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# University at Albany

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**Comments:** Statements made today by University at Albany administrators with regard to State Supreme Court Judge Lawrence E. Kahn's ruling concerning the University's varsity sports sponsorship...

**James P. Doellefeld, Vice President for Student Affairs** -- "We are very pleased, and appreciate both of Justice Kahn's decisions. We believe they were appropriate, consistent with the arguments as presented by our attorney, Assistant Attorney General Ellen Messina, and with our previously-stated position regarding the right of a University President to make University policy. We thank Judge Kahn, Assistant Attorney General Messina, and SUNY Counsel Marti Anne Ellerman."

**Dr. Milton E. Richards, Director of Athletics** -- "From the beginning, the University's goal has been to achieve gender equity and sponsor an outstanding intercollegiate athletics program, while operating within a restrictive financial environment. Judge Kahn has affirmed that we have done this.

It is now time for us to move forward. We regret having been involved in a legal action that involved University at Albany students. We look forward to a future of cooperation with student government, and stand ready to do whatever we can to help students who competed in the affected sports to continue to participate at the club level, if they so choose."





**UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY**  
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# **NEWS/SPORTS ADVISORY**

**Tuesday, August 29 (11:50 a.m.)**

**TO: Members of the Media**

**FROM: Brian DePasquale, Assistant Athletics Director/Media Relations  
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**Members of the University at Albany's administration and department of athletics (Vice President for Student Affairs James P. Doellefeld, Director of Athletics Dr. Milton E. Richards, etc.) will be made available for one-on-one interviews on Tuesday afternoon between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. to discuss Monday's ruling by State Supreme Court Judge Lawrence E. Kahn concerning the University's varsity sports sponsorship.**

**The interview area is located in the conference room of the Recreation & Convocation Center (basketball arena), which is located on the office level or fourth floor.**





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**SPORTS NEWS**

For Immediate Release  
Thursday, August 24, 1995

Contact: Brian DePasquale  
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**ANDREW GOODEMOTE NAMED INTERIM ASSISTANT MEN'S BASKETBALL COACH**

ALBANY, N.Y. - **Andrew Goodemote**, recently the men's junior varsity head basketball coach at the University at Albany, has been selected as interim varsity assistant coach for the 1995-96 season as head coach **Richard Sauers** announced today. His duties include recruiting, game and practice preparation, and supervising the conditioning program.

Goodemote, a native of Gloversville, N.Y., has been a part-time member of Albany's coaching staff the last two years, while he worked for the Coca-Cola Bottling Company as a sales representative responsible for 150 retail accounts.

He began his coaching career in 1991 as a volunteer assistant for Mike Deane at Siena College, before moving to Newberry College, a Division II school in South Carolina. At Newberry, Goodemote handled recruiting, scouting, conditioning, and team travel.

Goodemote, 29, was a standout guard on Albany's 1990 NCAA Tournament team, when he averaged 11.4 points, 2.9 rebounds and 2.6 assists as a senior. He also played on the 1987 squad, which reached the ECAC championship final. Goodemote, who had a brief stint as a professional basketball player for the Great Western Oil Plymouth Raiders in England, earned a bachelor's degree in English with a minor in education.

An all-state player at Gloversville High School, Goodemote averaged 27.6 points as a senior to lead all scorers in Section II, and was a member of the Adirondack team at the Empire State Games. He replaces James Jones, who was recently named as an assistant coach at Yale University.





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**SPORTS NEWS**

For Immediate Release  
Monday, August 28, 1995

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**UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY ANNOUNCES 1995 MEN'S SOCCER CAPTAINS**  
**Jon Jacobs, Kieran Griffin and Jomo Forrester are Selected**

ALBANY, N.Y. -- **Jon Jacobs**, a senior goalkeeper, **Kieran Griffin**, a senior defender, and junior forward **Jomo Forrester** have been elected as tri-captains on the University at Albany men's soccer team as head coach Roy Pfeil announced today.

Jacobs, of Tappan, N.Y., will serve as captain for the second consecutive season. A starter at goalkeeper in 16 games on last season's NCAA Tournament team, Jacobs surrendered just 1.16 goals per game and made 104 saves.

A New Hyde Park, N.Y. native, Griffin started all 17 games as a defender last season. He led a defensive unit which recorded four shutouts and allowed just 1.33 goals a contest.

Forrester was Albany's second leading scorer in 1994, starting all 17 games as a midfielder. Forrester, of Massapequa, N.Y., totaled seven goals and five assists for 19 total points last season.

