talented playmaker who missed first 2 games with hand injury ... led Tigers with 1000 all-purpose yards in 2008 ... ranks 3rd in CAA with 117.1 all-purpose yards per game ... ranks 3rd in CAA with 22.2 kickoff return average ... saw first action at Morgan ... blocked punt against New Hampshire ... caught 78-yard TD pass at Rhode Island on second play of game.

HAKEEM MOORE CAREER HIGHS

Pass Receptions:	9, at New Hampshire, 2008
Receiving Yards:	112, vs. Northeastern, 2008
Receiving Touchdowns:	1, at Richmond, 2008; at Rhode Island, 2009
Longest Reception:	78 yds., at Rhode Island, 2009
Longest Kickoff Return:	60 yds., vs. Columbia, 2008

84 - TOM RYAN, Fr. WR (9/4): First-year freshman ... has 14 catches for 151 yards this season ... caught 2 passes for 50 yards at Rhode Island, including a spectacular one-handed catch for 36 yards ... had career high 5 catches for 36 yards at Northeastern.

TOM RYAN CAREER HIGHS

Pass Receptions:	5, at Northeastern, 2009
Receiving Yards:	50, at Rhode Island, 2009
Receiving Touchdowns:	-----
Longest Reception:	36 yds., at Rhode Island, 2009

76 - DAN BRIDGES, Sr. RT (10/10): Fourth-year starter at right tackle (6-6, 290) who had started 25 consecutive games before missing Coastal Carolina game in 2008 ... aggressive lineman ... team leader on line ... only offensive lineman who has started every game this season ... has started 42 of a possible 44 games in career.

60 - RYAN HANLEY, Jr. RG (6/1): Converted fullback who was switched to offensive guard two weeks ago ... made first career start against Villanova ... played offensive line in 2007 and 2008 but moved to fullback in Spring.

66 - DAN HURLEY, So. OC (10/5): Versatile offensive lineman (6-2, 275) who has started at guard and center this season ... started at center in place of injured Steve Jordan in last three games ... started at left guard at Northeastern ... started at right guard in Tigers' win at Rhode Island.

75 - DEREK CARDACI, So. LG (9/7): Transfer from Middle Tennessee ... made first start of career at tackle in win over Coastal Carolina ... started at Rhode Island in place of injured Henry Glackin ... has started six games at tackle ... made first start at guard against Villanova last week.

79 - BEN HUNOLT, So. RT (7/2): Converted defensive tackle who moved to the offensive line after six games ... has played in all four games since being moved to offensive tackle ... has started the Tigers' last two games ... made three tackles before moving to offense.

42 - JOHN GODLASKY, Sr. TE (8/8): Started in 25 straight games before missing 2 games with appendicitis ... returned to lineup at Rhode Island ... Tigers' "Lineman of the Year" in 2008 ... had 4-yard TD catch in Coastal Carolina win ... has 35 receptions for 378 yards and 9 TD's in career ... caught 19-yard TD pass against Richmond ... has caught 10 passes for 118 yards and three TD's this season ... tied for team lead with three touchdowns.

JOHN GODLASKY CAREER HIGHS

Pass Receptions:	4, vs. Rhode Island, 2008
Receiving Yards:	65, vs. Rhode Island, 2008
Receiving Touchdowns:	1 - 9 times
Longest Reception:	38 yds. (TD), vs. Rhode Island, 2008

81 - ALEX BLAKE, Fr. WR (10/2): First-year freshman ... has 6 receptions for 71 yards this season ... caught a 24-yard touchdown pass against New Hampshire ... had a 30-yard catch at Morgan ... made two starts this season.

43 - PAUL STEFANIK, So. FB (10/5): Converted linebacker who has been starting fullback for most of season ... has rushed for 18 yards on five carries ... has caught two passes for 11 yards ... transfer from Kent State who made 42 tackles last season.

97 - MARC MAGAS, Fr. PK (10/0): Has handled kickoffs for the Tigers all season ... averaging 54.8 yards per kickoff ... inherited role as Tigers' place kicker when Jon Boyer suffered knee injury ... scored first career point with a conversion against New Hampshire ... booted 27-yard field goal in win at Rhode Island and made 3 of 4 conversions ... has made 1 of 3 field goal attempts and 11 of 12 conversions.

OTHER OFFENSIVE REGULARS

12 - TOMMY CHRONIGER, Fr. QB (10/3): Made first career start at Northeastern due to injury to Peter Athens ... set Towson single game rushing record for a quarterback with 97 yards on 11 carries against Delaware ... scored first career touchdown against Delaware ... threw first career TD pass in win over Coastal Carolina ... passed for a touchdown and ran for a TD against Richmond ... has started three games at quarterback.

TOMMY CHRONIGER CAREER HIGHS

Pass Attempts:	12, at William & Mary, 2009
Pass Completions:	6, vs. Richmond; at William & Mary, 2009
Passing Yards:	45 yds., vs. Coastal Carolina, 2009
Longest Pass:	32 yds., at Northeastern, 2009
Touchdown Passes:	1, vs. C. Carolina, 2009; vs. Richmond, 2009
Rushing Attempts:	14, vs. Richmond, 2009
Rushing Yards:	97, vs. Delaware, 2009
Rushing Touchdowns:	1, vs. Delaware, 2009; vs. Richmond, 2009
Longest Rush:	71 yds., vs. Delaware, 2009

180 - JEREMY JAYNE, Jr. QB (3/0): Made first appearance of career at Northeastern ... completed 14 of 31 passes for 170 yards against the Huskies ... threw first TD pass of career at Northeastern, a 6-yard pass to John Godlasky at Northeastern.

65 - CHRIS RITTER, Sr. RG (9/6): Veteran offensive lineman (6-3, 275) who played in all 12 games in 2008 ... brings intensity to offensive line ... has played in 29 career games with 18 starts.

72 - CHUCK TAYLOR, Jr. LG (10/5): Newcomer on offensive line who plays left guard (6-3, 345) ... transfer from New Mexico St. where he was a 2-year starter ... transferred to Towson during summer.

89 - TAMBA TONGU, Sr. WR (10/1): Reserve wide receiver with tremendous speed ... special teams standout ... caught 5 passes for 41 yards in 2008 ... has caught 12 passes for 73 yards in career ... made first start of career against Villanova last week ... caught a nine-yard pass against the Wildcats.

Numbers in parentheses indicate games played/games started in 2009.

2009 Tiger Defensive Starters Thumbnails

95 - BRADY SMITH, Sr. DE (10/10): Transfer from Boston College where he played for two seasons ... had a game high 11 tackles in season opener at Northwestern ... has been a game captain in all 10 games ... third on team with 54 tackles ... team co-leader with 3 sacks ... ranks 6th in CAA among defensive linemen in tackles.

BRADY SMITH CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	11, at Northwestern, 2009
Sacks:	2, at Maryland, 2007
Recovered Fumbles:	1, three times

64 - YAKY IBIA, Jr. DT (9/9): Second-year starter ... did not play at Rhode Island due to injury ... sixth on team with 51 tackles ... stands fourth among CAA defensive linemen with 5.7 tackles per game ... made 7 tackles in win over Coastal Carolina ... had 7 tackles at Morgan ... ranks 9th in CAA with 11.5 tackles for lost yardage ... Academic All-America candidate ... native of Nigeria ... has 93 tackles in career.

YAKY IBIA CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	7, vs. Coastal Carolina, 2009; at Morgan, 2009
Sacks:	1, at Northwestern, 2009
Forced Fumbles:	1, vs. Columbia, 2008; vs. Delaware, 2009

55 - MARCUS VALENTINE, So. DT (10/10): Made first career start in season opener at Northwestern ... had five tackles in opener ... appeared in all 12 games as a "red shirt" freshman in 2008 ... led all Tiger defensive linemen with 40 tackles in 2008 ... had career high 9 tackles against James Madison in 2008 ... has 30 tackles this season.

MARCUS VALENTINE CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	9, vs. James Madison, 2008
Sacks:	1, at William & Mary, 2009
Forced Fumbles:	---

27 - FRANK BELTRE, R-Fr. DE (10/7): Has started last 7 games ... had 6 tackles at Rhode Island ... made 5 tackles in season opener at Northwestern ... received Special Teams Game Ball after win at URI ... made first start against New Hampshire ... had career high 7 tackles at William & Mary, including first career sack.

FRANK BELTRE CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	7, at William & Mary, 2009
Sacks:	1, at William & Mary, 2009
Forced Fumbles:	---

18 - ROMALE TUCKER, R-Fr. LB (10/8): Transfer from Syracuse who joined team in pre-season ... has started in place of Donte Blakey last 5 games ... has 45 tackles and 2.5 sacks ... made 6 tackles against New Hampshire ... had career high 10 tackles at Northeastern.

ROMALE TUCKER CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	10, at Northeastern, 2009
Sacks:	1, at Northeastern, vs. Richmond, 2009
Fumble Recoveries:	----

47 - ALEX BUTT, Sr. MLB (9/9): Lone returning senior starter on defense ... Tiger captain in 8 of 10 games ... tied for 5th on team with 51 tackles ... had career high 12 tackles against New Hampshire ... had 8 tackles in win at Rhode Island ... 3rd on the team with 62 tackles in 2008 ... has made 135 tackles in career ... transfer from Alabama.

ALEX BUTT CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	12, vs. New Hampshire, 2009
Sacks:	1, at Morgan State, 2009
Fumble Recoveries:	1, at Villanova, 2008
Interceptions:	1, at Delaware, 2008

52 - DANZEL WHITE, R-Fr. WLB (10/9): Hard-hitting defensive player who leads team with 105 tackles ... made first start at Northwestern and had 9 tackles ... ranks 3rd in CAA in tackles with 10.5 average ... made 12 tackles at Morgan ... had 15 tackles against New Hampshire ... had 8 tackles and recovered a fumble at Rhode Island ... made career high 16 tackles and recovered a fumble against Richmond.

DANZEL WHITE CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	16, vs. Richmond, 2009
Sacks:	-----
Recovered Fumbles:	1, at Rhode Island, 2009; 1, vs. Richmond, 2009

26 - OLLIE THOMAS, Jr. CB (10/10): Third-year starter who has played in 33 career games with 26 starts ... made 57 tackles to rank 4th on team in 2008 ... had 9 pass breakups to tie for team lead in 2008 ... had 1st career interception against Columbia in 2008 ... has 127 tackles in career with 14 pass breakups.

OLLIE THOMAS CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	10, vs. Morgan State, 2008; vs. Northeastern, 2008
Pass Breakups:	3, vs. Rhode Island, 2008
Interceptions:	1, vs. Columbia, 2008

3 - RAYMOND WHITE, Jr. SS (10/10): Veteran defensive back who has started all 10 games ... intercepted pass at Northwestern ... had 21 tackles in 2008 ... played in 11 games as freshman ... intercepted 2 passes in 2007 ... has 91 tackles in career with 3 interceptions.

RAYMOND WHITE CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	10, vs. Morgan State, 2008
Pass Breakups:	1, 3 times, 2007, 2008
Fumble Recoveries:	1, at Maine, 2007; at Rhode Island, 2009
Interceptions:	1, vs. Richmond, 2007; at Massachusetts, 2007; 1, at Northwestern, 2009

2 - DANNY COLLINS, So. FS (10/10): Second-year starter at free safety ... made career high 12 tackles against Richmond ... made 12 tackles against William & Mary ... had first interception of career in win over Coastal Carolina ... played in 11 games and started 9 times in 2008 ... had 10 tackles at Delaware in 2008 ... ranks 2nd on team with 61 tackles ... stands 4th in CAA for tackles among defensive backs.

DANNY COLLINS CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	12, vs. Richmond, 2009; at William & Mary, 2009
Pass Breakups:	1, 2 times, 2008; vs. Delaware, 2009
Interceptions:	1, vs. Coastal Carolina, 2009
Fumble Recoveries:	1, vs. Delaware, 2009

25 - JEREMY GARDNER, Jr. CB (10/10): Third-year starter ... made team high 8 tackles in win over Coastal Carolina with one interception ... started 8 games in 2007 before suffering a broken hand ... played in first 10 games in 2008 before knee injury ... has 118 career tackles with 9 pass break-ups ... has 2 career interceptions.

JEREMY GARDNER CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	12, vs. Delaware, 2009
Pass Breakups:	2, at Colgate, 2007
Interceptions:	1, at Colgate, 2007; vs. Coastal Carolina, 2009
Fumble Recoveries:	1, vs. New Hampshire, 2009

11 - BILL SHEARS, Sr. P (10/0): Fourth-year punter who has a 37.5 average this season ... has placed 9 of 49 punts inside the 20-yard line ... averaged 36.7 yards per punt in 2008 ... placed 7 of his 40 punts inside the 20-yard line in 2008 ... has a 37.4 career average ... has placed 47 of 179 career punts inside 20-yard line.

BILL SHEARS CAREER HIGHS

Longest Punt:	63 yds., at Morgan State, 2007
Punts in Game:	7, vs. Hofstra, 2007; at JMU, 2007; vs. UMass, 2006
Punts Inside-20:	5, at James Madison, 2007

OTHER DEFENSIVE REGULARS

9 - JOSH McCANTS, So. DB (9/0): Reserve defensive back who has seen action in passing situations ... has appeared in 9 games and made 18 tackles ... had a key sack and forced a fumble in win at Rhode Island ... tied for team lead with 3 quarterback sacks.

33 - DARIUS HILL, Fr-R. LB (6/1): Reserve linebacker who has made 31 tackles in 6 games ... made first career start at William & Mary in place of injured Alex Butt ... made 8 tackles at Northwestern ... made 7 tackles against Richmond ... had 8 tackles at William & Mary.

DARIUS HILL CAREER HIGHS

Tackles:	8, vs. William & Mary, 2008
Sacks:	1, vs. Northeastern, 2008; vs. Rhode Island, 2008
Fumble Recoveries:	1, at Rhode Island, 2009; at New Hampshire, 2008

Numbers in parentheses indicate games played/games started.

2009 Tiger Football Depth Chart

OFFENSE

WR: 14 – Casey Cegles (5-10, 187, Sr.)
WR: 6 - Hakeem Moore (5-11, 168, Jr.)
WR: 84 - Tom Ryan (6-3, 190, Fr.)
RT: 76 – Dan Bridges (6-6, 290, Sr.)
RG: 65 – Chris Ritter (6-3, 275, Jr.)
OC: 66 – Dan Hurley (6-2, 275, So.)
LG: 78 – Tim Farley (6-4, 285, Fr.-R)
LT: 79 – Ben Hunolt (6-5, 252, So.)
TE: 42 – John Godlasky (6-4, 240, Sr.)
FB: 43 – Paul Stefanik (6-1, 230, So.)
TB: 34 – Tremayne Dameron (5-11, 185, Fr.-R)
QB: 10 - Brian Potts (6-4, 202, Fr.-R)

89 – Tamba Tongu (6-0, 178, Sr.)
 16 – Erron Banks (6-1, 170, Fr.-R)
 81 - Alex Blake (6-1, 180, Fr.)
 75 – Derek Cardaci (6-4, 265, So.)
 67 – Leon Stevenson (6-4, 296, Jr.)
 68 – Colin Bass (6-6, 256, Fr.-R)
 72 – Chuck Taylor (6-3, 345, Jr.)
 75 – Derek Cardaci (6-4, 265, So.)
 86 - Wes White (6-3, 275, Sr.)
 44 – Tyler Wharton (6-1, 220, So.)
 23 – Trevor Walker (5-10, 180, Fr.-R)
 12 – Tommy Chroniger (6-1, 195, Fr.)
 180 – Jeremy Jayne (6-0, 203, Jr.)

DEFENSE

DE: 95 – Brady Smith (6-2, 260, Jr.)
DT: 64 – Yaky Ibia (6-2, 295, Jr.)
DT: 55 – Marcus Valentine (6-2, 274, So.)
DE: 27 – Frank Beltre (6-3, 215, Fr.-R)
SLB: 18D - Romale Tucker (6-4, 238, Fr.-R)
MLB: 47 – Alex Butt (6-2, 218, Sr.)
WLB: 52 – Danzel White (6-1, 208, Fr.-R)
CB: 25 – Jeremy Gardner (5-10, 187, Jr.)
FS: 2 – Danny Collins (6-1, 195, So.)
SS: 3 – Ray White (6-0, 200, Jr.)
CB: 26 – Ollie Thomas (5-8, 190, Jr.)

