

# CHARLOTTE

## CHARLOTTE 49ERS VS. JOHNSON C. SMITH (EXHIBITION)

Thurs., Nov. 5 -- 7:00 p.m.

Halton Arena (9,105), Charlotte, N.C.

### Charlotte 49ers Open 2009-10 Season With Exhibition vs. Johnson C. Smith

Bobby Lutz opens his 12th season as the Charlotte 49ers head coach with an exhibition game against crosstown foe Johnson C. Smith, Thursday, Nov. 5 at 7:00 p.m. The 49ers have a slew of new faces including probable starters Shamari Spears, a 6-6 junior power forward who transferred from Boston College and Derrio Green, an explosive 6-2 sophomore combo guard.

In addition, the 49ers return three starters from 2008-09: senior point guard DiJuan Harris, senior shooting guard Ian Andersen and junior wing An'Juan Wilderness. Also back are probable starters RaShad Coleman, an athletic senior wing, and 6-10 junior center Phil Jones, who spent some of his summer playing with the Virgin Islands National team in the FIBA Americas Championship.

Lutz, already the 49ers all-time winningest coach, is one win shy of becoming the first coach in school history to register 200 career victories. He is beginning his 12th season at the helm of the 49ers, passing icon Jeff Mullins (11 years) for the longest running tenure of any 49ers head men's basketball coach.

#### To Watch For:

Bobby Lutz, 199 career wins as 49ers head coach  
1 win shy of 200  
(already all-time winningest would be 1st to reach 200)  
DiJuan Harris, 331 career assists  
45 assists shy of top 10 (376, Chad Kinch, Melvin Watkins)  
Ian Andersen, 167 career threes (9th all-time)  
33 threes shy of 200 (only 6 49ers have surpassed 200)  
Phil Jones, 65 career blocks  
17 blocks shy of top 10 (82, Sam Robson)

#### New Faces:

Several new faces fill out the 49ers 17-man roster, including an incoming class that includes sophomore Derrio Green, freshman frontcourters Chris Braswell and KJ Sherrill and long-limbed shooter Gokhan Sirin. In addition, two 49ers who were with the team last year: Boston College transfer Shamari Spears and red-shirt freshman Shamarr Bowden will make their 49ers' debuts this season.

#### Preseason Talk:

Charlotte was picked to finish 7th in the 14-team Atlantic 10 in a preseason poll of the league's coaches and selected media. Senior DiJuan Harris was a preseason second team all-Atlantic 10 choice while Shamarr Bowden was named to the A-10's preseason all-Rookie team.

#### Sked Strength (AP/ESPN USA Today polls listed):

Charlotte will play four teams that are concensus preseason top 25 teams (#10/#11Tennessee, #19/#23 Louisville, #21/#22 Dayton and #22/#20 Georgia Tech) with a possibility of playing a fifth (#9/#8 Duke) in the NIT Tip-Off. Two other foes, Xavier and Old Dominion are receiving votes.

#### Charlotte (0-0) vs. JC Smith (0-0) - Exh.

Charlotte and J.C. Smith have met twice in regular-season  
Dec. 8, 1988 - Charlotte W, 98-71 @ New Coliseum  
Jan. 23, 1992 - Charlotte W, 82-80 (ot) @ New Coliseum

**Notes:** Former JC Smith star Curly Neal starred for the Harlem Globetrotters while recent 49er grad Charlie Coley recently signed with the Globetrotters. JCSU went 23-8 last year and won the CIAA Tournament. Charlotte went 11-20.

#### The Coach:

Bobby Lutz, Charlotte (all-time winningest coach)  
Career: 380-237 (21st year)  
at Charlotte: 199-146 (12th year)

#### Injury Update:

Shamarr Bowden (shoulder) out (could return 11/13)  
An'Juan Wilderness (strained calf) probable

#### On Point:

Senior **DiJuan Harris** ranked 4th in the NCAA in assists and 6th in the NCAA in assist-to-turnover ratio, last year. He set a school-record for minutes played but will get welcome relief this season from newcomer **Derrio Green**.

