

**WOLFPACK
FOOTBALL
1969**

**1968
ACC
CHAMPIONS**



1969 OUTLOOK

North Carolina State will have a more experienced football team in 1969 over the one that won the Atlantic Coast Conference championship in 1968.

The Wolfpack loses only three starters from its defensive unit with most of the losses on offense. Twelve lettermen are missing and 21 return.

"While we'll have more experience than last year, it won't be like it was in 1967," says Wolfpack Coach Earle Edwards, entering his sixteenth season at State. In 15 years under Edwards, State has won or shared five ACC titles and has been second in the league three times.

Major Losses

"We have to replace center Carey Metts (second team all-America), all-ACC halfback Bobby Hall, fullback Settle Dockery, quarterback Jack Klebe, and all-America kicking specialist Jerry Warren on offense. End Mark Capuano, all-ACC the past two years, and cornerbacks Paul Reid and Dick Idol are our defensive losses," added Edwards.

"Regardless of the ability on hand, it will be the most difficult schedule we have played. That may have more to do with our 1969 outlook than any assessment of the squad personnel."

Hudson-Carpenter Tough Duo

Heading State's defensive unit, which has led the ACC in total defense for the past three years, is all-America tackle Ron Carpenter and speedy secondary men Jack Whitley and Gary Yount. All three were all-ACC last year. Carpenter has the size, speed and determination to be as good as any lineman in the nation. Whitley led the ACC in interception return yardage and punt returns last year as a sophomore, while Yount was the top punter in the league. Tackle Art Hudson teams with Carpenter to give the Pack a strong starting tackle duo.

The Pack has experienced linebackers, headed by Mike Hilka, but must find replacements at both offensive and defensive end, and get good play from some young players to have any kind of suitable depth.

Don Jordan, a strong and quick guard who returns after all-ACC honors in 1968, and steady Marvin Tharp at tackle, head the offensive line, where it will be difficult to replace Metts, who started 31 consecutive games.

Moody at Quarterback

The quarterback position will be in the hands of junior Darrell Moody, who was in for 52 plays last year. "Moody is a good athlete and we have a lot of confidence in him," says Edwards, "but he has very little experience, and we have no experience behind him."

Charlie Bowers, who rushed for 706 yards last year, and speedy Leon Mason are top runners and represent the backfield experience. But "what kind of blocking help they get will determine their effectiveness," adds Edwards. Mason, injured in the first game last year, was given an added season of play by an ACC hardship ruling. Dave Rodgers is the top fullback, while Don Bradley, Butch Altman, and Jim Hardin should become familiar halfback names in 1969.

Top sophomores should be Bradley and centers Dan Sarik and John Elliott on offense, and back Dave Adamczyk, tackle Dan Medlin and end Bill Clark on defense.



Bowers



Carpenter



Hilka



Jordan

OFFENSIVE DEPTH

| First Unit | | Second Unit |
|-----------------------|----|------------------------|
| **Wayne Lewis, Sr. | E | *George Botsko, Jr. |
| Ed Nicholas, Jr. | T | Bill Phillips, Soph. |
| **Robby Evans, Sr. | G | Don Bumgarner, Jr. |
| Dan Sarik, Soph. | C | John Elliott, Soph. |
| **Don Jordan, Sr. | G | John Saunderson, Soph. |
| **Marvin Tharp, Sr. | T | Rich Starodub, Jr. |
| Robert McLean, Sr. | E | *Pete Sowirka, Jr. |
| *Darrell Moody, Jr. | QB | Dennis Britt, Soph. |
| **Charles Bowers, Sr. | HB | *Jim Hardin, Jr. |
| **Leon Mason, Sr. | WB | Don Bradley, Soph. |
| *Dave Rodgers, Jr. | FB | Gary Moser, Soph. |
| Mike Charron, Soph. | K | Jeff Heath, Soph. |

