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## BOONE, BROWN NEWEST ADDITIONS TO 2007 BLAZE ROSTER

October 18, 2006

SALT LAKE CITY - The Utah Blaze announce the signing of four players. The group of players includes: University of Utah alum, JESSE BOONE (6-5, 305, Utah ) and former Brigham Young University defensive tackle, MANAIA BROWN (6-3, 302, BYU). Other players signed include: linebacker BRENDAN SCHAUB (6-4, 250, Colorado ) and wide receiver EDWARD SIMMS (6-4, 230, William Penn). Terms of the contracts were not disclosed due to team policy.

"It is great for young players like Boone and Brown who both have local ties," said Blaze head coach and general manager DANNY WHITE. "All of these players have a lot of potential and we are thrilled to be able to add them to our roster."

BOONE: During his 2004 season at center, Boone played 775 plays with 49 knockdowns. Boone was named Second Team All-Conference, Academic All-MWC and also made the Athletics

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In 2005, Boone started at center once again collecting 45 knockdowns in 913 plays. The former Ute was named First-Team All-MWC and was chosen as the teams Most Valuable Offensive Lineman.

**BROWN:** During Brown's 2004 season with BYU, he was credited with 26.0 tackles and 4.5 sacks. His season high five tackles came against top ranked USC. Brown also earned All-MWC Honorable Mention Honors.

During his 2005 senior season, the former Cougar totaled 31.0 tackles and 1.5 sacks. He was named Second-Team All-MWC and was the team defensive lineman of the year. Brown transferred to BYU from Nebraska in 2002.

**SCHAUB:** Schaub saw action in all 13 games during his senior season with CU. He played on special teams as well as offense. He ascended to second on the depth chart at full backer and had six special team points on the strength of three tackles, a knockdown block, a wedge break and a blocked punt.

**SIMMS:** During his 2004 senior season, the former Statesman totaled 17 receptions for 263 yards and four touchdowns. He averaged 15.5 yards per reception and 26.3 yards per game. Simms also returned 25 kicks for a total of 377 yards.

The Utah Blaze were winners of the 2006 Commissioner's Award, given to the Arena Football League's Organization of the Year, and the Best Support Staff Award. The Blaze led the AFL in attendance and qualified for the postseason in just their first season. Season tickets for the 2007 are now available by logging onto [www.utahblaze.com](http://www.utahblaze.com) or by calling the Blaze ticket office at (801) 257-3111.

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10/13/06	Lawson, DL Bruce Blue, OL/DL John Culp, LB Valentine Chude, DB Michael Davis Jr., OL Brandon Eaton, DL Chris Janek
10/12/06	UTAH BLAZE signed OL/DL Bruce Blue, LB Valentine Chude, DB Michael Davis and DB Clarence Lawson.
10/11/06	UTAH BLAZE signed OL/DL John Culp; traded OL/DL Tim McGill and DB Thal Woods to NASHVILLE KATS for FB/LB Frank Carter.
10/10/06	UTAH BLAZE signed WR/LB Aaron Boone and OL Brandon Eaton.
05/20/06	UTAH BLAZE released OL/DL Ed Ta'amu, OL/DL Ron Tupea and WR/LB Emmett White.
05/18/06	UTAH BLAZE placed DS Kevin Moffett on injured reserve; signed DS DaQu`an Davis from practice squad.
05/04/06	UTAH BLAZE signed OL/DL Ron Tupea to practice squad; waived QB Tali Ena.
05/03/06	UTAH BLAZE signed OL/DL Ed Ta'amu to practice squad.
04/28/06	UTAH BLAZE activated QB Joe Germaine; placed OL/DL Doug Kaufusi on injured reserve.
04/19/06	UTAH BLAZE waived OL/DL Matt Walls.

**BLAZE SIGNS SEVEN PLAYERS FOR 2007 SEASON**

October 13, 2006 - The Utah Blaze announce the signing of seven players this week. The group of players includes University of Utah alum, CLARENCE LAWSON (5-8, 180, Utah).



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