

PITTSBURGH PANTHERS

RB QADREE OLLISON



POSITION OUTLOOK FOR 2016

QUARTERBACKS - In '14 Chad Voytik (PS#10) threw for 2,233 (61%, 16-7, 466 rush) while topping 100 yds rushing twice with a 7-1 ratio over the last 6 gms. They RS 6'6" Adam Bertke (PS#56) who former HC Paul Chryst was very high on. LY they passed Tonn transfer Nathan Peterman (PS#40, 2 sts, 43 passes, 2Y). Voytik hit 9-14-72-1-1 in the opener but after 6-8-32 vs Akron, Peterman took over. He ended up with almost identical numbers to Voytik's '14 throwing for 2,287 (61.5%, 20-8) but 232 (2.7) yards rush (Voytik had 466, 4.3 '14). Peterman had a 15-1 ratio in ACC play but 3 int's in the bowl. Voytik transferred after the season ended. Manny Stocker (PS#68) is a NCSU/UT-Martin transfer and will assume the bkp role (played under OC Matt Canada at NCSt). After spg Bertke transferred (schlp issues). This is an improved group but they don't have WR Tyler Boyd to throw to anymore.

RUNNING BACKS - In '13 true frosh James Conner broke Tony Dorsett's bowl rush record with 229 (8.8) and finished with 799 (5.5). True frosh Rachid Ibrahim had 136 (5.0). In '14 Conner's had an ACC single season record 26 rush td's. Conner was the #1 rusher in the country after gm 10 (156 ypg, 6.3) but was banged up. He avg 67 (4.2) over the L/3 (1765, 5.9, ACC POY over Jameis Winston). True frosh Chris James (PS#38) was #2 RB (437, 5.0). Ibrahim had the best ypc (263, 8.0). LY Conner was lost Wk 1 (MCL). Rfr Qadree Ollison (6'2" 230, PS#84) led with 1,121 (5.3). True frosh Darrin Hall (PS#37) had 103 vs Miami and was #3 (WR Boyd #2) with 257 (4.0). S Jordan Whitehead (spd) had 122 (10.2) including 2 TD's vs ND. Conner was diagnosed with Lymphoma (chemo) but vowed to return and I didn't doubt his determination (announced cancer-free end of May). TY they only lose James (253, 4.5) and Ibrahim (6'1" 195 Jr, PS#238) returns following a torn Achilles last Aug. This unit is far more exp'd than it was in the 2H of the opener and is one of the ACC's best.

RECEIVERS - In '13 Pitt had to replace 3 of their top 4 rec's as PS#15 true frosh Tyler Boyd led w/1,174 (13.8) with the #2 guy having 854 (16.7). In '14 Boyd became a true go to guy and had the biggest difference in the FBS between a #1 (1261, 16.2) and #2 rec (201, 11.8). TE JP Holtz was #3 (199, 9.5). Boyd (1st ever ACC w/1,000 yds both frosh & soph) was the focal point of the offense again in '15. They used more screen passes as teams doubled him often and his ypc shrunk to 10.2 but he led with 926 and was the #2 rusher (349, 8.7). Dontez Ford was a closer #2 (505, 19.4). TY they lose Boyd (3rd Tm AA #2DC CIN, 11 st) and TE JP Holtz (12 st, #3 w/350, 14.6, UFA CLE) so they do not appear as strong.

OFFENSIVE LINE - In '14 Pitt had 4 st's back (70 car st) and I called for their best OL numbers since at least '10. Despite starting C Artie Rowell (13 st '13) being OFYWk 2, they opened holes for 249 ypg rush, and 5.3 ypc, both their best s/'88 (21 sks lowest s/'09). LY they lost their top 2 in a 1st Tm ACC 2Y RT (#4DC) and 2nd Tm ACC 3Y RG Matt Rotheram (GB UFA). They had 72 sts lost but with Rowell's return they had 63 car sts back. Losing AA RB Conner in Wk 1 was a factor in their drop to 187 (4.8, 29 sk) as the unit had just 1 start lost to injury. This year they lose Rowell (12/27) and C Gabe Roberts (1/2) but have 8 of the top 10 back and the career starts climb to 99.

DEFENSIVE LINE - In '14 the Panthers had to replace Outland Winner Aaron Donald (#1DC STL) and 3 other DL (comb 22 st, 50 tk). They all'd 161 rush ypg (4.5 ypc most s/'06, 19 sk new low). LY they lost 1 st'r but ret'd 7 of the top 10. Pitt improved to 126.1 ypg rush in the reg ssn but gave up 417 to Navy's option in the bowl. They also improved to 37 sks. TY they lose DT Darryl Render (11 st, 19 tk), DT Khaynin Mosley-Smith (7 st, 16 tk) and Mark Scarpinato (7 tk). Ejuan Price was awarded a 6th year (5 sk vs L'ville) and led with 11.5 sks. They RS Allen Edwards (8 sk in 10 gm JUCC '14) and Dewayne Hendrix (PS#28, Tenn transfer). This should be one of the ACC's top D-lines.

