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2005 BUCKNELL BASEBALL ROSTER

PITCHERS

No.	Name	Cl.	Ht.	Wt.	B-T	Hometown/Secondary School
1	Ian Rainey	So.	5-10	180	R/R	Littleton, Colo./Littleton
3	Jesse Retzlaff	So.	6-2	190	L-L	Milford, Del./Milford
7	** Jacob Moss	Jr.	6-0	190	L-L	Fresno, Calif./San Joaquin Mem.
10	* Matt Curry	So.	6-1	185	R-R	Towanda, Pa./Towanda
13	** Marc Cussatt	Jr.	6-2	200	L-L	Hazleton, Pa./Hazleton Area
15	Max Goldstein	Fr.	6-2	185	R-R	Atlanta, Ga./Paideia School
17	* Nathan Mittag	So.	6-2	185	R-R	Fairfield, Conn./Fairfield
20	** Phil Futrick	Jr.	6-4	225	R-R	Shillington, Pa./Governor Mifflin
26	** Jon Black	Jr.	6-3	205	R-R	Littleton, Colo./Colorado Acad.
31	Ed Kerstetter	Fr.	6-3	200	R-L	Glenolden, Pa./Interboro
35	Luke Mara	So.	6-1	195	R-R	Grove City, Ohio/Grove City
36	Joe Greene	Fr.	6-5	200	R-R	Middletown, Del./Middletown
37	*** Tim Peacock	Sr.	6-3	190	L-L	Lindenhurst, N.Y./Chaminade
38	Mathew Wilson	Fr.	6-2	190	R-R	Toronto, Canada/Northern S.S.

CATCHERS

5	*** Phil Bunting	Sr.	5-11	200	R-R	Bellaire, Texas/Bellaire
25	Neal White	Fr.	6-1	185	R-R	Gloucester, Mass./St. John's Prep.
29	Shawn Hirsch	Fr.	6-1	195	R-R	Morristown N.J./Morristown
30	*** Matt Belmont	Sr.	6-2	200	R-R	W. Harrison, N.Y./Harrison

INFIELDERS

2	Tim Hansberry	Fr.	5-9	170	L-R	Haddonfield, N.J./Haddonfield Mem.
4	Dustin Kapson	So.	6-2	180	R-R	Sweet Valley, Pa./Lake Lehman
11	** Matt Capece	Jr.	5-10	175	R-R	Bowie, Md./DeMatha Catholic
12	Ed Rubbo	Fr.	5-7	190	R-R	Stafford, Va./Colonial Forge
14	*** Brian Day	Sr.	6-3	215	R-R	Rochester, N.Y./Greece Arcadia
18	** Brad Duvall	Jr.	5-10	180	R-R	Hampstead, Md./Hereford
19	** Greg Ekimoff	Sr.	6-3	210	R-R	Webster, N.Y./Webster
22	Jason Buursma	Fr.	6-2	190	R-R	Seattle, Wash./Lakeside School
27	Travis White	Fr.	6-5	230	L-R	Baltimore, Md./McDonogh
28	Chris Brannan	So.	6-1	190	L-R	Huntington Beach, Calif./Edison

OUTFIELDERS

6	** Chris Grandizio	Jr.	5-11	175	R-R	Bloomsburg, Pa./Bloomsburg
8	* Ryan Gryskevicz	So.	6-2	195	R-R	Dallas, Pa./Dallas
9	Chris Pieper	Fr.	6-1	210	R-R	Port Washington, N.Y./Schreiber
16	Austin Turban	Fr.	5-11	185	L-L	Northfield, Ill./New Trier
21	Mike Barrett	Fr.	6-2	200	R-R	Loudonville, N.Y./Albany Academy
23	* Evan Weiss	Sr.	6-1	185	L-L	Concord, Mass./Lincoln-Sudbury
24	** Kyle Walter	Jr.	6-4	190	R-L	Mifflinburg, Pa./Mifflinburg Area

* - Letters won

QUICK FACTS

University Information

Location: Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, 17837
Founded: 1846 as the University at Lewisburg
Enrollment: 3,350
Nickname: Bison
Colors: Orange and Blue
Affiliation: NCAA (Div. I), ECAC
Conference: Patriot League (Army, Bucknell, Holy Cross, Lafayette, Lehigh and Navy)
President: Brian C. Mitchell
Director of Athletics: John P. Hardt
Senior Woman Administrator: Amanda Backus
Dir. of Athletic Communications: Jon Terry
Baseball Contact: Jess Riden
Head Athletic Trainer: Mark Keppler

Baseball Information

Head Coach: Gene Depew
Alma Mater: Bucknell University ('71)
Record at Bucknell: 412-474-5 (23 seasons)
Career Record: same
Assistant Coaches: Brian Hoyt (Bucknell '87), Scott Heather (Arkansas '03)
Home Facility: Depew Field (1,000)
2004 Record: 20-24, 7-13 Patriot League
2004 Captains: Phil Bunting, Brian Day, Greg Ekimoff
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 17/9
Baseball Phone: (570) 577-3593
Email: depew@bucknell.edu
Webpage: www.BucknellBison.com
Athletic Department FAX Phone: (570) 577-1660
Baseball Address: Gene Depew, Athletic Department, Bucknell University, Lewisburg PA 17837

Application Information

Admissions Phone: (570) 577-1101
Application Deadline: Regular Decision — January 1, 2006; Early Decision I — November 15, 2005; Early Decision II — January 1, 2006; Financial Aid — Nov. 15, 2005, for Early Decision I, and Jan. 1, 2006 for Regular Decision and ED II.

THE BISON NICKNAME

Early last century, Bucknell teams had no definitive nickname. To remedy this situation, the late William C. Bartol, a long-time professor of mathematics and astronomy at Bucknell, suggested, about 1910, that the nickname "Bisons" be adopted.

Geography was the main reason for the choice of the name. Bucknell's campus lies at the eastern end of the Buffalo Valley, which was one of the last stomping grounds of the American bison, or buffalo, in this part of the country. It is estimated that at one time, at least 10,000 bison roamed the reaches of the Buffalo Valley. As late as 1799, more than 300 were reported. The last buffalo in this section is believed to have been shot in 1800 at Buffalo Crossroads, about six miles from Bucknell.

The nickname currently used by most writers and broadcasters is "Bison," believed to be a more accurate use of the plural of the word bison.

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Bucknell University, ranked among the top national liberal arts colleges in the nation, is a privately owned, co-educational institution with an undergraduate enrollment of approximately 3,350 students and a faculty of some 270 teachers, of which over 97 percent hold doctoral degrees.

The 100th college chartered in the United States, Bucknell was founded by Philadelphia Baptists in 1846 as the University at Lewisburg. The first class of seven men graduated in 1851 with the first woman receiving her degree in 1885. In 1886, the institution was renamed Bucknell University in honor of William Bucknell, a former trustee and benefactor.

A comprehensive university, Bucknell allows students to choose from many academic options, including 53 majors and 64 minors. In learning from and collaborating with experienced faculty, students will have access to state-of-the-art resources within the library, laboratory, computer center, multi-media room, and recreational facility.

Enrolling at Bucknell allows one to acquire global connections through the International Focus Semester Program, Semester of Studying Abroad Program, and interaction with students and faculty from various countries and continents.

Through the University's commitment to diversity, students of all ethnic, racial, geographical, intellectual, and political backgrounds converge on one campus to foster a community of acceptance and exploration in diversity. As a member of the Bucknell and Lewisburg communities, students are able to find their own niche while learning the importance of values.



The University's physical plant, located on a 400-acre campus overlooking the Susquehanna River, includes more than 80 buildings. Recent additions include a \$1 million computer center constructed as a wing of the Dana Engineering Building, an \$8.2 million addition to the Ellen Clarke Bertrand Library, the \$9.7 million Weis Performing Arts Center, and the \$10.9 million Robert L. Rooke Chemistry Building and adjoining biology building.

In addition, construction of the Sigfried Weis Music Building was completed in the summer of 2001 in time for its doors to open for the fall semester. The new \$7 million music instruction building was one facet of *The Bucknell Campaign*, the most ambitious in Bucknell's 154-year history. A new residence hall facility opened in 2001 and houses 300 students within "neighborhoods" — a contemporary design intended to promote a sense of community.

And finally, the sparkling Kenneth G. Langone Athletics and Recreation Center opened in 2003, providing a state-of-the-art facility for varsity athletes and students, staff and faculty alike.

Bucknell is easily accessible, located on U.S. Route 15 approximately 60 miles north of Harrisburg and 25 miles south of Williamsport. The campus is seven miles south of Interstate 80 on Route 15.



THE KENNETH G. LANGONE ATHLETICS & RECREATION CENTER

The Bucknell University Department of Athletics and Recreation prides itself on setting the standard of excellence when it comes to success both on the playing fields and in the classroom. With 11 Patriot League Presidents' Cups in 14 years, annual top-10 national rankings in graduation rates, 109 Verizon Academic All-Americans in 33 years and 94 Patriot League Scholar-Athletes in 14 years, Bucknell is clearly at the head of the class in terms of upholding the scholar-athlete model.

The addition of the Kenneth G. Langone Athletics and Recreation Center, one of the finest collegiate athletics and recreation facilities of its kind in the nation, will help ensure the continuation of that success.

The facility enhances each of Bucknell's 26 varsity athletics programs and greatly expands the scope of its growing intramural and recreational sports offerings. A visually appealing structure located along Moore Avenue on the "downhill" side of campus, the Langone Athletics and Recreation Center was designed to reach out to all members of the campus community, including the student body, varsity student-athletes, faculty, staff and alumni.

Three primary venues lie within the facility: the Arthur D. Kinney Jr. Natatorium, the 4,000-seat Gary A. Sojka Pavilion and the Krebs Family Fitness Center, which includes the Berger Family Weight Room. Other features include a new location for the Bucknell Athletics Hall of Fame, a display of Bucknell's Congressional Medal of Honor recipients, a sports medicine and athletic training suite, classrooms, modern offices for coaches and staff and increased locker room space for varsity and recreational athletes.

The building was formally dedicated on Apr. 25, 2003, in honor of noted entrepreneur and philanthropist Ken Langone, a 1957 Bucknell graduate who, along with his wife Elaine, pledged \$11 million toward the center's construction. Langone was a member of the university Board of Trustees from 1980 to 1996.

One of the special qualities of the Langone Athletics and Recreation Center is the manner in which it supplements the pre-existing facilities. The brand new construction surrounds Gerhard Fieldhouse and historic Davis Gymnasium, which has been restored as a competition venue for the Bison volleyball team, as well as intramural, recreation and other varsity practice activities.

MAJOR FIELDS OF STUDY

ARTS & SCIENCES DEPARTMENTS: Accounting, Animal Behavior, Anthropology, Art, Biology, Business Administration, Cell Biology & Biochemistry, Chemistry, Classics, Comparative Western Humanities, East Asian Studies (Chinese, Japanese), Economics, Education (Early Childhood Development, Elementary, Secondary, and Educational Research), English, Environmental Studies, French, Geography, Geology, German, History, International Relations, Latin American Studies, Mathematics, Music (Music Education, Music History, Music Theory & Composition, Performance), Philosophy, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, Religion, Russian, Sociology, Theater, and Women's Studies. **ENGINEERING DEPARTMENTS:** Chemical, Civil & Environmental, Computer Science, Electrical, and Mechanical.