Albany, which begins its first season at the NCAA's Division II level and joins the New England Collegiate Conference, opens its 1995 schedule against Trenton State in the Binghamton (N.Y.) Tournament on Saturday, September 2.





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**SPORTS NEWS**

For Immediate Release  
Wednesday, August 23, 1995

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**UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY ANNOUNCES 1995 FOOTBALL CAPTAINS**  
**Nick Cremona, Chris Robertson and Steve Erle are Selected**

ALBANY, N.Y. - **Nick Cremona**, a senior center, **Chris Robertson**, a senior defensive back, and junior linebacker **Steve Erle** have been elected as tri-captains on the University at Albany football team for the 1995 season as head coach Bob Ford announced today.

Cremona, of Flushing, N.Y., has made 20 consecutive starts at center on UA's offensive line, and helped the Great Danes rank first among ECAC Upstate New York teams at 389.6 yards per game. Albany set school records in total yardage (3,896) and passing yards (1,862) in 1994. A Dean's List student in criminal justice, Cremona (6-0, 260) is a candidate for GTE Academic All-America honors.

Robertson will also start for the third consecutive season as a regular in the Great Danes' defensive backfield. As a junior, he led the team in interceptions with four and recorded 49 tackles. A native of Deposit, N.Y., Robertson (5-11, 185) has 98 career tackles, 12 pass break-ups and is tied for tenth on the school's all-time interception list with eight. He was named to the 1994 GTE District I Academic All-America team, and is majoring in mathematics.

Erle (5-11, 225), the team's most valuable special teams player in 1994, will captain those units, and figures prominently at linebacker in Albany's 4-3 defensive alignment. Erle, of Endicott, N.Y., appeared in all 10 games last season, and registered 29 tackles and one fumble recovery.

Albany, which begins its first season at the NCAA's Division II level after 22 years as a Division III independent, opens its 1995 schedule at the University at Dayton on Saturday, September 2. Kickoff at Welcome Stadium is 1:00 p.m. Rodger Wyland and Marc Kestecher will handle the play-by-play coverage for NewsRadio 590 WROW.



# UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY

## 1995 FOOTBALL TRAINING CAMP FACT SHEET

### IMPORTANT PRE-SEASON DATES

Saturday, August 12 - Freshmen/Transfers Report  
 Sunday, August 13 - Upperclassmen Report  
 Monday, August 14 - First Practice  
 Wednesday, August 23 - Media Luncheon/Photo Day  
 at HOF Room in Physical Education Building  
 (11:30 a.m.)  
 Friday, August 25 - Final Pre-Season Scrimmage (7:30)  
 Saturday, September 2 - Season Opener at Dayton

Lettermen Lost:	14
Off. Starters Returning:	8
Off. Starters Lost:	3
Def. Starters/Returning:	9
Def. Starters/Lost:	2
Basic Offense:	Freeze Option
Basic Defense:	4-3

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Albany, N.Y. 12222  
 Founded: 1844  
 Enrollment: 10,200 (undergraduate)  
 Nickname: Great Danes  
 Colors: Purple, Gold  
 Affiliation: NCAA Division II  
 Conference: ECAC-IFC  
 Home Field: University Field  
 Capacity: 10,000  
 Surface: Grass  
 Interim President: Dr. Karen R. Hitchcock  
 V.P./Student Affairs: James P. Doellefeld  
 Director of Athletics: Dr. Milton E. Richards  
 Associate Director: Gail Cummings-Danson  
 Assistant Director: Dennis Elkin  
 Marketing Director: Mike Nelson  
 Facilities Director: Carole Selner  
 Athletic Trainer: Jack Koelmel  
 Equipment Manager: Jim Lore  
 Strength Coach: John Janecek  
 Academic Adviser: Rick Kopp

### TOP RETURNEES:

Jeff Emerson (DE, Sr., 6-2, 255, Oxford, N.Y.)  
 Otis Bellamy (TB, Sr., 5-9, 205, Bronx, N.Y.)  
 Joe Savino (QB, So., 5-9, 170, Norwood, N.J.)  
 Nick Cremona (C, Sr., 6-0, 260, Flushing, N.Y.)  
 Chris Robertson (FS, Sr., 5-11, 185, Deposit, N.Y.)  
 Rich Tallarico (OG, Sr., 5-8, 255, Wantagh, N.Y.)  
 Todd Wangler (DT, Sr., 6-3, 260, Horseheads, N.Y.)  
 Bob Thorne (TE, Jr., 6-3, 215, Fishkill, N.Y.)  
 Anthony Vitti (CB, Jr., 5-10, 190, Mamaroneck, N.Y.)  
 Jeremy Kachejian (FB, Sr., 5-7, 180, Oakland, N.J.)  
 Victor Freeman (FB, Sr., 5-9, 210, Staten Island, N.Y.)

