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2009 KSU Club Lacrosse General Information

Lacrosse Quick Facts

Name: Kennesaw State University Location: Kennesaw, Georgia Founded: 1963 Enrollment: 21,060 Nickname: Fighting Owls Colors: Black and Gold Field Surface: Grass Affiliation: MCLA Division 2 Conference: SELC Official Website: www.ksulax.com University President: Dr. Dan Papp Club Sports Director: Laura St. Onge Head Coach: Ken Byers Assistant Coach: Mark Stopher Team Physician: Mark Tomasello **Team President:** Zach Statham Team Captain: Charles Roland Team Captain: Scott Schulze

Date	Day	TIME	O PPONENT	LOCATION
Jan. 31	Sat.	3 PM	MTSU	KSU - Intramural Field
Feb. 7	Sat.	4 PM	UNC - Greensboro	KSU - Intramural Field
Feb. 8	Sun.	2 PM	Mercer	KSU - Intramural Field
Feb. 15	Sun.	2 PM	Georgia Southern	KSU - Intramural Field
Feb. 21	Sat.	2 PM	Georgia State*	KSU - Intramural Field
Feb. 22	Sun.	2 PM	UT - Chattanooga	Chattanooga, TN
Feb. 28	Sat.	2 PM	Furman*	Greenville, SC
Mar. 1	Sun.	1 PM	High Point	Greenville, SC
Mar. 7	Sat.	3 PM	Alabama*	KSU - Intramural Field
Mar. 22	Sun.	4 PM	SCAD	KSU - Intramural Field
Mar. 28	Sat.	1 PM	Eckerd	St. Petersburg, FL
Mar. 29	Sun.	11 AM	North Florida	Jacksonville, FL
Apr. 4	Sat.	2 PM	Tenn. Wesleyan*	Athens, TN
Apr. 10	Fri.	7 PM	Emory*	Atlanta, GA
Apr. 24-22	FriSun.	All Day	SELC Championship	Atlanta, GA
				* Denotes Divisional Game

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2009 KSU Club Lacrosse Season Preview

Overview

The Kennesaw State Owls enter the 2009 lacrosse season with a different perspective. The team realizes that each and every game is important. Nothing can or will be taken for granted. Prior to last season everything came too easy but the team's battle cry this season is "right here, right now." With more experienced players returning and a coaching staff that has built much from last season. The Owls feel they have a real opportunity to advance into the Southeastern Lacrosse Conference playoffs. Four different players earned SELC awards and they are expected to perform at a high level this season. Many local recruits will be given the opportunity to contribute this spring.

Attack

Kennesaw State's attack unit returns a wealth of talent. Leading the charge is 2008 SELC "Rookie of the Year" SCOTT SCHULZE. His 22 goals and 13 assists led the Owls offensive production in 2008. The teams "Most Improved Player" in 2008 was TIM MINICK. He is expected to compliment the attack from his position on the crease. Battling each other for the third spot on attack will be returning sophomore BRIAN BROE and the highly recruited, sharp shooter MANNY SAVAS. Both are talented players and will see extensive time on offense. Adding depth to the attack unit are JONNY SLUTZKY and CHRIS LANQUIST. These players are good athletes and should add some scoring punch. The success of the offense will rest with the production of the attack. Accurate shooting will be the key for the Owls offense to be successful.

Midfield

The Owls midfield has sufficient depth and experience to compete with any team in the league. Headlining the midfield will be SELC honorable mention player, junior, CHARLES ROLAND. His 15 goals and 8 assists were solid numbers in 2008. Hard running JUSTIN MCKAY had a terrific year as a freshman and will be teamed with JAMES NASSUR. The second line has a lot of potential that will add to the offense. The speedy ISOM WHITE will be counted on heavily. Running along side him will be freshman ROBB DREHER and returning sophomore WILL KANSTIOS. The third line should be improved with the quality of athletes now playing for the Owls. Freshmen DREW GREESON and JUSTIN KRATZER will be teamed with returning veterans ALEX HERRMANN and DEAN DOBSON to balance the field. Other midfielders that will help KSU this spring include MITCH KRUSE, SCOTT HEARN, LOUIS LIM, BRIAN WITT, MIKE MCCABE, and ELLIOTT MITCHELL. Positions will change as each midfielder finds his role on the squad. Depth at this position is a luxury that KSU has not possessed in previous seasons.

Defense

Kennesaw State University returns many of their talented defenders for the 2009 season. Leading the defense is 2008 Honorable Mention goalie KYLE HANSEN. A terrific addition for the Owls this season is NOAH ROSENBLUM a transfer from Williams College. Second team SELC player ZACH STATHAM returns to patrol the long stick midfield position. MATT BYRNE performed well again last year and will be moved to the crease this spring. JIM FAUCETTE, MURRAY WEBB, DAN BITTINGER and TYLER SCHRAMPFER will be used in a rotation on close defense. MICHAEL JAECKEL and ZACH HARRELL will supplement the backline and relieve the starters when needed. SCOTT MATHEWS will pull double duty as a defender and goalie. This defensive unit will keep the score low and make opponents pay for any goals scored this season.

