
Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by B-Rex - 2008/02/21 10:36

What are we hearing from the combines. I have looked at ESPN.com and they don't have anything yet. I'm anxious to hear about BK and Poppy. I think BK will be in the top 10 LBs selected if he shows well at the combines.

Please link with any news...

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Posted by Pwride - 2008/02/21 10:53

One last note: Kehl won't actually work out until Monday.

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Poppinga could get drafted, but probably not until 5th-7th round. His problem is that he isn't quite big enough for ILB nor fast enough for OLB. He is like Jensen, who was a great linebacker, but not the right size. Jensen is sticking on practice squads so there is a shot for Poppinga (not to mention he has a brother in the NFL so that will get him some looks.)

Invites are based on who scouts/combine organizers consider top-flight draft prospects. You can still get drafted (Pro Day in March to show off) but its much harder.

Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by bennyhaha - 2008/02/21 11:04

thanks for the info

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My understanding has been that each NFL team is asked to submit a list of names for players they are looking at, and then the players are invited to the combine. Not getting an invite is not a good sign for your draft chances (many who go to the combine end up undrafted) but it is not necessarily a death-knell either. Sometimes teams will withhold the name of a player they are interested in in the hopes that no one else will nominate them, leaving their pearl undiscovered. Generally it doesn't work out that way, but it has on occasion.

While there is some interest in Kpop, he will REALLY have to impress at the BYU pro-day workout in order to secure a draft selection. Expect to see him sign a FA contract somewhere.

The last comprehensive ranking I saw had Kpop listed as the #42 OLB, with the 2nd option at ILB. His chances at OLB are greater as on average 18 OLBs are drafted each year, and 52 more sign FA contracts. At ILB, the 5 year draft average is 12, with only 22 undrafted FAs signing contracts.

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Alex Smith. Does that mean Colt has "small hands" too?

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Some how, I knew exactly who you meant regarding who Brennan would be compared to. And it certainly wasn't Tom Brady or either of the Peyton Brothers. :laugh:

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Posted by Ygridiron4ever - 2008/02/22 10:24

Business just happens to take me to Indianapolis for the next 10 days, and there are combine posters all over the place. Does anybody know if the public is able to get in to the combine, and if so, is it worth going to?

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Hard to really call Tim Couch a bad selection. He was drafted into a chaotic expansion Browns club, and the offensive line he played behind could have been the worst in the history of the forward-pass. How many NFL starters do you know who have suffered separations to both shoulders, torn rotator cuffs and a broken leg all in a 3 year period.

Tim Couch not making it was more bad-luck and bad protection than anything. He did lead the Browns to the playoffs and throw for 3000+ yards in 2002, but he missed the playoffs and most of 2003 when he broke his leg in their last regular season game.

His arm has never recovered from surgery following his second rotator cuff injury in 2004, and with the cloud of his HGH use hanging over him, he's pretty much been blacklisted.

Nevertheless, it's hard to feel sorry for him while he is rolling in his NFL dough with his Playmate of the Year wife.

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That would have been something. No matter how good Pippen was with Jordan, a Drexler/Jordan tandem would have been sick.

Playing the what ifs, what if the Jazz had been able to keep both Magic Johnson and Dominique Wilkins when they had the chance to draft both??? (Of course, they'd never have had Malone and might have passed on Stockton.)

Re:Combine Updates?

Posted by Yndian - 2008/02/25 09:32

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Re:Combine Updates?

Posted by Hawkwing - 2008/02/25 09:50

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Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by BoiseBlue - 2008/02/25 09:52

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Posted by BoiseBlue - 2008/02/25 11:30

Kehl posted a 4.64 in the forty-yard dash (currently the 4th fastest time). That will likely have him in the top 5-10 linebackers. The fastest time so far was a 4.5 even from some guy I've frankly never heard of (Jerod Mayo?). Other notables that have run so far were All-American Ali Highsmith of LSU (a lead-footed 4.96 - something must have gone wrong), Xavier Adibi of Virginia Tech (4.72) and the Curtis Lofton of Oklahoma (the other All-American OLB - 4.70). Beau Bell of UNLV hasn't run yet.

I'd have to say so far so good for Kehl.

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Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by BoiseBlue - 2008/02/25 11:41

And Kehl just finished his second 40 of the day at 4.64. During his workout, one of the analysts said "this guy is going to be a coach's dream". Sounds like he's making a good impression.

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Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by PGCoug - 2008/02/25 11:46

If you can get streaming video....you can watch the combine live at nfl.com. Here is the link: [Combine Live](#)

Kehl's looking pretty good so far....he'll be in the top 10 on the 40 yerd dash, one of the commentators said he was one of the guys to watch in the LB's.

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One thing that I like about Kehl is that he came in 10-12 lbs heavier than he played at BYU. His narrow-hips have been a big concern for a lot of the pro scouts, so coming in bigger and still showing the same speed and agility is a big plus for him.

