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Brown steps past Tiger by 31-10

By Justin Feil

Ben Bologna '10 converted his first career field goal attempt for a 3-0 Princeton lead over Brown on Saturday.

But it was downhill from there for the Tiger in a 31-10 Princeton Stadium loss before 11,814 in a battle of two of the Ivy League's final three unbeaten teams. Brown moved to 3-2 overall, 2-0 in the Ivies, tied with Penn, which beat Columbia, 15-10. The Tiger slipped to 2-3 overall, 1-1 in Ivy play and lost more than the game. Quarterback Brian Anderson '09 left the game in the third quarter with a bruised right (his non-throwing) shoulder.

"The beautiful thing about football is you get 24 hours to mourn this and then we have to come back with a big game against Harvard," said Princeton Head Coach Roger Hughes. "Clearly it wasn't our day today, but that doesn't mean it can't be our day the next five weeks we play. All we can do is play one at a time."

The Tiger didn't like the way the game started despite Bologna's kick. That's because his field goal was from just 18 yards, the result of the offense stalling again after it reached the Brown 1. Twice, Jordan Culbreath '10 tried to rush it in, the second time he was nearly tackled in the backfield, before Anderson fired incomplete under heavy pressure on a roll-out on third down.

"There's no excuse," Coach Hughes said of the series. "I'm anxious to see the film to see what happened down there. Clearly that started things. Things kind of snowballed from there."



Frank Wojciechowski/The Princeton Packet
Meko McCray '11 carries in the second quarter against Brown on Saturday at Princeton Stadium.

In all five of Princeton's games this season, the team that scored first has lost. Brown seized control with touchdowns on its first two possessions Saturday. Twice the Bears converted five-play drives into seven points apiece for a 14-3 lead. Scoring on its first drive was a big goal for the Bears, who won for the first time in five meetings at Princeton Stadium.

"Any time you can score on the first drive, it's great momentum," Coach Hughes explained. "It gets the other team back on their heels, or other teams have to answer. Instead of looking to see what went wrong, you're more talking about what's going right and what's going to work and the kids come off with a sense of accomplishment."

Princeton cut into the lead on a big-play drive. It took just four plays with a 33-yard pass to Will Thanheiser '09 and 20-yard completion to Trey Peacock '11 setting up

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From the President

Well, unfortunately there's not much to say after a bitter defeat like the one our Tigers suffered this week to Brown. To add injury to insult, our offensive leader and co-captain QB Brian Anderson '09 sustained a separated shoulder (his right, non-throwing) that may sideline him for a while. His backups, Tommy Wornham '12 and starting cornerback Dan Kopolovich '09, got some playing time, but Dan was also hurt during the game (stinger) so the coaches' options were limited.

It was just one of those days. The Tigers opened the game with a long drive but couldn't punch it in from the one. However, OT Mark Paski '10 had a good day blocking.

After allowing two early drives for TDs, the defense stiffened, but was eventually undone when the special teams allowed many long kick returns which shortened the field for a tough Brown offense. LB Brad Stetler '10 had a pass break up and a sack. LB Scott Britton '10 had 11 tackles and DB Wilson Cates '10 and LB Steve Cody '11 had seven each.

Coach Hughes assures me he will rally the troops for this big week with Harvard on the horizon. It will be a challenge to stay focused as our student athletes are faced with mid-term exams.

I hope many of you can come out for our "homecoming" Harvard weekend. Our student athletes need your support. Furthermore, on Friday evening and on game day we will be

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GAME STATISTICS

PRINCETON 3 7 0 0 10
Brown 14 0 17 0 31

HOW THEY SCORED:

1st Quarter: 8:47, PU — FG, Bologna, 18; 6:40, BU — TD, Knight, 6-yard run, Ranney kick; 1:41, BU — TD, Sewall, 2-yard run, Ranney kick.

2nd Quarter: 9:28, PU — TD, McCray, 12-yard run, Bologna kick.

3rd Quarter: 10:17, BU — FG, Ranney, 33; 7:10, BU — TD, Farnham, 20-yard pass from Dougherty, Ranney kick; 1:30, BU — TD, Farnham, 3-yard run, Ranney kick.

4th Quarter: None.

	PU	BU
First Downs	13	19
Rushes/Yds	30-76	36-159
Passing Yds	121	181
Comp/Att/Int	13-27-1	14-27-1
Plays/Yards	57-197	63-340
Return Yds	102	213
Punts/Avg	7-44.6	3-49
Penalties/Yds	6-73	9-147
Fumbles/Lost	2-1	1-1
Intercept/Yds	1-0	1-0
Possession Time	30:02	29:58
Attendance:	11,814	

PRINCETON PERFORMANCE

OFFENSE:

RUSHING: Culbreath, 16-67; McCray, 2-12, 1TD; Smith, 2-3; Wornham, 1-2; Anderson, 5-2; Zimmerman, 1-2; Kopolovich, 3-(-18).

