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2009 Liberty Volleyball 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 and Blue
Home Arena..... Vines Center
Capacity..... 8,085
Affiliation..... NCAA Division I
Conference..... Big South
Founder..... Dr. Jerry Falwell
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Exec. Vice President..... Dr. Ronald Godwin
Director of Athletics..... Jeff Barber
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Volleyball Information

Head Coach..... Shane Pinder (Luther Rice Seminary, '04)
Record at Liberty..... 84-77 (Five Years)
Career Record..... Same
Assistant Coach..... Jennifer Vaden (Liberty, '05)
Graduate Assistant Coach..... Crystal Carey (Liberty, '03)
Volleyball Office Phone..... (434) 582-2614
2008 Record..... 25-9
2008 Conference Record/Finish..... 13-3/T-1st
2008 Big South Championship Finish..... 1st
Letterwinners Returning/Lost..... 10/3
Starters Returning/Lost..... 4+libero/2

History

First Year of Volleyball..... 1976
All-Time Record..... 610-533
NCAA Tournament Berths/Last..... 5/2008
Last Postseason Opponent..... California
Result..... L/11-25, 25-21, 16-25, 19-25 (1st Rd. – 2008 NCAA)
Big South Championships/Last..... 5/2008

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MEDIA INFORMATION

Please assist us in providing you with the most accurate information possible by observing the media guidelines listed below when dealing with any Liberty University athletics program.

MEDIA PARKING

Volleyball parking is located between the Vines Center and the DeMoss Learning Center. Please call the Office of Athletics Communications with any parking questions or concerns you may have.

MATCH PRESS SERVICES

The staff of the Office of Athletics Communications will be at your service throughout the contest. All members of the media will be provided with lineup cards, any game notes, media guides, statistics, play-by-play sheets and any other pertinent information before and after each match. Full statistics will be available at the end of the match.

Telephones and a fax machine will also be available for the media's use.

INTERVIEW POLICY

All interview requests must be coordinated by a member of the Office of Athletics Communications staff. Player interviews will not conflict with classes, meetings or practice times. Players are typically available after practice. Interviews are not permitted in the locker room or training room.

POST-MATCH POLICY

Contact a member of the Athletics Communications staff for specific information regarding the post-match policy. Liberty Head Coach Shane Pinder and requested players are available for comment after a brief 10-minute cooling period after the match's conclusion.

DAILY PRACTICE SESSIONS

Practices are conducted at either the Vines Center or the Schilling Center. Practices are generally open to the media, unless otherwise announced. Please contact a member of the Athletics Communications staff if you plan to attend a workout.

REACHING COACH PINDER

To speak with Liberty Head Coach Shane Pinder, please contact the Athletics Communications Office to make arrangements.

FLAMES CLUB LUNCHEONS

At various times during the season, the Flames Club hosts a luncheon in the Donor Room of the Williams Football Operations Center. Lunch begins at noon, followed by comments from various coaches. Following the luncheon, Coach Pinder is usually available for interviews.

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For the sixth consecutive year, the Flames Sports Network (FSN) will televise most of the Liberty volleyball team's home matches during the 2009 season.

The network, which is slated to broadcast eight Lady Flames home contests live from the Vines Center, has covered Liberty's athletics teams for the past 29 years, including both radio and television coverage.

Ray Jones, who also works on the FSN football, men's basketball and women's basketball broadcasts, returns this season as play-by-play commenorator for volleyball.

Jones, who will be doing volleyball play-by-play for the sixth season in a row, has been a part of the FSN team since 1991.

Jones will have a new broadcast partner this season, as former Lady Flames

volleyball standout Erin McKeown will provide color commentary and analysis. The 2003 Big South Volleyball Player of the Year is currently working as Liberty's Assistant Director of Compliance.

FSN's television broadcast team consists of trained professionals who have worked for most of the major sporting networks in the United States, including ESPN, ABC Sports, CBS Sports, NBC Sports, NASCAR, SportSouth, Comcast and Fox Sports.

FSN's television broadcasting of Liberty's home athletics events is handled through the Liberty Channel, a satellite/cable network offering family-friendly television. The Liberty Channel can be viewed in the greater Lynchburg area on most cable systems.

For the second season in a row, Liberty volleyball matches will also be broadcast live over the air on ABC 13 (WSET), as part of the station's digital programming.

Additionally, Lady Flames home volleyball contests and a majority of Big South road matches will once again be streamed live over the Internet via the Big South Network.



