

**Liberty University
Flames Baseball
Quick Facts**

Location: Lynchburg, Va.
Founded: 1971
Enrollment: 10,400
Colors: Red, White and Blue
Nickname: Flames
Mascot: Eagle
Conference: Big South
Founder: Dr. Jerry Falwell
Chancellor: Jerry Falwell, Jr.
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Faculty Athletic Representative:
 Dr. William Gribbin

Head Baseball Coach:
 Jim Toman (N.C. State, '85,'95)
Record at LU: 20-19
Career Record: Same
Baseball Office Phone:
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Assistants: Scott Jackson
 (Campbell, '98), Nick Schnabel
 (East Carolina, '00), Jeremiah Boles
Athletic Trainer: Scott Lawrenson

2007 Record: 36-25
Conference Record: 14-7/3rd
Postseason: Runner-up Big South Championship
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 18/6
Starting Position Players Returning/Lost (incl. DH): 6/3
Starting Pitchers Returning/Lost (30 IP min): 5/2
Newcomers: 9

Liberty's All-Time Record:
 926-748-7 (.553)
Stadium: Worthington Stadium/1,000
Stadium Dimensions: Left - 325;
 Center - 390; Right - 325
Surface: Bermuda Grass

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2008 Liberty Baseball Game Notes



Games No. 40-41 - April 22-23, 2008

LIBERTY Flames (20-19, 8-4 Big South)

vs.

JAMES MADISON Dukes (26-10, 16-4 CAA)

April 22 - Long Field/Mauck Stadium - Harrisonburg, Va. - 3 p.m.

LIBERTY Flames

vs.

OLD DOMINION Monarchs (18-19, 9-10 CAA)

April 23 - Bud Metheny Stadium - Norfolk, Va. - 6 p.m.

The Games

The Liberty Flames (20-19, 8-4 Big South) begin a stretch, where the Flames will play 11 of their next 12 games on the road. The span starts with a five-game road trip, beginning with a visit to James Madison (26-10, 16-4 CAA) on Tuesday. Game time at Long Field/Mauck Stadium is scheduled for 3 p.m. Tuesday. Wednesday, Liberty will travel to Norfolk, Va., to square off with the Old Dominion Monarchs (18-19, 9-10 CAA). First pitch at Bud Metheny Stadium is set for 6 p.m.

All-Time Series Against James Madison, Old Dominion

Tuesday's match-up between James Madison and Liberty will be the 58th meeting between the two schools on the diamond and the third this season. The Dukes lead the all-time series, 31-26, since 1974.

James Madison has won the previous two meetings between the two teams this season. On March 18, the Dukes took a 3-2 victory from the Flames. James Madison also won 4-0 on April 8. Both games were at Worthington Stadium.

Wednesday will be the 49th meeting between Liberty and Old Dominion. After a 9-7 victory over the Flames on March 5 of this year, the Monarchs hold a 32-16 edge in the all-time series.

The Last Time Out

Liberty left-hander Ryan Page yielded just one run and pitched a complete game, leading the Flames to a 6-1 victory over the VMI Keydets, Sunday afternoon in the finale of a three-game Big South Conference series at Worthington Stadium. The triumph enabled Liberty to take the series, two games to one.

Errol Hollinger had two hits and plated two runs in the contest for Liberty. David Giammaresi and Aaron Grijalva also added two hits apiece for the Flames.

Possible Liberty Starters

No.	Name	Cl.	Ht.	Wt.	Avg.	Other Stats
29	Errol Hollinger (C)	Jr.	6-4	205	.302	39 Runs, 30 RBIs, 10 2Bs, 6 HRs
7	David Giammaresi (1B)	Sr.	6-0	205	.367	26 Runs, 14 RBIs, 14 2Bs
1	Kenneth Negron (2B)	Jr.	5-9	175	.289	21 Runs, 12 RBIs, 4 2Bs
6	Aaron Phillips (SS)	Sr.	6-2	200	.231	22 Runs, 17 RBIs, 7 2Bs, 4 HRs
4	Cody Brown (3B)	Jr.	6-2	215	.336	23 Runs, 27 RBIs, 9 2Bs, 4 HRs
5	Aaron Grijalva (LF)	Sr.	6-1	200	.299	19 Runs, 13 RBIs, 7 2Bs, 3 3Bs
15	Joseph Feely (CF)	Fr.	5-10	175	.275	12 Runs, 12 RBIs, 4 2Bs
19	P.K. Keller (LF)	Sr.	6-3	195	.333	24 Runs, 34 RBIs, 17 2Bs, 4 HRs
33	Garrett Young (DH)	Sr.	6-3	230	.275	21 Runs, 26 RBIs, 10 2Bs, 3 HRs

