

OKLAHOMA STATE COWBOYS



WR Josh Stewart

POSITION OUTLOOK FOR 2013

QUARTERBACKS - Mike Gundy has had a history of fine QB's that he's coached here in Stillwater with Zac Robinson topping Gundy ('86-'89) as the career leader ('06-'09) then Brandon Weeden doing the same ('08-'11). Weeden threw for 4,727 (72%) with a 37-13 ratio as a Sr and was a #1DC CLE (st'r). He was 23-3 as a starter. Clint Chelf (PS#97) played in 5 (307, 67%, 3-0) as the bkp to Weeden in '10. LY Chelf battled rFr JW Walsh (PS#10) and true frosh Wes Lunt (PS#21) during spg. Gundy named the Weeden-esque Lunt (6'4" 215) the starter, the 1st true frosh QB to start an opener since at least 1950. The first lesson for young QB's is: don't transfer when things don't look good. Chelf entered the spring as the st'r, was demoted to 3rd string but stuck around. Lunt was inj'd in Wk 3 on the first series (51-75-588 at time). JW Walsh, who is the most mobile of the 3 (290, 5.8 rush LY), guided the win vs Louisiana and st'd the next 3. He was inj'd vs Ist in the 1Q but gutted through the rest of the game hitting 32-47-415. He was originally thought to be OFY due to the injury but ret'd and they developed a J-Dub package with him running the ball (14 rushes last 4 gm). Lunt st'd vs TCU and K-St but was inj'd and it was Chelf's job the rest of the way, even in gm 12 when all 3 were healthy. As you can see by the stats to the right, all 3 topped 1,000 with Walsh having the best % (66.9%) and ratio (13-3) while Chelf led with 1,588 yds. Lunt (1108, 61.8%, 6-7) didn't abide by the first lesson deciding to leave the program in early May but quite a bit of talent still remains. I believe that the OST QB's can only maintain better health and improve upon LY's 63% and 34-16 ratio.

RUNNING BACKS - OST has now had six straight 1,000 yd backs. In '10 Kendall Hunter rushed for 1,548 (5.7) while Joseph Randle led the B12 Fr in all-purp yds (1160) as he was the best rec among the RB's (427, 11.5) and finished as the #2 rusher (452, 5.5). Jeremy Smith was the best downhill runner (262, 4.7) with most of his carries in the RZ (7 td). Randle kept the 1,000 yd streak alive in '11 rushing for 1,216 (5.8) and 24 td's (43 rec's) and Smith was #2 with 646 (7.1) and 9 td's. LY Randle was, by far, the key RB with 1,417 (5.2) and 224 (8.0) rec while Smith had 371 (5.3) and Desmond Roland (PS#52), who had 95 (5.6) as a true, was #3 with 301 (6.5). TY with Randle (#5DC DAL) leaving early, the streak is very much in question.

RECEIVERS - OST has had some fine receivers incl Dez Bryant (#1DC). In Aug of '10 then-OC Dana Holgorsen wondered if a go-to WR would emerge. Justin Blackmon answered with 1,782 (16.1) and 20 td's in '10 and 1,522 (12.5) and 18 td's in '11 winning the Biletnikoff Award an amazing 2 str years. LY they had to replace 3 of their top 4 (incl Blackmon, #1DC) and the top

returnee, Tracy Moore, played in just 4 (259, 12.9). Speedster Isaiah Anderson, their #2 returnee, was banged up (407, 18.5). Blake Jackson (PS#6JC) was #2 with 598 (19.9) but had 2 dropped td passes vs Baylor (settled for fg's). Josh Stewart (291, 15.3 '11) led with 1,210 (12.0). Charlie Moore (7 rec '10-'11) excited fans with 243 yds in the spring game and had two 100 yd gms during the yr but just 3 rec in the last 4 reg ssn gms and finished #3 (542, 15.5). TY they only lose Anderson (5 st) and a bkp TE (1st). This group should put up improved numbers.