A lot of linebackers will try to slim down to get their speed up for the combine and workouts, but Kehl putting on weight and still having his quickness is a good indication of his ability to translate to the size of the NFL without sacrificing his most valued asset.

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What's the story on Larsen? I listened to the Arizona game last year and wished that he was a Cougar...

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Posted by Pwride - 2008/02/25 12:42

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Posted by Beef05 - 2008/02/25 13:09

I watched the combine this morning and he did well. He ran the 40 twice and both times he got a 4.6 time. I believe he was the 6th or 5th fastest. As mentioned before he had 26 reps on the bench press which also isn't bad. Marshal Faulk had some great things to say about him saying that he loves this guy from BYU and that "He is a coaches dream in the NFL" and the rest of the crew agreed with him saying he is impressive. Then Faulk when on to talk about how he could do an erubicks (or however you spell it) cube in 50 seconds blah blah blah. but he held his own and did fine.

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Posted by BYUtx - 2008/02/25 13:19

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Posted by BYUtx - 2008/02/25 13:22

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Posted by jbar1221 - 2008/02/25 13:24

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Posted by sjcougfan - 2008/02/25 13:43

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All I have to say is he is one of only 3 LBers that are in the top performer category in both the timed 40 and the strength test. That can only be good for BK.

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Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by treck - 2008/02/25 13:49

Kehl's one of my all time favs at BYU (along with another #41 Leon White) and I am pulling for him big time. It is tough to not love a guy smiling all the time, willing to say a little more than coaches would like in interviews, and going on the field to back it up. Even when they had tough games, he was candid, positive, and always interesting.

Keep up the great work Kehl this week and on Sundays the next few years!

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Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by imuakahuku - 2008/02/25 14:07

So I take it UNLV is STILL in the WAC? Or was it that they played a WAC team and he was dominant? Didn't they have this same snafu last year? :laugh:

<http://msn.foxsports.com/nfl/story/7812148/Scouting-Combine-Preview:-Linebackers>

5. Beau Bell, UNLV, 6-2, 243

Bell was a dominant performer in the WAC and enjoyed a spectacular senior season. He recorded 111 tackles, 7.5 for a loss, three sacks and four interceptions. His production this past season warranted an invitation to the Senior Bowl to show his skills to NFL personnel. But Bell didn't help himself in Mobile, and although he's a quick, straight-line runner, he had difficulty moving laterally. He also suffered a knee sprain during the second day of practice in Mobile and didn't return the rest of the week. Bell will have to run well in the forty and perform well in agility drills to improve his draft positioning.

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Bryan actually lost weight before coming to the combine. He played last fall at between 242 and 248, though his true weight wasn't listed in the roster (no surprise there). He spent the last two months in Southern California working out, becoming leaner and quicker. Here is a link to NFL Draft Scout that talks about this (I believe the original information came from Potkey's blog):

<http://www.nfldraftscout.com/news/notesbypos.php?genpos=OLB>

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Posted by sjcougfan - 2008/02/25 16:20

For those who don't want to click the link, here's how Kehl has done:

40 yard dash - 9th (4.68)
Bench - 4th (26)
Vertical jump - 3rd (34")
Broad jump - tied for 3rd
3 cone drill - 5th
20 yard shuttle - 5th

I remember thinking I was pretty fast in high school, when I ran a 4.69 40 as a 5'10" 170 pound line backer. :laugh:

Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by Hooks14 - 2008/02/25 16:36

Has anyone heard of Stanford Kegl from Purdue? He is putting up some impressive stuff.

-4th in the 40 with a 4.58
-1st in bench press with 29
-3rd(tied with Kehl) in vertical jump
-2nd in broad jump
-1st in 3-cone drill
-1st in 20-yard shuttle
-1st in 60-yard shuttle

I've never heard of him before, and it sounds like he wasn't a star for Purdue(though he did start for 4 years), but after putting up those stats, I'm sure he's turning quite a few heads.

NFL.com's analysis says he has a "...lack of top-end speed", but that seems far from the truth...

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Chris Johnson is awesome. He didn't get much pub but he had a great year. He had a great game against Boise State so I looked him up. McFadden is everyone's favorite but I think Chris Johnson is a big time sleeper.

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Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by kenj - 2008/02/25 19:06

Sounds like Kehl is doing great. I hope he has a long NFL career. I love to cheer for Cougs in the NFL.

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Posted by raidingtombs - 2008/02/25 21:21

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Posted by Pwride - 2008/02/26 09:40

At 4.24 with good college production (the kid had 3000+ all purpose yards last year) you can print your own money. Devin Hester has opened doors for these undersized players to make big bucks right away. Johnson will be returning kicks next year, guaranteed. He will be a #2 or #3 Running back eventually (unless he bulks up and can take a full load), but thats not a bad job to have.

