

# BRASKA FOOTBA

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#### **Nebraska Football Notables**

- ▶ Five national championships (1970, 1971, 1994, 1995, 1997)
- ▶ 43 conference championships
- ▶ Three Heisman trophies, eight Outland trophies, four Lombardi awards
- ▶ 103 All-Americans
- ▶ Nation-leading 76 academic All-Americans
- ▶ NCAA-record 257 consecutive sellouts in Memorial Stadium (counting Utah State)
- ▶ 41 consecutive winning regular seasons
- ▶ 34 consecutive bowl appearances–NCAA record
- ▶ 41 all-time bowl appearances—fourth in NCAA
- ▶ 96-5 home record in last 16 seasons

### This Week in Husker Football

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Saturday, Sept. 6

11:50 a.m Coach Solich on Big 12 Teleconference
Noon
3:30 p.mPractice
Tuesday, Sept. 2
Weekly Press Conference
10:30 a.m11 a.m Heisman Room open to media
11 a.mNU Volleyball Coach John Cook
11:15 a.mLunch
11:45 a.mCoordinators
Noon
12:30-1:30 p.m Player Interviews
3:30 p.mPractice
Wednesday, Sept. 3
3:30 p.m Practice (Final player interviews of week)
Thursday, Sept. 4
3:30 p.mPractice
Friday, Sept. 5
2 p.mUtah State walk-thru

11:40 a.m.... Nebraska vs. Utah State (Fox Sports Net) Pregame ... Nebraska Football Hall of Fame Induction

3:30 p.m.....Nebraska walk-thru

# Game 2 - No. 23/24 Nebraska (1-0, 1-0) vs. Utah State (0-1)

Date: Saturday, Sept. 6, 2003 Time: 11:40 a.m.(CDT) Stadium: Memorial Stadium Field: Tom Osborne Field Site: Lincoln, Neb.

Surface: FieldTurf (1999)

Capacity: 73,918 (257th Consecutive Sellout)

Nebraska Radio: (Jim Rose–Play-by-Play; Adrian Fiala–Analyst; Gary Sharp–Sideline) 57-station Pinnacle Sports Network

Internet: Live Radio on Huskers.com

TV: Fox Sports Net, National (Joel Meyers-Play-by-Play; Dave Lapham-Analyst; Jim Knox-Sideline) Special Event: Induction of the 2003 Nebraska Football Hall of Fame Class; Celebration of 100 Years of Nebraska Cheerleading; Presentation of Jake Young Memorial Scholarship

# Husker Defense Sets Tone in Season Opener, Utah State up Next

Nebraska opened its 2003 campaign in impressive fashion, using an inspired defensive effort to post a 17-7 victory over 24th-ranked Oklahoma State in the season and Big 12 opener for both teams. The victory marked the 18th straight year Nebraska has opened the season with a win, and the first time since 1994 the Huskers had opened a season with a win against a ranked opponent. The victory over the Cowboys catapulted Nebraska back into the national rankings for the first time since last September and end NU's longest poll drought since 1969. Nebraska is ranked 23rd in this week's Associated Press poll and is 24th in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches poll.

The Huskers will look to make it two straight victories to open the season this Saturday when they play host to Utah State. The Aggies come to Lincoln after opening the season with a 40-20 setback against intra-state rival Utah last Thursday evening in Salt Lake City. Saturday's game is set for an 11:40 a.m. kickoff and will be broadcast to a national audience on Fox Sports Net.

This marks the second straight season Utah State has traveled to Lincoln and the eighth meeting all-time between the two schools. Last season, Nebraska defeated the Aggies 44-13 at Memorial Stadium to improve to 7-0 in the series. Utah State went on to finish its 2002 campaign with a 4-7 record. This weekend's activities also include the Nebraska Football Hall of Fame induction. Thirteen new members will be enshrined into the hall at a special reception on Friday night, and the new inductees will be honored before kickoff on Saturday.

# Blackshirts Smother Oklahoma State Offense

Nebraska welcomed back 800 former letterwinners for the Husker Nation Celebration and used a traditional Husker defensive performance and a power running attack to upend No. 24 Oklahoma State, 17-7 on Saturday in Lincoln. The Blackshirt defense limited a high-powered OSU offense to just 183 total yards and forced five Cowboy turnovers, including four after halftime.

On the offensive side, Nebraska controlled the clock and kept the defense fresh throughout the day. The Huskers held the ball for 36:48 in the contest and rushed for 268 yards, while putting up 346 yards of total offense. Running back Josh Davis and quarterback Jammal Lord each topped 90 yards on the ground to pace the Husker offense.

Nebraska got off to a quick start courtesy of its running attack. Davis brought the opening kickoff back 32 yards, giving the Huskers excellent field position on their first drive. Nebraska responded by moving 54 yards in 11 plays all on the ground to set up a 28-yard Sandro DeAngelis field goal and a 3-0 Husker lead.

## 2003 Nebraska Football Schedule/Results

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<u>Day</u> <u>Date</u> <u>Opponent</u> <u>Time/Result</u> <u>TV</u> <u>Series</u> <u>Last Meeting (Site)/Notes</u>
Sat Aug. 30 Oklahoma State# W, 17-7 ABC NU 36-3-1 NU's 18th straight season-opening win/Defense holds OSU to 183 total yards
Sat Sept. 6 Utah State
Sat Sept. 13 Penn State
Thurs Sept. 25 at Southern Miss6:30 p.m ESPN NU 1-0
Sat Oct. 4 Troy State
Sat Oct. 11 at Missouri# TBA
Sat Oct. 18 Texas A&M# (HC) TBA
Sat Oct. 25 Iowa State#
Sat Nov. 1 at Texas#
Sat Nov. 8 at Kansas# (HC)TBA
Sat Nov. 15 Kansas State# TBA
Fri Nov. 28 at Colorado#
SatDec. 6Big 12 Champ. Game7 p.mABCNebraska has appeared in three of first seven games, most recently 1999 vs. Texas
All times Central and subject to change; # Big 12 Conference games

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#### **Weekly Football Press Conference**

Nebraska will hold a weekly press conference/ teleconference on Tuesdays throughout the football season, beginning on Tuesday, Aug. 26. The press conferences are held in the Don Bryant Media Facility Level 6 and will begin with Nebraska Volleyball Coach John Cook at 11 a.m., with lunch served at 11:15 a.m. Husker coordinators will be available at 11:45 a.m., followed by Head Coach Frank Solich at noon. Nebraska players will be available following Solich.

Each press conference will be available via teleconference and satellite (via ESPN News) and quotes will be transcribed and posted by mid-afternoon on *Huskers.com*, while edited sound bites are available on NebraskaNet.com. The teleconferences are also carried live on HuskersNSide.com.

Media wishing to participate in the teleconference should contact the SID office at (402) 472-2263 for more information.

# Nebraska Football Hame of Fame to Induct 13 New Members This Weekend

The Nebraska Football Hall of Fame will induct nine former Huskers, three former state college standouts and former Kearney State Head Coach Charlie Foster this weekend. The group will officially be inducted at a reception on Friday night and will be introduced at Saturday's game with Utah State.

The 2003 inductees include...

- ▶ Marvin Crenshaw, All-American and All-Big Eight offensive tackle for Nebraska in 1974
- ▶ Mike Croel, All-Big Eight NU outside linebacker, who was the fourth pick in the 1991 NFL Draft
- ▶ Tom Davis, One of 12 Husker centers to earn All-America honors (1977)
- ▶ Harry Grimminger, All-America and All-Big Eight offensive guard in 1984
- ▶ Rod Horn, Academic All-American defensive tackle in 1979
- ▶ Ernest Kroger, Halfback and linebacker for Nebraska in 1907 and 1908
- ▶ Bill Lewis, Nebraska All-America and All-Big Eight center in 1985
- ▶ Clete Pillen, All-Big Eight linebacker and co-captain in 1976
- ▶ Jamie Williams, Four-year letterwinner at tight end from 1979 to 1982 who played 12 seasons in the NFL
- ▶ Scott Engelhardt, OL, Midland Lutheran College
- ▶ Charlie Foster, Head Coach, Kearney State
- ▶ Brian Muschall, HB, Dana College
- ▶ Gary Seevers, Back, Concordia College

Oklahoma State quickly showed its offensive ability on its initial possession. OSU took the ball near midfield after a long kickoff return and marched 52 yards in nine plays capped by a four-yard TD pass from Josh Fields to Rashaun Woods. Fields and Woods hooked up twice for 32 yards on the opening drive, but would make connections just three more times for 15 yards on the afternoon.

Neither offense was able to produce points the remainder of the first half. Nebraska squandered a pair of trips inside the Cowboy red zone with failed field goal attempts, the second of which was blocked. On the other side, Oklahoma State also saw its lone scoring threat end with a blocked field goal attempt.

Nebraska quickly turned to its defense to set the tone in the second half. Free safety **Josh Bullocks** intercepted a Fields' pass on OSU's first possession, but Nebraska was unable to convert. However, after a punt pinned the Cowboys deep in their own territory, running back Tatum Bell fumbled and NU linebacker **Barrett Ruud** scooped up the ball and sprinted 15 yards for a score and a 10-7 Nebraska lead. Two possessions later, Fields fumbled deep in OSU's territory and nose tackle **Ryon Bingham** recovered. Nebraska covered the 13 yards in three plays capped by a two-yard scoring plunge by **Judd Davies** to give the Huskers a 17-7 advantage. Nebraska's running game controlled the clock in the fourth quarter, while the Blackshirts continued to stifle the Cowboy offense.

# Recapping Game One...NU 17, Oklahoma State 7

- ▶ Nebraska junior linebacker **Barrett Ruud** scored his first career touchdown on a 15-yard fumble return in the third quarter. The touchdown was Nebraska's first defensive score since **Fabian Washington** returned an interception 29 yards for a TD in last year's opener with Arizona State. It was NU's first fumble return for a touchdown since Jon Clanton returned a Troy State fumble 20 yards to the end zone on Sept. 1, 2001. He also made seven tackles and was Nebraska's nominee for Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week.
- ▶ Cornerback **Fabian Washington** had a career-high 11 tackles and keyed a Husker secondary that limited All-America receiver Rashaun Woods to five catches for 47 yards.
- ▶ Free safety **Josh Bullocks** intercepted two passes, the first time a Husker had nabbed a pair of opponent passes since Fabian Washington had two interceptions at Iowa State last season. NU's three interceptions matched last season's high against Utah State.
- ▶ Nebraska's defense forced five turnovers against Oklahoma State, after forcing no more than three in a game last season. The last time a Husker opponent had five turnovers in a game was on Nov. 13, 1999 when Kansas State committed five turnovers in Lincoln.

#### **NU-OSU Stat Wrap Team Stats** <u>osu</u> <u>NU</u> First Downs 19 11 Rushes-Yards 30-86 65-268 Passes 28-13-3 16-8-1 Passing Yards 97 78 Total Offense 183 346 Turnovers 5

#### **NU Rushing Leaders**

Josh Davis-20 carries, 95 yards Jammal Lord-18 carries, 90 yards

#### **NU Passing Leader**

Jammal Lord-16-8-1, 78 yards

#### **NU Receiving Leader**

Matt Herian-3 receptions, 42 yards NU Defensive Leaders

Fabian Washington–11 tackles, 1 PBUDemorrio Williams–9 tackles, 1 TFL, 1 PBU

Barrett Ruud–7 tackles, Fumble return for TD Josh Bullocks–2 interceptions

- ▶ Senior I-back **Josh Davis** rushed for a career-high 95 yards on 20 carries in his first start at I-back. He accounted for 169 all-purpose yards including 12 receiving yards, 30 yards on three punt returns and a 32-yard kickoff return.
- ▶ Quarterback **Jammal Lord** moved into the top 10 on Nebraska's career total offense list by accounting for 168 yards in the contest. Lord rushed for 90 yards and passed for 78. He now has 3,336 yards of total offense to rank 10th on NU's career charts. He needs just 23 yards to move into the top 25 on Nebraska's career rushing list.
- Senior linebacker **Demorrio Williams** made nine tackles, including a tackle for loss and broke up a Cowboy pass.
- ▶ The 183 yards of total offense allowed by Nebraska was the fewest it has allowed since Notre Dame gained just 162 yards in a 27-10 Husker victory on Sept. 8, 2001. The last time NU allowed fewer yards in an opener was 169 against Iowa in 1999.
- ▶ Saturday's victory was **Frank Solich**'s 50th victory as Nebraska's head coach. He reached the milestone in 66 games on the Husker sideline, the same amount it took Tom Osborne to reach 50 victories (50-14-2).
- ▶ Nebraska had seven players make their first career starts, including receivers Ross Pilkington and Jack O'Holleran, tight end Matt Herian, center Josh Sewell, offensive guard Jake Andersen, defensive end Benard Thomas and defensive tackle Le Kevin Smith.
- ▶ True freshmen Andy Birkel (receiver), Brandon Teamer (defensive tackle) and Lane Kelly (long snapper) made their Husker debuts in the victory.
- ▶ The victory was Nebraska's 18th straight win in a season opener since a 17-13 loss to Florida State to open the 1985 season. NU's 18 straight season-opening victories is the longest streak in the nation. Nebraska has now won its conference home opener in 26 straight seasons and has posted a victory in 28 of its last 29 league openers.
- ▶ Nebraska's win over 24th-ranked Oklahoma State marked the first time an unranked Husker team had defeated a nationally ranked opponent since a 20-7 Nebraska victory over No. 18 Colorado on Nov. 1, 1969.
- ▶ The Huskers improved to 36-3-1 all-time against Oklahoma State, including a 20-1 mark at Memorial Stadium. Nebraska has won each of the last 20 meetings with the Cowboys in Lincoln.
- ▶ Nebraska ended a three-game overall losing streak with the victory and stopped a six-game slide against AP ranked opponents. The Huskers' previous victory against a ranked opponent came in a 20-10 victory over No. 2 Oklahoma on Oct. 27, 2001.