PASSING: Anderson, 11-22-1-109; Wornham, 1-3-0-2; Kopolovich, 1-2-0-10.

RECEIVING: Thanheiser, 5-82; Peacock, 2-15; Magro, 2-8; Berry, 1-10; Culbreath, 1-8; Kerr, 1-2; Zimmerman, 1-(-4).

DEFENSE:

SACKS (No./Yds): Britton, 1-8; Stetler, 1-7.

INTERCEPTIONS (No./Yds): Roque, 1-0.

FUMBLE RECOVERY(No./Yds): Etheridge, 1-0.

TACKLES (U/A): Britton, 3-8; cates, 5-2; Cody, 1-6; Kopolovich, 5-1; Stetler, 2-4; Ploszek, 4-1; Karacozoff, 1-3; Buchignani, 0-4; Kelly, 0-4; Zimmerman, 1-2; McCarthy, 0-3; Koch, 1-1; Newell, 1-1; Gallagher, 0-2; Methvin, 1-0; Kranz, 1-0; Flaherty, 1-0; Louden, 1-0; Boyer, 0-1; Hurley, 0-1

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Meko McCray '11's 12-yard touchdown run. The receiver came all the way across the formation on a sweep to the right side for his first career score to cut the deficit to 14-10 with 9:28 left in the first half.

"Even as bad as we were playing in the first half, and the miscues we had, it was still a 10-14 game," Coach Hughes said. "It felt like we could come back and take charge of it."

The Bears opened the second half with a field goal and then got a pair of touchdowns to seal the victory.

"You need to come out and get something going in the third quarter," Coach Hughes said. "And we just weren't able to do that today."

Princeton managed just 18 yards of offense in the second half. Anderson left the game for good midway through the third quarter after being hounded by the Bears defense. His shoulder was injured in the first quarter.

"We tried to see if he could go on it," Coach Hughes said, "and it became apparent — especially in the third quarter — that he just couldn't. ... That's why we came in with Dan (Kopolovich '10) and with Tommy Wornham '12 at those situations because Brian just wasn't being effective."

Wornham, a freshman from San Diego, saw some action in the final possession of the first half. He was 1-for-3 for two yards. Kopolovich, who made six tackles as a starting cornerback, relieved Anderson in the second half.

"In that situation, you're supposed to come in and make plays, not necessarily the big plays, but just do what coach tells you to do," said Kopolovich, who was 1-for-2 for 10 yards and was sacked twice. "I just wasn't able to do that."

The Tiger has this week to figure out who will take snaps if Anderson cannot play when Harvard comes to Princeton Stadium on Saturday. The Crimson lost to Brown in its Ivy opener.

"The trouble is when you take Dan off the defensive side, you rob Peter to pay Paul," Coach Hughes said. "Some of it will get down to the development of Tommy Wornham. What we're going to try to do is look at the film, see where we're at on both sides of the ball and see what fits our team best. If Dan playing defense fits us best and gives us the best chance to win the game, that's what we'll do, and if playing on the offensive side does the same thing, clearly

that's what we'll do."

Culbreath lead the Tiger with 67 yards rushing. Thanheiser was the top receiver again with 82 yards on five catches. Ryan Coyle '09 blasted a 76-yard punt, a career long for the senior from Lawrenceville School.

Carlos Roque '10 recorded his first career interception and Mark Ethridge '10 had his first fumble recovery as the Tiger defense forced two turnovers.

Little went Princeton's way after its opening score. The Tiger lost the game and control of its Ivy destiny Saturday, but the season is only half finished and there are five Ivy games to play, including three more at home.

"Together we have a chance," Coach Hughes said. "If we start to fray a little bit, then we have no chance. The character of the team is going to show through at this point."

President

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celebrating the first-ever retirement of a Princeton jersey number when 42, the number worn by Heisman trophy winner Dick Kazmaier '52 and basketball great Bill Bradley '65, is forever retired. The event is being presented equally by the Princeton Football Association, Friends of Basketball and the Princeton Varsity Club.

Look on Page 3 of this issue of the Lair for more details.

I also need to encourage you to go online to www.sesportsauction.com/princeton/index.cfm to participate in our annual auction. There you will find some great experiences donated by fellow PFAers that are an important part of our annual fundraising. I know things are tough these days, but many of these offerings can be enjoyed next year when we have all rebounded nicely; and they can currently be had for a bargain.

I'm looking forward to a Tiger turnaround this Saturday. I hope to see you all there.

Go Tigers!!