51 – Alex Avolio (6-4, 242, Jr.)
 93 – Mike Hurley (6-3, 250, Fr.-R)
 94 - Armen Melikian (6-3, 260, So.)
 92 – Matt Morgan (6-3, 232, Fr.-R)
 4 – Chris Patterson (6-0, 202, So.)
 33 – Darius Hill (6-1, 210, Fr.-R)
 41 – Jalan Dudley (6-3, 240, So.)
 21 – Justin Carr (5-11, 170, Fr.-R)
 9 – Josh McCants (6-0, 210, So.)
 9 – Josh McCants (6-0, 210, So.)
 40 – Dwayne Price (5-9, 175, Fr.)

SPECIAL TEAMS

P: 11 – Bill Shears (6-4, 240, Sr.)
LS: 29 – Chris Sheahin (6-1, 195, Jr.)
PK: 97 – Marc Magas (6-0, 165, Fr.)
KO: 97 – Marc Magas (6-0, 165, Fr.)
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PR: 6 - Hakeem Moore (5-11, 168, Jr.)
KOR: 6 - Hakeem Moore (5-11, 168, Jr.)

12 – Tommy Chroniger (6-1, 195, Fr.)
 68 – Colin Bass (6-6, 256, Fr.-R)
 87 - Eric Hart (5-8, 165, Fr.)
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 17 – Blair Peterson (6-3, 210, So.)
 25 – Jeremy Gardner (5-10, 187, Jr.)
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 26 – Ollie Thomas (5-8, 190, Jr.)

TIGERS' GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

OFFENSE

Opponent	WR	WR	TE	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	WR/FB	TB	QB
Northwestern	Newsom	Cegles	Godlasky	Glackin	Taylor	Jordan	Ritter	Bridges	Banks	Dameron	Athens
C. Carolina	Newsom	Cegles	Godlasky	Cardaci	Taylor	Jordan	Ritter	Bridges	Zaccarelli	Stefanik	Athens
Morgan State	Newsom	Cegles	Zaccarelli	Glackin	Taylor	Jordan	Ritter	Bridges	Blake	Booker	Athens
New Hamp.	Newsom	Cegles	Zaccarelli	Glackin	Taylor	Jordan	Esposito	Bridges	Blake	Moore	Athens
Rhode Island	Newsom	Moore	Godlasky	Cardaci	Esposito	Jordan	D. Hurley	Bridges	Stefanik	Dameron	Athens
Delaware	Newsom	Moore	Godlasky	Cardaci	Taylor	Jordan	Esposito	Bridges	Stefanik	Dameron	Athens
Northeastern	Newsom	Moore	Godlasky	Esposito	D. Hurley	Bass	Ritter	Bridges	Ryan	Dameron	Chroniger
Richmond	Ryan	Moore	Godlasky	Cardaci	Farley	D. Hurley	Ritter	Bridges	Stefanik	Dameron	Chroniger
William & Mary	Newsom	Moore	Godlasky	Hunolt	Taylor	D. Hurley	Ritter	Bridges	Ryan	Dameron	Chroniger
Villanova	Newsom	Cegles	Godlasky	Hunolt	Cardaci	D. Hurley	Hanley	Bridges	Ryan	Tongu	Peterson
J. Madison											

DEFENSE

Opponent	DE	DT	DT	DE	SLB	MLB	WLB	CB	FS	SS	CB
Northwestern	B.Smith	Ibia	Valentine	Morgan	Blakey	Butt	D.White	Gardner	Collins	R.White	Thomas
C. Carolina	B.Smith	Ibia	Valentine	Morgan	Blakey	Butt	Tucker	Gardner	Collins	R.White	Thomas
Morgan State	B.Smith	Ibia	Valentine	Morgan	Blakey	Butt	Tucker	Gardner	Collins	R.White	Thomas
New Hamp.	B.Smith	Ibia	Valentine	Beltre	Blakey	Butt	D.White	Gardner	Collins	R.White	Thomas
Rhode Island	B.Smith	Osborne	Valentine	Beltre	Tucker	Butt	D.White	Gardner	Collins	R.White	Thomas
Delaware	B.Smith	Ibia	Valentine	Beltre	Tucker	Butt	D.White	Gardner	Collins	R.White	Thomas
Northeastern	B.Smith	Ibia	Valentine	Beltre	Tucker	Butt	D.White	Gardner	Collins	R.White	Thomas
Richmond	B.Smith	Ibia	Valentine	Beltre	Tucker	Butt	D.White	Gardner	Collins	R.White	Thomas
William & Mary	B.Smith	Ibia	Valentine	Beltre	Tucker	Hill	D.White	Gardner	Collins	R.White	Thomas
Villanova	B.Smith	Ibia	Valentine	Beltre	Tucker	Butt	D.White	Gardner	Collins	R.White	Thomas
J. Madison	B.Smith	Ibia	Valentine	Beltre	Tucker	Butt	D.White	Gardner	Collins	R.White	Thomas

Sept. 5 - Northwestern 47, Tigers 14

EVANSTON, Ill. – For the Tigers, the season opener was cause for optimism as they opened at Northwestern University. They had a new head coach, new football helmets, new uniforms, a new coaching staff and a host of new players.

But, that optimism was tempered by the fact that the Tigers were facing a powerful Northwestern team that was the best team ever to face the Tigers in the 420-game history of the program.

The Wildcats' talent was apparent from the start as they spoiled the debut of Coach **Rob Ambrose** with a 47-14 victory over Towson before a crowd of 17,857 at Ryan Field.

Against a revamped Tiger defense, the Wildcats used their "no huddle" offense to near-perfection as they scored on their first four possessions to take a 28-0 lead with 12:44 left in the second quarter. They went on to post a 47-14 victory.



Tremayne Dameron scored on a 14-yard run.

With a true freshman, **Peter Athens**, starting at quarterback, the Tigers won the opening toss and got the ball at their own 40-yard line when the kickoff went out of bounds. On their second play, the Tigers surprised the Wildcats with a well-executed screen pass from Athens to running back **Tremayne Dameron**, who ran to the Northwestern 30-yard line for a first down. But, the play was negated by a holding penalty. Two plays later, the Tigers punted.

On the first play from scrimmage, quarterback **Mike Kafka** of Northwestern was thrown for a four-yard loss by linebacker **Donte Blakey**. But, that was only a temporary setback for the Wildcats who marched 60 yards in nine plays to take a 7-0 lead on a 2-yard run by **Jacob Schmidt**. Midway through the quarter, Kafka led a 56-yard drive in 9 plays. Freshman **Arby Fields** scored on a 2-yard run for a 14-0 lead. On the first two drives, Kafka completed all six passes for 84 yards.

With 44 seconds left in the first quarter, Fields upped the lead to 21-0 when he ran around left end for a 23-yard touchdown.

In the second quarter, Kafka sat out a series and junior **Dan Persa** replaced him. On his third play, Persa stood up against heavy pressure and lofted a 72-yard TD pass to **Andrew Brewer**, putting the Wildcats ahead, 28-0. Northwestern's defense contributed a safety as the Tigers were backed up deep in their own territory. The Tigers took a semi-intentional safety as the center snap went over punter **Bill Shears**' head, giving the Wildcats a 30-0 advantage.

Junior safety **Ray White** made the Tigers' biggest defensive play of the half with an interception at the Towson 32-yard line. On their fifth drive, the Tigers' offense started to click. Led by Athens and Dameron, they marched 78 yards in 12 plays to score their first touchdown of the year. On the drive, Athens completed 3 of 4 passes for 37 yards. His 21-yard pass to senior **Casey Cegles** on third down moved the ball to the Northwestern five-yard line. Two plays later, Dameron scored the first touchdown of his career on a one-yard run, making it 30-7.

The Tigers' momentum was short-lived. **Stephen Simmons'** 49-yard kickoff return gave the Wildcats excellent field position at the Towson 38-yard line. Five players later, **Scott Concannon** scored on a 21-yard run to up the lead to 37-7 with 1:17 left in the half.

Early in the second half, the Tiger defense forced a punt for the first time. Junior tackle **Yaky Ibia**'s nine-yard sack pushed the Wildcats back at their own 14-yard line. When **Stefan Demos'** punt rolled dead at midfield, the Tigers had good field position. After moving to

the Northwestern 33-yard line, the Tigers had a fourth down-and-four. They decided to go for the first down and Athens made a terrific play. Under pressure, he scrambled to his right and fired a pass to senior **David Newsom** at the 15-yard line. Newsom caught the pass and ran toward the end zone. As he was about to be pushed out of bounds, he dove for the goal line and hit the pylon before landing out of bounds. However, the officials ruled that he went out at the one-yard line.

As the Tigers were about to run a play, the clock was stopped because the play was being reviewed in the press box. After a short delay, it was ruled that Newsom had scored on a 33-yard pass. When junior **Jon Boyer** made the conversion, Towson had trimmed its deficit to 37-14 with 10:07 left in the third quarter.

The Wildcats responded with a time-consuming drive and marched to the Towson nine-yard line where the defense held. A 26-yard field goal by Demos upped the lead to 40-14. In the fourth quarter, Concannon scored his second TD on a 3-yard run to cap a 60-yard drive. Concannon's run gave Northwestern a 47-14 lead.

The Wildcats, who had a 9-4 record in 2008, rolled up 485 yards of offense in the opener. Kafka completed 15 of 20 passes for 192 yards. Simmons ran for 77 yards as Northwestern rushed for 221 yards.

The first true freshman to open the season at quarterback for Towson since 1973, Athens completed 15 of 25 passes for 140 yards and one touchdown. Newsom led the Tigers' receivers with six catches for 74 yards and a TD. Cegles had four catches for 40 yards. Freshman **B.J. Greening** ran for 35 yards on nine carries in his first college game.

Senior defensive end **Brady Smith**, a transfer from Boston College, had a game high 11 tackles in his first game for the Tigers. Blakey also had a career best 10 tackles while "red shirt" freshman **Danzel White** made nine tackles in his first career game.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Final
Towson (0-1)	0	7	7	0	14
Northwestern (1-0)	21	16	3	7	47

SCORING SUMMARY

NW - Jacob Schmidt, 2 run. (8:46 1st - 9 plays, 60 yds., 3:14). Stefan Demos kick.

NW - Arby Fields, 2 run. (3:37 1st - 9 plays, 56 yds., 3:26). Stefan Demos kick.

NW - Arby Fields, 22 run. (0:44 1st - 6 plays, 56 yds., 1:21). Stefan Demos kick.

NW - Andrew Brewer, 72 pass from Dan Persa. (12:44 2nd - 3 pl., 75 yds., 1:17).

Stefan Demos kick.

NW - TEAM SAFETY - Center snap goes out of end zone. (11:57 2nd.).

TOW - Tremayne Dameron, 1 run. (3:44 2nd - 12 plays, 78 yds., 5:16). Jon Boyer kick.

NW - Scott Concannon, 21 run. (1:17 1st - 5 pl., 38 yds., 2:27). Stefan Demos kick.

TOW - David Newsom, 33 pass from Peter Athens. (10:07 3rd - 7 plays, 50 yds., 3:03). Jon Boyer kick.

NW - Stefan Demos, 26 field goal. (4:55 3rd - 15 plays, 68 yds., 5:12).

NW - Scott Concannon, 3 run. (10:43 4th - 13 pl., 60 yds., 6:54). Stefan Demos kick

TEAM STATS	TOWSON	NORTHWESTERN
First Downs	12	22
Rushes-Net Yards	30-65	54-221
Passing Yards	140	264
Passes Att-Com-Int	27-15-2	22-16-1
Total Offense	205	485
Punt Rets.-Yds.	0-0	4-25
Kickoff Rets.-Yds.	6-100	4-96
Interceptions-Ret. Yds.	1-1	2-0
Punts-Avg.	5-38.8	1-36.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yds.	3-25	6-45
Possession Time	29:08	30:52
Sacks By: No.-Yds.	1-9	1-12

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES:

RUSHING: **Towson** - B.J. Greening 9-35; Tremayne Dameron 14-33; Damien Kinchen 2-4; Tommy Chroniger 1-3; Peter Athens 4-(10). **Northwestern** - Stephen Simmons 18-77; Arby Fields 6-48; Scott Concannon 7-32; Mark Woodsum 6-17; Jacob Schmidt 4-17; Jeravin Matthews 3-11; Dan Persa 2-7; Steeve Flaherty 2-6; Mike Kafka 6-6.

PASSING: **Towson** - Peter Athens 15-25-2 140; Tommy Chroniger 0-1-0 0; TEAM 0-1-0 0. **Northwestern** - Mike Kafka 15-20-0 192; Dan Persa 1-2-1 72.

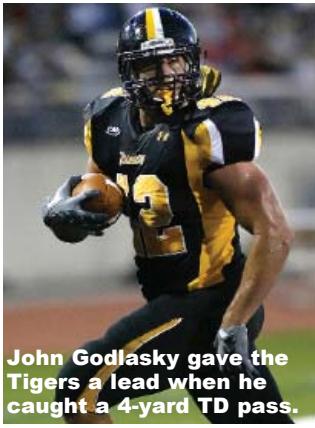
RECEIVING: **Towson** - David Newsom 6-74; Casey Cegles 4-40; Erron Banks 2-16; John Godlasky 1-5; Alex Blake 1-4; Tremayne Dameron 1-1. **Northwestern** - Andrew Brewer 6-145; Demetrius Fields 3-30; Zeke Markshausen 2-30; Drake Dunsmore 2-24; Sidney Stewart 1-19; Stephen Simmons 1-8; Jeremy Ebert 1-8.

INTERCEPTIONS: **Towson** - Ray White 1-1. **Northwestern** - Sidney Stewart 1-0; Quentin Williams 1-0.

Attendance: 17,857.

Sept. 19 - Tigers 21, Coastal Carolina 17

TOWSON, Md. – With Coastal Carolina poised to ruin the Tigers' home opener with a last minute comeback, the Tiger defense held the Chanticleers on downs at the Towson 12-yard line as the Tigers (1-1) earned an emotional 21-17 victory over the Chanticleers (1-2) before a crowd of 7,628 at Johnny Unitas® Stadium.



John Godlasky gave the Tigers a lead when he caught a 4-yard TD pass.

With the win, the Tigers presented their first-year Coach, **Rob Ambrose**, with his first victory as the Towson head coach.

With the Tigers clinging to a 21-17 lead and 3:33 remaining, quarterback **Zach MacDowall** drove the Chanticleers from their own 20-yard line to the Tiger 12. After MacDowall was hurried into a pair of incomplete passes by the pass rush, he faced a fourth-and-seven. On fourth down, he moved around the pocket and fired a pass to **Akeem Wesley** in the back of the end zone. Wesley didn't hold on to the pass and the Tigers took over with 58 seconds left. Then, they ran out the

58 seconds left. Then, they ran out the

clock and celebrated their fifth consecutive victory in a home opener.

"This was a victory for belief," said Coach Ambrose. "Coastal Carolina has a very good team and they are going to win a lot of games. We've been preaching to our players that if we play physical and play tough, good things are bound to happen. We got our reward tonight."

After jumping out to a 14-0 lead in the first half, the Tigers had to hold off several bids by Coastal to take the lead. The Chanticleers cut their deficit to 14-7 in the second half and 14-10 in the third quarter before the Tigers went ahead by 21-10 early in the fourth quarter. After Coastal cut its deficit to 21-17 with 10:29 remaining, the Tigers held on for the win.

"This is a tremendous win for our players, our coaches, our staff, our school and our community," said Coach Ambrose. "There's a vibe here now. Nobody is sure what it is yet – but there's some type of magic or karma."

