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3-3 MVFC

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA COYOTES

SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	USD	Opp
Sept. 5	at Kansas State	0	34
Sept. 12	at UC Davis	27	17
Sept. 19	vs. Drake	52	0
Oct. 3	vs. Youngstown State	3	31
Oct. 10	at Western Illinois	21	40
Oct. 17	at North Dakota State	24	21
Oct. 24	vs. Missouri State	40	10
Oct. 31	at Northern Iowa	7	20
Nov. 7	vs. Southern Illinois	34	31
Nov. 14	vs. South Dakota State (1 p.m.)		
Nov. 21	at Illinois State (noon)		

STAT LEADERS

RUSHING					
	Att	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Michael Fredrick	126	470	3.7	26	2
Trevor Bouma	72	435	6.0	63	6
Ryan Saeger	102	322	3.2	37	2
Nate Gunn	38	156	4.2	26	2
COYOTES	377	1,529	4.1	63	18
Opponents	347	1,275	3.7	62	11

PASSING					
	Com	Att	Yds	Int	TD
Ryan Saeger	136	234	1,694	5	11
COYOTES	138	237	1,722	5	12
Opponents	136	262	1,711	10	12

RECEIVING					
	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Eric Shufford	34	402	11.8	55	2
Brandt Van Roekel	28	453	16.2	80	5
Nick Meyer	16	208	13.0	38	1
Aaron Ramsey	13	123	9.5	23	1
COYOTES	138	1,722	12.5	80	12
Opponents	136	1,711	12.6	79	12

PLACE KICKING					
	EPm	EPa	FGm	FGa	Long
Miles Bergner	25	25	11	18	53

PUNTING					
	No	Avg.	Long	In20	
Miles Bergner	47	43.5	63	14	

DEFENSIVE LEADERS

	Tack	TFL	Sack	INT	FR
Keyen Lage	70	9.5	2.0	—	—
John Wessel	57	3.5	—	—	—
Tyson Graham	55	1.0	—	4	—
Jacob Warner	55	—	—	3	—
Andrew Van Ginkel	47	15.0	9.0	—	3
Colin Mertik	34	7.0	2.0	—	—
Drew Iddings	22	7.5	2.0	—	1
COYOTES	613	52	18	10	9
Opponents	625	45	19	5	11

PROBABLE STARTERS

OFFENSE					
Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr
QB	2	Ryan Saeger	6-4	220	Jr.
RB	14	Michael Fredrick	5-10	165	Fr.
FB	41	Drew Potter	6-3	250	Jr.
WR	88	Brandt Van Roekel	6-4	210	So.
WR	11	Eric Shufford	5-11	195	Sr.
TE	80	Aaron Ramsey	6-3	230	So.
or	83	Ethan Fenchel	6-4	240	RFr.
LT	76	Nick Jensen	6-6	285	RFr.
LG	62	Niles Banks	6-5	305	Jr.
C	70	Thomas McGuire	6-4	280	Sr.
RG	78	Ed Kennedy	6-0	285	So.
RT	65	Derek Chancellor	6-5	305	Sr.

DEFENSE					
Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr
DE	45	Colin Mertik	6-2	230	Jr.
DT	94	Drew Iddings	6-6	285	Sr.
DT	56	Nick Jacobs	6-4	280	Sr.
DT	17	Andrew Van Ginkel	6-4	230	RFr.
LB	33	Keyen Lage	6-3	235	Sr.
LB	28	John Wessel	6-2	230	Jr.
LB	4	Ryan Hillier	6-1	220	Sr.
CB	26	Chris Tyler	6-2	200	Sr.
FS	8	Tyson Graham	6-2	210	Jr.
SS	24	Jacob Warner	6-0	200	Jr.
CB	2	Mike Lilly	5-9	165	Sr.

State-U

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guy is in there, it might be more scrambling," Glenn said. "Our kids will be aware of what quarterback's in there and what to look for." USD's quarterback situation, on the other hand, is solidified with Saeger. The junior passed for 269 yards and three touchdowns a week ago, and has also done some damage this season on the ground.