### FOOTBALL INFORMATION

Head Coach: Bob Ford (Springfield '59)  
 Overall Record: 137-109-1 (26 years)  
 Albany Record: 128-87-0 (22 years)  
 Football Office Phone: (518) 442-3053

### ASSISTANT COACHES

Ed Zaloom (Cortland '75) - offensive coordinator  
 Mike Simpson (East Stroudsburg '78) - defensive coordinator  
 Rick Kopp (So. Connecticut '69) - special teams coordinator  
 Jeff Devanney (Trinity '93) - receivers/tight ends  
 Mark Reardon (Lafayette '94) - defensive backs  
 Willie Jones (Morgan State '91) - defensive line  
 John Reagan (Syracuse '94) - offensive line  
 Paul Petosa (Buffalo '93) - secondary/special teams  
 Jason Jellie (Springfield '95) - defensive assistant

1994 Record: 4-6-0  
 Lettermen Returning: 34

### 1995 ALBANY SCHEDULE

September			
2	(Sat.)	at Dayton	1:00
9	(Sat.)	at Central Connecticut	1:00
16	(Sat.)	at C.W. Post	1:00
23	(Sat.)	RENSSELAER	6:00
October			
7	(Sat.)	at Union	1:30
14	(Sat.)	SOUTHERNCONNECTICUT	6:00
28	(Sat.)	PACE (HC)	2:00
November			
3	(Fri.)	at Trenton State	7:30
11	(Sat.)	KING'S, PA.	1:00
23	(Thu.)	STONYBROOK	11:00

(HC) - Homecoming

### 1994 RESULTS

Sept. 10	Ithaca	22-11, L
Sept. 17	at St. Lawrence	39-12, W
Sept. 24	at Brockport	25-13, L
Oct. 1	Alfred	20-19, L
Oct. 8	Union	21-0, L
Oct. 15	Cortland	30-29, L
Oct. 22	at Norwich	45-20, W
Oct. 29	Salisbury State	44-20, W
Nov. 5	Springfield	24-13, L
Nov. 11	at William Paterson	41-25, W

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# 1995 SEASON OUTLOOK

The 1995 Albany football team moves to the NCAA Division II level for the first time this season. There are nine returning starters on offense and defense, but there are also nine new opponents on the schedule.

The Great Danes are on the road the opening three weeks of the season, and face Division I-AA programs in Dayton and Central Connecticut during that stretch.

"I am cautiously optimistic," says veteran coach Bob Ford, who has 38 lettermen returning. "There is enough personnel in the program that we have a fighting chance."

The Albany offense, which was No. 1 among Upstate New York Division III teams at nearly 390 yards per game last season, is experienced at most positions.

"It's a veteran group that we have to feel fairly pleased with," Ford says. The offensive line, tight end, fullback, tailback and quarterback all have starting and game experience. Our biggest concern will be at flanker and split end."

Albany's defense is also bolstered by seasoned personnel, but Coach Ford wants more consistency from this group.

"If you looked at last year, we showed an inability to stop the run and at times were vulnerable to the big play," offers Ford, who has 137 career victories in 26 seasons as a head coach. "Defense is certainly a unit activity, and we need to play well as a unit."

The kicking game was a deciding factor in three games a year ago. A three-man competition at both punter and place-kicker in the preseason has the coaching staff feeling better about the rigors of the program's first Division II schedule.

## ALBANY BY POSITIONS

**QUARTERBACKS:** The freeze-option attack is in good hands with sophomore **Joe Savino**, the 1994 ECAC Upstate New York Rookie of the Year. The 5'9", 170-pound quarterback is an effective thrower and has good running ability.

Savino, who accounted for 1,801 yards in total offense and set four single-season records, was the top-rated signal-caller in the region with

a 130.6 efficiency rating. He completed 114 of 222 passes for 1,742 yards and 12 touchdowns.

"At this point in his career, he is far in advance of any quarterback we have had in the program," Ford states. "He provides the type of leadership that you need to be effective in the college game, and does some things that go far beyond coaching."

