



Transylvania University
"Pioneers"
(17-12, 7-9 HCAC)

Bluffton University Baseball

Marquard Field
April 24-25, 2009
HCAC Series

Bluffton University
"Beavers"
(11-19, 5-11 HCAC)



THE PREVIEW

WHEN: Friday, April 24, at 4 PM

and Saturday, April 25, 2009, at 12 PM (DH)

WHERE: Lexington, Kentucky (William A. Marquard Field)

LEXINGTON, Kentucky - The Beavers will look to continue their recent winning ways when they travel to ONU on Thursday night before making the trip to Lexington, KY, for a three-game tilt at Transylvania. Bluffton handled Thomas More last Thursday before taking the first game over Rose-Hulman on Friday afternoon. Transy enters the series with a mark of 17-12 overall and 7-9 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 the series at Transylvania, Bluffton hosts non-league opponent Oberlin for a DH on Thursday, April 30, before finishing the season with three HCAC contests at Franklin.

Bluffton vs. Transy all-time series

The series between these two HCAC foes began in 2002. The Beavers have won the last two meetings, to cut their all-time series deficit to 13-8. The Beavers easily handled the Pioneers a year ago by taking two of three. Transy had won six in a row before losing the last two contests.

Date	Winner	Score	Location
4-26-2008	Bluffton	14-6	Memorial Field
4-26-2008	Bluffton	10-4	Memorial Field
4-25-2008	Transy	14-12	Memorial Field
5-05-2007	Transy	11-5	Lexington, KY
5-05-2007	Transy	4-3	Lexington, KY

Last contests

The Bluffton University baseball team waited out a game-time rain shower to white-wash rival Defiance College 16-7 on Wednesday. Brett Howard launched a grand slam down the right field line for what turned out to be the game-winning hit.

Transylvania set new season highs for runs and hits Wednesday while pounding Hanover 21-8 in HCAC baseball action and breaking a three-game skid.

2009 HCAC Baseball Standings

Team	HCAC	GB	Pct.	Overall	Pct.
Franklin	12-3	-	.800	23-8	.742
Mt. St. Joseph	11-4	1	.733	21-11	.656
Rose-Hulman	13-6	1	.684	23-11	.676
Anderson	8-7	4	.533	18-14	.562
Manchester	8-7	4	.533	16-15	.516
Transylvania	7-9	5.5	.438	17-12	.586
Hanover	6-12	7.5	.333	12-21-1	.368
Bluffton	5-11	7.5	.312	11-19	.367
Defiance	2-13	10	.133	6-25	.194

Leading the Beavers

Bluffton senior Curtis Schroeder has a career-best .364 BA. Junior Cody McPherson (.390) leads the team with 46 hits, 12 doubles and 26 RBI. Freshman Cory Stephens is hitting at a .424 clip since moving into the starting lineup two weeks ago. Bluffton's top hurler is senior Matt Perkins with a 3.79 ERA. Perkins is 2-3 on the year and opponents have hit .266 when he is on the hill. Sophomore Adrian Fritch has been solid on the mound, posting a 3-2 record with a 4.91 earned run average for the Beavers.

Projected Starters

BLUFFTON UNIVERSITY "BEAVERS"

#2 Nick Broyles (CF)	FR	.255 BA, 17 RBI
#14 Corey Conn (2B)	SR	.333 BA, 20 RBI
#23 Cody McPherson (DH)	JR	.390 BA, .568 SLG
#20 Chris Bauman (LF)	FR	.405 BA, 10 runs
#10 Curtis Schroeder (1B)	SR	.364 BA, .545 SLG
#28 Stephen Torres (C)	JR	.324 BA, 8 2B
#12 Brett Howard (3B)	SO	.270 BA, .492 SLG
#13 Mike Ramthun (RF)	SR	.229 BA, 14 BB
#35 Cory Stephens (SS)	FR	.424 BA, .459 OBP
#23 Cody McPherson (RHP)	JR	2-4, 6.41 ERA
#7 Matt Perkins (RHP)	SR	2-3, 3.79 ERA
#31 Ryan Leugers (LHP)	FR	2-3, 9.35 ERA

