

RICH HISTORY

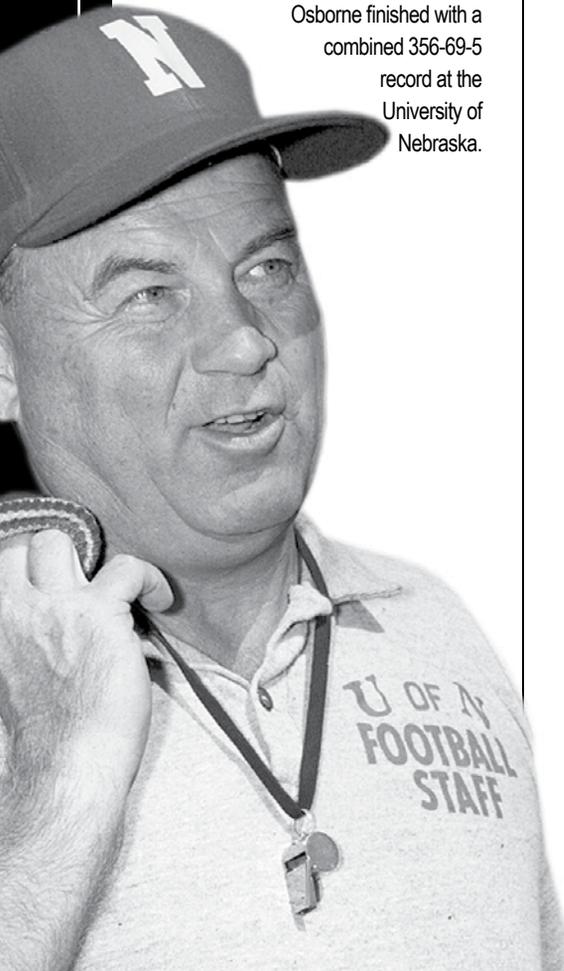


Nebraska started off the new millennium the same way it ended the last - in dominant fashion. The Huskers finished off the 1990s by becoming the first team in the history of Division I football to post 100 wins in back-to-back decades. Since the start of the 1970s, Nebraska has posted the best record of any Division I team (341-74-5). The Huskers ranked first in the 1980s and second in the 1990s. That outstanding tradition began with Bob Devaney and Tom Osborne and continues in 2006 with Coach Bill Callahan.



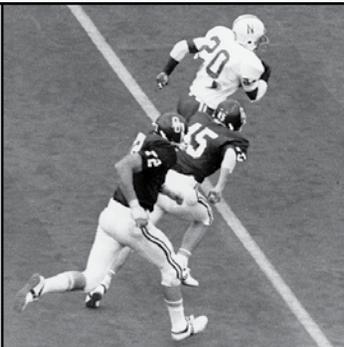
NEBRASKA FOOTBALL

Bob Devaney (below) and Tom Osborne guided Nebraska football to national prominence and coached Husker teams to five national titles in just under four decades of service. Devaney and Osborne finished with a combined 356-69-5 record at the University of Nebraska.



THE RODGERS RUN

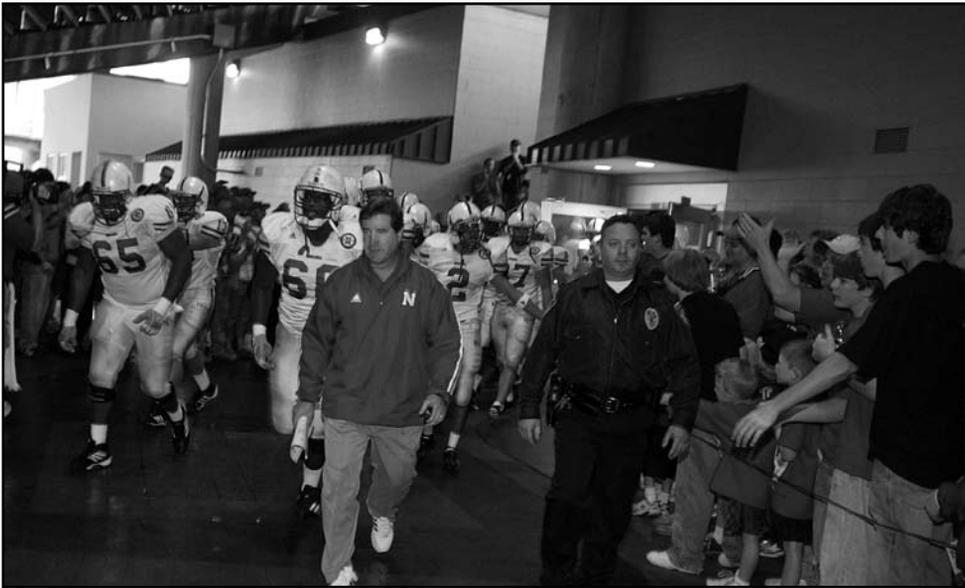
One of the most memorable moments in Nebraska football history, 1972 Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Rodgers' electrifying 72-yard punt return against Oklahoma in the 1971 "Game of the Century" helping the Huskers to their second straight national title.



