

History of the SasKota Bowl

The game was initiated in 2004 by Coaches Bill Ruetz from Saskatchewan and Davey Zinke from North Dakota. Over a number of phone conversations the format and dates were set. The format was to alternate the hosts each year between Saskatchewan and North Dakota. Saskatchewan has chosen to move the host school around the province for a two year term. North Dakota has decided to host each year in Rolla, ND. The first Saskatchewan host was Foam Lake in the summer of 2004 and will repeat as hosts this year on July 5th, 2008.

As part of the agreement, the teams have agreed to play by the rules of the host school. Therefore when Saskatchewan hosts we play three down football, and when North Dakota host we play four down football. The other adjustments that have to be made are the differences in motion rules and the fair catch. The rest of the game is virtually the same. It has been a wonderful learning experience for both groups and an exciting experience for all players involved. We do foresee some issues in the near future, with the new rules for crossing the border to the USA. Hopefully we can find a resolution to this issue so that this great game can continue to prosper.

Below is a summary of each of the games to date:

SasKota Bow I 2004

Location: Foam Lake, Saskatchewan

Coaches:

Head Coach:	Bill Ruetz (Foam Lake)
Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line:	Jim Anderson (Foam Lake)
Running Backs:	Garth Anderson (Foam Lake)
Receivers:	Luke Dunville (Lumsden)
Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers:	John Svenson (Melville)
Defensive Line:	Jamie Zaluski (Foam Lake)
Defensive Backs:	Ricky Anderson (Hudson Bay)

Roster:

Matthew Stevens	Assiniboia	QB
Jaimie Calfas	Melville	DB
Kobus leRaux	Maple Creek	LB
Aaron Baxter	Nipawin	LB
Grahme Weisgerber	Foam Lake	QB
Josh Bugg	Melville	RB
Tyler Bulai	Lumsden	RB
Corey Hoskins	Nipawin	RB
Levi Hawreluik	Foam Lake	RB
Brady Ermel	Lumsden	DB

Leyen Ruest	Shaunavon	DB
Justin Dawson	Fort Quapelle	RB
Steven Semenuik	Foam Lake	TE
Joel Zemluk	Foam Lake	TE
Brad Sherwick	Shaunavon	LB
Shane Desrosiers	Biggar	DB
Jake Lewans	Shaunavon	LB
Jared Loeppky	Foam Lake	LB
Braden Koybaba	Foam Lake	OL
Jordy Speidel	Fort Quapelle	OL
Ian Irwin-Pasloski	Fort Quapelle	DL
Mike Almasi	Melville	DL
Shaun Gettel	Melville	DL
Darcy Lodoen	Kerrobert	DL
Mike Barnes	Humboldt	DL
Aspen Beveridge	Maple Creek	OL
Tyler Stark	Lumsden	OL
Alex Van De Meuter	Unity	Rec.
Ben Ellis	Esterhazy	Rec.

Results:

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SasKota Bowl II 2005

Location: Rolla, North Dakota

Coaches:

Head Coach:	Bill Ruetz (Foam Lake)
Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line:	David Rogers (Melfort)
Running Backs:	Garth Anderson (Foam Lake)
Receivers:	Luke Dunville (Lumsden)
Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers:	John Svenson (Melville)
Defensive Line:	Jamie Zaluski (Foam Lake)
Defensive Backs:	Gene Hauta (Hudson Bay)

Roster:

Dylan Nahorney	Biggar	OL
Ryley Malberg	Melfort	DL
Tyronne Paradon	Assiniboia	DL
Matt Brooks	Wynyard	OL
Dustin Hussey	Esterhazy	DB
Brandon Bieber	Humboldt	DL
Derek Keller	Melfort	OL

Tony Michalchuk	Foam Lake	LB
Stephen Kowalchuk	Foam Lake	DB
Dan Yakasovich	Delisle	RB
Scott Ellingson	Swan River	TE
Darbie Koshman	Foam Lake	RB
Lyndon Kostiuk	Foam Lake	LB
Kevin Dell	Wynyard	LB
Kris MacFarlane	Foam Lake	DL
Derek Mucha	Melville	Rec.
Jay Hauta	Hudson Bay	DB
Jody Wintonyk	Yorkton Sacred Heart	TE
Justin Kozakevich	Melville	QB
Andrew Herrick	Unity	Rec.
Bradley Hein	Melville	DB
Tyson Holowaty	Foam Lake	QB
Kruze Halyk	Foam Lake	RB
Landon Suchan	Humboldt	OL
Mike Baran	Yorkton Sacred Heart	TE
Jeff Heistad	Foam Lake	Trainer

Results:

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SasKota III 2006

Location: Melville, Saskatchewan

Coaches:

Head Coach/Defensive Backs:	John Svenson (Melville)
Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers:	Craig Geisler
Defensive Line:	Kyle Stroeder (Nipawin)
Offensive Coordinator/Running Backs:	Bill Ruetz (Foam Lake)
Receivers:	Luke Dunville (Lumsden)
Offensive Line:	Mark Myszczyzyn (Unity)

Roster:

QUARTERBACKS

Lucyk
Kuntz

Jeff
Tom

Fort Qu'Appelle
Lumsden

RUNNING BACKS

Thiel
Cooney
Wagner

Addison
Levi
Jordan

Humboldt
Lumsden
Lumsden

OFFENSIVE LINE

Retzlaff
Rakochoy
Forster
Barber
Karakochuk

ENDS

Senkow
McMann
Sastaunik

DEFENSIVE LINE

Donkers
Houston
McPherson
Felix
Bucsis

DEFENSIVE BACKS

Larson
Koshman
Barber

LINEBACKERS

Petrisor
Lloyd
Armbruster
Sinclair
Haeusler
Rybinski

RECEIVERS

Lewans
Watamanuk
Funk

Jordan
Ben
Zack
Mike
Chad

Josh
Bret
Justin

Aaron
Justin
Doug
Joe
Ray

Dale
Ben
Brett

Mark
Evan
Mike
Blair
Lee
David

Greg
Spencer
Bob

Gull Lake
Canora
Esterhazy
Lumsden
Yorkton

Lumsden
Foam Lake
Melville

Nipawin
Rosetown
Melville
Lumsden
Yorkton

Nipawin
Esterhazy
Lumsden

Nipawin
Rosetown
Melville
Kindersley
Humboldt
Melfort

Shaunavon
Assiniboia
Nipawin

Results:

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Saskota Bowl IV 2007

Location: Rolla, North Dakota

Coaches:

Head Coach:

John Svenson (Melville)

Offensive Coordinator/Running Backs:	Bill Ruetz (Foam Lake)
Offensive Line:	David Rogers (Melfort)
Receivers:	Luke Dunville (Lumsden)
Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers:	Shaun Gardiner (Humboldt)
Defensive Backs:	Craig Geisler (Melville)
Defensive Line:	Kyle Stroeder (Nipawin)

Roster:

QUARTERBACKS

Holowaty	Steven	Melville
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RUNNING BACKS

Ludba	Clayton	Canora
Van Sandt	Donavon	Shaunavon
Stilborn	Lance	Melville
Kiefer	Brenden	Melfort
Remenda	Michael	Nipawin
Mollinger	Brandon	Humboldt

OFFENSIVE LINE

Grassick	Jack	Lumsden
Paulsen	Ian	Foam Lake
Hollingshead	Jayson	Humboldt
Zuchkan	Ryan	Foam Lake
Bertoia	Jensen	Unity

ENDS

Magnus	Travis	Melfort
Stumberg	Tyler	Humboldt

DEFENSIVE LINE

Reine	Dustin	Lumsden
Zadorozniak	Ryan	Foam Lake
Izzard	Jordan	Melville
Waldner	Tyson	Melfort
Lang	Fraser	Melfort
Halischuk	Cam	Delisle

DEFENSIVE BACKS

MacNaughton	Josh	Melfort
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Duerkson
Parker
Hoskins

BJ
Ben
Kyle

Rosetown
Delisle
Nipawin

LINEBACKERS

Ukrainetz
Hillier
Pawluk
Galambos
Bomberak
Wilson

Brett
Damon
Larin
Shane
Tyson
Ben

Foam Lake
Fort Qu'appelle
Melfort
Tisdale
Esterhazy
Deslisle

RECEIVERS

Unrau
Sakaluk
Wright
Chastkew

Nathan
Devin
Jayden
Chase

Humboldt
Foam Lake
Fort Qu'appelle
Esterhazy

Results:

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SasKota Bowl V 2008

Location: Foam Lake, Saskatchewan

Coaches:

Head Coach: Bill Ruetz (Foam Lake)
Offensive Coordinator/Running Backs: Pat Orobko (Unity)
Receivers: Dale Udal (Maple Creek)
Offensive Line: Darryl Dickson (Canora)
Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers: Kyle Stroeder (Nipawin)
Defensive Line: Jamie Zaluski (Foam Lake)
Defensive Backs: Brent Plant (Meadow Lake)

Roster:

Sean Ulsifer	Unity	Rec.
Luke Boechler	Sacred Heart	Rec.
Stephen Hill	Melfort	QB
Justin Drake	Tisdale	QB
Sheldon McAmmond	Meadow Lake	RB
Justin Lukan	Melfort	RB
Korby Koshman	Foam Lake	RB
Brett Desrosiers	Melville	RB

Thomas McSymytz	Wynyard	RB
Riley Schlosser	Humboldt	OL
Jeremy Giasinger	Lumsden	OL
Dane Eremenko	Maple Creek	OL
Benton Gieni	Unity	OL
Travis Rathgeber	Melville	OL
Kirk Mason	Maple Creek	TE
Sean Chatterson	Fort Quappelle	TE
Cameron Murray	Meadow Lake	OL
Bo Robertson	Lumsden	DB
Donavon Shire	Esterhazy	Kicker
Darryn Scott	Unity	DB
Cailen Musselman	Tisdale	DB
Nolan Volk	Unity	DB
Matthew Hood	Lumsden	LB
Kyle Loveridge	Melville	LB
Jarrett Sather	Gull Lake	LB
Kris Donahue	Wynyard	LB
Royce Lodoen	Maple Creek	LB
Josh Senger	Lumsden	DL
Cameron Stolz	Humboldt	DL
Adam Herperger	Esterhazy	DL
Cory McKee	Kindersley	DL
T.J. Hastings	Humboldt	DL
Bryce Wunder	Foam Lake	DL
Keith Burnett	Caronport	DL