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BC opens with hard fought loss to UNC-P

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In front of a crowd of 2,208 on a steamy August evening, the Brevard Tornados football team opened up their third season of the modern era with a 28-0 loss to UNC Pembroke at Brevard Memorial Stadium.

The game started slowly on the offensive side with the Braves having a drive stopped by the Brevard defense giving the Tornados the ball with 8:35 remaining in the opening stanza.

Starting on their own 8 yard line, the Tornados began advancing up to their own 38 yard line, but on the ensuing play freshman wide receiver Michael Grist (North Augusta, GA) fumbled a screen pass and it was recovered by a UNC Pembroke player giving the Braves excellent field position.

Seven plays and two minutes fifty seconds later the score was 6-0 Braves on a 1-yard touchdown run by running back Rashon Kennedy, and

kicker Taylor Baskett converted the P.A.T to make the score 7-0.

In the second quarter BC junior quarterback Kye Hamilton (Charleston, SC) was picked off by Caylon Hann and

Receiving the kickoff to open the second half, Brevard was trapped deep in their own territory. Forced to punt after only 3 plays, the Tornados picked up a personal foul on the punt, giving the Braves the



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UNC Pembroke again had excellent field position. The Braves again capitalized with Kennedy scoring on an 8-yard run making the score 14-0.

On the ensuing possession, Hann picked off Hamilton again this time returning the ball to the Tornados 8-yard line. Five seconds later UNC Pembroke was up 21-0 and that was all the scoring for the first half.

ball on the Brevard 26-yard line. Six plays later the score was 28-0. The rest of the game was scoreless; thanks to a blocked field goal by junior defensive back Austin Williams (Charlotte, NC).

While both teams put up similar rushing yards (116 for UNC Pembroke and 107 for BC), the difference in the game was through the air. UNC

Pembroke was 23-35 on the day good for 221 yards while the Tornados only produced 65 yards on 19 attempts in the passing game.

Head Coach Paul Hamilton also expressed concern on the team's personality on the offensive side of the ball.

"I'm not sure we have an idea of who we are and what we are on offense. When the score got to 28-0 it was pretty obvious we were struggling. We're going to have to work to see if we can have an offensive football team that avoid 'second and longs' and 'third and longs.'"

The Tornados return to action this Saturday night at home against Pikeville College at home at 6 p.m.

Despite the early setback, Coach Hamilton remains optimistic for the remainder of the 2008 campaign.

"We will work and learn from this, and we'll come back and hopefully be the kind of football team everyone expects us to be," Hamilton said.

Brevard College volleyball opens with victories

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Last Saturday the Brevard College women's volleyball team opened up their season with three matches in the Montreat College Tournament. The Tornados won two of those matches and took second place in the tournament.

Opening the day, Brevard faced Reinhardt College and quickly dispatched of their foes winning in straight sets 25-20, 25-17 and 25-14.

Junior middle hitter Brooke "The Beast" Seaman (Spring

Hill, FL) led the team with 12 kills and two blocks, while Junior Chelsey Trojan (Sacramento, CA) added 9 kills to the winning effort. Freshman Jordei Osby (Goldsboro, NC), making her collegiate debut, put down two blocks in the match as well.

In the next match Brevard took on Shawnee State University of Portsmouth, Ohio. Shawnee State swept the Tornados by scores of 25-14, 25-18 and 25-23.

Seaman again led the team offensively with 10 kills in the

match while newcomers Trojan and Osby each had 5 kills in match number two.

The finale of the day featured the Tornados taking on host Montreat College. Brevard returned to their winning ways with another straight set victory, overcoming the Cavaliers by scores of 25-17, 25-19 and 25-13.

Senior team captain and setter Jami Perry (Greer, SC) was credited with 37 assists in the final match of the day, while Seaman recorded another 15 kills. Trojan slammed another

eight kills and sophomore libero Rebecca Schoonover (Palm City, FL) contributed on the defensive end with 15 digs.

The Tornados return home this weekend, hosting their own tournament.

Brevard takes on Coker College Friday at 7 p.m. and challenges Virginia Intermont at 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon before playing Columbia College at 6 p.m. the same evening. The home stand concludes on Thursday night, Sept. 11' against Belmont Abbey at 7 p.m.