LEADERS ON THE FIELD AND IN THE CLASSROOM

The Bucknell baseball team's performance in the classroom in spring 2004 was recognized by the Patriot League as 17 members of the Bison squad were named to the Patriot League Academic Honor Roll. That number almost doubles the total of any other school. To be eligible, student-athletes needed to carry at least a 3.2 GPA and earn a varsity letter during the spring semester. Bucknell's 17 led Lafayette's nine, Army's six, five each by Lehigh and Holy Cross, and four by Navy. On the field, the Bison finished 20-24 overall, 7-13 in Patriot League competition. Seventeen baseball players made the honor roll in '03-04:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MAJOR(s)</u>
Matt Belmont	Economics
Phil Bunting	Geology
Matt Capece	Civil Engineering
Matt Curry	Civil Engineering
Marc Cussatt	Accounting
Matt Daley	Accounting
Brian Day	Chemistry
Greg Ekimoff	Electrical Engineering
Phil Futrick	Management
Chris Grandizio	English
Ryan Grysevicz	Accounting
Brian Hirschberg	Economics
Chris Mahony	Economics
Cory Nadler	Env. Studies
Tim Peacock	Accounting
Ben Stoll	Management
Pete Wolf	Economics

(2005 returnees in **bold**)

	<u>Baseball</u>
g.p.a., Spring 2004	3.32
g.p.a., cumulative	3.24
dean's list (3.5)	14



Sophomore Chris Grandizio, a member of the Patriot League Academic Honor Roll, was Bucknell's second-leading hitter in 2004 with a .349 average.

The Patriot League is proud of its mission of promoting opportunities for "Today's Scholar-Athletes, Tomorrow's Leaders." The League led NCAA Division I conferences in graduation rates for the fifth-straight year in 2003. Patriot League graduates consistently excel as professionals in their chosen fields and are contributors to the betterment of society.

Patriot League teams and scholar-athletes are also achieving triumphs and accolades on the intercollegiate fields of competition:

Consider some recent team successes:

- Two PL teams advanced to their respective NCAA Championship game in 2003-04 (Colgate football and Navy men's lacrosse);
- The Patriot League advanced three teams to an NCAA Championship Tournament twice in the last two years (2002 men's soccer and 2004 men's lacrosse);
- The Patriot League has advanced a team to the quarterfinal round of the NCAA Division I-AA Football Championship five of the last six years, including three wins each by Colgate and Lehigh.

Individual achievements have been similarly impressive:

- Colgate junior Jamaal Branch won the 2003 Walter Payton Award as the outstanding Division I-AA football player;
- Three-time PL Volleyball Player of the Year Karla Kucerkova of American won her second-straight CoSIDA Academic All-American of the Year award in 2003;
- Bucknell's Molly Creamer was a first-round draft pick, No. 10 overall, by the New York Liberty in the 2003 WNBA draft. She was one of a handful of former PL standouts playing professional basketball overseas in 2003-04;
- Navy's Richie Meade was named the national Coach of the Year in men's lacrosse while sophomore Matt Russell was a first-team All-American and national Goalie of the Year;
- Colgate's John Frieser earned first-team Academic All-American honors, won two post-graduate scholarships and signed a free-agent contract with the NFL St. Louis Rams;
- Kevin Miller of Bucknell and Drew Bigna of Holy Cross were selected in the 2004 Major League Baseball June free-agent draft. It marks the sixth-straight year at least one Patriot League player was picked in the draft.
- A handful of men's soccer (Steve Fisher and Evan Bruno of Lehigh) and men's lacrosse (Army' Jeff Bryan along with Blaise Fletcher and Justin Sussman of Bucknell) players also were drafted or began professional playing careers this year.
- Navy's Billy Hurley capped his All-America collegiate golf career as the winner of the Byron Nelson Award and as a second-team CoSIDA Academic All-American.

The Patriot League's athletic success is achieved while remaining committed to its founding principle that student-athletes are academically representative of their class. Participation in athletics at Patriot League institutions is viewed as an important component of a well-rounded education.

The origins of Patriot League excellence date back to 1986 with the inception of a successful Division I-AA football conference. In 1990, the Patriot League expanded to an all-sports conference, now featuring 23 championship sports.

Full League members include American, Army, Bucknell, Colgate, Holy Cross, Lafayette, Lehigh and Navy. Associate members include Fordham and Georgetown for football and Villanova in women's lacrosse.

These member institutions are among the oldest and most prestigious in the nation. Alumni from Patriot League institutions have played a leadership role in the shaping of our country.

"The Patriot League — Today's Scholar-Athletes, Tomorrow's Leaders" is still the League's primary vision. However, the League is demonstrating annually that our student-athletes really can play.



Senior Evan Weiss will see significant time in the Bison outfield this season.



BACK ALIVE IN 2005

After finishing 20-24 overall and 7-13 in the Patriot League in 2004, head coach Gene Depew and the Bison baseball squad are hoping to bounce back to the top of the Patriot League and if history repeats itself, the Bison will stand atop the PL at season's end.

"I hope our pattern repeats," said Depew. Beginning in 2000, the Bison have followed every down year with a Patriot League title. With down years in '00 and '02, the Bison rebounded with league titles in '01 and '03, and hope for the same odd-year result in '05.

"We got out to a good start in 2004, but hit a slump in the second half of the season," said Depew. "We didn't meet our expectations, especially in the Patriot League. I hope that we're going to use these challenging experiences to make us better in '05."

CATCHERS

Senior Phil Bunting returns as Bucknell's top catcher in his fourth and final year in a Bison uniform. Bunting, a second team all-league selection in 2003, has been a mainstay behind the plate in all of his three years at Bucknell. The Bison also have a good amount of depth at the position, with senior Matt Belmont, who has made a solid contribution in the bullpen in previous years, ready to step in and make an impact as well as freshman talents Neal White and Shawn Hirsch.

PITCHERS

Depew describes this year's pitching staff as "different than other years," as the Bison hurlers don't have the stand-out ability and draft quality pitchers that typically grace the Bucknell mound. The lack of a big time pitcher does not mean the Bison are lacking in talent.

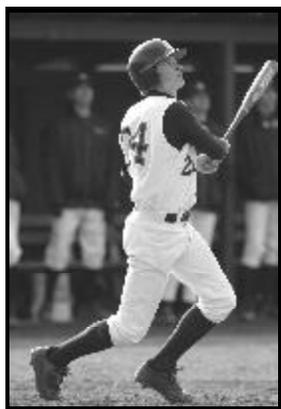
"We have 10 to 12 capable guys on our pitching staff," said Depew. "We will utilize the bullpen a lot more because of the evenness of talent."

Because all the Bison pitchers are so evenly skilled, Depew and company will use the early part of the season to determine the season's four starters.

Sophomore Nathan Mittag is the leading returner after striking out 21 in 16 appearances last season. Mittag also led the team in saves with five.

Depew is looking at senior Tim Peacock, junior Mark Cussatt and sophomore Matt Curry as the leading candidates for starting positions. Jacob Moss, Jon Black, Ryan Gryskevicz and Luke Mara will add depth to the Bison bullpen.

Junior Phil Futrick, the Patriot League Rookie of the Year in 2003, will also see significant playing time this season. "If he's healthy," said Depew. "He could be anywhere from our number-one starter to a closer as he was his freshman year."



Junior Kyle Walter is the lone returning all-league selection from last season.

INFIELDERS

The Bison infield will see the biggest changes during the 2005 season after losing three of four infielders to graduation. Bucknell will be faced with the task of replacing Sam Moss at second base, Ben Stoll at shortstop and Steve Stutzman at third base.

Senior tri-captain Brian Day will be the lone returner at first base. Day, the 2003 PL Tournament MVP, started 39 games last season, the second-most of any returner.

Junior Matt Capece will take over

duties at shortstop after seeing time at three different positions last season while junior Brad Duvall will man second base after backing up the position for the past two years. Sophomore Chris Brannon will be the main backup for the middle infield.

At third base, the Bison will rely on freshmen Jason Buursma and Ed Rubbo to step right in and man the hot corner.

OUTFIELDERS

Depew describes his outfield as the strongest area of the team with all three players on last year's squad being selected to the all-league team. Depew is confident that the Bison have the talent and depth to quickly replace Brian Hirshberg and Chris Mahoney who were lost to graduation.

The lone returning all-league selection Kyle Walter, a junior, returns to play center field for the third straight season. After an All-America freshman campaign, Walter didn't disappoint in his sophomore season, leading the team in hitting with a .372 average as well as producing the top totals in virtually every offensive category.

Senior Evan Weiss will be expected to step into the Bison outfield along with sophomore Chris Grandizio, the team's second-leading hitter in 2004. Gryskevicz is also expected to see time in the Bison outfield as well as on the mound.

Providing even more depth will be freshmen Mike Barrett, Austin Turban and Chris Pieper.



Sophomore Ryan Gryskevicz, a pitcher last season, will see time in the Bison outfield as well as the mound this season.

SCHEDULE

"This season's schedule is the most challenging we have ever had, especially in the first month before we open up in league play," said Depew.

The Bison begin the season with a three-game series against Virginia from the powerful Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) followed by another three-game outing against Liberty from the Big South Conference. All this in the month of February.

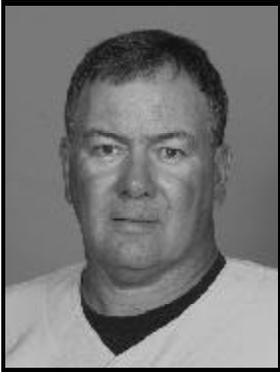
In March, the Bison take on Cornell in a four-game matchup before heading to Bradenton, Fla. for seven games over spring break. Before the end of March, Bucknell will play five games against Big Ten opponents.

Bucknell will play Indiana, Iowa and Ohio State while on spring break before meeting Penn State for a double-header on March 23. Depew says the level of talent the Bison will face prior to their league schedule, will do nothing but help his Bison troops.

"The schedule will be a challenge for us," said Depew. "But it will also be a good opportunity to prepare against the level of competition we need to be ready for in the Patriot League."

The Bison will play three of their five PL series away from the confines of Depew Field, opening up the PL season at Navy on April 2-3. The team plays at Lehigh on April 9-10, and at Holy Cross on April 30 and May 1. On the PL home slate will be Army on April 16-17 and Lafayette on April 23-24.





GENE DEPEW
HEAD COACH
24TH SEASON

Guided by the 2003 Patriot League Coach of the Year, Gene Depew, Bucknell baseball has enjoyed a renaissance since the program made its first NCAA Tournament appearance in 1996. When he began his head coaching career in 1982, he inherited a team that was 6-20 the year before and 3-17 in 1980. In the past eight seasons,

Bucknell has been in the top two in the Patriot League standings six times. During that span, they have made three NCAA Tournament appearances (1996, 2001, and 2003).

Since 1996, Bucknell has broken the 20-win plateau every year, with the exception of 2002, and Depew's career winning percentage of .466 (392-450-5) is the best at Bucknell since Williams Lane's career ended in 1957.

Since 1991, when the Patriot League began honoring its baseball athletes and coaches with annual awards, Depew has won the Coach of the Year award three times (1993, 1996, 2003). He has had three Patriot League Pitchers of the Year (Mike Tomko, 1996; Mike Anders, 1998; Kevin Miller, 2003) and one Player of the Year (Kevin Silverman, 1996). Depew has also placed 55 athletes on Patriot League first and second teams. In the classroom, Bucknell baseball has had nine Verizon Academic All-Americans since 1992.