Sophomores **Tommy Starr** (5-11, 170) and **Luke Byrnes** (6-0, 185) will battle three freshman recruits behind Savino. Starr completed all seven of his pass attempts in limited action last fall.

**RUNNING BACKS:** The Great Danes are blessed with a trio of runners who ran for 1,913 yards and 17 touchdowns last season as a group.

Senior tailback **Otis Bellamy** (5-9, 205), considered the best athlete on the team, should expect to see the ball more often. He rushed for 719 yards, caught 15 passes for 107 yards, and averaged 24.4 yards per kickoff return. Bellamy's 1,338 all-purpose yards is the second highest total in school history.

"Otis is a franchise player with his breakaway speed, excellent hands, and tremendous desire to excel," Ford says. "We probably did not get the ball in his hands as many times as we should last year, and we may even use him at times as a defensive back with his athleticism."

**Victor Freeman** (5-9, 210) and **Jeremy Kachejian** (5-7, 180) are a contrast in fullbacks, but will share the load for the second straight season. Kachejian ran for 642 yards and six TDs, while Freeman gained 552 yards and scored seven times.

"Victor is a power-type back, and a fairly decent blocker," Ford says. "Jeremy is smaller, but deceptively good for a guy who does not have size or speed."

Also look for talented sophomore **Frank Coluccio** (5-9, 195), who sat out last season after transferring from Springfield College.

**RECEIVERS:** The receiving corps is a concern for the coaches. The school's all-time leading receiver Andy Shein was the team's "go-to player" in 1994, and has graduated.

Senior split end **Ed Richard** (6-0, 185) is the top returnee, after hauling in 13 receptions for 218 yards and two touchdowns. He has big-play capabilities, and averaged 20.4 yards per kickoff return.

*Co-Captain Nick Cremona (78), a GTE Academic All-America candidate, is a three-year starter at center.*

Behind Richard is a group of unproven freshmen and transfers.

A three-way battle at flanker is expected. Sophomores **Dan Gmelin** (5-11, 180) and **Heath Mullen** (6-3, 200) will get an opportunity to present their wares. **Brian Cafalone** (6-1, 190) has the experience of playing two years at Hudson Valley Community College.

**TIGHT ENDS:** Albany's present and future at this position are represented in junior **Bob Thorne** (6-3, 215) and sophomore **Seth Thomas** (6-4, 230).

"We have two kids who can step on the field, and both are excellent receivers," Ford states. "Thorne became an integral part of our offense, and is capable of moving to wideout. Although he may have been flustered in his first year, Seth showed he has great hands."

UA's top returning receiver, Thorne caught 24 passes for 312 yards, while Thomas added seven receptions for 101 yards.

**OFFENSIVE LINE:** Despite two-time All-America Scott Turrin's departure, the Great Danes have five offensive linemen returning with starting experience.

Senior guard **Rich Tallarico** (5-8, 255) and senior center **Nick Cremona** (6-0, 260) will play together for the third consecutive year.

Tallarico, a national second team GTE Academic All-America, is skillful as a pulling, trapping guard, and is



