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### SHEPHERD (4-2, 3-1 WVIAC) vs. WV WESLEYAN (1-4, 1-2 WVIAC) FREAL "RED" CRITES MEMORIAL STADIUM • BUCKHANNON, WV SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2009 • 1 P.M.

SHEPHERDSTOWN, W.Va. -- Shepherd University held off Concord University for a 34-31 win in WVIAC football action at Callaghan Stadium last Saturday.

Shepherd took a 7-0 lead with 10:51 left in the first quarter when sophomore running back **Tommy Addison (Germantown, MD/Quince Orchard)** scampered 22 yards for a score. Sophomore kicker **Eric Dobratz (Woodbridge, VA/Potomac)** added the extra point.

The Rams increased their lead to 10-0 with 4:48 left in the first quarter on a 22-yard field goal by Dobratz.

Brandon Strupp nailed a 23-yard field goal for the Mountain Lions with 9:46 left in the second quarter to cut the lead to 10-3.

Shepherd increased its lead to 17-3 when junior cornerback/return specialist **Deante Steele (Woodbridge, VA/Potomac)** fielded a Concord punt at the Shepherd 15-yard line and raced 85 yards for a touchdown with 4:05 left in the second quarter.

Steele was interfered with before fielding the punt, but caught the ball cleanly and raced down the sideline and eluded a would-be tackler at the 33-yard line en route to his fifth career punt return touchdown.

Junior quarterback **Kevin Clancy (Westminster, MD/Westminster)** fired a 31-yard scoring strike to sophomore wide receiver **Neal Hardie (Alexandria, VA/West Potomac)** with 1:44 left in the half to give the Rams a 24-3 advantage going into the break.

The Mountain Lions drove 51 yards on 10 plays and scored on a three-yard run by Brian Kennedy on the opening drive of the second half to cut the lead to 24-10 with 11:30 left in the third quarter.

Concord cut the lead to 24-17 with 2:38 left in the third quarter when Kennedy scored on a one-yard run.

The Rams extended their lead to 27-17 on a 33-yard field goal by Dobratz with 14:51 left in the fourth quarter.

Concord answered back minutes later on a seven-yard touchdown run by Kennedy to cut the deficit to 27-24.

Shepherd mounted an eight-play, 65-yard drive that culminated in a three-yard scoring run by sophomore running back **Nate Hoyte (Waldorf, MD/McDonough)** to increase the Shepherd lead to 34-24 with 8:23 remaining.

Steven Hearons teamed with Kennedy on a six-yard scoring pass to pull Mountain Lions to within three points at 34-31 with 3:43 left.

Shepherd converted a fourth-and-three with on a nine-yard run by Addison in the game's final minutes to seal the win.

Addison rushed for 91 yards on 25 carries and Hoyte added 49 yards on 11 carries to lead the Rams ground game. Kennedy rushed for 91 yards on 21 carries to lead Concord.

Hearons completed 29-of-44 passes for 308 yards for Concord. Clancy completed 12-of-21 passes for 153 yards.

#### A REIGN OF EXCELLENCE

**Head Coach Monte Cater** is now in his 23rd season at the helm of the Shepherd football program. The Rams have had a great deal of success since Cater arrived in 1987 as they have won 11 WVIAC titles in 22 seasons. In that time the Rams have made two trips to the NAIA Playoffs and five trips to the NCAA II Playoffs with playoff appearances (1998-99 and 2005-07). Below is a list of where Cater ranks on the all-time victories and all-time titles lists in the WVIAC.