# 2003 Big 12 Standings North Division

	Records		
<u>Team</u>	<u>Overall</u>	Big 12	Next Game
Nebraska	1-0	1-0	Utah State 9/6
Kansas St.	2-0	0-0	McNeese State 9/6
Colorado	1-0	0-0	UCLA 9/6
Iowa State	1-0	0-0	Ohio 9/6
Missouri	1-0	0-0	at Ball State 9/6
Kansas	0-1	0-0	UNLV 9/6

#### **South Division**

Oklahoma	1-0	0-0	at Alabama 9/6
Texas	1-0	0-0	Arkansas 9/13
Texas Tech	1-0	0-0	New Mexico 9/6
Texas A&M	1-0	0-0	Utah 9/6
Baylor	0-1	0-0	at North Texas 9/6
Okla. St.	0-1	0-1	Wyoming 9/6

#### 2003 Nebraska Non-Conference Opponents

TeamRecord -- Next GameUtah State0-1-at Nebraska 9/6Penn State1-0-Boston College 9/6Southern Miss0-1-at UAB 9/4Troy State0-1-at Minnesota 9/6

#### Last Week's Results

Utah def. Utah State, 40-20 Penn State def. Temple, 23-10 California def. Southern Mississippi, 34-2 Kansas State def. Troy State, 41-5 Colorado def. Colorado State, 42-35 Iowa State def. Northern Iowa, 17-10 Missouri def. Illinois, 22-15 Northwestern def. Kansas, 28-20 Oklahoma def. North Texas, 37-3 Texas def. New Mexico State, 66-7 Texas Tech def. SMU, 51-10 Texas A&M def. Arkansas State, 26-11 UAB def. Baylor, 24-19

# 2003 Utah State Schedule

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	Time/Result		
8/30	at Utah	L, 40-20		
9/6	at Nebraska	11:40 a.m.		
9/13	at Arizona State	9 p.m.		
9/27	Louisiana-Monroe	7 p.m.		
10/4	at New Mexico	7 p.m.		
10/11	Wyoming	7 p.m.		
10/18	at North Texas	3 p.m.		
10/25	Arkansas State	2 p.m.		
11/1	Middle Tennessee State	2 p.m.		
11/8	at New Mexico State	7 p.m.		
11/15	Troy State	2 p.m.		
11/22	at Idaho	4 p.m.		

#### **NU-Utah State Series Notes**

- ▶ Nebraska picked up 44 first downs in the 1991 meeting between the two schools, setting an NCAA record.
- ▶ All seven games in the series have been played in Lincoln and all have been contested since 1966.
- ▶ The 1991 game between the two schools was interrupted for 19 minutes in the third quarter because of a thunderstorm in the area.
- ▶ Nebraska has been ranked in the top 10 entering six of the seven meetings between the schools.

#### **Husker-Utah Ties**

▶ The Huskers have a pair of players from the state of Utah. Fifth-year senior Ryon Bingham from Sandy, Utah is in his second season as Nebraska's starting nose tackle. Stewart Bradley, who hails from Salt Lake City, is a redshirt freshman defensive end for the Huskers.

# **Scouting Utah State**



Utah State opened its 2003 campaign last Thursday with a 40-20 loss to in-state rival Utah in Salt Lake City. Utah jumped to a 14-3 halftime lead in the contest, then after the Aggies pulled within 21-12 late in the third quarter, Utah put the game away with 13 unanswered points to open the fourth quarter.

The Aggies featured a potent passing attack in 2002, and this season appears to be no different. Utah State picked up 357 yards of total offense against Utah, including 280 yards through the air. Junior quarterback Travis Cox is in his first season as the starter and opened the year by completing 19-of-41 passes

against Utah, including a touchdown pass. Senior wide receiver Chris Stallworth was Cox's favorite target, hauling in five passes for 113 yards, including a 50-yard touchdown. Cox did an excellent job of spreading the ball around, completing passes to nine different receivers.

The Aggies averaged less than 85 yards per game on the ground last season and managed just 77 against Utah last week. Senior tailback David Fiefia paced the running attack with nine carries for 54 yards. Utah State will also be looking for significant improvement on defense this fall, after allowing nearly 475 yards per contest in 2002. Utah picked up 382 yards of total offense in the season opener, including 202 rushing yards and 180 yards through the air. Junior linebacker Robert Watts made 85 tackles last season and was busy again in the opener, making 16 stops, including a tackle for loss. Senior safety Derrek Shank also had a strong outing against the Utes, making 12 tackles and breaking up a pass.

# **Utah State Coach Mick Dennehy**

Mick Dennehy (Montana, 1973) is in his fourth season as the head coach at Utah State and his 11th season overall as a collegiate head coach. Dennehy owns a 13-21 record with the Aggies and is 62-46 overall. In addition to his work as a head coach at Utah State, Dennehy has also served as the head man at Montana and Western Montana. Dennehy guided the Aggies to a 5-6 record in his first season and has posted a 4-7 mark each of the past two seasons. His 2002 Utah State team finished second in the Big West Conference.

# Nebraska-Utah State Series...NU leads 7-0

Nebraska has won all seven meetings between the two schools, including a 44-13 victory last season at Memorial Stadium. The Huskers have dominated each of the series' meetings, winning all seven games by at least three touchdowns. The average score of the previous seven meetings has been 46.7-13.3 and Utah State has scored more than 14 points in just one of the seven games.

Last season, Nebraska scored on five of its first six drives to open a 31-7 second-quarter lead, and cruised to a 44-13 victory over the Aggies in front of the 250th consecutive sellout at Memorial Stadium. Quarterback Jammal Lord set the pace for the Huskers, rushing for two touchdowns and passing for two more before halftime. Cornerback DeJuan Groce intercepted two passes and earned Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Week honors for his efforts. Senior I-back Dahrran Diedrick rushed for a team-high 93 yards on 16 carries, while Kyle Larson paced the NU special teams with a 57.3-yard punting average, just off the NU school record. The Husker defense harrassed Utah State quarterback Jose Fuentes all evening, sacking the Aggie signal caller six times and forcing him into three interceptions.

# Last Year in Lincoln... Nebraska 44, Utah State 13

<u>USU</u>	<u>NU</u>
19	20
30-70	54-288
44-19-3	15-8-0
251	130
321	418
2-13	6-40
	30-70 44-19-3 251 321

#### **NU Rushing Leaders**

Dahrran Diedrick–16 carries, 93 yards Jammal Lord–9 carries, 59 yards, 2 TD

#### **NU Passing Leader**

 $Jammal\ Lord-12\text{-}6\text{-}0, 105\ yards, 2\ TD$ 

#### NU Receiving Leader

Wilson Thomas-2 receptions, 41 yards, 1 TD

#### **NU Defensive Leaders**

Scott Shanle-7 tackles

DeJuan Groce-2 interceptions

## **Nebraska-Utah State Statistical Comparison**

Nebraska (1-0, 1-0)			Utah State (0-1)	
Avg.	Big 12	Natl.	Avg.	Natl.
268.0	1	7	77.0	81
78.0	12	95	280.0	25
346.0	8	54	357.0	50
17.0	10	57	20.0	64
86.0	4	24	202.0	80
97.0	5	9	180.0	38
65.9	3	6	142.4	80
183.0	2	5	382.0	63
7.0	2	12	40.0	85
34.4	11	61	35.0	51
10.0	6	37	6.0	67
32.0	4	11	17.9	65
+3.0	1	4	0.0	42
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#### Nebraska vs. Utah State

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<b>50110</b>	Solich Year-by-Year						
<b>Year</b>	Record	.Pct	Conf.	<b>Bowl</b>	Rank		
1998	9-4	.692	5-3	Holiday	19/20		
1999	12-1	.923	7-1#	Fiesta	3/2		
2000	10-2	.833	6-2	Alamo	8/7		
2001	11-2	.846	7-1	Rose	8/7		
2002	7-7	.500	3-5	Indepen.	NR/NR		
2003	<u>1-0</u>	1.000	1-0	-			
Total	50-16	.758	29-12	Four			
#-Won Big 12 Championship							
Final national rank listed AP/Coaches							

### Solich vs. Ranked AP Teams (11-12)

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Site</u>	Rank	Result
1998				
9/26	Washington	Home	2/9	W 55-7
10/10	Texas A&M	Away	2/18	L 21-28
10/24	Missouri	Home	7/19	W 20-13
11/14	Kansas St.	Away	11/2	L 30-40
12/30	Arizona	Holiday	14/5	L 20-23
1999		-		
10/23	Texas	Away	3/18	L 20-24
11/6	Texas A&M	Home	9/21	W 37-0
11/13	Kansas St.	Home	7/5	W 41-15
12/4	Texas	Big 12	3/12	W 22-6
1/2	Tennessee	Fiesta	3/6	W 31-21
2000				
9/9	Notre Dame	Away	1/23	W 27-24OT
10/28	Oklahoma	Away	1/3	L 14-31
11/18	Kansas St.	Away	4/16	L 28-29
12/30	Northwestern	Alamo	9/18	W 66-17
2001				
9/8	Notre Dame	Home	4/17	W 27-10
10/27	Oklahoma	Home	3/2	W 20-10
11/23	Colorado	Away	2/14	L 36-62
1/3	Miami	Rose	4/1	L 14-37
2002				
9/28	Iowa State	Away	20/19	L 14-36
11/2	Texas	Home	/7	L 24-27
11/16	Kansas State	Away	/11	L 13-49
11/29	Colorado	Home	/13	L 13-28
2003				
8/30	Okla. State	Home	/24	W 17-7

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Solic	h Superlat	ives		
	1			50-16
VS.	AP Ranked Tea	ms		11-12
	AP Top 10 Team			
	Unranked Tean			
	Big 12 Teams			
Wh	en Rushing for	300 Yards		27-2
Wh	en Rushing for	400 Yards		11-0
Wh	en Rushing for	500 Yards		2-0
Wh	en Rushing for	600 Yards		1-0
Wh	en NU player ri	ishes for	100 Yards	33-9
Mu	ltiple 100-ýd. N	U Rushers	in a Gam	e13-0
Wh	en Opp. hás 100	Yd. Rush	er	8-10
Wh	en Scoring 35 c	r More Po	oints	32-1
Wh	en Hold Opp. to	10 Pts. o	r less	22-0
Wh	en Nebraska sc	ores first.		38-6
Wh	en Nebraska le	ads at half	ftime	41-6
	en Nebraska tra			
Wh	en Nebraska is	tied at ha	lftime	3-0
Rec	ord in games d	ecided by	10 or less	s15-9
Rec	ord in games d	ecided by	7 or less.	9-8
Rec	ord in games d	ecided by	3 or less.	4-4
Indivi	dual Honors			
Dra	ft Picks			25
	Americans			
Aca	demic All-Ame	ricans		7
All-	Conference Wi	nners		23
	demic All-Conf	ference W	inners	103
	Honors			
Cor	nference Champ	oionships.		1

Nine-Win Seasons ......4

11-Win Seasons ......2

#### Nebraska Head Coach Frank Solich

Coach Frank Solich (Nebraska, 1966) is in his sixth season at the helm of the Husker program with a 50-16 school and career record (.758). Solich ranks sixth among active coaches with at least five years of service in winning percentage.

With a victory over Oklahoma State in the season opener, Solich collected his 50th win in just his 66th game as Nebraska's head coach, the same amount as his Hall of Fame predecessor Tom Osborne (50-14-2). Solich's 49 wins in his first five seasons as a head coach tied him for third place on the all-time Division I-A list for most wins in the first five years of a head coaching career.

Solich has piled up a number of notable accomplishments during his Nebraska tenure including...

- ▶ Becoming just the third first-year Nebraska head coach to record nine wins in his first season at the helm, joining a pair of Hall of Fame Coaches-Tom Osborne (9-2-1 in 1973) and Bob Devaney
- ▶ He posted the best record of any Husker second-year coach, as his team posted a 12-1 record in 1999, leading NU to a Big 12 championship and No. 2 (coaches poll) and No. 3 (AP poll) final national rankings.
- ▶ The Nebraska graduate has set NU records for most wins after two, three, four and five years as head coach, bettering Devaney and Osborne.
- ▶ Solich was named the 1999 Big 12 Coach of the Year by his league peers and the AP after winning the league championship, and was named coach of the year by the conference coaches a second time in 2001.
- ▶ Solich is the only Husker coach to have won 12 games in either of his first two seasons. In fact, neither Devaney nor Osborne had an 11-win campaign in their first four years, with Devaney posting a pair of 10-win seasons and Osborne hitting 10 wins in his third season.
- ▶ Solich tied Devaney by winning his first conference title his second year, while Osborne tied for his first title

in his third year at the helm. Solich has continued Nebraska's winning tradition the Husker way-by identification of athletic talent

Div. I-A Winningest Active Coaches Rank, Coach, School **Years** Rec. .Pct 1. Bob Pruett, Marshall 81-13 .862 2. Phillip Fulmer, Tennessee 12 104-25 .806 3. Bobby Bowden, Florida St. 38 333-96-4 .774 available for the student-athletes. Joe Paterno, Penn State 38 337-100-3 .769 Lloyd Carr, Michigan 9 77-23 .770 6. Frank Solich, Nebraska .758 6 50-16

regardless of position or recruiting rank; with successful recruitment nationwide of the country's best student-athletes; developing local talent and utilizing the envious Husker walk-on program; and by providing the best athletic facilities and support

Solich also recognizes the Husker tradition, which is most evident in his coaching staff. Including Solich, six of Nebraska's 10 full-time coaches played college ball at Nebraska. Solich is one of 19 current Division

I-A football coaches who played for and now coach their alma mater.