Coaching Corner

Head Coach KEN BYERS has emphasized the need for commitment and dedication from the team needed in order to be successful in the SELC. As a program KSU has been acknowledged as a team that is building for the future. According to Coach Byers "We are getting better everyday. Last year's efforts will be beneficial to us this season." Assistant Coach MARK STOPHER returns to the sideline this season for input and guidance. Support on campus and from administration continues to be very positive. Lacrosse at KSU is an attraction for more talented recruits each year. The Kennesaw State lacrosse program is based on a "student first, athlete second" philosophy and the team strictly enforces this policy. The team experienced success during the fall and is looking forward to regular success against MCLA opponents. Only time will tell how high the KSU Owls will fly this season Everything seems to be in place for the Kennesaw State University Owl Lacrosse Club to continue the success of the past three seasons.



Captains Zach Stathman #29 (left), Charles Roland #2 (center) and Scott Schulze #21 (right) look forward to leading the Owls to a successful 2009 season.

2009 KSU Club Lacrosse Team Roster

Numerical						Alp	habetical	
#	Name	Position	Height	Weight	High School	Year	#	Name
1	Jim Nassur	Midfield	5' 8"	140 lbs.	Kell	Sophomore	9	Bittinger, Dan
2	Charles Roland	Midfield	6' 0"	195 lbs.	Etowah	Junior	4	Broe, Brian
3	Alex Herrmann	Midfield	5' 11"	200 lbs.	Starr's Mill	Sophomore	17	Byrne, Matt
4	Brian Broe	Attack	5' 10"	160 lbs.	Sprayberry	Freshman	10	Dobson, Dean
5	Michael Jaeckel	Defense	5' 9"	170 lbs.	Starr's Mill	Sophomore	26	Dreher, Robb
6	Isom White	Midfield	6' 0"	150 lbs.	McEachern	Junior	28	Faucette, James
7	Justin Kratzer	Midfield	6' 0"	180 lbs.	North Cobb	Freshman	23	Greeson, Drew
8	Noah Rosenblum	Goalie	5' 11"	175 lbs.	Maclay	Sophomore	22	Hansen, Kyle
9	Dan Bittinger	Defense	6' 1"	215 lbs.	Pope	Junior	33	Harrell, Zach
10	Dean Dobson	Midfield	6' 1"	175 lbs.	Lassiter	Junior	14	Hearn, Scott
11	Chris Lanquist	Midfield	5' 10"	130 lbs.	Wheeler	Freshman	3	Herrmann, Alex
12	Will Kantsios	Midfield	5' 8"	160 lbs.	North Springs	Sophomore	5	Jaeckel, Michael
13	Louis Lim	Midfield	5' 8"	155 lbs.	Wheeler	Freshman	12	Kantsios, Will
14	Scott Hearn	Midfield	5' 9"	160 lbs.	Hillgrove	Freshman	7	Kratzer, Justin
15	Jon Slutzky	Attack	5' 11"	165 lbs.	Wheeler	Freshman	27	Kruse, Mitch
16	Mike McCabe	Midfield	5' 11"	165 lbs.	Trinity Pawling	Senior	11	Lanquist, Chris
17	Matt Byrne	Defense	6' 1"	215 lbs.	Blessed Trinity	Senior	13	Lim, Louis
18	Brian Witt	Midfield	6' 0"	155 lbs.	Harrison	Junior	30	Mathews, Scott
19	Justin McKay	Midfield	5' 11"	170 lbs.	South Forsyth	Sophomore	16	McCabe, Mike
20	Tyler Schrampher	Defense	6' 0"	200 lbs.	Kennesaw Mountain	Freshman	19	McKay, Justin
21	Scott Schulze	Attack	5' 8"	160 lbs.	Northview	Sophomore	24	Minick, Tim
22	Kyle Hansen	Goalie	6' 1"	180 lbs.	McCallie School	Junior	32	Mitchell, Elliot
23	Drew Greeson	Midfield	5' 11"	145 lbs.	Etowah	Freshman	1	Nassur, Jim
24	Tim Minick	Attack	5' 11"	210 lbs.	Kennesaw Mountain	Junior	2	Roland, Charles
25	Murray Webb	Defense	6' 3"	220 lbs.	The Webb School	Junior	8	Rosenblumv, Noah
26	Robb Dreher	Midfield	6' 1"	170 lbs.	Etowah	Freshman	31	Savas, Manny
27	Mitch Kruse	Midfield	5' 10"	180 lbs.	Woodstock	Senior	20	Schrampher, Tyler
28	James Faucette	Defense	6' 2"	210 lbs.	Kennesaw Mountain	Junior	21	Schulze, Scott
29	Zach Statham	Defense	6' 0"	160 lbs.	Kell	Junior	15	Slutzky, Jon
30	Scott Mathews	Goal/Def.	6' 1"	185 lbs.	Sprayberry	Freshman	29	Statham, Zach
31	Manny Savas	Attack	6' 0"	175 lbs.	Wheeler	Freshman		Webb, Murray
32	Elliot Mitchell	Midfield	5' 11"	165 lbs.	Kell	Freshman	6	White, Isom
33	Zach Harrell	Defense	5' 11"	175 lbs.	Starr's Mill	Freshman	18	Witt, Brian

