

**2009-10 Liberty
Men's Basketball
Quick Facts**

General Information

Name of School..... Liberty University
City/Zip Lynchburg, Va. 24502
Founded 1971
Enrollment 11,311
Nickname Lady Flames
School Colors Red, White & Blue
Home Arena Vines Center
Capacity 8,085
Affiliation NCAA Division I
Conference Big South
Founder Dr. Jerry Falwell
Chancellor Jerry Falwell, Jr.
Director of Athletics Jeff Barber
Athletics Dept. Phone (434) 582-2100

Men's Basketball Information

Head Coach..... Dale Layer
Alma Mater Eckerd, '80
Record at School 1-1 (First Year)
Career Record 271-194 (16 years)
Assistant Coaches
...Jason Eaker (Texas-Pan American, '04)
..... Myron Guillory (Virginia Tech, '99)
..... Brian Joyce (Oklahoma Christian, '95)
Certified Athletic Trainer
..... Aaron Schreiner (Taylor, '02)

History

First Season of Basketball 1972-73
All-Time Record 525-556
NCAA Tournament Appearances 2
Last NCAA Appearance 2004
Opponent St. Joseph's
Result L/82-63 (First Round)
Final/Highest Ranking N/A
Final 2008-09 Record 23-12
Conference Record/Finish 12-6/Third
Starters Returning/Lost 2/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost 7/5
Newcomers 5

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Station Flames Sports Network
Play-By-Play Ray Jones
Color Tim Scarborough

Game No. 3 - Nov. 17, 2009



Clemson TIGERS (1-0)

at

**Liberty FLAMES
(1-1, 0-0 Big South)**



**Lynchburg, Va. - Vines Center
10 a.m.**

The Game

The Liberty Flames (1-1, 0-0 Big South) host No. 24 Clemson Tuesday at 10 a.m. inside the Vines Center. The brunch time game is part of ESPN's College Hoops Tip-Off Marathon, which features 12 consecutive men's NCAA Division I basketball games slated to air beginning at midnight. Last season, the Flames went down to the wire with the Tigers in Littlejohn Coliseum, as Clemson escaped Liberty 80-75. The Flames will have a chance to even the score on ESPN, when they face off with the Tigers in game No. 6 of the network's marathon. The contest marks the first time an ACC team has ever visited the Vines Center.

Recent Results

The Flames opened the season on the road against George Mason on Friday. Despite rushing out to a 6-0 lead, the Patriots made up the deficit and led by as much as 19 in the second half. The Flames then rallied to come within four points of George Mason. The Patriots went on to win the contest, 76-72.

Liberty returned home the following night, hosting the Southern Virginia Knights. Four Flames reached double digits in the contest with Kyle Ohman leading the way with 15, followed by Chris Perez (14), Tyler Baker (13) and Evan Gordon (11). Head coach Dale Layer picked up his first win at Liberty, as the Flames rolled past the Knights, 89-53.

Watch and Listen for the Flames

Tuesday's match-up will be televised on ESPN with Eric Collins providing the play-by-play and former L.A. Lakers' forward Adrian Branch adding color commentary. There will be a radio broadcast which will air on the Flames Sports Network (flagship WRVL 88.3 FM) with Jerry Edwards providing the play-by-play for his 29th season. Additionally, an Internet audio broadcast on LibertyFlames.com will be available.

Liberty's Probable Starters						(2009-10 Season Stats)		
No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	PPG	RPG	Other Stats
25	Jesse Sanders	G	6-3	200	So.	12.0	8.0	3.5 apg
0	Chris Perez	G	6-4	197	Fr.	9.5	1.5	.818 FG %
14	David Minaya	G	6-6	205	R-So.	8.0	4.0	3 Stls
11	Kyle Ohman	G/F	6-4	200	Sr.	19.0	6.5	.846 FT%
3	Tyler Baker	F	6-9	215	R-Sr.	7.5	4.5	.583 FG%
Reserves								
1	Johnny Stephene	G	6-2	200	R-So.	--	--	--
4	James Spencer	G	6-1	190	Jr.	3.0	1.0	2 Assts
10	Evan Gordon	G	6-2	185	Fr.	8.5	4.0	.750 FT%
12	Jeremy Anderson	G	6-4	200	R-So.	5.5	2.5	4 Assts
21	Joel Vander Pol	C	6-10	220	Fr.	--	--	--
23	Patrick Konan	F	6-5	205	Fr.	1.0	3.0	1 Blk
24	Antwan Burrus	F	6-6	210	Fr.	4.0	2.0	1 Blk
31	Daniel Richardson	G	5-11	160	Fr.	--	--	--
34	Bill Weaver	G	6-4	200	So.	--	--	--
41	Carter McMasters	C	6-11	210	R-Fr.	5.0	6.0	3 Blks