A Look at James Madison

Location: Harrisonburg, Va.
Founded: 1908
Enrollment: 16,900
Nickname: Dukes
Colors: Purple & Gold

President: Dr. Linwood H. Rose
Director of Athletics: Jeffrey Bourne
Conference: Colonial Athletic (CAA)
Field (Capacity): Long Field/Mauck Stadium (1,200)

Head Coach: Joe "Spanky" McFarlane (Hillside, '76)
Record at School: 330-274-2 (11 Years)
Overall Record: 506-498-3 (19 Years)
Office Phone: (540) 568-3932
Assistants: Jay Sullenger, Ted White, Josiah Jones

2007 Record: 22-31
2007 Conference Record/Finish: 11-17/9th
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 16/9
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 5/7

Top Returning Position Players: Lee Bujakowski (Jr., 1B/OF, .320 BA, 32 RBI), Steven Caseres (So., 1B/DH, .298 BA, 40 RBI), Alex Foltz (So., RHP, .309 BA, 20 SB)

Top Returning Pitchers: Kurt Houck (Jr., RHP, 8.30 ERA, 72.2 IP), Trevor Kaylid (Sr., LHP, 4.86 ERA, 24 APP), Justin Wood (Jr., LHP, 6.35 ERA, 73.2 IP)

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Recent Results

4/19	George Mason	W, 5-3
4/18	George Mason	L, 7-2
4/15	VMI	L, 6-4

Upcoming Schedule

4/23	at George Washington
4/25	VCU
4/26	VCU
4/27	VCU



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Liberty Head Coach Jim Toman (N.C. State, '85,'95)

Record at School: 20-19 (First Year)

Overall Record: Same

On June 24, 2007, Jim Toman was named the sixth head coach in the 34-year history of the Liberty Baseball program.

The first-year skipper comes to Liberty after 11 seasons as the senior member of Ray Tanner's coaching staff at South Carolina. Toman worked a total of 18 years alongside Tanner, dating back to the 1990 season at N.C. State.

During his time at South Carolina, Toman served as recruiting coordinator and worked with the team's catchers. Known as one of the top recruiters in college baseball, the 19-year college coaching veteran was named the 2002 Baseball America/American Baseball Coaches Association Assistant Coach of the Year. Before joining the Gamecock staff in 1996, Toman served under Tanner for seven years at N.C. State.

Toman has recruited 15 top 25 classes, including all 11 of his seasons at South Carolina. From 2003-2006, three of the four Gamecock recruiting classes were ranked first in the nation by Collegiate Baseball. Toman's 2003, 2005 and 2006 classes were named the top recruiting classes by the publication.

During his time on the staff in Columbia, S.C., Toman and the Gamecocks made nine NCAA Regional appearances, including eight-straight since 2000, and three consecutive trips to the College World Series (2002-04). Add in his seven seasons at N.C. State, and Toman has helped lead 15 teams to NCAA Regional appearances.

In addition, South Carolina posted eight-straight seasons of 40 or more wins with Toman on the Gamecock coaching staff, including 2007. During Toman's 11 seasons at South Carolina, he helped the Gamecocks to a combined 500-220 (.694) record.

Toman earned four baseball letters at N.C.State, 1981-84, and was captain of the Wolfpack his junior and senior seasons. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in vocational industrial education in 1985. He received a Master of Science degree in sport management from N.C. State in 1995.

Upon graduation, Toman entered the coaching profession as an assistant at Richmond County High School in Rockingham, N.C., for two years. He moved into the collegiate coaching ranks in 1989 as an assistant at Florida International for one year. At FIU, he was responsible for the weight program, worked with the squad's catchers and coached first base. Toman joined the N.C. State staff before the 1990 season.

The Coaches

Liberty Head Coach Jim Toman is in his first season at the helm of the Flames. A 19-year member of the college coaching ranks, he served 18 years as a member of Ray Tanner's staffs at South Carolina and N.C. State.

Toman was named the 2002 Baseball America/American Baseball Coaches Association Assistant Coach of the Year and recruited 15 top 25 classes, including all 11 of his seasons at South Carolina. From 2003-2006, three of the four Gamecock recruiting classes were ranked first in the nation by Collegiate Baseball.

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James Madison skipper Joe "Spanky" MacFarlane is in his 11th season at James Madison. In 2006, he guided James Madison to a 38-21 overall record, claimed the CAA regular-season title with a 22-8 mark and was named 2006 Louisville Slugger Conference Coach of the Year. McFarland led the Dukes to a school record for wins with a final mark of 41-16 and a NCAA Regional berth in 2002. He was named 2002 CAA Coach of the Year and Louisville Slugger Conference Coach of the Year.