Solich was named Nebraska's 26th head coach on Dec. 10, 1997, after serving as an NU assistant for 19 years. He played fullback for Hall of Fame Coach Bob Devaney, lettering in 1963-64-65. Solich was the first Husker running back to rush for 200 yards in a game and remains the only fullback to accomplish that feat. He also lettered for the NU baseball team in 1965. After serving as a local high school football coach for 14 years, Solich took over the NU freshman program and posted a 19-1 record from 1979 to 1982. He was elevated to NU's running backs coach after four seasons, a position he held for 15 years (1983-97). He was promoted to assistant head coach in 1991 and head coach following the 1997 season. Solich earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from NU in 1966 and 1972, respectively.

#### Fresh Faces on Husker Sidelines for 2003 Season

Solich is surrounded by several new faces on his coaching staff for the 2003 season. Six new coaches are on the NU staff, including three assistants on each side of the ball, led by new offensive and defensive coordinators.

The new Husker assistants (previous coaching stop) include...

- ▶ Barney Cotton, Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line (Offensive coordinator, New Mexico State)
- ▶ **Bo Pelini,** Defensive Coordinator, (Linebackers, Green Bay Packers)
- ▶ Tim Albin, Running Backs/Passing Game Coordinator, (Graduate Assistant, Nebraska)
- ▶ Scott Downing, Tight Ends/Kickers & Punters/Recruiting Coordinator (Ass't. Head Coach, RBs, Purdue)
- ▶ Marvin Sanders, Defensive Backs, (Secondary, Colorado State)
- ▶ Jimmy Williams, Linebackers (Defensive Line, Toledo)

All of the new assistants had previous Nebraska ties except for Pelini, who came to Nebraska from the NFL coaching ranks and played college football at Ohio State. The newcomers join assistants Ron Brown (17th year), Turner Gill (12th year) and Jeff Jamrog (4th year). Brown continues to coach Nebraska's wide receivers. Gill remains the Huskers' quarterbacks coach and added the title of assistant head coach. Jamrog will again coach the Husker defensive tackles, but will also tutor the defensive ends and serve as Nebraska's special teams coordinator.

# Game Day Assignments

**Offense Defense** Field Field B. Pelini Cotton Brown Jamrog Downing Williams Press Box Press Box Albin Sanders Gill C. Pelini (G.A.) McLaughlin (G.A.)

#### 2003 Polls

#### Associated Press (Sept. 1)

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No.	<u>Team (1st)</u>	Record	<b>Points</b>
1.	Oklahoma (30)	1-0	1,566
2.	Ohio State (25)	1-0	1,538
3.	Miami (2)	1-0	1,482
4.	USC (6)	1-0	1,389
5.	Michigan (2)	1-0	1,351
6.	Texas*	1-0	1,302
7.	Kansas State*	2-0	1,241
8.	Georgia	1-0	1,135
9.	Virginia Tech	1-0	1,094
10.	Pittsburgh	0-0	996
11.	Florida State	1-0	930
12.	Tennessee	1-0	883
13.	LSU	1-0	828
14.	North Carolina State	1-0	815
15.	Virginia	1-0	641
16.	Purdue	0-0	533
17.	Auburn	0-1	524
18.	Wisconsin	1-0	512
19.	Notre Dame	0-0	507
20.	Arizona State	0-0	309
21.	Florida	1-0	268
22.	Washington	0-1	222
23.	Nebraska	1-0	204
24.	Colorado*	1-0	188
25.	TCU	0-0	131

#### ESPN/USA Today/Coaches (Sept. 1)

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No.	Team (1st)	Record	<b>Point</b>
1.	Oklahoma (32)	1-0	1,530
2.	Ohio State (26)	1-0	1,498
3.	Miami (5)	1-0	1,467
4.	Texas*	1-0	1,297
5.	USC	1-0	1,291
6.	Kansas State*	2-0	1,257
7.	Michigan	1-0	1,200
8.	Georgia	1-0	1,141
9.	Virginia Tech	1-0	1,033
10.	Florida State	1-0	947
11.	North Carolina State	1-0	823
12.	Pittsburgh	0-0	783
13.	LSU	1-0	771
14.	Tennessee	1-0	714
15.	Virginia	1-0	638
16.	Notre Dame	0-0	568
17.	Wisconsin	1-0	502
18.	Florida	1-0	500
19.	Auburn	0-1	485
20.	Purdue	0-0	356
21.	Arizona State	0-0	342
22.	Colorado*	1-0	178
23.	Iowa	1-0	161
24.	Nebraska	1-0	152
25.	Penn State*	1-0	144
*-De	notes 2003 NII opponer	nt	

<sup>\*-</sup>Denotes 2003 NU opponent

#### **Huskers in the 2003 Polls**

Date	<u>A</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>B</u>	Results
Pre.	RV	RV	NA	
8-25		RV	NA	def. OSU, 17-7
9-1	23	24	NA	
a=Asso	ciated	Press	: C-Coa	aches: B-BCS

## **Huskers Continue Success in Season Openers**

Nebraska's 17-7 victory over Oklahoma State continued its run of season-opening success. The victory was Nebraska's nation-leading 18th straight win in a season opener since a 17-13 loss to Florida State in Lincoln in 1985. The Huskers have won each of those 18 contests by at least 10 points. Nebraska is now 83-26-5 all-time in season openers.

Husker Head Coach Frank Solich improved to a perfect 6-0 in season openers. In the last 31 years, the Huskers are 26-4-1 in season openers, 21-2 at home, losing only to FSU in 1985 and Washington State in 1977 (19-10). In fact, the Huskers have won 39 of 42 season openers since Bob Devaney took over the Husker program in 1962.

Soli	ch in Season	Openers	
<u>Year</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	Result	
1998	vs. La. Tech*	W, 56-27	
1999	at Iowa	W, 42-7	
2000	vs. San Jose State	W, 49-13	
2001	vs. TCU**	W, 21-7	
2002	vs. Arizona State#	W, 48-10	
2003	vs. #24 Okla. State	W, 17-7	
*-Eddie	e Robinson Classic, Linco	ln	
**-Pigskin Classic, Lincoln			
#-Black	Coaches Association Clas	ssic, Lincoln	

In all-time home openers, NU is 92-17-5 including 64-14-3 at Memorial Stadium. The Huskers are 29-2 in home openers over the last 31 years.

# **Huskers Hope to Continue Run of Fast Starts**

A victory over Utah State on Saturday would give Nebraska a 2-0 start to a season for the seventh consecutive year, including each of Frank Solich's six seasons as head coach. In fact, Nebraska has won its first three games in each of Solich's first five years on the NU sideline. Nebraska has opened 16 of its past 17 seasons with 2-0 records, with the only blemish a 1-1 mark in 1996, when NU lost its second game at Arizona State, but finished 11-2.

# **Nebraska Knocks Off Ranked Opponent in Opener**

Nebraska found success in its first season-opening encounter against a ranked opponent in nine seasons. The Huskers' victory over No. 24 Oklahoma State marked the first time Nebraska had faced a nationally ranked foe in game one since a 31-0 whitewash of West Virginia in the 1994 Kickoff Classic. Saturday's victory over Oklahoma State gave Nebraska a 7-4 all-time record in season openers against ranked opponents, including a 3-3 mark at Memorial Stadium. NU improved to 2-2 in openers against ranked opponents when it has entered the game unranked.

- ▶ 2003 Nebraska 17, #24 Oklahoma State 7, Lincoln
- ▶ 1994-#4 Nebraska 31, #24 West Virginia 0, Kickoff Classic, East Rutherford, N.J.
- ▶ 1988-#2 Nebraska 23, #10 Texas A&M 14, Kickoff Classic, East Rutherford, N.J.
- ▶ 1986–#8 Nebraska 34, #11 Florida State 17, Lincoln
- ▶ 1985-#17 Florida State 17, #10 Nebraska 13, Lincoln
- ▶ 1983-#1 Nebraska 44, #4 Penn State 6, Kickoff Classic, East Rutherford, N.J.
- ▶ 1978-#1 Alabama 20, #10 Nebraska 3, Birmingham, Ala.
- ▶ 1973-#4 Nebraska 40, #10 UCLA 13, Lincoln
- ▶ 1969-#5 USC 31, Nebraska 21, Lincoln
- ▶ 1960-Nebraska 14,#4 Texas 13, Austin, Texas
- ▶ 1959-#17 Texas 20, Nebraska 0, Lincoln

# **Scanning the Polls**

Nebraska found itself in an unfamiliar preseason position entering the 2003 season—unranked in both major polls. The Huskers were just outside of the top 25 in both polls, marking the first time since 1969 that Nebraska entered a season unranked in the Associated Press poll. The Huskers took care of that unusual situation in just one week. Nebraska's 17-7 victory over Oklahoma State moved the Huskers into this week's national polls. The Huskers are ranked 23rd in this week's Associated Press poll and are 24th in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll.

Nebraska joins four other Big 12 teams in the national rankings, including Oklahoma (1 AP/1 Coaches), Texas (6/4), Kansas State (7/6) and Colorado (24/22). Meanwhile, four other conference teams received votes in the polls, including Missouri, Texas A&M, Oklahoma State and Texas Tech. Nebraska non-conference opponent Penn State is ranked 25th in this week's coaches poll and is receiving votes in the Associated Press poll.

The Huskers move back into the national polls comes after an absence from the last 12 Associated Press weekly polls. Nebraska has now been ranked in 523 of 538 AP polls since 1969 (all but one week in 1977, three weeks in 1981, the final 11 weeks of 2002 and this year's preseason poll).

### Against AP Ranked Teams

With last week's victory, Nebraska improved to 90-96-3 (.484, 189 games) all time vs. AP ranked opponents, not a bad percentage considering NU started with a 7-35 mark before Coach Bob Devaney arrived in 1962. Over the last 10 seasons, the Huskers have gone 29-14 against ranked foes, with just two of the losses at home. Nebraska has won 14 of its last 19 games against top 10 AP teams (since 1994).

The Huskers were 0-4 last season against AP ranked opponents, and ended a six-game overall losing skid against ranked foes with the victory over Oklahoma State. Nebraska's previous victory over a ranked opponent was a 20-10 defeat of No. 2 Oklahoma on Oct. 27, 2001.

Over the last 31 years, NU is 72-49-1 (.594, 122 games) vs. ranked teams. In the 1990s, NU was 27-10-1 (counting the Jan. 2, 2000, win over Tennessee). Solich is 11-12 vs. ranked teams (4-5 vs. top 10 AP teams), and has lost just twice at home to a ranked AP team (7-2 home, 1-8 away, 3-2 neutral).

**NU Holds Cowboys in Check** 

Nebraska's defense opened the 2003 campaign

with a standout effort against Oklahoma

State. Below is a comparison of how NU

fared against OSU's talented offensive trio on

Saturday compared to last season.

**2002**–33 carries, 182 yards

2002-17-27-0, 192 yards, 2 TDS

2003-13-28-3, 97 yards, 1 TD. 3 INT

2003-23 carries, 87 yards, 1 fumble

2002-11 receptions, 134 yards, 1 TD

2003-5 receptions, 47 yards, 1 TD

**QB Josh Fields** 

**RB Tatum Bell** 

**WR Rashaun Woods** 

#### **Husker Honors, Watch Lists**

Judd Davies, Sr., FB

Preseason No. 6 Fullback in the Nation (TSN)

Matt Herian, So., TE

Preseason No. 10 Tight End in Nation (TSN)

#### Richie Incognito, So., OT

Outland Trophy Watch List

Preseason No. 14 OT in the Nation (TSN)

Preseason No. 10 OT in the Nation (Lindy's)

#### Kyle Larson, Sr., P

Preseason No. 3 Punter in the Nation (Lindy's) Preseason No. 4 Punter in the Nation (TSN) Ray Guy Award Watch List

#### Jammal Lord, Sr., QB

Davey O'Brien Quarterback Award Watch List

#### Barrett Ruud, Jr., LB

Butkus Award Watch List

#### Josh Sewell, Sr., C

Rimington Award Watch List

#### Demorrio Williams, Sr., LB

Preseason No. 11 OLB in the Nation (TSN)

#### **Nebraska Kickoff Return Record Book**

Returns, Game-7, Josh Davis, at Kansas State, Nov. 16, 2002 (shared)

Return Yards, Game–186, Josh Davis at Kansas State, Nov. 16, 2002

Returns, Season–42, Josh Davis, 2002 Return Yards, Season–994; Josh Davis, 2002 Returns, Career–70, Josh Davis, 2000-present Return Yards, Career–1,701, Josh Davis, 2000-present

#### **Top Five Season Kickoff Return Yards**

- 1. 994 Josh Davis, IB, 2002 (42 ret.)
- 2. 675 Josh Davis, IB, 2001 (25 ret.)
- 3. 523 Tyrone Hughes, WB, 1990 (18 ret.)
- 4. 510 Dana Brinson, WB, 1988 (23 ret.)
- 5. 424 Tyrone Hughes, WB, 1992 (19 ret.)