Head Coach Ken Byers **Assistant Coach** Mark Stopher **Team Trainer** Michael Tomasello **Manager** Jamie Durio

2009 KSU Owls Club Lacrosse Team Photo





Jimmy Nassur Midfield Sophomore 5-8 140 lbs. Kell

Jim had a terrific first year for the Owls after transferring from Georgia Southern He earned the 2008 KSU Rookie of the Year award for his outstanding effort and contributions to the team as a first year player. He has good stick kills and is very athletic. He produced 4 goals and an assist last season as a first line midfielder. In his spare time Jim enjoys golfing and going to hockey games.

Charles Roland Midfield Junior 6-0 195 lbs. Etowah Team Captain
Charles earned SELC Honorable Mention for his midfield play in 2008 tallying
15 goals and 8 assists. He won 40 of 74 face offs. Charles continued to be very
versatile last season playing on the man up and man down units. Charles won a NGLL
Championship at Etowah in 2006 along with NGLL honors in 2005 and 2006. Charles was
awarded the KSU Coaches Award of Excellence in 2008. He enjoys playing Guitar Hero.



Alex Herrmann Midfield Sophomore 5-11 200 lbs. Starrs Mill

Alex is an intelligent player that was plugged into the Owl midfield last season. In 2008 he produced 2 goals and picked up 17 ground balls. Alex impressed the coaches with his work ethic and commitment. For his efforts he was awarded the 2008 Coaches Award of Excellence. He plays solid positional defense and is quick on ground balls. Alex is an Eagle Scout, a residence assistant at KSU and holds a black belt in the martial arts.

Brian Broe Attack Freshman 5-10 160 lbs. Sprayberry
Brian is looking forward to his second season on the KSU attack. In 2008 he saw spot duty scoring 3 goals and assisted on 3 others. Brian had a strong fall season and will be trying to land a spot as a starter this spring. He sees the field extremely well and sets up teammates for scoring opportunities from behind the goal. He played at Sprayberry HS and was voted Best Attackman in 2007. He enjoys all types of sports in his off time.





Michael Jaeckel Defense Sophomore 5-9 170 lbs. Stars Mill Michael is a hard working defender that is looking forward to the competition at the collegiate level. He comes to the Owls with experience at Starr's Mill HS where he played close defense and LSM. Mike has shown the ability to do whatever it takes to be successful on the field. He enjoys most sports when not playing lacrosse.

Isom White Midfield Junior 6-0 150 lbs. McEachern
Isom is the fastest player on the Owls squad and possibly in the entire SELC. He has great endurance and had a productive season playing midfield. Isom recorded 3 goals and 18 ground balls in 2008. He has an excellent attitude and is a team leader. He will be counted on heavily this season to help improve the Owls offensive production. He was the team captain at McEachern HS in 2006. Isom is very active with team activities and projects off the field as well.





Justin Kratzer Midfield Freshman 6-0 178 lbs. North Cobb

Justin made a terrific impression on the coaches during the fall season. He is a strong and talented athlete that is looking forward to his first season at KSU. Justin will add depth to the Owl midfield this season. He will be a future star for seasons to come. Justin played two years at North Cobb HS prior to enrolling at KSU. He enjoys all sports and music.

Noah Rosenblum Goalie Sophomore 5-11 175 lbs. Maclay

Noah is the first player from Florida to be on the Owls lacrosse roster. This fall he showed great ability to command the defensive unit and made some tough saves. He will be a great addition to the 2009 KSU squad this coming spring. Noah played four years of varsity lacrosse at Maclay HS earning All District and All County honors.





Dan Bittinger Defense Junior 6-1 215 lbs. Pope
Dan was a great addition to the defensive corps in 2008. He is a big, strong and experienced defenseman from Pope HS. He is a good cover man and is very coachable. The Owls will continue to use him on the man down group this season. Dan is looking forward to making another strong contribution defensive unit for the Owls.

Dean Dobson Midfield Junior 6-1 175 lbs. Lassiter

Dean played in 2007 and returns to the KSU midfield after taking a year off. He is a steady midfielder and competitive player that gained valuable playing time two years ago. He will be in the rotation to run on the second or third line for the Owls this spring. In his off time Dean enjoys snowboarding and riding dirt bikes.