When the Coyotes have been able to run the ball, they've typically performed better – the offense scored seven points when it was held to 54 rushing yards two weeks ago at Northern Iowa. "It revolves around their quarterback," Stiegelmeier said. "I don't think you can take a guy out of the game, but limit his production and be sound like they are." Realizing that the Coyotes figure to be extra amped up today, the Jacks have to remain even-keeled, according to Soulek. Why? Again, they have goals that go beyond

the rivalry showdown. "We take every game seriously because it's the only game we have that week," Soulek said. "But there are only a certain amount of opportunities, so I'm excited for this one." Just as the Coyotes are excited to potentially crack the win column in a Division I rivalry dominated by SDSU. "They've had our number since I've been here, so it'd be great to get one against them," Saeger said.

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Finals

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state's winningest football coach. "We started 2-2 because of losses to Roosevelt and Washington, got Boston Bauer back and got things going." The Knights have been sparked offensively by dual-threat quarterback Luke Fritsch. The senior has thrown for 985 yards and 12 touchdowns this season, and a school-record 2,137 yards. He needs just five yards in the finals to become the program's single-season passing leader.

Fritsch has also rushed for 815 yards and a team-best 16 touchdowns, and has 2,645 yards and 34 scores for his career.

"Luke runs the ball and throws the ball exceptionally well," Kueter said.

Dodi Makwinja (898 yards, 9 TD) and Bauer (302 yards, 7 TD) have been weapons in the running game. Jack Peery (31-606, 8 TD) and Antonio Casielo (22-305, 3 TD) have been a 1-2 punch as receivers.

Defensively, Sam Burnison (73 tackles, 2.5 sacks), Ryan Scholten (63 tackles) and Jimmy Pio (57 tackles, 1.5 sacks) have led a balanced effort. Hunter Thompson has a team-best four interceptions, with Fritsch and Casielo each having three picks. "They are playing extreme-

CLASS 11AAA CHAMPIONSHIP

Washington (10-1) vs. O'Gorman (9-2)

7:30 p.m. • Radio: ESPN-SF (99.1 FM, Sioux Falls), KSOO (1140 AM, Sioux Falls), KWSN (1230 AM, SF) • TV: SDPB

WASHINGTON OFFENSE						O'GORMAN OFFENSE					
Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr	Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr
QB	12	Jack Schelhaas	6-1	185	Sr.	QB	10	Luke Fritsch	6-1	190	Sr.
RB	22	Chayden Fitzsimmons	5-6	175	Sr.	FB	32	Dodi Makwinja	5-11	210	Sr.
SE	80	Logan Uttech	6-1	175	So.	RB	12	Boston Bauer	5-11	180	Sr.
W	18	Logan Eckhoff	5-8	175	Sr.	RB	15	Antonio Casielo	5-8	150	Sr.
HB	17	Seah Benson	6-1	185	So.	SE	18	Jack Peery	6-5	195	Sr.
TE	15	Ty Smith	6-4	205	Sr.	TE	81	Mark Pals	6-1	205	Sr.
LT	71	Matt Farniok	6-5	315	Sr.	C	75	Gage Hillberg	6-0	210	Sr.
LG	77	Bridger Irons	6-4	250	Sr.	G	66	Patric Sproles	6-1	200	Sr.
C	74	Will Farniok	6-2	245	So.	G	51	Billy Daniel	6-3	190	Sr.
RG	65	Stephen Cordell	5-10	265	Sr.	T	68	Ethan Thompson	6-2	226	Sr.
RT	78	Jaren Fountain	6-2	245	Jr.	T	65	Sam Carlson	6-4	240	Sr.

WASHINGTON DEFENSE						O'GORMAN DEFENSE					
Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr	Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt	Yr
DE	5	Joey Wehrkamp	6-2	215	Sr.	T	75	Cage Hillberg	6-0	210	Sr.
NT	51	Josh Friesse	6-0	235	Sr.	T	73	Erk Wuestwald	6-1	230	Jr.
DE	56	Thayer Smith	5-11	220	Sr.	N	77	John Milone	6-4	260	Jr.
LB	15	Ty Smith	6-4	205	Sr.	LB	51	Billy Daniel	6-3	190	Sr.
LB	32	Jacob Skogstad	5-10	200	Sr.	LB	32	Dodi Makwinja	5-11	210	Sr.
LB	41	Jensen Amdahl	5-11	195	Sr.	LB	7	Jimmy Pio	5-10	195	Sr.
LB	21	Jared Gully	6-0	175	Sr.	LB	37	Sam Burnison	5-11	190	Jr.
CB	6	Jack Bren	5-9	170	Jr.	CB	14	Hunter Thompson	6-1	175	Jr.
SS	18	Logan Eckhoff	5-8	175	Sr.	CB	15	Antonio Casielo	5-8	150	Sr.
FS	4	Isaiah Feterl	6-1	175	Sr.	S	36	Nick Walker	5-7	190	Sr.
CB	7	Sean Montilleaux	6-0	170	Sr.	S	17	Ryan Scholten	6-1	185	Sr.