#### **Top Five Career Kickoff Return Yards**

- 1. 1,701 Josh Davis, IB, 2000-present (70 ret.)
- 2. 1,443 Tyrone Hughes, WB, 1989-92 (51 ret.)
- 3. 1,159 Joe Walker, ROV, 1997-2000 (53 ret.)
- 4. 1,154 Dana Brinson, WB, 1985--88 (51 ret.)
- 5. 847 Johnny Rodgers, WB, 1970-72 (35 ret.)

#### **Nebraska Career Punting Leaders**

Kank	Player, Years	Punts	Yards	Avg.
1.	Dan Hadenfeldt, 1997-2000	104	4,632	44.54
2.	Kyle Larson, 2000-present	134	5,718	42.67
3.	Jesse Kosch, 1994-97	101	4,234	41.92
4.	Mike Stigge, 1989-92	167	6,973	41.75
5.	Scott Livingston, 1982-84	83	3,406	41.04

# **Big 12 Conference POW Nominees**

Note: Minimum 70 punts

<u>Game</u>	<u>Ottense</u>	<u>Detense</u>	<u>Special</u>
OSU	none	B. Ruud	none
USU			
PSU			
USM			
TSU			
MU			
A&M			
ISU			
UT			
KU			
KSU			
CU			

#### **Back in Black**

Nebraska's top defensive players had to wait until just a few days before the season opener to learn who would be given Blackshirts—the coveted practice jerseys worn by first-team Husker defenders. First-year coordinator Bo

Pelini's delay in awarding the Blackshirts didn't seem to faze his players as Nebraska opened the season with a defensive effort to remember. Here are a few notes regarding the performance of NU's defense in the 17-7 victory over Oklahoma State...

- ▶ Nebraska limited Oklahoma State to just 183 total yards of offense, including only 57 after halftime. The Cowboys gained just 70 yards of offense in the game's final 42 minutes.
- ▶ The 183 yards of total offense were the fewest Nebraska had allowed in 24 games, since holding Notre Dame to 162 yards in a 27-10 victory in Lincoln on Sept. 8, 2001.
- ▶ Nebraska had not allowed fewer yards in a season opener since Iowa picked up just 169 yards of total offense in the 1999 opener in Iowa City (NU, 42-7).
- ▶ The Blackshirts forced five Oklahoma State turnovers, including three interceptions and a pair of fumble recoveries. Nebraska had not forced five turnovers in a game since a 41-15 victory over Kansas State on Nov. 13, 1999, a span of 43 games. Last season, Nebraska did not force more than three turnovers in a game, and NU's three

interceptions were its most since picking off three Utah State passes last season.

▶ Josh Fields' 97 yards passing was his lowest passing total as a starter, while Rashaun Woods' 47 receiving yards were his fewest since the 2001 season.

# All Areas of Defense Shine in Opener

Nebraska's defensive effort against Oklahoma State was truly a team effort. It is hard to highlight specific defenders, but the Husker coaching staff and OSU players and coaches did point out the work of a few defenders.

- ▶ Junior linebacker Barrett Ruud finished with seven tackles, including one tackle for loss and returned a Cowboy fumble 15 yards for a touchdown. Nebraska Head Coach Frank Solich was not surprised by Ruud's performance—"I thought leading up to this game that Barrett Ruud had a great fall camp. He is a great football player, and I think that showed in a lot of ways today." The Lincoln native's effort earned him Nebraska's nomination for Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week.
- ▶ Senior linebacker **Demorrio Williams** posted nine tackles on the afternoon, including one tackle for loss. He also broke up a pass and hurried quarterback Josh Fields. Williams' speed and play-making ability disrupted the Cowboys' offense on numerous other occasions. Oklahoma State offensive guard Sam Mayes was impressed by Williams' effort—"Whoa, that's like having a safety at linebacker. He was in the backfield all the time. We had him blocked and he was quick enough to get around us and cause trouble." New defensive coordinator Bo Pelini also touted Williams' play—"He's a special player. He has special talents. That left guard might be seeing him (Williams) in his sleep for a while."
- ▶ Sophomore cornerback **Fabian Washington** led Nebraska with 11 tackles and added a pass breakup and a quarterback hurry. He was also a key factor in the NU defense that limited OSU All-America receiver Rashaun Woods to five catches for 47 yards, including two receptions for nine yards in the second half. Pelini was also pleased with the work of NU's left corner— "He was all over the place. He's a good football player, who really steps it up in live competition. It was no surprise to us the way he played. He's a gamer."
- ▶ Sophomore free safety **Josh Bullocks** intercepted a pair of second-half passes, marking the first time a Husker had two interceptions in a game since Washington picked off two Iowa State passes last season. Bullocks added three tackles.
- ▶ Senior free safety **Jerrell Pippens** had four tackles in the game, including a seven-yard sack of Josh Fields. On the play, Pippens caused a fumble that was recovered by **Ryon Bingham** and Nebraska converted the turnover to a touchdown and a 17-7 third-quarter lead.

#### Davis Handling Heavy Work Load for Huskers

Senior I-back **Josh Davis** figures to sleep well on Saturday nights this fall. The 5-11, 200-pound Davis is in his third season as Nebraska's starting kickoff return man, and already owns NU single-game, season and career records for kickoff return yardage. By season's end, Davis could own the top three season kickoff return yardage totals in school history and is on track to become the first 2,000-yard kickoff return man in Nebraska history.

His special teams role has grown this season, as he has taken over Nebraska's top punt return duties. Davis returned three punts in the opener for 30 yards. Davis has also risen to the top of the depth chart at I-back and turned in a workmanlike performance against Oklahoma State in the opener. Davis rushed 20 times for 95 yards against the Cowboys and his tough running style, allowed him to be thrown for only one yard in losses in the game. Davis' 20 carries and 95 yards were both career highs. He also caught a career-long 12-yard pass out of the backfield.

Overall, Davis accounted for 169 yards of all-purpose yards in the contest (95 rushing, 12 receiving, 32 kickoff return, 30 punt return).

#### Top Rushing Games by NU QBs

<b>Yards</b>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	
234	Jammal Lord	Texas (11-2-02)	
218	Jammal Lord	McNeese St. (10-5-02)	
199	Tommie Frazier	vs. Florida (1-2-96)	
191	Eric Crouch	at Missouri (9-29-01)	
176	Gerry Gdowski	Iowa State (10-28-89)	
162	Eric Crouch	at Colorado (11-23-01)	
159	Jammal Lord	at Texas A&M (10-26-02)	

#### 1,000-Yard Rushing Seasons by NU QBs

<u>Year</u>	<u>Player</u>	Att.	Yds.	<u>TDs</u>
2002	Jammal Lord	251	1,412	8
2001	Eric Crouch	203	1,115	18
1997	Scott Frost	176	1,095	19

# Most Rushing Yards in a Season by NCAA Division I-A Quarterbacks

<u>Year</u>	Player, School	AttYards
1986	Beau Morgan, Air Force	225-1,494
1989	Stacey Robinson, N. Illinois	223-1,443
2002	Jammal Lord, Nebraska	251-1,412

#### **NU Single-Season Total Offense**

Rar	ık, Player, Pos., Yr.	<b>Total Offense</b>
1.	Jammal Lord, QB, 2002	2,774
2.	Eric Crouch, QB, 2001	2,625
3.	Jerry Tagge, QB, 1971	2,333
4.	Scott Frost, QB, 1997	2,332
5.	Gerry Gdowski, QB, 1989	2,251
6.	Eric Crouch, QB, 1999	2,158
7.	Mike Rozier, IB, 1983	2,148
8.	Keithen McCant, QB, 1991	2,108
9.	Vince Ferragamo, QB, 1976	2,086
10.	Eric Crouch, QB, 2000	2,072

#### **NU Career Total Offense**

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Ran	Rank, Player, Pos., Yrs. Total Offense			
1.	Eric Crouch, QB, 1998-2001	7,915		
2.	Tommie Frazier, QB, 1992-95	5,476		
3.	Jerry Tagge, QB, 1969-71	5,283		
4.	Dave Humm, QB, 1972-74	5,027		
5.	Steve Taylor, QB, 1985-88	4,940		
6.	Mike Rozier, IB, 1981-83	4,780		
7.	Turner Gill, QB, 1980-83	4,634		
8.	Scott Frost, QB, 1996-97	4,210		
9.	Ahman Green, IB, 1995-97	3,880		
10.	Jammal Lord, QB, 2000-03	3,336		

#### **Top Total Offense Games in NU History**

<u>Yards</u> 369	<u>Player</u> Jammal Lord	Opponent McNeese State (10-5-02)
360	Eric Crouch	at Colorado (11-23-01)
332	Jammal Lord	Texas (11-2-02)

### **Lord Game-by-Game**

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<u>Game</u>	<u>Pass</u>	Rush	Total Off.
OSU	16-8-1, 78, 0 TD	18-90,0 TD	34 att., 168 yds.
USU			-
PSU			
USM			
TSU			
MU			
A&M			
ISU			
UT			
KU			
KSU			
CU			

# Lord Looks For Big Things in 2003

Nebraska senior quarterback **Jammal Lord** made a large dent in the Husker record book a year ago. The Bayonne, N.J., native set NU game and season records for total offense and rushing yards by a quarterback. Lord finished the season with 1,412 rushing yards, the third-most ever by a Division I-A quarterback and amassed 2,774 yards of total offense. In the process, he also became one of only 19 Division I-A players to both rush and pass for more than 1,000 yards in the same season. He was the third Husker signal caller in six seasons to reach that plateau, joining Scott Frost (1997) and Eric Crouch (2001).

In addition, Lord was Nebraska's most consistent big-play threat a year ago. He had a hand in a remarkable 41 plays of 20 yards or more in 2002, including 21 runs and 20 passes.

Despite his gaudy numbers last season, the 6-2, 220-pound Lord is hopeful of becoming a more efficient quarterback this season, most notably through the air. Last season Lord completed just less than 47 percent of his passes and threw for 12 touchdowns against 12 interceptions.

Lord began the 2003 season with a solid effort in the 17-7 victory over Oklahoma State. Lord rushed 18 times for 90 yards, with a long run of 27 yards. Through the air, Lord connected on 50 percent of his passes (8-16) for 78 yards, with one of his attempts intercepted.

Recent Nebraska history indicates that Lord could be in for marked improvement this fall. Husker quarterbacks in their second seasons as starters have enjoyed much greater success in year two at the helm versus their first season as a starter. Most recently, 2001 Heisman winner Eric Crouch improved his completion percentage from 48.5 percent as a freshman to 51.9 percent as a sophomore. Crouch also improved his average yards per total offense attempt by nearly a yard. The following graphic examines several Nebraska quarterbacks' statistics in their first seasons as starters versus their second years.

#### Selected NU Starting Quarterbacks-Year 1 vs. Year 2 Pass TD-Int. Rush Yds./Att. Total Yds/Att. Pass Comp. % **Iammal Lord** 2002 46.6 12-12 5.6 6.7 2003 5.0 50.0 0 - 14.9 Eric Crouch (Four-year starter, 1998-2001, 2001 Heisman winner) 48.5 4.8 5.4 4-4 1999 51.9 7-4 4.9 6.3 **Scott Frost** (*Two-year starter, 1996-97, Guided NU to 1997 national championship*) 1996 52.0 13-3 3.5 5.8 1997 55.3 6.2 7.0 5-4 Tommie Frazier (Four-year starter, 1992-95, Guided NU to back-to-back national titles in 1994 and 1995) 1992 44.0 10-1 4.6 6.1 1993 47.5 5.6 6.5 12-4 Turner Gill (Three-year starter, 1981-83, Fourth in 1983 Heisman balloting) 1981 51.6 9-4 3.5 5.3 1982 54.2 11 - 34.9 6.3

#### **Nebraska Strives for Offensive Efficiency**

Lord's development as a passer will be a key in Nebraska's desire to become a more balanced offense this fall. Solich and new offensive coordinator Barney Cotton have regularly talked about increasing the Huskers' completion rate into the 55 to 60 percent area.

Game one against Oklahoma State did indicate that Nebraska will likely still rely on its ground game as its bread and butter. The Huskers ran the ball on 65 of their 81 offensive snaps and racked up 268 of their 346 yards of total offense on the ground. Despite the run-oriented attack in the season opener, this year's Husker offense has the potential to be the most balanced in a generation.

Last season Nebraska generated 72 percent of its offense on the ground, and in five seasons under Solich the Huskers have accounted for just more than 70 percent of their offense via the run. By comparison, Tom Osborne's last five Husker teams (1993-97) picked up 71.5 percent of their offense via the run.