A Look at Old Dominion

Location: Norfolk, Va.
Founded: 1930
Enrollment: 21,500
Nickname: Monarchs
Colors: Slate Blue & Silver
President: Dr. Roseann Runte
Athletic Director: Dr. Jim Jarrett
Conference: Colonial Athletic (CAA)
Field (Capacity): Bud Metheny Baseball Complex (2,500)

Head Coach: Jerry Meyers (Iowa State, '87)

Record at School: 114-93 (Three Years)

Overall Record: Same

Office Phone: (757) 683-3372

Assistants: Ryan Morris, Nate Goulet, and Travis Huffman

2007 Record: 35-24

2007 Conference Record/Finish:

18-11/T-1st

Letterman Returning/Lost: 17/5

Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 4/0

Top Returning Position Players: David Burns (Sr., DH/C, .309 BA, 61 RBI), Bryan Cipolla (Sr., 1B, .318 BA, 46 RBI), Jimmy Miles (Sr., OF, .348 BA, 39 SB)

Top Returning Pitchers: Dan Hudson (Jr., RHP, 3.46 ERA, 109 SO), Dexter Carter (Jr., RHP, 4.50 ERA, 70 IP), Anthony Shawler (Jr., RHP, 2.20 ERA, 11-2 W-L)

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Recent Results

4/20	at Hofstra	L, 6-4
4/19	at Hofstra	L, 8-7
4/18	at Hofstra	W, 11-6
4/15	Longwood	W, 11-1

Upcoming Schedule

4/25	Northeastern
4/26	Northeastern
4/27	Northeastern
5/7	Radford



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Old Dominion's Jerry Meyers is in his fourth season as the Monarch's skipper, having posted a 114-93 mark. He also serves as pitching coach with the 2008 USA National Team staff. Last season, ODU compiled a 35-24 record and was the top seed in the CAA tournament and co-regular season champions. The Monarchs' pitching staff again topped the CAA with a 3.97 ERA and 471 strikeouts. In 2006, Meyers was awarded the Collegiate Coach of the Year honor by the Mid-Atlantic Major League Baseball Scouts Association. ODU enjoyed one of the nation's biggest turnarounds after going 39-17 and finishing second in the CAA. The Monarchs climbed back into the national top 15 for the first time since the mid-1980s.

A Look at the Dukes

James Madison enters Tuesday's game with a 26-10 overall mark. The Dukes have won five of their last six contests, including a 5-3 victory Saturday over George Mason to run their record to a second-place 16-4 in the Colonial Athletic Association.

James Madison is paced by Brett Sellers at the plate, who begins the week ranked 13th in the country with a .441 batting average. Three other Dukes have posted a .330 average or better. Outfielder Joe Lake has a .366 average, while first baseman Steven Caseres has batted .347 and leads the Dukes with 43 RBIs. Outfielder Alex Foltz has hit .333 in 34 games this season. As a team, James Madison ranks 26th nationally with a .322 team batting average.

On the mound, the Kyle Hoffman and Justin Wood have led the Dukes. Hoffman has posted a team-leading record of 6-2 with a 4.68 ERA. Wood is 2-1 with a 4.81 ERA. Closer Trevor Knight leads the James Madison bullpen staff with 14 appearances and four saves.

LU	Statistical Comparison	JMU
20-19	Record	26-10
.291	Batting Average	.322
261	Runs	275
414	Hits	403
26	Home Runs	47
238	Runs Batted In	249
27	Stolen Bases	54
4.64	Earned Run Average	5.12
355.1	Innings Pitched	318.0
323	Strikeouts	292
2	Saves	11
.293	Opponent Batting Average	.265

A Look at the Monarchs

Old Dominion enters the week at 18-19, after dropping two games of a three-game league series at Hofstra. The Monarchs will travel to Maryland on Tuesday, before hosting Liberty on Wednesday.

Center fielder Jimmy Miles leads Old Dominion with a .379 batting average and 48 runs scored. First baseman Bryan Cipolla paces the Monarchs with 38 RBIs. As a team, Old Dominion has a .297 batting average.

On the mound, Ryan Bergh tops the staff with a 3.08 ERA and in appearances with 15. He sports a 4-4 mark. Reliever Cory Toth has posted a 4.85 ERA in 13 appearances, while Preseason All-American Anthony Shawler has a 4-2 mark with a 5.07 ERA. The pitcher/right fielder has also hit .364 in 33 starts this season. The Monarch staff begins the week with a 5.42 team ERA.