Frank Vuono '78
President

TIGER PLAYER PROFILES

What is your greatest challenge as a Princeton Football player?

One of the hardest thing to do as a Princeton Football player is to be able to find a way to excel on the field as well as in the classroom. All the players come to Princeton having achieved great accolades as a player, often in more than one sport, and as a student. Everyone wants to continue that success but it takes some time to figure out the best way to continue achieving those successes at Princeton.

Why did you choose Princeton for your athletic and academic career?

I chose Princeton because of its tradition in both areas. Princeton obviously has an academic tradition that is second to none, as well as having football roots that are unrivaled. This tradition is something that has its roots quite some time ago, but also a tradition that is still very relevant. Most people know Princeton as a historically great university, but it still remains one of the best in the world. Princeton also has fielded a football team for longer than any other institution, but even recently, it has routinely produced great players, coaches, and teams.

When you are on the field, who or what inspires you?

To do my best on the field I always use

my mom and my high school program. My mother, Frances Ayasso, has always inspired me to do my best in athletics and in academics and has always emphasized the importance of doing my best at everything I do to make the most I can of my potential and achieve what I want. My high school program, Gateway, also instilled pride in how I should carry myself and the standards I should hold myself to. My coaches there, Terry and Harvey Smith, never let me give anything less than my best and taught me the value of competition and achievement.

Please tell us about your career plans.

I am looking to get into the consulting and management industries and hopefully have a chance to work close to athletics. Both of these industries interest me greatly because of breadth of skills and knowledge needed to succeed and having a chance to work for or with an organization involved in sports would allow me to stay connected to something I love.

Is there anything about yourself you'd like to share with your fans?

I would like to thank my mom for her constant support, without her I would not have been able to achieve anything. I would also like to thank Terry and Harvey Smith for always believing in me and never letting me achieve anything less than my full potential.



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Evan Ayasso
6-0, 180 pounds
Monroeville, Pa.
Defensive back

At Gateway Senior High School, named to all-conference team twice as a defensive back ... team reached the league 4A championship game in his senior year ... earned three varsity letters running sprints for track team ... part of school record 4-by-100 relay team ... earned a varsity letter as a guard on the basketball team ... names to All-East Academic team ... High Honor Roll selection ... has two uncles who played in the NFL — Terry Smith went to Penn State and played for Washington, while Harvey Smith went to West Virginia and played for Miami ... a sociology major at Princeton.

Princeton to honor Kazmaier, Bradley and to retire No. 42

The Princeton Department of Athletics, in conjunction with the Princeton Football Association, Friends of Basketball and Princeton Varsity Club will hold a celebration honoring Dick Kazmaier '52 and Bill Bradley '65 that will culminate in the retirement of the number 42 at Princeton University.

This occasion will allow Princetonians to celebrate the tremendous accomplishments of two special individuals who have personified the student-athlete ideal.

The evening will commence with a cocktail reception at 7 p.m. followed by the event program that begins at 8 p.m. The program includes:

- Video presentation featuring footage from the competitive days of both honorees, as well as commentary and interviews with their friends and teammates.
- Both gentlemen will address the audience and will be intro-

duced by Pulitzer Prize-winning author John McPhee '53, who penned his first book, "A Sense of Where You Are," about Bill Bradley in 1965 and who is a contemporary and friend of Dick Kazmaier.

• Banners honoring both Bill Bradley '65 and Dick Kazmaier '52 will be unveiled in the rafters of Jadwin Gym recognizing the official retirement of the number 42 at Princeton University. Both gentlemen will receive a smaller, framed replica of the banner that bears their respective jersey and name.

All attendees will receive commemorative programs and pins signifying the historical connotation of the evening.

The cost of the evening is \$100 per person, \$50 for young alumni ('04-'08) and \$25 for children (12 and under).

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Frank Vuono '78, President

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	Ivy	Overall
Brown	2 0	3 2
Pennsylvania	2 0	3 2
PRINCETON	1 1	2 3
Cornell	1 1	3 2
Harvard	1 1	4 1
Yale	1 1	3 2
Columbia	0 2	0 5
Dartmouth	0 2	0 5

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Harvard 27	Lehigh 24
Fordham 12	Yale 10
Pennsylvania 15	Columbia 10
Holy Cross 44	Dartmouth 26
Colgate 38	Cornell 22

2008 Results

Month	Date	Opponent	PU	OPP
September	20	at The Citadel	24	37
	27	Lehigh	10	7
October	4	at Columbia	27	24
	11	at Colgate	24	27
	18	Brown	10	31
	25	Harvard		
November	1	at Cornell		
	8	Pennsylvania		
	15	at Yale		
	22	Dartmouth		

NEXT WEEK

Princeton
vs.
Harvard

Oct. 25
1 p.m.
Princeton Stadium