DEFENSIVE DEPTH

| First Unit | | Second Unit |
|-----------------------|----|----------------------|
| **Bob Follweiler, Sr. | E | Clyde Chesney, Soph. |
| **Ron Carpenter, Sr. | T | *Harry Billger, Sr. |
| *Andy Solonoski, Jr. | MG | George Smith, Soph. |
| **Art Hudson, Sr. | T | Dan Medlin, Soph. |
| Bill Clark, Soph. | E | Steve Rummage, Jr. |
| **Steve Diacont, Sr. | LB | **Pete Bailey, Sr. |
| **Mike Hilka, Sr. | LB | Bryan Wall, Soph. |
| **Gary Yount, Sr. | DB | Pete Burgess, Soph. |
| Jim Smith, Jr. | DB | Van Walker, Soph. |
| Dave Adamczyk, Soph. | DB | Tom Siegfried, Soph. |
| *Jack Whitley, Jr. | DB | Mike Joyce, Jr. |
| * Letters Won | | |

WOLFPACK FACTS

Captains: Don Jordan, OG; Mike Hilka, LB; Gary Yount, DB

Lettermen: Returning 21 Lost 12

Style of Play: Offense, Multiple; Defense, Oklahoma 5-4.

Strong Points: Veteran defensive unit, particularly at tackle. Standouts on offense in guard Don Jordan, tackle Marvin Tharp and halfbacks Charlie Bowers and Leon Mason.

Weak Points: Inexperience at quarterback, fullback, center and end. Loss of all-America kicking specialist Jerry Warren.

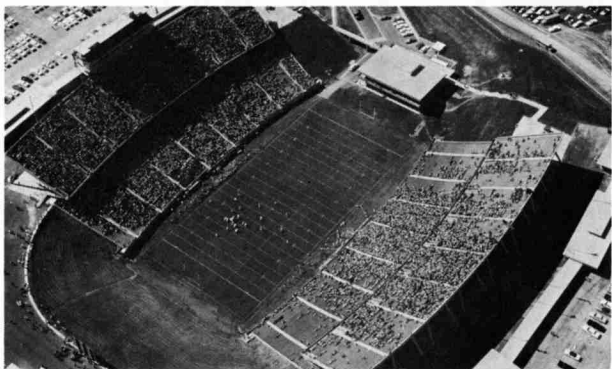
HIGHLIGHT FILM AVAILABLE

Relive the Wolfpack's 1968 Atlantic Coast Conference championship season, which has been captured on 16mm film in full color and narrated by Wally Ausley and Bill Jackson. It's available to civic and service groups for meetings and luncheons. For information and reservations, call the Wolfpack Club at 755-2112.