Chris Lanquist Midfield Freshman 5-10 130 lbs. Wheeler
Chris will be a terrific player for future KSU squads. He is very quick and possesses sure handed stick skills. He is learning to adjust to the collegiate game. Chris was the Most Improved Player in 2007 and Offensive MVP in 2008 at Wheeler HS. His hobbies include most outdoor sports. He enjoys snowboarding during the winter season most.

Will gained valuable time on the KSU midfield last season. He has a great attitude and will add depth to the KSU midfield again this spring Will was team captain at North Springs. He was voted Most Improved Player in 2006 and MVP in 2007. In his off time he enjoys staying in shape by weightlifting.





Louis Lim Midfield Freshman 5-8 155 lbs. Wheeler

Louis is a freshman midfielder from Wheeler HS. He will be a building block for the Owls in future seasons. He has an outstanding work ethic and is very coachable. He is looking forward to his first season at KSU. Louis will add depth to the KSU midfield in 2009. In high school Louis was a competitive swimmer. He is a big college and pro football fan.

Scott Hearn Midfield Freshman 5-9 160 lbs. Hillgrove
Scott is a hard working and committed blue collar midfielder. KSU will use Scott to add depth to the midfield and possibly use him on face offs in 2009. He has shown desire and effort to compete during fall ball. He earned an Academic Award while attending Hillgrove HS. In his spare time he enjoys motorcycles and muscle cars.



Jonny added great versatility to Kennesaw's attack and midfield units producing 2 goals and 3 assists in 2008. He is expected to produce more points this season and will be used at a variety of positions. At Wheeler HS he was a three year starter. He possesses great quickness and finishes well. Jonny is the Vice President of the KSU lacrosse club. He enjoys working out and staying in great physical shape.

Mike McCabe Midfield Senior 5-11 165 lbs. Trinity Pawling
Mike is one of original three students that first organized the Kennesaw State
University lacrosse program in 2006. He has been very helpful within the
organization and has handled the media relations for the club. Mike is planning to finish
his career on the field this season helping the KSU defense. He is an athletic player
that will see time this spring adding depth to the defense. During the fall semester
Mike studied in Bulgaria and promoting the sport and started a club team there.





Matt Byrne Defense Senior 6-1 215 lbs. Blessed Trinity

Matt is in his third season playing defense for the Owls. He is an excellent athlete and a very hard worker. Matt has the ability to cover the opponent's toughest attackmen. He is a terrific leader on and off the field. He earned KSU's Most Improved Player Award in 2007 and was a team captain in 2008. Matt enjoys playing guitar, is an avid golfer and enjoys shooting firearms.

Brain Witt Midfield Junior 6-0 155 lbs, Harrison Brian is looking forward to his first season of competitive lacrosse and will play midfield for the Owls. He has demonstrated a good attitude and desire during early practices this spring. Brian is a talented player from Harrison HS with solid stick skills and vision He will be used in rotation hard running KSU midfield lines and add depth to the this spring.





Justin McKay Midfield Sophomore 5-11 168 lbs. South Forsyth
Justin was a great addition to the KSU offense in 2008. He scooped up 24 ground
balls, scored 7 goals and assisted on 4 others. He ran on the first midfield last
season and will be an offensive threat in 2009. Justin holds the scoring record at South
Forsyth HS with 33 goals and 12 assists his senior year. He was named Team MVP twice and
earned All State honors in 2007. Justin enjoys flag football when he is not playing lacrosse.

Tyler Schrampfer Defense Freshman 6-0 200 lbs. Kennesaw Mountain Tyler has already made an impact during the fall season. His physical style of play has him pushing hard for a starting spot on the close defense. He is a big, intelligent and strong positional defender. His talent and ability will add to a strong defensive unit for KSU this spring. the off season Tyler is an outdoorsman enjoying hunting and fishing.





Scott Schulze Attack Sophomore 5-8 160 lbs. Northview Team Captain Scott was the quarterback of the KSU offense in 2008. He is deceptively quick and possesses a hard, accurate shot. He was named SELC Rookie of the Year for 2008 and was awarded KSU's Offensive MVP last season. He was the teams leading scorer producing 22 goals and 13 assists. In high school Scott received MVP recognition from Team Georgia in 2005, 2006 and 2007.

2 Kyle Hansen Goalie Junior 6-1 180 lbs. McCallie SchoolKyle continues to be the rock on the defensive side of the ball for Kennesaw State lacrosse. He received Honorable Mention for his play in the Southeastern Lacrosse Conference averaging just under 10 goals against per game in 2008. Kyle was named KSU's 2007 Defensive MVP. He played three years at Roswell HS before finishing at McCallie with a Tennessee High School Championship in 2005. Kyle played collegiate lacrosse for Mars-Hill in North Carolina before transferring to KSU.





