

# Eye on Sports

## Nittany Lion football has changed but should not change outcome

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The Penn State football team has changed on both the offensive and defensive side of the ball in many ways. The offense changed in the way that three best wide receivers(WR) on the team are now in the National Football League(NFL).

Derrick Williams, who was a major part of the offense in from 2005-2008, was drafted by the only team in the NFL to go a perfect season in the loss column the Detroit Lions. Derrick Williams statistics in 2005, when he was a freshman in the Joe Paterno (JoePa) offense he had a season-ending injury that sidelined him for the majority of the season. In 2006, he came back from the injury to have the second most all-purpose

yards with 955 yards, scout.com. He would become one of the triple threat receivers in Penn State, along side Jordan Norwood, and Deon Butler. Then in 2008, his senior year at Happy Valley, he was again one of the targets of quarterback Daryll Clark. He completed the 2008 with 4 touchdowns(TD), 44 receptions, second most to Butler, and 485 receiving yards. He also was on the punt return team and played in the rush game. He led the team with returns with 18, and finished with 169 yards in those returns, from gopsusports.com.

Jordan Norwood, was also a dynamic player on the receiving team for Daryll Clark. In 2008, Norwood had 41 receptions for a total

of 637 yards, and 6 TD's, from gopsusports.com. He would be able to take the slack off of both Williams and Butler and this was the way that JoePa played the three headed monster that was his receiving core. Norwood was not selected for the NFL in April's draft, but was signed by the Cleveland Browns, courtesy nfl.com.

Deon Butler, the most explosive receiver on the 2008 team, caught 47 passes from Clark and had 7 TD's, for 810 total yards, gopsusports.com. He would be drafted by the Seattle Seahawks, courtesy nfl.com.

Aaron Maybin and Lydell Sargeant, left the Nittany Lions due to graduation, and the defense this year will not be the same. Maybin and Sargeant were leaders on the defense in the locker room and on the field. Sargeant

led the team with interceptions in 2008 with 4 for 55 yards. Maybin led the team in sacks with 12, and with Sean Lee's absence in the lineup, Maybin and Navarro Bowman took charge of the defense. Maybin was selected 11th overall in April's NFL draft by the Buffalo Bills.

The team for the most part is still in tact. With the season fast approaching, as of August 28, 2009, the schedule is very simple and the team should be in the double digit wins column even with all these losses.

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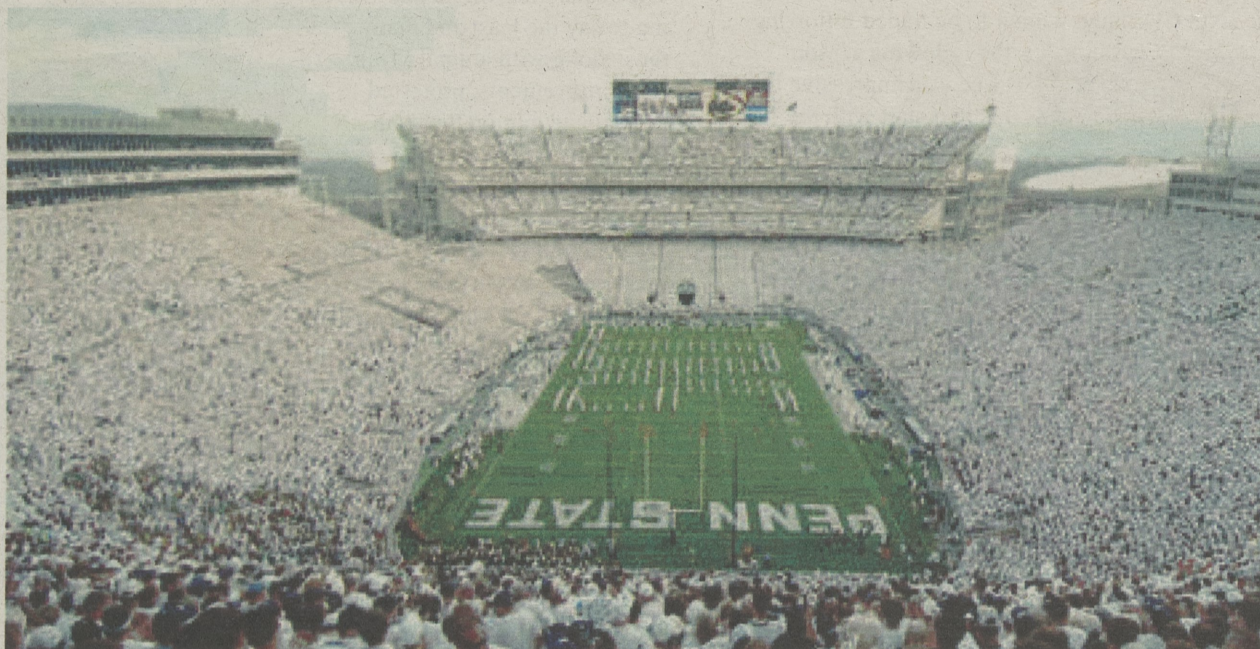