OFFENSIVE LINE - Part of the success of this OL can be attributed to the quick throws from the no-huddle offense. In '10 OST had to replace a 1st Tm AA (#1DC) and two 3Y st'rs. They ret'd just 12 car sts (#117 FBS) but surprisingly rushed for 174 ypg (5.0, 10 sk). In '11 they had 5 ret st'rs (76 car sts) but avg only 159 ypg (5.3, 12 sk). LY they had to replace the B12 OL POY (2Y st'r at C), a 1st Tm AA OT (2Y st'r), another 2Y st'r and a LT. They had fewer car sts (58) returning but improved to 215 ypg rush (5.4). OSU has all'd just 73 sks s'07, the 3rd fewest among FBS opp's trailing only Air Force and Boise St. This yr they lose 1st Tm B12 RG Lane Taylor (13 st, 4Y st'r), C Evan Epstein (12 st) and LG Jonathan Rush (8 st). Brandon Webb st'd the final 5 at LG so they have 3 ret st'rs and while the car sts drop to 38, this will be another solid unit.

DEFENSIVE LINE - The Cowboys allowed a schl record low 96 ypg rush (3.0) in '09 but slipped to 134 ypg (3.5, 30 sk) in '10 and 185 ypg (4.4) in '11. LY they had to replace both DE's incl a 1st Tm B12 DE (8 sk). The top returning DL had just 2 sks but they added in PS#15JC Calvin Barnett making them more exp'd (1 ret st'r '11) and stronger. The rush D improved to 142 (3.8, 25 sk). TY they lose DE Nigel Nicholas (5 st, 4 sk), DE Ryan Robinson (13 st, 2.5 sk), DE Cooper Bassett (8 st, 0 sk) and 3 others (11 tkl). Barnett was the B12 D Newcomer POY and soph James Castleman (PS#101) began spring of '12 as 3rd string before starting 11 (3rd Tm B12). Despite losing 2 st'rs, the DL only accounted for 12.5 sks LY and the run D should remain solid with their 2 All-Conf players back.

LINEBACKERS - In '11 OST had to replace its #1 tkl'r (1st Tm B12), #2 tkl'r and a bkp (15 tkl). Johnny Thomas (#4 tkl'r in '10) lost his spot to impressive true frosh Shaun Lewis (PS#14, #6 tkl'r, Fr AA). LY they had to replace Thomas (#14 tkl'r) but LB was the deepest area on the tm as the 3 st'rs had 3 solid bkps. The LB cch said the st'rs played 70-80 plays in '11, but would play just 40-50 in '12 because of the depth. Those 3 bkps comb'd for 77 tkl, 5.5 sk and 11 tfl. TY they lose #1 tkl'r Alex Elkins (12 st, 3.5 tfl) and Nico Ornelas (18 tkl) but have 4 of the top 6 back (Lyndell Johnson moves to S) incl VHT st'r Caleb Lavey (PS#47, #3 tkl'r '11, #7 '12) and Lewis (PS#14, #6 tkl'r).

DEFENSIVE BACKS - In '11 OST had to replace 2 st'rs yet climbed to #3 in my PDR (60%, 15-24). The 24 int's were #2 in the FBS as their CB combo of Brodrick Brown and Justin Gilbert comb'd for 10. Both Brown and SS Markelle Martin were semifinalists for the prestigious Thorpe Award. LY they had to replace SS Martin (#3 tkl'r, 11 pbu, #6DC) but had 7 of the top 8 back. Two bkp ST's were dismissed in Oct. Their outstanding CB combo surprisingly had zero int's and OST dropped to #40 (60.8%, 20-11). TY they lose CB Brown (12 st, 62 tkl, 2 pbu) but move in Johnson from LB. Seven of the top 8 are back again and after they underachieved LY, they will more resemble their '11 version.