2009-10 Liberty Men's Basketball Schedule/Results

**Overall: 1-1
Big South: 0-0**

11/13	at George Mason	7:30 p.m.	(L, 72-76)
11/14	SOUTHERN VA^*#	7 p.m.	(W, 89-53)
11/17	CLEMSON%	10 a.m.	
11/19	OLD DOMINION^*#	7 p.m.	

Chicago Invitational (Campus Sites)

11/22	at Notre Dame	7 p.m.
11/24	at Northwestern	6:30 p.m.

Chicago Invitational (Chicago, Ill.)

11/27	vs. Mississippi Valley State	3:30 p.m.
11/28	vs. Kennesaw/Tenn. State	12:30/3 p.m.

12/3	CHARLESTON SO.^*^#	7 p.m.
12/5	COASTAL CAROLINA^*^#	7 p.m.
12/12	KENTUCKY CHRISTIAN^*^#	7 p.m.
12/15	SHAWNEE STATE^*^#	7 p.m.
12/19	HOUGHTON^*^#	7 p.m.

UCF Classic (Orlando, Fla.)

12/29	vs. UCF	7 p.m.
12/30	vs. Buffalo/Jacksonville	4/7 p.m.

1/2	at VMI^*#	1 p.m.
1/7	at Presbyterian^*#	7 p.m.
1/9	at Winthrop^*#	4 p.m.
1/14	GARDNER-WEBB^*^#	7 p.m.
1/16	UNC ASHEVILLE^*^#	7 p.m.
1/21	at High Point^*#	7 p.m.
1/23	at Radford^*#	6 p.m.
1/28	VMI^*#	7 p.m.

2/4	WINTHROP^*^#	8 p.m.
2/7	PRESBYTERIAN^*^#	7 p.m.
2/11	at UNC Asheville^*#	7 p.m.
2/13	at Gardner-Webb^*#	7 p.m.
2/16	RADFORD^*^#	7 p.m.
2/20	HIGH POINT^*^#	7 p.m.
2/25	at Coastal Carolina^*#	7 p.m.
2/27	at Charleston Southern^*#	7:30 p.m.

Big South MBB Championship

3/2	Quarterfinals (Home Sites)	7 p.m.
3/4	Semifinals (Season Champ)!	6/8 p.m.
3/6	Finals (Higher Seed)§	4 p.m.

NCAA Tournament

3/18-21	First/Second Rounds	TBA
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Home Games in BOLD CAPS

* - Big South Conference Game

All times are Eastern Standard Time

^ - Broadcast on

Flames Sports Network

- Broadcast on Big South Sports Network

& - Broadcast on MASN

! - Broadcast on ESPNU

% - Broadcast on ESPN

§ - Broadcast on ESPN 2



Head Coach Dale Layer



Record at Liberty: 1-1 (First Year)
Career Record: 271-194 (17th Year)

Mountain West Conference Championship: 2003
2 NCAA Division II Appearances: 1996 (Sweet 16), 1998

Entering his first season as head coach of the Flames, Dale Layer is the eighth coach in program history. Layer returns to Liberty Mountain after previously serving as an assistant coach for the Flames during the 2007-08 season.

