

2009 Atlanta All-Star Shootout Event Review

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The **2009 SEBA Atlanta All-Star Shootout** took place this past Saturday on the campus of Oglethorpe University in Atlanta. The 7th Annual Edition was a complete success, as a full capacity roster of 160 players participated. The roster was comprised of Class of 2010, 2011, and 2012 prospects from throughout Georgia and the bordering states of Florida, Tennessee, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Alabama. The Camp once again presented excellent exposure for the participating players, as a large collection of College Coaches from throughout the South were in attendance. Several scouting publications also were on hand to cover the event and evaluate the talent.

The Shootout featured a full day of basketball action. The event began with all players participating in fundamental drills stations conducted by top high school and club coaches. Following the skill stations, the players in attendance were treated to a terrific guest speech by Coach Courtney Brooks. Coach Brooks, who led Southwest Atlanta Christian Academy (SACA) to State Titles in 2004 and 2006 and is now the Head Coach at Atlanta's Banneker High, spoke to the players of the importance of building a lasting foundation for their lives outside of athletics. The speech was inspiring and extremely applicable to the young men in attendance. Next, the players competed in three (3) full court 5-on-5 scrimmage games with their respective teams throughout the afternoon and early evening. The event concluded with the Camp All-Star Game.

Most Outstanding Performers

(Players Listed in no particular order)



Chris Davis (6' 3, CG, Stockbridge, 2010)

Excellent scorer, with very quick first step and explosive leaping ability. He excels when driving to the bucket, but also has a good midrange game and ability to knock down the long three. Well rounded and patient game, sees floor well and is very adept at creating opportunities for teammates with dribble penetration. Great work ethic and hungry to excel. Currently receiving attention from a host of Mid Major D1 programs; but don't be surprised if High Majors get in the mix over the next several months. Player with a very bright future.



Cameron Solomon (6' 4, SG, LoveJoy, 2010)

Explosive guard who was one of the camp's top overall performers and prospects. He attacked the rim strongly throughout the day, finishing with high rising dunks on multiple occasions. Excels in open court but also has versatility to score with in the half court with mid range pull-up jumper. Excellent potential and legit D1 prospect.



Brian Williams (6' 2, Point Guard, Central Gwinnett, 2010)

Talented lead guard who impressed many of the coaches and scouts in attendance with his play throughout the day. Understands the game and makes those around him better. Has good speed and exhibits smart decision making on break. Has good looking jumper off the dribble. Was one of the best defensive players in attendance. Excellent target for programs looking for a point guard with size that can step in and run a team.



Austin Younker (6' 7, Wing, Creekview, 2010)

Wing with good size who demonstrated a very soft and accurate 3-Point shot. Intelligent player. He moves without the ball well and understands how to use screens to get good scoring looks. Good rebounder from the wing position. Will probably receive close looks from schools at the Low D1, D2, and High D3 levels of play.



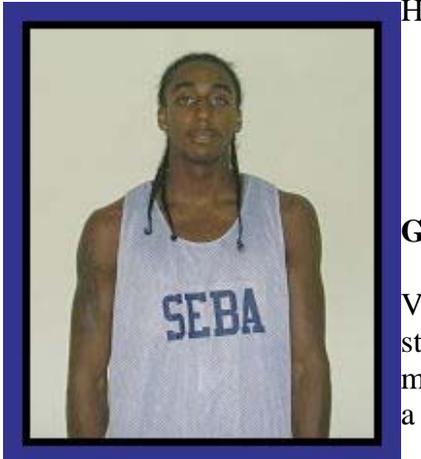
Malik Reynolds (6' 7, Guard, Westminster, 2010)

Player with great upside and potential. Very athletic and long, can handle the ball and create off the dribble. Makes good things happen with the ball in his hands. Runs court well and is a good finisher. Slender frame, will need to add weight for next level. Is also a top level High Jump prospect who is being courted by many of the nation's elite Track and Field College programs.



Kamren Belin (6' 7, Forward, Walton, 2010)

Talented prospect who had very good showing throughout the camp. As one of the bigger players in attendance, he (as would be expected) excelled around the rim and on the boards throughout camp. However, what impressed us more was his 18 foot jumper, (which he was knocking down very consistently) and his ability to get out, handle the ball, and lead the fastbreak off the defensive rebound. Look for Kam to have a big senior season as he gets a fresh start in a new environment playing for Joe Goydish and teaming up with the state's top player in Walton's Ryan Harrow.



G'Mitri Rice (6' 2, Wing, Walton, 2010)

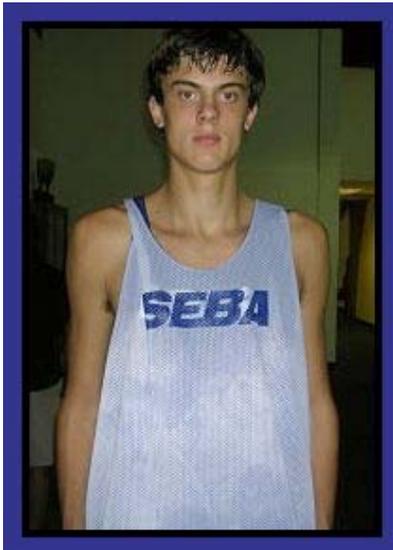
Very athletic guard who is at his best in uptempo transition style of play. His excellent leaping ability allows him to play much bigger than his 6' 2 size. G'Mitri has physical tools to be a top notch lock down defensive player. Needs to continue to

develop his outside shot and movement without the ball to be more of a consistent weapon on the offensive end of floor. Strong upside potential with continued development.