LINEBACKERS - In '13 true frosh Matt Galambos (PS#110) was the #8 tk/r despite just 2 sts. In '14 they had 6 of their top 7 back. My computer (pg 43) called for them to improve to 26.0 ppg and Pitt yielded 26.3. Chryst said that Nicholas Grigsby had a unique skill set and created the "Freeze" (his nickname) LB position for him. LY they lost their #1 & #2 tk/r's but ret'd their #3, #7 and #13. Three different LB's earned ACC LB of the week honors. My computer projected 27.1 ppg and they allowed 26.1. Matt Galambos had 19 tk's vs Navy setting a Military Bowl record. TY they lose Grigsby (13 st, #4 tk/r, 9.5 tfl, UFA LA) but 6 of the top 7 are back including their #2, #5, and #8 tacklers. This is also their 2nd year in the Pat Narduzzi defense.

DEFENSIVE BACKS - With HC Narduzzi, the key to their top rush D at Mich St was a pair of lockdown CB's. He began his tenure with Avonte Maddox and 3Y st'r Lafayette Pitts (PS#83). LY they had to replace their FS (#4 tk/r) but they did have 7 of the top 8 back. FS Reggie Mitchell (13 st, #5 tk/r '14) only played in 6 due to injury (15 tk). Jordan Whitehead (PS#26) lived up to his VHT billing (109 tk most true frosh schl hist). Terrish Webb took over at FS (#9 tk/r). This year they lose CB Pitts (13 st, #7 tk/r, UFA MIA) and S Patrick Amara (3 st, 14 tk). This is the 2nd year of the D and Mitchell should be back to 100%. They add in a PS#22 CB and I look for them to make significant strides over '15's #73 PDR (55.8%, 18-10).

SPECIAL TEAMS - Pitt climbed to #28 in my ST rankings in '14. Chris Blewitt (PS#12) hit 14-18 (L47) in '13 and 16-21 (L52) in '14 but did have a crucial miss vs Duke. P Ryan Winslow (PS#20) avg 40.1 (37.1 net) while Tyler Boyd avg'd 10.1 on PR and 27.6 on KR. LY the unit ret'd intact and cracked the Top 25 (1st time s/'06) at #24. Blewitt hit a school record (126 yrs) and GW 56 yd FG vs GT then a 25 yd GW vs Syr. He hit 15-23 (2-4 50+, 43 TO 68 KO). Winslow avg 41.1 (37.5 net). True frosh Quandre Henderson had 504 (28.0) on KR's (team 6.3 PR). Pitt led the ACC with 5 blk'd kicks in '15. With everyone back they could finish even higher.

COACHES - Six different HC's have run the program from the final reg ssn game since '10, which includes a 3 yr stay from Paul Chryst '14 Broyles winner Pat Narduzzi was the architect of the Mich St D (4 str Top 8 finishes) s/'07 and was the DC at Cincinnati the 3Y prior. He got to a bowl LY in his first ssn here. He does have his 2nd OC as Jim Chaney left for Georgia. Matt Canada is the new OC and held the same position at NCSt

('13-'15), Wisconsin ('12), NIU ('11) and Indiana ('07-'10). The 2nd Yr DC is Josh Conklin who was a Broyles nominee in '14 at FIU. He also has had stops at The Citadel ('10-'11) and cch'd S's at Tenn in '12. ST/RB cch Andre Powell handled the same duties at Maryland ('11-'14), at Clemson ('07-'10) and at NC ('01-'06).

THIS DECADE 41-37 (52.6%) #70 - There have been some strange changes at the top here (see '15 mag). They had their 3rd full-time HC in 3 yrs when Paul Chryst took over. In his first year, he got Pitt to its 5th str bowl but they lost to Miss 38-17 to finish 6-7 for a 2nd str year. They took a step up in competition from the Big East to the ACC and had just 13 ret st's in '13. Still, Chryst guided them to their first winning season s/'10. In 2014 they again had 13 ret st's. Pitt was 6-6 again and led the bowl 34-13 with 4:00 left but Houston would recover 2 outside K's and got 3 td's, pulling out the miracle win. LY Narduzzi came in and they went 8-5 to go 4 games over .500 for the decade.