This will be Layer's third head coaching stint and first since leaving Colorado State in 2007. Layer, 50, comes to Liberty most recently from a successful run as an assistant coach at BIG EAST member and nationally ranked Marquette this past season where he worked with the guards. Layer helped the Eagles to a 25-10 record and a second round appearance in the NCAA Tournament despite lacking the full-time services of All-American Dominic James, who injured himself near the end of the season.

Dale Layer first served as an assistant at Liberty during the 2007-08 season, helping the Flames to its best regular season finish since Liberty won the 2004 Big South Championship.

Layer has also demonstrated the ability to develop talent, including former Colorado State center Jason Smith. The seven-footer scored over 1,500 points for Layer's Rams during his three seasons with the program before entering the NBA Draft following his junior campaign. Due to his development under Layer's tutelage, Smith was chosen with the 20th selection of the NBA Draft's first round by the Miami Heat in 2007. His rights were traded to the Philadelphia 76ers. When Smith graduated high school he was ranked as the 276th best player in his class and under Layer developed in three seasons to the 20th selection in the NBA Draft. Several of Layer's recruiting classes at Colorado State were ranked among the top 40 nationally by various recruiting publications.

Layer has a career 271-194 record (17th year) as a head coach, including nine seasons at the helm of Queens University (formally Queens College) in Charlotte, N.C. He also served as the athletics director while at the school and started the basketball program in 1989 from scratch at the formerly all women's institution. Layer's student-athletes excel in the classroom too. In Layer's 16 seasons as a head coach, he has accompanied 43 seniors to be honored on senior night and all 43 earned a college degree, marking 100 percent graduation rate of all players who finish their eligibility under Layer.

After graduating from Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Fla., in 1980, Layer started his coaching career as an assistant under Jim Harley, his former coach. Before moving on to Queens University, Layer spent seven of the next eight years at Eckerd College except for the 1982-83 season, when he was an assistant at Eastern Kentucky.

Layer made the jump to Division I in 1998 when Ritchie McKay took the head coaching job at Colorado State and named him to his staff. During McKay's two seasons with the Rams, Layer helped lead Colorado State to the NIT Tournament in 1999, where they beat Mississippi State and Colorado before falling to eventual champion, California.

While with the Rams, Layer had a 103-106 record, including a 17-13 mark in 2007. In 2003, Layer led Colorado State to the Mountain West Conference Championship and its first NCAA Tournament bid in 13 years, falling to Duke in the first round.

Clemson at a Glance

General Information

Location: Clemson, S.C.
Founded: 1889
Enrollment: 18,317
Colors: Burnt Orange and Northwest Purple
Nickname: Tigers
President: James F. Barker
Athletic Director: Dr. Terry Don Phillips
National Affiliation: NCAA Division I
Conference: Atlantic Coast Conference
Gymnasium (Capacity): Littlejohn Coliseum (10,000)
Website: ClemsonTigers.com

Team Information

Head Coach: Oliver Purnell
Alma Mater: Old Dominion, 1975
Record at Clemson: 118-77 (Seventh Year)
Career Record: 374-268 (22nd Year)
Associate Head Coach: Ron Bradley
Assistant Coaches: Frank Smith, Josh Postorino
Basketball Office Phone: (864) 656-1958
2008-09 Record: 23-9
Conference Record/Finish: 9-7/T-5th
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 11/4
Starters Returning/Lost: 2/3
Top Returnees: Trevor Booker, Demontez Stitt
Newcomers: Devin Booker, Donte Hill, Milton Jennings, Noel Johnson

Series Information

Series Record: Clemson leads series, 4-0
Liberty's Home Record versus: 0-0
Liberty's Road Record versus: 0-4
Liberty's Neutral Record versus: 0-0
Last Meeting: Dec. 7, 2008 (at Clemson 80, Liberty 75)

