

# ARIZONA FOOTBALL

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Date	Game - TV	Score	Atten
A 30	Texas-El Paso	42-7	40,264
<b>S 6</b>	<b>LSU (TBS national cable)</b>	<b>7 p.m. MST</b>	
S 13	Oregon (TBS national)	7 p.m. MST	
S 20	at Purdue	11 a.m. CDT	
S 27	Texas Christian	7 p.m. MST	
O 4	at Wash. State	2 p.m. PDT/MST	
O 11	UCLA#	4 p.m. MST	
O 25	at California	12:30 p.m. PDT/MST	
N 1	at Oregon State	1 p.m. PST	
N 8	Washington%	4 p.m. MST	
N 15	Southern California	4 p.m. MST	
N 28	at Arizona State (FSN)	1 p.m. MST	

#Family Weekend; %Homecoming

Times subject to change; Additional TV TBA

## Game Tickets

The McKale Center Ticket Office is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (520-621-2287). Call 1-800-452-2287 toll-free. Season tickets are on sale until Aug. 29. Game tickets range from \$7-\$20 or more if in priority seating areas.

## Arizona Football On TV

Turner Sports will produce the LSU game for national cablecast. Two other UA games have been pre-selected for national cablecasts. UA local partner Fox Sports Net Arizona also will produce additional games. Games on FSN also will be distributed by Fox Sports Digital Nets.

## Arizona Football on Radio

KNST 790-AM Radio (Clear Channel) is the flagship station for live UA football broadcasts on the Wildcat Sports Network. Brian Jeffries and Les Josephson call the play. Affiliates: KKNT Phoenix, KDAP Douglas, KVNA Flagstaff, KIKO Globe, KZUA Holbrook, KLAV Las Vegas, KWRQ Safford, KTAN Sierra Vista, KNOT Prescott, KBLU Yuma. KTOX-Needles, KVSL Show Low. KNST administers UA's Spanish language broadcasts carried by KXEW Tucson and XENY Nogales with Francisco Romero and Luis Fernando Perez. KNST's broadcast is available on the Internet for \$6.95 monthly, through RealNetworks at arizonaathletics.com. Live GameTracker stats can be followed at arizonaathletics.com.

## John Mackovic Coach's Shows

Head coach John Mackovic's weekly radio and television shows are produced by KNST Radio, with host Brian Jeffries and the coach taping during "Tuesdays in the Huddle With John Mackovic," a public gathering at McMahon's Steakhouse at noon Tuesdays. The radio show airs at 6 p.m. Tuesdays on KNST-790 AM and the TV segment is broadcast at 9:30 p.m. Wednesdays on KWBA-58.

## Mackovic's Weekly Media Gatherings

John Mackovic will meet with the media weekly throughout the season (except for bye weeks) in McKale Center 106 at 1 p.m. Mondays. He will conduct game reviews via teleconference at 3 p.m. Sundays. Call the UA SID office to obtain the teleconference details.

## Practice Policies

Sunday and Thursday practices are closed. Media may attend Tuesday and Wednesday sessions. Players are off limits after Wednesdays.

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## Cats Test Verve Against Ranked LSU

**The Game** – The University of Arizona (1-0, 0-0 in the Pacific-10) plays host to Louisiana State (1-0, 0-0 in SEC action) Saturday, Sept. 6, in 56,002-seat Arizona Stadium. Kickoff is scheduled for 7:10 p.m. MST (9 p.m. CDT). The game will be a national cablecast by TBS Sports, with Ron Thulin, Charles Davis, Craig Sager and Erin Andrews describing the play. A crowd of more than 50,000 is anticipated. LSU was No. 14 in AP and 15 in the USA Today/ESPN polls entering its first game.

**Some Game Themes** – A match of two teams that showed scoring punch and rush defense prowess against less-talented teams in their openers... The Cats' confidence from a rousing season-opening victory gets tested by a seemingly uphill battle -- hopefully a young Arizona team isn't biting off more than it can chew in playing host to a more experienced and ranked non-conference opponent... Arizona gets a crack at an unfamiliar team, playing only the sixth game in its history against an SEC squad... LSU works to show its national ranking is bonafide... UA works to continue its non-conference success under John Mackovic, who's 7-1 outside the Pac-10 in his three years...

**The Series** – LSU leads the series, 1-0. The previous contest was a Tigers victory, 27-26, in Baton Rouge in the 1984 season. In fact, Arizona (1-3-1) has only played five games against three Southeastern Conference teams – beating Auburn in the 1968 Sun Bowl and losing to Auburn in 1976 and 1977 season openers, tying Georgia in the 1985 Sun Bowl, and the '84 game in Baton Rouge.

**The Coaches** – Arizona: John Mackovic (Wake Forest '65), third year at Arizona (10-14) and 16<sup>th</sup> season as a collegiate head coach (95-78-3). Mackovic has a 0-2 mark against LSU, while in his first head job at Wake Forest. Overall he is 2-8 against SEC teams. Louisiana State: Nick Saban (Kent State '73), fourth year in Baton Rouge (27-12) and 10<sup>th</sup> overall (70-38-1). He coaches against Arizona for the first time, and has coached to a 1-3 mark against Pac-10 teams

**Arizona Last Week** – Arizona did what it had to do, most notably come out ready to go, and posted 21 first-quarter points en route to a convincing 42-7 victory over Texas El-Paso before a crowd of 40,264 in Arizona Stadium. The Cats' defense did not allow a score, UA's running game seemed vastly improved over last year, the Cats' were proficient in the scoring zone and special teams' play was effective. Sophomore quarterback starter Nic Costa led UA on two 80-yard scoring drives on its first possessions with a mix of some sharp passing and his and Bell's running. The first-half outburst – 35-0 edge – was Arizona's best in a regulation game since its 12-1 team of 1998 posted a 35-7 halftime lead against Louisiana-Monroe (then Northeast Louisiana) in Tucson. Bell posted his first career 100-yard game, averaging 9.2 yards per carry on 13 tries for 119 total markers, and scored on an 11-yard run. His 53-yard burst in the third quarter set up UA's final score. Costa complete six of 10 passes for 110 yards, including a 41-yard TD strike to Ricky Williams. Redshirt freshman Ryan O'Hara complete eight of 16 throws for 119 yards, including a 79-yard scoring bomb to Lance Relford. The verve UA showed from the start – 8:32 time of possession in the first quarter – and in the end (9:44 TOP) was key. UA's Gary Love stripped a punt returner for a takeaway the club converted quickly into seven points and safety Lamon Means' 32-yard interception return set up another score. The Cats were a perfect 4-for-4 in scoring touchdowns once inside the opponent's 20 yard-line. UTEP rushed for 71 yards on 33 tries while the Cats hit the ground running for 217 on 43 totes.

## LSU Notes...

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge \*\* Enrollment: 29,002 \*\* Colors: Purple & Gold \*\* Conference: SEC \*\* 2002 Record: 8-5  
LSU quarterback Matt Mauck threw three scoring passes in the space of less than seven minutes as LSU romped, 49-7, over Louisiana-Monroe Saturday in the rain at Baton Rouge. Mauck took the Tigers from a scoreless tie with 6:37 remaining in the second quarter to a 21-0 halftime lead... The game was LSU's first played in the month of August... Mauck missed LSU's final seven games of 2002 with a foot injury... LSU is 8-2 in games Mauck has played in and 6-1 with Mauck as the starter... Head coach Nick Saban has not recorded a losing season or sub-.500 conference finish in nine years of collegiate head coaching at Toledo (1990), Michigan State (1995-99) and LSU (2000-)... His is a defensive background including coordinator stops at Michigan State and with the Houston Oilers... LSU last lost a road game to an unranked opponent in the regular-season finale in 2002 at Fayetteville, where the Razorbacks of Arkansas pulled off a 21-20 victory and dropped the Tigers from the SEC title game... Junior wide receiver Michael Clayton (6 receptions, 152 yards last week), is the real deal, according to UA secondary coach Steve Bernstein, who was on the LSU staff from 1996-1999. He also cited receivers Devery Henderson and Skyler Green as explosive challenges for UA's defensive backs this week. Clayton, who has 110 career receptions, may see action at safety as well this year... LSU's offensive line sports a group heading toward 100 career starts, led by tackle Rodney Reed, guard Stephen Peterman, center Ben Wilkerson and tackle Andrew Whitworth. Reed started hits 35<sup>th</sup> consecutive game against Louisiana-Monroe, the sixth-best active streak among I-A offensive linemen. To underscore just *some* of the talent that will be racing around Arizona Stadium, Peterman (Lombardi Award) and Wilkerson (Rimington Trophy) are on preseason honors watch lists, joined by LSU defenders (CB) Corey Webster (Thorpe, Nagurski Awards) and (LB) Lionel Turner (Butkus Award)...