Drew Greeson Midfield Freshman 5-11 145 lbs. Etowah

Drew is a scrappy player that will be seen sprinting up and down on the Owl midfield this season. He has a terrific attitude about lacrosse and great endurance. He is a very hard worker on and off the field. Drew is quality product from the Etowah HS program where he earned the Coaches Award in 2007. During the fall Drew ran cross country for KSU.

Tim Minick Attack Junior 5-11 210 lbs. Kennesaw Mountain
Tim developed into an impact player for KSU in 2008. He produced 15 goals, 2 assists and 16 ground balls. Tim was awarded KSU's Most Improved Player Award for 2008. He was the Kennesaw Mountain HS Team MVP in 2003 and 2004. He is a natural team leader, is a good listener and is very knowledgeable regarding lacrosse. His hobbies include golf, sailing, snowboarding and darts. He is dance instructor and writes songs.





Murray Webb Defense Junior 6-3 220 lbs. The Webb School

Murray is a transfer student from Hampton-Sydney College in Virginia. He will help the Owl defense with his size, speed and takeaway ability. KSU anticipates using him at close defense and long stick midfield. Murray has a great love for the sport of lacrosse and is looking forward to playing this season. During his off time he pays attention to investments and the stock market.

Robb Dreher Midfield Freshman 6-1 170 lbs. Etowah
Robb will be a terrific player for future KSU squads. He is very quick and possesses sure handed stick skills. He is a midfielder that plays tight defense against opponents. Robb shows outstanding leadership ability and is a positive role model for other students. He played lacrosse at Etowah HS and was the Most Improved Player in 2007. Robb also received recognition at Etowah as a scholar athlete.





Mitch Kruse Midfield Senior 5-10 180 lbs. Woodstock

Mitch is another midfielder that will add depth to the KSU midfield corps this spring. He is athletic, plays shut down defense and hustles all the time when on the field. Mitch played for Woodstock HS and earned two NGLL championships during his playing years there. Activities on the lake and training to stay in shape occupy his off time.

James Faucette Defense Junior 6-2 210 lbs. Kennesaw Mountain
James returns to the Owl lacrosse squad after sitting out a season during the 2008 campaign. He is a very physical player that hustles a lot and will bolster the close defense. During the 2007 season James played midfield and has made a smooth transition to playing defense for KSU during the fall season. James has great intensity, commitment and a knack for blocking shots from opponents. He enjoys all sports and music.





29 Zach Statham Defense Junior 6-0 160 lbs. Kell Team Captain
Zach received Second Team SELC honors in 2008 and was team's 2008
Defensive MVP with 28 ground balls. He was KSU's first athlete to be recognized as National Scholar-Athlete for his efforts in the classroom and his on field performance. Zach's efforts as President include the team being recognized as the "Best Club Sports Team" on campus in 2008. He earned Defensive MVP at Kell in 2003 and 2005. He earned the KSU's Coach's Award of Excellence in 2007. His hobbies include golfing and fishing.

Scott Mathews Defense/Goalie Freshman 6-1 185 lbs. Sprayberry
Scott is a natural leader and has a lot of integrity. He showed ability
to cover opponents well and play sound position playing close
defense. He will add depth as a close defender and possibly be used in extreme
emergencies as a goalie. He earned Most Improved Player two years in a row at
Sprayberry HS. Scott is a car salesman in his off time and enjoys playing the guitar.





Manny Savas Attack Freshman 6-0 175 lbs. Wheeler

Manny is a player that will help propel the Owls offense in 2009. As a four starter for Wheeler HS he led the team in scoring in 2008. Manny has great dodging ability, sees the field well and is an accurate shooter when he gets around the goal. He is also expected to play on the man up unit for KSU this spring. Manny enjoys music and most sports especially hockey.

Elliot Mitchell Midfield Freshman 5-11 165. Kell
Elliot has a tremendous love for the sport of lacrosse. He is a midfielder that will add depth to the Owl midfield and be a key to the future teams at KSU. Elliot is a quick, athletic player that demonstrates outstanding sportsmanship. At Kell HS he was awarded the Most Improved Player in 2008. His involvement in team projects off the field exhibits his dedicated commitment and leadership qualities.



3 Zach Harrell Defense Freshman 5-11 175 lbs. Starrs Mill Zach is looking forward to his first season as a collegiate lacrosse player. He is a smart positional defender that will help relive the starters this season. Zach has played for Starrs Mill HS and has a blue collar attitude about improving his skills this spring. His hobbies include watching football and exercising to stay in shape.



Jim Nassur #1 rifles a shot towards the goal.

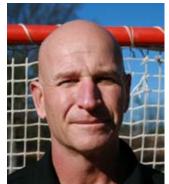
Photo by Dave Adams

Nuggs' hopes to be a rallying point for the team this season.