Liberty 2008 Baseball Schedule

Record: 20-19
Big South: 8-4

Feb 22 vs. Notre Dame!	W/6-2
Feb 23 vs. Albany!	W/5-4
Feb 24 vs. Iowa!	W/3-1
Feb 27 at Norfolk St.	W/5-1
Feb 29 Rider	W/4-3
Mar 1 Rider	L/5-4
Mar 2 Rider	W/18-2
Mar 4 at VCU	L/5-4
Mar 5 Old Dominion	L/9-7
Mar 8 Army - Game 1	W/11-5
Mar 8 Army - Game 2	W/13-7
Mar 9 Army	W/15-7
Mar 14 vs. Cal St. Northridge#	L/11-7
Mar 15 vs. Southern Miss.#	L/5-0
Mar 15 vs. Cal St. Northridge#	L/9-2
Mar 18 James Madison	L/3-2
Mar 20 Columbia%	W/13-10
Mar 21 Columbia% - Game 1	L/11-6
Mar 21 Columbia% - Game 2	L/7-3
Mar 22 Columbia%	W/12-2
Mar 26 at George Mason	L/13-0
Mar 28 Coastal Carolina*	L/5-3 11 inn.
Mar 29 Coastal Carolina*	W/ 9-6
Mar 30 Coastal Carolina*	L/2-1
Apr 1 William & Mary	L/9-7
Apr 2 Norfolk St.	L/8-5
Apr 4 at UNC Asheville*	L/9-0
Apr 5 at UNC Asheville* W/14-13 10 inn.	
Apr 6 at UNC Asheville*	W/11-4
Apr 8 James Madison	L/4-0
Apr 9 at Virginia	L/7-3
Apr 11 at Radford*	W/5-4
Apr 12 at Radford*	W/18-4
Apr 13 at Radford*	W/12-5
Apr 15 at William & Mary	W/13-3
Apr 16 Virginia Tech	L/11-1
Apr 18 VMI*	W/8-0
Apr 19 VMI*	L/6-5 16 inn.
Apr 20 VMI*	W/6-1
Apr 22 at James Madison	3 p.m.
Apr 23 at Old Dominion	6 p.m.
Apr 25 at Winthrop*	6 p.m.
Apr 26 at Winthrop*	4 p.m.
Apr 27 at Winthrop*	2 p.m.
Apr 30 George Mason	3 p.m.
May 3 at Charleston So.*	3 p.m.
May 4 at Charleston So* (DH)	11 a.m.
May 7 at Virginia Tech	7 p.m.
May 10 at Longwood (DH)	3 p.m.
May 11 Longwood	4 p.m.
May 13 VCU	7 p.m.
May 16 High Point*	7 p.m.
May 17 High Point*	4 p.m.
May 18 High Point *	1 p.m.
May 20-24 Big South Baseball Championship	
May 30-Jun. 1 NCAA Regional	
Jun 6-9 NCAA Super Regionals	
Jun 14-25 College World Series	

Home Games in bold

* - Big South Conference Game
 ! - Clearwater Invitational
 # - Coca-Cola Classic
 %- at Lynchburg City Stadium
 (DH) - Doubleheader
 All Times Eastern Standard Time

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LU	Statistical Comparison	ODU
20-19	Record	18-19
.291	Batting Average	.297
261	Runs	266
414	Hits	390
26	Home Runs	31
238	Runs Batted In	240
27	Stolen Bases	78
4.64	Earned Run Average	5.42
355.1	Innings Pitched	324.0
323	Strikeouts	289
2	Saves	5
.293	Opponent Batting Average	.279

A New Staff For 2008

With the hire of Jim Toman as head coach, the Liberty baseball team was greeted by a new coaching staff when fall practice began. Joining Toman are Scott Jackson, Nick Schnabel and Jeremiah Boles as assistants.

Jackson heads up the Flames' pitching staff, while Schnabel serves as the team's hitting and infield instructor. Schnabel also coaches third base.

Boles, a former Liberty baseball player, rounds out the staff. Boles is assisting with hitting instruction, working with the squad's outfielders and coaching first base.

Following the Flames

No radio is available for either game Tuesday or Wednesday. Live stats for both games will be available on LibertyFlames.com.

Flames at Worthington Stadium

For the past 28 years, the Flames have called Worthington Stadium their home. The Flames have compiled an impressive 483-222-4 record at the facility for a winning percentage of .684 since the stadium's inception in 1979.

This year, the Flames are slated to play 24 home games at the stadium. Liberty has posted a 8-10 record at Worthington, so far this season.

The slate of home games includes the first night contests in the history of the stadium. March 28 was the first night contest ever at the stadium, and nine contests currently are scheduled to be played under the lights.

Last season, Liberty went 23-9 at Worthington. The 23 wins tie for the third most by the Flames in a season at the facility.

Liberty on the Road

With a win over William & Mary last Tuesday, Liberty now sports a 7-5 road record and a 5-4 neutral field mark this season.

This year, Liberty is scheduled to play 23 contests on the road, plus nine on neutral fields. Jim Toman's team's road schedule includes two tournaments. The first was in Clearwater, Fla., which opened the season, followed by The Coca-Cola Classic in Hattiesburg, Miss., March 14-15.

