



Rose-Hulman
"Engineers"
(20-8, 10-5 HCAC)

Bluffton University Baseball

Memorial Field
April 17-18, 2009
HCAC Series

Bluffton University
Beavers
(8-17, 3-9 HCAC)



THE PREVIEW

WHEN: Friday, April 17, at 4 PM
and Saturday, April 18, 2009, at 12 PM (DH)

WHERE: Bluffton, Ohio (Bluffton University Memorial Field)

BLUFFTON, Ohio - The Beavers will look to snap a nine-game losing streak that has dropped Bluffton to 8-17 overall and 3-9 in the Heartland Conference after a 3-1 start in the HCAC. Bluffton suffered back-to-back conference sweeps at the hands of MSJ and Anderson before a non-league loss to Otterbein at Memorial Field last Thursday. RHIT enters the series with a mark of 20-8 overall and 10-5 in the HCAC. Bluffton is looking for its first .500 season since 1997, and is in search of its first winning season since 1990. The Beavers' pitching carried Bluffton early in the season, but recently the bats have begun to look reminiscent of Coach Grandey's recent squads. During Bluffton's 2009 Spring Break, the Bluffton baseball team traveled to Sarasota and Port Charlotte (Florida) to open the season with 10 games in 7 days. Following a home contest with rival Defiance College on Tuesday, April 21, Bluffton wraps up its HCAC slate with trips to Transylvania and Franklin.

Bluffton vs. RHIT all-time series

Rose leads the all-time series by a margin of 7-3. The teams first met in 1990. RHIT has won five of the last six contests, but Bluffton bested the Engineers 6-3 in Terre Haute, Ind., on April 5, 2008.

Date	Winner	Score	Location
4-5-08	Bluffton	6-3	Terre Haute, IN
4-5-08	RHIT	4-1	Terre Haute, IN
4-4-08	RHIT	11-3	Terre Haute, IN
4-14-07	RHIT	2-1	Memorial Field
4-13-07	RHIT	9-4	Memorial Field

Last contests

The Bluffton University baseball team fell to Otterbein College on Thursday, April 9th, as the Cardinals' bats were hot in a 16-11 romp over the Beavers. Bluffton fell to 8-17 this season following its ninth straight setback.

The Rose Hulman baseball team lost to HCAC foe Franklin 8-3 on Tuesday, April 14, 2009. Junior Tim Tepe smashed a home run along with a single to extend his school record hitting streak to 27 games to lead the Rose-Hulman offense.

2009 HCAC Baseball Standings

Team	HCAC	GB	Pct.	Overall	Pct.
Franklin	9-3	-	.750	20-8	.714
Mount St. Joseph	11-4	-	.733	18-9	.667
Rose-Hulman	10-5	0.5	.667	20-8	.714
Manchester	7-4	1.5	.636	14-11	.560
Transylvania	6-6	3	.500	16-9	.640
Anderson	5-6	3.5	.455	15-12	.556
Hanover	4-10	6.5	.286	10-19-1	.350
Bluffton	3-9	6.5	.250	8-17	.320
Defiance	1-9	7.5	.100	5-21	.192

Leading the Beavers

Bluffton's top hitter is Senior Curtis Schroeder with a career-best .389 BA. Junior Cody McPherson (.388) also leads the team with 33 hits, nine doubles and he has 12 RBI. Freshman Tyler Stephenson is hitting at a .311 clip. He has 28 hits, two triples and a team-high 22 RBI. Bluffton's top hurler is senior Matt Perkins with a 3.48 ERA. Perkins is 2-2 on the year and opponents have hit .254 when he is on the hill. Since being inserted into the starting lineup at shortstop, freshman Cory Stephens has hit .375 with six safeties and three runs scored.

Projected Starters

BLUFFTON UNIVERSITY "BEAVERS"

#2	Nick Broyles (CF)	FR	.256 BA, 14 RBI
#14	Corey Conn (2B)	SR	.315 BA, 15 RBI
#23	Cody McPherson (DH)	JR	.388 BA, .520 SLG
#20	Tyler Stephenson (LF)	FR	.311 BA, 22 RBI
#10	Curtis Schroeder (1B)	SR	.389 BA, .556 SLG
#28	Stephen Torres (C)	JR	.322 BA, .458 SLG
#12	Brett Howard (3B)	SO	.255 BA, .426 SLG
#13	Mike Ramthun (RF)	SR	.226 BA, 13 BB
#35	Cory Stephens (SS)	FR	.375 BA, .444 OBP
#23	Cody McPherson (RHP)	JR	2-3, 5.40 ERA
#7	Matt Perkins (RHP)	SR	2-2, 3.48 ERA
#31	Ryan Leugers (LHP)	FR	2-3, 8.62 ERA

