



# 2009 Season Preview Series Vol. 1.3



## **Bombers expected to challenge for OFC title again in 2009!**

Few teams have had experienced the type of success that the Bombers have over the years. They are the only team other than the Rebels to win multiple championships and seem to always be in the thick of things. This season should be no different as the team has reloaded and is ready to make another run in the OFC!

The team will be without starting QB Brett Favre this season, although I wouldn't be surprised if they make a run at him at the draft.

Jason Campbell enters the season as the team's #1 option at QB. His performance will greatly affect the team's play and is one of the primary concerns of the team heading into the regular season. They have no quality options behind Campbell either so this could be a concern if they do not address it.

Running back has always been a staple on any Bombers team and once again they have one of the

league's best units with Frank Gore, Marion Barber, LJ and Josphe Addai all being quality options. They're bench is strong as they have plenty of depth.

The Bombers WR unit is equally powerful with the additions of Reggie Wayne and Antonio Bryant to go along with Greg Jennings, and Hines Ward. Eddie Royal is also expected to build upon his solid rookie campaign.

Jason Whitten is the team's only option at TE. However, he is one of the best in the game and will provide a huge spark to the team.

The Bombers have a very capable combo at kicker in Jason Elam and Stephen Gostkowski. The Steelers DEF/ST are in a contract year and will be difficult to retain. The Chargers provide some insurance. Seth Payton should perform well as the team's coach.

Never count out the Bombers. They are always in the hunt and 2009 will be no different!

## 2009 OUTLOOK

### 2008 Record

13-5 (3rd place)

### Key Additions:

WR Reggie Wayne, QB Jeff Garcia, RB Dominic Rhodes, WR Antonio Bryant

### Key Losses:

QB Brett Favre, QB Marc Bulger, RB BenJarvis Green-Ellis WR Chris Henry, TE Donald Lee

### Highest 2009 draft pick:

None

### Needs:

Starting QB, Backup TE

### 2009 Prediction:

12-5 (3rd place)