On Coastal's second play of the game, quarterback **Jamie Childers** scampered around the right end and ran 83 yards down the sideline for an apparent touchdown. However, there was a penalty flag back at the line of scrimmage. Unaware that his long TD run was going to be nullified, Childers drew an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty for an excessive celebration. When the officials sorted everything out, the Chanticleers were backed up at their own four-yard line. Three plays later, **Ben Erdman** shanked his punt, giving the Tigers excellent field position at the Coastal 23-yard line.

Facing third-and-goal at the Coastal four-yard line, freshman quarterback **Tommy Chroniger** rolled to his left and threw back to the right. He fired a four-yard touchdown pass to tight end **John Godlasky**. When **Jon Boyer** converted, the Tigers owned a 7-0 lead with 5:10 remaining in the first quarter.

Early in the second quarter, the Tigers marched 83 yards in 12 plays to take a 14-0 lead. Led by their other first-year freshman quarterback, **Peter Athens**, the Tigers had two third down conversions. On third-and-goal from the four-yard line, Athens threw a slant pass to **Dave Newsom** for a touchdown and a 14-0 edge.

Trailing by 14-0, the Chanticleers got great field position when **Tre Henderson** returned the kickoff 33 yards. Childers' 38-yard pass to **Brandon Whitley** set up a 12-yard TD pass to tight end **David Duran**, cutting Coastal's deficit to 14-7.

Midway through the third quarter, Childers was injured on a run and had to leave the game. MacDowall, the Chanticleers' starting quarterback in the first two games, came off the bench and threw a 46-yard pass to **Jonathan Morgan**, putting the ball at the Towson 29-yard line. The drive stalled and Coastal settled for a 20-yard field goal by **Justin Durham**, making the score 14-10 with 1:36 left in the third period.

In the fourth quarter, the Tiger defense forced a Coastal punt from deep in its own territory. Newsom's fair catch at the Coastal 47-yard

line gave Towson tremendous field position. The Tigers moved quickly to the Coastal 13-yard line. On second down, Athens used a double pump fake and threw a perfect pass to a wide-open Newsom in the end zone, giving Towson a 21-10 lead with 11:43 left.

The Chanticleers wasted no time getting back into the game. Using a "no-huddle" offense, Coastal marched 64 yards in five plays, a drive that was capped off by a six-yard TD pass from MacDowall to Whitley. That cut the Tigers' lead to 21-17 with 10:29 remaining.

But, the Towson defense made some big plays down the stretch to preserve the win to protect the lead.

Junior cornerback **Jeremy Gardner** led the Tigers with eight tackles and an interception. Junior defensive tackle **Yaky Ibia** made seven tackles and had a quarterback hit. Linebacker **Danzel White** added six tackles and **Brady Smith** made five tackles, including a sack.

In the win, the Tigers intercepted more than one pass in a game for the first time since Nov. 11, 2006 when they had three interceptions in a 31-7 win at Richmond. That was a stretch of 26 games.

Tremayne Dameron paced the Tigers' running game by picking up 84 yards on 21 carries as Towson rushed for 138 yards. The Tiger defense held Coastal to 94 rushing yards on 28 carries.

In his second start, Athens completed 13 of 18 passes for 132 yards and two touchdowns. Chroniger completed four of seven passes for 45 yards and one TD. He also ran for 27 yards on 12 carries.

Dameron, who picked up 145 all-purpose yards, caught seven passes for 61 yards. Newsome caught five passes for 48 yards and two touchdowns. It was the first two-touchdown game of his career.

"It's a disappointing loss," admitted Coastal Coach **David Bennett**. "But Towson deserved to win. They made the plays when they needed them. Towson has a good team, a very good team and Towson is better than its record has shown."

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Final
Coastal Carolina (1-2)	0	7	3	7	17
Towson (1-1)	7	7	0	7	21

SCORING SUMMARY

TOW - John Godlasky, 4 pass from Tommy Chroniger. (5:10 1st - 8 plays, 23 yds., 4:33). Jon Boyer kick.

TOW - Dave Newsom, 4 pass from Peter Athens. (11:02 1st - 12 plays, 83 yds., 6:51). Jon Boyer kick.

CC - David Duran, 12 pass from Jamie Childers. (7:58 2nd - 6 plays, 52 yds., 2:57). Justin Durham kick.

CC - Justin Durham, 20 field goal. (1:36 3rd - 11 plays, 82 yds., 5:01).

TOW - Dave Newsom, 13 pass from Peter Athens. (11:49 3rd - 6 plays, 47 yds., 2:45). Jon Boyer kick.

CC - Brandon Whitley, 6 pass from Zach MacDowall. (10:29 4th - 5 plays, 64 yds., 1:14). Justin Durham kick.

TEAM STATS	COASTAL	TOWSON
First Downs	19	18
Rushes-Net Yards	28-94	45-138
Passing Yards	295	177
Passes Att-Com-Int	34-20-2	25-17-3
Total Offense	389	315
Punt Rets.-Yds.	1-2	1-17
Kickoff Rets.-Yds.	4-71	3-54
Interceptions-Ret. Yds.	3-0	2-49
Punts-Avg.	5-30.4	4-39.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-0
Penalties-Yds.	8-78	12-80
Possession Time	24:49	35:11
Sacks By: No.-Yds.	3-19	2-9

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES:

RUSHING: Coastal - Tommy Fraser 10-49; Eric O'Neal 13-40; Jamie Childers 5-5. Towson - Tremayne Dameron 21-84; Tommy Chroniger 12-27; Paul Stefanik 5-18; Dominique Booker 3-17; Damien Kinchen 1-(1); Tony Zaccarelli 1-(1); Peter Athens 2-(6).

PASSING: Coastal - Zach MacDowall 11-21-1 185; Jamie Childers 9-13-1 110. Towson - Peter Athens 13-18-1 132; Tommy Chroniger 4-7-2 45.

RECEIVING: Coastal - David Duran 6-88; Brandon Whitley 4-85; Jonathan Morgan 2-64; Marquel Willis 2-20; Tommy Fraser 2-11; Paul Nicholas 1-10; Adrian Sullivan 1-10; Chris Presley 1-4; Eric O'Neal 1-3. Towson - Tremayne Dameron 7-61; David Newsom 5-48; John Godlasky 2-28; Casey Cegles 2-27; Tony Zaccarelli 1-13.

INTERCEPTIONS: Coastal - Josh Norman 2-0; Dominique Davenport 1-0. Towson - Jeremy Gardner 1-38; Danny Collins 1-0.

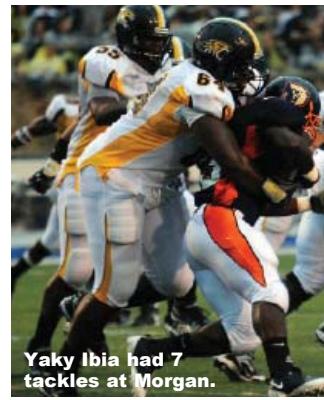
Attendance: 7,628.

Sept. 26 - Morgan State 12, Tigers 9

BALTIMORE, Md. – Since he became the Tigers' head coach, **Rob Ambrose** has been preaching the importance of finishing to his players. He has told his team they have to finish everything they start.

In their 22nd meeting with Morgan State, the Tigers were reminded how important it is to finish. They failed to finish some solid scoring chances and the result was a disappointing 12-9 loss to their crosstown rivals at a soggy Hughes Stadium.

While raising its record to 2-1, Morgan State beat Towson for the first time since 2003. The loss dropped Towson's record to 1-2 and snapped its four-game winning streak over the Bears.



Yaky Ibia had 7 tackles at Morgan.

"We left a lot of plays out there," admitted Coach Ambrose. "But we have to give Morgan credit. They played very well and made fewer mistakes than we did and they got the win. We had moments where we showed greatness but there wasn't enough consistency."

Remarkably, the Tigers had 344 yards of total offense while holding Morgan to 161 total yards. Towson had 14 first downs while Morgan had six first downs. The Tigers ran for 196 yards while the defense held the Bears to 33 yards rushing. But turnovers and penalties spelled the Tigers' doom.

"It really wasn't the number of penalties we had," said Ambrose. "It was the timing. It seemed like they always negated a big play."

In fact, penalties negated a 38-yard kickoff return by **Hakeem Moore**, a 25-yard punt return by **Dave Newsom** and a pair of long runs by quarterback **Peter Athens**.

With the weather conditions worsening, the Tigers turned the ball over three times in the fourth quarter. Towson had moved to the Morgan 35-yard line with less than five minutes to play. But defensive back **Darren McKhan** ended the threat by intercepting a pass.

The Bears owned a 12-6 lead at halftime. Despite being held to 45 yards and one first down in the second half, Morgan held on to win.

Early in the first quarter, the Tigers took a 6-0 lead under an unusual set of circumstances. On a second down play at the Towson 46-yard line, Athens threw deep to Newsom who caught the ball at the six-yard line and ran to the goal line. He fumbled at the one-yard line and the ball went into the end zone where tight end **Tony Zaccarelli** recovered for the touchdown and a 6-0 lead with 9:06 left in the first quarter.

However, **James Cole** blocked **Jon Boyer's** conversion attempt. McKhan picked up the ball and returned the blocked kick 100 yards for a two-point conversion, cutting the deficit to 6-2.

"That return was a big play in the game," said Ambrose. "We had just scored and we had the momentum. Then, everything changed and they had the momentum."

The Tiger defense did a great job shutting down Morgan's offense through the first quarter. In fact, the Bears were held to no first downs and 22 yards in the opening period.

In the second quarter, the Bears mounted their only sustained drive of the game and took a lead. Morgan State marched from its own 11-yard and reached the Towson 26-yard line. Facing a fourth down-and-one at the Towson 26, the Bears gambled and it paid off. With the short-yardage offense in the game, quarterback **Carlton Jackson** faked a handoff and rolled to his left. He fired a short pass to **Lamont Bryant** in the flat. He ran down the sideline for a 26-yard touchdown. When **Kemar Scarlett** kicked the extra point, the Bears had a 9-6 lead.

On their next possession, the Tigers faced fourth down-and-one at their 31-yard line. Trying to change the momentum, they tried a fake punt. But, the Bears were ready for it and **Tommy Chroniger** was thrown for a loss by **Jody Ellis**.

Although the Bears had excellent field position at the Towson 30-yard line, they couldn't move the ball. Scarlett kicked a 41-yard field goal to put the Bears up by 12-6 with 6:02 remaining in the first half.

Sparked by a 35-yard run by **Tremayne Dameron**, the Tigers responded with an impressive drive of their own. After reaching the Bears' 25-yard line, the Morgan defense stiffened. On fourth down,

Athens tried to throw a touchdown pass to **Casey Cegles** but **Gary Albury** broke up the play.

In the third quarter, the Tigers received a break when a bad snap on a punt prevented **Nicholas Adams** from getting off the kick. The Tigers received great field position at the Morgan 34-yard line.

After Athens ran for a first down at the Morgan 20-yard line, he scrambled for 14 yards to the six. But, the run was negated by a holding penalty. Three plays later, Boyer kicked a 35-yard field goal and the Tigers' deficit was 12-9.

Late in the third quarter, the Tigers received another break when **Bryan Mann** fumbled at the Morgan 41-yard line and **Donte Blakey** recovered. After moving to the 33, the Tigers were stopped on fourth down and that opportunity was wasted.

In the fourth quarter, a 30-yard pass to **Alex Blake** was fumbled at the Tiger 37-yard line and Ellis recovered. The Bears were stopped again and Adams' well-placed punt was downed at the one-yard line.

Starting at their own one-yard line, the Tigers moved the ball. Aided by a Morgan penalty, the Tigers neared midfield. A 20-yard run by Athens gave them a first down at the Morgan 42. But, McKhan's interception ended the threat.

With 1:57 left, the Tigers had one final chance when they started at their own 10-yard line. But, Ellis intercepted a tipped pass at the Towson 28-yard line and the Bears ran out the clock.

"This was a good learning experience for our team," said Coach Ambrose. "But it was a painful one. Our preparation wasn't as good as it should have been and I'll take the blame for that. As a coach, you'd be very happy if your players could learn without being hurt. But, that doesn't happen very often."

The Tigers turned in an outstanding defensive effort as they held Morgan to 33 rushing yards on 33 carries. Led by **Yaky Ibia**, the Tigers made eight tackles for lost yardage. Ibia had 7 tackles, including 2.5 tackles for lost yardage. Linebacker **Danzel White** led the Tiger defense with 12 tackles.

Dameron paced the Tigers' running game by rushing for a career high 126 yards on 28 carries. It was the best effort by a Tiger back since **Nick Williams** ran for 139 yards at William & Mary in 2007.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Final
Towson (1-2)	6	0	3	0	9
Morgan State (2-1)	2	10	0	0	12

SCORING SUMMARY

TOW - Tony Zaccarelli, 0 fumble recovery. (9:06 1st - 2 plays, 57 yds., 1:25). Kick blocked.

MOR - Darren McKhan 100 PAT return. (9:02 1st).

MOR - Lamont Bryant, 26 pass from Carlton Jackson. (9:53 2nd - 12 plays, 89 yds., 6:20). Kemar Scarlett kick.

MOR - Kemar Scarlett, 41 field goal. (6:02 2nd - 4 plays, 7 yds., 2:10).

TOW - Jon Boyer, 35 field goal. (9:10 3rd - 6 plays, 16 yds., 3:15).

TEAM STATS	TOWSON	MORGAN
First Downs	14	6
Rushes-Net Yards	42-196	33-33
Passing Yards	148	112
Passes Att-Com-Int	23-11-2	21-14-0
Total Offense	344	145
Punt Rets.-Yds.	6-46	4-11
Kickoff Rets.-Yds.	3-82	3-19
Interceptions-Ret. Yds.	0-0	2-12
Punts-Avg.	5-33.2	9-38.4
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	2-1
Penalties-Yds.	8-105	7-54
Possession Time	30:01	29:59
Sacks By: No.-Yds.	1-6	1-11

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES:

RUSHING: **Towson** - Tremayne Dameron 28-126; Peter Athens 7-53; Dominique Booker 5-13; David Newsom 1-5; Tommy Chroniger 1-(1). **Morgan** - Devan James 15-29; Bryan Mann 4-12; Carlton Jackson 9-4; Domanick West 1-0; TEAM 4-(12).

PASSING: **Towson** - Peter Athens 11-23-2 148. **Morgan** - Carlton Jackson 13-20-0 108; Nicholas Adams 1-1-0 4.

RECEIVING: **Towson** - David Newsom 4-90; Tremayne Dameron 3-9; Alex Blake 1-30; Dominique Booker 1-9; Hakeem Moore 1-7; Casey Cegles 1-3; Tony Zaccarelli 0-0. **Morgan** - Lamont Bryant 4-70; Winfred Digs 3-22; Terrell White 2-17; Ed Morton-Green 1-6; George Howard 1-4; Devan James 1-4; Edwin Baptiste 1-(1); Chris Burley 1-(10).

INTERCEPTIONS: **Morgan** - Jody Ellis 1-0; Darren McKhan 1-12.

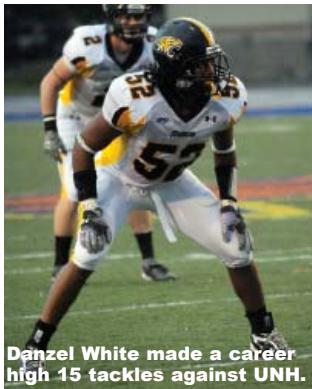
Attendance: 4,307.

2009 Towson University Football Game Notes

Oct. 3 - #6 New Hampshire 57, Tigers 7

TOWSON, Md. - Moments after the Tigers were dealt a 57-7 loss by sixth-ranked New Hampshire (4-0, 1-0), Coach **Rob Ambrose** put everything in perspective. He said, "New Hampshire is the team we want to become. It took them 15 years to get there. Obviously, we're not there yet."

The Wildcats came into Johnny Unitas® Stadium seeking their fourth consecutive win and they inflicted a first quarter scoring assault that propelled them to a 57-7 victory over the Tigers (1-3, 0-1) in the Colonial Athletic Association opener for both teams.



Danel White made a career high 15 tackles against UNH.

