



Bluffton University Football



Hanover College
"Panthers"
(2-6, 2-3 HCAC)

L.S. Ayres Field
Nov. 7, 2009
1:30 PM

Bluffton University
"Beavers"
(0-8, 0-5 HCAC)

THE PREVIEW

WHEN: Saturday, November 7, 2009
WHERE: Hanover, Indiana (L.S. Ayres Field)
ON THE RADIO: WDOH 107.1

BLUFFTON, Ohio - The Bluffton University football team opened its 2009 season with a non-conference tilt against Alma College on Saturday, Sept. 5. The Beavers were home for their first two contests which were sandwiched around an early season bye week. Following the 28-16 loss to the Scots, Bluffton fell to MIAA power Adrian College in Salzman Stadium on Saturday, Sept. 19. Despite being down to Kalamazoo 31-0 in the first half, Bluffton battled back in the second stanza before dropping a 47-27 decision to the Hornets in week three. With a pair of competitive losses to HCAC heavyweights MSJ and Franklin behind Bluffton, the Beavers travelled to North Manchester, Indiana, for another Heartland Conference matchup with the Spartans who notched a 23-7 victory over the visitors. Following a 28-3 loss to Anderson in Salzman last Saturday, the Beavers are preparing for road contests at Hanover and Defiance in November.

Bluffton vs. Hanover all-time series

The Beavers will look to snap a three-game losing streak against the Panthers. This game marks the 33rd time that Bluffton and Hanover have met. Bluffton's last win in the series came during a 33-19 road contest in 2005.

Year	Winner	Score	Location
2008	Hanover	42-19	Bluffton
2007	Hanover	24-21	Hanover
2006	Hanover	7-6	Bluffton
2005	Bluffton	33-19	Hanover
2004	Hanover	37-20	Bluffton

2009 HCAC Football Standings

Team	HCAC	GB	Pct.	Overall	Pct.
MSJ	6-0	-	1.000	8-0	1.000
Manchester	4-1	1.5	.800	4-4	.500
Franklin	3-2	2.5	.600	5-3	.625
Rose-Hulman	3-3	3	.500	5-4	.556
Defiance	2-3	3.5	.400	3-5	.375
Hanover	2-3	3.5	.400	2-6	.250
Anderson	1-4	4.5	.200	1-7	.125
Bluffton	0-5	5.5	.000	0-8	.000

Leading the Beavers

Jason G. Johnson leads the Bluffton rushing attack with 278 yards and four touchdowns on the ground. Ross Shoup has a team-high 24 receptions for 322 yards, including two touchdowns. Brock Miller is 79-of-156 with three touchdown passes and five interceptions in seven games as the Bluffton signal-caller.

Sophomore linebacker Shane Hubbard has a team-high 68 tackles, including 34 solos. Fellow linebacker Curtis Martin has 49 stops through eight games. Sophomore run-stopper Justin Crosier has 45 tackles, including 14 at Manchester. Freshman lineman Stephen Miller leads the Beavers with three sacks for a total loss of 21 yards.

2009 Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Sept. 5	ALMA	L, 28-16
Sept. 12	BYE WEEK	
Sept. 19	ADRIAN	L, 41-7
Sept. 26	at Kalamazoo	L, 47-27
Oct. 3	at Mt. St. Joseph *	L, 38-18
Oct. 10	FRANKLIN *	L, 28-12
Oct. 17	at Manchester *	L, 23-7
Oct. 24	ROSE-HULMAN *	L, 50-14
Oct. 31	ANDERSON *	L, 28-3
Nov. 7	at Hanover *	1:30 PM
Nov. 14	at Defiance *	1:30 PM

Projected Starters

BLUFFTON UNIVERSITY "BEAVERS"

Offense			Defense		
76	Russell Krouse	LT	91	Justin Crosier	DT
55	David Mango	LG	94	David Himmeger	NT
74	Brad Hutchinson	C	54	Jordan Achtermann	DE
64	Jon Smith	RG	11	Shane Hubbard	LB
65	Thomas Gingrich	RT	45	Curtis Martin	LB
87	Aaron Wladischkin	TE	13	Jacob Luthy	LB
4	Dan Chipka	WR	10	Brandon Herr	S
5	Jason A. Johnson	WR	23	Jesse Herr	S
7	Brock Miller	QB	33	Steve Sealscott	FS
47	Jeff Gehring	FB	43	Mitch Dunlap	CB
10	Jason G. Johnson	TB	42	Oscar Vazquez-Dyer	CB

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Offense			Defense		
50	Tyler Mudd	LT	99	Dylan Bostwick	DL
60	Patric Morrison	LG	52	Rich Giordano	DL
53	Joe Vormohr	C	91	Cameron Rode	DL
74	Matt Money	RG	90	Matt Sieg	DL
77	Bruce Whitehead	RT	44	Clayton Mannering	LB
89	Matt Robinette	TE	54	Daniel Cornely	LB
85	Adam Miller	WR	29	Justin Hawkes	LB
81	Bobby Smart	WR	15	Corry Stewart	CB
1	Daniel Passafiume	WR	8	Sam Louis	CB
3	C.J. Croft	QB	45	Neil Johnston	S
25	Jeremy Cook	RB	2	Rory Mannering	S