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#2	Andrew Bilse (RF)	JR	.416 BA, .644 SLG
#12	Chandler Kent (3B)	JR	.313 BA, 17 RBI
#3	Tim Tepe (SS)	JR	.443 BA, .651 SLG
#8	Keenan Long (C)	JR	.375 BA, 36 RBI
#14	Chris Stemple (LF)	SO	.391 BA, .500 SLG
#1	Michael Kovacs (CF)	SO	.212 BA, 11 RBI
#4	Michael Cramer (DH)	SR	.333 BA, 16 RBI
#7	Tory Eveslage (1B)	JR	.260 BA, 13 RBI
#19	Kreigh Williams (2B)	SO	.236 BA, 11 RBI
#9	Gannon Sadzeck (P)	SO	3-3, 2.96 ERA
#10	Derek Eitel (P)	JR	6-0, 3.26 ERA
#20	Nick Maloney (P)	JR	3-1, 4.50 ERA

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Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
38 Kyle Maran	.500	3-0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.500	0	0	0	0	.500	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
10 Curtis Schroeder	.389	23-20	72	19	28	4	1	2	10	40	.556	7	9	10	4	.500	0	1	0-1	183	8	4	.979
23 Cody McPherson	.388	25-25	98	16	38	10	0	1	19	51	.520	6	1	15	0	.417	3	0	3-3	9	17	0	1.000
35 Cory Stephens	.375	6-3	16	3	6	1	0	0	1	7	.438	2	0	2	2	.444	0	0	0-0	1	12	1	.929
33 Chris Bauman	.348	8-5	23	3	8	1	0	0	3	9	.391	1	1	5	0	.400	0	2	1-1	6	0	1	.857
30 Greg Bergstedt	.333	15-6	24	5	8	1	0	0	8	9	.375	2	1	8	0	.407	0	1	0-0	10	0	1	.909
21 Eric Penz	.333	3-1	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	.667	0	0	0	0	.333	0	0	0-0	4	0	0	1.000
28 Stephen Torres	.322	19-18	59	13	19	8	0	0	10	27	.458	7	2	8	0	.412	0	2	2-2	57	20	2	.975
6 Allen Slabaugh	.320	16-8	25	5	8	0	2	0	6	12	.480	2	1	9	0	.379	1	0	0-1	17	0	1	.944
14 Corey Conn	.315	24-22	89	16	28	4	1	1	15	37	.416	7	3	22	1	.380	1	1	3-3	34	51	12	.876
20 Tyler Stephenson	.311	25-24	90	18	28	5	2	1	22	40	.444	8	2	12	3	.373	2	0	1-2	15	37	13	.800
2 Nick Broyles	.256	25-24	86	18	22	3	0	2	14	31	.360	10	5	10	0	.363	1	2	3-3	65	2	1	.985
12 Brett Howard	.255	15-9	47	8	12	2	0	2	8	20	.426	3	0	11	1	.300	0	1	1-1	18	27	8	.849
37 Aaron Koonce	.227	14-6	22	3	5	0	0	0	3	5	.227	3	0	3	0	.308	1	2	1-3	9	22	5	.861
13 Mike Ramthun	.226	24-24	84	15	19	4	0	2	16	29	.345	13	3	15	1	.350	0	1	2-2	50	4	1	.982
32 Brennan Bauman	.211	10-5	19	4	4	1	0	1	1	8	.421	2	2	5	0	.348	0	0	0-0	48	3	2	.962
1 Kyle Trainer	.200	16-14	40	3	8	1	1	0	3	11	.275	1	0	6	1	.220	0	0	0-0	23	37	6	.909
9 Kyle King	.167	7-6	18	4	3	2	0	0	0	5	.278	0	1	5	0	.211	0	0	0-0	5	14	6	.760
27 Jaryd Kovacs	.143	4-0	7	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	.286	1	0	3	0	.250	0	0	0-0	10	0	0	1.000
16 David Riddle	.120	11-8	25	0	3	0	0	0	4	3	.120	5	0	6	0	.267	0	0	0-0	53	3	1	.982
34 Nathan Swaney	.000	2-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
26 Zac Banks	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000

BLUFFTON	.294	25-25	850	155	250	49	7	12	143	349	.411	80	31	156	13	.372	9	13	17-22	620	274	68	.929
Opponents	.312	25-25	898	202	280	52	13	16	176	406	.452	71	29	116	11	.377	10	13	37-50	623	231	39	.956