A 1971 Bucknell graduate, Depew is entering his 24th season as the Bison's head coach and has the longest tenure of any coach in Bucknell baseball history. He has directed his teams to 412 victories, more than three times the amount of any coach in school history. To honor that, Bucknell's baseball field was renamed Depew Field during the 2003 season.

A native of Mifflintown, Pa., Depew was the recipient of both a bachelor and master of science degree in education from Bucknell. Football was the first sport for which Depew was a coach, as he oversaw the Bison gridgers' defensive line from 1972-1992. It was in 1974 that Depew began his current occupation, first as an assistant coach for the baseball team until 1981, after which he assumed the lead role.

As an undergraduate, Depew was a standout football player for the Bison. He was a three-year letterwinner and co-captained the squad in

1970. He played every position on the defensive line, and was described by his head coach as "being as hard-nosed as they come. He has excellent speed and size for a defensive lineman." In 1969, he was named All-Middle Atlantic Conference honorable mention. Depew has two brothers who also played football for Bucknell, Terry ('73) and Alvin ('81).

Gene and his wife, Debbie, reside in Mifflinburg and are the parents of a daughter, Erin, a member of the class of '06 at Bucknell, and a son, William (17).



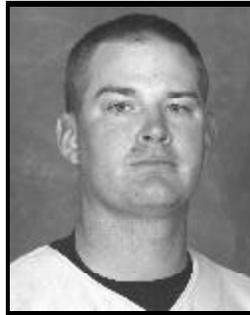
BRIAN HOYT
ASSISTANT COACH
13TH SEASON

Brian Hoyt will begin his 17th season of involvement with the Bison baseball program this year, including his 12 years as an assistant coach and four years as a player. A 1987 graduate of Bucknell, Hoyt spent four years on the Bison squad, play-

ing outfield for coach Depew.

Hoyt's coaching duties include working with the outfielders and catchers, as well as serving as Depew's first base coach. In addition to his coaching responsibilities, Hoyt is employed by the university as an Engineering Computing Instruction Administrator.

Brian and his wife, Carolyn, reside in Lewisburg with their sons, Cody (10) and Ian (7).



SCOTT HEATHER
ASSISTANT COACH
1ST SEASON

Former University of Arkansas pitcher Scott Heather will serve his first year on the Bucknell baseball coaching staff during the 2005 season. Heather, who had been an assistant coach at Arkansas-Fort Smith since 1999, will serve as pitching coach on the Bison staff.

Heather began his playing career at Arizona Western College in Yuma, Ariz., where he was MVP of the 1996 team that was ranked third nationally, before moving on to Arkansas. Heather lettered for the Razorbacks as a pitcher in 1997 and 1998, then became a student assistant in 1999 when Arkansas won its first Southeastern Conference championship. He also pitched professionally for the Duluth Dukes of the Northern League in 1998.



ROBERT CURTIS
STRENGTH & CONDITIONING

The Bucknell baseball team's strength and conditioning will be in the hands of Bob Curtis, a former Bucknell football coach, and strength and conditioning coordinator Jerry Shreck.

They have at their disposal Bucknell's top-notch 15,000 square foot Krebs Family Fitness Center, which opened during the 2002-03 school year.

The general philosophy of the Bison strength program is year-round periodization with a high-intensity base, supplemented with functional and sport-specific training. Training programs for most teams will employ explosion techniques with power bands and pliometrics.

The ultimate goal of the strength and conditioning program is the prevention of injuries and training athletes to their peak physical condition, as opposed to training for bodybuilding.

As the head football coach from 1975-85, Curtis compiled a 48-56-3 record. His 48 wins are tied for the most wins by any one coach in school history.

Curtis and Shreck are complemented by second-year assistant Tracy Sibley and interns Ben Dearman and Terry O'Neill.

BUCKNELL PLAYER PROFILES - SENIOR TRI-CAPTAINS

FIRST NATIONALLY IN GRADUATION RATES



4&P PATRIOT LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

#5 • PHIL BUNTING
SR. • C • 5-11, 200 • R/R
BELLAIRE, TEX.
BELLAIRE



2004: Started 31 games with 90 plate appearances and 25 hits including six doubles and two homeruns. **2003:** Second-team All-Patriot League ... started 34 games at catcher, with 22 hits, 21 RBI, and two homers in 90 at bats. **2002:** Started 30 of 36 games ... hit .212 with 18 hits and three doubles. **Personal:** Graduated from Bellaire... won three varsity letters in baseball ... geology major ... son of Bill and Anne Bunting.

Career Statistics

Year	BA	G/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/S	SB/A
2002	.212	36/30	85	13	18	3	0	0	4	7	2	17	1/3	2/3
2003	.244	34/34	90	16	22	4	2	2	21	9	5	19	2/1	1/2
2004	.278	32/31	90	17	25	6	0	2	18	5	4	19	0/3	1/2
Totals	.245	102/95	265	46	65	13	2	4	43	21	11	55	3/7	4/7



Phil Bunting started 31 games for the Bison last season, gaining 25 hits including six doubles and two homeruns.

#19 • GREG EKIMOFF
SR. • INF • 6-3, 210 • R/R
WEBSTER, N.Y.
WEBSTER

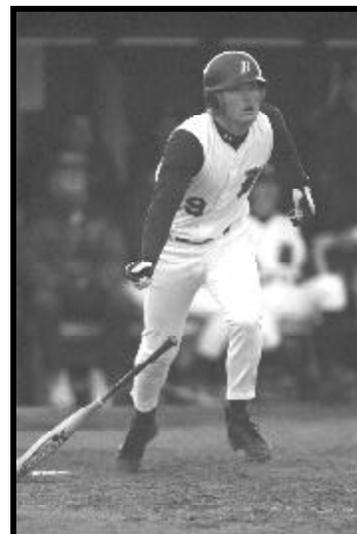


2004: Played in 13 games, making three starts ... had four hits in 13 at bats, including first career double. **2003:** Played in eight games, starting two ... had three hits in 12 at bats. **2002:** Started two of five games. **Personal:** Graduated from Webster ... won seven varsity letters between baseball and swimming ... two-time all-county for baseball, once for swimming ... electrical engineering major... son of Dave and Pam Ekimoff.

Career Statistics

Year	BA	G/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/S	SB/A
2002	.125	5/2	8	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	5	0/0	0/0
2003	.250	8/2	12	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	6	0/0	0/1
2004	.308	13/3	13	2	4	1	0	0	1	4	1	6	0/0	0/0
Totals	.242	26/7	33	5	8	1	0	0	3	6	1	23	0/0	0/1

Greg Ekimoff had four hits in 13 at bats last season, including one double.



#14 • BRIAN DAY
SR. • INF • 6-3, 215 • R/R
ROCHESTER, N.Y.
GREECE ARCADIA



2004: Hit .294 in 126 plate appearances ... made 39 starts with 30 hits including eight doubles and three homeruns ... named to the CoSIDA Academic All-District team. **2003:** Patriot League Tournament MVP after going 4-for-6 with five runs in game two versus Navy ... played in 40 games, starting 37 and hitting .265 ... had 30 hits with 25

RBI and 21 runs scored. **2002:** Saw time in 24 games, starting 10 ... hit .265, five runs, 13 hits, two HR's. **Personal:** Graduated from Greece Arcadia ... received three varsity letters in baseball ... chemistry major ... son of David and Donna Day.

Career Statistics

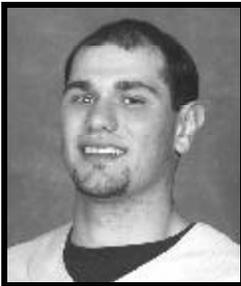
Year	BA	G/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/S	SB/A
2002	.265	24/10	49	5	13	0	0	2	7	2	1	13	0/0	0/0
2003	.265	40/37	113	21	30	8	1	0	25	12	6	17	0/3	1/1
2004	.294	40/39	126	25	37	2	0	3	19	6	14	13	2/1	0/0
Totals	.278	104/86	288	51	80	10	1	5	51	20	21	43	2/4	1/1



First baseman Brian Day had a .993 fielding percentage in 39 starts for the Bison last season.

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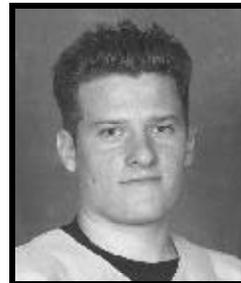


#30 • MATT BELMONT
SR. • C • 6-2, 200 • R/R
W. HARRISON, N.Y.
HARRISON

2004: Played in seven games, starting two with 13 at bats, three hits and two doubles. **2003:** Played in seven games, starting two with eight at bats. **2002:** Saw time in 10 games while starting in three. **Personal:** Graduated from Harrison ... received seven varsity letters between baseball and cross country ... son of Ron and Carol Belmont ... economics major.

Career Statistics

Year	BA	G/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/S	SB/A
2002	.000	10/3	16	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	3	1/0	0/0
2003	.000	7/2	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0/1	0/0	
2004	.231	7/2	13	2	3	2	0	0	2	0	0	3	0/1	0/1
Totals	.081	24/7	37	3	3	2	0	0	3	1	1	8	1/2	0/1



#37 • TIM PEACOCK
SR. • P • 6-3, 190 • L/L
LINDENHURST, N.Y.
CHAMINADE

2004: Picked up two wins and two losses in four starts ... struck out 15 in 28 innings pitched. **2003:** Made seven appearances with three starts and a 1-2 record with a 5.91 ERA. **2002:** Pitched in seven games ... had an ERA of 4.76, with an 0-2 record. **Personal:** Graduated from Chaminade ... received four varsity letters in baseball ... accounting major ... son of Michael and Eileen Peacock.

Career Statistics

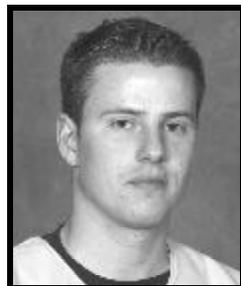
Year	ERA	W-L	G/GS	CG	SHO	S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	OBA	HP
2002	4.76	0-2	7/1	1	0	0	17.0	13	10	9	6	4	.210	1
2003	5.91	1-2	7/3	1	0	1	21.1	24	16	14	14	14	.296	1
2004	3.54	2-2	8/4	0	0	0	28.0	34	21	11	10	15	.296	3
Totals	4.61	3-6	22/8	2	0	1	66.1	71	47	34	30	33	.364	5

#23 • EVAN WEISS
SR. • OF • 6-1, 185 • L/L
LINCOLN-SUDBURY
CONCORD, MASS.

2004: Played in 12 games, starting three in his first season with the Bison ... had five hits in 15 at bats with four RBI. **Personal:** Son of Bruce and Dianne Weiss ... transfer from Ithaca College ... economics major.

Career Statistics

Year	BA	G/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/S	SB/A
2004	.333	12/3	15	4	5	0	0	0	4	6	0	4	0/0	0/0



#26 • JON BLACK
JR. • P • 6-3, 205 • R/R
LITTLETON, COLO.
COLORADO ACADEMY

2004: Struck out two batters in 4.1 innings of work. **2003:** Pitched two innings over two games. **Personal:** Son of David and Jen Black ... captain of Colorado Academy's baseball team senior year ... management major.