2015 ANALYSIS 8-5 - There were a lot of factors pointing up for Pitt in '15. They had 4 net close losses and despite their 4-4 conf record were +45.4 ypg in ACC play and ret'd 15 st's. Pitt also avoided Florida St and Clemson. They only had 11 Sr's and were #1 in the country in most underclassmen in '14 at 78.6% (81 of 103). Pitt was #4 on my coveted Most Improved List (pg 38). Pitt only had a 458-407 yard edge vs YSt in the opener but the edge was 307-105 vs Akron. Iowa was 12-0 in '15 but needed a 57 yd FG with no time left to get past Pitt. Pitt had a 276-100 yd edge in their 4 pt road win over VT (bkp QB). Pitt edged UVA by 7 and got a 56 yd FG w/1:11 left to get past GT. Pitt got a 25 yd FG w/0:00 left to beat Syr by 3. With a chance to take control of the Coastal they trailed NCar 20-3 at half and lost by 7. ND led 42-17 before Pitt got 2 late TD (incl FR TD). Pitt got their biggest MOV on the year beating Duke by 18 on the road (10-10 at half) then led L'ville 42-24 at half (won by 11) to get to 8-3. They trailed Miami 23-3 at half and lost by 5 and then lost to Navy by 16 in the bowl to finish 8-5.

ALSO ON ROSTER:		
QB Ryan Adzima 6'2" 215 Jr	WR Kellen Malone 6'2" 200 So	LB Nico Lodovico 6'1" 215 Jr
RB Qadree Ollison 6'2" 215 Jr	WR Chris Wuestner 6'2" 210 Sr	LB Jim Meudre 6'2" 220 Jr
TE Stephen Ezekoye 5'9" 175 So	DL Andrew Ungerman 5'11" 245 Jr	LB Donn Cuono 6'2" 235 So
WR Mark Bernsdorff 5'11" 185 Jr	DL Calvin Hamilton 6'0" 315 Jr	
WR Gentry Verry 6'1" 195 Jr	DL Eric Sellers 6'1" 215 Jr	

PHIL'S FORECAST

OFFENSE - Pitt lost RB James Conner in Wk 1 and the run game went from 249 (5.3) to 187 (4.8) while the ppg dropped from 31.8 to 28.2 (not a bad drop). The Panthers have 8 st's back and Conner also returns. They have an exp'd O-line and Peterman now has a year under his belt at QB.

DEFENSE - Narduzzi is known for crafting great defenses but even with 7 st's back LY the ypg and ppg were almost identical to '14. Pitt has 8 st's back and they are in the 2nd year of the his defense. The sacks did rise from 19 to 37 so this D should be strong.

2016 - Pitt's 6 cont wins LY were the most ever (5 prev high in BE). Pitt's 5 losses LY were to tms that finished a comb'd 52-15. After being 1-5 in single digit gms in '14, they were 5-3 in them in '15. While Pitt has 16 returning starters, one more than LY, they are in the 2nd year of the new schemes and go from #33 in my Experience Chart up to #7. They look to be stronger on both offense and defense and have my #1 rated special teams in the ACC. They are a clear cut contender in the Coastal. I have 9 sets of power ratings that I plug into the schedule for each team and rarely do all 9 agree on 1 record. That is the case here as all 9 call for Pitt to go 8-4 in the regular season and that means if they win their bowl game they will have their best record of the decade so far.

OFFENSE

JERSEY # IN BLUE

2016 PROJECTED STARTING LINEUP

JERSEY # IN BLUE

DEFENSE

QB 4 NATHAN PETERMAN SR. 6-2 225 PS#40. Tenn trans. 1st UT '14. L11 st, 2287 (62%, 20-8), 232 rush (2.7). LY 8 Manny Stocker (6'2" 220 So) PS#68, 3 Ben DiNucci (6'2" 210 Jr). Thomas MacKieville (6'5" 225 Fr) is PS#34.

RB 37 QADREE OLLISON SO. 6-2 230 PS#84. 11 st, 1121 (5.3). ACC Rookie POY, 2nd Tm ACC LY. 24 James Conner (6'2" 240 Jr) PS#103, 2641 (5.8) car rush yds. Chawntex Moss is PS#72. IFS. Darrin Hall (5'11" 215 So) PS#37.

TEFB 31 JAYMAR PARRISH SR. 6-2 270 PS#101. 6 st, 40 rec (5.7) '13. 13 st, 25 rec (6.2) '14. 5 st, 1 rec LY.

35 GEORGE ASTON (6'0" 240 So). 4 st, 40 rush (5.0) LY. **40 COLTON LIVELY (6'0" 240 Jr).** 19.9. Maurice French is PS#184.