Last season, Liberty posted a 10-15 road record, plus a 3-1 mark on neutral fields.

**Big South Conference
Update**
(as of 4/18)

Conference Standings
(by wins)

	W	L	Pct.
Coastal Carolina	10	2	.833
VMI	10	5	.667
Liberty	8	4	.667
High Point	8	7	.533
Winthrop	6	6	.500
Radford	4	8	.333
Charleston Southern	3	9	.250
UNC Asheville	2	10	.167

Overall Standings

	W	L	Pct.
Coastal Carolina	33	7	.825
Liberty	20	19	.513
VMI	20	19	.513
Radford	16	22	.421
Winthrop	16	23	.410
High Point	16	23	.410
Charleston Southern	15	24	.385
UNC Asheville	16	27	.372

Upcoming Schedule

Tuesday, April 22

Liberty at James Madison	3 p.m.
Coll. of Charleston at Coast. Carolina	6 p.m.
Radford at Virginia Tech	6:30 p.m.
Coppin St. at VMI	6 p.m.
Gardner-Webb at UNC Asheville	7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 23

Radford at George Mason	3 p.m.
Elon at Winthrop	6 p.m.
Coppin St. at VMI	6 p.m.
Liberty at Old Dominion	6 p.m.
Wake Forest at Coastal Carolina	6 p.m.
N.C. A&T at UNC Asheville	7 p.m.

Thursday, April 24

High Point at Longwood	6 p.m.
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Flames by the Month

Liberty has posted a 8-7 mark in the month of April. The Flames are 7-2 in Big South play during the month. Last season, Liberty went 11-6 in the fourth month of the year. Since 1976, the Flames have recorded an all-time mark of 320-273-1 (.540) in April.

Liberty posted a 7-12 record and began Big South play at 1-2 in March. Last season, the Flames posted a 10-9 record in the third month of they year and began Big South play with a 3-3 record. Since 1978, Liberty has posted a record of 325-266-2 (.539) in the month of March.

Liberty played five contests during the month of February in 2008, with the inception of the common starting date for college baseball. For the first time this season, NCAA Division I programs could not begin competition until Feb. 22. The Flames went unbeaten during the month, posting a 5-0 mark to open the 2008 campaign

Last season, Liberty started the 2007 campaign by posting a 7-3 mark in February, while in 2006, Liberty started 7-2. The Flames have been successful during the month with a mark of 69-29 (.704) since 1976. It is the third-straight season, Liberty has had a strong opening month.

Liberty All-Time Record Against the Big South

Liberty has compiled a 217-160 (.576) record against the Big South Conference's current membership. Last season, the Flames posted a 14-7 record during the regular season and were tournament runners-up for the second-straight year.

Liberty's All-Time Record Against The Big South

Charleston Southern	.31-20
Coastal Carolina	.27-36
High Point	.27-24
Radford	.44-23
UNC Asheville	.36-18
VMI	.27-9
Winthrop	.27-30
Totals	.217-160



Flames Against the Colonial Athletic Association

The Flames have met CAA members George Mason, James Madison, Old Dominion, VCU and William & Mary this season. Since 1976, the Flames have recorded a 118-158 mark against the current membership of the CAA.

Liberty's All-Time Record Against the CAA

Delaware	.0-2
George Mason	.23-30
Georgia State	.0-0
Hofstra	.2-1
James Madison	.26-31
Northeastern	.1-0
Old Dominion	.16-32
Towson	.6-8
UNC Wilmington	.5-3
VCU	.19-28
William & Mary	.20-23
Totals	118-158



MISCELLANEOUS STATS

MULTIPLE HIT GAMES	2	3	4	5+	Tot
29 HOLLINGER, Errol	13	3	1	-	17
7 GIAMMARESI, David	9	5	-	-	14
4 BROWN, Cody	9	4	-	-	13
1 NEGRON, Kenneth	7	4	-	-	11
19 KELLER, P. K.	6	3	1	-	10
33 YOUNG, Garrett	8	1	-	-	9
6 PHILLIPS, Aaron	6	1	-	-	7
14 BREAM, Doug	4	1	1	-	6
5 GRIJALVA, Aaron	4	-	1	-	5
3 BUSSEY, Tommy	3	1	-	-	4
9 JEFFERSON, Jeff	4	-	-	-	4
15 FEELY, Joe	3	1	-	-	4
30 ROTOLA, Tim	2	1	-	-	3
TEAM	78	25	4	0	107