On Towson's opening possession of the game, the Tigers were forced to punt. Senior **Bill Shears**' punt was blocked by defensive back **Kyle Flemings**. When junior **Mike Perkins** recovered at the Towson 20-yard line, the Wildcats were in scoring position. Five plays later, tailback **Chad Kackert** scored on a 7-yard run to give UNH a 7-0 lead.

On the Tigers' next possession, safety **Hugo Souza** intercepted a tipped pass at the Towson 32-yard line. The Wildcat lead was increased to 14-0 just four plays later. Making the first start of his college career, quarterback **Kevin Decker** threw an eight-yard touchdown pass to senior tight end **Scott Sicko**. Decker was starting in place of All-CAA quarterback **R.J. Toman**, who was sidelined with a foot injury.

On their next possession, the Tigers were forced to punt from their own 25-yard line. Once again, they had a hard time. Shears saw the center snap go over his head into the end zone. Alertly, he kicked the ball out of the end zone for a safety to give UNH a 16-0 lead.

Moments later, junior **Sean Jellison** took the free kick at his own 19-yard line and raced down the left sideline for an 81-yard touchdown to give UNH a 23-0 advantage.

After the ensuing kickoff, the Tigers had a first down at their 25-yard line. On the first play, cornerback **Dino Vasso** stepped in front of Tiger receiver **Alex Blake** and intercepted a pass by freshman quarterback **Peter Athens**. Vasso returned the interception 31 yards for a TD to give UNH a commanding 30-0 lead with 7:16 left in the first quarter.

"We knew it was important for us to get off to a fast start," said UNH Coach **Sean McDonnell**. "In our first three games, our special teams play wasn't very good. We emphasized it during practice this week and it paid off. Our special teams helped us take that 30-0 lead."

Early in the second quarter, the Tigers got a break of their own when **Dontra Peters** fumbled a punt and **Jeremy Gardner** recovered on the UNH 24-yard line. On the next play, Athens lofted a 24-yard touchdown pass to Blake in the corner of the end zone, cutting the deficit to 30-7.

After Kackert returned the kickoff to the UNH 49-yard line, Decker led the Wildcats on a 51-yard, eight-play drive for a touchdown. His one-yard TD run gave UNH a 37-7 lead with 9:17 left in the first half.

The Wildcats closed out the half with another score. After **Dan Ruhl** recovered a fumble by Athens at the Towson 10-yard line with two seconds left, **Tom Manning** kicked a 27-yard field goal to give UNH a 40-7 lead at intermission.

Early in the second half, the Tigers had a great chance to cut into the Wildcats' lead. Junior **Hakeem Moore** blocked a punt and Towson recovered on the UNH 8-yard line.

However, sophomore defensive back **Ryan McGuinness** intercepted Athens' pass that was intended for **Dave Newsom**. He picked off the pass at the four-yard line and ran 96 yards down the sideline for a touchdown, giving the Wildcats a 47-7 lead. It was the Wildcats' fifth interception of the game.

Midway through the third quarter, the Wildcats marched 60 yards in five plays. Decker completed a four-yard TD pass to tight end **Chris Jeannot** to cap off the drive. The Wildcats closed out the scoring when Manning kicked a 24-yard field goal.

"We got a great team effort today," said McDonnell. "In this league, it's very hard to win on the road. It really tests your mettle. Walking off the field, I heard that Hofstra beat James Madison and that's the kind of upset we want to avoid."

"Towson's going to beat some teams in the CAA this season," he predicted. "I like the way they play on defense and they are hustling all over the field."

The UNH defense came into the game ranked third in the nation in total defense, allowing 213 yards per game. Against Towson, the Wildcats improved those numbers. They held the Tigers to 201 yards of offense and forced eight turnovers, including six interceptions.

"Everyone, especially young people, wants instant gratification," said Coach Ambrose. "But everything is a process. You can't have what you want right now and that's a hard lesson to learn. Being realistic, that's where we are."

Athens struggled against the UNH defense. He completed 7 of 20 passes for 67 yards and a touchdown. He was intercepted five times and two of those interceptions were returned for touchdowns.

Dominique Booker, a "red shirt" freshman, led the Tigers by running for a career high 64 yards on 12 carries. **Tremayne Dameron** added 58 yards on 15 tries as the Tigers rushed for 94 yards as a team.

Linebacker **Danel White** led the Tigers with a career high 15 tackles. Linebacker **Alex Butt** had a career high 12 tackles and broke up a pass. Defensive end **Brady Smith** made six tackles, including a sack.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Final
New Hampshire (4-0)	30	10	17	0	57
Towson (1-3)	0	7	0	0	7

SCORING SUMMARY

UNH - Chad Kackert, 7 run. (11:06 1st - 5 plays, 20 yds., 1:35). Tom Manning kick.

UNH - Scott Sicko, 8 pass from Kevin Decker. (8:53 1st - 4 plays, 32 yds., 1:25).

Tom Manning kick.

UNH - SAFETY - Ball kicked out of end zone. (7:42 1st).

UNH - Sean Jellison, 81 kickoff return. (7:28 1st). Tom Manning kick.

UNH - Dino Vasso, 31 interception return. (7:16 1st). Tom Manning kick.

TOW - Alex Blake, 24 pass from Peter Athens. (12:35 2nd - 1 play, 24 yds., 0:06).

Marc Magas kick.

UNH - Kevin Decker, 1 run. (9:17 2nd - 8 plays, 51 yds., 3:10). Tom Manning kick.

UNH - Tom Manning, 27 field goal. (0:00 2nd - 1 plays, 0 yds., 0:02).

UNH - Ryan McGuinness, 96 interception return. (12:47 3rd). Tom Manning kick.

UNH - Chris Jeannot, 4 pass from Kevin Decker. (7:06 3rd - 5 plays, 60 yds., 2:22). Tom Manning kick.

UNH - Tom Manning, 24 field goal. (0:58 3rd - 7 plays, 42 yds., 4:27)

TEAM STATS	NEW HAMPSHIRE	TOWSON
First Downs	16	13
Rushes-Net Yards	45-136	37-94
Passing Yards	149	107
Passes Att-Com-Int	20-12-0	29-9-6
Total Offense	285	201
Punt Rets.-Yds.	1-10	1-14
Kickoff Rets.-Yds.	3-134	8-125
Interceptions-Ret. Yds.	6-127	0-0
Punts-Avg.	5-26.0	5-28.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-2
Penalties-Yds.	11-65	8-60
Possession Time	32:36	27:24
Sacks By: No.-Yds.	2-11	3-19

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES:

RUSHING: UNH - Dontra Peters 13-50; Sean Jellison 9-46; Chad Kackert 7-31; Kevin Decker 8-7; Shawn Sweeney 6-5; Josh Vick 1-2; Mickey Mangieri 1-(5). **Towson** - Dominique Booker 12-64; Tremayne Dameron 15-58; Blair Peterson 1-4; Tommy Chroniger 5-(3); Peter Athens 3-(4); TEAM 1-(25).

PASSING: UNH - Kevin Decker 11-19-0 140; Josh Vick 1-1-0 9. **Towson** - Peter Athens 7-20-5 67; Blair Peterson 2-6-1 40; Tommy Chroniger 0-2-0 0; Dominique Booker 0-1-0 0.

RECEIVING: UNH - Scott Sicko 3-25; Mickey Mangieri 3-14; J.T. Wright 2-61; Chris Jeannot 2-8; Sean Jellison 1-32; Kevon Mason 1-9. **Towson** - Alex Blake 3-30; Erron Banks 2-42; Hakeem Moore 2-6; Tom Ryan 1-18; David Newsom 1-11.

INTERCEPTIONS: UNH - Kyle Flemings 2-0; Ryan McGuinness 1-96; Dino Vasso 1-31; Terrence Klein 1-0; Hugo Souza 1-0.

Attendance: 8,026.

2009 Towson University Football Game Notes

Oct. 10 - Tigers 36, Rhode Island 28

KINGSTON, R.I. - With the Tigers clinging to a 29-28 lead and less than seven minutes remaining, freshman quarterback **Peter Athens** made the biggest play of his young career. As a result, the Tigers (2-3, 1-1) pulled out a 36-28 Colonial Athletic Association victory over the University of Rhode Island (1-4, 0-2) at Meade Stadium.

Faced with a fourth down-and-two at the Rams' 35-yard line, Athens rolled to his right, found his receivers covered and kept the ball. After breaking a tackle, he burst into the open and dove into the end zone for a 35-yard touchdown run. When **Marc Magas** added the extra point, the Tigers owned a 36-28 lead with 6:50 remaining in the game.

"This was a great team win," said Athens.

Peter Athens ran for 74 yards and a touchdown at URI.



"The offensive line did a great job all day and I got some blocks that sprung me into the open. I was just trying to pick up the first down. I was trying to run as fast as I could because I knew there were a bunch of guys chasing me."

In the final minutes, the Rams drove into Towson territory. But when junior cornerback **Ollie Thomas** tackled quarterback **D.J. Stefkovich** on a fourth down run at the Tigers' 25-yard line with 46 seconds left, the Tigers had a rare road win. The victory ended Towson's 13-game losing streak on the road. It was the Tigers' first road win since a 28-21 win at Morgan State on September 8, 2007.

"This was a tremendous team victory," said **Rob Ambrose**, the Tigers' first-year

coach. "Everyone contributed - our offense, our defense and our special teams. We have a lot of injuries and we had to play some people in different spots. When we had some more injuries during the game, we were forced to improvise. So we needed something from everyone."

The Tigers opened the game by jumping out to a 20-0 lead midway through the first quarter as they took advantage of two URI turnovers.

On the Tigers' second play, Athens threw a sideline pass to wide receiver **Hakeem Moore**. Moore eluded the first URI defensive back and raced down the sidelines for a 78-yard touchdown, giving Towson a 6-0 lead just 50 seconds into the game. Magas missed the conversion kick and the score remained at 6-0.

On the Rams' first possession, safety **Josh McCants** sacked Stefkovich and forced a fumble. Sophomore **Rob Osborne** recovered at the URI 34-yard line to give Towson great field position.

After Athens scrambled for 14 yards, a pass interference penalty in the end zone gave Towson a first down at the five-yard line. On the next play, **Tremayne Dameron** ran around the right end for five yards and a touchdown. When Magas converted, Towson had a 13-0 lead.

Moments later, the Tigers came up with another turnover when Stefkovich fumbled and linebacker **Danzel White** recovered at the URI 29-yard line. For the third straight time, the Tigers drove for a touchdown, marching 29 yards in six plays. Dameron's three-yard run with 7:21 left in the first quarter gave Towson a 20-0 lead.

It was quite a turnaround from the previous week when Towson trailed New Hampshire by 30-0 midway through the first quarter.

Trailing by 20-0, URI wasted no time getting back in the game. A 25-yard kickoff return by **Robenson Alexis** gave the Rams great field position. Three plays later, running back **Ayo Isijola** ran off left tackle and sprinted toward the end zone for a 48-yard touchdown run. **Louis Feinstein's** conversion cut the deficit to 20-7.

A penalty on the ensuing kickoff backed the Tigers up deep in their own territory. Punting from his own end zone, **Bill Shears** got his kick away and it rolled dead at the Towson 37-yard line. After the defense held URI, the Rams went for it on fourth down. Stefkovich avoided a blitz and fired a 35-yard TD pass to **Shawn Leonard**. The Rams trailed by 20-14 with 3:06 left in a high-scoring first quarter.

Late in the quarter, a fumble by Isijola was recovered by safety **Ray White**, giving the Tigers another great chance at the Rams' 23-yard line. On fourth down, Athens threw a pass to **Erron Banks** in the end zone. Banks fell and a penalty flag was thrown for an apparent pass interference. After a brief conference, the officials changed the call and

waved off the penalty costing Towson a chance to pad its lead.

Midway through the second quarter, a 22-yard punt return by **Jeremy Gardner** set up the Tigers at the Rams' 42-yard line. On first down, wide receiver **Tom Ryan** made a brilliant one-handed catch at the URI six. On the next play, Dameron burst up the middle for a six-yard TD run, his third of the game. When the two-point conversion failed, Towson had a 26-14 lead with 4:06 left in the first half.

Just before halftime, **Jarrod Williams** intercepted a pass and returned it to the Towson eight. Then, Stefkovich threw his second TD pass, a 7-yarder to Leonard, cutting the lead to 26-21 with 1:25 left.

With their lead trimmed to 26-21, the Tigers got another break. Feinstein's kickoff went out-of-bounds and the Tigers were awarded the ball at their own 40-yard line. Athens led a 50-yard drive which included a 25-yard pass to **Casey Cegles**. When the drive stalled, Magas kicked the first field goal of his career, a 27-yarder, giving Towson a 29-21 lead at halftime.

On the opening drive of the third quarter, the Rams marched 61 yards in ten plays to cut their deficit to 29-28. Stefkovich's third TD pass of the game, a six-yard toss to **Joe Migliarese**, capped off the drive.

But, the Tiger defense stiffened and shut out the Rams the rest of the way. On URI's last four possessions, the Tigers forced three punts and held URI on downs.

Linebackers **Alex Butt** and **Danzel White** paced the Tiger defense with eight tackles each while safety **Danny Collins** made six tackles.

Making his fifth start, Athens completed 11 of 21 passes for a career high 188 yards and a TD. He also ran for 74 yards and a TD.

Moore caught four passes for 91 yards, including his career long 78-yard touchdown reception. He also returned two kickoffs for 78 yards, giving him 169 all-purpose yards.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Final
Towson (2-3, 1-1)	20	9	0	7	36
Rhode Island (1-4, 0-2)	14	7	7	0	28

SCORING SUMMARY

TOW - Hakeem Moore, 78 pass from Peter Athens. (14:10 1st - 2 plays, 80 yds., 0:50). Marc Magas kick failed.

TOW - Tremayne Dameron, 5 run. (11:31 1st - 2 plays, 34 yds., 0:43). Marc Magas kick.

TOW - Tremayne Dameron, 3 run. (7:21 1st - 6 plays, 29 yds., 2:54). Marc Magas kick.

URI - Ayo Isijola, 48 run. (6:03 1st - 3 plays, 63 yds., 1:12). Louis Feinstein kick.

URI - Shawn Leonard, 35 pass from D.J. Stefkovich. (3:06 1st - 4 plays, 37 yds., 1:36). Louis Feinstein kick.

TOW - Tremayne Dameron, 6 run. (4:06 2nd - 2 plays, 42 yds., 0:39). Run failed.

URI - Shawn Leonard, 7 pass from D.J. Stefkovich. (1:30 2nd - 3 plays, 8 yds., 0:44). Louis Feinstein kick.

TOW - Marc Magas, 27 field goal. (0:17 2nd - 8 plays, 50 yds., 1:08).

URI - Joe Migliarese, 6 pass from D.J. Stefkovich. (9:31 3rd - 10 plays, 71 yds., 5:16). Louis Feinstein kick.

TOW - Peter Athens, 35 run. (6:50 4th - 7 plays, 54 yds., 3:34). Marc Magas kick.

TEAM STATS	TOWSON	RHODE ISLAND
First Downs	15	15
Rushes-Net Yards	37-135	42-166
Passing Yards	188	163
Passes Att-Com-Int	21-11-2	20-11-0
Total Offense	323	329
Punt Rets.-Yds.	3-21	0-0
Kickoff Rets.-Yds.	3-99	6-113
Interceptions-Ret. Yds.	0-0	2-29
Punts-Avg.	5-34.0	6-38.5
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	4-3
Penalties-Yds.	8-52	7-63
Possession Time	27:47	32:13
Sacks By: No.-Yds.	1-7	3-18

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES:

RUSHING: Towson - Peter Athens 13-74; Dominique Booker 8-37; Tremayne Dameron 14-34; Hakeem Moore 1-(1); TEAM 1-(9). URI - Ayo Isijola 15-100; Anthony Ferrer 18-78; Ryan Lawrence 2-6; TEAM 1-(1); D.J. Stefkovich 6-(17).

PASSING: Towson - Peter Athens 11-21-2 188. URI - D.J. Stefkovich 11-20-0 163.