WOLFPACK VARSITY

| | Pos. | Hgt. | Wgt. | Yr. | Hometown |
|-----------------|------|------|------|-----|--------------------|
| Dave Adamczyk | DB | 6-2 | 189 | So. | Evans City, Pa. |
| Butch Altman | WB | 5-10 | 199 | Jr. | Hopewell, Va. |
| *Pete Bailey | LB | 5-10 | 190 | Sr. | Milledgeville, Ga. |
| *Harry Billger | DT | 6-4 | 233 | Sr. | Pottsville, Pa. |
| *George Botsko | E | 6-2 | 198 | Jr. | Ambridge, Pa. |
| *Charlie Bowers | HB | 6-1 | 200 | Sr. | Thomasville |
| Don Bradley | WB | 6-1 | 180 | So. | Meriden, Conn. |
| Johnny Bradsher | LB | 6-0 | 212 | So. | Roxboro |
| Dennis Britt | QB | 6-1 | 175 | So. | Zelienople, Pa. |
| Don Bullington | E | 6-2 | 177 | Jr. | Atlanta, Ga. |
| Don Bumgarner | G | 5-11 | 226 | Jr. | North Wilkesboro |
| Pete Burgess | DB | 5-11 | 186 | So. | Burlington |
| *Ron Carpenter | DT | 6-5 | 250 | Sr. | Thomasville |
| Mike Charron | K | 5-10 | 225 | So. | Kensington, Md. |
| Clyde Chesney | DE | 6-2 | 202 | So. | Fayetteville |
| Bill Clark | DE | 6-2 | 203 | So. | Wilson |
| Mike Cowan | G | 5-11 | 210 | So. | Winston-Salem |
| Jacques Descent | E | 6-1 | 202 | So. | Montreal, Canada |
| *Steve Diacont | LB | 6-0 | 214 | Sr. | Easton, Pa. |
| John Elliott | C | 6-4 | 247 | So. | Charleston, W. Va. |
| *Robby Evans | G | 6-2 | 215 | Sr. | Raleigh |
| Tim Foley | HB | 6-1 | 174 | So. | Greenville |
| *Bob Follweiler | DE | 6-0 | 191 | Sr. | Allentown, Pa. |
| *Jim Hardin | HB | 5-11 | 181 | Jr. | East Point, Ga. |
| Jeff Heath | K | 6-2 | 160 | So. | Wendell |
| *Mike Hilka | LB | 6-2 | 210 | Sr. | McKees Rocks, Pa. |
| *Art Hudson | DT | 6-4 | 239 | Sr. | Camden, S. C. |
| John Ivancic | DT | 6-3 | 225 | So. | Valencia, Pa. |
| *Don Jordan | G | 6-0 | 241 | Sr. | Tucker, Ga. |
| Mike Joyce | DB | 6-1 | 189 | Jr. | Newport |
| *Wayne Lewis | E | 6-5 | 222 | Sr. | Aberdeen |
| Mike Mallan | FB | 5-10 | 210 | So. | Hickory |
| Marcus Martin | DB | 5-11 | 159 | Jr. | Covington, Va. |
| *Leon Mason | HB | 5-11 | 180 | Sr. | Washington |
| Bob McLean | E | 6-8 | 224 | Sr. | Morehead City |
| Roger McSwain | DT | 6-4 | 218 | So. | Salisbury |
| Dan Medlin | DT | 6-3 | 243 | So. | Thomasville |
| Jerry Miller | DE | 6-2 | 202 | Jr. | Asheville |
| *Darrell Moody | QB | 5-11 | 175 | Jr. | Asheboro |
| Gary Moser | FB | 5-11 | 202 | So. | Graham |
| Ed Nicholas | T | 6-4 | 240 | Jr. | Warren, N. J. |
| John Norris | C | 6-2 | 210 | So. | Knoxville, Tenn. |
| Bill Phillips | T | 6-2 | 240 | So. | Durham |
| *Dave Rodgers | FB | 6-0 | 189 | Jr. | Monroe |
| Steve Rummage | DE | 6-3 | 204 | Jr. | Asheboro |
| Dan Sarik | C | 6-2 | 210 | So. | Lebanon, Pa. |
| Gary Saul | DE | 6-3 | 200 | So. | Glassboro, N. J. |
| John Saunderson | G | 6-0 | 212 | So. | Aiken, S. C. |
| Paul Sharp | QB | 6-1 | 188 | So. | Ahoskie |
| Tom Siegfried | DB | 6-1 | 188 | So. | Hampton, Va. |
| George Smith | MG | 5-11 | 209 | So. | McKeesport, Pa. |
| Jim Smith | DB | 5-10 | 174 | Jr. | Mt. Airy |
| *Andy Solonoski | MG | 5-11 | 212 | Jr. | Hazleton, Pa. |
| *Pete Sowirka | E | 6-2 | 215 | Jr. | Carteret, N. J. |
| Rich Starodub | T | 6-2 | 222 | Jr. | South River, N. J. |
| *Marvin Tharp | T | 6-0 | 234 | Sr. | Vineland, N. J. |
| Bobby Tillery | C | 6-1 | 198 | So. | Columbus, Ga. |
| Bill Vlachos | T | 6-2 | 248 | So. | Fayetteville |
| Bryan Wall | LB | 6-1 | 187 | So. | Charlotte |
| Van Walker | DB | 6-0 | 180 | So. | Evans City, Pa. |
| Dave Whitehead | LB | 6-0 | 190 | So. | Covington, Va. |
| *Jack Whitley | DB | 6-0 | 185 | Jr. | Greensboro |
| Bill Williams | DT | 6-2 | 220 | Jr. | Massillon, Ohio |
| *Gary Yount | DB | 6-1 | 182 | Sr. | Newton |

* Lettermen



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**N. C. STATE'S MOST ATTRACTIVE
HOME SCHEDULE IN HISTORY**

SEPT. 13 WAKE FOREST 7:30 P.M.

See what exciting wrinkles new Deacon coach Cal Stoll has installed at Wake Forest as he seeks to revitalize Deacon football. This Big Four game should whet the appetite of all football fans as State and Wake kickoff the 1969 Atlantic Coast Conference football season under the brilliant lights of Carter Stadium.