2009-2010 Schedule

Nov. 13	PRESBYTERIAN (W, 84-41)
Nov. 17	at Liberty
Nov. 20	at UNC Greensboro
Nov. 23	WINTHROP
Nov. 26	vs. Texas A&M
Nov. 27	at 76 Classic
Nov. 29	at 76 Classic
Dec. 2	ILLINOIS
Dec. 6	SOUTH CAROLINA
Dec. 13	FURMAN
Dec. 16	at East Carolina
Dec. 19	COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON
Dec. 22	WESTERN CAROLINA
Dec. 29	SOUTH CAROLINA STATE
Jan. 3	at Duke
Jan. 9	BOSTON COLLEGE
Jan. 13	NORTH CAROLINA
Jan. 16	at N.C. State
Jan. 19	at Georgia Tech
Jan. 23	DUKE
Jan. 26	at Boston College
Jan. 31	MARYLAND
Feb. 6	at Virginia Tech
Feb. 10	FLORIDA STATE
Feb. 13	MIAMI
Feb. 20	VIRGINIA
Feb. 24	at Maryland
Feb. 28	at Florida State
March 2	GEORGIA TECH
March 7	at Wake Forest
March 11-14	ACC Tournament



Eying the Tigers

Clemson opened their season Friday night with a 84-41 win over Big South member Presbyterian. Tanner Smith scored a team-high 14 points. Last season, Clemson finished the 2008-09 campaign with a 23-9 record after starting the season 17-0. The Tigers reached the NCAA tournament, but were eliminated by Michigan in the first round, 62-59.

Clemson returns its leading scorer from last season, Trevor Booker, who paved the way for the Tigers' offense, averaging 15.3 ppg. Booker also led the Tigers in rebounds with 311 (9.7 rpg). Among Clemson's other top returnees are guard Demontez Stitt (121 assists, 8.7 ppg) and forward David Potter (4.9 ppg).

Liberty-Clemson Series Notes

Clemson holds a 4-0 series lead over the Flames. Both teams first met during the 1988-89 season, when the Tigers defeated the Flames, 96-71. The most recent meeting occurred on Dec. 7, 2008 at Littlejohn Coliseum. Liberty led 60-50 with 12:55 remaining in the contest. Clemson came clawing back in the closing minutes, narrowly escaping the Flames, 80-75. Tuesday's meeting will mark the first time Clemson has visited the Vines Center.

All-Time Series Results

Dec. 7, 2008	L (80-75)	Clemson, S.C.
Dec. 28, 2002	L (65-78)	Clemson, S.C.
Dec. 2, 1992	L (68-93)	Clemson, S.C.
Feb. 11, 1989	L (71-96)	Clemson, S.C.

Liberty..... Statistical Comparison (2008-09 Stats)CU

23-12	Record	23-9
45.5	Field Goal Percentage	46.3
43.0	Opponent Field Goal Percentage	43.1
35.9	Three-Point Field Goal Percentage	37.4
9.2	Three-Pointers Made Per Game	8.0
71.0	Free Throw Percentage	68.8
35.6	Rebound Average	37.2
37.2	Opponent Rebound Average	35.2
-1.5	Rebound Differential	+1.9
75.5	Points Per Game	78.3
71.2	Points Allowed Per Game	68.0
+4.3	Point Differential	+10.3

Liberty..... University/Program ComparisonCU

1971	Founded	1889
1972-73	First Year of Basketball Program	1911-12
525-556	All-time Record	1138-1165-2
.486	All-time Win Percentage	.494
2	NCAA Tournament Appearances	9
2004	Last NCAA Appearance	2009

Liberty..... 2009-10 Statistical LeadersCU

Kyle Ohman (19.0 ppg)	Points	Tanner Smith (14.0 ppg)
Jesse Sanders (8.0 rpg)	Rebounds	Trevor Booker (8.0 rpg)
Kyle Ohman (3.5 apg)	Assists	Andre Young (4 apg)
Carter McMasters (1.5 bpg)	Blocks	Booker/Grant/Stint (2.0 bpg)
Minaya/Ohman (1.5 spg)	Steals	Andre Young (4 spg)
Kyle Ohman (11)	Field Goals Made	Tanner Smith (6)
Kyle Ohman (5)	Three-Point Field Goals Made	Noel Johnson (4)
Kyle Ohman (11)	Freethrows Made	Trevor Booker (4)

