

Game 9 - November 2, 2002 Noon



Saginaw Valley State University (6-2, 5-2)

vs.

Hillsdale College (3-5, 3-4)



Wickes Stadium - University Center, Mich.

The Teams

- Saginaw Valley State looks to rebound after suffering two consecutive losses for the first time since 1999. The Cardinals dropped a 24-3 decision at Ferris State last Saturday. Hillsdale has won two of its last three games after defeating Michigan Tech 31-7 last week at home.

The Coaches

- **Randy Awrey** (Northern Michigan University, 1978)
Fourth Year at SVSU, 30-13 (.698)
Career: 13th Year, 78-54-1 (.586)
- **Keith Otterbein** (Hillsdale, 1979)
First Year at Hillsdale, 3-5 (.375)
Career: 10th Year, 63-44-3 (.573)

Radio Coverage

- WSGW (790am): J.J. Boehm (play-by-play) and Dave Slaggert (color commentary). Boehm also hosts the Coach's Corner with Randy Awrey every Wednesday at 6:00p.m. hosted at Applebee's in Saginaw.
- Cardinal Air Force broadcasts are available on the Internet. Games will be broadcast on the www.svsu.edu/stream web site.

Third Time Not A Charm

- SVSU has not lost three consecutive games in the same season since 1993. The last time the Cardinals lost three consecutive games came when SVSU dropped its last two games of the 1994 campaign before losing the opening game of the 1995 season.

Just Win, Baby

- SVSU has a career mark of 161-127-3 (.553) and boasts a conference record of 119-81-3 (.586) during the program's 27-year history.
- Over the last ten years, the Cardinals have gone 71-37 (.657) while posting a 66-27 (.710) conference mark.

Interviews

- Please direct all requests for interviews to Jason Yaman, Director of Sports Information. Coach Awrey and select players will be available after a 10-minute cooling off period. Final statistics packets will be available in the Ryder Center following the post-game press conference.

The Series

- Hillsdale leads the all-time series 13-12. SVSU has won five of the last six meetings, including a 31-21 win to start the season in 2001.

At Hillsdale: Series tied 7-7

At University Center: HC leads 6-5

First Game: @ HC 37, SVSU 10 (Nov. 15, 1975)

Last SV Win: @ SVSU 31, HC 21 (2001)

Last HC Win: @ HC 21, SVSU 19 (2000)

Last Meeting in Hillsdale: HC 21, SVSU 19 (2000)

Last Meeting in University Center: SVSU 31, HC 21 (2001)

Current Win Streak: 1 (SVSU 2001)

Longest Win Streak: 6 (HC 1988-1993)

Most Points in SV Win: 38 (38-33 in 1999 @ SVSU)

Most Points in HC Win: 44 (44-14 in 1988 @ SVSU)

Most Decisive Score: 30 points (HC 44, @ SVSU 14) in 1988

2002 SVSU Schedule & Results

Date	Opponent	Attend.
9/7	at Northwood	W 47-13 7,688
9/14	MICHIGAN TECH	W 35-21 4,734
9/21	MERCYHURST	W 51-7 3,296
9/28	at Ashland	W 52-20 1,750
10/5	INDIANAPOLIS	W 63-24 4,536
10/12	at Findlay	W 69-7 3,002
10/19	GRAND VALLEY STATE	L 23-18 11,234
10/26	at Ferris State	L 24-3 2,263
11/2	HILLSDALE COLLEGE	Noon
11/9	at Northern Michigan	1:00pm
11/16	at Wayne State	Noon

Cardinals

SVSU-HC By The Numbers

Hillsdale

8	Games	8
42.2	Points/Avg.	27.8
17.4	Points Against/Avg.	27.0
17/26/3	TDs (Rush/Pass/Return)	15/13/1
166	First Downs	156
461.1	Total Yards/Avg.	343.4
148.2	Yards Rushing/Avg.	149.5
312.9	Yards Passing/Avg.	193.9
330.4	Total Defense/Avg.	371.6
37/1409/38.1	Punts/Yards/Avg.	38/1501/39.5
5/9	FG Made/Att.	8/10
13/8	Fumbles/Lost	11/9
+15	Turnover Margin	+5
52/459/57.4	Penalties/Yards/Avg.	37/326/40.8
46.7 (50/107)	3rd Down Conversion Pct.	43.1 (47/109)
70.0 (7/10)	4th Down Conversion Pct.	72.7 (8/11)
27:40	Time of Possession/Avg.	29:14