Herdie Lawrence (6' 0, PG, Collins Hill, 2011)

One of the top scorers in the camp; has ability to put up points in bunches (as evidenced when he scored 12 points in two minute time frame of one game). Very quick with the ball and finishes strong. Plays with excellent "motor" and is very good on ball defender. Impressive looking prospect poised for breakout junior season.



Marshall Guilmette (6' 9. Forward, Harrison, 2012)

Talented Big Man prospect with high ceiling of potential. Very long and has good footwork. Can score on the block or facing up. Uses both hands fairly well. Needs to add strength, but that should come as he matures. Expect him to develop nicely under the tutelage of Harrison Coach (and former Georgetown Univ. Star) Robert Churchwell. Prospect with definite Major DI potential.



Keenen Williams (6' 0, PG, Westlake, 2012)

Very quick, athletic pure point guard with explosive playmaking capability. Was one of the top guards in camp, regardless of age. Sees the whole floor and delivers passes with precision. Good handle. Very bright future, National Level Guard prospect for Class of 2012.

Zachary Harmon (6' 7, Forward, Pebblebrook, 2010)

Big bodied Forward who had a good showing at the camp. He crashes the boards well and demonstrated consistent ability to score with his back to the basket. Uses his body well to create space for strong post moves.

Brannon Hopkins (5' 8, PG, Northgate, 2010)

Lightning Quick lefty who can get to the rim at will. Demonstrated excellent leadership characteristics from the point guard position. Very good distributor who was dishing out assists left and right. Understands and excels with "draw and kick" principles. Gets after it on defense and likes to harass opposing ball handlers with strong on ball defense.

Keenan Peterson (6' 8, Forward, Banneker, 2010)

Developing Big Man prospect with strong potential. Has only been playing organized ball for a couple of years and is still learning the game. Current strength of his game is now more built around defensive play and rebounding ability. However, he showed glimpses of impressive offensive play in the post and according to his high school coach (Banneker's Courtney Brooks), Keenan is a hard worker and hungry to improve. His Best basketball is certainly ahead of him.

Alex Tiller (6'5, Wing Forward, North Gwinnett, 2010)

Good looking player who is versatile and can score on the wing and in the lane. Demonstrated consistent jumper and good offensive rebounding instincts. Has good understanding of game. Excellent academic profile (3.9 GPA) and ability on court should warrant him recruiting attention from Ivy and Patriot League D1 programs as well as Elite Academic D3 programs.

Warren Staples (6' 3, PG, Eagles Landing, 2010)

Good looking prospect with athleticism and good size for position. Demonstrated solid midrange pull up. Did well at drawing defense and dishing for easy buckets. Plays with good intensity and desire to compete. Can finish strong and above the rim.

Aaron Robinson (5' 9, PG, Meadowcreek, 2010)

Extremely speedy player who is a tremendous distributor. Had terrific assist to turnover ratio during the camp. Excellent full court defender who harasses opposing ball handler. When teams tried to play off him to offset his quickness, he showed ability to convert the medium range pull-up jumper.

Elliot Long (6' 4, Wing, Greater Atlanta Christian, 2010)

Has good all-around game and is very fundamentally sound. He finds open man for scoring opportunities and knocked down jumper consistently. Very adept at using screens and cuts for scoring opportunities.

Additional Camp Standouts:

Jack Wilson (5' 11, PG, Allatoona, 2010) – Crafty scorer who has the ability to get very hot from 3 Point Territory. Has a good floater which he uses to shoot over taller defenders when attacking paint. Averaged close to 20 PPG as a junior at Allatoona.

Jamar Pope (6' 4, SG, Sparkman H.S. - AL, 2011) - Smooth and athletic wing that can handle and attack the rim well. Has scorers mentality and finishes strongly. With improved outside shot, will become a very difficult player for opposing teams to defend.

Deleon Gist (6' 4, Wing, McEachern, 2010) - Aggressive wing who opened eyes of coaches in attendance with his intensity and physical play. Plays with a lot of energy, excellent rebounder and defender from the wing position. The type of player you want on your side when going to battle.

Kei'erre Richards (6' 2, Point Guard, McEachern, 2010) - Heady Lead Guard who had a good camp. Shot the mid range jumper extremely well. Plays with High Court IQ. Physical on-ball defender. Excellent student with 3.8 GPA.

Austin Miramonti (6' 0, CG, Etowah, 2011) – Excellent shooter with strong fundamentals and understanding of game. Deceptively quick, has good court vision. Plays passing lanes well on defense.

Derrick Brock (6' 4, Wing, Dutchtown, 2010) – Athletic swing man is good penetrator and runs floor well. Has several impressive dunks in traffic throughout the camp.