Solich's most balanced offensive attack came in his first season in 1998, when NU gained 65.9 percent of its offense on the ground (34.1 percent passing). In fact, that

**Husker Offensive Breakdown Under Frank Solich** Season Total Off. Pct. Rush Pct. Pass 1998 384.9 65.9 34.1 1999 392.2 67.7 32.3 2000 459.9 75.9 24.1 2001 451.2 69.7 30.3 2002 373.1 72.0 28.0 Most Run-Oriented Offenses Since 1973 1988 79.9 20.1 477.9 1985 403.1 79.2 20.8 1990 444.4 76.5 23.5 Most Pass-Oriented Offenses Since 1973 1976 407.8 53.9 46.1 396.0 1973 56.9 43.1 1975 406.2 61.0 39.0

season marks Nebraska's most pass-oriented offense in the past 26 years. Nebraska has not picked up more than 35 percent of its offensive yardage via the pass since the 1976 season. In that campaign, Vince Ferragamo led an NU passing attack that led the Big Eight Conference at 188.0 yards per game and accounted for 46.1 percent of Nebraska's offense. Each of Osborne's first four NU teams (1973-76) picked up at least 37 percent of their offense by passing.

#### **Husker Records Report** Category.....Record Road (on campus) ...... 272-146-17 Neutral Sites (includes bowls) ....... 37-37-3 When Scoring 35+ Points ......305-2 vs. Big 12 Teams ...... 440-148-16 In Big 12 Action (since '96)......45-12 Home......26-3 Away......18-9 Neutral ..... 1-0 On ABC......73-31 On FieldTurf ......27-3 At Night ...... 52-17-3 vs. Ranked Teams... Neutral......20-15-0 In 256 Consecutive Sellout Streak... All-Time .......228-28 vs. Ranked Teams ......38-20 Under Head Coach Frank Solich... All-Time ......50-16 Away ......13-10 Neutral......4-3 Bowls ...... 2-3 vs. AP Ranked Teams.....11-12 Away ...... 1-8 Neutral ...... 3-2 vs. AP Top 10 Teams ...... 4-5 Home......3-1 Away ...... 0-2 Neutral ...... 1-2 vs. Unranked Teams ......39-4 Home......26-1 Away......13-3 vs. Big 12 Teams......30-12 Home......18-3 Away......10-9 Neutral ...... 2-0 Big 12 Championship Game ...... 1-0 At Night......16-5 September ......16-2 October......16-5 November ......10-6 December ...... 2-2 January ...... 1-1

# NU Streaks...The Huskers have...

- ▶ won 96 straight when rushing for 400 yards
- ▶ won 104 consecutive games when holding the opponent to 10 or fewer points (212-5-1 all-time)
- ▶ scored in 90 consecutive games
- scored in 222 straight home games
- ▶ shut out opponents 100 times

# **Huskers Through the Years**

			Natl.
Coaches	Record	<b>Years</b>	<b>Champs</b>
Bob Devaney	101-20-2	11	70,71
Tom Osborne	255-49-3	25	94, 95, 97
Frank Solich	<u>50-16-0</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
Since 1962	406-85-5	42	5
1890-1962	366-223-35	<u>72</u>	<u>0</u>
All-Time	772-308-40	114	5

## **Larson Returns to Key Husker Punting Team**

Nebraska's special teams hope to be "special" once again in 2003. Along with kickoff and punt return man **Josh Davis** as a return man, senior punter **Kyle Larson** is in his third season as a starter for the Huskers. Larson has been one of the nation's top punters each of the past two seasons and his statistics rank near the top of Nebraska's career charts.

Larson averaged 43.2 yards per punt last season and keyed a Husker punting unit that ranked second in the Big 12 and fifth nationally in net punting. The Funk, Neb., native had 21 punts of 50 yards or longer last season and pinned the opposition inside its own 20 on 23 occasions. Larson was a second-team All-Big 12 selection by the league's coaches last season and was one of 10 semifinalists for the Ray Guy Award. His 42.67 career punting average ranks second on the Husker career charts, behind only his predecessor Dan Hadenfeldt (1999-2000).

Larson opened his 2003 season with five punts for a 36.2-yard average against Oklahoma State and pinned the Cowboys inside of their 20 on two occasions.

# Four Husker Seniors Elected as 2003 Captains

Four Nebraska seniors have been elected as captains for the 2003 season. The captains were determined by a vote of the team, with two captains selected on both offense and defense. On offense, quarterback **Jammal Lord** and fullback **Judd Davies** received the nod. Lord is in his second season as NU's starting signal caller, while Davies enters his third season as the Huskers' starter at fullback.

Defensively, end **Trevor Johnson** and linebacker **Demorrio Williams** were selected as captains. Johnson is a fifth-year senior from Lincoln, while Williams joined the Husker program after two seasons at Kilgore (Texas) Junior College. Williams is the first junior college transfer to be elected team captain at Nebraska since at least 1957. In addition to the four captains for the season, Nebraska coaches will select a special teams captain each week. Senior free safety **Jerrell Pippens** was Nebraska's special teams captain for the season opener. Pippens plays on four of NU's special teams units.

# **Personnel, Injury Update**

Nebraska remains in relatively good physical condition early in the season. Junior linebacker **Lannie Hopkins** missed much of fall camp while recovering from off-season surgery, but played on special teams in the opener. Sixth-year senior defensive lineman **Jason Lohr** has also been out with injury and did not play against Oklahoma State. Cornerback **Willie Amos** went through fall camp in good health after being limited during spring ball, as he continued to recover from a knee injury suffered in April of 2002. Senior fullback **DeAntae Grixby** missed the season opener after suffering an ankle injury during fall camp.

Three newcomers to the NU program saw action in the season opener, including wide receiver **Andy Birkel**, defensive tackle **Brandon Teamer**, and long snapper **Lane Kelly**. Several other newcomers suited up for the opener, but did not see action. Nebraska added three players from the junior college ranks—cornerback **Donald DeFrand**, rush end **Wali Muhammad** and offensive lineman **Darren DeLone**. Solich said all three could play roles this fall. Other true freshmen who suited up for the opener, but did not play include quarterback **Joe Dailey**, I-back **Tierre Green**, place-kicker **David Dyches**, tight end **J.B. Phillips** and linebacker **Bo Ruud**. Last season, five true freshmen bypassed redshirt seasons and contributed immediately.

# **Nebraska Tops Elite Programs in Consistency**

Nebraska ranks third among Division I-A schools in all-time football victories with 772 wins. The Huskers have the nation's best record since 1962, posting a 406-85-5 record in the last 42 seasons. In that period, Nebraska has easily been the most consistent program in the nation. That is evident when comparing the Huskers' record to the other nine programs among the top 10 in all-time victories.

The Huskers have had just three seasons (including 2002) since 1962 with eight or fewer victories. Eight of the other nine schools in the top 10 have had at least 15 seasons with eight or fewer wins in that span. Nebraska's last losing season occurred in 1961. Michigan has not had a losing record since 1967, but the other eight schools on the all-time top 10 wins list have all had losing seasons since 1988, including six programs with losing campaigns in the past six seasons.

College Football's 10 Winningest Programs				
	All-Time	Most Recent	Seasons With 8 or	
<u>School</u>	<u>Wins</u>	<b>Losing Season</b>	Fewer wins Since 1962	
Michigan	824	4-6, 1967	16	
Notre Dame	791	5-6, 2001	22	
Nebraska	772	3-6-1, 1961	3	
Texas	767	4-7, 1997	20	
Alabama	755	3-8, 2000	15	
Penn State	754	5-6, 2001	16	
Ohio State	746	4-6-1, 1988	8	
Tennessee	727	5-6, 1988	22	
Oklahoma	726	5-6, 1998	21	
USC	696	5-7, 2000	25	

Nebraska is back in the national

rankings after its victory over Oklahoma State and hopes to contend for Big 12 and national honors in 2003. The Huskers need look no further than the top 10 winningest programs for direction. Although each has experienced a downturn of some degree, the group had a strong season in 2002. Eight of the 10 teams won at least nine games and ranked in the top 16 in the final Associated Press poll.

# Walk-on Program Remains Critical Part of Husker Success

Nebraska has long been recognized as having the top walk-on program in college football. The tradition continues with four Huskers who began their collegiate careers as walk-on student-athletes who started the season opener against Oklahoma State.

Senior center **Josh Sewell**, a Lincoln native, began his career at Indiana State and joined the Huskers as a walk-on in 2000. Junior wide receiver **Jack O'Holleran** has seen limited playing time in his first two seasons, but moved to No. 1 at "Z" receiver with an outstanding spring. Cornerback **Pat Ricketts** has been a steady contributor throughout his NU career and enters fall camp No. 1 at right cornerback with Lornell McPherson. **Kyle Larson** is the latest in a run of standout punters who began their NU careers as walk-ons. The 2002 Ray Guy Award semifinalist followed Mike Stigge, Jesse Kosch, Bill Lafleur and Dan Hadenfeldt as NU's starting punter.

Eighteen of the 68 players (26 percent) listed among the top three units on NU's preseason depth chart began their Husker careers as walk-ons.

#### **Huskers in the NFL**

Nebraska had 42 players on NFL rosters at the start of 2003 training camp. The following players remain on NFL rosters as of Sept 1.

Kris Brown, PK, Houston Josh Brown, PK, Seattle Mike Brown, FS, Chicago Ralph Brown, CB, N.Y. Giants Correll Buckhalter, RB, Philadelphia Keyuo Craver, CB, New Orleans Chris Dishman, OG, Arizona Toniu Fonoti, OG, San Diego Jay Foreman, LB, Houston John Garrison, OL, Tennessee Ahman Green, RB, Green Bay DeJuan Groce, CB, St. Louis Chris Kelsay, DE, Buffalo Bill Lafleur, P, San Francisco Eric Johnson, DB, Oakland Mike Minter, SS, Carolina John Parrella, DT, Oakland Carlos Polk, LB, San Diego Dominic Raiola, C, Detroit Mike Rucker, DE, Carolina Cory Schlesinger, FB, Detroit Scott Shanle, LB, St. Louis Will Shields, OG, Kansas City Erwin Swiney, DB, Green Bay Jared Tomich, DE, Kansas City Adam Treu, C, Oakland Kyle Vanden Bosch, DE, Arizona Eric Warfield, CB, Kansas City Zach Wiegert, OT, Houston Tyrone Williams, CB, Atlanta Grant Wistrom, DE, St. Louis

# Nine Players Enter 2003 Season With Degree in Hand

Nine members of the Huskers' senior class have already completed their undergraduate educations heading into the 2003 season. This season represents the most graduates Nebraska has had entering a season under Head Coach Frank Solich. Included in that group is senior nose tackle Patrick Kabongo, who played his junior season with his degree after graduating in three years in August of 2002. In addition to the nine players who already have their degrees, 12 more players are on track to earn their degrees after the fall semester. Last season, five Huskers played the entire season with their degree and a total of 16 Nebraska players

Player	<u>Major</u>	Grad. Date
Chad Buller	Business Admin.	Aug. 2003
DeAntae Grixby	Business Admin.	May 2003
Patrick Kabongo	Criminal Justice	Aug. 2002
Jason Lohr	Sociology	May 2003
Jammal Lord	Comm. Studies	Aug. 2003
Phil Peetz	Criminal Justice	May 2003
Jerrell Pippens	Comm. Studies	Aug. 2003
Pat Ricketts	Business Admin.	Aug. 2003
Steve Safranek	Psychology	Dec. 2002

had earned their degrees before the Huskers' appearance in the Independence Bowl.

#### Former Huskers a Fixture on NFL Rosters

Nebraska is consistently among the nation's leaders in supplying talent to the National Football League and this season is no different. The Huskers had a total of 42 former players on NFL rosters at the start of this fall's training camp. In all, 21 teams had at least one former Husker on their preseason rosters, while the Kansas City Chiefs boast an NFL-high five former Huskers (Clint Finley, Will Shields, Wilson Thomas, Jared Tomich and Eric Warfield). Green Bay, Houston, Oakland, San Diego and St. Louis also have strong Husker presences, as three players began preseason camp with each of those teams.

Eight members of last season's squad opened the preseason on NFL rosters, including 2003 draftees Chris Kelsay (2nd round, Buffalo), DeJuan Groce (4th, St. Louis), Josh Brown (7th, Seattle) and Scott Shanle (7th, St. Louis). In addition, four other 2002 seniors: Jon Clanton (Tennessee), Dahrran Diedrick (San Diego), John Garrison (Tennessee) and Wilson Thomas (Kansas City) joined squads as free agents after signing with teams following the draft. Kansas City Chiefs All-Pro offensive guard Will Shields and Oakland Raiders defensive tackle John Parrella are Nebraska's most experienced NFL veterans, each entering their 11th season in the league. A full list of Nebraska's NFL players is in the left column.

# Historical Husker Notes... Unprecedented Winning Tradition Continues

Nebraska, the nation's third-winningest program all time (fourth by percentage), boasts a 772-308-40 record in 1,120 games (.707) in 114 years of football. In the last 35 years, NU is tops, posting a record of 338-67-5 for an .830 winning percentage (410 games), an average of nearly 10 wins per year.

NU has won 10-or-more games 22 times in the Devaney/Osborne/Solich eras (since 1962), went undefeated and untied through the regular season seven times, played in 13 national title games (for at least one of the teams) and won the championship five times. Since the first Nebraska season in 1890, Husker teams have won 11 or more games 12 times, including seven of the last 10 years. NU has won 12 or more games seven times, and 13 games three times (1971, 1994 and 1997).