Career Statistics

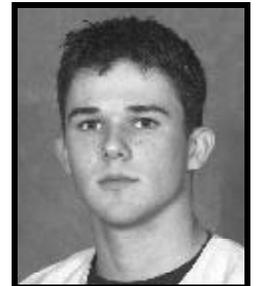
Year	ERA	W-L	G/GS	CG	SHO	S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	OBA	HP
2003	18.00	0-0	2/0	0	0	0	2.0	6	6	4	1	1	.500	0
2004	6.23	0-0	3/0	0	0	0	4.1	4	5	3	5	2	.235	3
Totals	10.33	0-0	5/0	0	0	0	6.1	10	11	7	6	3	.344	3

#11 • MATT CAPECE
JR. • INF • 5-10, 175 • R/R
BOWIE, MD.
DEMATHA

2004: Played in 29 games, starting 15 ... had 19 hits in 68 at bats including four doubles. **2003:** Hit .357 playing in 13 games and starting nine, with 10 hits and six RBI ... went 3-for-5 twice, versus IPFW and Bloomsburg. **Personal:** Son of Anne and Vic Capece ... 2002 Washington Catholic Athletic Conference Player of the Year ... civil engineering major.

Career Statistics

Year	BA	G/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/S	SB/A
2003	.357	13/9	28	10	10	0	1	0	6	5	1	4	0/1	1/1
2004	.279	29/15	68	8	19	4	0	0	9	4	1	9	2/3	1/2
Totals	.302	42/24	96	18	29	4	1	0	15	9	2	13	2/4	2/3



#13 • MARC CUSSATT
JR. • P • 6-2, 200 • L/L
HAZLETON, PA.
HAZLETON

2004: Pitched 16.1 innings in nine game appearances, making one start. **2003:** Appeared in seven games, throwing 10 innings and surrendering 16 hits with a 4.50 ERA. **Personal:** Son of Anthony and Mary Jo Cussatt ... was baseball team captain at Hazleton Area High School ... accounting major.

Career Statistics

Year	ERA	W-L	G/GS	CG	SHO	S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	OBA	HP
2003	4.50	0-0	7/0	0	0	0	10.0	16	17	5	10	11	.333	2
2004	6.61	0-1	9/1	0	0	0	16.1	20	13	12	8	7	.317	7
Totals	5.86	0-1	16/1	0	0	0	26.1	36	30	17	18	18	.324	9



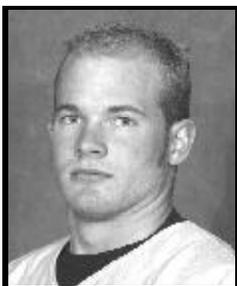
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46P PATRIOT LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

#18 • BRAD DUVAL
JR. • INF • 5-10, 180 • R/R
HAMPSTEAD, MD.
HEREFORD



2004: Played in 17 games, starting four ... had five hits in 22 at bats. **2003:** Had three hits and scored three runs in 15 at bats across seven games with three starts. **Personal:** Son of Mark and Jean Duvall ... in addition to four letters in baseball, earned four in indoor track and three in soccer ... physics major.

Career Statistics

Year	BA	G/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/S	SB/A
2003	.200	7/3	15	3	3	1	0	0	2	2	0	3	0/1	0/0
2004	.227	17/4	22	3	5	1	0	0	1	4	1	4	0/0	2/2
Totals	.216	24/7	37	6	8	2	0	0	3	6	1	7	0/1	2/2

#7 • JACOB MOSS
JR. • P • 6-0, 190 • L/L
FRESNO, CALIF.
SAN JOAQUIN MEMORIAL



2004: Played in 14 games, starting two ... pitched in 28.2 innings, striking out 22 ... recorded one win and one loss. **2003:** Pitched in four innings in four games, surrendering 10 hits and seven runs. **Personal:** Son of Michael and Lisa Moss ... brother, Sam, also played baseball for Bucknell ... international relations major.

Career Statistics

Year	ERA	W-L	G/GS	CG	SHO	S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	OBA	HP
2003	15.75	0-0	4/0	0	0	0	4.0	10	7	7	5	3	.500	0
2004	5.65	1-1	14/2	0	0	1	28.2	29	24	18	13	22	.250	3
Totals	6.99	1-1	18/2	0	0	1	32.2	39	31	25	18	25	.286	3



#20 • PHIL FUTRICK
JR. • P • 6-4, 225 • R/R
SHILLINGTON, PA.
GOVERNOR MIFFLIN

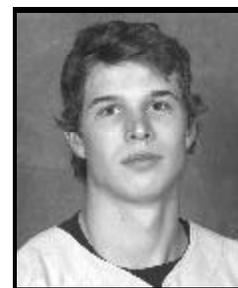
2004: Picked up four wins and four losses in 18 games appearances ... started seven games and pitched a total of 40.2 innings, striking out 31. **2003:** Patriot League Rookie of the Year and Louisville Slugger Freshman All-American ... two-time league Rookie of the Week ... with 11 saves, earned Patriot League season record ... had an 0-

1 record, throwing 15 innings and surrendering 11 hits and five runs with 15 strikeouts. **Personal:** Son of Stan and Wendy Futrick ... earned letters in basketball, football, and golf as well as baseball at Governor Mifflin Senior High ... management major.

Career Statistics

Year	ERA	W-L	G/GS	CG	SHO	S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	OBA	HP
2003	2.93	0-1	16/0	0	0	11	15.1	11	5	5	2	15	.204	0
2004	6.20	4-4	12/7	1	0	1	40.2	52	39	28	17	31	.295	3
Totals	5.30	4-5	28/7	1	0	12	56.0	63	44	33	19	46	.273	3

#24 • KYLE WALTER
JR. • OF • 6-4, 190 • R/L
MIFFLINBURG, PA.
MIFFLINBURG



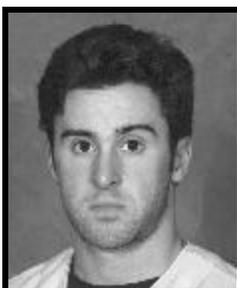
2004: Named to the All-Patriot League first team ... led the team in nearly every offensive category including batting average (.372), runs scored (31), hits (58), doubles (12), triples (5), home runs (7) and RBI (25) ... named Patriot League Baseball Athlete of the Week after going 14-27 over seven games. **2003:** Louisville Slugger Freshman All-

American, second-team All-Patriot League ... started 39 of 43 games in which he played ... Bucknell's third-leading hitter among regular starters at .308 ... led the team in runs, with 30, and third in RBI, with 24 ... tied for second on the team with three home runs ... won league Rookie of the Week honors for week of April 21 ... went 3-for-5 versus Navy in game two of the league championship series. **Personal:** Son of Jeffrey and Colleen Walter ... co-captained Mifflinburg's baseball team his senior year ... Susquehanna Valley League Outstanding Player award winner, 2002, and three-time first-team league outfielder ... elementary education major.

Career Statistics

Year	BA	G/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/S	SB/A
2003	.308	43/39	133	30	41	7	2	3	24	8	1	34	0/3	4/4
2004	.372	42/41	156	31	58	12	5	7	25	11	1	24	2/1	2/2
Totals	.342	85/80	289	61	99	19	7	10	49	19	2	58	2/4	6/6

#6 • CHRIS GRANDIZIO
JR. • OF • 5-11, 175 • R/R
BLOOMSBURG, PA.
BLOOMSBURG



2004: Stole six bases, tied for second-most on the team ... hit .349 with 15 hits and nine RBI in 22 games, starting 12. **2003:** Hit .273 with six hits and six RBI in 18 games, starting five. **Personal:** Son of William and Elisa Grandizio ... earned three letters in golf as well as four in baseball at Bloomsburg High School ... English major.

Career Statistics

Year	BA	G/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/S	SB/A
2003	.273	18/5	22	9	6	0	0	1	6	1	0	3	1/1	3/3
2004	.349	22/12	43	7	15	0	1	0	9	0	0	5	1/0	6/8
Totals	.323	40/17	65	16	21	0	1	1	15	1	0	8	2/1	9/11

#10 • MATT CURRY
SO. • P • 6-1, 190 • R/R
TOWANDA, P.A.
TOWANDA



2004: Pitched in nine games, starting two ... struck out six in 17.1 innings of work. **Personal:** Son of Tim and Nancy Curry ... captained Towanda's baseball team during junior and senior years ... named Northern Tier League Player of the Year in baseball and NTL Co-Player of the Year in football ... civil engineering major.

Career Statistics

Year	ERA	W-L	G/GS	CG	SHO	S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	OBA	HP
2004	6.75	0-2	9/2	0	0	0	17.1	22	21	13	12	6	.314	2

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#8 • RYAN GRYSKEVICZ
SO. • P / OF • 6-3, 200 • R/R
DALLAS, P. A.
DALLAS



2004: Picked up two hits in six at bats including a double ... played in five games, starting one ... made seven appearances on the mound, pitching 5.0 innings. **Personal:** Son of Charlene Cocco and Edward Gryskovicz ... quarterback on Dallas High School football team ... accounting major.

Career Statistics

Year	BA	G/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/S	SB/A
2004	.333	5/1	6	1	2	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	0/0	0/1



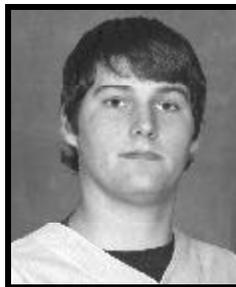
#4 • DUSTIN KAPSON
SO. • IF • 6-2, 190 • R/R
LAKE LEHMAN
SWEET VALLEY, P. A.

2004: Played in four games making four plate appearances. **Personal:** Son of Gail and Dave Kapson ... graduated from Lake Lehman High School...undeclared major.

Career Statistics

Year	BA	G/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/S	SB/A
2004	.000	4/0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0/0	0/0

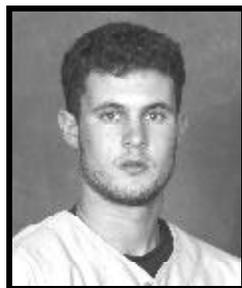
#35 • LUKE MARA
SO. • P • 6-1, 200 • R/R
GROVE CITY
GROVE CITY, OHIO



2004: Earned one win appearing in six games with one start ... struck out two in eight innings. **Personal:** Son of Grant and Elaine Mara ... led Grove City's team in home runs during senior year ... first team all-league during junior year ... mechanical engineering major.

Career Statistics

Year	ERA	W-L	G/GS	CG	SHO	S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	OBA	HP
2004	6.75	1-1	6/1	1	0	0	8.0	11	8	6	6	2	.314	2



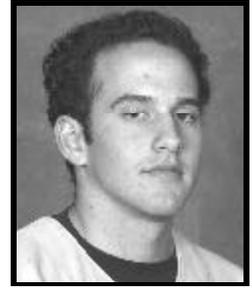
#17 • NATHAN MITTAG
SO. • P • 6-2, 185 • R/R
FAIRFIELD
FAIRFIELD, CONN.

2004: Led the team with five saves ... combined with teammate Matt Daley to shutout Vermont ... pitched 37.2 innings in 16 games, making two starts. **Personal:** Son of Barry and Susan Mittag ... team captain of baseball and basketball teams at Fairfield High School ... named all-state, all-league and all-conference in baseball ... member of 2002 Connecticut State Championship team.

Career Statistics

Year	ERA	W-L	G/GS	CG	SHO	S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	OBA	HP
2004	2.87	1-1	16/2	1	0	5	37.2	33	14	12	12	21	.237	7

#3 • JESSE RETZLAFF
SO. • P • 6-1, 190 • L/L
MILFORD
MILFORD, DEL.