WR 19 DONTEZ FORD SR. 6-2 215 PS#380. 3 st, 10 (16.7) '14. 9 st, 505 (19.5) LY. **40 ZACH CHALLINGSWORTH (6'2" 200 Jr)** PS#151. 10 gm ST '14. 4 st, 171 (14.2) LY. Tre Tipton (6'0" 170 So) PS#166. Ruben Fowers is PS#61.

WR 85 JESTER WEAH JR. 6-3 205 PS#189. 8 gm ST '14. 10 gm LY. **10 QADREE HENDERSON (5'8" 170 So)** PS#77. 9 gm, 504 KR (28.0) as true. **82 RAFAEL ARAUJO-LOPES (5'9" 190 Jr).** Aaron Mathews (6'4" 190 Fr) PS#99.

TE 83 SCOTT ORNDOFF SR. 6-5 265 PS#18. 5 st, 50 (8.3) as true. 10 gm, 24 (6.0) '14. 7 st, 244 (18.8) LY. **45 DEVON EDWARDS (6'4" 270 Jr)** PS#73. 15 gm 2Y. 11. Note Bossory (6'3" 240 Jr) PS#105. Zack Paker (6'4" 235 Jr).

CB 6 ALEX OFFICER JR. 6-4 335 PS#106. 10 st C '14. 13 st LY. **76 CONNOR DINTINO (6'3" 310 So)** PS#132. 12 gm LY. **74 ALEX PAULINA (6'3" 300 Fr)** PS#133. **LS 61 PAT QUIRIN (6'1" 225 Sr)** 17 gm LY 10.2 Y.

RG 78 ALEX BOOKER SO. 6-3 310 PS#28. F/2 st LY. **66 MIKE HERNDON (6'4" 305 So)** PS#225. 10 gm LY.

77 ALEX GALIYAS (6'2" 285 So). Zach Williams is PS#213. **LS 98 DEANDRE SCHIFFINO (6'2" 235 Jr).** Jake Knight (6'3" 225 Jr).

LG 53 DORIAN JOHNSON SR. 6-5 300 PS#6. 3 st rush. 13 st '14. 13 st, 2nd Tm ACC LY. **62 JUAN GUY (6'7" 310 Sr)** PS#501. 1 gm '13. 11 gm '14. 3 gm LY. **50 MIKE GRIMM (6'6" 325 So)** PS#69. **68 KYLE BENBROCK (6'3" 295 Fr).**

RT 70 BRIAN O'NEILL SO. 6-6 300 PS#59TE. 12 st LY. **55 JARYD JONES-SMITH (6'7" 335 So)** PS#196. 3 st '14. **O'FAY LY. 72 CARSON BAKER (6'5" 325 Jr)** PS#255. 10 gm '14. 13 gm LY. **64 AARON BRITTON (6'5" 280 Fr).**

LT 69 ADAM BISNOWATY SR. 6-6 300 PS#35. 8 st (out L/4 inj) '13. 10 st '14. 12 st, 1st Tm ACC LY. **60 AARON REESE (6'5" 315 Jr)** PS#161. 1 gm '14. 8 gm LY. **59 TONY PILATO (6'5" 315 Fr)** PS#190. Ryan Podgoriski (6'5" 300 Fr).

K 12 CHRIS BLEWITT SR. 5-9 190 PS#12. 13 st, 14-18 lg, L/47, 40-41 PAT as true. 13 st, 16-21 fg, L/47, 50-51 PAT '14. 13 st, 15-23 fg's, L/56, 42-43 PAT, 43 TB/68 KO LY. Alec Schuster (6'1" 185 So). Tristan Cunha (5'10" 210 Jr).

DE 8 DEWAYNE HENDRIX SO. 6-4 270 PS#28. Tenn trans. 1st LY. **92 RORI BLAIR (6'4" 240 Jr)** 12 gm as true. 2 st, 14 tk, 5 sk '14. 10 tk, 25 tk, 3.5 tfl LY. **96 ALLEN EDWARDS (6'4" 240 Jr)** PS#292JC. Rashad Weaver is PS#182.

NT 54 TYRIQUE JARRETT SR. 6-3 335 PS#241. 2 gm, 1 tk as true. 8 gm, 8 tk '14. 8 st, 20 tk, 2 sk, 5 tfl LY. Shane Roy (6'4" 280 So) PS#155. **94 JEREMIAH TALENI (6'2" 295 Jr)** PS#314. 1 st, 2 tk '14. 8 gm, 4 tk, 1.5 tfl LY.