Nebraska (702), Michigan (705), Alabama (728) and Notre Dame (736) were the only four programs to win 700 games in the 1900s. NU became the first Division I team to win 100 or more games in consecutive decades, ranking first in the 1980s (103-20-0, .837) and second in the 1990s (108-16-1, .890) and posted a nation's best 309-56-5 record in the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s.

# **Huskers Bid for NCAA-Record 35th Consecutive Bowl Appearance**

Nebraska's visitto the 2002 Mainstay Independence Bowlmarked the Huskers' 34th consecutive bowl game, the nation's longest current consecutive streak and an all-time NCAA record. Michigan's streak of consecutive bowl appearances reached 28 last year, the second-longest streak in NCAA history. Nebraska's 41 overall bowl appearances is tied for fourth best with USC, trailing Alabama's 51, Tennessee's 43, and Texas' 42.

Nebraska played the first of its 41 bowls in the Rose Bowl, when No. 7 Nebraska lost to No. 2 Stanford, 21-13, following the 1940 season. NU's 34 consecutive bowls began with a 45-6 win over Georgia in the 1969 Sun Bowl. The Huskers are 20-21 all-time in bowl games, 2-3 under Head Coach Frank Solich. The Huskers made 17 straight January bowl appearances from 1981 to 1997, five more than the next longest streak.

AI	I-Time Bov	vl Appearances	
1.	Alabama	51	
2.	Tennessee	43	
3.	Texas	42	
4.	Nebraska	41	
	USC	41	
Consecutive Rowl Annearances			

Rank, Team		Most	Current
1.	Nebraska	*34	*34
2.	Michigan	28	28
3.	Alabama	25	
*NCAA record			

# **College Football**

#### **Consecutive Home Sellouts**

1.	Nebraska*	256
2.	Notre Dame	167
3.	Michigan	114
4.	Florida	85
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<sup>\*</sup> Continuing NCAA Record

#### **Memorial Stadium Milestone Sellouts**

Sellout #	<u>Date</u>	<u>Opp.</u>	Result
1	11-3-62	Missouri	L, 16-7
50	10-2-71	Utah St.	W, 42-6
100	9-29-79	Penn St.	W, 42-17
150	9-12-87	UCLA	W, 42-33
200	10-29-94	Colorado	W, 24-7
250	9-7-02	Utah State	W, 44-13

# **Nebraska's Longest Home Win Streaks**

<b>Wins</b>	<u>Dates</u>	Ended By
47	10-19-91 to 10-31-98	Texas (20-16)
33	9-28-01 to 10-20-06	Iowa St. (14-2)
26	11-27-98 to 11-2-02	Texas (27-24)
23	9-27-69 to 11-23-72	Okla. (17-14)
21	10-3-81 to 11-17-84	Okla. (17-7)

#### **Huskers Come From Near and Far**

Nebraska has a great history of attracting the top in-state high school talent to Lincoln. However, with a population base of just 1.7 million people, Nebraska has had to look across the United States and beyond for recruits. The 2003 roster is no different.

Seventy-nine of 150 players (53 percent) on Nebraska's 2003 roster call the Cornhusker State home. Omaha leads the way with 18 players on this year's roster, with 13 players from Lincoln staying within the city limits to play for Nebraska.

Nebraska is just one of 25 states represented on the 2003 roster. Texas is home to 15 Huskers, including six in the 2003 scholarship class. Colorado (9) and California (5) are just behind. From the international ranks, Nebraska has a pair of players from Canada (Sandro DeAngelis and Patrick Kabongo) and one from Germany (Isaiah Fluellen). In addition, sophomore defensive tackle Seppo Evwaraye is a native of Finland who was an exchange student in Laurel, Neb.

#### **Huskers Top Big 12 in Graduation Rates**

Nebraska has led the Big 12 in four of the past five years in graduation rates (all except 2000). Nebraska's four-class (1990-91 to 1993-94) graduation rate was 57 percent in 2002. That figure is higher than the national average for all students (56 percent) and football student-athletes (50 percent). Nebraska's student-athlete graduation rate for all sports, which includes only those students who completed their eligibility at NU, is an outstanding 90 percent (national average is 81 percent). Nebraska was one of nine schools honored by the American Football Coaches Association, when the school received the 2002 Academic Achievement Award in late June. Nebraska was recognized for graduating 90 percent or more of its football student-athletes from the freshman class of 1996-97.

#### Did You Know?

Since Coach Frank Solich's first year at the helm in 1998, 109 of his 122 seniors have earned their degree, including 25 of 29 last season. Nine members of this year's senior class have already earned their degrees, with 12 more on track to graduate in December.

# **NU Owns 41 Consecutive Winning Regular Seasons**

Nebraska saw its streak of 40 consecutive winning seasons end with last year's 7-7 record, capped by a 27-23 loss to Ole Miss in the Independence Bowl. Nebraska's streak of 40 consecutive winning seasons fell two years short of Notre Dame's NCAA record run of 42 straight winning campaigns from 1889 to 1932.

The Huskers still boast 41 consecutive winning regular seasons and 41 straight years with a .500 or better finish. Nebraska's 41 straight non-losing seasons is third all-time in NCAA Division I-A, behind Penn State's 49 (1939-87) and Notre Dame's 42 (1889-1932). Since Nebraska's 41-year .500 or better streak began (1962), the Huskers have averaged nearly 10 wins per season with a 406-85-5 record (.832).

# **Huskers Look to Return to Nine-Win Season Tradition**

Nebraska's amazing run of nine-win seasons came to an end at 33 consecutive years in 2002. The streak is even more remarkable when considering that Texas and Miami now share the lead for most consecutive nine-win seasons with five apiece. Florida had been second on the list to Nebraska, but the Gators' streak came to an end at 12 seasons last fall.

The 33-year nine-win streak becomes even more impressive when comparing it to the best stretches among other college football powers. Texas' current run of five consecutive nine-win seasons is the longest in its proud history. Miami reeled off 10 straight nine-win campaigns spanning the 1980s and 1990s, and Florida State had a 14-year streak that ended in 2000. However, among a group of other long-time powers, including Notre Dame, Penn State, Oklahoma, Michigan and Ohio State, the longest streak of nine-win seasons is eight years by both Oklahoma and Ohio State.

Heading into the 2003 season, Nebraska had won nine or more games in 38 of the past 41 seasons. Only back-to-back 6-4 records in 1967 and 1968, and last season's 7-7 mark, have fallen short of the nine-win plateau.

# **NCAA Record 256 Consecutive Sellouts**

Nebraska saw the end of some incredible streaks in 2002, but one streak that is in no danger of ending is the NCAA record 256 consecutive sellouts at Memorial Stadium. The sellout streak dates back to Hall of Fame Coach Bob Devaney's first year in 1962 (vs. Missouri on Nov. 3). Notre Dame is second in all-time consecutive sellouts with 167, 89 fewer than Nebraska.

The Huskers are 228-28 during the 256 sellouts (50-9 under Devaney, 145-16 under Osborne, 33-3 under Solich). The mark includes a 38-20 record against ranked teams. Nebraska is 5-0 in the five milestone sellouts during that period (50th, 100th, 150th, 200th and 250th sellouts), including a 24-7 win over No. 2 Colorado on Oct. 29, 1994 (No. 200) and a 44-13 victory over Utah State on Sept. 7, 2002 (No. 250).

# **Memorial Stadium Magic**

Nebraska's record home sellout streak is testament to the Huskers playing in front of the nation's best college football fans. On the field, Nebraska has rewarded the loyalty of the Husker Nation with incredible success at Memorial Stadium through the years.

Nebraska had a nation-leading 26-game home winning streak end last season with a November loss to Texas. The loss ended the third-longest home winning streak in school history and Nebraska's third home win streak of 20 games or more since 1980, including a school-record 47-game home winning streak from 1991 to 1998.

The Huskers finished 6-2 at home last season and have won at least six home games each of the past 16 seasons. Nebraska is 96-5 at home the last 16 years, losing to two teams that went on to win shares of the national championship (Colorado in 1990 and Washington in 1991), to Texas in 1998 and 2002 and to Colorado in 2002.

The Huskers are 463-124-20 (.779, 607 games, 114 years) in Lincoln, 338-101-13 (.762, 452 games, 81 years) in Memorial Stadium (since 1923) and 33-3 at home under Coach Solich. The 2002 season marked the first time Nebraska has lost two home games in a season since 1980.

Nebraska is 140-12 at Memorial Stadium since 1981, with eight of those losses coming against teams that finished in the top six in the final AP poll. Since 1986 (18 seasons), NU is 107-7 in Lincoln, with losses to Colorado (twice), Washington, Oklahoma (twice) and Texas (twice).

Nebraska has not been shut out at home since a 12-0 loss to Kansas State in 1968 (221 games). NU has posted 40 unbeaten and untied home seasons. Husker faithful set a new attendance record in Memorial Stadium last year against Texas with 78,268 fans.

# **Huskers Continue to Lead Nation in Academic Honors**

Nebraska continues to lead the nation in Verizon/CoSIDA Academic All-Americans for all sports and all teams with 203; in first-team winners for all sports with 107; and also leads the nation in football academic honor winners with 59 first-team certificates and 76 football all-teams certificates. The 203 overall honorees is 54 better than second-place Notre Dame, while the 59 football honorees is 21 more than second-place Notre Dame's 38.

Last season, Nebraska had four players named to the Verizon/CoSIDA Academic All-District VII first team–fullback Judd Davies, rush end Chris Kelsay, cornerback Pat Ricketts and tight end Kyle Ringenberg. Davies and Ricketts each posted a perfect 4.0 grade-point average during the fall 2002 semester. Seven other Huskers were second-team all-district selections, led by linebacker Chad Sievers, who owns a 4.0 cumulative grade-point average.

The Husker football program also leads the nation with nine NCAA Today's Top Eight Award winners, 30 NCAA postgraduate scholarship winners and 20 National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame Scholar-Athletes, including Kelsay last season.

#### Misc. Notes...

- ▶ FieldTurf...Nebraska is 27-3 on FieldTurf (including 0-1 at KSU), the artificial grass surface installed in NU's Memorial Stadium before the 1999 season. FieldTurf emulates the look and feel of blades of grass by blending polyethylene and polypropylene, which specially treats the surface to be soft, smooth and strong. The 2.50-inch blades are resistant to extremes in temperature and have an ultraviolet protectant to help resist fading. Memorial Stadium was filled with 200,000 pounds of ground rubber, recycled from Nebraska tires, and silica sand, before the turf was installed. NU was the first Division I school to install the surface, which has also been installed at other professional facilities and Division I schools. Memorial Stadium featured a grass playing field from its opening in 1923 through the 1969 season. Astro-Turf was first installed in 1970 and replaced in 1977. Artificial All-Pro Turf was installed in 1984 and replaced with Astroturf-8 in 1992, before the FieldTurf was installed in July of 1999.
- ▶ Positively Speaking on Turnovers...In the last 28 years, NU has had just two seasons with a negative turnover margin (minus five in 1984; minus three in 2002). Under Solich, NU has a cumulative turnover margin of plus-14. The Huskers opened the 2003 season by taking the ball away from Oklahoma State five times and posting a plus-three turnover margin.
- ▶ In Overtime...The Huskers are 3-0 in overtime games, defeating Missouri, 45-38, in Columbia in 1997; Colorado, 33-30, in Boulder in 1999; and Notre Dame in South Bend, 27-24, in 2000. In 1997, Missouri won the coin toss and Nebraska scored in three plays on a 12-yard Scott Frost run, then held the Tigers. Against CU, Nebraska won the coin toss, held the Buffs to a field goal, then scored five plays later on a one-yard Eric Crouch run. Against Notre Dame, NU won the toss, chose defense, held the Irish to a field goal, then scored five plays later on a Crouch seven-yard run. All three of NU's overtime wins were on the road and were won by rushing touchdowns (two by Crouch).

# 2002 Comeback at A&M Historic

Nebraska pulled off a historic come-from-behind victory at Texas A&M last season. In the game, Nebraska rallied from a 31-14 third-quarter deficit to post a 38-31 victory at Kyle Field. A few notes on Nebraska's comeback victory at A&M last season.

- ▶ The 17-point rally tied the top comeback in school history and was Nebraska's best under Head Coach Frank Solich. NU trailed 17-0 in the first quarter of its 1991 game at Kansas, but rallied to win 59-23.
- ▶ The second-largest deficit Nebraska has overcome to win under Solich was 10 points against Missouri on Oct. 24, 1998, in Lincoln. NU trailed 13-3 in the second quarter, but rallied for a 20-13 win.
- ▶ The last time Nebraska rallied from a bigger deficit entering the fourth quarter was on Oct. 22, 1966, at Colorado. The Huskers trailed 19-7 entering the fourth quarter, but rallied for a 21-19 victory vs. the Buffs.
- ▶ Before the A&M game, NU had not won a game when trailing at any point in the fourth quarter since a 34-32 victory over Colorado on Nov. 24, 2000. CU led 32-31 late in the game, but NU's Josh Brown hit a game-winning field goal on the last play of the contest. The CU win marked the first time since statistics have been kept (since 1946) that the Huskers won on the last play of regulation.