**Game Note:** One of Arizona's All-Americans and Sports Hall of Fame members, safety Tony Bouie (1991-94), hailed downriver from Baton Rouge, in New Orleans... Former linebacker Charlie Camp (1991-95), a teammate of Bouie's on the 'Desert Swarm' defense, came to Tucson from a prep career in Marrero, La., in the metropolitan New Orleans area. Camp was on UA's staff last year as defensive ends coach and is now at Oregon State... The last Arizona-LSU game was played about a month after current UA starting safety Lamon Means was born...

## Arizona in 2003 Statistical Rankings

Category/Figure	NCAA	Pac-10
Rushing/217.0	21	3
Passing/229.0	35	5
Pass Eff./137.78	29	3
Total Offense/446.0	27	4
Scoring/42.0	13-t	1-t
Rush Def./71.0	17	3
Pass Def./204.0	49	5
Pass Eff. Def./84.00	18	3
Total Def./275.0	30	4
Scoring Def./7.0	12-t	3-t
Net Punting/37.5	30	3
Punt Ret./9.0	46	5
KOR/5.0	88	6
Turnover Margin/1.0	22-t	3-t
Fumbles Lost/0	1-t	1-t
Fumbles Rec./2	7-t	1-t
Passes Had Int./2	77	7
Passes Intercepted/1	28-t	2-t
Turnovers Gained/3	13-t	1-t
Turnovers Lost/2	44-t	4-t
Rushing – M.Bell 119.0	18	3
INTs – Means 1.0	5-t	2-t
Pass Effic – Costa 185.40 (shy 5 attempts, not officially on NCAA list)	(9)	(2)
Punting – J.Molina 43.0 (shy one punt, not officially on NCAA list)	(21)	(2)

## Injury Report for LSU

Halfback Clarence Farmer (shoulder) is questionable. Halfback Chris Henry (ankle) is questionable. Cornerback Gary Love (ankle) is questionable. LB Kirk Johnson (knee) is questionable. RT Tanner Bell (knee) is doubtful. Johnson and Bell missed the UTEP game. Projected starting left guard John Parada hurt his knee early in camp, had surgery in late August and is out for the year. Freshman DL Cedric Cofer had leg surgery during camp and will redshirt. HB Gainus Scott (undisclosed) has not practiced and is out indefinitely. Last year Arizona players lost a potential of more than 60 starts due to injuries.

## Game Captains

The team will elect permanent team captains in November. Each week prior to that head coach John Mackovic names game captains. UTEP – LT Brandon Phillips, OLB Matt Molina, HB Mike Bell. LSU – TBA.

## Miscellany of Late...

...Arizona's 217-yards rushing in the opener was its most since it ran for 258 yards in a humbling 63-28 loss to Oregon on Oct. 6, 2001, led by Clarence Farmer's 158 yards on 15 carries...

...Nic Costa's touchdown toss of 41 yards to Ricky Williams on Arizona's season-opening drive marked the first time UA has scored on its first game possession of the season since 1998, when Chris McAlister returned the opening kickoff 100 yards at Hawaii... Williams' catch was his first career scoring reception... Costa's one-yard TD run vs. UTEP was his first career rushing TD...

...Redshirt freshmen Ryan O'Hara and Adam Austin both made appearances at QB for the Cats vs. UTEP, their first taste of action... Other first-time players who redshirted last year included linebacker John McKinney (the Cats' leading tackler with 8), defensive back Gary Shepard, outside linebacker Andre Torrey, cornerback Luis Nunez, OLB Marcus Smith, defensive end Paul Philipp and linebacker Antoine Singfield... Mid-year transfer corner Zeonte Sherman and walk-ons Bobby Kaspar (DL), Ryan Eidson (WR) and Shawn Pack (DL) also saw action. True freshmen halfback Chris Henry, safety Marcus Hollingsworth and receiver-returner Syndric Steptoe also played...

...Junior tight end Steve Fleming is cited by ESPN analyst Mel Kiper as one of the most underrated players in the country at his position... Fleming, with two grabs against UTEP, only has five receptions in his career, but he's a big swift target with hands, and the lone veteran at tight end...

...Arizona's 3-0 mark in season openers under John Mackovic matched the 3-0 mark Jim Young posted from 1973-75. The best in UA history was Tex Oliver's 5-0 record in season openers, from 1933-37... Dick Tomey (5-0 from 1992-96) and Miles Casteel (5-0) in 1942 and 1945-48) also had five-game streaks but not in their first five years...

...Arizona's five 400-yard passing games in the past two years under John Mackovic is the Pac-10's highest total, and the Cats' six 400-yard passing games since 1996 rate No. 9 nationally...

...Halfback Beau Carr reported Aug. 22 after successfully completing some summer coursework. Carr had a couple of starts a year ago and could see action soon if injuries to Clarence Farmer and Chris Henry slow those guys...

...The 35 first-half points scored by UA vs. UTEP were the most since 1998, though UA did post 39 second-half points in a second half that required three overtimes against Washington State in 2000...

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## Arizona Head Coach John Mackovic

UA's 26<sup>th</sup> head coach is in his 20<sup>th</sup> year as a collegiate head coach, athletics director or professional head coach, plus adds another dozen years in the game as a coordinator or assistant to give the Wildcats a mentor with more than three decades of established leadership. He has a solid track record of program improvement at each of his head coaching jobs.

Mackovic is just five victories shy of the 100-victory level, and is the Pac-10's leader in career victories.

UA's victory over UTEP gave Mackovic a 3-0 record in his season openers at Arizona, matching the most recent such streak, by Jim Young from 1973-75 when Mackovic was offensive coordinator at UA.

Arizona's passing game has dramatically improved under his direction and this year he turned considerable attention to both the Cats running game and the Wildcat defense. The jury is out, but the opener against Texas-El Paso indicated the focus was well spent. Both areas showed improvement. Further, Mackovic's effort in hiring new coordinators and some other key new coaches on both sides of the ball was an off-season highlight.

Mackovic's recruiting success in his initial years in Tucson has provided Arizona some outstanding young talent, many of whom may be heavily relied on this season. Among last season's freshman class of 21, UA played 11. It's clear Arizona's future lies in the hands of its young talent.

Mackovic's first Arizona team unveiled a sophisticated offensive attack that produced a 2,000-yard passer, a 1,000-yard rusher and a near 1,000-yard receiver, while his second club developed a 3,000-yard passer and 1,300-yard receiver. The 2002 club established a number of high-water offensive marks and historical UA top 10 ratings. He developed an untested quarterback, Jason Johnson, into a leader who helped post five 400-yard passing games in Mackovic's brief UA tenure, and the team has exceeded 400 yards in total offense 10 times in Mackovic's two years.

Off the field, the Wildcat mentor has established high standards for academic performance and citizenship, and backed them up with a fair but disciplined hand. Successive players have earned spots on the America Football Coaches Association Good Works Team – Eli Wnek and Johnson – and the latter won the Woody Hayes National Scholar Athlete Award in 2002. Both were Verizon Academic All-District VII honorees. Arizona recorded a program-high four first-team Academic All-Pac-10 selections in 2001 and backed that up with two more citations a year ago. Overall, 13 players were first or second-team selections or honorable mention Pac-10 All Academic in his two years. His focus on the total student-athlete has been underscored by nine national academic/citizenship honor winners during his collegiate career.