Top 50 Scorers in Liberty History

1. Karl Hess	2,373
2. Larry Blair	2,211
3. Bailey Alston	2,115
4. Mark Chafin	1,947
5. Steve Isaacs	1,777
6. Anthony Smith	1,754
7. Peter Aluma	1,715
8. Ed Vickers	1,658
9. Willard Deshazor	1,569
10. Larry Jackson	1,539
11. Matt Hildebrand	1,515
12. George Sweet	1,422
13. Chris Caldwell	1,391
14. Julius Nwosu	1,248
15. Greg McCauley	1,228
16. Eric Gordon	1,154
17. Cliff Webber	1,100
18. Mike Coleman	1,065
19. Mike Goad	1,013
20. Mike Minett	1,001
21. Alex McLean	954
22. Gabe Martin	890
23. Mark Reed	842
24. Brad Hamersley	831
25. David Dees	794
26. Kyle Ohman	779
27. Jason Dixon	761
28. Charles Richardson	755
29. Ed Gomes	751
30. Delawn Grandison	713
31. Seth Curry	707
32. Rodney Harrison	689
33. Nathan Day	683
34. Jason Sarchet	658
35. Kenny Gunn	651
36. Erik Sorensen	623
37. Tim Scarborough	616
38. Barry Taylor	610
39. Vincent Okotie	588
40. Chris Toomer	583
41. Mark Swift	582
42. Mickey Baker	582
43. Keith Ferguson	576
44. Marcus White	567
45. Dave Denny	548
46. Jody Chapman	543
47. Ryan Mantlo	520
48. Jim Pearce	505
49. Robert Robinson	479
50. Dan Kennard	475

Top Current Players:

26. Kyle Ohman	779
Tyler Baker	275
Jesse Sanders	246



Liberty Versus the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC)

The Flames are 5-29 all-time against current members of the ACC. Liberty's wins came against Virginia and Virginia Tech, with the Cavaliers being the lone ACC squad defeated by the Flames as a members of the conference. The Flames' three wins against Virginia Tech occurred while the school was a member of the Big EAST.

Liberty's most recent ACC win was a 86-82 upset over Virginia on Nov. 25, 2008. Forward Kyle Ohman racked up 17 first half points at John Paul Jones Arena, a record he shares with former UNC Tar Heel Tyler Hansbrough.

Liberty is currently 0-4 against Clemson, 0-1 against Duke, 0-1 against Maryland, 0-1 against North Carolina, 0-2 North Carolina State, 3-13 against Virginia Tech, 2-6 against Virginia and 0-1 against Wake Forest. The Flames have never met Boston College, Florida State, Georgia Tech and Miami.

Layer versus the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC)

Tuesday's match-up will mark only the second time a Dale Layer coached team has faced an ACC opponent. The first time was in 2003, when Layer led Colorado State to the opening round of the NCAA tournament. The Rams faced off against the Duke Blue Devils, dropping the contest 67-57.

Clemson versus the Big South Conference

The Tigers are 109-20-1 all-time against current Big South members. Clemson is 18-0 against Charleston Southern, 5-0 against Coastal Carolina, 3-0 against Gardner-Webb, 2-0 against High Point, 4-0 against Liberty, 7-0 against UNC Asheville, 54-18-1 against Presbyterian, 6-1 against VMI and 7-1 against Winthrop. The Eagles were the last Big South team to claim a win over the ACC power, defeating the Tigers in Littlejohn Coliseum during the 2001-02 season.

Purnell versus the Big South Conference

Clemson head coach Oliver Purnell is 24-16 all-time against current members of the Big South. Purnell is 5-1 against Charleston Southern, 3-5 against Coastal Carolina, 2-0 against Gardner-Webb, 1-0 against High Point, 1-0 against Liberty, 2-0 against Presbyterian, 1-0 against Radford, 4-5 against UNC Asheville, 1-2 against VMI and 4-3 against Winthrop.

Purnell in the Big South

Clemson head coach Oliver Purnell's first head coaching stint was with Big South member Radford from 1988-91. During his three seasons as coach of the Highlanders, Purnell amassed a 44-42 record.

