



From the Desk of Dakota State Athletic Sports Information Director



Football Game Notes: Trojans welcome Warriors in DSU's home opener Saturday



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TROJAN FOOTBALL

SATURDAY NIGHT – TROJAN FOOTBALL SEASON HOME OPENER: The Dakota State University Trojan Football team will host Midland Lutheran College Warriors of the Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC) on Saturday night. It will be the season home opener for the Trojans. Kickoff is slated for 7 p.m. at Trojan Field. The tailgate will begin at 4 p.m. by the gate at Trojan Field.

LIVE STATS AT HOME GAMES: Dakota State University will provide DakStats live stats during all home games. Fans can go to the Dakota State University Athletics website at www.dsuathletics.com and then check under Upcoming Events and click on "Live Scoring."

B2 NETWORKS LIVE VIDEO AND AUDIO WEBCAST: The b2 Networks and Dakota Athletic Conference (DAC) have formed a partnership as an initiative to provide event coverage throughout the conference. Fans can go to the Dakota State University Athletics homepage – www.dsuathletics.com or go to http://www.b2tv.com/partner_members.asp?id=73. It will be featured live video webcast with live audio broadcasted from KJAM Radio 103.1 FM.

GAME DAY FORECAST WEATHER: As of Wednesday, the weather forecast for Saturday night will be mostly sunny during the evening and becoming clear at sunset. The forecast temperatures call for a high of 85 degrees and a low of 67 degrees. The wind will come from the south at 15 to 20 miles per hour.

NEXT GAME: Dakota State and Midland Lutheran will be idle next week.

The Trojans will travel to Whitewater, Wisc. on Saturday, Sept. 11 to take on NCAA Division III University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. The Warhawks rank No. 1 in D3football.com poll and captured the NCAA Division III football title last season. University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and has won four straight Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic conference titles. The Trojans and Warhawks will kick-off at 12 noon at the Perkins Stadium.

Midland Lutheran will begin their GPAC conference play on Sept. 11 against NAIA's No. 1 team from University of Sioux Falls at the Memorial Field in Fremont, Neb. Kick-off is slated at 1 p.m.

DAC PRESEASON COACHES POLL: Defending conference co-champions Dickinson State and Minot State sit one and two in the Dakota Athletic Conference (DAC) preseason football coaches' poll. Dakota State was picked to finish seventh.

The Blue Hawks received five first-place votes to edge the Beavers out for the top spot. Minot State picked up the other three first-place ballots.

Black Hills State placed third in the poll, followed by Jamestown College, South Dakota School of Mines and Valley City State. Mayville State picked to finish last.

The first DAC conference games will be on Sept. 18.

GPAC PRESEASON COACHES POLL: University of Sioux Falls is the preseason pick to win the GPAC football championship. The Cougars totaled 100 points and 10 first-place votes. Morningside was picked second with 89 points and the final first-place vote.

Northwestern (Iowa) was picked to finish third followed by Hastings, Midland Lutheran and Dakota Wesleyan. Briar Cliff and Nebraska Wesleyan were picked to finish in a tie for seventh place. Doane was picked to finish ninth, followed by Concordia (Neb.) and Dordt.

The GPAC conference games will open on Sept. 4.

UPCOMING GAMES



Dakota State (0-0, 0-0 DAC)

9/11 @ #1 (NCAA-III) Univ. of Wisconsin-Whitewater 12 p.m.
9/18 @ #18 Dickinson State 2:30 p.m. (CT)/1:30 p.m. (MT)
9/25 South Dakota School of Mines 6 p.m. #
10/2 @ Black Hills State 2 p.m. (CT)/1 p.m. (MT)
10/9 #14 Minot State 1:30 p.m.
10/16 @ Valley City State 1:30 p.m.
10/23 Jamestown 1:30 p.m.
10/30 @ Mayville State 1:30 p.m.
11/7 Dacotah Bank DAC Bowl – Fargodome – Fargo, N.D.

Midland Lutheran (0-0, 0-0 GPAC)

9/11 #1 University of Sioux Falls 1 p.m.
9/18 @ Concordia (Neb.) 1 p.m.
9/25 #5 Morningside 1 p.m.
10/2 @ Dakota Wesleyan 1 p.m.
10/9 @ #13 Hastings 1 p.m.
10/16 Doane 11:30 a.m.
10/23 Dordt 1 p.m.
10/30 @ Briar Cliff 1 p.m.
11/6 @ Nebraska Wesleyan 1 p.m.
11/13 @ #23 Northwestern (Iowa) 1 p.m.

- Dakota State University Trojan Homecoming
% - 7th Annual Missouri River Shootout

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