#### WVIAC COACHING VICTORIES

1.	<b>Monte Cater (SU)</b> .....	<b>159-78-1 (.670)</b>
2.	Deacon Duvall (FSC) .....	125-42-3 (.744)
3.	Joe Bartell (WL) .....	118-55-11 (.671)
4.	Bill Struble (WVW) .....	113-151-0 (.428)
5.	<i>Walter Barr (SU)</i> .....	<i>104-48-4 (.679)</i>
6.	Tony Colobro (BSC/CC) .....	100-45-7 (.681)
7.	Cebe Ross (WVW/MH) .....	97-109-12 (.472)
8.	Adolph Hamblin (WVS) .....	90-58-18 (.596)
9.	Dana Lough (Pot. St.) .....	86-90-9 (.489)
10.	Cam Henderson (D&E) .....	81-33-6 (.700)

#### 2009 SHEPHERD SCHEDULE/RESULTS

##### August

29 **Shippensburg** ..... W ..... **34-23**

##### September

5 @ Bowie State ..... L ..... 21-23

12 @ Fairmont \* ..... W ..... 27-14

19 **Seton Hill** \* ..... **W** ..... **40-27**

26 **Charleston** \* ..... **L** ..... **17-30**

##### October

3 @ Concord \* ..... W ..... 34-31

10 @ WV Wesleyan \* ..... 6 p.m.

17 **West Liberty** \* ..... **1 p.m.**

24 **WV State** \* ^ ..... **1 p.m.**

##### November

5 @ Glenville \* ..... 8 p.m.

\* WVIAC Games

^ Homecoming

**Home Games in Bold**

#### 2009 WV WESLEYAN SCHEDULE/RESULTS

##### August

29 @ Edinboro ..... L ..... 30-42

##### September

5 @ Urbana ..... L ..... 19-20

12 @ Concord \* ..... L ..... 26-35

19 **West Liberty** \* ..... **L** ..... **26-39**

26 @ Seton Hill \* ..... W ..... 38-26

##### October

3 @ **Liberty** ..... **L** ..... **7-45**

10 *Shepherd* \* ..... **6:00**

17 **Fairmont** \* ..... **1:00**

24 @ Glenville \* ..... 1:30

31 **WV State** \* ..... **1:00**

##### November

7 @ Charleston \* ..... 1:00

\* WVIAC Games

**Home games in bold**

#### WVIAC COACHING TITLES

1.	<b>Monte Cater (SU)</b> .....	<b>11</b>
2.	Deacon Duvall (FSC) .....	8
3.	Joe Bartell (WL) .....	7
4T.	Tony Colobro (BSC/CC) .....	5
	Eddie King (MH) .....	5
6.	Rich Rodriguez (GSC) .....	4
7T.	<i>Walter Barr (SU)</i> .....	3
	Cebe Ross (WVW/MH) .....	3
	Bill Struble (WVW) .....	3

## NEWS AND NOTES

### MISC. STATS

Here is a compilation of some interesting tidbits on the Rams through six games this season:

**Third Down Conversions by SU/Foes:** 27/78 (35 %)/37/95 (39 %)  
**Shepherd Avg. Time of Possession/Foes:** 26:18/33:42  
**Penalties-Yards by SU/Foes:** 43-459/62-622  
**First Downs by Rush-Pass by SU/Foes:** 44-34/47-55

### SHEPHERD'S MAGIC NUMBERS

#### 24

If the Rams score 24 or more points, there is a good chance they will come out on top. Shepherd owns a 238-12 (.952) all-time record when reaching the magical 24-point mark. Included in that record is a 111-9 (.925) record since 1990 and a 117-11 (.914) mark under Cater.

#### 14

The Rams sport a 346-75-26 (.803) all-time record when holding the opposition to 14 points or less. Currently, Shepherd has won 72 of its last 73 games when holding the opposition to 14 or less and owns a 94-3-1 (.964) record since 1990 when turning the trick. Shepherd is 105-7-1 (.933) under Cater in such games.

#### 7

Shepherd is 120-100-26 (.540) all-time in games decided by seven points or less. Shepherd has a 38-25-1 (.601) record since 1990 and a 42-34-1 (.551) mark under Cater in games decided by seven or less.

#### 150

Another key to victory is the Rams' running game. Shepherd is 147-23-2 (.860) since 1980 in games that it rushes for 150 or more yards. Since 1990, the record is 96-11-1 (.893) and under Cater it is 106-17-1 (.858).

