



Cougars

Game 1

Sat., Sept. 5
Valencia, 7 p.m.

The Series
is led by the
Cougars

7-4

	AVC	COC
1973	20	38
1974	0	28
1975	12	7
1977	31	29
1978	14	13
1980	0	8
1998	21	14
1999	14	19
2000	9	48
2008	14	54
2008	17	41

College of the Canyons

Biggest AVC win:
7 - 1998

Biggest COC win:
40 - 2008

The Cougars are
a member of the
National Confer-
ence Northern
Division and are
coached by
Garett Tujague

BRINGING 2009 MARAUDER FOOTBALL

The two-time defending conference champions
Two straight years conference player of the year
Two straight conference coach of the year
Two straight top five in state rush defense
The Proud Community Tradition



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MARAUDER FOOTBALL BEGINS 63rd SEASON; OPEN SEPT. 5 AT CANYONS

OVERVIEW:

Antelope Valley College football team has begun its pre-season for the 63rd season of Marauder Football with a record 102 players on the roster, including 64 from area high schools in AVC's recruiting district. If players from AVC's "contiguous recruiting districts" are added, the number goes to 78. The total includes 23 returners from last season and one from earlier seasons. A complete first roster is attached.

PRACTICE:

The Marauders preseason schedule will be as follows:

Fri., 8-14 -- Shorts and Helmets, 4 p.m.

Sat., Aug. 15 -- Shorts and Helmets, 7:30 p.m.

Full Pads, 5 p.m.

Mon, 8-17 thru Fri., 8-21 — Full pads, 4 p.m.

Sat., Aug. 22 -- Conditioning Day

Mon, 8-24 thru Wed., 8-26 — Full pads, 4 p.m.

****Thu., 8-27 is Photo Day beginning at 2 p.m.**

Thu., Aug. 27 -- Intrasquad scrimmage, 5 p.m.

Sat., 8-29 -- Full Pads, 9 a.m.

Mon, 8-31 thru Thu., 9-3 — Full pads, 4 p.m.

Fri., 9-4 -- Shorts and Helmets, 2:15 p.m.

All practices will be held at AVC on the Football Practice Fields. Enter off Ave. K. at 32nd St. W.

Practices are open to the media, but those wishing interviews should contact **Glenn Haller** or **Perry Jehlicka** (661-722-6387) to arrange times before or after practices.

LAST SEASON:

The Marauders finished 6-5 overall, 6-1 and co-champions in the American Pacific Division, marking the first back-to-back conference wins since 1983 and 1984. By the tenth week of the season, the Marauder defense was No. 1 in the state. Eddie Russ Jr. began by returning the opening kick of the season back for a TD. On the season he had six kickoff returns for touchdowns which have made him the only collegiate ever to return more than four in a season - that includes the NFL, NCAA (All Divisions), NJCAA, California and NAIA. just the

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11th Marauder to rush for over 1000 yards in a season -- the first since 2003 -- and has rushed for 100+ yards five straight times and six times in the season. The Marauders did extremely well in the All-Conference balloting, nearly picking up a clean sweep of the top awards, including the co-Offensive Player of the Year, the Defensive Player of the Year and Coach of the Year as well as seven on first team and five on the second team **Dominic Blood** (RB, 6-1, 210, So, Palmdale (Palmdale '06)), who has had six 100+ yard rushing games and is the 11th Marauder to gain over 1000 yards in a season was the first Marauder conference player of the year since **Lamart Cooper** in 1992. The Marauders' leading tackler **Troy Butler** (DB, 6-1, 195, So, Waldorf, MD (Gwynn Park '06)) became the second straight Marauder to be named conference Defensive Player of the Game, following **Eric Leon** who was the first Marauder to be named Defensive Player of the Year since **Daron Rogers** in 1991.