**Bruce Carey - Liberty University
Producer - Athletics TV Broadcasts**

For more information about FSN's television broadcasts, contact Kevin Keys, Liberty University Associate AD for External Operations, at (434) 592-3905 or by email at kkeys@liberty.edu



Head Coach Shane Pinder chats with the FSN announcers during a postmatch interview.

2009 Schedule of FSN Volleyball Telecasts

Date	Opponent	Time
Sept. 4	E. Tennessee St.	7 p.m.
Sept. 5	Howard	10:30 a.m.
Sept. 5	Elon	6 p.m.
Sept. 25	Winthrop	7 p.m.
Oct. 6	Radford	7 p.m.
Oct. 16	Charleston So.	7 p.m.
Nov. 6	UNC Asheville	7 p.m.
Nov. 10	High Point	7 p.m.

LU LibertyFlames.com



For the most complete and up-to-date information on the Liberty University Athletics Department, log on to the program's official web site - LibertyFlames.com - the best avenue to find out breaking news on the Lady Flames' volleyball program.

Volleyball is not the only sport covered by LibertyFlames.com. You can access rosters, players and coaches' bios, statistics and schedules for each of Liberty's 19 NCAA Division I sponsored athletics programs. Fans can catch up on the latest athletics department news and notes just by clicking on the numerous links found on LibertyFlames.com. Visit today!

Vines Center

The Vines Center, home of the Liberty University volleyball team, has played host to some of the most memorable moments in program history. The Lady Flames' boisterous fans have helped encourage the team to numerous important victories, including a pair of Big South titles.

Liberty has played especially well at the Vines Center in recent years, going 67-27 at home in the past eight seasons.

Liberty has hosted the Big South Volleyball Championship inside the Vines Center on two occasions (2001 & 2007), and the Lady Flames have captured the championship both times.

Over 3,000 fans watched the Lady Flames defeat Coastal Carolina, Winthrop and Radford to win the 2001 conference title. The 1,125 fans present at the semifinal win over Winthrop, and the crowd of 1,037 at the championship match versus Radford, represented two of the largest single-match attendance figures in Big South volleyball history, until the 2007 campaign.

Liberty averaged the highest attendance in the conference in 2007, helping the Lady Flames squad earn the No. 1 seed for the Big South Volleyball Championship at the Vines Center.

The Lady Flames broke the Big South single-match attendance mark in 2007, as 1,583 fans filed in to see Liberty defeat Winthrop on Oct. 27, 2007, halting the Eagles' 63-match Big South winning streak. Two weeks later, on Nov. 10, the record was eclipsed once more when 1,622 fans watched Liberty sweep Radford on Senior Night.

The Vines Center, completed in November 1990, also serves as the home of the Liberty men's and women's basketball teams, and the wrestling squad.

The facility, which seats 8,085 spectators for volleyball, hosts Liberty University Convocation services and numerous music concerts. The Harlem Globetrotters, National Basketball Association exhibition games and the Big South Basketball Championship have also been played at the facility.



Vines Center exterior



An entrance tunnel and flamethrowers are two of the newest additions to the Vines Center volleyball experience.

Campus East Volleyball Facility



The facility's gymnasium



The Lady Flames make use of the team room at the Campus East facility.

During the spring of 2007, the Liberty volleyball program was given a secondary practice facility as part of a new, on-campus training complex.

The existing \$750,000 facility on Campus East houses the volleyball coaches' offices and a team room, and serves as the team's exclusive practice facility whenever the Vines Center and Schilling Center are unavailable.

"We are excited about the direction of Liberty Volleyball," stated head volleyball coach Shane Pinder. "It is amazing to see God's hand moving in all areas of our program. The most recent miracle is the addition of new office spaces, which includes a team room with a practice gymnasium attached.

"This facility allows us a better opportunity to recruit, as well as more opportunities to train the team throughout the season. The new volleyball complex takes another step toward Dr. Falwell's

dream and vision of building a world-class University and athletics program."

Ashley Webber, the starting middle blocker for Liberty's 2007 and 2008 Big South championship teams, added, "The new facility not only strengthened our team on the court, but also off the court as young women serving the Lord."

The Lady Flames and their coaching staff are grateful for the donations they have received over the course of the past two years. These monetary contributions have enabled the team to begin furnishing their new facility, as seen in the photo at bottom left.

Donations are still being sought in order to complete the furnishing of the Campus East facility. For more information, contact Liberty Assistant Athletics Director for Development and Flames Club Director Bob Good, at (434) 582-2178 or rgood@liberty.edu.