#### Anything Less than 100

Defensively, the Rams will try to contain the running game and forceteams to pass. If they hold the opposition to under 100 yards rushing, the odds on a win go up dramatically. Since 1980, the Rams are 121-17-1 (.874) when holding teams to less than 100 yards. Since 1990, Shepherd is 86-12 (.877) in such games and 94-15 (.862) under Cater.

#### ON THIS DATE

The Rams have played 10 games in their history on October 10 with a 6-4 overall mark, including a 2-2 mark on the road. Shepherd's all-time results on this date:

Year	Opponent	W/L	Score
1925	Massanutten Mil. Academy	W .....	22-0
1931	@ Shenandoah	L .....	0-3
1936	Shenandoah	L .....	6-26
1953	Montgomery JC	L .....	19-31
1959	Potomac State	W .....	14-0
1964	Gallaudet	W .....	20-12
1970	@ WV Tech	W .....	34-12
1981	@ Salem	W .....	27-7
1987	@ Concord	L .....	0-10
1998	Concord	W .....	35-0

### RADIO AND WEB RADIO COVERAGE:

The Ram Sports Radio Network will once again bring the action of the 2009 Shepherd University football team to the fans of the four-state region. WRNR-740 AM will broadcast all 10 regular-season games with Matt Miller and Vic Holmes covering all the action. The action can also be heard on the Web. Links are available at [www.talkradiowrnr.com](http://www.talkradiowrnr.com) or [www.shepherdrams.com](http://www.shepherdrams.com).

### SHEPHERD-CONCORD GAME

#### SCORING SUMMARY & STATISTICS

Shepherd .....	10	14	0	10	-	34
Concord .....	0	3	14	14	-	31

SU - Addison 22 yd run (Dobratz kick)  
 SU - Dobratz 22 yd field goal  
 CU - Strupp 23 yd field goal  
 SU - Steele 85 yd punt return (Dobratz kick)  
 SU - Hardie 31 yd pass from Clancy (Dobratz kick)  
 CU - Kennedy 3 yd run (Strupp kick)  
 CU - Kennedy 1 yd run (Strupp kick)  
 SU - Dobratz 34 yd field goal  
 CU - Kennedy 7 yd run (Strupp kick)  
 SU - Hoyte 3 yd run (Dobratz kick)  
 CU - Kennedy 6 yd pass from Hearons (Strupp kick)

SU		CU
34	First Downs	31
43-170	Rushes-Yards	31-95
153	Passing Yards	308
12-21-0	Passes	29-44-1
64-323	Plays-Total Off.	75-403
153	Return Yards	100
4/43.0	Punts/Avg	5/32.2
0-0	Fumbles-Lost	0-0
8-81	Penalties-Yards	10-114
29:42	Time of Possession	30:38

**Rushing:** SU Addison 25-91-1, Hoyte 11-52-49, Martin 1-19-0, Clancy 3-19-0. CU Kennedy 21-91-3, Cole 8-6-0, Young 1-3-0, Hearons 1-(-5)-0.  
**Passing:** SU Clancy 12-21-153-0-0. CU Hearons 29-44-305-1-1.  
**Receiving:** SU Hardie 6-112-1, Mends 1-16-0, Muhammad 1-7-0, McClain 1-7-0. CU Mayo 9-120-0, Kennedy 9-96-1, Baker 6-19-0, Cole 3-55-0.



## MILESTONES AND MEMORIES

### RUNNING GAME

The Rams have had success with a trio of running backs this year. Sophomore **Nate Hoyte**, junior **Jimmy Sutch**, and sophomore **Tommy Addison** have all seen considerable action. Listed below is various information on all three players.