SPECIAL TEAMS - Joe DeForest is one of my favorite ST cchs and in his 11 yrs ('01-'11) OST had 8 Top 20 finishes incl #1 in '10. Quinn Sharp had a tremendous career. He had to wait behind Ray Guay winner Matt Fodge ('08) and a Lou Groza winner Dan Bailey ('10). In '11 Sharp handled all 3 specialty chores for the 1st time hitting 22-25 fg's (L46), an amazing 61 TB on 114 KO's (#1 FBS by 21) and a 46.3 avg on punts (tm net 38.8). He

earned 1st Tm FWAA AA. LY Sharp hit 28-34 fg's (L51) incl a schl rec tying 5 vs TCU. Three of his misses were from 50+. He avg 46.3 on punts (40.9 net!) and also had an FBS leading 71 TB on 103 KO. Justin Gilbert is one of the nation's most explosive RM (3x All B12 KR). In '11 he had 703 (27.0) on KR's. He notched a schl record with his 11th career KR td LY and had 827 (25.8). OST was #14 in '11 and while DeForest left, Sharp led them to a #8 finish. With Sharp graduating they may have one of the country's largest drops in my ST rankings despite the addition of PS#4 UCLA trans Kip Smith.

COACHES - Mike Gundy was a star QB here and later was the QB coach and OC in the early '90's. He ret'd here in '01 as the asst HC/OC and took over as HC in '05. Gundy, at 38, was the youngest HC in the FBS when hired and he led OST to a school record 12 wins in '11. Their 3rd OC in 4Y is Mike Yurich who was OC at Div II Edinboro and at Shippensburg ('11-'12). Glenn Spencer was the asst HC at Duke from '04-'06 before joining the Cowboys. He was a LB cch prior to getting promoted to co-DC LY and he will now handle those duties alone.

ALSO ON ROSTER:	WR Christian Schröder '11 160 Jr	WR Nate Miller '10 185 So
QB Cody Patterson '6 195 Sr	WR Zach Yates '6 205 Jr	DL Michael Glover '6 235 Jr
QB Quinn Shabazz '5 111 194 Fr	WR Trey Johnson '5 167 Jr	DL Kaleb Cusack '6 265 So
RB Corey Bennett '5 190 So	WR Kameron Doolins '3 190 Jr	LB Nicholas Crawford '2 227 So
RB Khairi Jones '5 179 Jr	WR Brent Anderson '10 200 Sr	LB Ryan Lester '5 10 225 Jr
RB Otis Gates '5 185 Jr	WR Brendan Fagan '6 190 So	LB Kyle Collier '5 190 Jr
RB Otis Gates '5 185 Jr	WR Taylor Moss '10 185 Sr	CB Archibald Ochoa-Lee '5 185 Jr
FB Teddy Johnson '5 11 225 Jr	WR Blake Barkemeyer '10 171 Fr	CB Elliott Jelfcoat '10 185 Jr
FB Derek Branson '6 250 Jr	WR Jackson Radford '6 190 So	CB Alex Luft '5 175 So
FB Beniah Hargrett '6 1 225 Fr	WR Billy Morgan '5 150 Fr	SS Steve Sumpter '10 200 Sr
WR Nick Rockwell '5 180 Sr	WR Logan Nault '6 180 So	SS Derek Deeds '5 194 Fr