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## Penn State Hockey: Back on the Ice

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Drop the puck already! The Penn State Brandywine ice hockey team is looking forward to beginning the 2009-2010 season with a series of wins. Practicing under head coach Paul Gilligan, the team is comprised of fifteen returning players from last season's roster. Finally, almost simultaneously as the NHL season is starting, the time has come for college hockey to begin.

Brandywine is coming off of highly successful season in which the team traveled to Rochester, New York last March to compete for the National title. There, they went head-to-head against other highly ranked teams across the country, all within American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA). Although Brandywine did not come back with the title, they realized that returning to Nationals is within reach each year.

Over the years of hard work and superior coaching, Penn State has proven to be an all-around strong team, offensive and defensive alike. An amazing record year-after-year and two recent National level showings are proof that even a smaller college can produce some of the top college hockey players in the country. This year, Brandywine will once again participate in the SUNY Albany tournament as well as their own PSU Brandywine hosted tournament.

### OPPONENT DATE / TIME

Farmingdale State College	Fri Oct 02, 2009 @ 9:15 pm
@ Alvernia University	Fri Oct 09, 2009 @ 8:00 pm
Shippensburg University	Sat Oct 10, 2009 @ 7:00 pm
Saint Vincent College	Sat Oct 24, 2009 @ 4:45 pm
Neumann College	Sat Oct 31, 2009 @ 2:00 pm
Loyola College	Fri Dec 04, 2009 @ 2:30 pm
California University of PA	Sat Dec 05, 2009 @ 2:30 pm
University of Rutgers-Camden	Fri Jan 15, 2010 @ 6:30 pm
East Stroudsburg University	Fri Jan 22, 2010 @ 6:30 pm
Alvernia University	Fri Jan 29, 2010 @ 6:30 pm
Richard Stockton College of NJ	Fri Feb 05, 2010 @ 9:15 pm

## Kicking Off The Season

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As usual, the cooling of the temperature brings the start of the fall sports seasons. The soccer team, one of the most popular on campus, has already begun their season. The club is in full swing and approaching the halfway point of their schedule. The soccer team has been seen out on the field everyday since the beginning of the school year, practicing their trade in hope to improve.

Great things are expected out of the soccer team this year, as they enter their second season under Coach David Carvalho. With all the player additions and subtractions, things certainly have changed. However, one thing has stayed the same; the team will be representing Penn State Brandywine to the best of their ability.

Games have already been played and results have already been tallied. There have been some struggles, but there have also been plenty of bright spots. The team seems to be improving with every minute of every practice and every game. The results are starting to show as games are getting closer and the defense is getting stronger. Also, the offense is beginning to click and score goals.

Anyone could see how the team is gaining strength from game to game. Practices are long, intense and full of strategy. The team has a great collection of student athletes all with the shared goal to improve. There are a few home games left and if you attend one of these games you will not be disappointed with the performance your fellow students.

Many fans attend, but more are always welcome. The team will feed off of the energy, so attend a soccer game and enjoy yourself.

### Available "All U" Game Ticket!

Sports Editor, Justin Park, has one All U game ticket for sale. Email him at jrp5321@psu.edu for details.