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	AB	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
11 Jesse Brown	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	3.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	9	.111	0	2	0	0	0
1 Kyle Trainer	2.45	0-0	4	0	0	0/0	0	3.2	2	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	13	.154	0	0	0	0	0
7 Matt Perkins	3.48	2-2	6	5	0	0/1	0	33.2	34	18	13	7	18	6	2	0	134	.254	0	4	1	2	2
14 Corey Conn	4.91	0-1	3	0	0	0/1	1	3.2	1	2	2	3	2	0	0	0	13	.077	0	0	0	0	0
25 Adrian Fritch	5.40	1-2	8	5	0	0/0	0	36.2	42	27	22	11	18	8	3	5	158	.266	1	4	0	1	0
23 Cody McPherson	5.40	2-3	6	6	3	0/0	0	35.0	45	29	21	9	17	8	2	2	142	.317	2	5	0	0	6
20 Tyler Stephenson	6.35	1-0	6	0	0	0/0	2	5.2	8	4	4	0	5	2	0	0	28	.286	1	0	0	0	0
22 James Hausman	6.59	0-1	9	3	0	0/0	0	27.1	44	27	20	9	17	7	0	2	121	.364	3	7	0	1	3
31 Ryan Leugers	8.62	2-3	6	5	1	0/0	0	24.0	33	30	23	10	12	5	2	5	105	.314	2	1	0	2	1
40 Ryan Nollen	9.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	4.0	7	4	4	1	2	0	0	0	18	.389	1	1	0	0	0
15 Nathan Blanton	12.21	0-3	11	1	0	0/0	0	14.0	31	20	19	4	11	6	0	1	75	.413	3	1	0	1	1
5 Kelly Barnes	12.27	0-2	7	0	0	0/0	0	7.1	12	14	10	7	9	3	2	1	36	.333	0	0	0	1	0
32 Brennan Bauman	14.85	0-0	4	0	0	0/0	0	6.2	16	15	11	3	3	5	1	0	37	.432	3	0	0	1	0
8 Sean Jaynes	27.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.2	2	5	5	3	0	0	1	0	6	.333	0	2	0	1	0
10 Curtis Schroeder	99.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	0.1	2	6	6	2	0	1	0	0	3	.667	0	2	0	0	0

BLUFFTON	7.01	8-17	25	25	4	1/1	3	206.2	280	202	161	80	116	52	13	16	898	.312	16	29	1	10	13
Opponents	5.55	17-8	25	25	4	1/0	3	207.2	250	155	128	80	156	49	7	12	850	.294	26	31	7	9	13

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3 Tim Tepe	.443	27-27	106	33	47	12	2	2	22	69	.651	9	4	14	0	.492	3	0	1-2	45	85	7	.949
2 Andrew Bilde	.416	26-26	101	30	42	7	5	2	22	65	.644	19	3	10	0	.512	2	1	2-3	50	1	0	1.000
14 Chris Stemple	.391	26-25	92	23	36	2	1	2	17	46	.500	10	4	11	0	.463	2	0	3-3	32	2	2	.944
23 Kirk Thompson	.385	7-2	13	3	5	2	0	0	4	7	.538	1	0	2	0	.429	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
8 Keenan Long	.375	26-26	96	25	36	8	0	6	36	62	.646	8	6	16	3	.442	3	0	1-2	123	20	0	1.000
4 Michail Cramer	.333	25-22	75	11	25	0	3	0	16	31	.413	5	0	11	1	.370	1	3	0-1	13	2	0	1.000
28 Derek Dauenbaugh	.333	6-0	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	.333	2	0	0	0	.600	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
12 Chandler Kent	.313	26-25	96	22	30	6	0	0	17	36	.375	13	3	7	3	.407	1	8	2-3	19	53	4	.947
32 Will Burchett	.300	10-2	10	4	3	1	1	0	1	6	.600	4	0	4	0	.467	1	1	0-0	4	10	1	.933
5 Andrew Pinkstaff	.280	15-4	25	3	7	2	0	0	6	9	.360	4	0	2	1	.367	1	0	0-0	0	5	1	.833
25 Neil Krueger	.267	12-4	15	2	4	2	0	0	1	6	.400	2	1	3	0	.389	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
7 Tory Eveslage	.260	27-26	96	7	25	0	0	0	13	25	.260	13	0	10	1	.345	1	5	0-1	239	15	2	.992
19 Kreigh Williams	.236	25-23	72	17	17	2	1	0	11	21	.292	7	3	9	0	.325	1	5	6-8	43	69	5	.957
1 Michael Kovacs	.212	25-22	85	14	18	3	2	0	11	25	.294	9	1	18	1	.289	2	4	2-2	42	2	4	.917
11 Daniel Prochno	.176	13-6	17	5	3	0	0	0	4	3	.176	3	1	7	1	.318	1	1	0-0	30	2	2	.941
30 B.J. Zobrist	.000	9-2	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	3	0	.111	0	1	1-1	4	4	1	.889
26 Allen Malcomb	.000	4-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	2	0	.250	0	0	0-0	6	0	0	1.000
29 Jim Bob Schuler	.000	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0	.333	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.000
39 Andrew Brooks	.000	4-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	.500	0	0	0-0	0	1	0	1.000

ROSE-HULMAN	.326	27-27	916	203	299	47	15	12	182	412	.450	111	28	131	11	.408	19	30	18-26	666	313	35	.965
Opponents	.252	27-27	829	116	209	45	3	12	103	296	.357	70	22	160	23	.324	7	20	20-28	652	288	66	.934

Player	ERA	W
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