RECEIVING: Towson - Hakeem Moore 4-91; David Newsom 3-19; Tom Ryan 2-50; Casey Cegles 1-25; Dominique Booker 1-3. URI - Shawn Leonard 4-96; David Wilson 2-23; Joe Bellini 1-18; Tom Lang 1-14; Nick Del Grosso 1-9; Joe Migliarese 1-6; Ayo Isijola 1-(3).

INTERCEPTIONS: URI - Jarrod Williams 2-29.

Attendance: 3,314.

2009 Towson University Football Game Notes

Oct. 17 - #23 Delaware 49, Tigers 21

TOWSON, Md. - Exploding for 28 points in the second quarter, 23rd-ranked Delaware (5-2, 3-2) built a 35-0 halftime lead and ruined the Tigers' (2-4, 1-2) Homecoming with a 49-21 Colonial Athletic Association victory over the Tigers before a rain-soaked crowd of 6,026 at Johnny Unitas® Stadium.

The Blue Hens, who scored on the last play of the first half and the opening kickoff of the second half, extended their lead to 49-0 after three quarters before holding off Towson in the fourth quarter.

"We are disappointed in the result but we are pleased with the effort," said Towson Coach **Rob Ambrose**. "We were behind by 49 points in the fourth quarter, it was cold and wet, and most of the crowd had left. But we amped it up in the fourth quarter, created some turnovers and scored three touchdowns. That makes me very proud."

Early in the fourth quarter, sophomore safety **Danny Collins** of Towson recovered a fumble at the 50-yard line. Led by freshman tailback **Dominique Booker**, the

Tigers marched 50 yards for their first touchdown of the game. Booker scored his first career TD on a one-yard run to cut the deficit to 49-7 with 10:30 remaining in the game.

Midway through the fourth quarter, freshman quarterback **Tommy Chroniger** broke loose for a 71-yard run, giving the Tigers a first down at the Delaware 12-yard line. Four plays later, Chroniger scored the first touchdown of his career on a five-yard run to make it a 49-14 game.

On Delaware's first play after the kickoff, linebacker **Chris Patterson** recovered a fumble at the Blue Hens' 44-yard line. Six plays later, freshman **Tremayne Dameron** scored his fifth touchdown of the season on a five-yard run. Dameron's touchdown pulled Towson to within 49-21 with 2:33 remaining.

While Towson outscored Delaware by 21-0 in the fourth quarter, the Blue Hens dominated the first three quarters and built a 49-0 lead.

"Having a 49-point lead in a CAA game is very unusual," admitted Delaware Coach **K.C. Keeler**. "But we played really well and the whole thing came together. I told our team to smile and enjoy it."

The Blue Hens rushed for 204 yards in the win and piled up 331 yards of total offense.

Despite the cold, rainy conditions, the Blue Hens took a lead on their opening drive of the game. Taking advantage of two defensive penalties against Towson, they marched 80 yards for a touchdown that gave them a 7-0 lead with 6:59 left in the first quarter. Quarterback **Pat Devlin** directed the drive and picked up 24 yards on two rushing attempts. Freshman running back **Leon Jackson** capped off the drive with a two-yard run, giving the Blue Hens a 7-0 lead.

On Towson's second possession, quarterback **Peter Athens** ran for 13 yards to the Tiger 42-yard line. Athens was injured on the play and did not return. He was replaced by sophomore **Blair Peterson**.

Early in the second quarter, a punt by Delaware's **Ed Wagner** pinned the Tigers back at their one-yard line. On fourth down, punter **Bill Shears** shanked a punt under pressure. Delaware took possession at the Towson 26-yard line after the short punt.

Wasting no time, Devlin fired a 26-yard touchdown pass down the middle to senior **Mark Duncan**, giving the Blue Hens a 14-0 lead with 12:57 left in the second quarter.

On their next possession, the Blue Hens drove 64 yards in eight plays. Jackson's touchdown run made it 21-0 with 7:11 left in the half.

Late in the half, quarterback **Brian Potts** hooked up with **Hakeem Moore** on a 37-yard pass play to move the ball to the Blue Hens' 30-yard line. However, **Anthony Bratton** intercepted a pass at the Delaware five-yard line and returned it 37 yards with 1:05 left.

Once again, Devlin took advantage of the excellent field position and threw a 43-yard TD pass to Duncan, giving Delaware a 28-0 lead with 42 seconds remaining in the first half.

But the Blue Hens weren't finished with their first half scoring. On the



Dominique Booker ran for 66 yards and a touchdown against Delaware.

final play of the half, Potts threw deep toward the end zone. Defensive back **Charles Graves** intercepted at the 10-yard line and returned it 90 yards for a touchdown, putting Delaware ahead by 35-0 at halftime.

Any hopes of a Towson comeback were dashed on the opening kickoff of the second half. Senior **Jerry Butler** took the kickoff at the Blue Hens' 11-yard line and returned it 89 yards for a touchdown and a 42-0 advantage. It marked the second year in a row that Butler returned a kickoff for a TD against Towson.

Midway through the third period, Delaware marched 66 yards on 13 plays for its final touchdown. Jackson's third TD of the game, a one-yard run, completed a drive that ate up 8:24 of the game clock and put the Blue Hens ahead, 49-0.

"Towson is growing through some growing pains right now," said Keeler. "When you're building a program, these things will happen. But I'm sure Rob (Ambrose) will get it done. His brother, Jared, was an assistant coach for me the last two years and now he's here at Towson. I know he's going to help them get things going."

"Towson can be a hidden gem in the CAA," he added. "They've got a beautiful campus and some great facilities."

The Tigers, who ran for a season high 231 yards, were led by Chroniger, who ran for 97 yards on 11 carries despite playing just the second half. Chroniger's single game total broke the school record for rushing yards by a Tiger quarterback.

Butler led Delaware by rushing for 82 yards on 13 carries. Jackson, who scored three touchdowns, ran for 52 yards on 17 tries. Devlin completed 9 of 15 passes for 127 yards and two touchdowns. He also ran for 49 yards.

Cornerback **Jeremy Gardner** led Towson with a game high 12 tackles while **Ollie Thomas** and **Danzel White** had seven tackles each.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Final
Delaware (5-2, 3-2)	7	28	14	0	49
Towson (2-4, 1-2)	0	0	0	21	21

SCORING SUMMARY

DEL - Leon Jackson, 2 run. (6:59 1st - 11 plays, 80 yds., 4:28). Jon Striefsky kick.
DEL - Mark Duncan, 26 pass from Pat Devlin. (12:57 2nd - 1 play, 26 yds., 0:04).
Jon Striefsky kick.

DEL - Leon Jackson, 2 run. (7:11 2nd - 8 plays, 64 yds., 4:10). Jon Striefsky kick.
DEL - Mark Duncan, 43 pass from Pat Devlin. (0:42 2nd - 3 plays, 58 yds., 0:23).
Jon Striefsky kick.

DEL - Charles Graves, 90 interception return. (0:00 2nd). Jon Striefsky kick.
DEL - Jerry Butler, 89 kickoff return. (14:46 3rd). Jon Striefsky kick.

DEL - Leon Jackson, 1 run. (1:43 3rd - 13 plays, 66 yds., 8:24). Jon Striefsky kick.
TOW - Dominique Booker, 1 run. (10:30 4th - 7 plays, 50 yds., 3:05). Marc Magas kick.

TOW - Tommy Chroniger, 5 run. (5:15 4th - 5 plays, 83 yds., 2:51). Marc Magas kick.

TOW - Tremayne Dameron, 5 run. (2:33 4th - 6 plays, 44 yds., 2:15). Marc Magas kick.

TEAM STATS	DELAWARE	TOWSON
First Downs	17	15
Rushes-Net Yards	39-204	40-231
Passing Yards	127	91
Passes Att-Com-Int	16-9-0	26-9-2
Total Offense	331	322
Punt Rets.-Yds.	2-1	1(-4)
Kickoff Rets.-Yds.	4-156	7-136
Interceptions-Ret. Yds.	2-127	0-0
Punts-Avg.	4-39.2	5-35.6
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	2-0
Penalties-Yds.	7-57	8-80
Possession Time	27:40	32:20
Sacks By: No.-Yds.	4-24	0-0

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES:

RUSHING: **Delaware** - Jerry Butler 13-82; Leon Jackson 17-52; Pat Devlin 4-49; Tim Donnelly 3-24; David Hayes 1-2; TEAM 1-(5). **Towson** - Tommy Chroniger 11-97; Dominique Booker 10-66; Tremayne Dameron 11-31; Peter Athens 2-25; Brian Potts 3-12; Blair Peterson 3-0.

PASSING: **Delaware** - Pat Devlin 9-15-0 127; Tim Donnelly 0-1-0 0. **Towson** - Peter Athens 2-5-0 16; Blair Peterson 1-3-0 4; Brian Potts 4-11-2 46; Tommy Chroniger 2-7-0 25.

RECEIVING: **Delaware** - Mark Duncan 6-99; Mark Mackey 2-11; Nihja White 1-17. **Towson** - Hakeem Moore 3-52; David Newsom 2-15; Tremayne Dameron 2-15; Casey Cegles 2-9.

INTERCEPTIONS: **Delaware** - Charles Graves 1-90; Anthony Bratton 1-37.

Attendance: 6,026.

Oct. 24 - Northeastern 27, Tigers 7

BOSTON, Mass. - Determined to end a 13-game losing streak, Northeastern University (1-6, 1-3) took advantage of a pair of early mistakes by the Tigers (2-5, 1-3) to take a quick 14-0 lead and went on to post a 27-7 Colonial Athletic Association victory over Towson at rainy Parsons Field.

While winning their first game since October 4, 2008, the Huskies held Towson to a total of eight rushing yards and ruined the first career start by freshman quarterback **Tommy Chroniger**. Chroniger was starting due to a season-ending knee injury suffered by **Peter Athens** in Towson's loss to Delaware.

Once the Huskies got their quick 14-0 lead, junior tailback **John Griffin** helped them protect it. Griffin, who ran for only 325 yards in the first six games of the season, rushed for a career high 200 yards on 29 carries against Towson. In the first half alone, he picked up 166 yards on 11 carries. He became the first opposing running back to run for 100 yards against Towson this season.



Romale Tucker had 10 tackles at Northeastern.

"My hat's off to Northeastern," said Towson Coach **Rob Ambrose**. "It says so much about this conference that an 0-6 team plays like that. They played hard and they played physical. That was the difference in the game."

The injury-riddled Tigers went into the game with a revamped offensive line. With junior center **Steve Jordan** sidelined after making 20 consecutive starts, **Colin Bass** made his first start. Sophomore **John Esposito**, who started at guard the last two weeks, made his first start at left tackle while sophomore **Dan Hurley** and junior **Chris Ritter** were the team's starting guards.

After **Steven Murray Sesay** returned the opening kickoff to the Towson 42-yard line, the Tiger defense held the Huskies on downs. The series was highlighted by a sack from linebacker **Romale Tucker**.

On the Tigers' second possession, Northeastern's defense came up with the first break of the contest. Facing third-and-ten at his own 27-yard line, Chroniger tried to set up a screen pass. Under heavy pressure from linebacker **Kyle Hunte**, he threw a pass intended for **Tremayne Dameron** on the left side. Nose guard **Mike Lukenda** intercepted the pass at the 20-yard line and rumbled into the end zone for the first touchdown of the game. When **Mat Johnson** made his conversion kick, the Huskies led by 7-0 with 8:35 left in the first quarter.

"That pick that Tommy threw hurt us," admitted Ambrose. "We came out on the field with the intention of getting off to a good start and playing with enthusiasm. That blew a hole in our plan to start fast."

On the ensuing possession, a holding penalty negated a 21-yard run by Dameron and the Tigers were forced to punt from their own 23-yard line. However, a bad snap prevented **Bill Shears** from getting the punt away and the Huskies took over at the Towson ten-yard line.

Northeastern wasted no time taking advantage of its good fortune. On the first play, tailback **Elijah Harris** ran around right end for a TD, giving Northeastern a 14-0 lead with 5:56 left in the first quarter.

Midway through the second period, Griffin broke loose for a 70-yard touchdown run to give the Huskies a 21-0 lead.

Trailing by 21-0, the Tigers were looking for an offensive spark. Junior **Jeremy Jayne** came into the game at quarterback and completed his first two passes. It was the first action for Jayne in his career.

His 33-yard pass to senior **David Newsom** moved the Tigers deep into Northeastern territory. After a pass interference penalty in the end zone, the Tigers had a first down at the two-yard line. But the Northeastern defense rose to the challenge. On first down, **Dominique Booker** was thrown for an eight-yard loss. On second down, Jayne was sacked by Hunte for a 14-yard loss.

On fourth down, freshman **Marc Magas** tried a 41-yard field goal. His kick was wide to the right and the Tigers' best scoring opportunity of the half was turned away.

Late in the second quarter, Griffin broke loose for a 53-yard run to the Towson 15-yard line. With 26 seconds left in the first half, Johnson kicked a 32-yard field goal to give the Huskies a 24-0 lead at intermis-

sion. It was Northeastern's first field goal of the year.

In the third quarter, the Tigers were faced with a fourth down-and-three from their own 26-yard line and Coach Ambrose decided to go for it. His faith was rewarded when Jayne completed a short pass over the middle to Newsom. Newsom broke loose and ran for 71 yards before he was tackled at the Northeastern 7-yard line.

Two plays later, Jayne hooked up with senior tight end **John Godlasky** for a six-yard TD pass. Magas' conversion cut Towson's deficit to 24-7 with 7:05 left in the third quarter.

The Huskies responded by driving deep into Towson territory. A false start penalty and sack by **Yaky Ibia** and **Marcus Valentine** pushed the Huskies back to the 18-yard line. Johnson gave the Huskies a 27-7 lead when he kicked his second field goal, a 35-yarder with 1:14 remaining in the third period.

From that point on, the Tigers had a hard time generating any offense.

"We put Jeremy Jayne in the game to try and get the offense moving," said Coach Ambrose. "He earned a chance to play with his hard work in practice. He did some good things but he also made some critical mistakes."

"He is the fifth quarterback we've used this season," said Ambrose. "So, obviously that's been a problem area for us."

Jayne, who transferred from Temple, completed 14 of 31 passes for 170 yards and one TD. However, he threw three interceptions.

Led by **Darryl Jones**, who had two interceptions, Northeastern intercepted five passes in the game.

Griffin led the Huskies with 200 rushing yards as Northeastern ran for 233 yards against Towson. The Huskies' 223 rushing yards were the most allowed by Towson in a game all year. The previous high was 221 yards by Northwestern in the season opener.

Tucker led the Tiger defense with a career high 10 tackles. He also had a sack and a forced fumble. **Danzel White**, another "red shirt" freshman linebacker, made nine tackles while senior **Brady Smith** had six tackles and a fumble recovery.

The Tigers dropped to 0-5 all-time at Parsons Field.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Final
Towson (2-5, 1-3)	0	0	7	0	7
Northeastern (1-6, 1-3)	14	10	3	0	27

SCORING SUMMARY

NE - Mike Lukenda, 20 interception return. (8:35 1st). Mat Johnson kick.
 NE - Elijah Harris, 10 run. (5:56 1st - 1 play, 10 yds., 0:11). Mat Johnson kick.
 NE - John Griffin, 70 run. (7:07 2nd - 3 plays, 86 yds., 1:12). Mat Johnson kick.
 NE - Mat Johnson, 32 field goal. (0:26 2nd - 7 plays, 61 yds., 1:43).
 TOW - John Godlasky, 6 pass from Jeremy Jayne. (7:05 3rd - 6 plays, 81 yds., 2:15). Marc Magas kick.
 NE - Mat Johnson, 35 field goal. (1:14 3rd - 11 plays, 44 yards, 5:42).