As the District 9 representative on the Board of Trustees of the American Football Coaches Association, Mackovic, who will turn 60 in October, has a voice heard nationally in matters of keen interest to coaches concerned about the direction of college football and the comportment of its principals.

### ***Mackovic at a Glance:***

- 16<sup>th</sup> year as a collegiate head coach
- Overall collegiate record: 95-78-3 (.548)
- Career bowl teams: Eight
- Arizona record: 10-14
- Non-Conference Record: 7-1
- Pac-10 Record: 3-13
- Arizona Road Record: 4-6
- Arizona Home Record: 6-8
- Walter Camp Foundation National Coach of the Year, 1979
- Conference Coach of the Year: ACC ('79), Big Ten ('88, '89), SWC ('95)

### **The Last Time Against LSU -- Sept. 22, 1984, Baton Rouge**

Arizona had a 1<sup>st</sup>-and-10 inside LSU territory with a minute remaining in the game, but couldn't get within field goal range... and the Tigers escaped with a narrow 27-26 victory. LSU's Dalton Hilliard rushed for 145 yards and a touchdown and Dalton James added 78 yards and a score. UA's Alfred Jenkins passed for 229 yards and a score while place kicker Max Zendejas knocked field goals of 49, 33, 50 and 34 yards. Arizona needed about a half-dozen more yards for Zendejas to get a shot at the winning kick, but Jenkins was flushed on a 4th-and-4 scramble from the 43 yard-line and netted only one yard. UA had leads of 7-3, 10-3, 13-6 and led 20-13 at halftime but LSU scored twice quickly in the third quarter to gain control. A couple of Zendejas' field goals pulled UA within one point. Arizona got the ball back with less than two minutes remaining but couldn't put together a deep enough drive. Ironically, Zendejas missed the team charter flight and had to travel to Baton Rouge via commercial air. UA safety Allan Durden, who earned All-Pac-10 honors that season, silenced the aroused LSU crowd – for a few minutes – with a 96-yard interceptions return for a touchdown half way through the opening quarter. LSU's defense held UA to 69 rushing yards on 31 attempts and forced predictability in the closing minutes.

### **Cats' Schedule Tough in Non-Conference Action**

Arizona's 2003 schedule was known to be tough ahead of time – the Cats will face 10 bowl teams. The Aug. 17 Associated Press preseason college football poll backs it up. Louisiana State (14), Purdue (19) and Texas Christian (25) made the chart. Arizona's other early opponent, Oregon, earned votes. Pac-10 Conference affiliates USC (8), Washington (17) and Arizona State (22) also earned preseason Top 25 status in the AP poll.

### **Costa or O'Hara?**

Sophomore quarterback Nic Costa was tabbed to start the opener and did not disappoint, with effective passing (6-for-10, 119 yards, 0 INT, 1 TD), running (3-33, 1 TD) and leadership (four scoring drives, stewardship of six possessions). Ryan O'Hara led the Cats on its other two scoring drives, including a nifty 79-yard touchdown throw to Lance Relford for O'Hara's first career TD toss. John Mackovic says both will play against LSU, but Mackovic is known to be a one-QB guy and showed it the past two years with Jason Johnson. He'll be looking for the leadership tangibles and intangibles, because both players are talented. Costa played sparingly as a redshirt freshman in 2002. He had moments -- he set a mark for the third-longest pass play and fourth-longest play in Arizona history with a 92-yard scramble and TD throw to Andrae Thurman against UCLA last year. Both guys are mobile and can be evasive if flushed from the pocket. Costa is one of the team's strongest players (585 squat, 415 bench, 365 power clean) and ran a 4.41 40-yard dash this year. O'Hara, at 6-foot-6, gets a bigger view of the field and also is an athletic player. The leader will be called to help UA meet specific game

goals – average 42 percent or better on third-down conversions, score 35 points, have a touchdown pass to interception ratio of 2.5/1 and average no more than one pick per 35 attempts. In the opener, the combined duo helped the team meet the third-down conversion rate (8-for-16) and score the points, but missed on the TD/INT ratio and the championship interception rate.

### Running Game Improvement

Arizona coaches put a great deal of focus on invigorating the club's running game during the off-season and hopefully the UTEP game is a harbinger of things to come. Mike Bell and Nic Costa were electric and Clarence Farmer, Chris Henry, Gilbert Harris and Sean Jones had their moments. The team averaged 5.0 yards per carry and scored four rushing touchdowns, well above the 2002 final marks of 1.5 yards per rush and a total of 7 rushing TDs. The punch at the goal line is most promising, as it helped UA record a perfect 4-for-4 red-zone evening. Obviously the going gets tougher the rest of the season, but UA appears to have the weapons and the mind set to keep it up.

### Secondary Tales

UA's defense held UTEP to a mere 4.7 yards per pass attempt (and overall a 3.6 average per play). UA defenders broke up nine passes and intercepted one, directly wrecking nearly 25 percent of the Miners' throws (43). Cornerbacks Michael Jolivet and Luis Nunez and outside linebacker Matt Molina each knocked down a pair, while strong safety Lamon Means made a big play with his 32-yard interception return to set up a score. UA safeties Gary Shepard, Darrell Brooks and Clay Hardt had five tackles apiece. The Cats probably have more depth in the defensive backfield than on any other unit. As the season progresses and the tests get tougher, the development of the group could be a big key to UA's fortunes. Too, coordinator Mike Hankwitz and secondary coach Steve Bernstein have more packages to deploy this year, without dynamic substitution patterns to tip the hat... Meantime, up front, UA did not exactly overwhelm with solid tackling against UTEP, but did hold the Miners to 71 rushing yards, the Cats' best defensive effort in that category in 11 games (Utah, 32 yards in 2002).

### QBs Follow a Tough Act

The Cats will use a new quarterback in 2003, as noted. The last new guy – Jason Johnson – made a name for himself and thrived under the Mackovic system in single-season figures, both of which placed highly on UA historical charts (records in bold):

Player	Yards	Per Game	Att	Comp	Pct	Int	TD	Year
Jason Johnson	<b>3327</b>	<b>277.2*</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>.583</b>	13	16	2002
Tom Tunnicliffe	2520	229.0	328	176	.537	14	18	1982
Tom Tunnicliffe	2474	224.9	351	185	.527	16	11	1983
Marc Reed	2368	236.8	365	193	.529	16	<b>20</b>	1966
Jason Johnson	2347	213.3	298	169	.567	13	19	2001

(Overall completion % record: .685, Keith Smith, 1998 (113-for-165))

### Sacks By and Against

One reason the UA switched to a 3-4 defense this spring was its pass rush. In the opener, it helped the club get four sacks, with a limited amount of blitzing. The Cats were No. 7 nationally among I-A teams with 74 quarterback sacks from 2000-2001, but last year slipped to 26 sacks, ninth in the league. The new alignment gives the team more deceptive options for "bringing it," and helps coverage people when the green light is on. On the other side of the ball, the 2002 team was last in the league in allowing 52 sacks by opponents, well above the single-game offensive goal of 1 sack per 20 attempts. Against the Miners in the season opener, UA's offensive line did not allow a sack. Part of that is some more athleticism on the part of the current QBs, but a lot of it is because offensive coordinator Mike Deal, Mackovic and the entire offensive staff took a part in developing better pass protection by players on each offensive unit.