DT 52 SHAKIR SOTO SR. 6-3 270 PS#111. 1 st, 20 tk, 4 tfl '13. 13 st, 31 tk '14. 3 st, 23 tk, 3 tfl LY. **56 JUSTIN MOODY (6'3" 280 Jr)** PS#93. 2 st, 9 tk, 1 sk '14. 5 gm, 1 tk LY. Keyshon Camp is PS#47. Rashad Wheeler is PS#131.

DE 5 EJUAN PRICE SR. 6-0 250 PS#75. 5 st, 27 tk, 4 tk, 5.5 tfl as true. RS '12. 4 st, 23 tk, 4 tfl '13. OFY '14. 13 st, 48 tk, 11.5 sk, 8 tfl, 9 qb, 1st Tm ACC LY. James Folsom (6'3" 240 So) PS#203. 5 gm LY.

MLB 30 MIKE CAPRARA SR. 6-0 230 PS#181. 3 gm, 5 tk '14. 8 st, 49 tk, 5 sk, 5.5 tfl LY. **4 Bam Bradley (6'2" 230 Sr)** PS#52. 24 gm, 44 tk, 6.5 tfl F2Y. 5 st, 33 tk, 5 tfl, 3 qb LY. Saleem Brightwell (6'0" 195 Jr) PS#89.

MLB 47 MATT GALAMBOS SR. 6-2 240 2 st, 38 tk as true. 10 st, 72 tk, 4.5 tfl '14. 13 st, 88 tk, 5 sk, 5 tfl, 5 qb LY. **58 Quintin Wirginis (6'2" 240 Jr)** PS#176. 12 gm, 5 tk as true. 13 gm, 17 tk LY. Brian Popp (6'0" 225 So).

SLB 28 ELIJAH ZEINTE SR. 6-2 215 PS#133. 13 gm, 54 rec (10.8) LY. **28 ANTHONY MCKEE (6'2" 205 Jr)** PS#45. **29 Oluwaseun Idowu (6'0" 215 So).** 13 gm ST, 1 tk LY. Jalen Williams (6'2" 205 So) PS#206.

CB NA Damar Hamlin Fr. 6-1 185 PS#22. **38 Ryan Lewis (6'0" 195 Sr)** PS#396. **32 Phillipie Motley (5'10" 180 So)** PS#202. 12 gm, 4 tk LY. Brice Garner (6'1" 175 Fr) PS#201. **46 Rimoni Dorsey (6'0" 190 Fr).**

CB 14 AVONTE MADDOX JR. 5-9 170 PS#157. 6 st, 32 tk, 3 pbu, 219 KR (19.9) as true. 13 st, 75 tk, 13 pbu, 3 int, 182 KR (30.3), 182 PR (30.3), HM ACC LY. **21 Malik Henderson (6'0" 185 Jr)** PS#157. **Dane Jackson (6'0" 180 Jr).**

SS 9 JORDAN WHITEHEAD SO. 5-11 185 PS#26. 12 st, 109 tk, 6 pbu, 2nd Tm ACC, FWAA Fr AA LY.

20 Dennis Briggs (5'10" 190 So) PS#124. 13 gm, 7 tk LY. Henry Miller is PS#91. **35 Rob Boatright (5'10" 185 Jr).**

FS 2 TERRISH WEBB SR. 5-11 190 PS#192. 1 st, 18 tk as true. 8 st, 33 tk '14. 9 st, 28 tk, 5 pd LY. **15 Reggie Mitchell (6'0" 190 Sr)** PS#231. 2 gm Wisc. Trans '13. 13 st, 62 tk, 7 pbu '14. 2 st, 15 tk LY. Jay Stoker (6'2" 185 Jr) PS#81.

P 18 RYAN WINSLOW JR. 6-5 210 PS#20. 50 yds (40.1), net 37.1 '14. 63 punts, (41.1) L/60, net 37.5 last season. **45 Nick Goldsmith (6'2" 210 So)** PS#114. **90 Matt Barber (5'11" 195 Jr)** PS#187.

PITTSBURGH PANTHERS

Pittsburgh, PA WEATHER ZIP: 15212
Enrollment: 28,766 (#4/#60)

PAT NARDUZZI
PLAYING EXP: LB at Youngstown St ('85), Rhode Island ('87-'89)
PRIOR HC EXP: None

DATE	OPPONENT	T	L	FINAL SCORE		W
				PITT	OPP	
Sep. 3	Villanova	G				
Sep. 10	Penn St	G				
Sep. 17	at Oklahoma St	A				
Sep. 24	at North Carolina	G				
Oct. 1	Marshall	G				
Oct. 8	Georgia Tech (HC)	G				
Oct. 15	at Virginia	G				
Oct. 22						
Oct. 27	Virginia Tech (Thur)	G				
Nov. 5	at Miami, FL	G				
Nov. 12	at Clemson	G				
Nov. 19	Duke	G				
Nov. 26	Syracuse	G				
Dec. 3						