#### HOYTE'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Ru-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2009	3/0	26-190	7.3	2	55

#### HOYTE'S 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Opponent	Carries-Yards (Date)
Seton Hill	9-108 (9-19-09)

#### SUTCH'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Ru-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2007	9/0	56-315	5.6	5	32
2008	10/10	190-885	4.7	14	78
2009	5/5	61-218	3.6	0	11
<b>Totals</b>	<b>24/15</b>	<b>298-1,418</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>78</b>

#### SUTCH'S CAREER HIGHS

Rushing yards	201 vs. Shippensburg (8-30-08)
Carries	28 vs. West Liberty (10-25-08)
Rushing TDs	4 vs. WV State (11-1-08)

#### SUTCH'S 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Opponent	Carries-Yards (Date)
WV State	24-158 (11-1-08)
Concord	16-122 (10-11-08)
Shippensburg	26-201 (8-30-08)
Indiana (Pa.)	17-119 (11-24-07)

#### ADDISON'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Ru-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2008	3/0	30-184	6.1	2	30
2009	6/1	90-440	4.9	5	84
<b>Totals</b>	<b>9/1</b>	<b>120-624</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>84</b>

#### ADDISON'S CAREER HIGHS

Rushing yards	156 vs. Shippensburg (8-29-09)
Carries	19 vs. WV State (11-1-08)
Rushing TDs	2 vs. Shippensburg (8-29-09)

#### ADDISON'S 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Opponent	Carries-Yards (Date)
Fairmont	18-105 (9-12-09)
Shippensburg	14-156 (8-29-09)
WV State	19-127 (11-1-08)

#### TOUCHDOWN TOMMY

Sophomore running back **Tommy Addison** leads the team in scoring with six touchdowns this year for 36 points.

### MAN OF STEELE

Junior cornerback/return specialist **Deante Steele** is one of the top all-purpose threats in NCAA II. He is noted on various charts below.

#### STEELE'S RETURN TOUCHDOWNS

85-yard punt return vs. Concord	10-3-09
70-yard punt return vs. Fairmont State	9-12-09
93-yard KO return vs. Fairmont State	9-12-09
62-yard INT return vs. Shippensburg	8-29-09
85-yard KO return vs. WV State	11-1-08
60-yard punt return vs. WV State	11-1-08
21-yard INT return vs. WV State	11-1-08
91-yard KO return vs. Concord	10-11-08
95-yard punt return vs. Charleston	10-4-08
68-yard punt return vs. Charleston	10-6-07

#### STEELE'S CAREER PUNT RETURN STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Ret.-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2007	10/9	17-232	13.6	1	68
2008	10/10	20-404	20.2	2	*95
2009	6/6	12-252	21.0	2	85
<b>Totals</b>	<b>26/25</b>	<b>49-888</b>	<b>18.1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>*95</b>

\* ties school record

#### STEELE'S CAREER KICKOFF RETURN STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Ret.-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2007	10/9	20-457	22.9	0	72
2008	10/10	17-491	28.9	2	91
2009	6/6	13-349	26.8	1	93
<b>Totals</b>	<b>26/25</b>	<b>50-1,297</b>	<b>25.9</b>	<b>*3</b>	<b>93</b>

\* school record

#### STEELE'S CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	UT	AT	TT	INT	PBU
2007	10/1	10	7	17	0-0	0
2008	10/10	35	14	49	4-75	10
2009	6/5	24	6	30	2-90	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>26/16</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>6-165</b>	<b>15</b>

#### SHEPHERD CAREER COMBINED KICK RETURN STATISTICS

Rank	Name	KOR Yds.	PR Yds.	Total
1.	Dustin Dudinski	1,370	1,373	2,743
2.	James Rooths	965	1,275	2,240
3.	Deante Steele	1,297	888	2,185



OFFENSIVE CATEGORY LEADERS

Category	Name	Amount
Rushing yards	Tommy Addison	440
Rushing TDs	Tommy Addison	5
Total TDs	Tommy Addison	6
Passing Yards	Kevin Clancy	1,015
Passing TDs	Kevin Clancy	11
Pass Attempts	Kevin Clancy	118
Pass Completions	Kevin Clancy	65
Receiving Yards	Neal Hardie	335
Receptions	Neal Hardie	15
	Raymond Mends	15
Receiving TDs	Neal Hardie	4
	Raymond Mends	4

LEADING THE DEFENSE

The Ram defense has four players with 30 tackles or more. Sophomore outside linebacker **Ben Minturn** tops the team in tackles with 48. He is followed by junior inside linebacker **Brian Taylor** with 42. Senior free safety **Layton Hersh** has 35, while sophomore linebacker **Jon Schwartz** and junior cornerback **Deante Steele** each have 26 stops.