Bluffton Opponents on the Day

(2009 overall record, today's game, last week's score)

ALMA (4-4, vs. Hope, L, 7-0 at Adrian)
ADRIAN (5-3, at Trine, W, 7-0 vs. Alma)
KALAMAZOO (4-4, vs. Albany, BYE)
MT. ST. JOE* (8-0, vs. Defiance, W, 31-7 at Manchester)
FRANKLIN* (5-3, vs. Manchester, L, 34-21 at RHIT)
MANCHESTER* (4-4, at Franklin, L, 31-7 at MSJ)
ROSE-HULMAN* (5-4, at Anderson, W, 34-21 vs. Franklin)
ANDERSON* (1-7, vs. RHIT, W, 28-3 at Bluffton)
HANOVER* (2-6, vs. Bluffton, L, 30-27 at Defiance)
DEFIANCE* (3-5, at MSJ, L, 30-27 vs. Hanover)

Bluffton Coaching Staff

Head Coach..... Tyson Veidt
 Alma mater (year)..... Muskingum (1996)
 Career record (years)..... 1-9 (1)
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Assistant coaches

Chris Krieg (West Liberty State '01) Off. Coordinator
 Bo White (West Liberty State '04) Wide receivers
 Denny Phillips (Bluffton '79) Defensive backs
 Jeff Richards (Bluffton '08) Tight ends
 Lou Stokes (Bluffton '73) Running backs
 Kyle Coleman (Bluffton '09)..... Safeties
 Brian Mason (Denison '09)..... Defensive line
 Jason Diller (Bluffton '95) Quarterbacks
 Clarence Vaughn (Northern Illinois '87)..... Defense

The Head Coaches

Head Coach Tyson Veidt made his debut at Bluffton in the Beavers' 2008 opener at Alma College. Veidt and his staff at Bluffton currently have over 60 first-year players on the squad. He came to Bluffton after assistant coaching stints at West Virginia and Indiana. Most recently he was the defensive coordinator for Saint Vincent College in Latrobe, Pa. New to the Bluffton coaching staff are Jeff Richards, Kyle Coleman, Clarence Vaughn and Brian Mason. Returning to the Beavers are Denny Phillips, Lou Stokes, Bo White, Chris Krieg and Jason Diller.

The 2009 season marks Joe Austin's second as Hanover's head football coach. Austin, who guided the Panthers to a 2-7 record in his first year at the helm, assumed the reins of Hanover's program after a successful tenure at the University of Dubuque (Iowa), where he served as offensive coordinator for three seasons.

Bluffton and Hanover Team Statistical Comparison (2009)

	B	H
Points for/game	13.0	25.2
Points against/game	35.4	33.0
Rushing yards for/game	72.6	89.0
Rushing yards against/game	158.2	167.8
Passing yards for/game	171.6	237.9
Passing yards against/game	267.6	240.4
Total offense for/game	244.2	326.9
Total offense against/game	425.9	408.1
Time of possession avg	28:33	28:38
Punting average for	33.1	37.2
Penalties against/yards	34/312	32/293

Bluffton and Hanover Individual Statistical Leaders (2009)

Rushing	Att	Yds	Avg	TD
Johnson J.G. (B)	97	278	2.9	4
Hale, T. (B)	59	203	3.4	0
Croft, C. (H)	114	320	2.8	0
Zeck, C. (H)	33	174	5.3	1

Passing	Att-Cpl-Int	Pct	Yds	TD
Miller, B. (B)	156-79-5	50.6	737	3
Croft, C. (H)	275-141-12	51.1	1645	21

Receiving	Rec.	Yds	Avg	TD
Shoup, R. (B)	24	322	13.4	2
Johnson, J.A. (B)	18	234	13.0	1
Passafiume, D. (H)	81	857	10.6	12
Miller, A. (H)	31	382	12.3	5

Defense	T	Int	Sacks	TFL
Hubbard, S. (B)	68	0	1-1	2-3
Martin, C. (B)	49	1-4	2-12	2.5-14
Crosier, J. (B)	45	0	2-10	5-23
Cornely, D. (H)	84	0	0	3.5-8
Mannering, R. (H)	83	2-28	1-4	3-6
Dalton, A. (H)	64	1-20	1-4	3.5-11

Last Contests

Anderson opened the second half strong, punching in three touchdowns during the third quarter, while the Beavers managed to put in a field goal. The Ravens added another touchdown in the fourth to make the final score 28-3.

After trailing 13-6 in the second period, Hanover rallied to build a 30-20 lead before holding on for its second win of the season. The victory, which bumped the Panthers' record to 2-6 overall and 2-3 in the HCAC, also snapped a four-game losing streak against Defiance.