RETURNERS: There are 23 returners from the 2008 team, including first team All-American Pacific **Chris Whitney** (LB, 5-11, 225, SO, Spartanburg, SC (Byrnes '08)) who broke Marauder game records for sacks and tackles for a loss, **Brandon Lott** (DL, 6-0, 250, SO, Lancaster (Antelope Valley '08)) and **Alex Dominquez** (OL, 6-3, 280, SO, Ridgecrest (Burroughs '08)) and second teamers **Meko James** (OL, 6-4, 305, Fr, Winston-Salem, NC (Parkland '08)) and defensive linemen **Mike Miller** (DL, 6-3, 245, Fr, Palmdale (Pete Knight '07)).

NUMBERS: Is 102 on the opening day a Marauder record? Yes, despite the fact that many schools have had over 100 show up for the first day for many years, this is the first season the Marauders have done it. **Brent Carder** never had large numbers, and in some of his best years had less than 50 players -- 48 in the Potato Bowl season of 2001, 41 in the state championship year of 1974 and 36 in the state championship of 1975. AVC started the season with 97 last season.

NEW MARAUDER STADIUM: After two years of construction and a season at Quartz Hill High School, the Marauders have a new home - the state-of-the-art Marauder Stadium. The field is FieldTurf, marking the first time the Marauders have played at home on fake grass. More information about the facility can be found in the reference guide which will accompany this release.

2009 SCHEDULE: Just switch last year's home and away schedule and you have this season's.

MILES AND HOURS SAVED: Last season, the furthest the Marauders will have to go to play in conference is 132 miles one way (Santa Barbara City), and about 880 miles round trip in 2008 miles in total for the season. The closest game in conference in the Foothill Conference was 64 to Victor Valley, which is only 14 miles shorter than the average American Pacific Conference trip. In 2007, the Marauders had trips to Southwestern (190), SD Mesa (175) and Desert (141). In total AVC traveled over 1300 miles in 2007 round trip to their five games -- which included the 144 miles round trip to West LA. The 2008 season will be the "long" season. In 2009 AVC will travel a total of 640 miles, while in the "short" seasons in the Foothill Conference, with the long trip being to Grossmont, AVC traveled just over 1000 miles. Bottom line to all this is that the Marauder Football team will be on the bus nearly eight hours less during the season, and gone completely are the leave the school at 7 a.m. and return after midnight road trips.

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SCHEDULE:

The 2008 Marauder Football Schedule follows:

Sat., Sept. 5	Canyons	Valenica	7 pm
Sat., Sept. 12	VENTURA	MARAUDER STADIUM	7 pm
Sat., Sept. 19	Chaffey	Rancho Cucamonga	6 pm
Sat., Sept. 26	*SANTA BARBARA	MARAUDER STADIUM	7 pm
Sat., Oct. 3	*Santa Monica	Santa Monica	6 pm
Sat., Oct. 17	*WEST LA	MARAUDER STADIUM	7 pm
Sat., Oct. 24	*East LA	Monterey Park	6 pm
Sat., Oct. 31	*LA SOUTHWEST	MARAUDER STADIUM	7 pm
Sat., Nov. 7	*LA Pierce	Woodland Hills	7 pm
Sat., Nov. 14	*LA VALLEY	MARAUDER STADIUM	7 pm

*INDICATES AMERICAN PACIFIC CONFERENCE CONTEST

COACHING STAFF: Head Coach **Perry Jehlicka** will remain as defensive coordinator and **Bill Norton** (ninth season) the Offensive Coordinator and quarterback coach. **Joe Watts** (24th sseason) stays as defensive back coach and **Geoff Satterfield** (fifth season) will now coach the linebackers. Both will become Co-Special Teams Coordinator. **Ray DeShane** stepped away from the coaching staff and his offensive line job will be taken by **Wade Peterson** (second season) who was coaching both the O-Line and the tight ends. That spot will be taken by **James Vondra**, who the Marauders recently hired. **Mike Martinez** (20th season, defensive line), **Shannon Culver** (second season, wide receivers) and **Keary Johns** (second season, running backs) all return with their normal assignments.

THE COACH:

Perry Jehlicka (pronounced Jah-lek-ah), who in 12 years as a football coach, has had more than a hand in turning around losing football programs, probably did his most spectacular work in 2008, turning a team with 26 losses into a team that was a yard away from a perfect 10-0 season. But again in 2008, Jehlicka led the Marauders to an American Pacific Division title. For his efforts, Jehlicka, who is 15-7 as a head coach, was named American Pacific Coach of the Year.