2004: Appeared in two games, striking out two in 1.2 innings. **Personal:** Son of Heinz Retzlaff and Robin Lewis ... Three-time All-Henlopen Conference selection ... Milford High School team captain during senior year.

Career Statistics

Year	ERA	W-L	G/GS	CG	SHO	S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	OBA	HP
2004	21.60	0-0	6/1	0	0	0	1.2	4	4	4	0	2	.444	0

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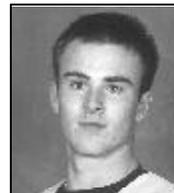
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FR. • OF • R/R
LOUDONVILLE, N. Y.



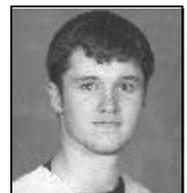
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SO. • IF • L/R
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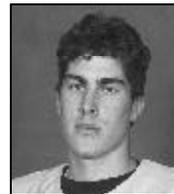
#22 • JASON BUURSMA
FR. • 3B/P • R/R
SEATTLE, WASH.



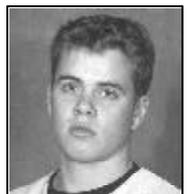
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ATLANTA, GA.



#36 • JOE GREEN
FR. • P • R/R
MIDDLE TOWN, DEL.



#2 • TIM HANSBERRY
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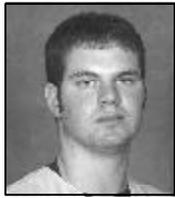


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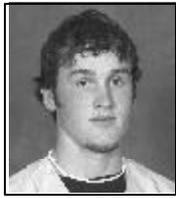


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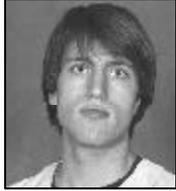
#29 • SHAWN HIRSH
FR. • C • R/R
MORRISTOWN, N.J.

#1 • IAN RAINEY
SO. • P/OF • R/R
LITTLETON, COLO.



#25 • NEAL WHITE
FR. • C • R/R
GLOUCESTER, MASS.

#31 • ED KERSTETTER
FR. • P • R/L
GLENOLDEN, P.A.



#12 • ED RUBBO
FR. • 3B/P • R/R
STAFFORD, VA.

#27 • TRAVIS WHITE
FR. • 1B • L/R
BALTIMORE, MD.



#9 • CHRIS PIEPER
FR. • OF • R/R
PORT WASHINGTON, N.Y.

#16 • AUSTIN TURBAN
FR. • OF • L/L
NORTHFIELD,



Player	Avg.	G-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	SF	SH	SB-SBA
Walter, Kyle	.372	42-41	156	31	58	12	5	7	25	.647	11	1	24	2	1	2-2
Grandizio, Chris	.349	22-12	43	7	15	0	1	0	9	.395	0	0	5	1	0	6-8
Mahony, Chris	.339	41-39	127	13	43	3	1	0	22	.378	10	0	16	3	4	5-6
Weiss, Evan	.333	12-3	15	4	5	0	0	0	4	.333	6	0	4	0	0	0-0
Gryskewicz, Ryan	.333	5-1	6	1	2	1	0	0	2	.500	0	0	2	0	0	0-1
Stoll, Ben	.319	41-41	160	28	51	7	2	0	18	.388	8	1	14	3	3	12-15
Wolf, Pete	.315	43-41	49	23	47	7	0	0	22	.362	7	2	27	2	0	2-2
Ekimoff, Greg	.308	13-3	13	2	4	1	0	0	1	.385	4	1	6	0	0	0-0
Hirschberg, Brian	.305	40-39	128	19	39	9	2	4	17	.500	15	0	34	2	2	0-1
Day, Brian	.294	40-39	126	25	37	7	0	3	19	.421	6	14	13	2	1	0-0
Capece, Matt	.279	29-15	68	8	19	4	0	0	9	.338	4	1	9	2	3	1-2
Bunting, Phil	.278	32-31	90	17	25	6	0	2	18	.411	5	4	19	0	3	1-2
Stutzman, Steve	.269	33-33	93	19	25	7	0	1	8	.376	9	0	18	2	5	3-3
Moss, Sam	.266	38-37	128	24	34	6	2	1	19	.367	9	4	24	3	8	6-10
Kniss, Ken	.250	6-2	8	1	2	0	0	0	0	.250	2	0	1	0	0	0-0
Belmont, Matt	.231	7-2	13	2	3	2	0	0	2	.385	0	0	3	0	1	0-1
Barrett, Austin	.228	26-13	57	7	13	2	0	0	6	.263	3	0	16	1	2	0-0
Duvall, Brad	.227	17-4	22	3	5	1	0	0	1	.273	4	1	4	0	0	2-2
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Daley, Matt	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	0	0-0
Curry, Matt	.000	1-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
Totals	.302	44-44	1416	235	428	75	13	18	203	.412	103	29	246	23	33	40-55
Opponents	.270	44-44	1391	266	375	49	13	26	237	.380	148	41	239	10	19	56-71

Pitcher	ERA	W-L	APP.	GS	CG	SHO/CB	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BA	WP	HBP
Daley, Matt	2.82	6-2	8	8	4	2/1	0	51.0	33	18	16	10	49	183	.180	0	4
Mittag, Nathan	2.87	1-1	16	2	1	0/1	5	37.2	33	14	12	12	21	139	.237	1	7
Peacock, Tim	3.54	2-2	8	4	0	0/0	0	28.0	34	21	11	10	15	115	.296	2	3
Miller, Kevin	3.73	2-5	9	9	2	0/0	0	60.1	61	42	25	23	54	236	.258	7	4
Moss, Jacob	5.65	1-1	14	2	0	0/0	1	28.2	29	24	18	13	22	116	.250	4	3
Nadler, Cory	6.10	3-3	11	8	0	0/0	0	51.2	61	40	35	23	22	205	.298	5	2
Futrick, Phil	6.20	4-4	12	7	1	0/0	1	40.2	52	39	28	17	31	176	.295	6	3
Black, Jon	6.23	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	4.1	4	5	3	5	2	17	.235	1	3
Cussatt, Marc	6.61	0-1	9	1	0	0/0	0	16.1	20	13	12	8	7	63	.317	3	7
Curry, Matt	6.75	0-2	9	2	0	0/0	0	17.1	22	21	13	12	6	70	.314	4	2
Mara, Luke	6.75	1-1	6	1	0	0/0	0	8.0	11	8	6	6	2	35	.314	4	2
Retzlaff, Jesse	21.60	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.2	4	4	4	0	2	9	.444	0	0
Gryskewicz, Ryan	23.40	0-2	7	0	0	0/0	0	5.0	10	14	13	7	6	26	.385	1	1
Stern, Jonathan	99.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	0.0	1	3	3	2	0	1	1.000	0	0
Totals	5.11	20-24	44	44	8	3/1	7	350.2	375	266	199	148	239	1391	.270	38	41
Opponents	5.01	24-20	44	44	9	1/0	8	350.1	428	235	195	103	246	1416	.302	35	29

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2004 Overall Record: 20-24 (H: 11-9, A: 4-13, N: 5-2)
Patriot League Record: 7-13

Date	Opponent	W-L	Score	Pitcher of Record
2/21	at James Madison	L	16-10	Miller (0-1)
2/21	at James Madison	W	6-5	Daley (1-0)
2/22	at James Madison	L	16-6	Peacock (0-1)
3/6	Fordham	W	5-4	Peacock (1-1)
3/7	Fordham	W	5-4	Daley (2-0)
3/7	Fordham	L	11-4	Nadler (0-1)
3/10	Coppin State	W	7-3	Futrick (1-0)
3/14	vs. Columbia #	W	6-1	Miller (1-1)
3/15	vs. Vermont #	W	7-0	Daley (3-0)
3/17	vs. Indiana #	W	4-2	Futrick (2-0)
3/17	vs. Fairfield #	W	8-6	J. Moss (1-0)
3/18	vs. Iowa #	L	9-3	Peacock (1-2)
3/19	vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee #	L	7-6	Miller (1-2)
3/20	vs. Dartmouth #	W	16-0	Daley (4-0)
3/23	Penn State	L	6-4	Gryskewicz (0-1)
3/27	Navy *	W	2-1	Daley (5-0)
3/27	Navy *	W	5-1	Miller (2-2)
3/28	Navy *	L	9-7	Futrick (2-1)
3/28	Navy *	W	9-1	Nadler (1-1)
3/31	Mt. St. Mary's	L	6-5	Gryskewicz (0-2)
4/3	Lehigh *	W	1-0	Daley (6-0)
4/3	Lehigh *	L	9-6	Miller (2-3)
4/4	Lehigh *	W	6-2	Futrick (3-1)
4/4	Lehigh *	W	11-7	Nadler (2-1)
4/7	Susquehanna	W	7-6	Mara (1-0)
4/9	at Army *	L	6-4	Daley (6-1)
4/9	at Army *	L	6-3	J. Moss (1-1)
4/10	at Army *	L	12-4	Futrick (3-2)
4/10	at Army *	L	8-4	Nadler (2-2)
4/17	at Lafayette *	L	4-1	Daley (6-2)
4/17	at Lafayette *	L	8-2	Miller (2-4)
4/18	at Lafayette *	L	14-2	Futrick (3-3)
4/18	at Lafayette *	W	9-8	Nadler (3-2)
4/20	at St. Bonaventure	L	10-4	Curry (0-1)
4/21	at Towson	L	9-3	Mara (1-1)
4/24	Holy Cross *	L	2-0	Miller (2-5)
4/24	Holy Cross *	L	4-2	Futrick (3-4)
4/25	Holy Cross *	L	3-2	Mittag (0-1)
4/25	Holy Cross *	L	9-8	Nadler (3-3)
5/1	at Pace	W	5-4	Futrick (4-4)
5/1	at Pace	W	9-2	Mittag (1-1)
5/2	at Pace	L	7-4	Curry (0-2)
5/2	at Pace	L	10-2	Cussatt (0-1)
5/4	Temple	W	9-5	Peacock (2-2)

- Spring Break Trip, Academy Park, Bradenton, Fla.