In his final season at Radford, the Highlanders captured the Big South Conference Tournament title, defeating Charleston Southern 75-70. That same year he was named Big South Coach of the Year, taking Radford from a 7-22 team in 1989-90 to a 22-7 squad in 1990-91. Purnell never encountered the Flames during his three-year tenure, as Liberty did not enter the conference until the 1991-92 season.

Liberty Versus Purnell's Previous Programs

The Flames will encounter two programs previously coached by Purnell this season. Just two days after its match-up with Clemson, Liberty will host Purnell's alma mater Old Dominion at 7 p.m. Purnell coached the Monarchs for three seasons (1991-94). Liberty is also scheduled to face Big South foe Radford on Jan. 23 (Radford, Va.) and Feb. 16 (Lynchburg, Va.).

Big South Month

Three of Clemson's first four contests involve Big South competitors. This past Saturday, Clemson hosted Presbyterian, defeating the Blue Hose 84-41. Following their meeting with Liberty, the Tigers will host Winthrop on Nov. 23. In between match-ups with the match-ups with the Flames and the Eagles, Clemson will travel to Greensboro, N.C., to face former Big South member UNC Greensboro. The Spartans were a part of the conference from 1992-97.

Liberty in the Big South Stats
(2008-09 Season)

Team

Scoring Offense (2nd)	75.5 ppg
Scoring Defense (5th).....	71.2 ppg
Scoring Margin (2nd).....	+4.3 ppg
Free Throw Pct. (2nd).....	.710
Field Goal Pct. (2nd).....	.455
Field Goal Pct. Defense (5th) ..	.430
3-Pt. FG Pct. (2nd)359
3-Pt. FG Pct. Defense (4th).....	.337
3-Pt. FG Made (2nd).....	9.17/game
Rebounds (6th).....	35.6 rpg
Opp. Rebounds (8th).....	37.2 rpg
Rebounding Margin (8th).....	- 1.5 rpg
Offensive Rebounds (9th).....	10.6 rpg
Defensive Rebounds (3rd)	25.1 rpg
Blocked Shots (10th)	1.63 bpg
Assists (4th).....	15.17 apg
Steals (6th)	6.94 spg
Turnover Margin (2nd).....	+ 1.5
Asst./TO Ratio (2nd).....	1.15

Individual

Scoring

Seth Curry (2nd).....	20.2 ppg
Anthony Smith (5th).....	17.0 ppg
Kyle Ohman (10th).....	15.2 ppg

Rebounding

Anthony Smith (8th).....	6.6 rpg
Jesse Sanders (10th).....	6.0 rpg
Kyle Ohman (15th).....	5.8 rpg

Field Goal Pct.

Anthony Smith (6th).....	.519
Seth Curry (11th)375

Assists

Jesse Sanders (3rd)	4.94 apg
Seth Curry (15th).....	2.67 apg

Free Throw Pct.

Seth Curry (1st).....	.891
Kyle Ohman (7th).....	.731

Steals

Anthony Smith (12th).....	1.39 spg
Seth Curry (15th).....	1.33 spg

Three-Point FG Pct.

Anthony Smith (3rd).....	.430
Kyle Ohman (4th).....	.426
Seth Curry (10th).....	.297

Three-Point FG Made

Kyle Ohman (2nd).....	3.06/g
Seth Curry (12th).....	2.61/g

Assist/Turnover Ratio

Jesse Sanders (1st).....	2.47
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Offensive Rebounds

Jesse Sanders (10th).....	2.44 rpg
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Defensive Rebounds

Kyle Ohman (10th).....	4.83 rpg
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2009-10 Flames listed in Bold

Watchlist Week

Liberty is slated to encounter two members of the 2009-10 Naismith Award Watchlist, Clemson's Trevor Booker and Notre Dame's Luke Harangody. The matchups will occur just five days apart as the Flames play host to Clemson Tuesday and then travel to South Bend, Ind., for a match-up with the Fighting Irish on Sunday.

The Naismith Award Watchlist consists of the nation's top 50 players who are selected based on their performances last season and expectations heading into the 2009-10 campaign. The list will be narrowed down to 30 players in February and four finalists in March. In addition to making the list, Harangody is also nominated for the 2009-10 Lowe's Senior CLASS Award.