DEFENSIVE CATEGORY LEADERS

Category	Name	Amount
Total tackles	Ben Minturn	48
Solo tackles	Ben Minturn	36
Tackles-for-loss	T.J. Taylor	8
	Frank Herrera	8
	Chris Patton	8
Sacks	T.J. Taylor	2
	Brian Taylor	2
	Will Wheeler	2
Pass breakups	Deante Steele	5
Interceptions	Deante Steele	2

MAKING A PASS

Junior quarterback **Kevin Clancy** continues to make strides in his first season as the starting quarterback.

CLANCY'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Comp.-Att.	Yards	TD	INT	QB Rating
2008	1/0	2-2	14	0	0	158.8
2009	6/6	65-118	1,015	11	6	147.9
Tot.	6/5	67-120	1,029	11	6	-----

CLANCY'S CAREER HIGHS

Passing yards .....250, vs. Seton Hill (9-19-09)  
 TD passes.....3, vs. Seton Hill (9-19-09), 3, vs. Bowie State (9-5-09)  
 Completions.....15, vs. Seton Hill (9-19-09)  
 Attempts.....28, vs. Bowie State (9-5-09)

BIG PLAYMAKER

Sophomore wide receiver **Neal Hardie** is the team's leading receiver with 15 receptions for 335 yards. Three of his four touchdown receptions have been over 50 yards.

ANOTHER RECEIVING LEADER

Senior wide receiver **Raymond Mends** ties Hardie for the team lead in receptions (15) and touchdown receptions (4).

MENDS' CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Rec.-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2006	6/0		no stats		
2007	9/0	4-70	17.5	1	37
2008	9/5	25-364	14.6	2	62
2009	6/6	15-302	20.1	4	78
<b>Totals</b>	<b>32/11</b>	<b>44-736</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>78</b>

MENDS' 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Opponent	Rec.-Yards (Date)
Shippensburg .....	3-162 (8-29-09)
Glenville State .....	4-121 (9-13-08)

CATCHING ON

Senior wide receiver **Nasser Muhammad** is the team's third leading receiver with nine receptions for 154 yards.

MUHAMMAD'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Rec.-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2007	12/1	18-225	12.5	2	44
2008	10/4	29-368	12.7	3	43
2009	6/4	9-154	17.1	1	65
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28/9</b>	<b>56-747</b>	<b>13.3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>65</b>

SHEPHERD'S RECORD IN 2009 WHEN...

At home.....	2-1
On the road.....	2-1
On artificial surface .....	4-1
On grass .....	0-1
Leading after 1st quarter .....	4-2
Trailing after 1st quarter .....	0-0
Tied after 1st quarter .....	0-0
Leading at the half.....	3-0
Trailing at the half.....	1-2
Tied at the half.....	0-0
Leading after 3rd quarter .....	4-1
Trailing after 3rd quarter .....	0-1
Tied after 3rd quarter .....	0-0
Game decided by seven pts. or less .....	1-1
Game decided by three pts. or less .....	1-1
Scoring 24 points or more.....	4-0
Allowing 14 points or less .....	1-0
Scoring first.....	3-1
Opponents score first .....	1-1
Positive TO ratio .....	2-0
Negative TO ratio .....	1-2
Turnovers even.....	1-0
300 yds. or more total offense .....	4-0
Less than 300 yds. total offense .....	0-2
Opp. < 300 yds. total offense.....	0-0
Opp. > 300 yds. total offense.....	4-2
Rushing for 150+ yards.....	4-0
Allowing <100 yds. rushing.....	1-0
An SU player rushes for 100 yards or more.....	3-0
An opponent player rushes for 100 yards or more.....	1-2
In day games .....	4-2
In night games.....	0-0
In August .....	1-0
In September.....	2-2
In October .....	1-0
In November .....	0-0

