

**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  
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**Head Baseball Coach:**  
 Jim Toman (N.C. State, '85,'95)  
**Record at LU:** 21-20  
**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:**  
 927-749-7 (.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. 42-44 - April 25-27, 2008**

**LIBERTY Flames (21-20, 8-4 Big South)**  
 at  
**WINTHROP Eagles (16-24, 6-6 Big South)**

**Friday, April 25 - 6 p.m.**  
**Saturday, April 26 - 4 p.m.**  
**Sunday, April 27 - 2 p.m.**

**Winthrop Ballpark - Rock Hill, S.C.**

**The Games**

The Liberty Flames (21-20, 8-4 Big South) travel to Rock Hill, S.C., for a three-game weekend Big South series against the Winthrop Eagles (16-24, 6-6 Big South), April 25-27 at the Winthrop Ballpark. The series opens Friday evening at 6 p.m. Saturday, the Flames and Eagles will meet in the middle game of the contest, scheduled for 4 p.m. Sunday, the conference series will conclude. First pitch for the final game of the three-game set is scheduled for 2 p.m.

**All-Time Series Against Winthrop**

Friday's will be the 57th meeting between the Eagles and Flames on the diamond. Winthrop holds a 30-26 edge in the all-time series since 1981.

Last season, Liberty took four out of the five meetings between the two squads. The Flames swept a three-game series during the regular season in Lynchburg, 5-4, 6-5 and 9-6, May 11-13. Later in the year, the two clubs met twice in the Big South Championship. Winthrop took the first meeting, 4-1, on May 24. The next evening, Liberty eliminated the Eagles, 11-0, to advance to the tournament's title game.

**The Last Time Out**

Third baseman Cody Brown drove in four runs with a two-run home run and a pair of doubles, as Liberty downed the Old Dominion Monarchs, 11-3, Wednesday night at Bud Metheny Stadium.

Brown began his night with a two-run double in the first inning to give the Flames a 4-0 advantage. In the third frame, the third baseman led off the inning with a double and later scored. Brown capped off his three-hit evening with his sixth home run of the season in the sixth inning. The two-run blast tied him for the team lead with catcher Errol Hollinger.

Left fielder Aaron Grijalva also had three hits in the contest. Starter Tyler Light evened his record at 2-2 with six innings of work.

**Possible Liberty Starters**

No.	Name	Cl.	Ht.	Wt.	Avg.	Other Stats
29	Errol Hollinger (C)	Jr.	6-4	205	.298	42 Runs, 30 RBIs, 10 2Bs, 6 HRs
7	David Giammaresi (1B)	Sr.	6-0	205	.359	27 Runs, 20 RBIs, 14 2Bs, 3 HRs
1	Kenneth Negron (2B)	Jr.	5-9	175	.301	22 Runs, 13 RBIs, 5 2Bs
6	Aaron Phillips (SS)	Sr.	6-2	200	.229	23 Runs, 18 RBIs, 7 2Bs, 4 HRs
4	Cody Brown (3B)	Jr.	6-2	215	.352	26 Runs, 32 RBIs, 12 2Bs, 6 HRs
5	Aaron Grijalva (LF)	Sr.	6-1	200	.302	20 Runs, 14 RBIs, 8 2Bs, 3 3Bs
15	Joseph Feely (CF)	Fr.	5-10	175	.267	13 Runs, 13 RBIs, 4 2Bs
19	P.K. Keller (RF)	Sr.	6-3	195	.331	27 Runs, 36 RBIs, 17 2Bs, 4 HRs
33	Garrett Young (DH)	Sr.	6-3	230	.264	24 Runs, 26 RBIs, 10 2Bs, 3 HRs

## A Look at Winthrop

Location: Rock Hill, S.C.  
Founded: 1886  
Enrollment: 6,600  
Nickname: Eagles  
Colors: Garnet & Gold  
President: Anthony DiGiorgio  
Athletic Director: Tom Hickman  
Conference: Big South  
Field (Capacity): Winthrop Ballpark  
(1,887)

Head Coach: Joe Hudak (Malone, '72)  
Record at School: 590-549-5 (16 Years)  
Overall Record: 793-549-5 (24 Years)  
Office Phone: (803) 323-2129 ext. 6235  
Assistants: Mike McGuire, Kyle DiEduardo, Stas Swerdzwski