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Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by snoscythe - 2008/02/26 10:05

I found this article on the NFL combine in the Desert News the other day. It is interesting for me personally on two fronts: 1, I took a few classes from Mikaela Durfur back at BYU and helped her with some project, and I respect her research skills and insights immensely. 2, I grew up in a NFL scouting family, and hearing that I was watching the combine last year, my grandpa (a retired scout) laughed at me and told me that no scout worth his salt could ever learn anything from the combine that he didn't already know. Now, grandpa was a QB scout, and I just figured it was position specific (seriously, how much do you learn about a quarterback at the combine that really helps you? Watching him lock on and throw to a single, wide-open receiver in a non-contact setting doesn't do much). Reading this article, and now that I have had a chance to read the actual study, it's pretty enlightening as to how little the combine affects scouting, and how much the players' union dislikes it.

Just a note, some people got all up in arms about a player likening the combine to a slave market. Realize this was a statement about the invasive, sometimes humiliating process so that rich white men can decide who they want to purchase rather than a denial of free will.

Here's another article that tells a little about what goes on at the combine that isn't broadcast

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Posted by snoscythe - 2008/02/26 10:39

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jbar1221 wrote:

snoscythe wrote:

One thing that I like about Kehl is that he came in 10-12 lbs heavier than he played at BYU.

BYU listed him at 231 this year and the combine has him at 235. So 4 lbs isnt a ton of weight added on but I dont think he needs to get much bigger. Size wise he is almost prototypical for an OLB.

Bryan actually lost weight before coming to the combine. He played last fall at between 242 and 248, though his true weight wasn't listed in the roster (no surprise there). He spent the last two months in Southern California working out, becoming leaning and quicker. Here is a link to NFL Draft Scout that talks about this (I believe the original information came from Potkey's blog):

<http://www.nfldraftscout.com/news/notesbypos.php?genpos=OLB>

Thanks for the correction...at least we know he hasn't been working out with John Elway:

http://www.blogsmithmedia.com/www.tnz.com/media/2008/02/0226_john_elway_splash.jpg

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Posted by declocoug - 2008/02/26 11:42

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There were these two other RB's that had some success in the NFL. One was 5'8 and the other was 5'10. Barry something and Emmit somebody.

I saw him in the bowl game against BSU and he made the BSU defenders look like they were your high school's second string defense.

Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by Slugger - 2008/02/26 12:43

I know I am biased when it comes to Kehl (being a Cougar fan) but I have to say it really gets on my nerves when scouts and analysts break things down too far. Kehl is hands down one of the fastest linebackers I've ever watched. Case in point, the play against Arizona when he ran down the WR (name??) from behind as the WR was about to turn upfield and get some separation...no chance. Also, in one of the MWC games Kehl ran past Criddle down the right sideline and horse-collared the offensive player that was headed for a sure score. Guys that big aren't supposed to do that. I know there are some fast LB's in the NFL, but there are different types of speed. Ray Lewis is fast, but he is short-distance, explosive fast. Within 10-20 yards Lewis will hit the point of attack and deliver crushing hits within a blink or two of an eye. But do you ever see big LB's in the NFL run guys down from behind? Kehl has that speed. He may not have the girth, or size but he is so fluid in his motion. He can hurdle blockers and although he doesn't shuttle back-and-forth as well as others, he can miss the guy, spin around and still catch him from behind. THAT IS IMPRESSIVE. Being drafted isn't the biggest thing, finding a good situation in the NFL and making a name for yourself is. But there are too many quasi-criteria established that leaves would-be performers out in the cold. Size, weight, speed, vertical...those are all important and impressive physical attributes but just beause a guy doesn't possess those doesn't mean he's not capable of performing. But I guess the 2 years in prison, negative publicity, fan outcry, media swarming, player fines, teams fines, chaotic locker room and loss of team chemistry is worth it for that extra .04 in the 40...to some anyway.

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Posted by cruiser - 2008/02/26 14:16

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Posted by Isola - 2008/02/26 17:51

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Also is there anyplace where you can see all the results and not just the top performers?

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The 60 yd shuttle was not considered a required task for the LB candidates. It was optional, so most sat it out. Pretty much like the bench-press for quarterbacks. Kehl, like most other linebackers, did not run the 60.

Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by Uncle Iroh - 2008/02/26 18:36

I just got off of the NFL's combine website. Kehl had a great week from the looks of it. Placing in the top performers in every category. That's pretty impressive. Although they had him at a 4.68 in the 40, I think he is faster than that. I hope he get's a chance. From the way he tested at the combine, and from how scouts put so much credence into the testing at the combine, I think we'll be seeing him play on Sunday.

<http://www.nfl.com/combine/profiles/bryan-kehl?id=1369>

There is a link to Bryan's profile at the website.

Sorry if I'm late to the party on this. Been out of town for a while. So if all this has already been posted,dang it!

Re:Football Junkie - Combine Updates?

Posted by snoscythe - 2008/03/03 19:17

Cruiser-

check your inbox....just pm'd you.