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#10 Thomas Tolliver (CF)	FR	.457 BA, 34 runs
#2 Adam Clark (2B)	JR	.333 BA, 15 BB
#40 Ben Kuebbing (RF)	SO	.358 BA, 26 RBI
#9 Eric Brady (DH)	SO	.304 BA, .482 SLG
#27 Zach Muench (3B)	FR	.259 BA, .556 SLG
#25 Ben Young (1B)	JR	.269 BA, 21 RBI
#1 Drew Zuckerman (C)	SO	.259 BA, 11 RBI
#17 Kevin Brickman (LF)	FR	.308 BA, 10 runs
#4 Ryan Troehler (SS)	FR	.298 BA, 15 runs
#28 Mitch Florence (P)	JR	4-2, 5.44 ERA
#31 Adam Wilkins (P)	SR	5-3, 3 CG, 3.81 ERA
#5 Korey Colyer (P)	JR	3-2, 3.13 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	.750	4-0	4	1	3	0	0	0	1	3	.750	0	0	0	0	.750	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
35 Cory Stephens	.467	10-7	30	4	14	2	0	0	5	16	.533	2	0	3	3	.500	0	1	0-0	9	26	5	.875
33 Chris Bauman	.406	11-8	32	8	13	1	0	0	6	14	.438	3	3	5	0	.500	0	2	2-2	14	0	2	.875
23 Cody McPherson	.381	29-29	113	19	43	12	0	2	23	61	.540	7	1	16	0	.411	3	0	3-3	9	19	0	1.000
10 Curtis Schroeder	.353	27-24	85	23	30	5	2	2	10	45	.529	8	9	13	4	.461	0	2	0-1	211	8	4	.982
6 Allen Slabaugh	.333	19-9	30	6	10	0	2	0	7	14	.467	2	1	9	0	.382	1	1	1-2	18	0	1	.947
14 Corey Conn	.320	28-26	103	19	33	4	1	1	18	42	.408	7	4	24	1	.383	1	2	3-3	44	67	15	.881
30 Greg Bergstedt	.320	17-6	25	6	8	1	0	0	8	9	.360	2	2	9	0	.414	0	1	0-0	12	0	1	.923
20 Tyler Stephenson	.316	27-25	95	19	30	5	2	1	22	42	.442	8	2	12	3	.374	2	0	1-2	25	39	14	.821
28 Stephen Torres	.299	21-20	67	14	20	8	0	0	10	28	.418	7	3	9	1	.390	0	2	2-2	65	21	2	.977
12 Brett Howard	.271	19-13	59	12	16	5	0	2	11	27	.458	6	1	13	1	.348	0	2	1-1	18	32	10	.833
37 Aaron Koonce	.261	15-6	23	3	6	0	0	0	4	6	.261	3	0	3	0	.333	1	2	1-3	9	22	5	.861
2 Nick Broyles	.255	29-28	98	21	25	3	0	3	17	37	.378	11	7	13	0	.364	2	3	3-3	73	2	2	.974
27 Jaryd Kovacs	.250	5-0	8	2	2	1	0	0	0	3	.375	1	1	3	0	.400	0	0	0-0	12	0	0	1.000
13 Mike Ramthun	.217	28-27	92	15	20	4	0	2	16	30	.326	14	4	15	2	.345	0	2	3-3	58	4	1	.984
32 Brennan Bauman	.211	11-5	19	4	4	1	0	1	1	8	.421	2	2	5	0	.348	0	0	0-0	50	3	3	.946
1 Kyle Trainer	.200	17-11	40	3	8	1	1	0	3	11	.275	1	1	6	1	.238	0	0	0-0	23	37	6	.909
21 Eric Penz	.200	4-1	5	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	.400	0	0	1	0	.200	0	0	0-0	4	0	0	1.000
16 David Riddle	.161	13-10	31	1	5	0	0	0	6	5	.161	5	0	8	0	.270	1	0	0-0	60	7	1	.985
34 Nathan Swaney	.000	3-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	1	.000	0	0	0-0	0	1	0	1.000
36 Levi Hahn	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
24 Curt Yetman	.000	1-0	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	2-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
BLUFFTON	.299	29-29	982	184	294	56	8	14	168	408	.415	89	42	175	17	.378	11	20	20-25	722	320	83	.926
Opponents	.318	29-29	1056	245	336	61	17	20	213	491	.465	90	34	133	14	.386	11	15	43-59	719	275	48	.954