TEAM STATS	TOWSON	NORTHEASTERN
First Downs	11	11
Rushes-Net Yards	27-8	44-233
Passing Yards	202	92
Passes Att-Com-Int	42-15-5	18-12-0
Total Offense	210	325
Punt Rets.-Yds.	2(-2)	1-5
Kickoff Rets.-Yds.	5-85	2-68
Interceptions-Ret. Yds.	0-0	5-41
Punts-Avg.	5-37.6	6-29.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yds.	4-30	6-44
Possession Time	25:29	34:31
Sacks By: No.-Yds.	2-16	2-21

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES:

RUSHING: **Towson** - Tremayne Dameron 6-13; Dominique Booker 10-12; Tommy Chroniger 5-11; Hakeem Moore 1-3; TEAM 1-(13); Jeremy Jayne 4-(18). **Northeastern** - John Griffin 29-200; Alex Dulski 6-19; Elijah Harris 3-17; T.J. Strunk 3-2; Matt Carroll 1-0; TEAM 2-(5).

PASSING: **Towson** - Jeremy Jayne 14-31-3 170; Tommy Chroniger 1-8-1 32; Brian Potts 0-3-1 0. **Northeastern** - Alex Dulski 12-18-0 92.

RECEIVING: **Towson** - Tom Ryan 5-36; Hakem Moore 5-24; David Newsom 3-104; Casey Cegles 1-32; John Godlasky 1-6. **Northeastern** - Conor Gilmartin-Donohue 3-23; Jordan Batts 2-35; John Griffin 2-13; Lloyd Clarke 2-12; Ron Conway 2-10; T.J. Strunk 1-(1).

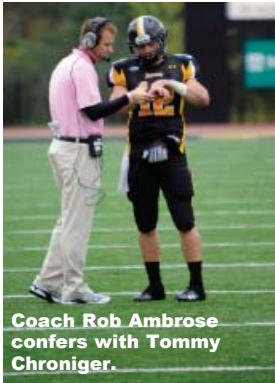
INTERCEPTIONS: **Northeastern** - Darryl Jones 2-0; Jocquez Fears 1-18; Mike Lukenda 1-20; Mike Laperriere 1-3.

Attendance: 1,920.

Oct. 31 - #1 Richmond 42, Tigers 14

TOWSON, Md. – Overcoming a surprising 14-13 deficit in the third quarter, top-ranked Richmond (8-0, 6-0) scored 22 points in a period of 2:33 as the Spiders avoided an upset bid by the Tigers (2-6, 1-4), handing them a 42-14 Colonial Athletic Association loss at Johnny Unitas® Stadium. With the win, the defending national champion Spiders extended their school record winning streak to 17 games in a row.

After falling behind in the opening minutes of the third quarter, the



Coach Rob Ambrose confers with Tommy Chroniger.

Spiders marched 62 yards in six plays to take a lead on a 10-yard touchdown run by senior **Justin Forte**, making it a 19-14 advantage. They upped the lead to 21-14 when quarterback **Eric Ward** completed a controversial two-point conversion pass to **Jordan Mitchell**.

On the conversion, Ward was nearly sacked by the Tigers' **Josh McCants**. From his knees, he threw a desperation pass into the end zone where Mitchell caught it. Coach **Rob Ambrose** complained that the play should have been whistled dead because Ward was down. The scoreboard replay confirmed his viewpoint.

Down by 21-14, Towson was backed by **Jeremy Gardner** fumbled a kickoff out of bounds at the 13-yard line. On fourth down, the Tigers tried a fake punt which was fumbled. Junior **Jonathan Mayfield** recovered the fumble at the three-yard line. On the next play, fullback **Kendall Gaskins** gave the Spiders a 28-14 lead when he scored on a 3-yard TD run.

With 6:15 left in the third period, cornerback **Tremayne Graham** picked off a pass and returned it 32 yards for a touchdown to give Richmond a 35-14 advantage. In just 153 seconds, the Tigers went from owning a 14-13 lead to trailing by 35-14.

While many of the 4,396 fans in attendance were surprised when Towson took a third quarter lead, Coach **Mike London** revealed his team wasn't concerned.

"When we fell behind, there was no panic on our sidelines," said London. "This is a mature team. We knew that if we remained calm and made some plays, we would be fine. All we had to do was execute."

After taking their 35-14 lead, the Spiders controlled the game. Late in the third period, they marched 80 yards in 11 plays. When Gaskins caught a 10-yard TD pass from Ward, Richmond owned a 42-14 advantage with 11:37 left in the game.

Although the final score showed a 42-14 win by Richmond, the outcome was in doubt for much of the game.

"I am extremely proud of our players and coaches," said Towson Coach **Rob Ambrose**. "For two-and-a-half quarters, we were doing what everyone thought was impossible. We were beating the number one team in the nation, a team that had won 16 games in a row."

He added, "Before the game, I told our team that 'nobody outside this locker room expects you to win this game. That makes you a very dangerous team. There's a lot of energy that comes from this situation.'"

On their first possession, Ward led the Spiders deep into Towson territory. Richmond reached the Towson 10-yard line when Ward completed an 18-yard pass to **Donte Boston**. Facing third-and-goal at the five-yard line, Ward was sacked by **Romale Tucker** and fumbled. Linebacker **Danzel White** recovered at the 13-yard line.

Led by the running of **Tremayne Dameron**, the Tigers drove to the Richmond 23-yard line and faced a fourth-and-one. Dameron ran up the middle trying for the first down but he was stopped inches short.

Inspired by their defensive stand, the Spiders marched upfield for the first touchdown of the game. Ward's 10-yard touchdown pass to tight end **William Bischoff** capped off a 77-yard, 13-play drive and gave Richmond a 7-0 lead with 10:42 left in the first half.

Hakeem Moore returned the ensuing kickoff to the Spiders' 41-yard line. He was headed for the end zone until place kicker **Wil Kamin** made a touchdown-saving tackle. Six plays later, Chroniger rolled to his right and threw a 19-yard touchdown pass to tight end **John Godlasky**, who was wide open in the end zone. When freshman **Marc Magas** converted, the score was tied at 7-7 with 8:27 left in the half.

The Spiders re-took a lead with a 77-yard, nine-play drive. Gaskins'

one-yard TD run gave Richmond a 13-7 edge. For only the third time in 182 career conversion tries, senior **Andrew Howard** missed the kick.

On the Spiders' first possession of the second half, a sack by **Frank Beltre** put them in a long yardage situation. On fourth down, **Brett Weigand** came in to punt. But, the center snap sailed well over his head. Weigand retreated to his 10-yard line and got off a short punt. **Erron Banks** picked up the ball at the Richmond 37-yard line and returned it three yards.

The Tigers got another break on fourth down when quarterback **Jeremy Jayne** threw an incomplete pass. But, **Darryl Hamilton** was called for a roughing-the-passer penalty gave Towson a first down at the Spiders' 14-yard line. It was the only penalty of the game.

Two plays later, Chroniger scrambled around right end and scored a touchdown on a 12-yard run. When Magas converted, the Tigers owned a 14-13 lead with 10:54 left in the third quarter.

But, from that point on, the game belonged to Richmond. Forte, who ran for 121 yards on 22 carries, capped off a 62-yard, six-play drive with a 10-yard TD run. Then, the Spiders took advantage of the Tigers' miscue on the fake punt and scored a quick touchdown.

"That fake part hurt us," admitted Ambrose. "We have been working on it for six weeks. But our long snapper got excited and his direct snap was too hard. So, one little mistake cost us seven points."

Ward completed 11 of 14 passes for 177 yards and two TD's. The Spiders piled up 420 yards of offense, including 243 yards rushing.

White led the Tiger defense with a career high 16 tackles. Sophomore **Danny Collins** had 12 tackles while Smith added nine tackles.

The Tigers were held to a season low 184 yards of total offense. In his second start, Chroniger ran for 20 yards and a touchdown. He also completed 6 of 13 passes for 38 yards and a TD.

In support of Cancer Awareness Month, the Tiger coaching staff wore pink shirts on the sidelines.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Final
Richmond (8-0, 6-0)	0	13	22	7	42
Towson (2-6, 1-4)	0	7	7	0	14

SCORING SUMMARY

RICH - William Bischoff, 10 pass from Eric Ward. (10:42 2nd - 13 plays, 77 yds., 6:16). Andrew Howard kick.

TOW - John Godlasky, 19 pass from Tommy Chroniger. (8:27 2nd- 6 plays, 41 yds., 2:07). Marc Magas kick.

RICH - Kendall Gaskins, 1 run. (7:07 2nd - 9 plays, 77 yds., 5:07). Kick failed.

TOW - Tommy Chroniger, 12 run. (10:54 3rd - 5 plays, 34 yds., 2:02).

Marc Magas kick.

RICH - Justin Forte, 10 run. (8:01 3rd - 6 plays, 62 yds., 2:49). Jordan Mitchell pass from Eric Ward.

RICH - Kendall Gaskins, 3 run. (6:15 3rd - 1 play, 3 yds, 0:04). Andrew Howard kick.

RICH - Tremayne Graham, 32 interception return. (5:28 3rd). Andrew Howard kick.

RICH - Kendall Gaskins, 10 pass from Eric Ward. (11:37 4th - 11 plays, 80 yds., 5:38). Andrew Howard kick.

TEAM STATS	RICHMOND	TOWSON
First Downs	24	10
Rushes-Net Yards	58-243	30-80
Passing Yards	177	84
Passes Att-Com-Int	14-11-0	19-10-1
Total Offense	420	164
Punt Rets.-Yds.	2-10	1-3
Interceptions-Ret. Yds.	1-32	0-0
Punts-Avg.	1(-12.0)	5-38.8
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	3-1
Penalties-Yds.	1-14	0-0
Possession Time	36:55	23:05
Sacks By: No.-Yds.	0-0	2-20

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES

RUSHING: **Richmond** - Justin Forte 22-121; Tyler Kirchoff 7-36; Garrett Wilkins 9-30; Kendall Gaskins 9-27; John Laub 2-22; Ben Keating 2-4; Eric Ward 6-20; TEAM 1-0. **Towson** - Tremayne Dameron 14-53; Tommy Chroniger 14-20; Jeremy Jayne 1-4; Brady Smith 1-3.

PASSING: **Richmond** - Eric Ward 11-14-0 177. **Towson** - Tommy Chroniger 6-13-1 38; Jeremy Jayne 4-6-0 46.

RECEIVING: **Richmond** - Donte Boston 3-74; Tre Gray 2-58; Jordan Mitchell 2-14; Kevin Grayson 1-18; William Bischoff 1-10; Kendall Gaskins 1-10; Garrett Wilkins 1-(-1). **Towson** - John Godlasky 3-39; Casey Cegles 3-24; Hakeem Moore 2-10; Tom Ryan 1-6; David Newsom 1-5.

INTERCEPTIONS: **Richmond** - Tremayne Graham 1-32.

Attendance: 4,396.

Nov. 7 - #5 William & Mary 31, Tigers 0

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. – With an offense severely depleted by injuries to the offensive line, Coach **Rob Ambrose** knew that yardage would be hard to generate when the Tigers faced #5 William & Mary in a Colonial Athletic Association game at Walter Zable Stadium.

With a struggling offense, Towson was facing the best defense in the CAA, a unit that was allowing only 242.0 yards per game.

The Tribe defense lived up to its advance billing as William & Mary (8-1, 5-1) held the Tigers (2-7, 1-5) to a total of 201 yards while handing them their first shutout loss in more than three years, a 31-0 victory.

"With the inconsistency of the bodies we can place on the offensive line, it has created a large degree of inconsistency in our offense," said Coach Ambrose. "I will say this. The guys that we had available to play in the game played very hard and showed a lot of pride."

Already missing center **Steve Jordan**, tackle **Henry Glackin** and guard **John Esposito**, the Tigers lost senior right tackle **Dan Bridges** to an injury in the first quarter. Of the regular starters on the offensive line, only sophomore guard **Dan Hurley** was in the lineup and he was playing center.

The Tigers have been without quarterback **Peter Athens** due to a season-ending knee injury for three games. In an effort to generate some offense, Ambrose used

Danny Collins
made 12 tackles
at William & Mary.

three quarterbacks and used defensive linemen **Brady Smith** and **Rob Osborne** as extra blockers in short-yardage situations.

"It's no secret," admitted Ambrose. "We need better play from the quarterback position. When you see some of the mistakes we've been making, as a coach, there is no choice. You have to make a change."

Although freshman **Tommy Chroniger** started for the third week in a row, **Jeremy Jayne** and **Blair Peterson** also saw action.

However, it wasn't enough to overcome the Tribe. Quarterback **R.J. Archer** directed three long scoring drives to give William & Mary more than enough points to win the game.

On the first possession, the Tribe converted a fourth down when sophomore **Jonathan Grimes** ran for three yards into Towson territory. **Courtland Marriner**'s 17-yard run on a draw play put the Tribe at the Towson 30-yard line. But, the Tiger defense held, forcing a field goal attempt by **Brian Pate**. His 39-yard field goal gave William & Mary a 3-0 lead with 9:02 left in the first quarter.

On their next series, the Tigers had a fourth-and-one at their 29-yard line. Ambrose elected to go for the first down and sent Smith and Osborne into the game as extra blockers. But, **Tremayne Dameron** was thrown for a loss and the Tribe took over on downs.

Faced with a great scoring opportunity at the Towson 28, the Tribe ran into a fired-up defense. On first down, **Marcus Valentine** sacked Archer for a 9-yard loss. On third down, **Josh McCants** sacked him for an 8-yard loss to the Tiger 43-yard line and out of field goal range.

On its next series, the Tribe started at its own 32-yard line. The Tigers were about to force another punt when Archer overthrew **Terreon Conyers** at midfield on third down. However, safety **Ray White** was called for a personal foul penalty.

It was the first penalty against Towson in two weeks and gave William & Mary a first down at its 48-yard line. Archer's three-yard run on fourth down moved the ball to the Towson 40-yard line. With a third down-and-goal at the Towson eight-yard line, Archer scrambled into the end zone for a touchdown. Pate's extra point gave the Tribe a 10-0 lead with 10:29 left in the first half.

Midway through the second quarter, punter **Bill Shears** made a great play to pin the Tribe deep in its own territory. Punting from his 43-yard line, Shears took the snap and avoided the oncoming rush. He calmly sidestepped the would-be punt blocker, took two steps to his right and hit a punt that nailed the Tribe back at its own eight-yard line.

Once again, Archer directed an efficient 92-yard drive for a touchdown. He completed 2 passes for 58 yards, moving to the Tiger 17-yard line. Moments later, Grimes scored on a two-yard run with 3:13 left in the half, giving William & Mary a 17-0 lead.

The early part of the third quarter was a punting duel. The defenses were dominating play until midway through the period when Archer completed a 33-yard pass to **Cameron Dohse** on the far sideline, moving to the Towson 25-yard line. On the next play, Archer found **Eric Robertson** for a 25-yard TD pass, completing an 85-yard, six-play drive that gave William & Mary a 24-0 lead with 4:16 left in the third quarter.

Down by 24-0, the Tigers staged their most impressive drive of the game. After driving to the Tribe 47-yard line, Chroniger was sacked by **Bryan St. Pierre**, who forced a fumble. When **Adrian Tracy** recovered the fumble, the Tigers' drive was halted.

A sack by junior **Yaky Ibia** helped the Tigers get the ball back. **David Newsom**'s fair catch at the Towson 10-yard line gave the Tigers another scoring chance.

With Jayne and Chroniger alternating at quarterback, the Tigers drove deep into Tribe territory. Jayne's 23-yard pass to **Hakeem Moore** moved them to the Tribe's 21-yard line. A 7-yard pass from Jayne to Moore gave Towson a first down at the 9-yard line.

But, Chroniger's pass to Moore was intercepted by **Terrell Wells** at the two-yard line and he returned it to the 22-yard line.

William & Mary padded its lead with an 83-yard drive to take a 31-0 lead with 1:01 left. Marriner's 2-yard TD run sealed the win.

Although the Tiger defense played reasonably well, Ambrose said, "We played very hard on defense and made some good plays. But, we made too many mistakes and we couldn't get off the field. They had an 18-play drive in the second quarter and they had four long scoring drives where we gave up some big plays on third down."

"We did a great job on special teams and put them in some tough situations but we let them get out," he added.

Linebacker **Danzel White** led the Tigers with 12 tackles while safety **Danny Collins** also had 12 tackles. Cornerback **Jeremy Gardner** made 10 tackles. The Tiger defense recorded a seasonal high five sacks and made seven tackles for lost yardage.

