



2009 Season Preview Series Vol. 1.4



Can the Condors continue to remain competitive in such an improved AFC?

The Condors much like the Bombers always seem to be in the thick of things and can be counted on to field a very competitive team as evidenced by the fact that the team has never had a losing season under the guidance of GM Chris Neely.

The team enters 2009 with hope after falling short in the last week of the season. At QB they have a solid, yet not spectacular combination of Kerry Collins/Vince Young and Brady Quinn/Derek Anderson.

The team's real strength is in the talent they have in the backfield. They will go as far as DeAngelo Williams, Steve Slaton and second year player Ray Rice can take them.

The Condors have Wes Welker at WR. He is their only legit #1 WR on the team and will be counted on to produce. Their backups include: Patrick Crayton, Reggie Williams, Isaac Bruce, Mark Bradley, Sam Hurd and Jordy

Nelson. The team desperately needs one of those players to step up as a starting option.

Their situation at TE appears even worse as they will be counting on Martin Rucker to line up as their starter after losing Ben Watson to the Replacements in RFA.

Both of the team's DEF/ST units should provide consistent points for the team in 2009 as the Vikings and Texans are both quality starters.

Jon Fox has been the Condors coach for the past several seasons and should provide the team with a decent return of points each week.

Nick Folk and Shaun Suisham are the Condors kickers. They are both capable of producing quality point in any given week.

The Condors will live and die with the production of their RBs. With that being said, I expect the Condors to take a step back in 2009. However, I guarantee they wont go out without a fight.

2009 OUTLOOK

2008 Record

10-6-1 (4th place)

Key Additions:

QB Kerry Collins, QB Vince Young, WR Isaac Bruce

Key Losses:

QB Chad Pennington, TE Ben Watson, K Ryan Longwell

Highest 2009 draft pick:

#16 overall

Needs:

Starting TE, Starting WR

2009 Prediction:

9-7 (5th place)