#### 2009-10 Charlotte 49ers Schedule

##### November

Thurs.	5	JOHNSON C. SMITH (Exh.)	7:00
Fri.	13	UNC ASHEVILLE	7:30
	16-27	at DICK'S Sporting Goods NIT Tip-Off	
Mon.	16	- vs. Elon	9:30
Tues.	17	- at Duke/ vs. Co. Caro.	ESPN 6/8:30
	23-24	3rd/4th Round Games	TBA
	25-27	Semifinals/Championship	TBA

##### December

Wed.	2	East Carolina	8:00
Sat.	5	at Louisville	ESPNU 7:00
Tues.	8	WINSTON-SALEM STATE	8:00
Sat.	12	GARDNER-WEBB	3:30
Sun.	20	at Winthrop	4:00
Wed.	23	at Old Dominion	7:00
Tues.	29	MERCER	7:30

##### January

Sat.	2	GEORGIA TECH	FOX SS 7:00
Wed.	6	at Tennessee	CSS 7:00
Sat.	9	ST. BONAVENTURE*	7:00
Wed.	13	at Xavier*	FSN Ohio 7:30
Sun.	17	SAINT LOUIS*	CBS C 4:00
Wed.	20	at Richmond*	7:00
Sat.	23	at La Salle*	2:00
Wed.	27	TEMPLE*	CBS CR 7:00
Sat.	30	at Massachusetts*	ESPNU 6:00

##### February

Wed.	3	GEORGE WASHINGTON*	7:30
Sat.	6	at Fordham*	MASN 2:00
Wed.	10	at Dayton*	7:00
Wed.	17	DUQUESNE*	CBS CR 7:00
Sat.	20	XAVIER* (HC)	CBS CR 2:00
Wed.	24	SAINT JOSEPH'S*	7:30
Sat.	27	at George Washington*	MASN 6:00

##### March

Wed.	3	at Rhode Island*	7:00
Sat.	6	Richmond*	2:00
Tues.	9	A-10 Championship First Round	TBA
Fri.	12-14	A-10 Championships	Atlantic City, N.J.

\*Atlantic 10 game

#### CHARLOTTE 49ERS (0-0)

			ppg	rpg	fg%	ft%	Notes
F 43	Shamari Spears	6-6 Jr.	9.6	6.1	.493	.716	Transfer: Boston College (stat at BC)
C 30	Phil Jones	6-10 Jr.	7.3	4.2	.472	.757	Team-high 43 blocks
G 1	Derrio Green	6-2 So.	13.6	5.2 a	.479	.442	3fgTransfer: Gulf Coast C.C.
G 3	DiJuan Harris	5-9 Sr.	9.0	3.3	.443	.658	2.93 A-TO; 7.19 apg (223 assists)
G 22	RaShad Coleman	6-5 Sr.	8.0	3.1	.415	.576	.631 2FG% (70-111)
G 11	Ian Andersen	6-4 Sr.	9.7	2.7	.354	.854	.355 3fg%; 167 car. 3FG (9th)
G 00	Javarris Barnett	6-5 So.	2.3	1.5	.292	.778	Career-high 9 pts at GW
G 14	Kyle Church	5-11 Sr.	0.6	0.2	.333	1.00	Car.-hi 6 minutes vs. Tulsa
G 21	An'Juan Wilderness	6-6 Jr.	7.9	3.7	.458	.588	Missed 7 games (2-5) in 08-09
F 31	Charles Dewhurst	6-5 Jr.	4.0	3.5	.414	.857	Missed A-10 season (knee)
G 20	Shamarr Bowden	6-3 Fr.					Preseason A-10 all-Rookie
F 2	K.J. Sherrill	6-7 Fr.					Cleveland, N.C./West Rowan
G 10	Trevin Parks	5-8 Fr.					Hickory, N.C./Hickory
G 12	Colby Lewis	6-2 Fr.					Clemmons, N.C./Forsyth Cou. Day
G 15	Gokhan Sirin	6-8 Fr.					Istanbul, Turkey/St. Mary's Ryken
F 35	Chris Braswell	6-8 Fr.					Capitol Heights, Md./Hargrave Acad.
RS	Jamar Briscoe	5-10 So.					Will sit out 2009-10 (NCAA transfer)

#### Head Coach Bobby Lutz

at Charlotte: 199-146 (.577) Div. I Record: 199-146  
Career Record: 380-237; .616 (includes Pfeiffer, 181-91)