The second-leading rusher in the CAA, Grimes ran for 91 yards on 21 carries and scored a touchdown. Marriner added 65 yards on nine carries as the Tribe ran for 147 yards.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Final
Towson (2-6, 1-4)	0	0	0	0	0
William & Mary (8-1, 5-1)	3	14	7	7	31

SCORING SUMMARY

W&M - Brian Pate, 39 field goal. (9:02 1st - 11 plays, 57 yds., 4:28).
 W&M - R.J. Archer, 8 run. (10:29 2nd- 18 plays, 68 yds., 7:05). Brian Pate kick.
 W&M - Jonathan Grimes, 2 run. (3:13 2nd - 8 plays, 92 yds., 4:09). Brian Pate kick.
 W&M - Eric Robertson, 25 pass from R.J. Archer. (4:16 3rd - 6 plays, 85 yds., 2:30). Brian Pate kick.
 W&M - Courtney Marriner, 2 run. (1:01 4th - 11 plays, 83 yds., 5:00). Brian Pate kick.

TEAM STATS	TOWSON	WILLIAM & MARY
First Downs	11	22
Rushes-Net Yards	29-72	42-147
Passing Yards	129	249
Passes Att-Com-Int	29-15-2	30-17-0
Total Offense	201	396
Punt Rets.-Yds.	1-3	3-6
Interceptions-Ret. Yds.	0-0	2-23
Punts-Avg.	6-40.7	6-32.7
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yds.	3-30	5-40
Possession Time	27:38	32:22
Sacks By: No.-Yds.	5-35	2-8

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES:

RUSHING: **Towson** - Tremayne Dameron 11-49; Dominique Booker 7-9; David Newsom 1-7; Hakeem Moore 1-5; Alex Blake 1-3; Tommy Chroniger 8-(1). **W&M** - Jonathan Grimes 21-91; Courtney Marriner 9-65; Terrence Riggins 3-5; R.J. Archer 9-(14).

PASSING: **Towson** - Tommy Chroniger 6-12-2 43; Jeremy Jayne 9-16-0 86; Blair Peterson 0-1-0 0. **W&M** - R.J. Archer 14-26-0 206; Terrance Schmand 3-4-0 43.

RECEIVING: **Towson** - Hakeem Moore 4-54; Tremayne Dameron 3-2; Paul Stefanik 2-11; Dominique Booker 1-17; Erron Banks 1-15; Tom Ryan 1-10; John Godlasky 1-9; Alex Blake 1-7; David Newsom 1-4. **W&M** - Rob Varno 4-70; Chase Hill 4-48; Jonathan Grimes 3-11; Cameron Dohse 2-52; Eric Robertson 2-48; Terreon Conyers 1-12; Courtney Marriner 1-8.

INTERCEPTIONS: **W&M** - Terrell Wells 1-20; Jake Trantin 1-3.

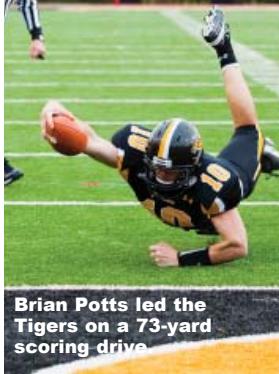
Attendance: 8,037.

Nov. 14 - #3 Villanova 49, Tigers 7

TOWSON, Md. – After avoiding an upset bid by Towson in a similar spot last season, #3 Villanova was very focused entering its Colonial Athletic Association game with the Tigers at Johnny Unitas® Stadium.

Mindful of the possibilities of an upset, the Wildcats (9-1, 6-1) wasted no time in taking control of the game. They scored on all five first half possessions en route to a 49-7 victory over the Tigers (2-8, 1-6), spoiling the Tigers' home finale.

"Coming off our emotional win over Richmond last week, I wasn't sure how much energy we'd have for this game," said Villanova Coach **Andy Talley**. "I was concerned because Towson plays hard. I know they've had a lot of injuries but they really come at you on defense and they hit hard."



Brian Potts led the Tigers on a 73-yard scoring drive.

"Even when we came out on the field, I didn't feel a lot of emotion," he added. "We just took care of business and made some big plays. Those big plays really put us in a great position to win."

Talley remarked, "Our players love to play here. It's a great facility and there is a great atmosphere. Towson has a great band and our kids love the video board. It won't be long before Coach (Rob) Ambrose gets this program turned around. The facilities are tremendous and this school has a great location. In the near future, this program is going to be very good."

The Tigers, who honored 14 seniors in pre-game ceremonies, entered the game shorthanded on the offensive line. For the ninth time, injuries forced them to start a different lineup.

On their first possession, the Wildcats drove 65 yards to take a 7-0 lead less than five minutes into the game. Wide receiver **Matt Szczur** ran around left end for 27 yards, giving the Wildcats a first down at the Towson 17-yard line. Then, tailback **Aaron Ball** gave the Wildcats a 7-0 lead when he scored on an eight-yard run.

An interception by **James Pitts** gave Villanova great field position at the Towson 34-yard line. At the Towson 13-yard line, the Wildcats used some trickery to increase their lead. Quarterback **Chris Whitney** handed off to Szczur, who ran to his right. Szczur stopped and threw the ball back to his left where he found Whitney wide open for a touchdown. Szczur's 13-yard TD pass gave Villanova a 14-0 advantage.

The Wildcats extended their lead to 21-0 with 26 seconds left in the quarter. Whitney capped off a 55-yard drive by throwing a 17-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver **Mikey Reynolds**.

In the second quarter, Villanova continued to dominate. With the help of a 15-yard penalty on Towson, the Wildcats had a first down at the Towson 40-yard line. Three plays later, Whitney increased the lead to 28-0 with a 24-yard TD pass to **Norman White**.

Midway through the second quarter, the Wildcats stopped the Tigers on a fourth down play at their 47-yard line. Led by reserve quarterback **Antwon Young**, the Wildcats marched 53 yards to up their lead to 35-0. Ball's four-yard touchdown run capped off the drive.

After a dominant first half, Villanova owned a 35-0 lead while piling up 252 yards while holding Towson to 89 yards and 8 first downs.

Midway through the third period, the Wildcats were pinned back at their 11-yard line after a 42-yard punt by **Bill Shears**. On third down-and-three at the 18-yard line, Young tried to pass and couldn't find anyone open. So, he kept the ball and ran upfield. He outran the Tigers to the end zone for a career long 82-yard TD run to make it a 42-0 lead.

On the next series, Shears came in to punt from the Tigers' 36-yard line. His punt was blocked by **Tony Canci**. **Kelvin Johnson** recovered the ball at the Tigers' 13-yard line. On the next play, **Lawrence Doss** scored the Wildcats' final TD on a 13-yard run. When **Nick Yako** converted, Villanova led by 49-0 with 8:12 left in the third quarter.

The Tigers finally scored on their next possession as quarterback **Brian Potts** led a 73-yard march. On the drive, Potts completed four straight passes for 45 yards, including a 27-yard throw to tight end **John Godlasky**. Potts ran for 25 yards on 3 carries, including a 14-yard run to the one-yard line. When **Tremayne Dameron** scored on a one-yard run with 2:47 left in the third quarter, the Tigers were on the scoreboard. **Marc Magas'** conversion cut the Wildcats' lead to 49-7.

The touchdown ended a Tiger scoring drought that lasted more than two games. It was their first points in 128:07 of play. Towson has not scored since a 12-yard TD run by **Tommy Chroniger** against Richmond on October 31.

After the Tigers scored, the Wildcats used their running game to control the clock. Villanova controlled the ball for 10 minutes of the fourth quarter to clinch the victory. Villanova ran for 282 yards, the highest single game total against Towson all year.

Linebacker **Terence Thomas** led Villanova with 10 tackles. The Wildcats had four sacks and made 11 tackles for lost yardage.

"I don't mean to disrespect any of the other teams we've played but, without a doubt, those guys (Villanova) are number one," said Towson Coach **Rob Ambrose**. "Andy Talley has built something very special over there and I'm sure that they are going to keep playing deep into December. That team is very scary. They run their offense very well and they are dangerous."

The injury-riddled Tigers played a top five FCS team for the third week in a row. But, Ambrose refused to use injuries as an excuse.

"As a coach, I don't care how mismatched we are," he said. "I don't care if we're playing Alabama. Quitting is not an option and it never will be here. If you don't give your best effort on every play, you don't get to wear our uniform. It's a 60-minute fight every week and we need to keep fighting on each play. I think we have a few guys who didn't do that and it will be addressed this week."

In addition to Godlasky and Shears, defensive lineman **Alex Avolio**, place kicker **Jon Boyer**, offensive tackle **Dan Bridges**, linebacker **Alex Butt**, wide receiver **Casey Cegles**, wide receiver **David Newsom**, quarterback **Blair Peterson**, defensive end **Brady Smith**, offensive tackle **Leon Stevenson**, wide receiver **Tamba Tongu** and tight end **Wes White** were honored in pre-game ceremonies.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Final
Villanova (9-1, 6-1)	21	14	14	0	49
Towson (2-8, 1-6)	3	14	7	7	7

SCORING SUMMARY

VILL - Aaron Ball, 8 run. (10:02 1st - 7 plays, 65 yds., 2:26).
 VILL - Chris Whitney, 13 pass from Matt Szczur. (5:40 1st - 4 plays, 34 yds., 1:40).
 Nick Yako kick.
 VILL - Mikey Reynolds, 17 pass from Chris Whitney. (0:26 1st - 7 plays, 55 yds., 3:31). Nick Yako kick.
 VILL - Norman White, 24 pass from Chris Whitney. (12:25 2nd - 3 plays, 40 yds., 1:19). Nick Yako kick.
 VILL - Aaron Ball, 4 run. (4:47 2nd - 9 plays, 53 yds., 4:22). Nick Yako kick.
 VILL - Antwon Young, 82 run. (9:22 3rd - 3 plays, 89 yds., 1:02). Nick Yako kick.
 VILL - Lawrence Doss, 13 run. (8:12 3rd - 1 play, 13 yds., 0:08). Nick Yako kick.
 TOW - Tremayne Dameron, 1 run. (2:47 3rd - 10 plays, 73 yds., 5:15). Marc Magas kick.

TEAM STATS	VILLANOVA	TOWSON
First Downs	22	15
Rushes-Net Yards	46-282	31-48
Passing Yards	148	177
Passes Att-Com-Int	14-11-0	33-21-1
Total Offense	430	225
Punt Rets.-Yds.	1-23	0-0
Interceptions-Ret. Yds.	1-16	0-0
Punts-Avg.	2-50.0	7-32.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties-Yds.	2-20	4-41
Possession Time	28:43	31:13
Sacks By: No.-Yds.	4-25	1-8

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES:

RUSHING: **Villanova** - Antwon Young 5-92; Matt Szczur 4-44; Lawrence Doss 10-41; Aaron Ball 8-34; Louis Adeyemi 5-23; Chris Whitney 4-21; Angelo Barbato 3-8; Chris Johnson 1-7; Dorian Wells 1-7; Tony Canci 1-5; Larry Jackson 1-3; TEAM 3-(-3). **Towson** - Tremayne Dameron 19-40; Brian Potts 10-7; Tommy Chroniger 2-1.

PASSING: **Villanova** - Chris Whitney 6-7-0 93; Antwon Young 4-6-0 42; Matt Szczur 1-1-0 13. **Towson** - Brian Potts 21-31-1 177; Blair Peterson 0-1-0 0; TEAM 0-1-0 0.

RECEIVING: **Villanova** - Norman White 2-42; Matt Szczur 2-20; Brandyn Harvey 1-18; Mikey Reynolds 1-17; Chris Farmer 1-15; Chris Whitney 1-13; Eric Predatsch 1-12; Dorian Wells 1-9; Kenny Miles 1-2. **Towson** - Casey Cegles 8-64; Tom Ryan 4-31; Hakeem Moore 4-27; John Godlasky 2-31; Tremayne Dameron 1-10; Tamba Tongu 1-9; David Newsom 1-5.

INTERCEPTIONS: **Villanova** - James Pitts 1-16.

Attendance: 5,339.

18 - Romale Tucker
6-4, 238 pounds
Freshman • Linebacker
Washington, D.C.
Ballou H.S.
Undeclared Major

Transfer from Syracuse University who joined the Tigers in the pre-season ... very talented linebacker who will see action at one of the outside linebacker positions ... was a "red shirt" at Syracuse ... recruited by Coach Rob Ambrose for the University of Connecticut ... joined the Tiger program during Pre-Season Practice.

BACKGROUND: Widely-recruited standout at Ballou High School ... earned All-Metro honors for Coach Moses Ware ... named as Pigskin All-American in 2006 as a senior for the Knights ... also named to All-League team as a junior and senior ... made 92 tackles as a senior, including 65 solo tackles ... also had ten quarterback sacks and intercepted a pass ... led Ballou to a 9-3 record and its first Turkey Bowl title ... made 98 tackles with 15 sacks as a junior ... also played basketball and ran track for the Knights ... originally made a verbal commitment to Virginia ... attended Milford Academy in New York for one year ... earned All-East honors from Prep Star in 2007.

PERSONAL: Has three younger brothers and one younger sister ... lists mother as the person he admires most ... favorite athlete is Brian Dawkins ... lists Chris Tucker as his favorite actor ... hobbies include playing video games ... favorite musician is Lil Wayne ... son of Angela Tucker and Keith Barnes ... first member of family to attend college ... born on February 8, 1989 in Washington, D.C.

97 - Marc Magas
6-0, 165 pounds
Freshman • Place Kicker
Damascus, Md.
Damascus H.S.
Undeclared Major

Former "walk on" who joined the Tigers in the pre-season ... impressed coaching staff with his leg strength ... became the Tigers' regular place kicker when Jon Boyer suffered a season-ending knee injury in early October ... does a great job

putting kickoffs into the end zone ... kicked first career field goal, a 27-yarder, in win at Rhode Island ... can also punt.

BACKGROUND: Two-time All-State first team pick as place kicker ... four-year kicker for the Hornets who helped them win state championships in 2005 and 2007 ... member of Hornets' state championship team as a freshman that was 14-0 ... helped Hornets earn four state playoff appearances and compile a 42-8 four-year record ... named All-Metro three times ... earned All-League and All-County honors three times ... set Maryland state scholastic record by converting 164 extra points in career, shattering mark of 142 set by Jon Dinkins (Hereford) ... selected to play in 2008 Crab Bowl at Unitas Stadium and helped D.C. All-Stars to a 32-21 win by kicking a 26-yard field goal ... went 3-for-3 on conversions in 2005 state championship game at M&T Bank Stadium... also member of the Knights' basketball team.

PERSONAL: Has three younger brothers ... lists parents as the people he admires most ... favorite athlete is Alex Ovechkin of the NHL's Washington Capitals ... lists Will Ferrell as his favorite actor ... favorite movie is "Stepbrothers" ... father graduated from Indiana (Pa.) University and works as an accountant ... mother works for an orthodontics supplier ... son of George and Cathy Magas ... born on May 30, 1991 in Rockville, Md.



#72 - Chuck Taylor
6-3, 324 pounds
Junior • Offensive Guard
Hamilton, N.J.
Hamilton East H.S.
Geography Major

Transfer from New Mexico State University where he was a two-year starter ... started 25 consecutive games for the Aggies ... joined Tigers' program in the pre-season and won battle for starting position at left guard ... who joined the Tigers in the pre-season ... one of the Tigers' biggest offensive linemen.

AT NEW MEXICO STATE: Starter in all 12 games as a sophomore ... helped the Aggies offense rank ninth in the nation in passing, averaging 301.3 yards per game ... also helped team rank 64th in total offense, averaging 355.6 yards a contest ... vital performer on line that allowed quarterback Chase Holbrook throw for 280 yards a game and rank 27th in the country in total offense ... helped Aggies average 22.2 points per game while posting seven games with over 300 yards passing as

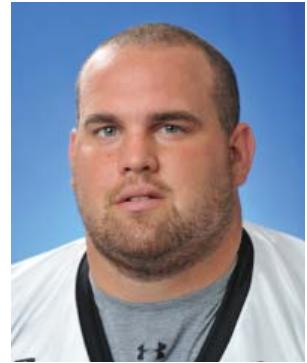


team posted a 3-9 record ... helped team pile up 486 yards against Louisiana Tech ... played in 13 games for the Aggies in 2007 as a true freshman ... helped the Aggie offense average 331.9 passing yards per game and 423.5 yards of total offense yards per game ... helped Aggie offense finish ninth in the nation in total offense and 33rd in passing offense. ... key part of an offensive line that gave up just 24 sacks on the season, a 16 sack improvement from 2006 (40) ... also helped Aggie quarterback Chase Holbrook finish ninth in

the nation in total offense with 322.6 yards per game.