2007 Record: 33-27  
2007 Conference Record/Finish: 15-6/2nd  
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 13/12  
Position Starters Returning/Lost: 6/4  
Pitchers Returning/Lost: 8/8

Top Returning Position Players: Billy Froehlich (Sr., OF/C, .307 BA, 36 RBI), John Murrain (So., C, .336 BA, 26 RS), Eddie Tisdale (Jr. 1B, .328 BA, 27 RBI)

Top Returning Pitchers: Josh McDonald (Jr., RHP, 5.85 ERA, 60.0 IP), Ryan Mullins (Sr., LHP, 5.15 ERA, 33 APP), Randy Schwartz (Sr., RHP, 4.63 ERA, 19 APP)

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### Recent Results

4/23	Elon	L, 9-3
4/19	Charleston So. - Gm. 2	W, 21-15
	Charleston So. - Gm. 1	L, 13-5
4/18	Charleston So.	L, 9-4

### Upcoming Schedule

4/29	Charlotte
5/2	Lipscomb
5/3	Lipscomb
5/7	The Citadel



## 2008 Liberty Baseball Game Notes



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

**Record at School:** 21-20 (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.

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Withrop Head Coach Joe Hudak is in his 24th year of coaching and 16th at the helm of the Eagles. During his tenure at Winthrop, Hudak has led the Eagles to three Big South titles and five NCAA Regional berths. Winthrop has won 30 or more games in a season 12 times under the veteran coach.

## Liberty 2008 Baseball Schedule

Record: 21-20  
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
<b>Feb 29</b>	<b>Rider</b>	<b>W/4-3</b>
<b>Mar 1</b>	<b>Rider</b>	<b>L/5-4</b>
<b>Mar 2</b>	<b>Rider</b>	<b>W/18-2</b>
Mar 4	at VCU	L/5-4
<b>Mar 5</b>	<b>Old Dominion</b>	<b>L/9-7</b>
<b>Mar 8</b>	<b>Army - Game 1</b>	<b>W/11-5</b>
<b>Mar 8</b>	<b>Army - Game 2</b>	<b>W/13-7</b>
<b>Mar 9</b>	<b>Army</b>	<b>W/15-7</b>
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
<b>Mar 18</b>	<b>James Madison</b>	<b>L/3-2</b>
<b>Mar 20</b>	<b>Columbia%</b>	<b>W/13-10</b>
<b>Mar 21</b>	<b>Columbia% - Game 1</b>	<b>L/11-6</b>
<b>Mar 21</b>	<b>Columbia% - Game 2</b>	<b>L/7-3</b>
<b>Mar 22</b>	<b>Columbia%</b>	<b>W/12-2</b>
Mar 26	at George Mason	L/13-0
<b>Mar 28</b>	<b>Coastal Carolina*</b>	<b>L/5-3 11 inn.</b>
<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>Coastal Carolina*</b>	<b>W/ 9-6</b>
<b>Mar 30</b>	<b>Coastal Carolina*</b>	<b>L/2-1</b>
<b>Apr 1</b>	<b>William &amp; Mary</b>	<b>L/9-7</b>
<b>Apr 2</b>	<b>Norfolk St.</b>	<b>L/8-5</b>
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
<b>Apr 8</b>	<b>James Madison</b>	<b>L/4-0</b>
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
<b>Apr 16</b>	<b>Virginia Tech</b>	<b>L/11-1</b>
<b>Apr 18</b>	<b>VMI*</b>	<b>W/8-0</b>
<b>Apr 19</b>	<b>VMI*</b>	<b>L/6-5 16 inn.</b>
<b>Apr 20</b>	<b>VMI*</b>	<b>W/6-1</b>
Apr 22	at James Madison	L/10-7
Apr 23	at Old Dominion	W/11-3
Apr 25	at Winthrop*	6 p.m.
Apr 26	at Winthrop*	4 p.m.
Apr 27	at Winthrop*	2 p.m.
<b>Apr 30</b>	<b>George Mason</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
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.
<b>May 11</b>	<b>Longwood</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
<b>May 13</b>	<b>VCU</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
<b>May 16</b>	<b>High Point*</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
<b>May 17</b>	<b>High Point*</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
<b>May 18</b>	<b>High Point *</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
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

## 2008 Liberty Baseball Game Notes



### A Look at the Eagles

Winthrop enters the weekend, 16-24 overall and 6-6 in the Big South conference. The Eagles have lost four of their last five contests, including dropping two games in a three-game conference series at Charleston Southern last weekend.

