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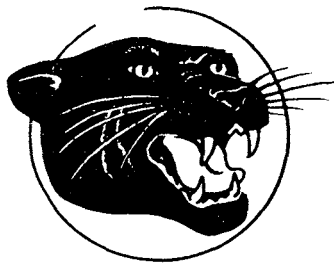
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# Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, IL.-Eastern Illinois University's football Panthers will be going for three in a row when they host Southern Illinois University in a Gateway Conference game Saturday night (Sept. 20). Kickoff is 6:30 CDT at O'Brien Stadium.

Both teams have identical records at 2-1 although EIU lost a Gateway game at Illinois State. It's the conference opener for the Salukis.

The Panthers defeated Northern Michigan, 24-21, Saturday. SIU won, 31-0, over Murray State. Both games were on the road.

Eastern will also be out to break a three game losing streak to SIU. The last EIU victory was 20-7 in 1982.

"Few of our players were around in '82 when Eastern last won against SIU so I suspect our players will be quite determined since most have never been on the winning side in this rivalry," says EIU Head Coach Al Molde.

## \*\*\*\*\*GAME NOTES\*\*\*\*\*

**THE GAME:** Eastern Illinois University (2-1,0-1) hosts Southern Illinois University (2-1, 0-0) at 6:30 CDT, Saturday, September 20 at O'Brien Stadium, Charleston, IL.

**RADIO:** All the action can be heard on 50,000 watt WLBH-FM, 97 on the dial . . . Ken Wooddell calls play-by-play and Doug Bock provides commentary.

**COACHES:** EIU's Al Molde, in his fourth season, is 23-14 here, 97-56-5 overall in 15 years . . . he has had 12 winning seasons and four NCAA playoff teams coaching at Sioux Falls College, Minn-Morris, and Central Missouri . . . he is 0-3 vs. SIU.

SIU's Ray Dorr, in his third year, is 9-16 . . .he formerly was an assistant at the University of Washington.

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**SERIES:** SIU leads the series 31-18-2 and has won three straight, 17-14, 48-40 and 42-13.

**LAST YEAR:** SIU's Byron Mitchell rushed 22 times for 210 yards to lead the Saiukis to a 42-13 victory . . . EIU's DUWAYNE PITTS ran for 34 yards and caught seven passes for 76 yards .. .WR ROY BANKS was shutout from catching a pass for the first time in his career.

**SIU FACTS:** Southern has lost to Arkansas State, 22-7, defeated Austin Peay 24-17 and stopped Murray State, 31-0 .. .SIU has been hit hard by injuries as All-American running back Byron Mitchell and QB Kevin Brown are out for the year . . . All-Gateway safety John Field, who was switched to RB when Mitchell was injured, has also not played a minute this year although may be ready for Saturday's game . . .the win at Murray was the 1st road victory since SIU defeated EIU, 48-40, here in 1984 . . .QB Pat King stepped into the starting role Saturday and threw three TD passes, passed for 182 yards and ran for 94 to account for 276 of SIU's 480 total . . .RB Mel Kirksy has rushed for 244 and caught seven passes for 78 yards . . .the defense is led by LBs John Edwards and Rick Spielman who have 32 and 26 tackles, respectively.

**PITTS & MARABLE:** RB DUWAYNE PITTS, who missed last week's game with an ankle injury, is expected to return to the lineup Saturday .. . however, his replacement, JAMES MARABLE (Chicago-Shurz), picked up 187 all-purpose yards in the Northern Michigan win with 107 rushing and seven catches for 80 yards . . . Pitts is averaging 91 yards rushing while Marable is at 62.7.

**UPDATING BANKS:** WR ROY BANKS (Detroit, MI-King) needs just 91 yards receiving to set an all-time yardage record . . . he has 2432 as he aims for Jerry Wright's career mark of 2522.

**PAYTON'S STATS:** QB SEAN PAYTON (Naperville-Central) surpassed 8000 yards last week enroute to 10,000 career ... he has 812 this year pushing him to 8011 in his career . . . he needs to average 249 per game the remainder of the way and is currently getting 271 although was 'held' to 232 at NMU.

**PLAYERS OF THE WEEK:** JAMES MARABLE was picked the offensive 'Player of the Week' after getting 107 rushing and 80 in pass receiving .. . DARIUS SHAVERS (Chicago-Dunbar) was defensive standout with seven total tackles, a pass interception, forced fumble and pass broken up. . other segment 'players of the week' were STEVE BONNES (Waukegan-West) on the offensive line, CALVIN PIERCE (Oak Lawn-Richards) for receivers, JOHN JURKOVIC (Calumet City-Thornton Fractional North), and GREG RHEA (Cerritos, CA-Cerritos CC) for defensive backs.