Like Father, Like Son

The addition of Evan Gordon to the Flames' roster this season makes him the program's first second-generation player. Evan's father Eric Gordon, Sr., suited up for the Flames from 1981-1984. The three-year letterwinner is currently No. 16 on Liberty's all time scoring list with 1,154 points.

While he is the first second-generation Flame, he is not the first player whose father is also in the Liberty men's basketball annals. Mark Manley, who played three seasons with the Flames between 1998 and 2002 is the son of Dan Manley, the program's first head coach (1973-77).

From Walk-on to Starter

Beginning his collegiate playing career without a scholarship in the 2006-07 season, Kyle Ohman has played the part of walk-on support player, sixth man, starter and is now one of the leaders in the Big South. Last season, Ohman posted a banner year, tallying career highs in points, rebounds, assists, steals and blocks. Ohman's single game career high in points occurred on Feb. 4, 2009, when he put up 38 at Gardner-Webb. The point total was highest in the country on the day and tied the second highest mark on the road in program history.

Ohman's big game followed a pair of contest which earned him the honor of Big South Player of the Week for Jan. 26-Feb. 1. Ohman, who was the only Flame to start all 35 contests last season, finished his junior year among the Big South leaders in six statistical categories. He was also ranked No. 26 in the country in three-point percentage (41.5).

Offensive Spark

In each of the Flames' contests this season, Ohman was the first player to light up the scoreboard for Liberty. In Friday's season opener against George Mason, Ohman tallied the Flames' first eight points, six coming from three-point land, giving Liberty a 6-0 start.

On Saturday, Liberty founded itself down early to the Southern Virginia Knights when Ohman came through once again, scoring six-straight points for the Flames to close the gap. The Flames went on to win 89-53.

Liberty Men's Basketball Numerical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown
0	Chris Perez	G	6-4	197	Fr.	Oldsmar, Fla.
1	Johnny Stephene	G	6-2	200	R-So.	Boynton Beach, Fla.
3	Tyler Baker	F	6-9	215	R-Sr.	Albuquerque, N.M.
4	James Spencer	G	6-1	190	Jr.	Newport News, Va.
10	Evan Gordon	G	6-2	185	Fr.	Indianapolis, Ind.
11	Kyle Ohman	G/F	6-4	200	Sr.	Mechanicsburg, Pa.
12	Jeremy Anderson	G	6-4	200	R-So.	Bowling Green, Ky.
14	David Minaya	G	6-6	205	R-So.	Riverview, Fla.
21	Joel Vander Pol	C	6-10	220	Fr.	Fort Meyers, Fla.
23	Patrick Konan	F	6-5	205	Fr.	Abidjan, Ivory Coast
24	Antwan Burrus	F	6-6	210	Fr.	Winterville, N.C.
25	Jesse Sanders	G	6-3	200	So.	Sugar Land, Texas
31	Daniel Richardson	G	5-11	160	Fr.	Orlando, Fla.
34	Bill Weaver	G	6-4	200	So.	Hampton, Va.
41	Carter McMasters	C	6-11	210	R-Fr.	Chattanooga, Tenn.

Big South Conference Update

Overall Standings

	W	L	Pct.
Coastal Carolina	1	0	.000
Radford	1	0	.000
VMI	1	0	.000
Gardner-Webb	1	0	.000
High Point	1	0	.000
Winthrop	1	0	.000
Liberty	1	1	.000
Charleston So.	0	1	.000
Presbyterian	0	1	.000
UNC Asheville	0	1	.000

Conference Standings

	W	L	Pct.
Charleston So.	0	0	.000
Coastal Carolina	0	0	.000
Gardner-Webb	0	0	.000
High Point	0	0	.000
Liberty	0	0	.000
Presbyterian	0	0	.000
Radford	0	0	.000
UNC Asheville	0	0	.000
Winthrop	0	0	.000
VMI	0	0	.000