### New Guys Help Cats Win

Head coach John Mackovic hired five new assistants in the off-season, with one leaving after spring ball – making it six. It's been one of the good developments in the Arizona program. He secured two seasoned coordinators in Mike Deal on offense and Mike Hankwitz on defense, lured a coordinator to become inside linebackers coach in Craig Bray, attracted a young coordinator to become quarterbacks coach in Jeff Hecklinski, and signed on Mose Rison out of the NFL ranks to coach wide receivers. Rison joined the staff in early summer. Jay Boulware, running backs coach, will direct special teams. Returnees are tight ends coach Charlie Dickey (switch from OL), defensive line coach Marty Long, secondary coach Steve Bernstein and Boulware. New graduate assistants Dan Loyd (offense), a former Wildcat, and Frank Jimenez (defense) round out the staff. On paper and on the field it's a vibrant group with know-how, experience and a push-'em-hard demeanor. Hankwitz directs a 3-4 defensive scheme. The Cats had used the double-eagle flex since the early 1990s.

### Arizona 2003 Game-by-Game Starters

Offense	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	QB	TE/WR	HB	FB/TE/WR	WR	PK
UTEP	Relford	C.Johnson	Sampay	Fraser	Lefotu	Phillips	Costa	FlemingTE	Bell	McRaeTE	Ealy	Gill
LSU												
Defense	OLB	DE	NT	DE/NB	OLB	MLB	WLB	CB	SS	FS	CB	Punter
UTEP	Bryan	Williams	Tuitavuki	Hardt	M.Molina	Siofele	Howard	Love	Means	Brooks	Jolivet	Baughner

### Turnabout is Fair Play

This year in the season opener the Cats had a positive edge, suffering two interceptions (Ryan O'Hara), but intercepting one pass and causing and recovering two fumbles. UA was 3-0 in games when it had fewer turnovers in 2002. In the rest: 1-8.

2003 Turnovers: Arizona 2, Opponents 3

Turnover Points: Arizona 14, Opponents 7

Miscue Points: Arizona 14, Opponents 7 (includes turnover, blocked/botched kick possessions)

### The Scoring Zone

John Mackovic aims for a 67% scoring efficiency, in touchdowns, when UA penetrates the opponents' 20 yard-line. A year ago it didn't happen – the Cats made touchdowns only 44 percent of the time in the scoring zone. Simply getting to the Promised Land is a big goal for the offense this year. Arizona had nearly 20 fewer red-zone possessions than opponents last year. In the season opener the off-season emphasis proved worthy – UA scored four touchdowns in four penetrations against UTEP, all running plays.

Arizona: 4 Scoring Zone Possessions – 4 scores; 100% scoring, 100% TD (4)

Opponents: 0 Scoring Zone Possessions – 0 scores

### Third Down Efficiency

UA wants 42 percent effectiveness on conversion plays and did so vs. UTEP, with eight successful plays in 16 tries. One reason: getting yardage on first and second downs and thereby not facing a lot of 3<sup>rd</sup>-and-long plays. Improved running played a part, surely. UTEP was marginally successful against UA's defense, with 7 conversion in 18 attempts (39%), close to defensive objectives.

### Special Teams

Running backs coach Jay Boulware was picked to be special teams coordinator in the off-season. Arizona wants to keep blocking kicks the way it has (six a year ago), keep the opponents from doing so (also six a year ago), and get some big plays in the return game. Gary Love (forced fumble with big hit in punt return coverage) set the tone for that unit, along with Andre Torrey and Luis Nunez also helping UA hold UTEP to five punt returns for a total of 9 yards. UA is using some new people in the return game – redshirt freshman Mike Jefferson and true freshman Syndric Steptoe back there on punts, while senior halfback Clarence Farmer lined up for kickoff returns for the first time in his career against UTEP. Game goals for special teams in 2003 are solid – allow no blocks, have perfect execution, score or set up a score, no fumbles in the kicking game, make all field goals under 30 yards, average 22 yards on kickoff returns, hold opponents to 20 or less per return, have one game-breaker play each game, get a 38-yard net punting average, average 12 yards per punt return and make no stupid penalties. Do all those things and a team can win games. It won't be easy, but the Cats work at it.

### The Booting Bullpen

Both Sophomore Danny Baugher and senior James Molina punted in the opener, much as they have since the middle of last season. What coach John Mackovic has called the bullpen approach is simply a way to find one guy with a steady foot. Baugher's three kicks gave him a 35.0 average, while relief man Molina knocked three for a 43.0 average, with one downed inside the 20 yard-line. Coverage on all six was good.

### Catching the Ball

Senior Lance Relford, junior Ricky Williams and sophomore Biren Ealy lead UA's receiving corps, a group that has to step forward with the departure of four-year starter Bobby Wade and Andrae Thurman, who is not eligible for his senior year. They snared 10 of the modest 14 completions in UA's balanced but productive (446 net yards) attack against UTEP. Ealy had four catches. Relford was on the end of Ryan O'Hara's initial collegiate touchdown pass of 79 yards. Williams started the scoring with a 41-yard catch. UA rotates others (Mike Jefferson, Syndric Steptoe) and moved sophomore corner Jason Martin to wide receiver last week after a true freshman season as a cornerback. But it's clear Relford, Williams and Ealy are dependable guys with some experience. No one expects the young quarterbacks to get the ball to people at the rate Jason Johnson found Wade (93-1389) and Thurman (61-915) a year ago. Not just yet, anyway. ... Ealy made his first start last week, as did double tight end Clarence McRae. Steve Fleming made his second career start at tight end...

### Arizona Headliners

#### QB, Nic Costa, 5-11, 211, So., Aloha, Ore.

After spending a year as a redshirt and one as a back-up, Costa assumed the role of starting quarterback in 2003 ... Led the Cats to an efficient two touchdown drives in his first two series under center against Texas-El Paso in the season opener ... Opened the UTEP game with a 27-yard run on the first play from scrimmage and added a TD run later in the contest ... An outstanding physical specimen, Costa is one of the team's strongest and quickest players.

#### Costa Game-By-Game

2002	Opponent	Att.-Cmp.-Int.	Yds	TD	Pct.	Lg
Aug. 31	vs. Northern Arizona	5-3-0	26	0	60.0	14
Sept. 21	at Wisconsin	5-1-1	9	0	20.0	9
Nov. 2	at Oregon State	5-1-0	11	0	20.0	11
Nov. 9	UCLA	4-2-0	104	1	50.0	92
2003	Opponent	Att.-Cmp.-Int.	Yds	TD	Pct.	Lg
Aug. 30	vs. Texas-El Paso	10-6-0	110	1	60.0	41
<b>Career</b>	5 games/1 starts	29-13-1	214	2	44.8	92

#### QB, Ryan O'Hara, 6-6, 198, Fr., Pasadena, Calif.

Joins the quarterback battle along with Costa ... Success should come with more experience ... Completed 8-of-16 passes for 119 yards and a TD in his collegiate debut vs. Texas-El Paso, including a 79-yard scoring strike to Lance Relford.

#### O'Hara Game-By-Game

2003	Opponent	Att.-Cmp.-Int.	Yds	TD	Pct.	Lg
Aug. 30	vs. Texas-El Paso	16-8-2	119	1	50.0	79
<b>Career</b>	1 games/0 starts	16-8-2	119	1	50.0	79

#### HB, Mike Bell, 6-0, 211, S0., Phoenix, Ariz.

Opened the season vs. Texas-El Paso as the starting running back and responded with the first 100-yard rushing game of his career, a 119-yard effort on 13 carries (9.2 ypc) and a TD ... Also logged a career-long 53-yard run vs. the Miners ... Was Arizona's s leading rusher last season with 341 yards (3.2 ypc), but battled a toe injury for most of the season.