SEPT. 20 NORTH CAROLINA 1:30 P.M.

What better way to commemorate College Football's Centennial Year than by hosting the Wolfpack's oldest rival. State and the Tar Heels have been meeting since 1894, and this Consolidated University battle has developed into an early season football classic that shouldn't be missed. Coach Bill Dooley expects vast improvement in the 1969 Tar Heels.

OCT. 25 DUKE 1:30 P.M.

Flashy quarterback Leo Hart, the Atlantic Coast Conference's all-time yardage gainer (2,340) as a sophomore, leads offensive-minded Duke into Carter Stadium. Coach Tom Harp's Blue Devils are one of the pre-season picks to blockade the Wolfpack's bid to defend its 1968 title.

NOV. 15 HOUSTON 1:30 P.M.

Houston's Cougars, who averaged more yards per game (562) than any team in football in 1968, pro or college, make their first appearance within the ACC area. The Cougars, who led the nation in rushing with 361 yards per game, return 21 lettermen from the fine 1968 team that lost only two games. The Cougars should once again be one of the country's outstanding teams, and will be a stern homecoming test.

NOV. 29 PENN STATE 4:30 P.M.

Orange Bowl champion Penn State enters 1969 with the nation's longest winning streak, and with most of the men back from the team which went 11-0 last year. This nationally televised game renews a coaching rivalry for Wolfpack coach Earle Edwards, who was graduated from Penn State and later coached there for 13 years.

EDWARDS ON 1969



"We could have a good football team in 1969 and not do as well as our fans would like. Our team will have more experience than last year, but we have some holes to fill and must do it with inexperienced boys in vital positions. Charlie Bowers is our only starting backfield returnee. The schedule is the most arduous we have ever undertaken at State. We play six ACC rivals, as we do not meet Clemson, and have difficult assignments in non-conference opponents, Penn State, Houston, Miami and Florida State. We don't know what effect the open dates on Nov. 1 and Nov. 8 will have. That gives us three weeks in the middle of the season without a game.

"One of our strengths will be the experience of our defensive unit, headed by 1968 all-America tackle Ron Carpenter. New men at center and quarterback, where all the action starts offensively, will have to come through for us to be successful. But I believe we have a squad that is capable of making another run for the ACC title."

1969 WOLFPACK SCHEDULE

| Date | Game | Time | Site | Price |
|----------|----------------|------|----------------------|--------|
| SEPT. 13 | WAKE FOREST | 7:30 | RALEIGH | \$6.00 |
| SEPT. 20 | NORTH CAROLINA | 1:30 | RALEIGH | \$6.00 |
| Sept. 27 | Maryland | 1:30 | College Park, Md. | \$5.00 |
| Oct. 3 | Miami | 8:15 | Miami, Fla. | \$6.00 |
| Oct. 11 | South Carolina | 7:30 | Columbia, S. C. | \$6.00 |
| Oct. 18 | Virginia | 1:30 | Charlottesville, Va. | \$5.50 |
| OCT. 25 | DUKE | 1:30 | RALEIGH | \$6.00 |
| NOV. 15 | *HOUSTON | 1:30 | RALEIGH | \$6.00 |
| Nov. 22 | Fla. State | 2:00 | Tallahassee, Fla. | \$6.00 |
| NOV. 29 | PENN STATE | 4:30 | RALEIGH | \$6.00 |

* Homecoming

1969 FRESHMAN SCHEDULE

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|-----------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|
| Sept. 26 | North Carolina | Chapel Hill | 2:00 P.M. |
| Oct. 4 | East Carolina | Raleigh | 3:00 P.M. |
| Oct. 10 | Wake Forest | Raleigh | 7:30 P.M. |
| Oct. 16 (Thursday) | South Carolina | Raleigh | 3:00 P.M. |
| Oct. 25 | Duke | Durham | 3:00 P.M. |

FOLLOW THE WOLFPACK IN CARTER STADIUM

Requests for 1969 season and individual game tickets are now being taken at the Coliseum Box Office, Reynolds Coliseum, Box 5905, Raleigh, N. C. Season tickets, priced at \$27.00 for five games, get preferred seating and enable a \$3.00 savings over the single-game price. Wolves Den membership tickets are \$7.00 for the season and will be limited in number. Mail orders must include .50¢ to cover handling costs.