Upcoming Schedule

Tuesday, Nov. 17

Clemson at Liberty	10 a.m.
Coastal vs. Charlotte/Elon	6/8:30 p.m.
Presbyterian at Furman	7 p.m.
Lynchburg College at Radford	7 p.m.
UNC Asheville at Tennessee	7 p.m.
Winthrop at College of Charleston	7 p.m.
Charleston So. at The Citadel	7:05 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 18

West Virginia Wesleyan at VMI	7 p.m.
High Point at Wake Forest	8 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 19

Old Dominion at Liberty	7 p.m.
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Saturday, Nov. 21

Voorhees at Coastal	2 p.m.
USC Upstate at Winthrop	4 p.m.
Campbell at UNC Asheville	4:30 p.m.
Methodist at Gardner-Webb	7 p.m.
Hampden-Sydney at High Point	7 p.m.
Radford at Duke	7 p.m.
Presbyterian at Illinois*	8 p.m.
Stetson at Charleston So.	8:30 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 22

Liberty at Notre Dame^	7 p.m.
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* - Las Vegas Invitational

^ - Chicago Invitational



Liberty Selected Seventh in Big South Preseason Poll

The Flames were predicted to finish seventh out of 10 teams in the Big South Conference for the 2009-10 season, as voted on by the conference's head coaches and members of the media. Liberty is coming off a 23-12 season and a third-place finish in the Big South. The Flames went 12-6 in conference play a year ago, and participated in the inaugural CollegeInsider.com Postseason Tournament (CIT).

2009-10 Big South Preseason Poll

Team (First-Place Votes)	Total Points
1) Radford (24)	239
2) UNC Asheville	191
3) Winthrop (1)	179
4) Gardner-Webb	130
5) VMI	125
6) High Point	124
7) Liberty	119
8) Coastal Carolina	118
9) Charleston Southern	53
10) Presbyterian	42

All-American Brothers

Two members of the 2009-10 Flames' roster are younger brothers of 2008 All-Americans. Eric Gordon, Jr., is the older brother to freshman guard Evan Gordon. The elder Gordon spent one season at Indiana and was Third Team All-America member in his lone season with the Hoosiers. Gordon was picked seventh overall by the Los Angeles Clippers in the 2008 NBA Draft and averaged 16.1 ppg his rookie season in the league. He is currently averaging 18.9 ppg with the team.

Sophomore point guard Jesse's Sanders older brother Thomas received an honorable mention on the 2008 All-America listing. The elder Sanders played four seasons at Gardner-Webb prior to the team joining the Big South. In his senior season with the Runnin' Bulldogs, he was named 2008 Atlantic Sun Player of the Year. He currently plays professionally in Spain.

Foreign Born

Freshman forward Patrick Konan, a native of the Ivory Coast, is the first Flame hailing from outside the United States since the 2004-05 season, when Liberty's roster featured three foreign-born players — power forward Leo Lightbourne (Andros, Bahamas), guard John Clarke (Freeport, Bahamas) and Christian Weddborn (La Ceiba, Honduras).

Lights Out at the Line

In Saturday's contest against Southern Virginia, Ohman went 10-10 at the free throw line. Gabe Martin holds the Vines Center mark for best percentage (18/18, 12/20/02) in a game.

Clean Bills of Health

Redshirt sophomore guard Jeremy Anderson missed the entire 2008-09 campaign after undergoing foot surgery in the preseason. Anderson's return should provide the Flames with extra three-point fire power, as he averaged 39.3 percent from long distance in his freshman season.

Playing in only five contests last season due to a stress fracture, center Carter McMasters is looking to give the Flames a strong presence in the post. Highly touted out of Grace Baptist Academy, McMasters was a 2008 McDonalds All-American nominee and was ranked No. 34 in ESPN.com's 2008 power forward class. Forward Tyler Baker also appears to be fully healthy for the first time in over two seasons. Last season, Baker returned to the court on Dec. 17, 2008 against DePaul after missing 40-straight contests.

Fantastic Freshmen

In Saturday's contest against Southern Virginia, two Liberty freshman reached double figures. Chris Perez tallied 14 points on the night as the Flames second-leading scorer, while Evan Gordon chipped in 11 off the bench.