* - Patriot League game

BUCKNELL YEAR-BY-YEAR

1886	1-2	1926	8-7	1966	5-17
1887	---	1927	8-7-1	1967	8-10-1
1888	4-1	1928	6-9	1968	0-15
1889	4-3	1929	6-10	1969	15-4
1890	5-2	1930	3-8	1970	7-9
1891	0-2	1931	3-7	1971	8-12
1892	3-0	1932	4-5	1972	5-13
1893	1-5	1933	4-6	1973	7-11
1894	1-2	1934	6-10	1974	5-19
1895	7-4	1935	6-8	1975	11-14
1896	6-4-1	1936	4-9	1976	10-13-1
1897	8-5	1937	2-10-1	1977	7-16
1898	9-2	1938	7-4	1978	7-15
1899	9-5	1939	8-5	1979	10-16
1900	8-6	1940	5-8	1980	3-17
1901	11-11	1941	4-10	1981	6-20
1902	15-11	1942	7-4	1982	9-22
1903	4-13	1943	3-5	1983	14-14
1904	9-9-1	1944	10-2	1984	9-15
1905	11-8	1945	8-7	1985	18-11-1
1906	9-8	1946	4-3	1986	13-15
1907	9-6	1947	4-8	1987	9-19
1908	10-8	1948	7-6	1988	8-22-1
1909	12-5	1949	9-7	1989	14-16-1
1910	8-7-1	1950	11-5	1990	13-20
1911	7-15	1951	9-5-1	1991	23-15-1
1912	15-3	1952	8-10	1992	18-17
1913	11-10	1953	7-6	1993	15-25
1914	11-9	1954	8-7-1	1994	10-25
1915	11-5-1	1955	10-10	1995	19-27
1916	9-9	1956	8-11	1996	24-23
1917	2-1	1957	6-10	1997	25-24-1
1918	---	1958	4-10	1998	31-17
1919	2-5	1959	5-10	1999	25-28
1920	5-1	1960	5-10	2000	22-25
1921	9-11	1961	1-10	2001	31-19
1922	10-4	1962	5-9	2002	15-35
1923	10-5	1963	6-7	2003	27-16
1924	9-5	1964	8-14-2	2004	20-24
1925	8-5-1	1965	7-14		

Totals 1,050 - 1,207 - 17



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TEAM & INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Team Records - Games

Most Games in a Season: 53, 1999
 Most Wins/Losses in a Season: 31, 1998, 2001/35, 2002
 Most Patriot League Wins/Losses in a Season: 15, 1999, 2003/14, 2002
 Best Overall Winning Pct.:833 (15-3), 1912
 Best Patriot League Winning Pct.:750 (15-5), 1999, 2003
 Most Consecutive Wins/Losses: 12, 1969/16, 1968-69
 Most Consecutive Games Without Being Shutout: 134, 1999-2001
 Most Games Over .500: 14, 1998 (31-17)
 Largest Margin of Victory: 22 (Bucknell 23, Juniata 1, 4/30/87)
 Longest Game: 15 innings, vs. Lehigh, 4/10/76; vs. Temple, 5/16/75

Batting

Highest Batting Average:329, 1990
 Highest Slugging Percentage:502, 1990
 Runs in an Inning: 12, vs. Lafayette (Game 2), 4/2/2000
 Game: 23, vs. Juniata, 4/30/87
 Season: 375, 2000
 Base Hits in a Game: 26, vs. Juniata, 4/30/87
 Season: 505, 1999
 Doubles in a Game: 7, vs. Rochester, 5/10/75; 7, vs. Lehigh, 4/28/90
 Season: 92, 1999
 Triples in a Game: 6, vs. Lehigh, 4/28/90
 Season: 33, 1990
 Home Runs in a Game: 7, vs. Bloomsburg, 4/17/91; 7, vs. Army, 4/29/2000
 Season: 50, 1997
 Total Bases in a Game: 41, vs. Army, 4/29/2000
 Season: 783, 1997
 RBI in a Game: 21, vs. Lafayette, 4/13/97; 21, vs. Lafayette, 4/2/2000
 Season: 326, 2000
 Walks in a Game: 14, vs. Juniata, 5/5/70
 Season: 205, 1997
 Strikeouts in a Game: 18, vs. West Chester, 4/1/78
 Season: 308, 1999
 Stolen Bases in a Game: 11, vs. Bloomsburg, 5/4/81
 Season: 93, 1999
 Sacrifice Bunts in a Season: 47, 2003
 Sacrifice Flies in a Season: 26, 1998
 Hit by Pitch in a Game: 5, vs. Navy, 3/16/01; 5, at Holy Cross, 4/9/01
 Season: 50, 2001

Batting - Both Teams

At Bats - Game: 106, vs. Temple, 5/16/75
 Hits - Game: 42, vs. Towson, 4/26/01
 Total Bases - Game: 66, vs. Lafayette, 4/25/82
 Runs - Game: 37, vs. Lafayette, 4/25/82

Defense

Highest/Lowest Fielding Percentage:960, 2001/.877, 1961
 Fewest Errors: 33, 1969
 Most Errors in a Game: 10, vs. Colgate, 4/29/72
 Season: 100, 1996

Put-Outs: 1,141, 2001
 Assists in a Game: 19, vs. Lehigh, 4/10/76 (15 inn.), vs. Lafayette, 4/16/77 (9 inn.)
 Season: 535, 1999

Double Plays in a Game: 4, vs. Navy, 3/25/95 (Game 1)
 Season: 52, 1995

Pitching

Innings Pitched: 410.2, 1999
 Complete Games: 18, 1985 and 1995

Strikeouts in a Game: 21, vs. Franklin & Marshall, 5/5/56 (Don Richards);
 21, vs. Wilkes, 4/25/89 (Steve Distasio 8, Mike Blasius 13)
 Season: 335, 1999

Walks in a Game: 15, vs. Lafayette, 4/1/72; 15 vs. Lafayette, 4/22/78
 Season: 238, 1996

Earned Run Average - Lowest In a Season: 2.38, 1975
 Highest In a Season: 7.25, 1994
 Last ERA under 5.00: 4.34, 2003

Shutouts: 7, 2003
 Consecutive Shutouts: 3, 1985
 Consecutive Scoreless Innings: 33, 1985

Individual Records - Games

Most Games in a Season: 53, Mike McCarthy, 1999
 Most Games in a Career: 190, Tyler Prout, 1997-2000;
 190, Ian Joseph, 1998-2001
 Games Started in a Season: 53, Mike McCarthy, 1999
 Games Started in a Career: 188, Tyler Prout, 1997-2000

Batting

At Bats in a Game: 7, by seven players
 Season: 205, Ian Joseph, 1999 (also Patriot League record)
 Career: 674, Ian Joseph, 1998-2001 (also a Pat. League record)

Batting Average in a Season:494, Randy Ruger, 1969
 Career:408, Ted Aceto, 1986-89

Runs Scored in a Game: 5, Joe Markulike vs. Juniata, 4/13/88;
 5, John DiBonaventura vs. Towson, 4/26/01
 Season: 58, Dave Apollon, 1997
 Career: 161, Ian Joseph, 1998-2001 (also a Patriot League record)

Slugging Percentage in a Season:883, Randy Ruger, 1969
 Career:675, Randy Ruger, 1968-70

Base Hits in a Game: 6, Vic Cegles vs. Juniata, 5/6/69
 Season: 81, Mike McCarthy, 1999
 Career: 217, Tyler Prout, 1997-2000
 Hitting Streak: 27 games, Kevin Silverman, 1995; Randy Ruger, 1969-70

Hit For the Cycle: Brian Hirschberg vs. Bloomsburg, 3/22/03
 Ted Aceto vs. Pittsburgh, 5/4/89

Doubles in a Game: 3, Pete Gorski vs. William & Mary, 2/25/96
 Season: 20, Frank Fresconi, 1999
 Career: 44, Frank Fresconi, 1998-2000

Triples in a Game: 2, by several - most recently by
 Ben Krentzman & Ben Stoll vs. Lehigh, 4/13/2002
 Season: 10, Roger Ahrens, 1990
 Career: 20, Tyler Prout, 1997-2000

Home Runs in a Game: 2, 26 times - most recently by
 Frank Fresconi and Kevin Eiben vs. Army, 4/29/2000



INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Season: 14, Frank Fresconi, 2000
Career Home Runs: 21, Roger Ahrens, 1988-91; 21, Tyler Prout, 1997-2000

Total Bases in a Game: 11, by five players (Don Leitzel, Jim Frantz, Randy Ruger, Bill Welaj, and John Hamilton)
Season: 130, Mike McCarthy, 1999
Career: 355, Tyler Prout, 1997-2000

RBI in a Game: 8, Rob Masonis vs. Gettysburg, 4/6/83; 8, Brad Gething vs. Lafayette, 4/2/2000; 8, Frank Fresconi vs. Army, 4/29/2000
Season: 70, Frank Fresconi, 2000
Career: 157, Tyler Prout, 1997-2000

Walks in a Game: 4, Jeff Miller vs. Gettysburg, 5/14/82; Scott Slifer vs. Wilkes, 4/15/85; Mark Kennedy vs. Bloomsburg, 5/3/89
Season: 36, Chad DeHart, 1996
Career: 98, Ian Joseph, 1998-2001

Strikeouts in a Game: 4, by 10 players - most recently by Russ Lindberg vs. Navy, 5/2/99
Season: 40, Frank Fresconi, 1999
Career: 128, Tyler Prout, 1997-2000

Stolen Bases in a Game: 4, Ed Hughes vs. Bloomsburg, 5/4/81; Ted Aceto vs. Susquehanna, 4/27/89; Chad DeHart vs. Mt. St. Mary's, 4/27/93
Season: 27, Dave Apollon, 1997 and 1998; 27, Ian Joseph, 2000
Career: 98, Ian Joseph, 1998-2001

Sacrifice Bunts in a Season: 16, Sam Moss, 2003
Career: 18, Sam Moss, 2001-03

Sacrifice Flies in a Season: 6, Mike MacNeely, 1998; 6, Frank Fresconi, 2000; 6, Russ Lindberg, 2001
Career: 13, Tyler Prout, 1997-2000

Hit by Pitch in a Season: 14, John DiBonaventura, 2001
Career: 23, John DiBonaventura, 1998-2001; 23, Russ Lindberg, 1998-2001

Defense

Put-outs in a Game: 21, Mark Kennedy vs. Wilkes, 4/25/89; Rich McFarland vs. Franklin & Marshall, 5/5/56
Season: 389, Russ Lindberg, 2001
Career: 1,132, Russ Lindberg, 1998-2001

Assists in a Game: 9, David Kasputis vs. Lehigh, 4/10/76 (15 inn.); Pete Gorski vs. Lafayette, 5/1/95 (7 inn.); Dave Apollon (9 inn.)
Season: 134, Dave Apollon, 1997
Career: 351, Pete Gorski, 1993-96

Errors in a Game: 4, by four players
Season: 32, Pete Gorski, 1996
Career: 66, Tyler Prout, 1997-2000

Pitching

Wins in a Season: 8, Kevin Miller, 2003, and Mike Anders, 1996 and 1998
Career: 21, Mike Anders, 1995-98

Losses in a Season: 8, David Scranton, 1995; Eric Junge, 1999
Career: 22, Ken Durr, 1979-82

Won/Lost Record in a:
Season: (min. 6 wins/season) 7-0 (1.000), Kevin Miller, 2001; 6-0 (1.000), John Kelly, 1944
Career: (min. 11 wins/career) 11-5 (.688), Dick Roush, 1949-51;

Earned Run Average:
Lowest In a Season: 0.97, Dan Correnti, 1972 (4 ER, 37.1 IP)
Lowest In a Career: 1.50, Dan Correnti, 1972-73 (10 ER, 83.2 IP); 1.51, Don Richards, 1954-56 (43 ER in 257 IP)

Innings Pitched in a Game: 15, Warren Bumpus vs. Lehigh, 4/10/76
Season: 92.2, David Scranton, 1995
Career: 265, Mike Anders, 1995-98

Appearances in a Season: 21, Gregg Farmery, 2001
Career: 62, Gregg Farmery, 1998-2002

Complete Games in a Season: 10, Don Richards, 1955; David Scranton, 1995
Career: 22, Jack Recco, 1974-77

Strikeouts in a Game: 21, Don Richards vs. Franklin & Marshall, 5/5/56
Season: 140, Don Richards, 1955
Career: 354, Don Richards, 1954-56

Walks in a Game: 11, Mark Glatz vs. Lehigh, 4/28/84
Season: 64, Don Richards, 1955
Career: 183, Don Richards, 1954-56