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## GATEWAY CONFERENCE:

	<u>Gateway</u>	<u>Conference</u>
Indiana State	1-0	2-0
Southwest Missouri	1-1	1-1
Illinois State	1-1	1-1
Northern Iowa	0-0	1-0-1
Western Illinois	0-0	1-1
Southern Illinois	0-0	2-1
<b>EASTERN ILLINOIS</b>	0-1	2-1

This Week: Illinois State hosts Wayne State, Northern Iowa is idle, Western Illinois is at Southwest Missouri, Indiana State is at Iowa State.

MOLDE SAYS: "This is an extremely important game for us if we are to contend for the Gateway championship . . . it'll be strength against strength with our passing against one of the best and quickest secondaries we'll see . . . our defense has played well and our offense has moved the ball but we must eliminate the turnover and critical plays that have led directly to some unfortunate scores . . . if we do that it should be a great game."

## EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY DEPTH CHART

Offense

SE 80 Willie Cain (6-2, 195, Sr.) \* 13 Mike Milosovic (5-10, 160, Jr.)  
 T 78 Chris Geile (6-5, 310, Sr.) \* 63 Dave Popp (6-6, 250, So.)  
 LG 72 Mark Petersen (6-3, 260, Jr.) \* 66 Bob Benning (6-0, 235, Sr.) \*\*  
 C 76 Sean O'Brien (6-1, 275, So.) \* 75 Butch Brzeski (6-3, 250, Jr.)  
 RG 69 Jim Miteff (6-0, 230, Jr.) \*\* 68 Chris Severson (6-3, 250, Sr.)  
 RT 62 Steve Bonnes (6-3, 270, Sr.) \*\* 73 John Valenta (6-4, 250, So.)  
 TE 40 Derick Wilhelms (6-2, 210, Jr.) \*\* 32 Shon McCray (6-2, 255, Jr.) \*  
 FL 2 Roy Banks (5-11, 190, Sr.) \*\* 13 Mike Milosovic (5-10, 160, Jr.)  
 SB 21 Calvin Pierce (6-1, 205, Sr.) \*\* 40 Derick Wilhelms (6-2, 210, Jr.)  
 FB 20 DuWayne Pitts (5-9, 175, Jr.) \*\* 7 James Marable (5-9, 170, So.) \*  
 QB 18 Sean Payton (6-1, 195, Sr.) \*\* 11 Pat Carroll (6-1, 185, Jr.)

Defense

LE 67 John Jurkovic (6-2, 260, So.) \* 96 Scott Pilkerton (6-0, 225, Sr.) \*  
 NG 92 Aaron Thomas (6-0, 260, Jr.) \* 57 Jeff Rolson (6-1, 260, So.)  
 RE 93 Carl Parker (5-10, 230, Jr.) \*\* 79 Eddie Doxy (6-1, 265, Fr.)  
 WSB 97 Rick Ziemann (6-0, 205, Sr.) \* 41 Ray Brown (6-1, 195, Fr.)  
 ILB 51 Jeff Mills (6-2, 210, So.) \* 59 Bill Cochrane (6-0, 225, Jr.) \*  
 ILB 53 Dan Polewski (6-1, 225, Sr.) 31 Jerome Covington (5-10, 215, So.)  
 SSB 45 Mike Briscoe (6-1, 210, Jr.) 48 Paul Wilson (5-11, 210, Jr.)  
 LCB 8 Rod Reynolds (5-11, 175, Fr.) 24 Kevin Hunter (5-9, 165, Jr.) \*  
 RCB 9 Greg Rhea (5-7, 170, Sr.) \* 37 Daryl Holcombe (5-11, 180, Fr.)  
 SS 42 Bob Bronaugh (5-10, 190, Sr.) \*\* 28 Rick Burnett (6-0, 180, Fr.)  
 FS 22 Darius Shavers (5-6, 150, Sr.) \* 12 Scott Johnson (6-4, 185, So.) \*

Specialists

Punter - 1 Steve Tillotson (6-1, 210, Jr.) 3 Gordon Acton (6-5, 250, Jr.)  
 Placekicker - 6 Rich Ehmke (5-10, 170, Jr.)  
 Kickoffs - Ehmke, Acton  
 Kickoff Return - 7 James Marable (5-9, 170, So.) \*, 9 Greg Rhea (5-7, 170, Sr.)  
 Punt Return - 9 Greg Rhea (5-7, 170, Sr.) \*,  
 Holder - 11 Pat Carroll (6-1, 185, Jr.)