The roots of Nebraska football date back to 1890, when Dr. Langdon Frothingham led NU's first team to a 2-0 record. Nebraska football teams were known as the Old Gold Knights, the Antelopes and the Bugeaters before the 1900 team adopted the name "Cornhuskers."



THE ROOTS OF NEBRASKA FOOTBALL



TUNNEL WALK

“Coming down that tunnel for the first time, it’s chilling. It’s absolutely chilling.”

Bill Callahan
Nebraska Head Coach

Tunnel Walk

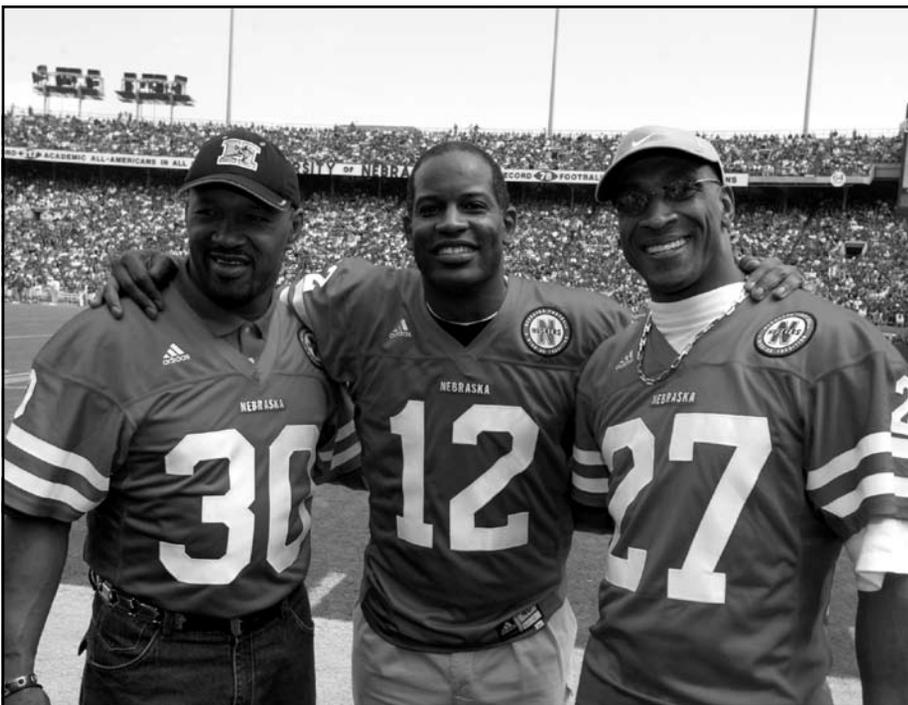
The Tunnel Walk, which began in 1994, has become an integral part of Memorial Stadium’s game-day experience. It was created as a way for fans to share in the excitement of the team emerging from the locker room, something only a few could do before HuskerVision’s cameras and big screens came to Memorial Stadium. The sounds of the Alan Parsons Project’s “Sirius,” and the roar of the 80,000 frenzied fans rock the stadium as the Huskers burst through the locker room doors and into the tunnel on their way to the Memorial Stadium FieldTurf.



The Horseshoe

For as long as anyone can remember, the Huskers have touched a lucky horseshoe on their way from the locker room to the field. The horseshoe hangs above the double doors that open into the tunnel, and it has hung there since the South Stadium locker room opened before the 1973 season. Prior to 1973, during coach Bob Devaney’s tenure, the horseshoe hung above a door near the north locker room. When the team moved to its new air-conditioned quarters, players persuaded Coach Tom Osborne to allow them to relocate the horseshoe. Captains John Dutton and Daryl White hoisted teammate Bob Thornton, who put the horseshoe in its current place. Osborne, who had just succeeded Devaney as coach, agreed that the horseshoe should be moved. He wasn’t superstitious, he said, but he figured the players didn’t want UCLA, the opening-game opponent in 1973, to have the horseshoe’s luck. The Cornhuskers won, 40-13.

THE HORSESHOE



NEBRASKA’S “SCORING EXPLOSION” (1983)

Family Atmosphere

Cornhusker football has always had a family atmosphere. At the Red-White Spring Game in 2005, 26 Huskers in the NFL returned to Lincoln, as did “The Triplets” - Heisman winner Mike Rozier, quarterback Turner Gill and wingback Irving Fryar - the cornerstones of Nebraska’s 1983 “Scoring Explosion” offense.