# 1995 UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY NUMERICAL FOOTBALL ROSTER Aug. 22, 1995

<u>No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Cl.</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Wt.</u>	<u>High School/Hometown</u>
1	Jon Isernia*	ROV	Sr.	5-9	170	Sachem/Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y.
2	Matt Jamin*	FS	Jr.	6-0	185	St. Francis Prep/Breezy Point, N.Y.
3	Artie Arroyo*	LB	Sr.	5-10	175	Sachem/Holtsville, N.Y.
4	Chris Robertson*	CB	Sr.	5-11	185	Deposit Central/Deposit, N.Y.
5	Anthony Vitti*	ROV	Jr.	5-10	190	Mamaroneck/Mamaroneck, N.Y.
6	Dan Gmelin*	SE	So.	5-11	180	Fox Lane/Bedford Hills, N.Y.
7	Louis Schweigert	QB	Fr.	6-2	175	Churchville Chili/Rochester, N.Y.
8	Robin Parkinson	ROV	Jr.	5-9	210	Danbury (Conn.)/Watervliet, N.Y.
9	Jeff Ullrich*	LB	So.	6-0	200	Don Bosco Prep/River Vale, N.J.
10	Mike Driscoll	QB	Fr.	6-1	170	Cazenovia Central/Cazenovia, N.Y.
11	Joe Savino*	QB	So.	5-9	170	Northern Valley Regional/Norwood, N.J.
12	Luke Byrnes	QB	So.	6-0	185	St. Anthony's/Huntington, N.Y.
13	Tommy Starr	QB	So.	5-11	170	Tappan Zee/Blauvelt, N.Y.
14	Shawn West	CB	Fr.	5-10	175	Bridgton Academy (Maine)/Southampton, N.Y.
15	Keith Cilento	LB	Fr.	5-11	208	Mamaroneck/Mamaroneck, N.Y.
16	Eric Williams	QB	Fr.	6-2	205	Penfield Central/Penfield, N.Y.
17	Roshon Cooke	SE	Fr.	6-0	170	Holy Trinity/Roosevelt, N.Y.
18	Jeff Skelton	FL	So.	5-10	195	Archbishop Stepanic/Yonkers, N.Y.
19	Ted Bearor*	CB	Jr.	5-10	175	Greenwich Central/Greenwich, N.Y.
20	Heath Mullen*	FL/P	So.	6-3	200	Greenwich Central/Greenwich, N.Y.
21	Otis Bellamy*	TB	Sr.	5-9	205	Harry S. Truman/Bronx, N.Y.
22	Ed Lawler	CB	Fr.	5-11	170	Seaford/Seaford, N.Y.
23	Harold Valestin	FS	Fr.	6-1	180	St. Francis Prep/New York, N.Y.
24	Sam Ameduri	PK	Fr.	5-7	180	Worcester Academy (Mass.)/Frankfort, N.Y.
24	Sean King	PK	Jr.	6-0	190	Stillwater/Mechanicville, N.Y.
24	Deron Regev	PK	Fr.	5-7	175	Brighton/Rochester, N.Y.
24	Vic Santagato	PK	So.	6-0	190	Riverhead/Jamesport, N.Y.
25	Paul Hudson	FB	Fr.	5-6	175	Charles E. Gorton/Yonkers, N.Y.
26	Rodney Sanders	FS	Fr.	6-0	180	Mount St. Michael Academy/Bronx, N.Y.
27	Jon Adams	SE	Fr.	5-8	170	American Heritage/Sunrise, Fla.
28	Fred Daughtry*	FS	So.	6-2	195	St. Francis Prep/Flushing, N.Y.
29	Damin Waring	CB	Fr.	5-10	160	Uniondale/Hempstead, N.Y.
30	Victor Freeman*	FB	Sr.	5-9	210	New Dorp/Staten Island, N.Y.
31	Mike Browne	FB	Fr.	5-9	180	Uniondale/Hempstead, N.Y.
33	Frank Coluccio	TB	So.	5-9	195	Bishop Maginn/Colonie, N.Y.
34	A'Rehema Leach	LB	Fr.	5-10	190	Yorktown/Yorktown, N.Y.
35	Kory David	ROV	Fr.	6-0	195	Massena Central/Hogansburg, N.Y.
36	Tim Weldon	SE	Jr.	5-11	174	Arlington/Poughquag, N.Y.
37	Eric Pechenko	CB	Fr.	6-2	185	Bethpage/Bethpage, N.Y.
38	Kenny O'Connor	FB	Fr.	5-7	175	Red Hook/Red Hook, N.Y.
39	James Miner	TB	Fr.	5-10	175	Aquinas Institute/Rochester, N.Y.
40	Mcduff Goldman	CB	Fr.	5-9	165	James Madison/Brooklyn, N.Y.
41	Bob Thorne*	TE	Jr.	6-3	215	John Jay/Fishkill, N.Y.
42	Jeremy Kachejian*	FB	Sr.	5-7	180	Indian Hills/Oakland, N.J.
43	Greg Foster*	LB	Jr.	6-2	210	New Rochelle/Mt. Vernon, N.Y.
44	Peter London*	LB	So.	6-0	230	Beach Channel/Brooklyn, N.Y.
45	Matt Carollo	LB	So.	5-9	210	Half Hollows Hills East/Melville, N.Y.
46	Mike LiVecchi	FS	Fr.	5-10	165	Miller Place/Miller Place, N.Y.
47	Eric James	TB	Fr.	6-0	185	New Dorp/Staten Island, N.Y.
48	Steve Erle*	LB	Jr.	5-11	225	Union-Endicott/Endicott, N.Y.
49	Brandon Thrasher	LB	So.	6-0	205	Union-Endicott/Endicott, N.Y.
50	Keith Abboud	OG	Fr.	5-9	225	Bethpage/Bethpage, N.Y.