MULTIPLE RBI GAMES	2	3	4	5+	Tot
19 KELLER, P.K.	5	5	-	-	10
29 HOLLINGER, Errol	9	-	1	-	10
4 BROWN, Cody	4	1	1	-	6
14 BREAM, Doug	3	1	1	-	5
33 YOUNG, Garrett	4	-	-	1	5
6 PHILLIPS, Aaron	3	1	-	-	4
5 GRIJALVA, Aaron	1	1	1	-	3
3 BUSSEY, Tommy	-	2	-	1	3
7 GIAMMARESI, David	2	-	1	-	3
9 JEFFERSON, Jeff	2	-	-	-	2
15 FEELEY, Joe	1	-	1	-	2
30 ROTOLA, Tim	2	-	-	-	2
1 NEGRON, Kenneth	1	-	-	-	1
TEAM	37	11	6	2	56

HITTING STREAKS	Longest	Current
19 KELLER, P. K.	14	3
7 GIAMMARESI, David	12	12
33 YOUNG, Garrett	10	5
4 BROWN, Cody	9	-
29 HOLLINGER, Errol	8	8
14 BREAM, Doug	8	1
30 ROTOLA, Tim	7	1
1 NEGRON, Kenneth	6	2
5 GRIJALVA, Aaron	6	2
6 PHILLIPS, Aaron	5	-
9 JEFFERSON, Jeff	5	-
3 BUSSEY, Tommy	4	3
15 FEELEY, Joseph	4	-
10 LOVE, Jason	1	-

2008 Liberty Baseball Game Notes



A Historic Night

Friday night, March 28, was a historic evening for the Liberty baseball program, as Worthington Stadium, the Flames' home field, hosted its first-ever night game.

The contest between Coastal Carolina and Liberty, the opening game of Big South play for both teams, drew a stadium-record 3,183 fans. The stadium also debuted a new sound system at the game, which was won, 5-3, in 11 innings by the Chanticleers.

The installation of lights is one of several improvement projects to Worthington Stadium and the adjacent Crowder/Muckel Field House over the past year.

The Liberty baseball program moved to the on-campus facility in 1979. At the time, the field was named Liberty Field. In May 1989, the field was renamed Worthington Stadium after the program's first coach and later Athletic Director Al Worthington.

The Flames at Night

Wednesday night's contest at Old Dominion will be the seventh night game of the season for Liberty. After winning its last two night contests, the Flames are 2-4 under the lights this season. Last year, Liberty went 4-6 in night contests. Since 2004, Liberty has gone 10-18 under artificial lighting.

The Flames are scheduled to play 12 games at night this season, including six at Worthington Stadium and six on the road.

Stokes Named Pitcher of the Week for April 15-20

Liberty senior David Stokes has been named the New Balance Big South Pitcher of the Week, for games played April 15-20.

Stokes pitched eight scoreless innings and scattered five hits in an 8-0 victory over VMI, Friday night at Worthington Stadium. The shutout was the first of the season by the Flames mound staff, as reliever Andrew Wilson pitched a scoreless ninth frame. During his eight innings of work, the right-hander struck out nine batters and yielded one walk. The senior allowed only one runner past second base in the game.

With the victory, Stokes picked up his second-straight win to move to 5-3 on the season. The right-hander enters the week fourth in the Big South with a 2.84 ERA. He also ranks second in the conference in victories and in innings pitched with 63 1/3. In addition, the right-hander is second in the Big South with 58 strikeouts, one less than teammate Dustin Umberger.

Extra-Inning Extravangza

Saturday's 6-5, 16-inning setback to VMI was the longest game in Liberty history, both in innings played and in time. A 5-4, 14-inning setback against the Virginia Tech Hokies in Blacksburg, Va., on April 9, 1990, had been the most innings in a contest the Flames had previously played.

The 16-inning marathon lasted four hours and 26 minutes, also the longest game in duration recorded in program history. The Flames had previously had two other games go over four hours. Liberty defeated Charleston Southern, 3-2, in 12 innings in four hours and seven minutes on May 22, 2006. The previously longest recorded game involving a Liberty team was a 4-2 loss at William & Mary on April 9, 1998. The nine-inning contest went four hours and 11 minutes.

Double Dipping

Entering play this week, Liberty leads the Big South in doubles with 100 two-base hits. Outfielder P. K. Keller paces the conference with 17 doubles, while teammate David Giammaresi is tied for second with 14 two-base hits.

Defensively, the Flames head up the conference in double plays. Liberty has turned 41 twin killings this season, one more than Coastal Carolina.

When the Flames...

