

Titans Football Returns Experience This Season



The NCE/Ulen-Hitterdal Titans football team members are, left to right, front row-Riley Resnick, Parker Lien, Kasy Lisburg, Kennedy Ramstorf, Titan Engen, Garrett Knutson, Riley Ramstorf; row two-Kale McCollum, Mark Korinta, Tanner Douville, Keian Wibbels, Sunny Resnick, Gavin Jacobson, Chase Green, Tate Maesse; row three-Dawson Bjerke, Morgan Stueness, Izaah Bennefeld, Connor Nelson, Treyton Klemetson, Dylan Nysetvold, Austin Aranda; row four-Dawson Thompson, Tate Hoseth, Steffen Sather, Hunter Crompton, Noah Klemetson, Prestin Douville, Trevin Stalberger; back row- Assistant Coach Brad Dunham, Head Coach Dustin Flaten and Assistant Coach Mark Hemberger. Not pictured is Evan Jirava.



Players, coaches and fans have

been counting down the time for

the season kickoff of Titan football.

Soon it will time for all the preseason

practices to payoff. The players have

been working through heat and

fatigue to become the best they can

again for the Norman Country East/

Ulen-Hitterdal Titans football team.

He is in his 10th year of coaching.

Assisting him will be Mark

Hemberger, Bradley Dunham and

Dustin Flaten will be head coach

be by the first game.

John Otto.

Last year the Titans finished 9-2 for the season. They were conference champs and Section 6 nine-man runner ups.

Lost to graduation from last year's team are Isaac Stene OL/DL who is playing football for Concordia: Isaac Haabedank TE/DE playing football for Concordia; Eric Begg OL/DL playing football for Mayville State University; Kyle Syverson RB/LB is attending NDSU; Toby Bjerklie OL/LB attending South Dakota School of Mines, and Jsii Fain TE/ DE attending college in California.

Returning for the Titans are seniors Tate Maesse QB 6'3" 200 lbs; Noah Klemetson, all-conference player and all-state honorable mention, RB/LB 6'2" 190 lbs; Tate Hoseth, all-conference player, LB 6'0" 170 lbs; Kale McCollum DE/

TE 6'7" and Steffen Sather DB 6'1" 165 lbs. The lone junior returning to DB is Riley Resnick 6'3" 245 lbs.

Flaten will be looking upon the seniors and returning starters to do most of the team leading.

"We have a good mix of athletes that can lead from example as well as encouragement," notes Flaten.

The Titans are hoping to play in another section tournament championship. This will give them the best opportunity possible to compete with the state's top teams.

"We will rely on overall game experience and to be playing the best football at the end of the year and get better every day," says Flaten.

One of Flaten's favorite things about coaching for the Titans is building relationships and watching the athletes become better people. One of his favorite coaching

moments he recalls is watching any is as follows: football player excel at something off the football field.

"Lessons they learn on the field 2/2carry over into so many other aspects of life," said Flaten.

Last year there was a three-way tie for the district championship between the Titans, Stephen-Argyle and Nevis. Flaten is looking to them to be favorites this year again, along with Win-E-Mac, KCC and Clearbrook-Gonvick right behind them.

Flaten feels the Titan's best asset for this season is that they are bringing back a lot of skilled position players.

"These players have varsity experience so that should help the team early in the year," concludes Flaten.

The roster for the Titans this year

150 6'0 11 3/3 Chase Green QB/DE 200 5'11 11 4/4 Austin Aranda RB/LB 140 5'8 10 QB/LB 5/5 Gavin Jacobson 165 5'8 10 6/6 Parker Lien TE/DB 165 6'2 11 Connor Nelson RB/DB 155 5'8 9 Hunter Crompton TE/DB 8 / 8 175 6'5 12 10 / 10 Tate Hoseth RB/LB 160 5'11 12 12 / 12 Riley Resnick OL/DL 245 6'3 11 TE/DB 14 / 14 Steffen Sather 150 6'0 12 Kasy Lisburg TE/DE 20 / 20 165 6'0 11 22 / 22 Kale McCollum TE/DE 230 6'7 12 23 / 23 Noah Klemetson RB/LB 175 6'2 12 24 / 24 Titan Engen TE/DE 165 6'0 9

Tate Maesse

6'3

Treyton Klemetson RB/DB

200

1/1

QB/DB

12

200 5'9 11 28 / 28 Dawson Thompson TE/DE 190 6'2 10 30 / 30 Evan Jirava TE/DE 190 5'11 32 / 32 Keian Wibbels OL/DL 165 5'11 9 33 / 33 Dawson Bjerke RB/LB 120 5'5 9 34 / 34 Morgan Stueness RB/LB 155 5'11 10 36 / 36 Sunny Resnick RB/LB 190 6'0 12 44 / 44 Riley Ramstorf OL/DL 5'7 9 160 50 / 50 Prestin Douville OL/DL 175 5'11 12 60 / 60 Mark Korinta OL/DL 150 5'7 61 / 61 Dylan Nystevold OL/DL 5'8 150 9 79 / 79 Kennedy Ramstorf OL/DL 210 6'1 11 90 / 90 Tanner Douville OL/DL 185 5'6 11 95 / 95 Garret Knutson OL/DL 245 5'11 9 99 / 99 Trevin Stalberger OL/DL 260 6'1 10









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