SHEPHERD-WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN ALL-TIME SERIES RESULTS

Date	Winner	Score
11-10-62.....	Tie.....	13-13
11-9-63.....	WV Wesleyan.....	26-0
9-1-71.....	Shepherd.....	14-0
9-9-72.....	Shepherd.....	56-8
9-8-73.....	Shepherd.....	20-7
9-14-74.....	Shepherd.....	28-0
9-13-75.....	Shepherd.....	21-14
9-11-76.....	Shepherd.....	16-6
9-10-77.....	Shepherd.....	16-6
10-14-78.....	Shepherd.....	16-13
10-13-79.....	Shepherd.....	20-17
10-13-80.....	Shepherd.....	17-7
10-17-81.....	Shepherd.....	21-3
10-16-82.....	Shepherd.....	21-3
10-15-83.....	Shepherd.....	54-0
10-13-84.....	Shepherd.....	42-7
10-19-91.....	Shepherd.....	21-7
10-17-92.....	Shepherd.....	19-13
10-9-93.....	Shepherd.....	20-14
10-8-94.....	Shepherd.....	30-11
9-20-95.....	WV Wesleyan.....	33-7
10-5-96.....	WV Wesleyan.....	24-21
10-4-97.....	Shepherd.....	37-19
10-3-93.....	Shepherd.....	47-31
11-13-99.....	Shepherd.....	55-13
11-11-00.....	Shepherd.....	51-0
11-3-01.....	WV Wesleyan.....	23-15
11-9-02.....	WV Wesleyan.....	24-14
11-1-03.....	WV Wesleyan.....	34-14
10-23-04.....	Shepherd.....	41-25
10-22-05.....	Shepherd.....	51-0
10-28-06.....	Shepherd.....	41-0
10-20-07.....	Shepherd.....	36-28
10-18-09.....	Shepherd.....	27-12

Shepherd leads the all-time series 27-6-1.

SERIES NOTES

Below are a few notes on the series between the Rams and Bobcats. The two teams played to a 13-13 tie in the first meeting in 1962. West Virginia Wesleyan earned a 26-0 win in 1963 and Shepherd won its first game in the series in 1971 with a 14-0 triumph.

**Longest WV Wesleyan win streak:** 3 games (2001-03)

**Longest Shepherd win streak:** 18 games (1971-84, 91-94)

**Last 10 meetings:** Shepherd leads, 7-3

WV WESLEYAN - SHEPHERD • BY THE NUMBERS

WVW		SU
23.2	Scoring Offense	28.8
35.0	Scoring Defense	24.7
183.2	Pass Offense	169.2
257.4	Pass Defense	220.3
26.8	Kickoff Return Avg.	23.4
31.0	Net Punting	34.9
163.4	Rushing Offense	142.2
211.0	Rushing Defense	147.8
346.6	Total Offense	311.3
468.4	Total Defense	368.2
6.9	Punt Returns	16.8
114.7	Pass Efficiency	134.3
89	First Downs	93
116	Opponent First Downs	119
15-96	Sacks By	7-46
3-17	Sacks Against	9-47
87.0	Penalty Yard Avg./ Game	76.5
54.8	Opponent Penalty Yards	103.7
1-4	Fourth Down Conv.	6-9
8-13	Opp. Fourth Down Conv.	4-13
81.0	Red Zone Offense Pct.	69.0
86.0	Red Zone Defense Pct.	89.0
32.0	Third Down Conv.	35.0
33.0	Opp. Third Down Conv.	39.0
.778 (7-9)	Field Goal Pct.	.600 (3-5)
11-13	PAT Kicking	18-22
33:20	Time of Possession	26:18
34.8	Kickoff Coverage (Net Return)	36.8