

Tiger's Lair

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The Citadel surges past Tiger, 37-24

The 2008 Princeton Football team came out in its season opener at The Citadel ready to rid itself of any bad taste from last year. It came out aggressive, determined and, ultimately, successful. Unfortunately, the 22nd-ranked Citadel team came out of halftime with similar feelings, and the talented Bulldog squad surged to a 37-24 win over the Tiger.

Trailing 17-7 at halftime, The Citadel used a blocked punt returned for a touchdown to ignite a 20-0 run that sent the Bulldogs to their second win of the season. A long punt return from Bulldog All-America receiver Andre Roberts, who scored twice in the win, also helped the home team during the decisive third quarter.

Princeton, which dealt with a raucous crowd of 13,120 at Johnson Hagood Stadium, did show several positive signs as it draws closer to the Ivy League season. The offense gained 358 yards, including 206 in the air, and Jordan Culbreath '10 rushed for a game-high 74 yards and a touchdown. Quarterback Brian Anderson '09 completed 20 of 41 passes, including two touchdowns, and threw his only interception in desperation time.



Jordan Culbreath
... rushing TD



Brian Anderson
... two TD passes

Trey Peacock '11 matched his entire 2007 total with six catches for 43 yards, while both Matt Zimmerman '11 and Adam Berry '09 scored touchdowns.

Inside linebacker Steven Cody '11 made his first start count, recording 11 tackles, including five solo stops. Tri-captain Matt Koch '09 had seven tackles, while Wilson Cates '10 had six tackles and an interception. Collin McCarthy '09 added five tackles and a sack on The Citadel's first offensive play.

Princeton opened the game with a successful 11-play, 58-yard drive that ended with a

31-yard field goal by Connor Loudon '09. Anderson took the first play of the drive 26 yards up the middle of the field, and Culbreath followed with an impressive nine-yard run. The team converted on a pair of third downs, including one on a tough catch by Peacock, and Louden split the uprights to give Princeton a 3-0 lead.

The game would stay 3-0 through the end of the first quarter, but Princeton moved it to a 10-0 lead on its first drive of the second quarter. Following a pair of Culbreath runs, Anderson followed a lead block from Jonathan Meyers '12 and went 18 yards up the middle of the field. A wideout screen to Peacock got Princeton to the 2, and Culbreath took an option pitch off the left side of the line for the touchdown.

The Citadel cut the deficit to three points by driving 66 yards for the touchdown. Roberts made two big plays on the drive. He took a reverse run 11 yards for a first down and caught an 11-yard post pattern for a touchdown. Citadel quarterback Bart Blanchard, a cool customer amidst a strong Princeton rush, added a long run of his own.

Looking to score again before halftime,

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From the President

For two days and a half of football, it was the perfect opening weekend for our Tigers. On Thursday, a large contingent of Princeton alumni, administration, faculty, coaches and staff, and student athletes rolled from Caldwell Fieldhouse behind a police escort to a private charter at Philadelphia airport, where everyone boarded a jet that made a smooth flight to Charleston, S.C., where the Tiger had a date to start its season against The Citadel.

Friday brought a Princeton alumni golf tournament hosted by the Class of '64 and Bill Walker. Non-golfers were treated to horse-drawn carriage rides around the beautiful, historic city of Charleston. That evening, a reception downtown at the Gibbes Museum was attended by hundreds from near and far, where many Southeastern alums provided terrific Southern hospitality.

On a thankfully cool Saturday morning thousands of Princetonians turned out in full orange and black regalia for a terrific pre-game tailgate at Citadel's Johnson Hagood Stadium, co-sponsored by the Princeton Varsity Club and the PFA.

Inside the stadium an entire section filled with Princeton supporters, including the Princeton band (and that's a story for another time), was treated to the ceremonial traditions of The Citadel Cadets. When the Tiger players finally took the field to face the No. 22-ranked Bulldogs (Geez, I DO hate teams with Bulldog mascots!) it seemed everything was in place for a Tiger victory.

Aside from an out-of-bounds opening kickoff that may have been foreshadowing for special teams mishaps to follow much

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GAME STATISTICS

PRINCETON 3 14 0 7 24
 The Citadel 0 7 17 13 37

HOW THEY SCORED:

1st Quarter: 8:07, P — FG, Louden, 31.

2nd Quarter: 8:19, P — TD, Culbreath, 2-yard run, Louden kick; 2:14, C — TD, Roberts, 11-yard pass from Blanchard, Keeler kick; 0:16, P — TD, Zimmerman, 6-yard pass from Anderson, Louden kick.

3rd Quarter: 12:45, C — TD, Rice, 25-yard blocked punt return, Keeler kick; 5:13, C — TD, Cornett, 6-yard pass from Blanchard, Keeler kick; 0:46, C — FG, Keeler, 29.

4th Quarter: 13:11, C — TD, Jordan, 5-yard run, kick failed; 5:51, C — TD, Roberts, 6-yard pass from Blanchard, Keeler kick; 0:41, P — TD, Berry, 13-yard pass from Anderson, Louden kick.

	PU	C
First Downs	21	18
Rushes/Yds	36-152	38-156
Passing Yds	206	151
Comp/Att/Int	20-41-1	12-22-1
Plays/Yards	77-358	60-307
Return Yds	177	143
Punts/Avg	6-29.5	4-39.8
Penalties/Yds	2-22	4-24
Fumbles/Lost	0-0	0-0
Intercept/Yds	1-25	1-0
Possession Time	31:28	28:32
Attendance: 13,120		

PRINCETON PERFORMANCE OFFENSE:

RUSHING: Culbreath, 17-74, 1 TD; Anderson, 16-56; Thanheiser, 1-14; Zimmerman, 1-5; Meyers, 1-3.