#### Bell Game-By-Game

2002	Opponent	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD	Lg
Aug. 31	vs. Northern Arizona	13	59	4.5	0	18
Sept. 14	vs. Utah	2	(-3)	(-1.5)	0	-
Sept. 21	at Wisconsin	6	18	3.0	0	5
Sept. 28	vs. North Texas	14	50	3.6	1	14
Oct. 5	vs. Oregon	21	54	2.6	0	11
Oct. 12	at Washington	19	54	2.8	0	23
Oct. 19	at Stanford	3	(-5)	(-.25)	0	1
Oct. 26	Washington State	7	25	3.6	0	13
Nov. 2	at Oregon State	5	(-1)	(-0.2)	0	6
Nov. 9	UCLA	1	6	6.0	0	6
Nov. 16	at California	3	14	4.7	0	13
Nov. 29	vs. Arizona State	12	70	5.8	0	23

2003	Opponent	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD	Lg
Aug. 30	vs. Texas-El Paso	13	119	9.2	1	53
<b>Career</b>	13 games/5 starts	119	460	3.9	2	53

#### HB, Clarence Farmer, 6-0, 224, Sr., Houston, Texas

Scampered for 20 yards on eight carries and a TD vs. UTEP in season opener ... First team all-Pac-10 pick at running back in 2001 ... Topped the Pac-10 in rushing yards (1,229) and ranked second in yards per game (111.7) in 2001 ... Entered the season Ranked seventh on the UA career rushing list with 2,204 yards ... His 1,229 yards rushing in 2001 ranked fourth on the UA single-season list ... One of just eight backs all-time at UA to top the 1,000-yard plateau in a season ... 10 career 100-yard rushing games with 17 career touchdowns

#### Farmer Game-By-Game

2000	Opponent	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD	Lg
Sept. 2	at Utah	2	0	0.0	0	0
Sept. 9	vs. Ohio State	DNP				
Sept. 16	vs. San Diego State	13	95	7.3	0	23
Sept. 30	at Stanford	18	116	6.4	1	50
Oct. 7	at USC	22	134	6.1	1	80
Oct. 14	vs. Washington State	0				
Oct. 21	at Oregon	9	20	2.2	0	20
Oct. 28	vs. UCLA	33	107	3.2	2	19
Nov. 4	at Washington	0				
Nov. 11	vs. Oregon State	9	61	6.8	0	35
Nov. 24	vs. Arizona State	11	82	7.5	0	44
2001	Opponent	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD	Lg
Aug. 30	at San Diego State	21	90	4.3	1	27
Sept. 8	vs. Idaho	18	118	6.6	2	22
Sept. 22	vs. UNLV	11	35	3.2	0	10
Sept. 29	vs. Washington State	16	84	5.3	1	31
Oct. 6	vs. Oregon	15	158	10.5	0	78
Oct. 13	at Oregon State	19	55	2.9	0	13
Oct. 20	at Washington	21	147	7.0	1	35
Oct. 27	vs. USC	17	78	4.6	1	24
Nov. 3	at California	27	165	6.1	1	65
Nov. 10	vs. Stanford	12	141	11.8	2	66
Nov. 23	at Arizona State	32	158	4.9	1	24
2002	Opponent	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD	Lg
Aug. 31	vs. Northern Arizona	16	29	1.8	1	11
Sept. 14	vs. Utah	33	79	2.4	0	10
Sept. 21	at Wisconsin	20	131	6.6	1	70
Sept. 28	vs. North Texas	15	70	4.7	0	13
Oct. 5	vs. Oregon		DNP-Injured			
Oct. 12	at Washington		DNP-Injured			
Oct. 19	at Stanford		DNP-Injured			
Oct. 26	Washington State		DNP-Injured			
Nov. 2	at Oregon State		DNP-Injured			
Nov. 9	UCLA		DNP-Injured			
Nov. 16	at California		DNP-Injured			
2003	Opponent	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD	Lg
Aug. 30	vs. Texas-El Paso	8	20	2.5	1	8
<b>Career</b>	26 games/19 starts	439	2224	5.1	17	80

#### CB, Michael Jolivet, 5-9, 180, Sr., Houston, Texas

A solid cover guy Notched two pass break-ups in the season opener vs. Texas-El Paso to break a tie with Chuck Cecil (1984-87) as the school's all-time leader in that category ... Tallied 20 PBUs in 2001 ... Did not play in remainder of 2002 after suffering a left knee injury on Sept. 18 in practice.

#### Jolivet Game-By-Game

2000	Opponent	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Int	Other
Sept. 2	at Utah	7	1	8	1-3	0	0	1 PBU
Sept. 9	vs. Ohio State	4	0	4	0	0	1	2 PBU
Sept. 16	vs. San Diego State	4	1	5	0	0	0	2 PBU
Sept. 30	at Stanford	0	0	0	0	0	1	2 PBU
Oct. 7	at USC	6	0	6	0	0	2	1 PBU
Oct. 14	vs. Washington State	2	0	2	0	0	1	1 PBU
Oct. 21	at Oregon	0	0	0				Left game with injury
Oct. 28	vs. UCLA	0	1	1	0	0	0	1 PBU
Nov. 4	at Washington	4	2	6	0	0	0	
Nov. 11	vs. Oregon State	4	0	4	1-1	0	0	
Nov. 24	vs. Arizona State	5	0	5	0	0	0	2 PBU
2001	Opponent	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Int	Other
Aug. 30	at San Diego State	6	4	10	1-6	1-6	0	2 PBU
Sept. 8	vs. Idaho	3	3	6	0	0	1	1 PBU
Sept. 22	vs. UNLV	1	1	2	0	0	0	1 FR (TD), 1 FF; 1 PBU
Sept. 29	vs. Washington State	3	1	4	1-1	0	1	3 PBU
Oct. 6	vs. Oregon	7	2	9	0	0	0	
Oct. 13	at Oregon State	5	1	6	0	0	1	1 PBU
Oct. 20	at Washington	2	2	4	0	0	0	4 PBU
Oct. 27	vs. USC	4	0	4	0	0	2	4 PBU
Nov. 3	at California	3	0	3	0	0	0	2 PBU
Nov. 10	vs. Stanford	2	1	3	1-1	0	0	1 PBU
Nov. 23	at Arizona State	2	0	2	0	0	0	1 PBU

2002	Opponent	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Int	Other
Aug. 31	vs. Northern Arizona	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	2 PBU, 2 blocked punts
Sept. 14	vs. Utah	5	1	6	0-0	0-0	0	2 PBU
Sept. 21	at Wisconsin		DNP-Injured					
Sept. 28	vs. North Texas		DNP-Injured					
Oct. 5	vs. Oregon		DNP-Injured					
Oct. 12	at Washington		DNP-Injured					
Oct. 19	at Stanford		DNP-Injured					
Oct. 26	Washington State		DNP-Injured					
Nov. 2	at Oregon State		DNP-Injured					
Nov. 9	vs. UCLA		DNP-Injured					
Nov. 16	at California		DNP-Injured					
Nov. 29	vs. Arizona State		DNP-Injured					
2003	Opponent	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Int	Other
Aug. 30	vs. Texas-El Paso	2	1	3		0	0	2 PBU
<b>Career</b>	25 games/24 starts	83	22	105	5-11	1-6	10	40 PBU, 2 FF, 1 FR (TD)

#### FS, Darrell Brooks, 6-1, 202, S0., Moreno Valley, Calif.

Notched five stops in UA's season-opening win over Texas-El Paso ... Ranked fifth on the team with 50 stops last season ... Earned honorable mention all-Pac-10 honors in 2002 ... Battled back problems a year ago but still started 10 games at corner.