CAREER PASSING LEADERS
1. Alex Van Pelt 11,267 '89-'92
2. Dan Marino 8,597 '79-'82
3. Tino Sunseri 8,590 '09-'12

CAREER RUSHING LEADERS
1. Tony Dorsett 6,526 '73-'76
2. Ray Graham 3,271 '09-'12
3. Curvin Richards 3,192 '88-'90

CAREER RECEIVING LEADERS
1. Tyler Boyd 3,361 '13-'15
2. Antonio Bryant 3,061 '99-'01
3. Dietrich Jells 3,003 '91-'95

Pitt is 2-0 incl a 48-41 win in the L/mtg ('98; Pitt went 2-9 that ssn). Panthers are 15-4 in home openers (did lose vs FCS YSU in '12's opener). The Wildcats went 6-5 LY incl a 20-15 loss at Connecticut.

Instate schools are 142 miles apart but this is just 2nd mtg s/00. In the L/gm Pitt got the shutout (last won 2 str in '87 & '88). Narduzzi was the Michigan St DC from 2007-'14 going 3-2 vs PSU (all'd 31 ppg).

First mtg. The Panthers have won 3 str road openers by 10 ppg after going just 3-7 the prior 10. Pitt is 0-6 s/09 in non-conference road gms (incl ND) at current Power 5 schools (Utah in MW in '10).

LTH the Panthers led 14-0 into the 2Q, 21-13 at HT, 28-19 w/6:17 3Q and 35-34 w/3:33 left. NC went 75/13pl getting a 1 yd td run w/50. Pitt str'd at the 20 but after a 21 yd run fmb'd at their 48 w/15 left.

First mtg. Narduzzi was the DC at Cincinnati in '04 helping beat MU 32-14. In '01 he served as the NIU DC, lost 37-15 but in '03 was in his 3rd cch'g stint w/Miami, Oh (DC) & beat The Herd 45-6.

LY Pitt won for the 1st time s/76 (6-4 all-time). Gm featured 5 lead changes & 4 ties. Tied 28-28 Pitt str'd their L/drive w/8:13 left & drove 31/14pl hitting a 56 yd fg w/1:11. GT was int'd 7pl later as time exp'd (from GT33).

Visitor is 0-6 s/1955. Panthers are 5-3 all-time vs the Cavaliers. LTH Pitt never led. Trailing 24-3 at HT, Pitt got the 2H shutout. After cutting the deficit to within a score w/1:27 left their outside went OOB.

Bonus: Into '16, Panthers are 19-12 in conf away gms incl 8-4 on the ACC road (5 str wins by 8 ppg). LY Pitt never trailed. They led 10-0 into 2Q & 17-7:45 into the 2H. Down 4, VT's L/3 drives went for 24/8pl ending on 2 int's & a punt. Into '16, Pitt is 5-7 hosting ACC foes (wins by 11 ppg & losses by 13 ppg).

LTH Pitt came into the gm 5-6 needing a win for bowl eligibility (prior their L/win at UM was in '63). Pitt never trailed & after pushing the lead to 12 4Q, forced a punt & stopped UM at their 5 its L/2 poss.

First meeting as conference foes. The Panthers won the only prior meeting 34-3 but that was in the 1977 Gator Bowl.

Pitt is 11-9 all-time (5-1 run). LY it was 10-10 at HT but Pitt opened 2H w/81, 74 & 75 yd td drives (Duke just 91 2H yds).

Pitt is 12-2, rms have played every ssn s/55. LY Panthers came in ranked (#25) for the 1st time s/10. There were 5 lead changes and 2 ties. Tied 20-20 Pitt took over w/9:20 left & drove 89/19pl (6 FDs) hitting a 25 yd GW fg as time expired.

2ND Year Here / 2ND Overall

2015 RECORDS
8-5
CONF: 6-2 (#2 COASTAL)

2016 RET STARTERS:
OFF: 8* DEF: 8

LETTERMEN (OD/ST)
RET: 52 (28,21,3)
LOST: 18 (7,10,1)

ACC - COASTAL BE '91-'12



LAST 5 BOWLS ALL-TIME RECORD 13-19

YR	BOWL/TEAM RANK	LINE	OPPONENT	SCORE
11	Compass	-3'	SMU	6-28
12	Compass	+3'	Mississippi	17-38
13	Little Caesars	+6'	Bowling Green	30-27
14	Armed Forces	-3'	Houston	34-35
15	Military	+3	at Navy - #21	28-44