Hit Batsmen in a Season: 12, Zachery Allen, 2003, and Chris Lackett, 2001
Career: 34, Zachery Allen, 2000-03

Wild Pitches in a Game: 7, Matt Potalivo vs. Sacred Heart, 3/12/2000
Season: 18, Kevin McDowell, 1999
Career: 34, Matt Potalivo, 1997-2000

Shutouts in a Season: 3, Zachery Allen, 2003
Career: 4, Zachery Allen, 2000-03, and Kurt Waldner, 1990-93

Saves in a Season: 11, Phil Futrick, 2003 (also a Patriot League record)
Career: 14, Gregg Farmery, 1998-2002

No-Hitters:
Don Richards vs. Franklin & Marshall, 5/5/56;
Kurt Waldner vs. Lafayette, 4/3/93
Mike Tomko and Matt Potalivo (combined) vs. Niagara, 3/17/98
Matt Daley vs. Lehigh, 4/3/04

One-Hit Games:
Bill Lane vs. Susquehanna, 5/16/70;
Dan Correnti vs. Delaware, 4/21/73;
Kevin McDowell and Matt Potalivo (combined) vs. Holy Cross, 4/11/98; Kevin McDowell vs. Lehigh, 3/27/99 (loss, 3-1)
Zachery Allen vs. Army, 4/20/2003
Matt Daley vs. Dartmouth, 3/20/04

Two-Hit Games:
16 times - most recently by R.J. Grant and Matt Daley (combined) vs. Lafayette, 4/27/2003

Fewest Hits Per Nine Innings for a Season: 5.61, Kevin McDowell, 1998

Fewest Runs Per Nine Innings for a Season: 1.92, Dan Correnti, 1972

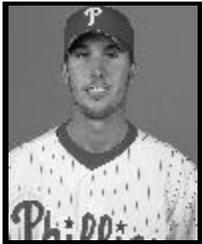
Fewest Walks Per Nine Innings for a Season: 1.16, Mike Anders, 1998
Career: 1.77, Mike Anders, 1995-98

BUCKNELL COACHES LOG

Table with 5 columns: Head Coach, Years, Seasons, W-L-T, Pct. Lists coaches from Unknown (1886-1907) to Gene Depew (1982).



Bison Playing Professionally



Eric Junge '99

In 1999, Eric Junge was drafted by the Los Angeles Dodgers in the 11th round of the free agent draft.

After a highly successful 2001 season for the Jacksonville (Fla.) Suns, the Dodgers' AA affiliate, Junge was traded to the Philadelphia Phillies.

Starting 27 games for Jacksonville, Junge finished the year with a 10-11 record to go with a 3.46 ERA with 116 strikeouts in 164.0 innings pitched.

Once in the Phillies organization in 2002, Junge began playing for the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (Pa.) Red Barons, a Phillies AAA affiliate. He recorded a 12-6 record and appeared in 29 games, throwing 180.2 innings and 126 strikeouts, allowing 170 hits.

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On Sept. 10, 2002, Junge was called up by the Philadelphia Phillies and made his debut against the Florida Marlins a day later, becoming the first Bucknellian to appear in a major league baseball game since Bob Keegan's six-year pitching career ended with the Chicago White Sox in 1958.

In four appearances, covering 12 2/3 innings, Junge had an impressive 1.42 earned run average, allowing two earned runs on 14 hits and five walks, striking out 11. He finished the 2002 season with a 2-0 record.

In 2003, Junge threw 7 2/3 innings for the big club with a 3.52 ERA over six games, with five strikeouts, five hits, three runs and a walk. For the Red Barons, Junge had a 1-0 record in 10 games over 47 innings. He had 42 strikeouts and surrendered 38 hits with 16 walks and 20 runs, 16 earned.

During the 2004 season, Junge spent time with the Red Barons and the Clearwater Threshers. Junge threw in 45.1 innings on the season with 33 strikeouts.

Kevin McDowell '01

Kevin McDowell was a 15th-round selection by the Detroit Tigers in 2001.

McDowell compiled a 2-4 record and a 2.74 ERA in 2001 for the Oneonta (N.Y.) Tigers, Detroit's A affiliate. The hard-throwing lefthander also recorded 35 strikeouts over 46.0 innings pitched.

In 2002, McDowell moved to another of the club's Class-A teams, the West Michigan Whitecaps. He was part of a trio of lefthanders at the top of West Michigan rotation that helped the Whitecaps clinch a Midwest League wild-card playoff berth in the first half and an Eastern Division title in the second half. The lefthander showed tremendous improvement in his control in 2002, when he struck out 123, walked 64 and allowed 156 hits in 166 1/3 innings.

McDowell moved on to the Lakeland (Fla.) Tigers in 2003, another Class-A affiliate, where he went 5-12 with a 4.99 ERA, appearing in 24 games and throwing 126 1/3 innings. He struck out 75 batters and allowed 47 walks, 139 hits, and 70 earned runs for the season.

McDowell remained with the Lakeland club for the first four months of the 2004 season. As a Tiger, McDowell pitched in 18 innings with 13 strike outs for a 1.50 ERA. In August, McDowell moved to the Erie Seawolves of the Eastern League. In Erie, McDowell had a 1.69 ERA over 10.2 innings.



Matt Daley '04

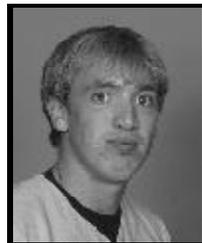
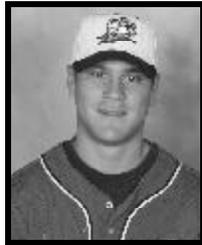
Matt Daley signed with the Colorado Rockies during the week following the 2004 MLB Draft. Daley was sent to play with the club's rookie league team, the Casper Rockies in Wyoming, a part of the Pioneer League.

While with the Rockies, Daley appeared in 21 games picking up two wins and one loss. Daley posted a 4.75 ERA, third best on the team, and threw in 30.1 innings, allowing 16 earned runs and striking out 21.

Kevin Miller '04

The Pittsburgh Pirates drafted former Bison Kevin Miller in the 25th round of the MLB Draft. Miller was the first Bucknell player to be selected in the draft since Kevin McDowell in 2001.

Miller was assigned to play for the Bradenton Pirates in the Gulf Coast League. Miller appeared in three games, pitching in 3.0 innings for a 3.00 ERA. Miller struck out three and allowed one earned run for the Pirates.



Nine Years Of Bison Ball

1996

24-23 (14-6)

The Bison made their first NCAA appearance after placing first in the Patriot League in the regular season and winning the PL Championship. The Bison lost to Florida and Central Florida in the regional, but it was an experience that will never be forgotten. Captains for the 1996 season were Chad DeHart, Heath Mathias and Kevin Silverman. Mike Tomko received Pitcher of the Year honors from the PL, while Silverman was named Player of the Year. The team hit .298 and the pitchers recorded an ERA of 6.67.

1997

25-24-1 (10-10)

After the regular season Bucknell advanced to Patriot League Championship. The captains for the season were Pete Cann, Alex Inclan & Steve Rutkowski. The team hit .313 and the pitchers had a 6.43 ERA for the season.

1998

31-17 (13-7)

With a 31-17 record, the Bison set the school record for most wins in a season. The Bison advanced to Patriot League Championship. Mike Anders received the Co-Patriot League Pitcher of the Year award, while six players were named to the All-Patriot League Team. The captains for the 1998 team included Anders, Dave Apollon and Mike MacNeely. Bucknell hit .284 for the season, and the pitching staff grabbed a 4.77 ERA.

1999

25-28 (15-5)

Bucknell hosted the Patriot League Tournament and finished second after losing to Navy. Seven members earned All-Patriot League Team honors. The captains for the Herd were Mike McCarthy and Eric Junge. The team hit .293 and the pitching crew recorded a 5.83 ERA.

2000

22-25 (12-8)

After the regular season, the Orange and Blue advanced to Patriot League Championship, which was held in Annapolis, Md. Frank Fresconi received the Patriot League Player of the Year in 2000. Seven Bison were named to the All-Patriot League Team. Fresconi, Matt Potalivo & Tyler Prout were the tri-captains of the Bison in 2000. Bucknell hit .315, while the pitching staff had an ERA of 6.26.

2001

31-19 (14-6)

The Bison recorded a stunning year in 2001. With an impressive record, the Orange and Blue carried on the talent to win the Patriot League Championship over Navy. Bucknell fell to Miami and Stetson in the NCAA Regional round. The Herd set many school records, including 31 wins (tied 1998), best fielding percentage (.960), number of putouts (1,141) and 42 hits in a single game between both teams (vs. Towson). Four Bison were named to the All-Patriot League first team, while two Bison named to All-Patriot League second team. Bison catcher Russ Lindberg was the Patriot League Baseball Scholar Athlete of the Year. Brad Gething and Chris Herron were team captains. The team completed the season with a batting average

2002

15-35 (6-16)

The Bison drifted off the path of exceptional seasons during the 2002 season. Larry Scheetz and Eric Fishman received All-Patriot League first team honors, while second team accolades were given to Gregg Farmery. Leaders of the 2002 team were captains Farmery and Fishman. The team finished with a .247 batting average.

2003

27-16 (15-5)

Bucknell baseball returned to its winning tradition in 2003, taking the Patriot League title against Navy at newly-rededicated Depew Field and proceeding to the NCAA Tournament's Austin, Texas regional. Though the Bison were bested there by Texas and Arkansas, the season had plenty of positives. Freshman Phil Futrick recorded a school and league record in saves, with 11, and senior Zachery Allen pitched only the fourth one-hit game in Bucknell history against Army on April 20, winning 9-0. Allen also gained the season shutout record with three, and contributed to a team-record seven for the year. Senior R.J. Grant and junior Matt Daley threw the 16th two-hit game in Bucknell history against Lafayette on April 27, winning 3-0. Junior Kevin Miller equaled the school record for wins in a season, with eight. Bucknell's team ERA was 4.34, and the team batting average was .277.

2004

20-24 (7-13)

The Bison had a slightly down season in 2004. However, by winning 20 games, the 2004 Bison became the eighth team in the past nine years to win 20 games or more. Senior Matt Daley achieved only the fourth no-hitter in Bison history when he struck out ten in the seven-inning 1-0 win over Lehigh. Sophomore Kyle Walter and senior Pete Wolf were first team Patriot League honorees, while seniors Chris Mahony and Ben Stoll made the second team. Head coach Gene Depew picked up his 400th career victory during the 2004 campaign when the Bison beat Indiana and Fairfield in a double-header in Bradenton, Fla. After the 2004 season, Depew's record stands at 412-474-5, all at Bucknell. Bucknell's team batting average was .302, while the Bison pitchers combined for a 5.11 ERA.



FROM THE COACH

Here are head coach Gene Depew's comments on the Bucknell baseball program:

THE BEST COMBINATION OF ACADEMICS AND ATHLETICS

"The bottom line of our program is that we complement a quality academic program and an outstanding college living environment in the right way. Our students come here for the educational opportunity, they are expected to be successful, and they are successful. Our graduation rate is 100% for baseball and 15 players have achieved Academic All-America status in the last 12 years."

YEAR-ROUND DEVELOPMENT

"Autumn is perhaps the best time of year in the Susquehanna Valley in terms of weather and it provides six full weeks of practice for our team. During this time, we evaluate personnel in practice and game conditions and establish our team for the spring. In the winter our players participate in strength and flexibility programs developed and administered by certified strength trainer Bob Curtis. In Bucknell's spacious Gerhard Fieldhouse complex, we also have an indoor hitting tunnel and large throwing areas."