#### Brooks Game-By-Game

2002	Opponent	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Int	Other
Aug. 31	vs. Northern Arizona	6	0	6	1-2	0-0	0	2 PBU
Sept. 14	vs. Utah	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0	
Sept. 21	at Wisconsin	5	1	6	0-0	0-0	0	2 FF
Sept. 28	vs. North Texas	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	
Oct. 5	vs. Oregon		DNP					
Oct. 12	at Washington		DNP					
Oct. 19	at Stanford	5	0	5	0-0	0-0	0	1 PBU
Oct. 26	Washington State	3	2	5	0.5-2	0-0	0	
Nov. 2	at Oregon State	3	3	6	0-0	0-0	0	
Nov. 9	vs. UCLA	7	3	10	0-0	0-0	0	
Nov. 16	at California	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	
Nov. 29	vs. Arizona State	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0	1 FR
2003	Opponent	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Int	Other
Aug. 30	vs. Texas-El Paso	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0	
<b>Career</b>	11 games/11 starts	42	13	55	1.5-4	0-0	0	3 PBU, 2 FF, 1 FR

#### LB, Joe Siofele, 6-2, 245, Sr., Waipahu, Hawaii

Should flourish in Arizona's new 3-4 defense ... Registered seven stops in season opener vs. Texas-El Paso ... Returns to a traditional linebacker position after essentially playing as a rush end in UA's former double-eagle flex defense

#### Siofele Game-By-Game

2000	Opponent	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Int	Other
Sept. 2	at Utah	2	0	2	1-12	1-12	0	
Sept. 9	vs. Ohio State	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	
Sept. 16	vs. San Diego State	1	0	1	1-8	1-8	0	
Sept. 30	at Stanford	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1 FR
Oct. 7	at USC	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0	1 PBU
Oct. 14	vs. Washington State	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	
Oct. 21	at Oregon	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	
Oct. 28	vs. UCLA	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0	1 PBU
Nov. 4	at Washington	2	1	3	1-2	0-0	0	
Nov. 11	vs. Oregon State	4	2	6	1-1	0-0	0	
Nov. 24	vs. Arizona State	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	
2001	Opponent	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Int	Other
Aug. 30	at San Diego State	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	
Sept. 8	vs. Idaho	4	0	4	1-8	1-8	0	
Sept. 22	vs. UNLV	4	0	4	2-4	0-0	0	
Sept. 29	vs. Washington State	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	0	
Oct. 6	vs. Oregon	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0	
Oct. 13	at Oregon State		DNP-Injured					
Oct. 20	at Washington		DNP-Injured					
Oct. 27	vs. USC		DNP-Injured					
Nov. 3	at California	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	
Nov. 10	vs. Stanford	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	
Nov. 23	at Arizona State	3	0	3	1-7	1-7	0	
2002	Opponent	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	Int	Other
Aug. 31	vs. Northern Arizona	5	0	5	1-5	1-5	0	
Sept. 14	vs. Utah	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	1 FR
Sept. 21	at Wisconsin	2	3	5	1-6	1-6	0	
Sept. 28	at North Texas	7	1	8	1-5	1-5	0	1 PBU
Oct. 5	vs. Oregon	7	4	11	0-0	0-0	0	
Oct. 12	at Washington	7	1	8	0-0	0-0	0	1 FF
Oct. 19	at Stanford	1	1	2	1-5	1-5	0	1 FF
Oct. 26	Washington State	2	5	7	0-0	0-0	0	
Nov. 2	at Oregon State	2	4	6	0-0	0-0	0	
Nov. 9	vs. UCLA	2	4	6	0.5-1	0-0	0	





2003 Arizona Football Depth Chart

vs. LSU, Sept. 6

WR	18	Lance Relford, 6-0, 197, *Sr., 3L, Houston, Texas (Booker T. Washington)	Injured:
	83	Mike Jefferson, 6-1, 205, *Fr., RS, El Paso, Texas (Parkland)	RT Tanner Bell
	3	Jason Martin, 5-10, 175, So., 1L, Pasadena, Calif. (Muir)	
	9	Anthony Johnson, 6-1, 201, Fr., HS, San Diego, Calif. (Horizon)	
LT	59	Chris Johnson, 6-3, 323, *Jr., 1L, Houston, Texas (North Shore)	
	69	John Abramo, 6-4, 294, *So., SQ, Los Altos Hills, Calif. (St. Francis)	
LG	75	Reggie Sampay, 6-3, 298, Sr., 3L, Houston, Texas (North Shore)	
	79	Keith Jackson, 6-5, 285, *Fr., RS, Inglewood, Calif. (Inglewood)	
C	67	Keoki Fraser, 6-3, 301, *Jr., 2L, Kailua, Hawaii (Kailua)	
	63	Tom Robinson, 6-4, 317, Jr., JC, La Mirada, Calif. (LMHS/Fordham/Cerritos)	
RG	66	Kili Lefotu, 6-5, 298, So., 1L, Riverside, Calif. (Arlington)	
	71	Erick Levitre, 6-1, 262, *Fr., SQ, Ben Lomond, Calif. (San Lorenzo Valley)	
RT	68	Brandon Phillips, 6-8, 320, *Sr., 2L, Chandler, Ariz. (Corona del Sol)	
	76	Peter Graniello, 6-6, 294, Fr., HS, El Paso, Texas (Coronado)	
TE	87	Steve Fleming, 6-6, 260, *Jr., 2L, Scottsdale, Ariz. (Chaparral)	
	46	Matt Padron, 6-5, 265, *Fr., RS, San Antonio, Texas (Clark)	
or	88	Clarence McRae, 6-2, 235, *Jr., JC, Deltona, Fla. (Pueblo/Arizona Western)	
WR	82	Biren Ealy, 6-2, 175, So., 1L, Houston, Texas (Cypress Falls)	
	84	Ricky Williams, 6-2, 209, *Jr., 1L, Los Angeles, Calif. (Verbum Dei)	
	1	Syndric Steptoe, 5-9, 179, Fr., HS, Bryan, Texas (Bryan)	
	4	Ryan Eidson, 5-9, 157, *Fr., SQ, Moraga, Calif. (De La Salle)	
QB	7	Nic Costa, 5-11, 211, *So., 1L, Aloha, Ore. (Aloha)	
or	15	Ryan O'Hara, 6-6, 198, *Fr., RS, Pasadena, Calif. (Muir)	
HB	11	Mike Bell, 6-0, 210, *So., 1L, Phoenix, Ariz. (Tolleson)	
	32	Clarence Farmer, 6-0, 218, Sr., 3L, Houston, Texas (Booker T. Washington)	
	27	Chris Henry, 6-0, 215, Fr., HS, Stockton, Calif. (Edison)	
FB	36	Gilbert Harris, 6-2, 222, So., 1L, San Antonio, Texas (Churchill)	
	35	Sean Jones, 5-11, 230, So., 1L, Houston, Texas (North Shore)	
	48	Pedro Limon, 6-0, 244, *So., SQ, Douglas, Ariz. (Douglas)	
OLB	51	Copeland Bryan, 6-4, 242, *So., 1L, San Jose, Calif. (Bellarmine Prep)	Injured:
	56	Andre Torrey, 6-4, 237, *Jr., RS, Alameda, Calif. (Alameda/Laney CC)	ILB Kirk Johnson
	45	Antoine Singfield, 6-1, 230, *So., SQ, Moreno Valley, Calif. (Rancho Verde)	
DE	92	Carlos Williams, 6-4, 298, Jr., 2L, Denver, Colo. (Montbello)	
	62	Clifton Stanford, 6-4, 277, Fr., HS, Los Angeles, Calif. (Thomas Jefferson)	
NT	90	Carl Tuitavuki, 6-3, 325, Sr., 1L, Oakland, Calif. (San Leandro/Ricks CC)	
or	94	Paul Philipp, 6-3, 290, *Fr., RS, San Bernardino, Calif. (San Bernardino)	
	93	Shawn Pack, 6-3, 287, Fr., SQ, Chandler, Ariz. (Hamilton)	
DE	94	Paul Philipp, 6-3, 290, *Fr., RS, San Bernardino, Calif. (San Bernardino)	
	54	Lionel Dotson, 6-4, 242, Fr., HS, Pasadena, Texas (Dobie)	
	53	Jason Parker, 6-3, 244, Fr., HS, San Diego, Calif. (Mission Bay)	
OLB	55	Marcus Smith, 6-6, 235, So., 1L, San Diego, Calif. (Mission Bay)	
or	49	Matt Molina, 6-1, 237, *Sr., 3L, Scottsdale, Ariz. (Chaparral)	
MLB	42	Joe Siofele, 6-2, 245, *Sr., 3L, Waipahu, Hawaii (St. Louis)	
	57	Justin Stewart, 6-1, 246, *Jr., SQ, Woodinville, Wash. (Redmond)	
WLB	44	Patrick Howard, 5-11, 228, *Jr., 2L, La Marque, Texas (La Marque)	
	40	John McKinney, 6-0, 223, *Fr., RS, Copperas Cove, Texas (Copperas Cove)	
CB	9	Gary Love, 5-9, 175, *Sr., 3L, Los Angeles, Calif. (Thomas Jefferson)	
	10	Zeonte Sherman, 5-11, 192, Jr., JC, St. Petersburg, Fla. (Pinellas/Ariz. Western)	
SS	19	Lamon Means, 6-3, 196, So., 1L, Galena Park, Texas (Galena Park)	
	30	Tony Wingate, 6-1, 210, *Jr., 1L, Tucson, Ariz. (Sahuaro)	
FS	6	Darrell Brooks, 6-1, 202, *So., Moreno Valley, (Moreno Valley)	
or	33	Clay Hardt, 6-1, 199, *Sr., 3L, Marana, Ariz. (Marana)	
CB	8	Michael Jolivette, 5-9, 180, *Sr., 3L, Houston, Texas (North Shore)	
	13	Luis Nunez, 6-0, 191, *Jr., RS, San Diego, Calif. (Hilltop/Southwestern CC)	
PK	28	Bobby Gill, 5-11, 190, *Sr., 1L, Phoenix, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)	
	16	Nicholas Folk, 6-2, 203, *Fr., RS, Sherman Oaks, Calif. (Notre Dame)	
KO	16	Nicholas Folk, 6-2, 203, *Fr., RS, Sherman Oaks, Calif. (Notre Dame)	
	20	James Molina, 5-10, 206, Sr., 1L, Tucson, Ariz. (Pueblo/East Los Angeles CC)	
P	43	Danny Baugher, 5-10, 200, So., 1L, Phoenix, Ariz. (Mountain Pointe)	
or	20	James Molina, 5-10, 206, Sr., 1L, Tucson, Ariz. (Pueblo/East Los Angeles CC)	
Holder	20	James Molina	
Snappers	42	Joe Siofele (LS), 53 Tom Robinson (PKS)	
Returns	9	Gary Love and 32 Clarence Farmer (KOR), 83 Mike Jefferson and 1 Syndric Steptoe (PR)	