HEINZ FIELD - Grass Built: 2001 - 68,400 (#28) • LY's Capacity: 73.5% (#80)

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	10Yr Total
STRAIGHT UP	6-6	5-7	9-4	10-3	8-5	6-7	6-7	7-6	6-7	8-5	71-57
Home	3-4	4-3	4-2	6-1	4-2	5-3	4-2	4-3	3-4	3-3	40-27
Away	3-2	1-4	5-1	3-2	3-3	1-3	2-4	2-3	3-2	5-2	28-26
Neutral	0-0	0-0	0-1	1-0	1-0	0-1	0-1	1-0	0-1	0-0	3-4
vs Conf	2-5	3-4	5-2	5-2	5-2	4-3	3-4	3-5	4-4	6-2	40-33
vs Non-Conf	4-1	2-3	4-2	5-1	3-3	2-4	3-3	4-1	2-3	2-3	31-24
ATS	5-6	6-5	7-6	9-4	7-4-2	7-6	8-5	5-8	5-8	6-7	65-59-2
Home Fav	2-2	1-3	1-3	4-2	3-2	2-3	3-0	1-1	2-1	3-4	22-24
Home Dog	0-2	1-1	1-0	1-0	0-1	3-0	1-1	1-2	0-0	0-2	8-9
Away Fav	3-2	0-0	1-1	3-0	2-1	0-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	1-1	13-10
Away Dog	0-0	4-1	3-1	0-0	1-0-2	2-1	2-1	0-2	1-2	4-1	17-9-2
Neutral	0-0	0-0	0-1	1-0	1-0	0-1	0-1	1-0	0-1	0-0	3-4
vs Conf	2-5	4-3	4-3	5-2	5-2	6-1	4-3	3-2	4-4	4-4	40-33
vs Non-Conf	3-1	2-2	3-3	4-2	2-2-2	1-5	4-2	3-2	1-4	2-3	25-26-2
Off SU Win	4-2	3-0	5-4	5-4	3-3-1	2-4	5-1	1-5	2-4	4-4	34-31-1
Off SU Loss	0-4	2-5	2-1	3-0	4-1	5-1	3-3	4-2	2-4	2-2	27-23



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DB Damar Hamlin 6-1 185 PS#22
RB George Hill 5-11 200 PS#10
DL Keyshon Camp 6-4 275 PS#47
WR Ruben Flowers 6-3 190 PS#61
QB Thomas MacVittie 6-5 225 PS#34
DB Phil Campbell 6-1 195 PS#85
DB Henry Miller 6-3 205 PS#91
LB Kaezon Pugh 6-1 210 PS#66
LB Chase Pine 6-2 220 PS#71
WR Aaron Mathews 6-4 190 PS#99
DL Amir Watts 6-3 270 PS#98
DL Zack Gilbert 6-1 240 PS#107
DB Terran Coleman 6-0 190 PS#136
RB Chawntez Moss 5-11 208 PS#72 FS
DL Rashad Wheeler 6-3 280 PS#131
LB Elias Reynolds 6-2 225 PS#115
OL Brandon Ford 6-5 295 PS#146
DB Bricen Garner 6-1 175 PS#201
OL Justin Morgan 6-6 365 PS#170
DL Rashad Weaver 6-5 255 PS#182
WR Maurice French 5-11 185 PS#184
DL Patrick Jones 6-5 250 PS#199 FS
DL Bryce Hargrove 6-4 260 PS#204
OL Zack Williams 6-5 275 PS#213