LEADERS
RUSHING: Chayden Fitzsimmons (196-1,017 yards, 12 TD); Jack Schelhaas (106-560 yards, 9 TD); Josh Thomas (77-402 yards, 5 TD); Tupak Kpeayeh (42-306 yards, 3 TD)
PASSING: Jack Schelhaas (101-170, 1,445 yards, 20 TD, 9 INT)
RECEIVING: Ty Smith (29-479, 9 TD); Logan Uttech (22-340 yards, 3 TD); Logan Eckhoff (18-170 yards, 2 TD); Michael Enalls (10-125 yards, 1 TD)
DEFENSE: Jared Gully (74 tackles, 11 TFL, 2.5 sacks, 4 FR); Joey Wehrkamp (71 tackles, 16.5 TFL, 4.5 sacks); Jacob Skogstad (62 tackles, 5.5 TFL, 2 FR); Jensen Amdahl (56 tackles, 11 TFL, 6 sacks); Ty Smith

ly well right now," Stadem said of the Knights. "Last time we were able to hold them off, but it was closer than the final score."

For the Knights to avenge the loss in the first meeting, they will need to counter the talented Washington line, a group that includes blue-chip recruit Matt Farniok (Sr., 6-5, 310).

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SOUTH DAKOTA SHOWDOWN SERIES GAME DAY

1 p.m., DakotaDome (10,000), Vermillion • Radio: KVHT (106.3 FM), WNAX (570 AM) • TV: Midco SN

Series: SDSU 51, USD 51 (or 50 - schools disagree on record), 7 ties; Last Meeting: SDSU 37, USD 14 (2014)



South Dakota State's Kyle Paris (32) tries to power through an arm tackle attempt during the Jackrabbits' victory over Illinois State on Nov. 7. The Jackrabbits head to Vermillion today (Saturday) to face rival South Dakota in a key game for both teams.

JACKRABBITS SPORTS SERVICE PHOTO

MVFC STANDINGS

	Conf	All
North Dakota State	5-1	7-2
Illinois State	5-1	7-2
South Dakota State	4-2	7-2
Northern Iowa	3-3	5-4
Youngstown State	3-3	5-4
South Dakota	3-3	5-4
Western Illinois	3-3	4-5
Indiana State	2-4	4-5
Southern Illinois	2-4	3-6
Missouri State	0-6	1-8

CONDITIONS

Indoors. FieldTurf. You couldn't ask for a better tailgating day in November. No chance of rain, not a ton of wind and an expected high of 63 degrees.

ONLINE

The Press & Dakotan's Jeremy Hoec posts updates to his Twitter page during every South Dakota home game. Find it at twitter.com/jhoec. Complete coverage will be available online at www.yankton.net.

PREDICTION

Having already upset North Dakota State, USD could make a huge statement with a win today over SDSU. Are the Coyotes ready for that kind of statement? It appears so, yes. Will they make enough plays to get it done? They seem capable of it, yes.

COYOTES 27, JACKRABBITS 21

MATCHUPS

USD ON OFFENSE

Coyote QB Ryan Saeger had one of his better passing days last week, so look for USD to mix in plenty of deep balls today. Establishing the run is critical for USD. If that doesn't get going, the Coyotes are in trouble. Let's give the Jacks a slight edge.

USD ON DEFENSE

The first question for the Coyotes would be, which QB are you going to be facing? Zach Lujan or Taryn Christion? Each presents a different challenge, but perhaps the biggest challenge is defending WR Jake Wieneke. Getting pressure up front is the key for USD, so let's give the Coyotes the edge.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Paul Anderson. USD is going to need the kick returner to have a big day. If the Jacks pin the Coyotes deep, it limits what USD can do. We'll give the edge to USD, with kicker/punter Miles Bergner.

INTANGIBLES

Pressure. USD has nine sacks over its last two games (which is one more than all of last season), and its defensive front is on a roll lately. If the Coyotes are able to pressure Lujan or Christion, the Jacks could be in trouble. Slight edge to USD.

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SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY JACKRABBITS

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RUSHING					
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Brady Mengare					