Are at home 8-10
 Are away 7-5
 Are at a neutral site 5-4
 In Day Games 18-15
 In Night Games 2-4

vs. left-handed starter 7-5
 vs. right-handed starter 13-14
 In one-run games 4-5
 In two-run games 1-3
 In five-plus run games 11-6
 Extra innings 1-2
 Shutouts 1-4

Score first 14-5
 Opponents score first 6-14

Score in the first 12-5
 Opponent scores in first 6-14

Lead after the first 9-3
 Trail after the first 1-7
 Are tied after the first 10-9

Lead after the second 11-5
 Trail after the second 2-13
 Are tied after the second 7-1

Lead after the third 15-6
 Trail after the third 3-10
 Are tied after the third 2-3

Lead after the fourth 15-6
 Trail after the fourth 3-12
 Are tied after the fourth 2-1

Lead after the fifth 15-4
 Trail after the fifth 2-14
 Are tied after the fifth 3-1

Lead after the sixth 18-3
 Trail after the sixth 1-14
 Are tied after the sixth 1-2

Lead after the seventh 18-2
 Trail after the seventh 1-16
 Are tied after the seventh 1-1

Lead after the eighth 18-1
 Trail after the eighth 0-17
 Are tied after the eighth 2-1

After winning a game 10-9
 After losing a game 9-9

Out-hit opponent 17-2
 Out-hit by opponent 2-15
 Hits are tied 1-2

Hit a home run 10-7
 Opponents hit a home run 4-9

Wear red uniforms 0-4
 Wear white uniforms 9-8
 Wear blue uniforms 9-3
 Wear grey uniforms 2-4

Play on Monday 0-0
 Play on Tuesday 2-4
 Play on Wednesday 0-5
 Play on Thursday 1-0
 Play on Friday 4-5
 Play on Saturday 7-4
 Play on Sunday 6-1

2008 Liberty Baseball Game Notes



Flames Among Big South Leaders

David Giammaresi enters the week fourth among the Big South leaders in batting average, with a .381 batting average. He is also among the conference leaders in on-base percentage (7th - .437) and slugging percentage (10th - .550).

Besides leading the conference with 17 doubles, P.K. Keller is currently tied for seventh in the league with 34 RBIs.

On the mound, right-hander David Stokes has moved into a tie for second on the conference's leader board for wins with five. The senior also is tied for second in the Big South with 63 1/3 innings pitched. Teammate Dustin Umberger leads Stokes by one for the conference lead in strikeouts with 59 punchouts.

Page Pitches Liberty Past VMI

Liberty left-hander Ryan Page yielded just one run, en route to pitching a 6-1 complete-game victory over the VMI Keydets, Sunday afternoon in the finale of a three-game Big South Conference series at Worthington Stadium. With their victory in the rubber match, the Flames took the conference series, two games to one.

Page kept the Keydet batters off stride throughout the contest, pitching his first complete game since March 11, 2006, when he hurled a 3-0 shutout at George Washington. The senior gave up one run, while scattering seven hits. The senior struck out eight hitters, while not allowing a free pass in the win.

Evans Pitches Gem In Win at William & Mary

Liberty freshman left-hander Steven Evans kept William & Mary hitters off stride through 7 2/3 innings in a 13-3 Liberty victory, last Tuesday.

The Flames took control of the contest in the second inning with a seven-run outburst, highlighted by a two-run homer by Aaron Phillips and a grand slam by David Giammaresi. Cody Brown hit his fourth home run of the year later in the contest.

Evans evened his record at 2-2, as he allowed two runs on six hits and struck out a career-best 10 Tribe batters.

Hollinger's Two Home Runs Pace Liberty in Win

Catcher Errol Hollinger hit two home runs, his second breaking a 4-4 tie in the ninth inning, leading Liberty to a 5-4 win over Radford on April 11. The junior hit solo round trippers in the fifth and the ninth. Hollinger's first home run of the contest in the fifth frame put the Flames ahead, 4-2. He later gave Liberty the victory with a blast over the left field wall in the ninth inning. It was the first time this season a Flame has hit two homers in a game. The blasts pushed Hollinger's team-leading home run total to six. The last time a Flames hit two or more round trippers in a contest was on Feb. 18, 2007, when Tim Nanry hit three roundtrippers in defeating Richmond, 28-7, at the Crab House Shootout in Charleston, S.C.

Stokes Goes the Distance

Senior right-hander David Stokes became the first Liberty hurler this season to pitch a complete game, going the distance in Liberty's 5-4 victory at Radford on April 11. The senior gave up four runs on 11 hits on the afternoon. Over his nine innings of work, Stokes struck out seven Radford hitters and walked one.

Evans, Keller help Flames to Series Win over Asheville

The Liberty Flames raced out to a 3-0 first inning lead and never looked back, downing the UNC Asheville Bulldogs, 11-4, April 6. The victory allowed the Flames to take the Big South series, two games to one.