## The Last Time Arizona...

Returned a punt for a TD:  
Returned a blocked punt for a TD:  
Returned a blocked FG for a TD:  
Returned a kickoff for TD:  
Returned an interception for a TD  
Returned a fumble for a TD:  
Blocked a punt for a safety:  
Scored a safety:  
Did not score:  
Did not score a touchdown:  
A back ran for 200 yards:  
A back ran for 100 yards:  
Team rushed for 100 yards  
Rushed for 250 yards  
Rushed for 275 yards  
Rushed for negative yardage  
A quarterback ran for 100 yards  
A quarterback passed for 300 yards  
A quarterback passed for 400 yards  
Team 400 yards passing  
Had 400 yards in total offense  
A receiver had 100 yards  
A receiver had 200 yards  
Two receivers had 100 yards  
Two players rushed for 100 yards:  
A player intercepted two passes  
Blocked a punt:  
Blocked a field goal:  
Blocked a PAT kick:  
Scored a 2-pt. conversion:  
Missed a PAT kick:  
Made a field goal:  
Missed a field goal:  
Beat a ranked team:  
Lost to a ranked team:  
Beat an unranked team:  
Lost to an unranked team:  
Won as a ranked team:  
Won as an unranked team:  
Lost as a ranked team:  
Lost as an unranked team:  
Played in tie-breaker game:

Bobby Wade (60 yards) at Washington, 2000  
Lamon Means at California, 2002 (27 yards, Lance Relford block)  
Gary Love vs. North Texas, 2002 (60 yards, C. Williams block)  
Chris McAlister (100 yards) at Hawaii 1998  
LB Ray Wells (42 yards) at California, 2002; Brandon Nash (13 yards) at Arizona State, 2001  
DE Austin Uku (2 yards) vs. WSU, 2001  
Andrae Thurman at San Diego State, 2001  
Blocked punt (Andrae Thurman), at San Diego State, 2001  
at Washington, 1991 (UW 54-0)  
at Oregon State, 2002 (OSU 38-3)  
Trung Canidate (33-221) at OSU, 1999  
Mike Bell (13-119, 1 TD) vs. UTEP, 2003  
vs. UTEP (43-217, 4 TD), 2003  
vs. Oregon (36-258, 1 TD), 2001  
at UCLA (49-307, 3 TD), 1999  
at California (32- -5), 2002; at Oregon State (25- -23), 2002  
Ortege Jenkins (11-104) vs. UCLA, 2000  
Jason Johnson (23-41-1-302-2) vs. Oregon, 2002  
Jason Johnson (45-31-1-492-4), at California, 2002 (also at Washington, vs. Utah)  
at California, 2002 (45-31-1-492-4), 2002  
vs. UTEP, 2003 (69-446, 6.5 per play; 217 rush/229 pass)  
Bobby Wade (6-109) vs. Arizona State, 2002  
Bobby Wade (11-222, 1 TD) at California, 2002  
Bobby Wade (11-222, 1 TD), Andrae Thurman (9-157), at California, 2002  
C. Farmer (33-107) and O. Jenkins (11-104) vs. UCLA, 2000  
LB Ray Wells (42 yds-TD, 3 yds) at California, 2002  
Lance Relford (returned for TD) at California, 2002; Michael Jolivette (2) vs. Northern Arizona, 2002  
Carlos Williams vs. WSU, 2002; Mike Schwertley at Washington, 2002; Williams vs. North Texas, 2002  
Peter Hansen at USC, 2000; Antonio Pierce at USC, 2000  
Jason Johnson to Andrae Thurman pass at San Diego State, 2001  
Sean Keel vs. Arizona State, 2002 (wide)  
Bobby Gill (38 yards) vs. UTEP, 2003 (0-1)  
Bobby Gill (44 yards, blocked) at California, 2002 (1-for2)  
31-15 at USC (No.18), 2000  
13-21 vs. Washington State (No. 9), plus three others in 2002  
42-7 vs. UTEP, 2003  
20-24 vs. Arizona State, 2002  
53-47 vs. Washington State (Arizona No. 22), 2000  
42-7 vs. UTEP, 2003  
24-27 vs. UCLA, 2000 (Arizona No. 24)  
20-34 vs. Arizona State, 2002  
53-47 vs. Washington State, 2000 (3 OT)

## The last time an Opponent...

Returned a punt for a TD:  
Recovered a blocked punt for a TD:  
Returned a blocked FB for a TD:  
Returned a kickoff for TD:  
Returned an interception for a TD:  
Returned a fumble for a TD:  
Scored a safety:  
Did not score:  
Did not score a touchdown:  
Made a field goal:  
Missed a field goal:  
Missed a PAT kick:  
Rushed for 200 yards:  
Rushed for 250 yards:  
Rushed for 275 yards:  
Rushed for negative yardage  
A back ran for 100 yards:  
Two backs ran for 100 yards:  
Had 400 yards in total offense  
A back ran for 200 yards:  
A quarterback passed for 300 yards  
A receiver had 100 yards  
Blocked a punt:  
Blocked a field goal:  
Blocked a PAT kick:  
Scored a 2-pt. conversion:

