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**Aaron Boone returns to Utah to play
against the Blaze in AFL action
Over 100 family/friends will be in attendance at game**

Former Millard Fillmore H.S. and Snow College football standout Aaron Boone will return to Utah to play in his first football game since leaving Snow College to play at the University of Kentucky. Boone, who is the older brother of University of Utah star center Jesse Boone (who recently signed a free agent contract with the Cincinnati Bengals) and current Ute Offensive Lineman Jason Boone, has been amassing yardage and touchdowns for the fledgling Kansas City Brigade of the Arena Football League. Entering the league mid-season, Boone has played in six games for the Brigade as an Offensive Specialist and during this time has caught 14 touchdowns on 53 receptions and is averaging over 100 yards receiving per game. He was so prolific in his first few weeks that he was named the AFL Rookie of the Month for April 2006.



Aaron R. Boone, Kansas City Brigade OS
(photo courtesy of the Kansas City Brigade)



Aaron Boone makes a leaping TD reception in AFL action
(photo courtesy of Wire Image)

Aaron Boone, also known as AirBoone, led Millard Fillmore to the Utah Class AA championship his senior year. After serving a two-year LDS Mission to Peru, he returned to star for Snow College at Wide Receiver where he became a JUCO All-American. He then went on to star at Kentucky, where he ranks third in Kentucky history for TD receptions, and during his senior year led the Wildcats with 41 receptions for 706 yards and 10 touchdowns. He also led the nation in receptions per touchdown ratio with one touchdown every 4.1 receptions.



AirBoone makes a leaping catch against South Carolina while at Kentucky
(photo courtesy of Clay Jackson - www.clayjacksonphoto.com)

In his professional career, Boone has had pre-season stints with the Dallas Cowboys, Chicago Bears and Carolina Panthers. He was allocated by both the Bears and the Panthers to play in the NFL-Europe, where he was a key factor in the Berlin Thunder playing in two World Bowls, including the World Bowl XII championship team. During his time in Berlin, Boone became the teams most prolific pass receiver and still holds records in receiving and scoring. He was also known for his Special Teams prowess with 13.5 tackles in the 2005 season, number one in the league. During the 2005 season Aaron led the NFL-E in receptions with 43, was second in the league in touchdowns and second in receiving yards.



Boone celebrates after a touchdown for the Berlin Thunder
(photo courtesy of Berlin Thunder)

Boone originally signed with the Philadelphia Soul early in the season, but was sent to Kansas City as an "add-on" with two other players in a trade for KC receiver Steve Smith. He has since shown that his determination, desire and dedicated practice continues to make him a leader.

Off the field Aaron Boone has become a fan favorite. He always stays after games and signs autographs and mingles with fans. He has been active in numerous community projects wherever he has been and is currently working to assist the growing Hispanic community in Kansas City due to his fluency in Spanish.



Boone signs a shirt after a Brigade Home Game

This Friday evening Aaron will be playing in his home state at the Delta Center against the Utah Blaze. Over 100 family members and friends will be in attendance at this game to cheer AirBoone on as he makes a run for an All-Rookie Team selection.

Numerous Stats and facts from this year are noted below:

Aaron Boone's standing against all AFL rookies (six games)

- Fourth in touchdown receptions
- Fifth in first downs
- Fifth in third-down receptions

- Fifth in scoring for non-kickers
- Sixth in receptions

Boone's AFL Stats as of April 29, 2006:

Touchdowns: 14

- TD 1: April 1, 2006 Georgia vs. KC 11 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 2: April 1, 2006 Georgia vs. KC 9 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 3: April 9, 2006 Los Angeles vs. KC 7 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 4: April 9, 2006 Los Angeles vs. KC 25 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 5: April 9, 2006 Los Angeles vs. KC 6 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 6: April 9, 2006 Los Angeles vs. KC 1 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 7: April 9, 2006 Los Angeles vs. KC 4 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 8: April 16, 2006 Colorado vs. KC 19 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 9: April 16, 2006 Colorado vs. KC 4 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 10: April 16, 2006 Colorado vs. KC 5 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 11: April 16, 2006 Colorado vs. KC 8 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 12: April 22, 2006 KC vs. Nashville 39 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 13: April 29, 2006 KC vs. Tampa Bay 4 yard pass from Chris Sanders
- TD 14: May 6, 2006 Orlando vs. KC 2 yard pass from r. Philyaw

Receiving: 53 receptions

- April 1, 2006 Georgia vs. Kansas City 11 receptions
- April 9, 2006 Los Angeles vs. Kansas City 13 receptions
- April 16, 2006 Colorado vs. Kansas City 12 receptions
- April 22, 2006 KC vs. Nashville 6 receptions
- April 29, 2006 KC vs. Tampa Bay 6 receptions
- May 6, 2006 Orlando vs. KC 5 receptions

Total Receiving Yards: 601 yards

- April 1, 2006 Georgia vs. Kansas City 129 yards (new team record)
- April 9, 2006 Los Angeles vs. Kansas City 157 yards (new team record)
- April 16, 2006 Colorado vs. Kansas City 124 yards
- April 22, 2006 KC vs. Nashville 90 yards
- April 29, 2006 KC vs. Tampa Bay 50 yards
- May 6, 2006 Orlando vs. KC 51 yards

Longest Reception: 40

April 1, 2006 34 yard pass reception from Chris Sanders
April 9, 2006 40 yard pass reception from Chris Sanders

Total Points Scored on Season: 88

Average yards per reception: 11.34

Catches for First Downs: 17

April 1, 2006 Georgia vs. Kansas City 4
April 9, 2006 Los Angeles vs. Kansas City 5
April 16, 2006 Colorado vs. Kansas City 5
April 22, 2006 KC vs. Nashville 2
April 29, 2006 KC vs. Tampa Bay 3
May 6, 2006 Orlando vs. KC 3

Kickoff Returns 4-52 yds (12.0 avg)

April 9, 2006 5 yard KO return (1Q)
April 9, 2006 7 yard KO return (2Q)
April 9, 2006 19 yard KO return (2Q)
April 29, 2006 21 yard KO return (3Q)

Special Teams and Defense:

4 solo tackles, 4 assists, 1 pass block
April 29, 2006 KC vs. Tampa Bay 2 point conversion in 4Q
May 6, 2006 Orlando vs. KC 2 point conversion in 4Q

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