PHIL'S FORECAST

In '06 and '07 OST barely qualified for bowls at 6-6 but recorded B2B bowl wins for the 1st time s'87. In '08 they were 9-4 and #16 (best s'03). When they knocked off Georgia in '09, OST entered the Top 5 for the 1st time s'85. Dez Bryant was lost after 3 sts while a banged up RB Hunter had just 3 sts. With a Fiesta Bowl bid on the line vs rival OU, OST was outgained 367-109 and finished 9-4 (NR). In '10 they were one of the FBS's most inexp'd tms (8 ret sts, 42% lett ret). OST was picked 5th by the B12 media but the offense emerged under new OC Holgorsen. In the bowl they beat Ariz and finished #13. In '11 they had to replace Holgorsen and RB Hunter from an offense which avg 44.2 ppg but ret'd Weeden and Blackmon. OST nearly played in the Nat'l Title with a loss on a Thurs night at Iowa St in TOT costing them that berth. OST beat #4 Stan and finished #3. LY they had just 12 ret sts (2nd fewest B12) and lost Weeden and Blackmon. They were +21 in TO's in '11 and had 2 net close wins. They had to start 3 diff QB's due to injury. After an 84-0 blowout win over Sav St, they were trading punts with Ariz but Lunt threw 3 int and Ariz won by 21. Lunt was inj'd on the first pass vs UL but Walsh threw for 347 (led 58-10 4Q). Texas got a controversial td with :29 left and despite a 576-440 yd edge OST lost at home. In the rain they led KU 20-0 in the 4Q but only won by 6. They blew out Ist & TCU. Despite K-St's QB Collin Klein missing most of the 2H, OST trailed 38-17 and lost on the road. They took on their old OC Dana Holgorsen and destroyed WV 55-34 in QB Chelf's first start. They beat TT by 38. They then led Okla the majority of the game despite being outgained 618-490 but the Sooners got a td with :13 left 1H and another with :04 to force OT and OST lost by 3. In their 2nd str AG they lost by 7 to Baylor. OST finished tied for 3rd in the B12 but was the 8th pick by the bowls. They were a huge fav vs Purdue and won 58-14 finishing 8-5 (NR). TY OST has 15 ret sts and they were +47.6 ppg in the B12 (3rd best). The Stock Market indicator is bullish (+3.5). They had 2 net close losses and 2 net upsets. Two of my 9 sets of power ratings call for an unbeaten year and the other 7 all call for 11 wins making OST one of my Surprise Teams and a Darkhorse National Title contender.