Photo by Kelly Byers



2009 KSU Club Lacrosse Volunteer Biographies



Ken Byers - Head Coach

Building a successful and competitive collegiate program is no easy task. Coach Byers has the background and experience to accomplish both. His KSU career record is 21-18 and he has coached five All Southeastern Conference players. Before his tenure at KSU, Ken started the program at Etowah High School. During that time, Etowah compiled a record of 45-22 and became an elite team in the North Georgia Lacrosse League. He was an assistant coach at Roswell HS from 1999-2001, earning a public HS Championship in 1999. From 1982-2002 he was a player/coach for the Atlanta Lacrosse Club. He produced an overall team record of 307 wins and 104 losses. During that time the ALC earned numerous league titles and tournament championships. He was recognized in 1992 as "Coach of the Year" by the Southeastern Lacrosse League. From 1991-1996 he participated as an Editorial Board member for Lacrosse Magazine. He played lacrosse for national junior college powerhouse Suffolk Community College on Long Island and then finished collegiate career as a defenseman at Kutztown State in Pennsylvania. Ken still plays competitive lacrosse in national tournaments at the masters and grand masters level. Coach Byers is a member of the Positive Coaching Alliance and has been a certified lacrosse official. Recently, he earned his level one and level two coaching certification from US Lacrosse. On January 28, 2007 Coach Byers was inducted into the Georgia Lacrosse Hall of Fame for his outstanding accomplishments to the sport of lacrosse in the state of Georgia. Ken has served the citizens of Atlanta, Georgia for the past twenty seven years with the Atlanta Fire Rescue Department. He has achieved the rank of Battalion Chief working out of the busy downtown area of Atlanta. He is married to his wife Kelly and they have two children, Jennifer and Bryan.

Mark Stopher - Assistant Coach

Coach Stopher will return to the KSU sidelines for 2009 and be assigned the defensive responsibilities for the Owls. Mark grew up an All- County player for Jamesville DeWitt High School in New York. He attended Syracuse University playing close defense from 1986 to 1989. He earned All-American honors 1988 and 1989. In those same years, Mark won the Division 1 National Championship for the Orangemen with teammates Gary and Paul Gait. He currently is a member of the Atlanta Lacrosse Club. His wife Brenda works in the Athletic Department at Kennesaw State University. They have two children, Brianna 7 and Zachery 5.



Michael Tomasello - Team Trainer

Doctor Tomasello returns to KSU for his second tour of duty in 2008. The Owls are extremely fortunate to have a person of his caliber to render treatment when injuries occur. Michael grew up in playing lacrosse in Connecticut earning two Coaches Awards at Westhill High School. He played midfield at the University of Massachusetts from 1982 to 1986. He has his own chiropractic practice in Kennesaw and works at Life Chiropractic College in Marietta. He is married and has six children.

Jamie Durio - Manager

Jaime has plenty of experience as a manager with Lassiter HS, 2003-2005. He is very knowledgeable about the game and is 110 percent dedicated to the KSU program. Since 2006, he has attended every game at home and travels on the road with the team. KSU is very blessed to have a manager with the commitment of Jamie.



2008 KSU Club Lacrosse Season Review

f I concluded its third season finishing with 5 wins and 8 This was the Owls second full season competing within Southeastern Lacrosse Conference "B" Division. The 2008 schedule loaded up with eight top twenty-five MCLA teams and took its toll on a young, inexperienced squad.

The team played hard in all its games but a very competitive **I** SELC conference realignment made the challenge tough on many occasions. The Owls lacked senior leadership last year and played many young freshmen. This should help with the development of future squads. Early in the season weather affected the schedule and hampered the Owls efforts on occasion. Games with Coastal Carolina and St. Thomas were stopped midway into the contests. Both of these games resulted in losses before the Owls could attempt a comeback.

played hroughout the season the team with great enthusiasm and effort. There were two games that were very memorable from the 2008 season. The Eckerd College game was played on the soccer field last season. It was a classic lacrosse battle against the Tritons with the Owls coming up one goal short. The other game to remember was the nail biter against Furman University during the last weekend of play. The Owls pulled this game out 13-12 to keep their 2008 playoff hopes alive.

Your Kennesaw State players earned honors within the Γ SELC for their on field efforts. Defenseman Zach Statham earned Second Team honors with his outstanding play during the campaign in 2008. He was also recognized as KSU's first All-American Scholar Athlete. Sophomore midfielder Charles Roland earned Honorable Mention for his contribution from his midfield spot. Owl goalie Kyle Hansen was named Honorable Mention for his net minding abilities. Finally, freshman attack man Scott Schulze had a terrific 2008 season. He tallied 22 goals and 13 assists against opponents in the SELC. His efforts did not go unnoticed by league coaches. Schulze was chosen 2008 SELC "Rookie of the Year." All four players return for the Kennesaw State Owls in 2009.