### NU First to Win 100 Games in Back-to-Back Decades

Nebraska recorded its 100th win of the 1990s with a 40-10 win over Missouri in Columbia on Sept. 25, 1999, and finished with a 108-16-1 mark in the decade (.868, second behind Florida State). Nebraska is the first Division I program to win 100-plus games in consecutive decades, as NU won 103 games to 20 losses in the 1980s. The only other team to post 100-plus wins in the 1980s was Brigham Young with 102 wins and 26 losses. Oklahoma (102-13-3) and Alabama (103-16-1) posted 100-plus wins in the 1970s, while Nebraska came close to achieving the mark in three consecutive decades, as NU won 98 games in the 1970s. Florida State finished the 1990s with a 109-13-1 record (.890, first), but had just 87 wins in the 1980s.

By decade, the Huskers were 75-30-1 in the 1960s (.712), 98-20-4 in the 1970s (.820, fifth nationally), 103-20-0 in the 1980s (.837, first), 108-16-1 in the 1990s (second) and are 29-11 in this decade. Nebraska's 1990s record was aided by an unprecedented 60-3 five-year run from 1993 to 1997. Nebraska owns the best record over the past three-plus decades with a 338-67-5 record, including an NCAA-best 309-56-5 record (.842) from 1960 to 1999. The Huskers have not lost more than 20 games in any of the last three decades.

### **Huskers Among Leaders in AP National Titles**

Notre Dame leads the nation by winning eight Associated Press national titles since 1936, with Oklahoma (7), Alabama (6), Miami (5), Nebraska (4) and Minnesota (4) rounding out the top five. While the Huskers were awarded the national title by the coaches in 1997, NU finished second to Michigan in the Associated Press poll. In 1970, NU was awarded the AP national title, but not the coaches (Texas was first, Ohio State second and NU third) as the final poll was released before the bowl games were played. In the coaches poll (since 1950), Nebraska is tied for third with USC and Miami with four titles, behind Alabama and Oklahoma with six apiece.

#### **NU Leads Conference in Crowns**

Nebraska and Oklahoma are the only teams to capture two Big 12 titles in the first seven years of the Big 12 Conference. The Huskers won titles in 1997 and 1999, and appeared in the league title game in 1996, one of only two teams to make three appearances in the Big 12 Championship Game.

In the last 10 years, Nebraska has won five conference crowns (three Big Eight, two Big 12). Nebraska has won 43 football conference championships overall, including eight under Coach Bob Devaney, 13 under Coach Tom Osborne and one under Coach Solich. Oklahoma has won 35 conference championships.

Big 12 History Division Winners					
<u>Year</u>					
1996	Nebraska	Texas	Texas		
1997	Nebraska	Tx. A&M	Nebraska		
1998	Kansas St.	Tx. A&M	Texas A&M		
1999	Nebraska	Texas	Nebraska		
2000	Kansas St.	Oklahoma	Oklahoma		
2001	Colorado	Texas	Colorado		
2002	Colorado	Oklahoma	Oklahoma		

## Nebraska Owns 15 NCAA Rushing Crowns

The Huskers will strive for more offensive balance this season and look to become more efficient through the air. However, it is unlikely that anyone will confuse Nebraska with the BYU offense of the 1980s. Nebraska opened the season by running the ball on 80 percent of its offensive plays against Oklahoma State and rushed for 268 yards in the victory.

Nebraska has become known for a dominant running game and has the statistics and history to back it. The Huskers have led the nation in rushing 15 times in school history, most recently winning back-to-back rushing

crowns in 2000 and 2001. Nebraska has won the rushing title seven times in the last 11 years and collected 13 of the last 23 titles. Since 1978, Nebraska has ranked in the top six in rushing average every year and has averaged 300 or more yards rushing per game in all but five of the last 26 years (1993, 1996, 1998, 1999 and 2002).

Last season Nebraska finished the season averaging 268.7 yards per game on the ground. The Huskers' rushing average led the Big 12 Conference and ranked fourth nationally. Nebraska averaged just less than 300 yards rushing per game over its final nine contests.

# More Husker Rushing Numbers

- ▶ Nebraska is 192-7-0 in the last 30 years when rushing for 300 or more yards in a game, most recently 352 vs. Kansas in 2002.
- ▶ The Huskers had won 110 straight when rushing for 300-plus yards before a 62-36 loss at Colorado in 2001. Last season Nebraska lost to Texas 27-24 despite rushing for 320 yards.
- ▶ Nebraska is 96-0 since 1973 when rushing for 400 or more yards, most recently rushing for 444 yards against McNeese State.
- ▶ The Huskers have had 374 100-yard rushing performances all time (61 under Coach Solich, most recently David Horne, 122, and Dahrran Diedrick, 107, vs. Kansas), including 58 games in which two or more Huskers rushed for 100 yards (most recently vs. Kansas).
  - ▶ Four Huskers cracked the century mark against Baylor on Oct. 13, 2001. (Collins, Diedrick, Crouch, Davies)
  - ▶ Before the Baylor contest in 2001, NU had three rushers top the 100-yard mark in a game twice in school

# NU National Rushing Crowns

Rushing Crowns			
<u>Year</u>	Rush YPG		
1963	262.6		
1965	290.0		
1980	378.3		
1982	394.3		
1983	401.7		
1985	374.3		
1988	382.3		
1989	375.3		
1991	353.2		
1992	328.2		
1994	340.0		
1995	399.8		
1997	392.6		
2000	349.3		
2001	314.7		

#### **Family Connections**

Family is one of the first things that comes to mind in the Nebraska football program. It starts at the top, as Coach Frank Solich and five of his assistants played football at Nebraska. From there it includes a number of father-son and brother combinations who have worn the scarlet and cream. There are several such family connections on the 2003 roster.

#### The brother combination list includes...

FS Dan (2000-present) and LB Jamie Burrow (1997-2001); CB Cole (2002-present) and SE Brandon Biodrowski (2001-present); WR Adam (2001-present) and WB Troy Hassebroek (1998-2002); LB Adam (2001-present) and DB Matt Ickes (1998-2001); LBs Barrett (2001-present) and Bo Ruud (2003-present); CB Andrew (2002-present) and SLB Scott Shanle (1998-2002); SS Shane (2001-present) and FB Scott Siegel (2003-present); DE Tyler (2000-present) and DE Travis Toline (1995-98); SS Delrick (2001-present) and LB Jamel Williams (1994-96); and OG Mike (2000-present) and WR Dan Erickson (2003-present). The Huskers welcomed the first set of scholarship twins in the program's history in 2001 in sophomores Josh (FS) and Daniel Bullocks (SS).

Second generation Huskers include the Burrows (father Jim played in 1974-75 and was a graduate assistant for NU); senior IB Josh **Davis** (father Tony played in 1973-75); QB Brett **Lindstrom** (father Dan played in 1978-80); LBs Bo and Barrett **Ruud** (father Tom played in 1972-74 and Ruud's great-grandfather Clarence Swanson played for NU from 1918 to 1921 and is a member of the Nebraska Football Hall of Fame); DE Trevor **Johnson** (father Robert wrestled for NU in 1973-76) and SS Shane and FB Scott **Siegel** (father Robert played basketball for NU in 1974-77).

Nebraska defensive coordinator Bo **Pelini** oversees a defensive staff that includes his older brother, Carl, a graduate assistant coach for the Huskers.

#### **All-Americans Call Nebraska Home**

DeJuan Groce became the latest player to add his name to Nebraska's prestigious list of All-Americans in 2002. Groce was named a first-team All-American as a kick returner by the American Football Coaches Association. Groce tied an NCAA record by returning four punts for touchdowns last season, including two against Troy State.

Groce's All-America selection added to Nebraska's long list of All-Americans, beginning with tackle Vic Halligan in 1914. The Huskers have had at least one All-American in all but two (1991, 1998) of the past 33 years, and Head Coach Frank Solich has had nine All-Americans in his first five seasons. Overall, Nebraska has seen 89 different players earn first-team All-America honors from at least one recognized source with 14 winning double honors for a total of 103 first-team awards. Nebraska had its most All-Americans in one season when six Huskers earned first-team honors in the 1971 national championship campaign. The offensive line is Nebraska's most honored position, with 26 different players earning 31 first-team All-America certificates.

history-Kansas, 2000 (Dan Alexander, Correll Buckhalter and Eric Crouch) and Arizona State, 1988 (Ken Clark, Steve Taylor and Terry Rodgers).

- ▶ Jammal Lord's 234-yard effort vs. Texas last season (NU quarterback record) was NU's 32nd all-time 200-yard performance.
- ▶ Among current Huskers, Lord has five 100-yard games, all last year, I-back David Horne had three 100-yard outings as a true freshman last season and fullback Judd Davies topped 100 yards at Baylor in 2001.
- ▶ Nebraska is 27-2 under Solich when the team rushes for 300 or more yards; 11-0 when rushing for 400 or more and 2-0 when rushing for 500 or more.
- ▶ Solich is 33-9 when a Husker rushes for at least 100 yards, and 8-10 when an opponent has a 100-yard rusher (most recently 137 yards by Colorado's Brian Calhoun).
  - ▶ NU has lost its last seven games when allowing a 100-yard rusher.
- ▶ Kansas State (97 yards) and Iowa State (81 yards) limited Nebraska to less than 100 yards rushing in 2002. The Huskers have been held to less than 100 yards on the ground just three times under Frank Solich (also Oklahoma State in 1998).
- ▶ Nebraska rushed for an NCAA and school-bowl-record 524 yards vs. Florida in the 1996 Fiesta Bowl on a school-bowl-record 68 attempts with a school-bowl-record six rushing touchdowns. NU also had six rushing touchdowns in the 1998 Orange Bowl vs. Tennessee.

## **Getting to the Points**

Nebraska has never had difficulty putting points on the scoreboard. Last season, the Huskers averaged 27.4 points per game, marking the first time since 1978 Nebraska did not average at least 30 points.

The Huskers have a long history of ranking among the nation's leaders in scoring offense and have posted some amazing offensive numbers.

- ▶ NU has averaged more than 35 points a game 15 times in the last 17 years.
- ▶ NU has averaged 40 or more points eight times since 1982, including four of the last eight seasons.
- ▶ Entering 2003, the Huskers have ranked among the nation's top 10 in scoring average 22 of the last 25 years (since 1978) and finished first on four occasions (1982, 1983, 1994 and 1997).
- ▶ Nebraska is 303-2 all time when scoring 35 or more points, losing only to Oklahoma, 49-35, in 1950 and at Colorado, 62-36, in 2001. Before the loss at Colorado two seasons ago, NU had won 236 consecutive games when scoring 35 or more points.
- ▶ The last time the Huskers were shut out was a 19-0 loss at Arizona State in 1996. Nebraska has since scored in 90 straight games.
- ▶ Nebraska has not been shut out at home since KSU shut out the Huskers, 12-0, on Homecoming in 1968 (222 games).
- ▶ The Huskers have been shut out just five times since 1962, including once at home during that span. The Huskers have not been shut out by a conference opponent since a 27-0 loss at Oklahoma in 1973. NU was shut out by Miami in the 1992 Orange Bowl (22-0), the only time the Huskers have been shut out in a bowl game.
- ▶ The Huskers have scored 30 or more points in six of their last eight bowl games, including a school and NCAA bowl-record 66 vs. Northwestern in the 2000 Alamo Bowl.

# 2003 Nebraska Depth Chart (Aug. 26, 2003)

# **Offense**

- WR (X): 2 Ross Pilkington\*, 6-0, 190, So., Ft. Collins, Colo.
  - 19 Andy Birkel, 6-2, 170, Fr., Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast)
  - 13 Tim Liley\*, 6-2, 205, Sr., Lakewood, Colo.
- LT: 51 RICHIE INCOGNITO\*, 6-3, 310, So., Glendale, Ariz.
  - 69 Nick Povendo\*, 6-3, 300, Jr., Keller, Texas
- LG: 78 MIKE ERICKSON\*\*, 6-4, 300, Jr., Omaha, Neb.
  - 72 Tim Green, 6-4, 320, Sr., Omaha, Neb.
- C: 79 Josh Sewell\*, 6-2, 300, Sr., Lincoln, Neb.
  - 64 Kurt Mann, 6-3, 290, RFr., Grand Island, Neb.
- RG: 71 Jake Andersen\*, 6-1, 300, Jr., Littleton, Colo.
  - 75 Brandon Koch, 6-3, 305, So., Gothenburg, Neb.
- RT: 68 DAN VILI WALDROP\*\*\*, 6-5, 350, Sr., Wilmington, Calif.
  - 67 Darren DeLone, 6-5, 320, Jr., Pomona, Calif.
- -OR- 76 Chris Loos\*\*, 6-3, 290, Sr., Lincoln, Neb.
- TE (Y): 11 Matt Herian\*, 6-5, 235, So., Pierce, Neb.
  - 82 Phil Peetz\*\*, 6-2, 250, Sr., Elkhorn, Neb.
  - 47 Dusty Keiser, 6-3, 245, Jr., Norfolk, Neb.
- QB: 5 JAMMAL LORD\*\*\*, 6-2, 220, Sr., Bayonne, N.J.
  - 16 Mike Stuntz\*\*, 6-1, 200, Jr., Council Bluffs, Iowa
  - 12 Joe Dailey, 6-0, 200, Fr., Jersey City, N.J.
- FB: 4 JUDD DAVIES\*\*\*, 6-0, 245, Sr., Omaha, Neb.
  - 45 Steve Kriewald\*\*, 5-10, 245, Jr., Scotia, Neb.
  - 41 Dane Todd, 5-10, 235, RFr., Lincoln, Neb.
- IB: 1 Josh Davis\*\*, 5-11, 200, Sr., Loveland Colo.
  - 9 David Horne\*, 6-0, 200, So., Omaha, Neb.
- -OR- 22 Cory Ross\*, 5-6, 200, So., Denver, Colo.
- WR (Z): 24 Jack O'Holleran, 5-10, 205, Jr., North Platte, Neb.
  - 10 Mark LeFlore\*, 5-11, 190, So., Omaha, Neb.
  - 3 Ben Zajicek\*\*, 6-0, 210, Jr., Beatrice, Neb.