OFFENSE	JERSEY # IN ORANGE	2013 PROJECTED STARTING LINEUP	JERSEY # IN ORANGE	DEFENSE	
QB 10 CLINT CHELF SR.	6-1 210 PS#97. 10 gm, 520 (69%, 5-1) 2Y. 5 st, 1588 (60%, 15-6), 162 rush (5.2)	DE 40 Tyler Johnson Sr.	6-1 245 PS#182. 11 gm, 8 tkl true. 9 gm, 29 tkl, 2.5 tfl '11. 11 gm, 27 tkl, 5.5 tfl, 2 pd LY. 89 Sam Wren PS#22JC. IFS. 37 Eric Davis (6'3" 275 rFr) PS#92. 87 Victor Irokansi (6'3" 240 rFr) PS#163.		
LY. 4 JW Walsh (6'2" 205 So) PS#10. 1564 (67%, 13-3) rFr. Daxx Garman (6'2" 205 So) PS#71. RS at Ariz '11. Trans LY.	5-10 208 PS#22. 2 st, 262 (4.7) rFr. 1 st, 12 gm, 646 (7.1) '11. 13 gm, 371 (5.3) LY.	DT 91 JAMES CASTLEMAN JR.	6-2 296 PS#101. 11 gm, 7 tkl true. 11 st, 30 tkl, 6.5 tfl, 3 pbu, 1 int LY. 94 Anthony Rogers (6'3" 293 Sr) PS#120. 5 tkl rFr. 9 st, 13 gm, 21 tkl '11. 2 st, 10 tkl, 3 tfl LY. Vincent Taylor PS#54.		
RB 31 Jeremy Smith Sr.	5-10 208 PS#22. 2 st, 262 (4.7) rFr. 1 st, 12 gm, 646 (7.1) '11. 13 gm, 371 (5.3) LY.	DT 99 CALVIN BARNETT SR.	6-2 300 PS#15JC. 13 st, 30 tkl, 8 tfl, 4 qbh, B12 Def Newcomer POY LY. Ofa Hautau PS#85JC. 98 Davidell Collins (6'5" 275 Sr) PS#318. 20 gm, 9 tkl 2Y. 13 gm, 9 tkl LY. Daniel Cooley (6'2" 250 Jr).		
Desmond Roland (6'2" 210 Jr) PS#52WR. 5 gm, 95 (5.6) true. 12 gm, 301 (6.5) LY. Caleb Munciefr (5'8" 190 So) PS#161.	5-10 185 PS#68DB. 13 gm, 291 (15.3), 261 KR (20.1) true. 10 st, 1210 (12.0), 120 rush (15.0). 1st Tm B12 LY. FB Key Staley (5'10" 236 Sr) PS#14. 11 st L2Y. Dominic Ramacher (6'3" 230 Fr) PS#23TE.	DE 92 Jimmy Bean So.	6-5 245 PS#80. 3 gm, 2 tkl true. 1 gm (inj) LY. 90 Trace Clark (6'4" 250 So) PS#73.		
IR 5 JOSH STEWART JR.	5-10 185 PS#68DB. 13 gm, 291 (15.3), 261 KR (20.1) true. 10 st, 1210 (12.0), 120 rush (15.0). 1st Tm B12 LY. FB Key Staley (5'10" 236 Sr) PS#14. 11 st L2Y. Dominic Ramacher (6'3" 230 Fr) PS#23TE.	8 gm, 5 tkl true. Naim Mustafaa PS#60. IFS. 38 Emmanuel Ogboh (6'4" 270 Fr) PS#274. 88 Taylor May (6'2" 240 So).	WLB 52 Ryan Simmons So.	6-0 242 PS#63. 13 gm, 23 tkl, 5 tfl rFr. 32 Kris Catlin (6'1" 225 So) PS#75.	
WR 17 CHARLIE MOORE SR.	6-2 202 58 (14.5) rFr. 56 (18.7) '11. 10 st, 542 (15.5) LY. 7 Brandon Shepherd (6'1" 195 So) PS#42. 6 gm true. CJ Curry (6'2" 205 Fr) PS#63. Cameron Gravelle (6'0" 185 Jr) 2 gm LY. Torrance Carr (6'2" 215 So).	12 gm, 9 tkl rFr. 10 Seth Jacobs (6'2" 220 Fr)	MLB 45 CALEB LAVEY SR.	6-3 235 PS#47. 9 gm, 10 tkl true. 13 st, 74 tkl, 5 tfl '11. 13 st, 53 tkl, 7 tfl LY.	
WR 87 TRACY MOORE SR.	6-2 215 PS#120. 14 st, 1067 (14.6) 3Y. 3 st, OFY LY. Austin Hays (6'2" 185 So) PS#383. 9 st, 394 (13.6) true. Jhajuan Seales (6'2" 185 rFr). Blake Webb (5'11" 190 So) PS#171. 1 st, 218 (15.6) LY.	42 Demarcus Sherod (6'0" 225 So) PS#85. 1 st, 7 tkl rFr. 9 Jeremiah Tshimanga (6'2" 230 rFr) PS#55. May pl DE.	SLB 11 SHAUN LEWIS SR.	5-11 225 PS#14. 19 st, 119 tkl, 17.5 tfl, 5 int 2Y. 13 st, 58 tkl, 7.5 tfl, 4 pbu, 4 qbh LY.	