Shortstop Kevin Tisdale leads Winthrop with a .337 batting average and began the week tied for fourth in the Big South in hits with 55. Outfielder Billy Froehlich paces the Eagles in RBIs with 32 and is third on the team with a .309 batting average. As a team, Winthrop is batting .282 this season.

On the mound, starter Ryan Mullins leads the Eagles in victories, sporting a 4-0 record. Reliever Josh McDonald has the most appearances on the Winthrop staff with 16. Fellow reliever Mike Ritson has posted a 2.76 ERA over 16 1/3 innings of work in 14 games. The Eagles have a team ERA of 5.16, so far this season

LU	Statistical Comparison	WU
21-20	Record	16-24
.291	Batting Average	.282
279	Runs	227
433	Hits	381
29	Home Runs	32
255	Runs Batted In	199
31	Stolen Bases	28
4.71	Earned Run Average	5.16
372.1	Innings Pitched	347.0
343	Strikeouts	265
2	Saves	5
.293	Opponent Batting Average	.286

### 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 coverage is available this weekend. Live stats for all 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.

## 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



### Liberty on the Road

With its win over Old Dominion on Wednesday night, Liberty now sports an 8-6 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.

### Flames by the Month

Liberty has posted a 9-8 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 321-274-1 (.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
<b>Totals</b>	<b>.217-160</b>

### 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.

**Big South Conference  
Update**  
(as of 4/24)

**Conference Standings**  
( by wins)

	W	L	Pct.
Coastal Carolina	10	2	.883
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	34	8	.810
Liberty	21	20	.512
VMI	21	20	.512
Radford	16	24	.400
Winthrop	16	24	.400
High Point	16	24	.400
UNC Asheville	18	27	.400
Charleston Southern	15	24	.385

**Upcoming Schedule**

**Friday, April 25**

UNC Asheville at Radford	3 p.m.
Liberty at Winthrop	6 p.m.
Coastal Carolina at VMI	7 p.m.

**Saturday, April 26**

UNC Asheville at Radford	3 p.m.
Liberty at Winthrop	6 p.m.
Coastal Carolina at VMI	7 p.m.

**Sunday, April 27**

UNC Asheville at Radford	1 p.m.
Coastal Carolina at VMI	1 p.m.
Liberty at Winthrop	2 p.m.



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**The Flames at Night**

After winning its last three night contests, the Flames are 3-4 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.

Stokes also picked up recognition for his performance from InsidePitching.com, which named the right-hander's effort their Southeast Region Performance of the Week, while The College Baseball Blog and StatsStud.com named the Locust Grove, Okla., senior one of their two Players of the Week.

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**

Last 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.

**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.



## MISCELLANEOUS STATS

### MULTIPLE HIT GAMES 2 3 4 5+ Tot

29 HOLLINGER, Errol	14	3	1	-	18
7 GIAMMARESI, David	10	5	-	-	15
4 BROWN, Cody	10	5	-	-	15
1 NEGRON, Kenneth	8	4	-	-	12
19 KELLER, P. K.	6	3	1	-	10
33 YOUNG, Garrett	8	1	-	-	9
6 PHILLIPS, Aaron	6	1	-	-	7
5 GRIJALVA, Aaron	4	-	1	-	6
14 BREAM, Doug	4	1	1	-	6
3 BUSSEY, Tommy	3	1	-	-	4
9 JEFFERSON, Jeff	4	-	-	-	4
15 FEELY, Joe	3	1	-	-	4
30 ROTOLA, Tim	2	1	-	-	3
<b>TEAM</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>113</b>