Ithough the 2008 season was not as successiful on the Ifield as Head Coach Ken Byers anticipated, the team did achieve a vast amount of off field recognition from Kennesaw State University itself. The Owls lacrosse program won the inaugural KSU "Best Collegiate Sports Club" trophy. The team was chosen among 14 other club sport teams on campus. The team was very surprised and excited to be chosen the first recipient of the University's prestigious award. Team President Zach Statham received the "Excellence in Leadership" award for being a role model for students managing a club

The Kennesaw State University Club Lacrosse team ⟨ organization. Head Coach Ken Byers completed the lacrosse team's sweep of awards by being recognized as the "Most Outstanding Coach" at Kennesaw State in 2008. Despite the teams on field record in 2008, these awards proved that the program continues to be headed in the right direction.

> The Kennesaw State Owls are very excited about I the experienced players returning for 2009. Head Coach Ken Byers advised, "I want to win right now but my vision is what we are building for future years. It is still my intention to give our players the best experience playing competitive collegiate lacrosse that we can and represent the university in a positive light."

> The Kennesaw State Owls have been a competitive team and will continue to do so. They have their sights set on a playoff spot and the possibility of a championship in the SELC. With more experienced players coming to KSU to play lacrosse and get an education, the coaches are excited. A lot of things have gone right for the Kennesaw State Lacrosse Team in the past three years and the future is more promising than ever. The Owl players and coaches would like to thank our loyal and dedicated fans for their undying support during the 2008 season.

> > Tim Minick #24 fakes out his defender and heads to the goal. Photo by Dave Adams



KSU Club Lacrosse Records and Awards

Individual Records

Goals Scored, Game 6 - JD Douthit vs. Citadel, 2007

6 - Robert Witt vs. UTC, 2006

6 - Robert Witt vs. Tennessee, 2006

Goals, Season 42 - Robert Witt, 2006

Assists, Game 6-JD Douthit vs. Western Carolina, 2006

Assists, Season 32 - JD Douthit, 2006

9 - JD Douthit vs. Furman, 2006 (5g/4a) Points, Game

Points, Season 64 - JD Douthit, 2006 (32g/32a)

Saves, Game 20-Kyle Hansen vs. Tenn. Wesleyan, 2008

Saves, Season 116 - Kyle Hansen, 2007 (14 games)

Ground Balls, Season 50 - Charles Roland, 2007

Team Awards

Offensive MVP 2008 - Scott Schulze

2007 - JD Douthit

2006 - JD Douthit

Defensive MVP 2008 - Zach Statham

2007 - Kyle Hansen

2006 - Mohamad Said

Most Improved Player 2008 - Tim Minick 2007 - Brett Davies

2006 - Tyler Davis

Coaches Award of Excellence

2008 - Alex Herrmann & Charles Roland 2007 - Robert Witt & Zach Statham

2006 - Alex Beasley & Anthony Grazanti

Rookie of the Year 2008 - James Nassur

2007 - Matt Byrne

Scholastic All American 2008 - Zach Statham **Team Records**

Most Goals, Game 21 - Georgia Southern, 2008

Most Goals Allowed, Game 24-Emory University, 2007

Biggest Win 16 - Georgia Southern, 21-5, 2008

16 - University of Alabama, 18-2, 2007

Worst Loss 17-University of South Carolina, 20-3, 2007

Number of Shutouts 1 - Alabama, 15-0, 2006

Longest Win Streak 4 games, 2006

Longest Losing Streak 4 games, 2008

Former Players

Craig Holman - 2007 Andreas Arprian - 2006

Rory Keown - 2008 Sean Barsin - 2006-08 Wes Bass - 2007-08

Wills Beadle - 2006

Alex Beasley - 2006

Chris Bruner - 2006

Tanner Bruton - 2006-08 Garrett Moll - 2007-08

Gary Cason - 2007 Steven Orebaugh - 2006

Justin Claxton - 2006

Brett Davies - 2006-07 Anthony Scrimo - 2006

Tyler Davis - 2006 Ry Skinner - 2008

Jeremy Douthit - 2006-07 Tyler Therrell - 2007

Alex Drake - 2006-07 Matt Ellington - 2006

Glenn Farakesh - 2007

Justin Ferna - 2006-08

Anthony Grazanti - 2007

Marcus Haverhals - 2007-08

Nathan Heffley - 2006

AJ Henderson - 2006

Matt Kleist - 2006 Ian Lehrer - 2007 Jordan Lolley - 2008

Mike Micelli - 2008

Steven Sandoval - 2007

Joseph Tofani - 2008

Robert Witt - 2006-08

Former Coaches

Jerry Douthit - 2006-07 Bill Seitz-2008

Joe Tarogowski - 2006



Coach Byers gathers the team together before a game starts.