IR 18 BLAKE JACKSON SR.	6-3 235 PS#6JC. 6 st, 13 gm, 598 (19.9) LY. David Glidden (5'7" 185 So) PS#42. 8 gm rFr. John Goodlett (5'10" 190 Sr) 6 gm, 81 (16.2) LY. Blake Jarvin (6'5" 235 Fr) Jeremy Seaton (6'6" 230 So) 2 st FB rFr.	LY 2nd Tm B12 LY. 29 Joe Mitchell (6'3" 225 Sr) PS#278. 1 st, 26 gm, 37 tkl 2Y. 13 gm, 26 tkl, 3 sk, 2 tfl, 3 qbh LY.	CB 1 Kevin Peterson So.	5-11 185 PS#69. 1 st, 20 tkl, 2 pbu true. 8 Ashton Lampkin (5'11" 180 So) PS#73.	
C 54 Jake Jenkins Jr.	6-3 298 PS#242. DNP rFr. 1 st LY. 50 Zac Veatch (6'4" 290 Fr) PS#41TE. Travis Cross (6'4" 290 So) PS#89. 8 gm rFr. LS 53 Andrew Suter (6'2" 268 Sr) 35 gm 3Y. Connor Sinko (6'3" 266 Sr) 26 gm 2Y.	CB 4 JUSTIN GILBERT SR.	13 gm, 18 tkl, 1 int true. Darius Curry PS#182. 28 DeShawn Franklin (5'11" 190 Jr). 30 Bryant Reber (6'0" 185 So).		
RG 71 PARKER GRAHAM SR.	6-7 315 PS#353. 2 gm rFr. 6 st (4 RT, 2 LT), 13 gm, 2 sk all'd, 20 kd '11. 13 st (11 LT, 2 RT) LY. 75 Chris Grisby (6'5" 325 Jr) PS#55JC. 3 gm LY. 76 Eli Dickerson (6'6" 310 Jr) PS#187. 11 gm 2Y.	SS 7 SHAMIEL GARY SR.	6-0 200 PS#74. 2nd Tm B12 KR true. 13 st, 59 tkl, 15 pd, HMB12 KR '11. 13 st, 63 tkl, 9 pbu, 827 KR (25.8). 2nd Tm B12 KR LY. Miketavious Jones (5'10" 175 So) PS#85. 10 gm, 3 tkl rFr. Jerel Morrow PS#55.		
LG 51 BRANDON WEBB SR.	6-3 326 PS#22. 4 gm rFr. 6 gm '11. L/5 st LG, 12 gm, 0 sk all'd LY. 57 Paul Lewis (6'3" 295 rFr). Jack Kurzu (6'4" 310 Fr) PS#110. 79 Tevin Taiton (6'4" 325 rFr). 73 Grant Canis (6'2" 275 Fr).	FS 8 DAYTAWN LOWE SR.	6-0 210 22 st, 192 tkl, 7 pd 2Y at Wyo. 13 st, 72 tkl, 6 pd here LY. Lyndell Johnson (6'3" 215 Jr) PS#45. 9 gm, 11 tkl true. 9 gm, 28 tkl, 7 tfl, 3 pd LY. Zack Craig (6'1" 200 Sr) PS#235. 38 gm, 41 tkl 3Y.		
RT 58 DANIEL KOENIG JR.	6-6 310 PS#122. 12 gm ST (4 on OL) rFr. 11 st RT, 12 gm, banged up LY.	P 59 Michael Reichenstein Sr.	5-11 205 PS#39. 11 gm, 10 tkl true. RS '10. 13 st, 97 tkl, 6 pd '11. 13 st, 75 tkl, 6 pd LY. Larry Stephens (5'10" 185 Sr) PS#130. 36 gm, 33 tkl 3Y. Deion Imade (5'11" 205 Sr) PS#191. 28 gm, 43 tkl 3Y.		
67 Brandon Garrett (6'5" 295 Jr) PS#182JC. IFS. Jaxon Salinas (6'4" 290 Fr) PS#156. All-Texas as Sr in HS.	6-5 298 PS#190. Bright future. 2 st LT, 8 gm rFr. 74 Michael Wilson (6'6" 290 rFr) PS#62. 43 kd as Sr in HS. Zachary Crabtree (6'7" 275 Fr) PS#102. Jesse Robinson (6'6" 280 Fr) PS#140.	37. 1 gm on P's as Jr in HS. All-American as Sr. 2-3 fg, L/38, 7-8 PAT, 2 gm (inj) as rFr at UCLA. Trans here LY.			
LT 69 Devin Davis So.	6-1 209 PS#4. 2-3 fg, L/38, 7-8 PAT, 2 gm rFr at UCLA. Trans LY. Ben Grogan PS#11. 90 Bobby Stonebraker (6'0" 175 Jr) PS#155. DNP rFr. 2 gm, 5 KO, 3 TB LY. 49 Kevin King (5'10" 168 So).				
K 39 Kip Smith Jr.	6-1 209 PS#4. 2-3 fg, L/38, 7-8 PAT, 2 gm rFr at UCLA. Trans LY. Ben Grogan PS#11. 90 Bobby Stonebraker (6'0" 175 Jr) PS#155. DNP rFr. 2 gm, 5 KO, 3 TB LY. 49 Kevin King (5'10" 168 So).				