BACKGROUND: Attended Fork Union Prep for two years ... led the team in pancake blocks both years ... had 21 pancake blocks in second season and 15 in his first year ... also saw some time on the defensive line, where he had nine tackles for loss, two sacks and two pass break-ups ... tallied 26 repetitions at 225 pounds in the bench press ... earned All-Colonial Valley Conference honors on offense and defense as a senior ... also named All-Area and All-County ... selected to play in the Sunshine Classic All-Star Game ... had 63 tackles as a senior ... made 24 solo tackles with four sacks, four forced fumbles, and 12 tackles for loss for Coach Frank Gatto ... named second team All-Area as a junior.

PERSONAL: Has two older brothers ... favorite athlete is Greg Louganis ... favorite movie is "Momma Mia" ... lists "The Notebook" as his favorite book ... favorite actor is Jennifer Love Hewitt ... enjoys listening to music by Seal ... spent time growing up in South America ... father is a graduate of Purdue University who works as a landscape architect ... son of Tom and Kate Taylor ... born on July 16, 1986 in Princeton, N.J.





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Team Statistics	TOWSON	OPP
SCORING	136	359
Points Per Game	13.6	35.9
FIRST DOWNS	134	174
Rushing	59	93
Passing	62	73
Penalty	13	8
RUSHING YARDAGE	1067	1759
Yards gained rushing	1370	2045
Yards lost rushing	303	286
Rushing Attempts	348	431
Average Per Rush	3.1	4.1
Average Per Game	106.7	175.9
TDs Rushing	10	23
PASSING YARDAGE	1443	1776
Att-Comp-Int	274-133-26	209-133-3
Average Per Pass	5.3	8.5
Average Per Catch	10.8	13.4
Average Per Game	144.3	177.6
TDs Passing	9	17
TOTAL OFFENSE	2510	3535
Total Plays	622	640
Average Per Play	4.0	5.5
Average Per Game	251.0	353.5
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	53-1045	32-741
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	16-98	19-93
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	3-50	26-407
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	19.7	23.2
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	6.1	4.9
INT RETURN AVERAGE	16.7	15.7
FUMBLES-LOST	14-5	14-11
PENALTIES-Yards	58-503	61-495
Average Per Game	50.3	49.5
PUNTS-Yards	52-1854	45-1513
Average Per Punt	35.7	33.6
Net punt average	33.1	30.1
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	28:56	31:04
3RD-DOWN Conversions	39/140	57/137
3rd-Down Pct	28%	42%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	10/26	12/20
4th-Down Pct	38%	60%
SACKS BY-Yards	18-129	23-149
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	19	47
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	2-5	8-8
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	16-24 67%	34-39 87%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	14-24 58%	28-39 72%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	16-18 89%	45-46 98%
ATTENDANCE	31415	35435
Games/Avg Per Game	5/6283	5/7087
Neutral Site Games		0/0

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Towson	33	37	31	35	0	136
Opponents	112	129	90	28	0	359



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Rushing	gp-gs	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Tremayne Dameron	10-8	153	547	26	521	3.4	6	35	52.1
Dominique Booker	9-0	55	250	32	218	4.0	1	23	24.2
Tommy Chroniger	10-3	59	217	63	154	2.6	2	71	15.4
Peter Athens	6-6	31	197	65	132	4.3	1	35	22.0
B.J. Greening	1-0	9	35	0	35	3.9	0	13	35.0
Brian Potts	4-0	13	53	34	19	1.5	0	14	4.8
Paul Stefanik	10-1	5	18	0	18	3.6	0	6	1.8
David Newsom	10-9	2	12	0	12	6.0	0	7	1.2
Hakeem Moore	8-1	3	8	1	7	2.3	0	5	0.9
Blair Peterson	4-1	4	15	11	4	1.0	0	11	1.0
Damien Kinchen	6-0	3	5	2	3	1.0	0	5	0.5
Alex Blake	10-1	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	0.3
Brady Smith	10-10	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	0.3
Tony Zaccarelli	7-4	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.1
Jeremy Jayne	3-0	5	7	21	-14	-2.8	0	4	-4.7
TEAM	6-0	3	0	47	-47	-15.7	0	0	-7.8
Total	10	348	1370	303	1067	3.1	10	71	106.7
Opponents	10	431	2045	286	1759	4.1	23	82	175.9
Passing	gp-gs	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g	
Peter Athens	6-6	100.75	59-112-12	52.7	691	6	78	115.2	
Jeremy Jayne	3-0	93.71	27-53-3	50.9	302	1	67	100.7	
Tommy Chroniger	10-3	57.94	19-50-6	38.0	183	2	32	18.3	
Brian Potts	4-0	79.40	25-45-4	55.6	223	0	37	55.8	
Blair Peterson	4-1	42.69	3-11-1	27.3	44	0	36	11.0	
TEAM	6-0	0.00	0-2-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	
Dominique Booker	9-0	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	
Total	10	84.64	133-274-26	48.5	1443	9	78	144.3	
Opponents	10	158.99	133-209-3	63.6	1776	17	72	177.6	
Receiving	gp-gs	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g		
David Newsom	10-9	27	375	13.9	3	67	37.5		
Hakeem Moore	8-1	25	271	10.8	1	78	33.9		
Casey Cegles	10-10	22	224	10.2	0	32	22.4		
Tremayne Dameron	10-8	17	98	5.8	0	19	9.8		
Tom Ryan	9-2	14	151	10.8	0	36	16.8		
John Godlasky	8-8	10	118	11.8	3	27	14.8		
Alex Blake	10-1	6	71	11.8	1	27	7.1		
Erron Banks	10-4	5	73	14.6	0	36	7.3		
Dominique Booker	9-0	3	29	9.7	0	17	3.2		
Paul Stefanik	10-1	2	11	5.5	0	9	1.1		
Tony Zaccarelli	7-4	1	13	13.0	1	13	1.9		
Tamba Tongu	8-1	1	9	9.0	0	9	1.1		
Total	10	133	1443	10.8	9	78	144.3		
Opponents	10	133	1776	13.4	17	72	177.6		

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
David Newsom	11	59	5.4	0	25
Hakeem Moore	2	14	7.0	0	0
Jeremy Gardner	2	22	11.0	0	23
Erron Banks	1	3	3.0	0	3
Total	16	98	6.1	0	25
Opponents	19	93	4.9	0	16
Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Raymond White	1	1	1.0	0	1
Danny Collins	1	11	11.0	0	11
Jeremy Gardner	1	38	38.0	0	38
Total	3	50	16.7	0	38
Opponents	26	407	15.7	5	96
Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Hakeem Moore	29	645	22.2	0	49
Erron Banks	8	139	17.4	0	28
Ollie Thomas	7	143	20.4	0	30
Justin Harris	4	73	18.2	0	22
Jeremy Gardner	3	39	13.0	0	22
Tony Zaccarelli	1	6	6.0	0	6
Alex Butt	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	53	1045	19.7	0	49
Opponents	32	741	23.2	2	89
Fumble Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Danzel White	1	5	5.0	0	5
Total	1	5	5.0	0	5
Opponents	1	4	4.0	0	4



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Scoring	td	fg	PAT						
			kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	pts
Tremayne Dameron	6	-	-	0-1	-	-	-	-	36
John Godlasky	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
David Newsom	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Marc Magas	-	1-3	11-12	-	-	-	-	-	14
Tommy Chroniger	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Jon Boyer	-	1-2	5-6	-	-	-	-	-	8
Tony Zaccarelli	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Hakeem Moore	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Alex Blake	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Peter Athens	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Dominique Booker	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	19	2-5	16-18	0-1	-	-	-	-	136
Opponents	47	8-8	45-46	-	1	1-1	1	2	359

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Peter Athens	6	143	132	691	823	137.2
Tremayne Dameron	10	153	521	0	521	52.1
Tommy Chroniger	10	109	154	183	337	33.7
Jeremy Jayne	3	58	-14	302	288	96.0
Brian Potts	4	58	19	223	242	60.5
Dominique Booker	9	56	218	0	218	24.2
Blair Peterson	4	15	4	44	48	12.0
B.J. Greening	1	9	35	0	35	35.0
Paul Stefanik	10	5	18	0	18	1.8
David Newsom	10	2	12	0	12	1.2
Hakeem Moore	8	3	7	0	7	0.9
Alex Blake	10	1	3	0	3	0.3
Brady Smith	10	1	3	0	3	0.3
Damien Kinchen	6	3	3	0	3	0.5
Tony Zaccarelli	7	1	-1	0	-1	-0.1
TEAM	6	5	-47	0	-47	-7.8
Total	10	622	1067	1443	2510	251.0
Opponents	10	640	1759	1776	3535	353.5

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Jon Boyer	1-2	50.0	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	0-0	35	0
Marc Magas	1-3	33.3	0-0	1-1	0-1	0-1	0-0	27	0

FG Sequence	Towson	Opponents
Northwestern	-	(26)
Coastal Carolina	32	(20)
Morgan State	(35)	(41)
New Hampshire	-	(27),(24)
Rhode Island	(27)	-
Delaware	-	-
Northeastern	41	(32),(35)
Richmond	-	-
William & Mary	-	(39)
Villanova	37	-

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Bill Shears	49	1836	37.5	53	2	20	9	1	2
TEAM	3	18	6.0	18	0	0	0	0	1
Total	52	1854	35.7	53	2	20	9	1	3
Opponents	45	1513	33.6	61	3	8	16	2	1

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
Marc Magas	31	1698	54.8	1	0			
Bill Shears	2	119	59.5	0	0			
Total	33	1817	55.1	1	0	23.2	32.0	38
Opponents	63	3858	61.2	7	2	19.7	42.4	27

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.



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All Purpose	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Hakeem Moore	8	7	271	14	645	0	937	117.1
Tremayne Dame	10	521	98	0	0	0	619	61.9
David Newsom	10	12	375	59	0	0	446	44.6
Dominique Book	9	218	29	0	0	0	247	27.4
Casey Cegles	10	0	224	0	0	0	224	22.4
Erron Banks	10	0	73	3	139	0	215	21.5
Tommy Chronig	10	154	0	0	0	0	154	15.4
Tom Ryan	9	0	151	0	0	0	151	16.8
Ollie Thomas	10	0	0	0	143	0	143	14.3
Peter Athens	6	132	0	0	0	0	132	22.0
John Godlasky	8	0	118	0	0	0	118	14.8
Jeremy Gardner	10	0	0	22	39	38	99	9.9
Alex Blake	10	3	71	0	0	0	74	7.4
Justin Harris	5	0	0	0	73	0	73	14.6
B.J. Greening	1	35	0	0	0	0	35	35.0
Paul Stefanik	10	18	11	0	0	0	29	2.9
Brian Potts	4	19	0	0	0	0	19	4.8
Tony Zaccarelli	7	-1	13	0	6	0	18	2.6
Danny Collins	10	0	0	0	0	11	11	1.1
Tamba Tongu	8	0	9	0	0	0	9	1.1
Blair Peterson	4	4	0	0	0	0	4	1.0
Brady Smith	10	3	0	0	0	0	3	0.3
Damien Kinchen	6	3	0	0	0	0	3	0.5
Raymond White	10	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.1
Jeremy Jayne	3	-14	0	0	0	0	-14	-4.7
TEAM	6	-47	0	0	0	0	-47	-7.8
Total	10	1067	1443	98	1045	50	3703	370.3
Opponents	10	1759	1776	93	741	407	4776	477.6



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##	Defensive Leaders	gp-gs	Tackles			Sacks tfl/yds	Pass defense		Fumbles		blkd	ff
			ua	a	tot		no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds	
52	Danzel White	10-9	40	65	105	5.0-14	.	.	1	.	2-5	.
2	Danny Collins	10-10	31	30	61	1.5-1	.	1-11	2	.	2-0	2
25	Jeremy Gardner	10-10	35	23	58	1.5-6	.	1-38	3	.	1-0	.
95	Brady Smith	10-10	30	24	54	8.5-50	3.0-22	.	1	1	2-0	.
64	Yaky Ibia	9-9	18	33	51	11.5-45	2.5-20	.	.	2	.	1
47	Alex Butt	9-9	25	26	51	6.5-17	1.0-6	.	1	.	.	1
18	Romale Tucker	10-7	14	31	45	6.0-27	2.5-19	.	.	1	.	2
3	Raymond White	10-10	15	27	42	1.5-4	0.5-1	1-1	1	.	1-0	.
26	Ollie Thomas	10-10	23	16	39	4.0-7	.	.	3	.	.	.
27	Frank Beltre	10-6	18	19	37	5.0-32	2.0-20	.	.	.	.	.
33	Darius Hill	6-1	8	23	31	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.
55	Marcus Valentine	10-10	10	20	30	5.5-20	1.5-12	.	1	2	.	.
9	Josh McCants	9-0	11	7	18	3.0-18	3.0-18	.	.	.	.	1
28	Donte Blakey	4-4	10	7	17	3.0-14	1.0-9	.	1	.	1-0	.
40	Dwayne Price	9-0	10	5	15	.	.	.	3	.	.	.
92	Matt Morgan	10-4	4	10	14	1.0-2	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.
99	Rob Osborne	9-1	3	8	11	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.
94	Armen Melikian	9-0	2	7	9	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.
51	Alex Avolio	7-0	3	3	6	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.
82	Justin Harris	5-0	6	.	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
6	Hakeem Moore	8-1	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	Chris Patterson	3-0	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.
53	Brian Boateng-Botwe	4-0	2	2	4	0.5-0	.	.	.	.	.	.
97	Marc Magas	10-0	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
81	Alex Blake	10-1	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
16	Erron Banks	10-4	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
79	Ben Hunolt	7-2	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
15	Dominique Booker	9-0	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93	Mike Hurley	7-0	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36	Devon Brown	10-0	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
12	Tommy Chroniger	10-3	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	Damien Kinchen	6-0	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8	Nick Oates	2-0	2	.	2	.	.	.	1	1	.	.
76	Dan Bridges	10-10	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
84	Tom Ryan	9-2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
89	Tamba Tongu	8-1	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
80	David Newsom	10-9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Tyler Wharton	10-1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
66	Dan Hurley	9-5	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
96	Tony Zaccarelli	7-4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
77	John Esposito	7-4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
14	Casey Cegles	10-10	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total		10	353	398	751	66-260	18-129	3-50	18	7	11-5	8
Opponents		10	318	382	700	69-256	23-149	26-407	37	13	5-4	10



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Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	Conference	Time	Attend
Sep 05, 2009	at Northwestern	L 14-47	0-1	0-0	2:51	17857
Sep 19, 2009	COASTAL CAROLINA	W 21-17	1-1	0-0	2:55	7628
Sep 26, 2009	at Morgan State	L 9-12	1-2	0-0	2:55	4307
* Oct 03, 2009	#6 NEW HAMPSHIRE	L 7-57	1-3	0-1	2:59	8026
* Oct 10, 2009	at Rhode Island	W 36-28	2-3	1-1	2:51	3314
* Oct 17, 2009	#23 DELAWARE	L 21-49	2-4	1-2	2:49	6026
* Oct 24, 2009	at Northeastern	L 7-27	2-5	1-3	2:40	1920
* Oct 31, 2009	#1 RICHMOND	L 14-42	2-6	1-4	2:32	4396
* Nov 07, 2009	at #5 William & Mary	L 0-31	2-7	1-5	2:37	8037
* Nov 14, 2009	#3 VILLANOVA	L 7-49	2-8	1-6	2:31	5339

* Colonial Athletic Association games