Photo by Dave Admas

2009 KSU Club Lacrosse Owls in Action



Matt Bryne #17 clears the ball to a cutting middie. Photo by Dave Adams



Justn Mckay #19 sees an opening on the crease.

Photo by Dave Adams



Tyler Schrampfer #20 splits 3 defenders while clearing the ball. Photo by Dave Adams



Elliot Mitchell #32 spin dodges his defender and breaks away. Photo by Dave Adams



Scott Hearn #14 attacks the goal and keeps the ball close. Photo by Dave Adams



Isom White #6 charges down the field while keeping the ball safe. Photo by Dave Adams



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Scott Schulze #21 breaks down and gets ready to dodge. Photo by Dave Adams



Chris Lanquist #11 takes a shot in traffic.

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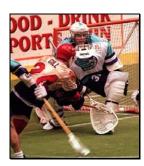
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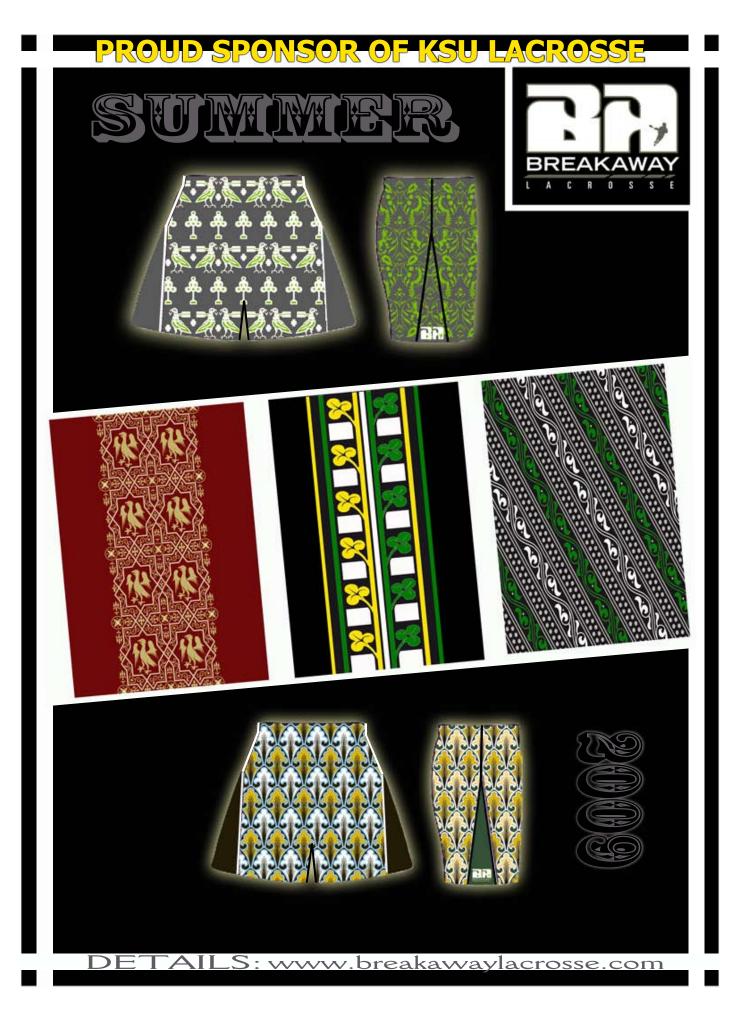
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2009 KSU Club Lacrosse Schedule

Date	Day	Тіме	OPPONENT	LOCATION
Jan. 31	Sat.	3 PM	MTSU	KSU - Intramural Field
Feb. 7	Sat.	4 PM	UNC - Greensboro	KSU - Intramural Field
Feb. 8	Sun.	2 PM	Mercer	KSU - Intramural Field
Feb. 15	Sun.	2 PM	Georgia Southern	KSU - Intramural Field
Feb. 21	Sat.	2 PM	Georgia State*	KSU - Intramural Field
Feb. 22	Sun.	2 PM	UT - Chattanooga	Chattanooga, TN
Feb. 28	Sat.	2 PM	Furman*	Greenville, SC
Mar. 1	Sun.	1 PM	High Point	Greenville, SC
Mar. 7	Sat.	3 PM	Alabama*	KSU - Intramural Field
Mar. 22	Sun.	4 PM	SCAD	KSU - Intramural Field
Mar. 28	Sat.	1 PM	Eckerd	St. Petersburg, FL
Mar. 29	Sun.	11 AM	North Florida	Jacksonville, FL
Apr. 4	Sat.	2 PM	Tennesee Wesleyan*	Athens, TN
Apr. 10	Fri.	7 PM	Emory*	Atlanta, GA
Apr. 18-22	FriSun.	All Day	SELC Championship	Northview HS Duluth, GA * Denotes Divisional Game

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