2008 Liberty Flames Roster

Position Players

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.
1	Kenneth Negron	2B/OF	Jr.
3	Tommy Bussey	2B/RHP	Jr.
4	Cody Brown	INF/RHP	Jr.
5	Aaron Grijalva	1B	Sr.
6	Aaron Phillips	INF	Sr.
7	David Giammaresi	INF	Sr.
9	Jeff Jefferson	OF/C	Fr.
10	Jason Love	C/1B	So.
11	Doug Wallace	LHP	Jr.
12	Chase Vaden	LHP	So.
13	Dane Beakler	RHP	So.
14	Doug Bream	1B/OF	Fr.
15	Joseph Feeley	OF	Fr.
16	Andrew Wilson	RHP	Jr.
17	Dustin Umberger	RHP	Jr.
18	Grady Ihnat	LHP	So.
19	P.K. Keller	OF	Sr.
20	Philip Locklear	C	Fr.
21	Steven Evans	LHP	Fr.
22	Rusty LaJoie	RHP	Fr.
23	Nathan Thompson	C	So.
24	Shawn Teufel	1B	Jr.
25	Brett Curl	RHP	So.
27	Jimmy Miller	RHP	Fr.
28	Clarence Nicely	RHP	Jr.
29	Errol Hollinger	C	Jr.
30	Tim Rotola	OF	Jr.
31	Tyler Light	RHP	Jr.
32	Aaron Parnell	INF	Fr.
33	Garrett Young	OF	Sr.
34	Ryan Page	LHP	Sr.
42	David Stokes	RHP	Sr.
46	Joe Steinwedell	RHP	So.

Head Coach: 37 Jim Toman

Assistants: 8 Scott Jackson, 2 Nick

Schnabel, 38 Jeremiah Boles

Trainer: Scott Lawrenson

2008 Liberty Baseball Game Notes



Starter Steven Evans gave the Flames a solid mound effort to pick up his first collegiate win. The freshman right-hander allowed one run, while scattering seven hits to improve his record to 1-2 on the year.

Senior outfielder P.K. Keller paced the 17-hit Liberty attack in his first game back from an injury suffered on April 1. The senior had four hits including a double, drove in three runs and scored two runs in the contest. Catcher Errol Hollinger added his team-leading fourth home run, a two-run blast over the left field wall in the fourth inning. Third baseman Cody Brown and second baseman Kenneth Negron had three hits each for the Flames.

Bucking Trends

Liberty's 14-13, 10-inning victory over UNC Asheville, April 5, reversed several trends. First, the win stopped a four-game losing skid for the Flames. Second, Liberty won its first extra-inning game of the year. Liberty had previously dropped its only other extra-inning contest, 5-3, in 11 innings to Coastal Carolina on March 28. Finally, it was the first time the Flames won a game when trailing after the sixth inning. Liberty had fallen behind 11-5 after four innings, but rallied to take a 13-11 advantage in the top of the eighth.

Young Has Big Day at Asheville

Designated hitter Garrett Young had three hits, including a grand slam and a double, helping the Flames past the UNC Asheville Bulldogs, 14-13, in 10 innings, April 5 at Greenwood Field. The senior designated hitter knocked in a 2008 team-high and a career-best seven RBIs in the contest.

Young started his afternoon with a two-run double in the first inning, as Liberty jumped out to an early 3-0 advantage. Later in the sixth inning with the Flames trailing 11-8, he singled home the fourth run of the frame to cut the Bulldog edge to two runs.

In the eighth, the senior put Liberty back into the lead and helped them complete the comeback with a grand slam, his third home run of the season.

His seven RBIs were the most by a Flame since Feb. 18, 2007, when Tim Nanry drove in eight runs in Liberty's 28-7 win over Richmond at the Crab House Shootout in Charleston, S.C. The all-time Liberty mark is nine RBIs in a contest by Pat Sipe in a 13-2 Flames' victory over Richmond at Worthington Stadium on April 19, 1986.

Two-Out Runs Key Liberty Victory Over Coastal Carolina

The Liberty Flames plated seven runs with two outs, en route to a 9-6 victory over the 18th-ranked Coastal Carolina Chanticleers, March 29 at Worthington Stadium.

At the time, the victory evened the weekend series between the Big South Conference foes at one game apiece.

In the bottom of the third inning, the Flames struck for five runs to take a 5-1 lead. All five runs scored with two outs. Left fielder Jeff Jefferson and third baseman Cody Brown each belted two-run hits. Jefferson got the scoring started with a single and Brown followed with a double inside the bag. Designated hitter Garrett Young capped the two-out rally with a RBI single.

Liberty added two more two-out runs on a sixth-inning RBI single by P.K. Keller and another tally on an error in the eighth.

A Look Ahead

Liberty completes a five-game road trip with a weekend conference series in Rock Hill, S.C., against Winthrop. The opener of the three-game series Friday is scheduled for 6 p.m., followed by a 4 p.m. contest on Saturday. The final game of the Big South series is slated for 2 p.m. Sunday