# **Specialists**

- P: 19 KYLE LARSON\*\*, 6-0, 205, Sr., Funk, Neb.
  - 37 Sam Koch, 6-1, 230, So., Seward, Neb.
- PK: 22 Sandro DeAngelis\*, 5-8, 190, Jr., Niagara Falls, Ontario
- -OR- 32 Dale Endorf, 6-0, 210, Sr., Wichita, Kan.
- -OR- 27 David Dyches, 6-1, 190, Fr., Spring, Texas
- HOLD: 29 Kellen Huston, 5-11, 200, Jr., Ankeny, Iowa
  - 2 Ross Pilkington\*, 6-0, 190, So., Ft. Collins, Colo.
- LSNAP:51 Richie Incognito\*, 6-3, 310, So., Glendale, Ariz.
  - 92 Lane Kelly, 6-4, 235, Fr., Omaha, Neb.
- **SSNAP:** 92 Lane Kelly, 6-4, 235, Fr., Omaha, Neb.
  - 69 Nick Povendo\*, 6-3, 300, Jr., Keller, Texas
- KOR: 1 Josh Davis\*\*, 5-11, 200, Sr., Loveland, Colo.
  - 22 Cory Ross\*, 5-6, 200, So., Denver, Colo.
- PR: 1 Josh Davis\*\*, 5-11, 200, Sr., Loveland, Colo.
  - 22 Cory Ross\*, 5-6, 200, So., Denver, Colo.

# **Defense**

- LDE: 5 Benard Thomas\*\*, 6-4, 255, Jr., East Palo Alto, Calif.
  - 96 Titus Adams\*, 6-3, 275, So., Omaha, Neb.
  - 34 Stewart Bradley, 6-4, 245, RFr., Salt Lake City, Utah
- NT: 59 RYON BINGHAM\*\*, 6-3, 295, Sr., Sandy, Utah
  - 94 PATRICK KABONGO\*\*\*, 6-6, 315, Sr., Montreal, Quebec
  - 99 Brandon Greeson, 6-3, 295, RFr.High Point, N.C.
- DT: 66 Le Kevin Smith\*, 6-2, 305, So., Macon, Ga.
  - 74 Brandon Teamer, 6-5, 270, Fr., Omaha, Neb.
  - 73 Jared Helming, 6-3, 290, So., Springfield, Mo.
- RDE: 88 TREVOR JOHNSON\*\*\*, 6-4, 250, Sr., Lincoln, Neb.
  - 90 Adam Carriker, 6-6, 260, RFr., Kennewick, Wash.
  - 50 Jeff McBride, 6-4, 240, Jr., Brule, Neb.
- BUCK: 2 T.J. Hollowell\*\*\*, 6-0, 220, Sr., Copperas Cove, Texas
  - 11 Ira Cooper\*\*, 6-2, 235, Jr., Omaha, Neb.
- MIKE: 38 BARRETT RUUD\*\*, 6-2, 235, Jr., Lincoln, Neb.
  - 54 Chad Sievers\*, 6-3, 215, Jr., Valley, Neb.
  - 42 Steve Safranek\*\*, 6-1, 230, Sr., Omaha, Neb.
- WILL: 7 DEMORRIO WILLIAMS\*, 6-1, 215, Sr., Beckville, Texas
  - 39 Chad Buller\*, 5-11, 215, Sr., Henderson, Neb.
  - 40 Lannie Hopkins\*, 6-2, 215, Jr., Rowlett, Texas
- LCB: 3 FABIAN WASHINGTON\*, 5-11, 175, So., Bradenton, Fla.
  - 4 Terrell Butler\*, 5-10, 185, Sr. Austell, Ga.
- -OR- 27 Willie Amos\*\*, 6-0, 185, Jr., Sweetwater, Texas
- FS: 20 JOSH BULLOCKS\*, 6-0, 195, So., Chattanooga, Tenn.
  - 31 Jerrell Pippens\*\*\*, 6-2, 195, Sr., Philadelphia, Pa.
- SS: 21 PHILIP BLAND\*\*, 5-11, 200, Jr., Lafayette, Colo.
- -OR- 14 Daniel Bullocks\*, 6-1, 195, So., Chattanooga, Tenn.
  - 23 Shane Siegel\*, 6-2, 210, So., Grand Island, Neb.
- RCB: 28 PAT RICKETTS\*\*\*, 5-11, 180, Sr., Omaha, Neb.
- -OR- 1 Lornell McPherson\*\*, 5-9, 175, Jr., Omaha, Neb.
  - 6 Donald DeFrand, 6-0, 170, So., Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

# Injured

- FB 6 DeAntae Grixby\*\*\*, 5-8, 225, Sr., Omaha, Neb.
- NT 70 Jason Lohr\*\*\*, 6-2, 275, Sr., Tulsa, Okla.

# Key

\*indicates letters earned

# Returning lettermen in bold

Returning starters in all CAPS with

-OR- means a starter has not been determined

# The Automated ScoreBook Nebraska Overall Team Statistics (as of Sep 01, 2003) All games

TEAM STATISTICS	JN.	J OPP
SCORING	1'	7 7
Points Per Game	17.0	
FIRST DOWNS	19	9 11
Rushing	13	3 5
Passing	4	4 6
Penalty	:	2 0
RUSHING YARDAGE	268	86
Yards gained rushing	299	9 99
Yards lost rushing	33	1 13
Rushing Attempts	6!	5 30
Average Per Rush	4.1	
Average Per Game	268.0	86.0
TDs Rushing	_	L 0
PASSING YARDAGE	78	-
Att-Comp-Int	16-8-3	
Average Per Pass	4.9	
Average Per Catch	9.8	
Average Per Game	78.0	97.0
TDs Passing		1
TOTAL OFFENSE	340	
Total Plays	83	
Average Per Play	4.3	
Average Per Game	346.0	
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	1-3	
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	3-30	_
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	3-0	-
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	32.0	
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	10.0	
INT RETURN AVERAGE	0.0	
FUMBLES-LOST	2-1	
PENALTIES-YARDS	9-7	
Average Per Game	75.0	
PUNTS-YARDS	5-18:	
Average Per Punt	36.2	
Net punt average	34.4	
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	36:48	
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	7/1	- •
3rd-Down Pct	419	
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	2/2	- · ·
4th-Down Pct	1009	
SACKS BY-YARDS	1-'	
MISC YARDS TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	18	3 0 2 1
	1-1	<del>-</del>
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	2-2	· -
ATTENDANCE	78058 1/78058	
Games/Avg Per Game	1/ /6056	5 0/0
~-	3rd 4th	Total
Nebraska	14 0 -	- 17
Opponents 7 0	0 0 -	- 7

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RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Av	g/0	}		PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
											•							
Davis, Josh	1	20	96	1	95	4.8	0	12	9	5.0	)		Davis, Josh	3	30	10.0	0	17
Lord, Jammal	1	18	118	28	90	5.0	0	27	9	0.0	)		Total	3	30	10.0	0	17
Horne, David	1	15	52	0	52	3.5	0	13	5	2.0	)		Opponents	2	9	4.5	0	5
Davies, Judd	1	10	33	0	33	3.3	1	15	3	3.0	)							
TEAM	1	2	0	2	-2	-1.0	0	0	-	2.0	)		INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Total	1	65	299	31	268	4.1	1	27	26	8.0	)							
Opponents	1	30	99	13	86	2.9	0	15	8	6.0	)		Bullocks, Josh	2	0	0.0	0	0
													McPherson, L.	1	0	0.0	0	0
PASSING	GP	Eff	ic At	t-Cmp	-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Ln	g I	Avg/G		Total	3	0	0.0	0	0
													Opponents	1	0	0.0	0	0
Lord, Jammal	1	78.	45	16-8-	1	50.0	78	0	3	3	78.0							
Total	1	78.	45	16-8-	1	50.0	78	0	3	3	78.0		KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Opponents	1	65.	89	28-13	-3	46.4	97	1	2	8	97.0							
													Davis, Josh	1	32	32.0	0	32
RECEIVING	GP	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long 2	Avg/0	;					Total	1	32	32.0	0	32
													Opponents	3	89	29.7	0	46
Herian, Matt	1	3	42	14.0	0	33	42.0	)										
Pilkington, R.	1	2	16	8.0	0	11	16.0	)					FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Davis, Josh	1	1	12	12.0	0	12	12.0	)										
Liley, Tim	1	1	5	5.0	0	5	5.0	)					Bingham, Ryon	1	3	3.0	0	3
Davies, Judd	1	1	3	3.0	0	3	3.0	)					Ruud, Barrett	1	15	15.0	1	15
Total	1	8	78	9.8	0	33	78.0	)					Total	2	18	9.0	1	15
Opponents	1	13	97	7.5	1	28	97.0	)					Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0

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				1	PATs -															
SCORING	TD	FGs	Kic	k Rus	sh Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Poi	nts		TOTAL OFFENSE	G Pl	ays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/	'G	
Ruud, Barrett	1	0-0	0-0	0.	-0 (	0-0	0	0		 6		Lord, Jammal	1	34	90	78	168	168.	.0	
Davies, Judd	1	0-0	0-0	0.	-0 (	0-0	0	0		6		Davis, Josh	1	20	95	0	95	95.	.0	
DeAngelis, S.	0	1-3	2-2	0.	-0 (	0-0	0	0		5		Horne, David	1	15	52	0	52	52.	.0	
otal	2	1-3	2-2	0.	-0 (	0-0	0	0	1	7		Davies, Judd	1	10	33	0	33	33.	. 0	
pponents	1	0-1	1-1	0.	-0 (	0-0	0	0		7		TEAM	1	2	-2	0	-2	-2.	. 0	
												Total	1	81	268	78	346	346.	. 0	
												Opponents	1	58	86	97	183	183.	. 0	
												PUNTING	No.	Vds	: Av	a Lor	ng TB	FC'	T20	)
TELD GOALS	FGM-	FGA	Pct 0	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-4	9 5	0-99	Ta B	l k					-	•			
												Larson, Kyle	5	181	36.	2 4	<b>1</b> 7 0	1	2	!
eAngelis, S.	1-	3 3	33.3	0-0	1-1	0-2	0-0	)	0-0	28	1	Total	5	181	36.	2 4	<b>1</b> 7 0	1	2	1
												Opponents	5	242	48.	4 7	70 1	0	1	
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Oklahoma State			,34,3			43		-												

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

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ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot Avg/G
Davis, Josh	1	95	12	30	32	0	169 169.0
Lord, Jammal	1	90	0	0	0	0	90 90.0
Horne, David	1	52	0	0	0	0	52 52.0
Herian, Matt	1	0	42	0	0	0	42 42.0
Davies, Judd	1	33	3	0	0	0	36 36.0
Pilkington, R.	1	0	16	0	0	0	16 16.0
Liley, Tim	1	0	5	0	0	0	5 5.0
TEAM	1	-2	0	0	0	0	-2 -2.0
Total	1	268	78	30	32	0	408 408.0
Opponents	1	86	97	9	89	0	281 281.0

# The Automated ScoreBook Nebraska Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Sep 01, 2003) All games

				Tackles		-Sacks-	Pas	s Def-		-Fumble	es-	Blkd	
DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL/Yds	No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	Rcv-Yds	FF	Kick	Saf
3 Washington, F.	1	8	3	11	•			1	1		•		
7 Williams, Dem.	1	7	2	9	1.0-3	•		1	2				
38 Ruud, Barrett	1	2	5	7	1.0-1	•				1-15			•
88 Johnson, Trevor	1	2	3	5	•	•			1	•			•
5A Thomas, Benard	1	2	2	4	•	•	•		2	•			•
96 Adams, Titus	1	2	2	4	•	•		•		•	•		
31 Pippens, J.	1	3	1	4	1.0-7	1.0-7		•		•	1		
59 Bingham, Ryon	1	1	3	4	•	•	•	•		1-3	•	1	•
28 Ricketts, Pat	1	2	1	3	•	•	•	•		•	•		•
20 Bullocks, Josh	1		3	3	•	•	2-0	•		•	•		•
2A Hollowell, T.J.	1	2	1	3	•	•	•	•		•	•		•
21 Bland, Philip	1	1	1	2	1.0-3	•	•	1		•	•		•
66 Smith, Le Kevin	1		2	2	•	•	•	•		•	•		•
23 Siegel, Shane	1	2		2	•	•	•	•		•	•		•
1A McPherson, L.	1	•	1	1	•	•	1-0	•	•	•	•		•
11 Herian, Matt	1	1		1	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
39 Buller, Chad	1	•	1	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•
14 Bullocks, D.	1	•	1	1	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
74 Teamer, Brandon	1	•	1	1	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
94 Kabongo, P.	1	•	1	1	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
Total	1	35	34	69	4-14	1-7	3-0	3	6	2-18	1	1	•
Opponents	1	44	52	96	5-25	0-0	1-0	•	•	1-0	•	1	•