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
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	3.89	2-3	7	6	0	0/1	0	39.1	43	28	17	9	21	9	2	1	163	.264	0	6	1	2	2
11 Jesse Brown	4.26	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	6.1	8	3	2	1	1	1	0	0	25	.320	0	3	0	0	0
14 Corey Conn	4.91	0-1	3	0	0	0/1	1	3.2	1	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	13	.077	0	0	0	0	0
25 Adrian Fritch	4.97	2-2	9	6	0	0/0	0	41.2	47	31	23	13	19	8	3	5	177	.266	1	4	0	1	2
20 Tyler Stephenson	5.40	1-0	7	0	0	0/0	3	8.1	13	5	5	0	6	3	0	0	40	.325	1	0	0	1	0
22 James Hausman	5.88	1-1	10	4	0	0/0	0	33.2	50	29	22	12	21	8	1	2	145	.345	3	7	0	1	3
23 Cody McPherson	6.57	2-4	7	7	3	0/0	0	38.1	55	38	28	11	20	9	4	2	162	.340	2	6	0	0	6
31 Ryan Leugers	9.35	2-3	8	5	1	0/0	0	26.0	35	35	27	15	13	5	2	6	113	.310	2	1	0	2	1
15 Nathan Blanton	10.06	0-3	12	1	0	0/0	1	17.0	35	22	19	6	12	6	0	1	87	.402	3	2	0	1	1
40 Ryan Nollen	10.38	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	4.1	9	8	5	2	3	0	0	2	22	.409	1	1	0	0	0
5 Kelly Barnes	11.42	0-2	8	0	0	0/0	0	8.2	17	17	11	7	9	4	2	1	46	.370	0	0	0	1	0
32 Brennan Bauman	12.91	0-0	5	0	0	0/0	0	7.2	17	15	11	4	4	6	1	0	41	.415	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	6.92	10-19	29	29	4	1/1	5	240.2	336	245	185	90	133	61	17	20	1056	.318	16	34	1	11	15
Opponents	5.48	19-10	29	29	5	1/0	3	239.2	294	184	146	89	175	56	8	14	982	.299	28	42	8	11	20

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11 Thomas Tolliver	.457	28-28	105	34	48	5	0	0	20	53	.505	13	4	11	1	.528	1	4	12-14	53	4	3	.950
6 Phil Blakely	.392	14-14	51	15	20	2	1	1	16	27	.529	7	3	6	0	.492	0	0	9-11	21	0	2	.913
12 Michael Derringer	.365	20-11	52	17	19	2	2	2	15	31	.596	2	3	8	1	.414	1	3	0-0	9	17	2	.929
40 Ben Kuebbing	.358	28-28	106	26	38	8	0	2	26	52	.491	10	0	12	4	.410	1	1	11-13	47	3	2	.962
13 Evan Rhea	.350	26-22	80	18	28	4	1	1	16	37	.463	4	2	12	2	.391	1	1	4-5	18	47	5	.929
2 Adam Clark	.333	22-22	75	21	25	3	0	1	15	31	.413	15	4	12	1	.463	1	1	8-11	33	69	7	.936
22 Chris Bloch	.333	4-1	6	2	2	1	0	0	1	3	.500	0	0	1	0	.333	0	0	0-0	4	5	1	.900
3 Bryan Baker	.324	15-8	37	5	12	3	0	0	4	15	.405	0	2	8	0	.359	0	1	4-4	3	8	0	1.000
17 Kevin Brinkman	.308	18-8	39	10	12	3	1	0	6	17	.436	3	1	6	1	.372	0	0	2-2	23	0	1	.958
9 Eric Brady	.304	19-15	56	10	17	1	0	3	16	27	.482	3	1	13	0	.328	4	0	2-3	5	0	1	.833
4 Ryan Troehler	.298	29-27	84	15	25	3	0	0	11	28	.333	10	0	15	1	.368	1	4	4-4	35	63	11	.899
20 Michael Moir	.286	8-0	7	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	.286	1	0	1	0	.375	0	0	0-0	5	0	0	1.000
25 Ben Young	.269	25-22	78	21	21	1	0	5	21	37	.474	15	3	31	0	.402	1	0	3-3	202	10	5	.977
35 Sam Gerring	.267	11-4	15	3	4	1	1	0	2	7	.467	2	0	3	0	.353	0	0	0-1	2	0	0	1.000
27 Zach Muench	.259	13-7	27	6	7	2	0	2	10	15	.556	4	0	5	0	.355	0	0	1-1	5	15	6	.769
1 Drew Zuckerman	.259	17-16	58	6	15	3	1	0	11	20	.345	4	0	10	2	.302	1	0	0-0	68	7	5	.938
36 Austin Gibson	.217	19-16	60	8	13	3	0	1	10	19	.317	7	1	6	1	.309	0	2	1-3	93	12	1	.991
16 Ken Riley	.214	14-8	28	2	6	2	0	1	6	11	.393	3	0	6	1	.273	2	1	0-1	57	1	0	1.000
7 Johnny Renz	.158	14-4	19	2	3	0	0	0	0	3	.158	2	0	8	0	.238	0	2	2-2	7	0	0	1.000
10 Taylor Bugh	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	1	.000
TRANSYLVANIA	.322	29-29	984	222	317	47	7	19	206	435	.442	105	24	175	15	.396	14	20	63-78	697	302	60	.943
Opponents	.285	29-29	959	182	273	50	8	15	162	384	.400	98	30	160	10	.366	9	14	38-42	698			