Cardinal Team Superlatives

Rushes	42 vs Michigan Tech
Yards Rushing	263 at Ashland
Yards Per Rush	7.3 at Findlay
TD Rushes	5 at Ashland
Pass Attempts	42 at Ferris State
Pass Completions	28 vs Grand Valley
Yards Passing	389 vs Mercyhurst
Yards Per Pass	15.2 vs Indianapolis
TD Passes	7 at Findlay
Total Plays	76 vs Grand Valley
Total Offense	611 at Findlay
Yards Per Play	10.5 at Findlay
Points	69 at Findlay
Sacks By	4 vs Mercyhurst
First Downs	27 (Twice)
Penalties	9 (Three Times)
Penalty Yards	84 at Ashland
Turnovers	6 at Ferris State
Interceptions By	3 (Three Times)

Individual Game Highs

Rushes	16 (Two Players)
Yards Rushing	115 K. Bartynski at Ashland
TD Rushes	2 (Two Players)
Long Rush	75 K. Bartynski at Findlay
Pass Attempts	38 M. LaFleur at Ferris State
Pass Completions	24 M. LaFleur vs Grand Valley
Yards Passing	302 M. LaFleur vs Grand Valley
TD Passes	4 M. LaFleur at Findlay
Long Pass	83 M. Radlinski vs Michigan Tech
Receptions	7 R. Martin (Twice)
Yards Receiving	135 T. McAlpine vs Michigan Tech
TD Receptions	3 T. McAlpine (Twice)
Long Reception	83 T. McAlpine vs Michigan Tech
Field Goals	1 (E. Houle Five Times)
Long Field Goals	38 E. Houle at Ashland
Punts	11 R. Prochnow at Ferris State
Long Punt	56 R. Prochnow vs Mercyhurst
Long Punt Return	22 J. Chounard at Ferris State
Long Kickoff Return	76 J. Chounard at Northwood
Tackles	16 J. Battershell at Ferris State
Sacks	2 N. Baumgartner vs Michigan Tech
Interceptions	2 P. Cavanaugh at Ferris State

Pick-Off Play:

- Senior safety **Pat Cavanaugh** (*Troy, Mich./Bishop Foley HS*) intercepted two passes in SVSU's loss to Ferris State last Saturday. Cavanaugh now has nine interceptions for his career, and is just one away from moving into the school's top ten list for career interceptions.
- Ken Tolfree (1976-79) holds the top spot with 22 career interceptions as a Cardinal.

Career Day:

- Senior linebacker **Jason Battershell** (*Rochester Hills, Mich.*) tallied a career-high 16 tackles against the Bulldogs. His previous high was 13 tackles, which he recorded in three different games.
- Battershell is tenth in the conference in tackles per game (8.6).

On the Horizon:

- Senior quarterback **Matt LaFleur** (*Mt. Pleasant, Mich.*) needs just 40 yards passing against Hillsdale to become the first player in school history to reach the 6,000-yard passing plateau for his career.
- LaFleur is SVSU's all-time leading passer with 5,960 yards. Steve Zott (1976-79) is in second place on the school's all-time passing list with 4,459 career passing yards.

Point Production:

- Despite scoring just a combined 21 points over the last two games, the Cardinals lead the conference in scoring at 42.2 points per contest.
- Hillsdale enters Saturday's game third in the league in scoring offense (27.8ppg).

Return to Sender:

- Junior RB **Jason Chounard** (*Norway, Mich.*) ranks second in the GLIAC in kickoff return average (26.3ypr). Chounard returned four kickoffs for 89 yards last week, including a 58-yard return in the first quarter.
- Hillsdale's Kevin Clive is fourth in the league in kickoff return average (24.6ypr).

Season of Success:

- Junior WR **Ruvell Martin** (*Muskegon, Mich./Catholic Central HS*) has 538 receiving yards this season, already the 18th best single-season output for a receiver at SVSU, with three games remaining.
- Martin registered 671 receiving yards in 2001, good for 10th place on SVSU's single-season receiving list.

Ground Attack Grounded:

- After rushing for a minimum of 120 yards in each of its first six games, SVSU has rushed for just a combined 58 yards in the last two contests.