### MULTIPLE RBI GAMES 2 3 4 5+ Tot

19 KELLER, P.K.	6	5	-	-	11
29 HOLLINGER, Errol	9	-	1	-	10
4 BROWN, Cody	4	1	2	-	7
7 GIAMMARESI, David	3	-	2	-	5
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
9 JEFFERSON, Jeff	2	-	-	-	2
15 FEELEY, Joe	1	-	1	-	2
30 ROTOLA, Tim	2	-	-	-	2
1 NEGRON, Kenneth	1	-	-	-	1
<b>TEAM</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>60</b>

### HITTING STREAKS Longest Current

19 KELLER, P. K.	14	3
7 GIAMMARESI, David	13	-
33 YOUNG, Garrett	10	-
4 BROWN, Cody	9	2
29 HOLLINGER, Errol	8	1
14 BREAM, Doug	8	1
30 ROTOLA, Tim	7	1
1 NEGRON, Kenneth	6	4
5 GRIJALVA, Aaron	6	1
6 PHILLIPS, Aaron	5	1
9 JEFFERSON, Jeff	5	-
3 BUSSEY, Tommy	4	-
15 FEELEY, Joseph	4	1
10 LOVE, Jason	1	-

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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. Liberty left-hander Ryan Page is also among the conference leaders in ERA. The senior enters the week fifth in Big South in the category with a 2.90 ERA.

### 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, April 15.

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 roundtrippers 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.

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.

## When the Flames...

Are at home . . . . .	8-10
Are away . . . . .	8-6
Are at a neutral site . . . . .	5-4
In Day Games . . . . .	18-16
In Night Games . . . . .	3-4
vs. left-handed starter . . . . .	7-6
vs. right-handed starter . . . . .	14-14
In one-run games . . . . .	4-5
In two-run games . . . . .	1-3
In five-plus run games . . . . .	12-6
Extra innings . . . . .	1-2
Shutouts . . . . .	1-4
Score first . . . . .	15-6
Opponents score first . . . . .	6-14
Score in the first . . . . .	13-6
Opponent scores in first . . . . .	7-9
Lead after the first . . . . .	10-4
Trail after the first . . . . .	1-7
Are tied after the first . . . . .	10-9
Lead after the second . . . . .	12-6
Trail after the second . . . . .	2-13
Are tied after the second . . . . .	7-1
Lead after the third . . . . .	16-6
Trail after the third . . . . .	3-11
Are tied after the third . . . . .	2-3
Lead after the fourth . . . . .	16-6
Trail after the fourth . . . . .	3-13
Are tied after the fourth . . . . .	2-1
Lead after the fifth . . . . .	16-4
Trail after the fifth . . . . .	2-14
Are tied after the fifth . . . . .	3-2
Lead after the sixth . . . . .	19-3
Trail after the sixth . . . . .	1-14
Are tied after the sixth . . . . .	1-3
Lead after the seventh . . . . .	19-2
Trail after the seventh . . . . .	1-16
Are tied after the seventh . . . . .	1-2
Lead after the eighth . . . . .	19-1
Trail after the eighth . . . . .	0-18
Are tied after the eighth . . . . .	2-1
After winning a game . . . . .	10-10
After losing a game . . . . .	10-9
Out-hit opponent . . . . .	18-2
Out-hit by opponent . . . . .	2-16
Hits are tied . . . . .	1-2
Hit a home run . . . . .	11-8
Opponents hit a home run . . . . .	5-10
Wear red uniforms . . . . .	0-4
Wear white uniforms . . . . .	9-8
Wear blue uniforms . . . . .	10-3
Wear grey uniforms . . . . .	2-5
Play on Monday . . . . .	0-0
Play on Tuesday . . . . .	2-5
Play on Wednesday . . . . .	1-5
Play on Thursday . . . . .	1-0
Play on Friday . . . . .	4-5
Play on Saturday . . . . .	7-4
Play on Sunday . . . . .	6-1

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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 returns home to Worthington Stadium on Wednesday for 3 p.m. contest with the George Mason Patriots. The Flames return to the road on the weekend, traveling to Charleston, S.C., for a Big South series with the Charleston Southern Buccaneers. The two teams will meet in a single game on Saturday at Buccaneer Field at 3 p.m., followed by a doubleheader on Sunday, beginning at 11 a.m.