Alex Reid (6' 4, SG, Calvary Day, 2011) – Balanced, All around player who does a number of things well. Can shoot, pass, run the floor, and defend.

Austin Allen (6' 6, Forward, North Atlanta, 2010) – Long forward with inside-out potential. Hits the offensive boards hard, and has knack for offensive putbacks.

Alex Rivera (6'1, SG, Mundy's Mill, 2010) – Has nice looking stroke with deep 3 point range. One of the top shooters in camp. Good leaping ability and can really get up for his size. Needs to bulk up thin frame. Sleeper poised for breakout senior season.

Taylor Echols (6' 2, SG, Eagles Landing Christian Academy, 2011) – Skilled player with good court smarts. Showed out as one of the top shooters in the event.

Matt Polyne (6' 2, PG, Pope, 2012) – Young and speedy guard prospect with bright future. Very active and has good length. Creates well off the dribble and has above average three point shot. Has ability to be first rate defensive player as well. Has potential to be one of Peach State's Elite guards in 2012 class.

Chase Arrington (5' 10, PG, Effingham County, 2010) - Very fundamentally sound player with good court vision. Made several excellent passes for easy scores. Has good change of pace move which he uses effectively on dribble penetration. Excellent student with 4.0 GPA.

Tim Mason (6'3, Wing, Ola, 2010) – Versatile wing who brings well rounded game to both ends of the floor. Can score at rim, midrange, and from beyond the arc.

Elliot Davis (5' 10, PG, Woodland, 2010) – Very quick guard who is good at creating off dribble. Gets good dribble separation on jumper. Plays excellent full court defense. Streak shooter with potential to be very dangerous from beyond the arc.

Vincent Wallace (6'2, SG, Southwest Atlanta Christian, 2010) – Power Guard with good upper body strength. Uses muscle to finish well around the bucket. Plays with high intensity.

Kyle Kinnear (6' 6, Forward, Countryside – FL; 2010) – Forward from Florida had a good showing. Has solid footwork and demonstrated a variety of scoring moves in the pivot. Can knock down the face up jumper

Jamal Watson (5' 11, PG, Harrison, 2011) – Scoring Point Guard with quick first step. Shoots the jumper very well off the dribble. Has good handle and leads fast break well.

Lorenza Ross (6' 2, PG, Richmond Hill, 2011) – Quick Point guard with good length that can score and distribute, penetrates gaps well, sound defensive player.

Chad Donely (6' 1, Guard, Baker School – FL, 2010) - Lights out shooter, was knocking 3 ball down the entire camp. Has good passing ability; sees floor well. Caught the attention of several college coaches with his play.

Alex Upshaw (6' 5, Wing, Sandy Creek, 2010) – Athletic wing with good size and defensive ability. Had several nice blocked shots when providing help side defense. Excellent rebounder.

Needs to continue to develop perimeter skill set.

Honorable Mention Players

Class of 2010: **Patrick Dugger** (6' 4, Wing, Whitewater); **John Benedict** (6' 3, Wing, West Forsyth); **Marcus Brown** (6' 1, PG, Hiram); **Kurt Mitchell** (6' 7, Forward, Tift); **Leroy Bronner** (6' 1, SG, Glynn Academy); **Devyn Morse** (6' 4, Wing, South Cobb); **Asa Caruthers** (6' 0, PG, Sandy Creek); **Mackeile Satchell** (6' 5, Forward, Northview); **Robert Bynum** (5' 11, PG, Richmond Hill); **John Goodson** (6' 4, Wing, Lakeside); **Kyle Davidson** (6' 5, Wing, Riverwood); **Alex Vital** – (6' 0, PG, Riverwood); **Javan Wells** (6' 1, CG, Eagles Landing); **Troy Swanson** (5' 11, CG, Ola); **Alex Garay** (6' 5, Forward, Etowah); **Jesse Gardner** (6' 1, CG, Jonesboro); **Durante Jones** (6' 5, Wing, Lovejoy)

Class of 2011: **Jordan Nelson** (6' 3, SG, Union Grove); **Joe Goydish** (5' 10, PG, Walton); **James Sinclair** (6' 3, SG, Savannah High); **Blake Piedrahita** (6' 7, Forward, Mount Pisgah); **Bryan Barber** (6' 2, Wing, Luella); **Tyler Freeman** (6' 3, Wing, Lassiter); **Lami Mason** (5' 11, PG, St. Francis); **Jalen Simmons** (6' 3, Wing, St. Francis); **Armand Jackson** (6' 5, Forward, Hillgrove); **Hakeem Watson** (6' 2, SG, Banneker)

Class of 2012: **Jabari Evans** (6' 0, PG, Southwest Atlanta Christian); **Ryan Blumenthal** (6' 2, SG, Harrison); **Ben Blythe** (6' 4, Wing, Pope); **Taylor Birchett** (6' 3, SG, Roswell); **Tanner Templeton** (6' 6, Forward, Woodstock); **Devante Orebeau** (5' 8, PG, Douglas County); **Angelo Rizzolo** (6' 4, Forward, Lecanto – FL).

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