A 56-GAME SCHEDULE WITHOUT MISSING CLASSES

"When spring arrives we look forward to an outstanding 56-game schedule that includes some of the finest competition in the East. The playing season is spread out from the third weekend in February through the second weekend in May, taking advantage of all non-class days to schedule games. All 20 conference games, as well as early-season southern trips, are on weekends. During Spring Break the team flies to Florida for a week of baseball against national competition. A typical weekly schedule involves four weekend games, a midweek game, three practices, and a day off."

THE BOTTOM LINE

"What we have to offer includes a top quality educational opportunity, a campus environment that everyone enjoys, and a championship baseball program. We combine these things into a very manageable schedule which, in turn, provides a rewarding experience for all our players."

The Player's Perspective

Jim Zervanos '92:

"To have played baseball at Bucknell ranks among my most cherished experiences. It rounded out what was already everything I'd wanted out of college: challenging academics, great friends, a beautiful campus. I consider the different person I'd be had I gone elsewhere, played elsewhere, studied and lived elsewhere ... and I realize how absolutely defining my years at Bucknell were, and how grateful I am for what I got to experience there."

Chad DeHart '96:

"The 1996 season (Patriot League title, play-in victory and trip to the NCAA regionals) lives on inside my head like it was just yesterday. Although we fell twice in the NCAA's, it was the time of my life and I don't know if anything will ever compare. That feeling is why we played the game, why we practiced every day, why we worked out all year and got up at 7:00 on weekends. Bucknell baseball gave me the opportunity to experience that feeling."

Ken Corcoran '98:

"I am proud of the tremendous turnaround that the baseball program made while I was playing. I feel as if my class helped lead the program back down a successful path, and I think we set a precedent for growth and development in the off-season, which ultimately was the root cause for our team's success in my last three years at Bucknell."

Rick Ciccione '00:

"I chose Bucknell because of its quality academic, athletic, and social dynamics. The most appealing part of the baseball program is the family atmosphere it provides. To have an opportunity to contribute for four years and have an excellent chance at winning the Patriot League and advancing to the NCAA Regionals is something that Bucknell offered more than other comparable universities."

A RICH TRADITION

1902 Christy Mathewson -- BU's most famous athlete ... Often considered baseball's greatest pitcher ... In Baseball Hall of Fame.

1904 Harry "Moose" McCormick -- Played in two World Series with the New York Giants and is remembered as the man who created the role of the pinch hitter in baseball.

1941 Joe Buzas -- Bucknell career average of .378 ... Played pro ball and has owned nearly 50 minor league teams.

1944 Robert Keegan -- Captain of 1943 team and an outstanding major league pitcher ... Pitched in the All-Star Game in 1954 and threw a no-hitter in 1957, both as a member of the Chicago White Sox.

1945 Bill Lane -- The last man to captain three teams at Bucknell, he was an outstanding football quarterback, basketball guard and baseball outfielder.

1952 Jack Webber -- Played on two conference champion baseball teams and was team MVP in 1952 ... Is a scout for the Dodgers.

1956 Don Richards -- The most prolific strikeout pitcher in Bucknell history with 354 in his career ... Had a 1.98 earned run average and threw Bucknell's first no-hitter in 1956.

1959 Tommy Thompson -- A baseball and basketball standout at Bucknell who pitched in the Detroit Tigers system ... Has coached baseball, basketball, golf, and tennis in a 30+-year career at Bucknell.

1970 Randall Ruger -- Bucknell captain in 1970 and set 13 school records ... Led the nation in batting with a .494 average and .883 slugging percentage in 1969.

1985 Don Leitzel -- Captain and all-league choice in 1985 ... Set three individual records and was an Academic All-America honorable mention three straight years.

1987 Andrew Nezelek -- Outstanding pitcher and fifth-round draft choice of the Atlanta Braves (1986) ... Spent six years in Braves' organization before arm injury ... Returned to action in Pirates organization in 1995.

1989 Ted Aceto -- Excellent two-sport athlete ... Batted .444 and was all-league in '89 ... Played in the New York Mets organization ... Played in two NCAA basketball tournaments.

1990 Joe Markulike -- Hit team-high .454 and was all-league in '90 ... Three-time Academic All-American ... Played one year in the Atlanta Braves organization.

1996 Kevin Silverman -- Patriot League Player of the Year ... Led Bison to their first-ever Patriot League title.

1998 Mike Anders -- Patriot League Pitcher of the Year ... Bison career-leader with 21 wins ... Served as the Bison pitching coach on the team's 2001 Patriot League Championship team.

1999 Eric Junge -- Pitcher, 15th-round draft pick of the Los Angeles Dodgers ... Now on the Philadelphia Phillies' roster.

2000 Frank Fresconi -- Patriot League Player of the

Year ... Set Bison season records for home runs (14) and RBIs (70).

2000 Tyler Prout -- All-Patriot League Second Baseman ... Owns 11 Bucknell career records, including hits (217) and RBIs (157).

2001 Russ Lindberg -- All-Patriot League First Baseman ... Led Bison to the 2001 Patriot League Championship ... Bucknell's 100th Academic All-American ... Signed with the Florida Marlins' rookie league team.

2001 Kevin McDowell -- Pitcher, helped lead Bucknell to 2001 Patriot League Championship ... in 2001, drafted in the 15th round by the Detroit Tigers ... First-Team All-Patriot League selection in 1999.

2002 Gregg Farmery -- All-Patriot League first team Relief Pitcher, 2001 ... All-Patriot League second team Relief Pitcher, 2002 ... formerly Bucknell's single season save leader (7) ... Bucknell's and PL's career save leader (14).

2003 Kevin Miller -- Patriot League Pitcher of the Year, 2003 ... Recorded a school-record eight wins in 2003 after going 7-0 in 2001 ... led team to Patriot League title and NCAA appearances in 2001 and 2003.

2004 Matt Daley -- Recorded only the fourth no-hitter in Bison history ... achieved the honor in a seven-inning 1-0 pitchers' duel against Lehigh, striking out 10, walking none, and putting two hit batsmen between himself and a perfect game ... signed by the Colorado Rockies in the spring of '04.





THE ABC'S OF THE RECRUITING PROCESS

ADMISSIONS & APPLICATIONS

You can reach our Admissions Office by calling (570) 577-1101. To receive an application, please call our admissions office or send a written request to: Bucknell Admissions Office, Freas Hall, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

CALENDAR

A typical recruiting calendar for a prospective student-athlete interested in tennis would go something like this:

**** Junior Year**-- contact Head Coach Gene Depew if Bucknell falls within your top five list of potential colleges. Send a letter expressing interest in the tennis program. It would be helpful to include a transcript. Also, the student-athlete should be registered with the NCAA Clearinghouse. See your high school athletics director or guidance counselor for information.

**** Summer of 2005** -- make unofficial visits to schools of interest.

**** September of 2005** -- Head Coach Gene Depew will be in contact regarding student-athlete's interest and possible visit date. Student-athlete and family should file CSS Financial Aid Profile Form available October 15. See your college guidance counselor for information.

**** November 15, 2005** — Deadline for Admissions and Financial Aid for Early Decision I.

**** Late December, 2005** — Target date for Admissions letters to go out for Early Decision I candidates.

**** January 1, 2006** — Deadline for Admissions and Financial Aid for Regular Decision and Early Decision II.

**** Late January, 2006** — Target date for Admissions decision letters to go out for Early Decision II candidates.

**** Late March, 2006** -- Target date for Admissions decision letters to go out for Regular Decision candidates.

**** Mid-April, 2006** -- Target date for open house weekend for all accepted applicants.

**** May 1, 2006** -- Deadline for securing spot in class of 2008 with deposit.

CLEARINGHOUSE

The NCAA mandates that all student-athletes interested in competing at the Division I or II level be certified through the NCAA Initial Eligibility Clearinghouse. Contact high school coaches, athletics director and/or guidance counselor for necessary paperwork.

CONTACTS

As per NCAA by-law 13.02.3, a contact is any face-to-face encounter between a prospect or the prospect's parent or legal guardian and an institutional staff member or athletics representative during which any dialogue occurs in excess of an exchange of a greeting. Any such face-to-face encounter that is prearranged or takes place on the grounds of the prospect's high school, or at the site of organized competition or practice involving the prospect's high school, preparatory school, two-year college, or all-star team is considered a contact, regardless of the conversation that occurs. We are limited to three off-campus contact days per prospective student-athlete.

CORRESPONDENCE

It's important that the prospective student-athlete get in touch with Head Coach Gene Depew as soon as possible. A simple letter of inquiry into the baseball program will initiate the recruiting process. In the spring of your junior year is the most appropriate time to contact Coach Depew.

ADMISSIONS DEADLINES

November 15, 2005 — Early Decision I Application and Financial Aid deadline

January 1, 2006 — Early Decision II and Regular Decision Application and Financial Aid deadline

EARLY DECISION

Students who are absolutely, 100% confident Bucknell is their top college choice are encouraged to apply during the Early Decision process. Advantages are that you'll have an Admissions decision prior to Christmas and all students accepted during the early decision process are guaranteed financial aid for which they qualify.

EVALUATIONS

As per NCAA by-law 13.02.6.1, an evaluation is any off-campus activity designed to assess the academic qualifications or athletic ability of a prospect, including any visit to a prospect's educational institution (during which no contact occurs) or the observation of a prospect participating in any practice or competition at any site. We are limited in our number of evaluations per prospective student-athlete.

FINANCIAL AID

Bucknell University does not offer athletic scholarships in the sport of baseball. All financial aid is awarded on the basis of need. Prospective student-athletes should complete the CSS "Profile Form" in the early Fall.

INTERVIEWS

Head Coach Gene Depew strongly encourages all prospective student-athletes to arrange for an on-campus interview with the Admissions Office. If it is not possible to interview on campus, alumni interviews are highly recommended. All interviews should be arranged through the Admissions Office by calling (570) 577-1101.

TELEPHONE CALLS

As per NCAA by-law 13.1.3.1, institutional staff members may not telephone a prospect (or the prospect's relatives or legal guardians) prior to July 1 following the prospect's completion of the junior year in high school. However, the prospect can call the tennis office at any time. After July 1, institutional staff members may telephone a prospect once per week (measured Sunday through Saturday). The once-per-week limit applies to the entire institution.

VISITS, Official

According to NCAA by-law 13.7.1.2, a prospect may not make more than five expense-paid visits to NCAA member institutions, regardless of the number of sports in which the prospect is involved. An institution may not provide an expense-paid visit to a prospect who has not presented the institution with a high school (or college) academic transcript and a score from a PSAT, an SAT, a PACTPlus, or an ACT test taken on a national testing date under national testing conditions. The official visit may not exceed 48 hours.

VISITS, Unofficial

According to NCAA by-law 13.8.1, a prospect may visit an institution's campus at the prospect's own expense an unlimited number of times and may make an unofficial visit before the prospect's senior year in high school.

If a prospective student-athlete and/or parent has any questions, please feel free to call Head Coach Gene Depew at (570) 577-3593 and/or visit the Recruiting and Compliance links on Bucknell's athletic website, www.BucknellBison.com. Best times to reach Coach Depew are between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm. Also, please feel free to forward any correspondence you feel will be helpful in Coach Depew's assessment of a prospective student-athlete.