2015 STATISTICAL LEADERS

RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT	QBH	
Qadree Ollison	212	1158	37	1121	11	5.3	Jordan Whitehead	109	0.5	5.5	6	1	0	
Tyler Boyd	40	355	6	349	0	8.7	Matt Galambos	88	5	5	1	2	5	
Darrin Hall	64	271	14	257	2	4.0	Avonte Maddox	75	0.5	0.5	12	3	1	
Chris James	56	267	14	253	0	4.5	Nicholas Grigsby	66	3.5	6	2	0	7	
Nathan Peterman	85	396	164	232	1	2.7	Mike Caprara	49	5	5.5	1	2	2	
Jordan Whitehead	12	122	0	122	1	10.2	Ejuan Price	48	11.5	8	1	0	9	
James Conner	8	79	2	77	2	9.6	Lafayette Pitts	34	1	1	6	1	1	
Chad Voytk	20	77	40	37	1	1.9	Bam Bradley	33	1	4	0	0	3	
PASSING	ATT	COM	PCT	YDS	INT	QBR	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT	QBH	
Nathan Peterman	314	193	61.5	2287	20	8	138.6	Rori Blair	25	1.5	2	2	0	5
Chad Voytk	24	16	66.7	112	1	111.3	Shakir Sojo	23	2	1	0	0	1	
RECEIVING	RUSH	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT	QBH		
Tyler Boyd	91	926	10.2	6	51	Darryl Render	19	1	0.5	0	0	0		
Dontez Ford	26	505	19.4	2	42	Quinton Wirginis	17	0	0	1	0	0		
JP Holtz	24	350	14.6	4	28	Khaynin Mosley-Smith	15	0.5	1.5	0	0	2		
Scott Orndoff	13	244	18.8	5	55	Reggie Mitchell	15	0.5	0.5	1	0	0		
Zach Challeenworth	12	171	14.2	1	33	Pat Amara	14	0	0.5	1	0	0		
Qadree Ollison	14	77	5.5	1	15	Mark Scarpinato	7	0	0.5	1	0	1		
Elijah Zeise	5	54	10.8	0	17	Dennis Briggs	7	1	0	0	0	0		
Chris James	7	48	6.9	0	22	Matt Steinberg	6	0	1.5	0	0	0		
George Aston	8	40	5.0	2	14	RENTURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	NET	BLK	INT	
Avonte Maddox	8	48	6.0	0	25	RYAN WINSL0W	63	2589	41.1	24	37.5	0	21	
Kick	XP	1-29	30-39	40-48	50+	TDL	QUIN	REDS	NO	YDS	AVG	TDL	QUIN	
Chris Blewitt	42-43	6-7	3-4	4-8	2-4	15-23	56	Tyler Boyd	11	257	23.4	0	31	

2015 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

ATT	OPPONENT	OFFENSE					DEFENSE																
		SCORE	TTL	FD	RUSH	PASS	TTL	FD	RUSH	PASS	YDS												
49,969	Youngstown St	45-37	458	16	43-325	7.6	11-18	133	2	407	16	30-129	4.3	20-40	278	6	51	-3	-	-	-	-	68.8
23,425	at Akron	24-7	307	21	46-127	2.8	18-25	180	5	105	8	24-42	1.8	7-22	63	3	202	+1	#7	-27	#1	273	96.4
63,636	at Iowa	24-27	282	15	27-55	2.0	21-31	227	2	363	22	29-105	3.6	27-40	258	1	-18	-2	#11	-64	#6	25	83.1
49,620	at Virginia Tech	17-13	276	15	46-166	3.6	9-15	110	4	100	12	33-9	0.3	9-20	91	7	176	+2	#8	-102	#1	309	99.7
45,237	Virginia	26-19	363	16	35-141	4.0	17-24	222	1	348	16	31-139	4.5	17-34	209	4	15	-1	#10	-53	#4	38	85.3
46,208	at Georgia Tech	31-28	391	21	43-200	4.7	15-23	191	0	482	19	40-376	9.4	6-15	106	1	-91	-2	#6	25	#10	-113	80.5
29,832	at Syracuse	23-20	427	24	46-188	4.1	21-28	239	2	353	16	23-136	5.9	5-22	217	0	74	+2	#7	-13	#10	-36	82.0
43,049	North Carolina	19-26	415	25	37-153	4.1	27-42	262	5	444	17	35-174	5.0	14-23	270	0	-29	-1	#7	-23	#6	46	87.7
68,400	Notre Dame	30-42	398	18	31-175	5.6	12-32	223	3	437	22	42-175	4.2	19-26	262	4	-39	0	#6	27	#4	32	83.7
30,241	at Duke	31-13	448	26	58-268	4.6	13-23	180	0	361	18	22-113	5.1	23-43	248	4	87	+2	#5	58	#4	85	95.6
42,119	Louisville	45-34	476	25	45-244	5.4	22-34	232	2	354	17	24(-1)	0.0	20-38	355	7	122	+1	#2	155	#4	67	98.7
40,126	Miami, FL	24-29	331	15	31-189	6.1	13-27	142	3	377	20	40-116	2.9	21-35	261	0	-46	-2	#12	-80	#3	22	77.9
36,352	at Navy	28-44	335	17	21-198	9.4	13-21	137	0	590	31	71-417	5.9	10-18	173	0	-255	-2	#8	-32	#13	-179	67.2
TOTALS		367-339	4907	254	509-2429	4.8	212-343	2478	29	4721	234	444-1930	4.3	215-385	2791	37	186	0	#7	-127	#5	569	85.1
AVERAGES		28-26	377	20	39-187	4.8	61.8%	191	8.5%	363	18	34-148	4.3	55.8%	215	9.6%	14	0.0	#72	-11	#35	47	85.1
ATTENDANCE	CONF	27-23	391	21	43-194	4.5	63.4																