Eric Guliford (68 yards), at Arizona State, 1991  
Kenny Farley (24 yards), at Oregon State, 2001  
James Bethea (60 yards), at California, 2002  
LaShaun Ward (94 yards) at California, 2002  
Joe Fleskoski (39 yards) vs. UTEP, 2003  
Coy Wire (89 yards), Stanford, 2001  
Washington State (sack forces fumbled ball thru endzone), 2002  
Illinois, 1996 (UA 41-0)  
North Texas, 2002 (14-9); Northern Arizona, 2002 (37-3)  
Mike Barth (32 yards), vs. ASU, 2002 (2-for-2)  
Keith Robinson, vs. UTEP, 2003 (42 yards, 0-1)  
John Anderson at Washington, 2002  
UCLA (51-248), 2002  
at Wisconsin (47-260), 2002  
North Texas (60-282), 2002  
at UCLA (30- -31), 1999  
Mike Williams (40-162, 4 TD), Arizona State, 2002; plus six others in 2002  
Brian Allen (23-143) and Kenneth Tolon (12-100) vs. Stanford, 2001  
Arizona State, 2002 (84-461, 5.5)  
Reuben Droughns (45-202) vs. Oregon, 1999  
Cody Pickett (29-49-455-4-3) at Washington, 2001  
James Newson (6-121, 1 TD) at Oregon State, 2002  
Matt Miller, vs. Arizona State, 2002  
Lorenzo Alexander (Bobby Gill 44-yard attempt), at California, 2002  
Idaho, 2001 (Sean Keel attempt)  
QB John Welsh to Kevin O'Connell vs. Idaho, 2001



**University of Arizona Football**  
**Arizona Wildcats Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Sep 01, 2003)**  
**All games**

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	-----Tackles-----			TFL/Yds	-Sacks-	---Pass Def---			-Fumbles-		Blkd	
		Solo	Ast	Total			No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	Rcv-Yds	FF	Kick
40 McKinney, John	1	8	.	8	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
42 Siofele, Joe	1	2	5	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33 Hardt, Clay	1	1	4	5	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
6 Brooks, Darrell	1	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17 Shepard, Gary	1	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9 Love, Gary	1	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
56 Torrey, Andre	1	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44 Howard, Patrick	1	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
13 Nunez, Luis	1	3	.	3	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
8 Jolivette, M.	1	2	1	3	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
49 Molina, Matt	1	3	.	3	1.0-6	1.0-6	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
51 Bryan, Copeland	1	2	1	3	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
19 Means, Lamon	1	2	1	3	.	.	1-32	.	.	.	.	.	.
24 Hollingsworth,M	1	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30 Wingate, Tony	1	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
55 Smith, Marcus	1	1	1	2	0.5-6	0.5-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
45 Singfield, A.	1	1	.	1	1.0-7	1.0-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
16 Folk, Nicholas	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
54 Dotson, Lionel	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
62 Stanford, C.	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
67 Fraser, Keoni	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90 Tuitavuki, Carl	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
92 Williams, C.	1	.	1	1	0.5-6	0.5-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93 Pack, Shawn	1	1	.	1	1.0-7	1.0-7	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
94 Philipp, Paul	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
95 Kaspar, Bobby	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
10 Sherman, Zeonte	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
82 Ealy, Biren	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
Total.....	1	47	26	73	4-32	4-32	1-32	9	.	2-0	2	.	.
Opponents.....	1	40	22	62	7-16	0-0	2-39	1	.	.	.	.	.

## 2003 Arizona Football Scoring Drive Chart

### Texas-El Paso (7 drives)

Qtr.	Spot	PI	Yds	TOP	Result
15:00 1st	A20	4	80	1:09	Williams 41-yd. TD pass
12:03 1st	A 20	8	80	3:48	Costa 1-yd. run
4:25 1st	U21	3	21	1:05	Farmer 8-yd. run
10:40 2nd	A17	3	83	1:03	Relford 79-yd. TD pass
2:11 2nd	U38	4	38	1:17	Bell 11-yd. run
13:54 3rd	A05	8	95	3:09	Harris 2-yd. run

### Scoring Drive Summary

<b>No.</b>	6
<b>Avg. Plays</b>	5.0
<b>Avg. Yds.</b>	66.2
<b>Avg. TOP</b>	1:45
<b>Most Plays</b>	8, twice, vs. Texas-El Paso
<b>Longest Drive</b>	95 yards vs. Texas-El Paso
<b>Most TOP</b>	3:48, vs. Texas-El Paso

# GAME 1

Texas-El Paso 7  
Arizona 42

Aug. 30, 2003  
Arizona Stadium (40,264)  
Tucson, Ariz.

Arizona did what it had to do, most notably come out ready to go, and posted 21 first-quarter points en route to a convincing 42-7 victory over Texas El-Paso. The Cats' defense did not allow a score, UA's running game seemed vastly improved over last year, was proficient in the red zone, and special teams play was effective.

Sophomore quarterback starter Nic Costa led UA on two 80-yard scoring drives on its first possessions with a mix of some sharp passing and his and Bell's running. The first-half outburst – 35-0 edge – was Arizona's best in a regulation game since its 12-1 team of 1998. Bell posted his first career 100-yard game, averaging 9.2 yards per carry on 13 tries for 119 total markers, and scored on an 11-yard run. His 53-yard burst in the third quarter set up UA's final score.

Costa completed 6-of-10 passes for 110 yards, including a 41-yard TD strike to Ricky Williams. Redshirt freshman Ryan O'Hara complete 8-of-16 throws for 119 yards, including a 79-yard scoring bomb to Lance Relford. The verve UA showed from the start – 8:32 time of possession in the first quarter was key. UA's Gary Love stripped a punt returner for a takeaway which the club converted quickly into seven points and safety Lamon Means' 32-yard interception return set up another score. The Cats were a perfect 4-for-4 in scoring touchdowns once inside the opponent's 20 yard-line.

UTEP	0	0	0	7	-	7
Arizona	21	14	7	0	-	42

UA – Williams 41-yard pass from Costa (Gill kick), 13:51, 1st  
UA – Costa 1-yard run (Gill kick), 8:15, 1st  
UA – Farmer 8-yard run (Gill kick), 3:20, 1st  
UA – Relford 79-yard pass from O'Hara (Gill kick), 9:37, 2nd  
UA – Bell 11-yard run (Gill kick), 0:54, 2nd  
UA – Harris 2-yard run (Gill kick), 10:45, 3rd  
UTEP – Fleskoski 39-yard interception return (Gill kick), 14:49, 4th

	UTEP	Arizona
First Downs	18	18
Rushes-Yards	33-71	43-217
Passing Yards	204	229
Passes Att-Comp-Int	43-21-1	26-14-2
Plays-Total Offense	76-275	69-446
Punts-Average	9-37.6	6-39.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	9-55	2-20
Third-Down Conversions	7-18	8-16
Possession Time	28-53	31:07
Sacks By-Yards	0-0	4-32

**RUSHING** – UTEP: Austin 8-38; Jackson 6-30; Smith 8-21; Cleveland 3-5; Douglas 2-4; Chamois 1-6; Cruz 1-(-6); Duarte 1-(-7); Palmer 2-(-17). UA: Bell 13-119, 1 TD; Costa 3-33, 1 TD; Henry 12-26; Farmer 8-20, 1 TD; O'Hara 3-9; Harris 2-6, 1 TD; Jones 2-4.

**PASSING** – UTEP: Cruz 25-13-1-121; Palmer 15-5-0-58; Duarte 3-3-0-25. UA: O'Hara 16-8-2-119, 1 TD; Costa 10-6-0-110, 1 TD.

**RECEIVING** – UTEP: Higgins 4-43; Crafts 4-43; Jackson 4-16; Marrow 3-43; Francies 2-17; Austin 1-16; Mauch 1-13; West 1-7; Givens 1-6. UA: Ealy 4-47; Relford 3-88, 1 TD; Williams 3-48, 1 TD; Fleming 2-29; Henry 1-14; Harris 1-3.

**KICKING** – UTEP: Benekos 9-37.6 punting; Robinson 0-1 FG. UA: Baugher 3-35.0 punting; Molina 3-43.0 punting; Gill 0-1 FG.

**DEFENSE** – UTEP: Sanford 3-4-7; Johnson 3-3-6, 2 ffl; Akinduro 3-3-6; Francis 5-0-5, 1 int; Fleskoski 1-3-4, 1 int. UA: McKinney 8-0-8, 1 fr; Siofele 2-5-7; Shepard 3-2-5; Brooks 3-2-5; Hardt 1-4-5, 1 pbu.