PASSING: Anderson, 20-41-1-206, 2 TD.

RECEIVING: Peacock, 6-43; Zimmerman, 4-24, 1 TD; Thanheiser, 3-62; Berry, 3-56; Culbreath, 3-16; Anderson, 1-5.

DEFENSE:

SACKS (U/A): McCarthy, 1-9.

INTERCEPTIONS (No./Yds): Cates, 1-25.

TACKLES (U/A): Cody, 5-6; Koch, 4-3; Cates, 4-2; McCarthy, 2-3; Boyer, 3-0; Roque, 2-1; Britton, 2-0; Wakam, 2-0; Methvin, 1-1; Jackson, 1-1; Kelly, 1-1; Karacozoff, 1-1; Kopolovich, 1-1; Gallagher, 1-1; Buchignani, 0-3; Ploszek, 1-0; Coyle, 1-0; Flaherty, 0-1; McGrath, 0-1; Ransom, 0-1; Berry, 0-1; Palmer, 0-1; Newell, 0-1.

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Pete Ploszek '09 took the kickoff and, after 15 yards, handed it to Meko McCray '11. A track standout in the sprints, McCray nearly broke it and was tackled at the 50. After a first down, Will Thanheiser '09 took an end-around into The Citadel red zone, and after getting inside the 10, Anderson hit Zimmerman for the touchdown.

Special teams provided The Citadel with a big break early in the second half. Ryan Coyle '09's punt was blocked and Reggie Rice picked it up and sprinted 25 yards for the touchdown.

The Citadel offense got going, as the offense marched 68 yards to take its first lead of the day.

The Princeton defense did a bend-but-don't-break on The Citadel's next posses-

sion, as Princeton got some much-needed pressure on Blanchard when The Citadel got to the 12-yard line, and a field goal moved the lead to 24-17.

Again, The Citadel's special teams made a big play. Coyle blasted his longest punt of the day, and Roberts returned it 54 yards. Asheton Jordan finished the job, going off the left side of the line for a five-yard touchdown. The extra point failed, and The Citadel led 30-17.

Roberts added a six-yard touchdown reception with 5:51 remaining, while Princeton posted its only score of the second half with a 13-yard touchdown pass from Anderson to Berry with 41 seconds remaining. Princeton grabbed the ensuing onsides kick, but a deep pass by Anderson was picked off to end the game.

President

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later, the first half did nothing to quell the Princeton crowd's enthusiasm. Led by co-captain QB Brian Anderson '09, the Tiger was on the attack from its first possession. Anderson proved he has a strong arm as well as good wheels, and is strong in body and mind, as he is definitely willing to stay in the pocket or stick his nose in there to run for extra yards when he needs them. The offensive line was solid, opening holes for tailback Jordan Culbreath '10, and providing time for Anderson to hit co-captain Adam Berry '09, Will Thanheiser '09, and an impressive sophomore Trey Peacock '11.

The defense, led by a deep and outstanding front line and some equally outstanding linebackers (you will hear a lot more from me about these two groups before season's end) stifled The Citadel's vaunted attack and our D-backs kept their All American receiver Andre Roberts very quiet. The Tiger's combined efforts produced a very impressive first half lead of 17-7.

It was almost as if this was just too good to be true, and unfortunately, it was. An early second half blocked punt, run back for a TD, seemed to ignite the entire Citadel team and crowd, and the Bulldogs went on an uninterrupted scoring binge, including another special teams big play (Roberts had an electrifying punt return) which put the game out of reach. The Tiger didn't quit and battled to the end, but just did not have enough to produce the win.

In the post-game locker room I overheard some encouraging words from the Tiger leaders, and I have a great feeling that, despite this setback, this team will have a special season and make all PFA'ers proud.

I want to thank all those responsible in the Athletic Department and otherwise who made this out-of-market trip a great experience for everyone involved. I am proud that Princeton Football could once again be a beacon of camaraderie for the University. I enjoyed meeting many new faces and I hope that this is the catalyst for involvement in Princeton Football that the San Diego trip a few years ago proved to be.

I encourage all those who participated in this weekend to please be in contact with me if you enjoyed your Tiger Football and have interest in helping the PFA continue to enable weekends like this to become a reality.

Next Saturday night we play our first home game against Lehigh. I assure you our student athletes will provide quite an evening of entertainment. I hope to see Powers Stadium rocking.

Go Tigers!!

Frank J. Vuono '78
President

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Frank Vuono '78, President

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Harvard	0 0	1 0
Yale	0 0	1 0
PRINCETON	0 0	0 1
Pennsylvania	0 0	0 1
Dartmouth	0 0	0 1
Columbia	0 0	0 1

Sept. 20

Brown 17.....	Stony Brook 7
Cornell 21.....	Bucknell 20
(Sept. 19) Harvard 25.....	Holy Cross 24
Yale 47	Georgetown 7
Fordham 29.....	Columbia 22
Colgate 34.....	Dartmouth 20
Villanova 20.....	Pennsylvania 14, OT

2008 Results

September	PU	OPP
20	at The Citadel	24 37
27	Lehigh	
October		
4	at Columbia	
11	at Colgate	
18	Brown	
25	Harvard	
November		
1	at Cornell	
8	Pennsylvania	
15	at Yale	
22	Dartmouth	

NEXT WEEK

Princeton
vs.
Lehigh
Sept. 27
6 p.m.
Princeton Stadium