**2002 ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE MARAUDER FOOTBALL ROSTER
(8-20-02 — #1 — Subject to change)**

No	PLAYER	POS	HT	WT	YR	Hometown (High School)
17	Charles Ballard	OLB	5-11	190	SO	Las Vegas, NV (Silverado '00)
70	Eric Bonney	OL	6-1	290	SO	Palmdale (Highland '00)
	Queron Bradley	DL	5-10	250	FR	Monrovia (Monrovia '02)
	Matthew Brayman	OL	6-0	370	FR	Tehachapi (Tehachapi '99)
	Shawn Cole	DL	5-9	230	FR	Rosamond (Rosamond '00)
	Eric Cooper	OLB	5-10	185	FR	Palmdale (Littlerock '00)
	Micheal Cooper	DB	6-0	180	FR	Palmdale (Highland '96)
12	Jamar Culver	QB	6-3	205	SO	Lancaster (Bethel Christian '99)
	Mentu Daniel	WR	6-2	170	FR	Lancaster (Antelope Valley '99)
	Isahak Esrailian	DL	6-3	240	FR	Palmdale (Palmdale '01)
	Doug Faulk	WR	6-0	175	FR	Rosamond (Desert '01)
	Reggie Frazier	RB	5-10	190	FR	Lancaster (Lancaster '02)
	Neal Gray	OL	6-0	255	FR	Lancaster (Antelope Valley '92)
	Chris Guy	RB	6-0	200	FR	Las Vegas, NV (Bishop Gorman '02)
	William Jackson	DL	6-2	240	FR	Lancaster (Monroe '95)
	Matt Jacobs	ILB	5-11	220	FR	Quartz Hill (Quartz Hill '02)
	Bobby Johnson	WR	5-10	195	FR	Palmdale (Desert Winds '98)
	Devon Johnson	DB	6-3	170	FR	Lancaster (Antelope Valley '02)
	Jermaine Johnson	WR	5-10	155	FR	Oklahoma City, OK (Santa Fe '02)
	Joseph Jones	OLB	6-2	200	FR	Los Angeles (Crenshaw '02)
	Jonathon King	DB	6-1	175	FR	Lancaster (Highland '00)
7	James Laurence	WR	6-5	231	SO	Kent, WA (Kent Meridian '98)
	Keveon Lewis	DB	5-10	160	FR	Compton (Job Corps. '98)
	Nakia Manick	RB	5-9	200	FR	Palmdale (Antelope Valley '98)
	Chris Marrero	DL	5-8	270	FR	Palmdale (Littlerock '00)
	Jermaine Marshall	RB	5-10	235	FR	Lancaster (Kilpatrick '00)
	Frederick Mason	DL	6-0	255	FR	Lancaster (Locke, IL '97)
	Dustin McBride	DB	5-10	235	SO	Tehachapi (Tehachapi '01/Ventura Col)
	Josh Mejia	RB	5-10	195	FR	Palmdale (Highland '01)
	Jermone Mitchell	RB	5-7	185	FR	Lancaster (Antelope Valley '02)
42	Teddy Monroe	RB	5-11	185	SO	Rosamond (Rosamond '01)
	Mike Moore	DB	5-7	160	FR	Palmdale (Palmdale '01)
	Conner Morris	ILB	5-11	200	FR	Tehachapi (Tehachapi '01)
	Wes Murphy	DB	6-3	175	FR	Rosamond (Rosamond '99)
	Brandon Narcisse	RB	5-11	210	FR	Lancaster (Antelope Valley '02)
	Eric Nordman	DL	6-2	210	FR	Lancaster (Antelope Valley '00)
	Alex Padilla	ILB	6-1	240	FR	San Francisco (Galileo '97)
	Zack Palmer	DB	5-10	160	FR	Mojave (Mojave '02)
	Brian Pugh	OL	6-6	305	FR	Lancaster (AV Christian '02)
	Steve Pugh	OL	6-3	305	FR	Lancaster (AV Christian '02)