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The star behind the stripes

By OLIVIA WALES

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

A sea of purple floods into Amon G. Carter stadium, creating a heartbeat that pulses louder and louder with each passing minute under the blaze of the Texas sun.

Of course, he's there. He's the first student at every TCU game, and the last to leave. Three purple "TCU" letters are likely painted on the back of his head.

His vibrant purple and white striped overalls are a magnet for every eye, as he signals the next move for the purple sea of Horned Frog faithful.

He is Patton Maynard, a fourth-generation Horned Frog and Fort Worth native who was born throwing up the "Go Frogs" hand sign.

"He has the most school spirit of anyone I've ever seen in my life," said Canali Miller, a fellow Dutchmen and senior musical theatre major. "He takes charge."

A change in spirit

Growing up, Maynard, a senior political science and musical theatre double major, remembers a lack of spirit in the TCU student section. He arrived on campus determined to change that.

Maynard formed a group called the Dutchmen, a spirit organization he named for former head coach Dutch Meyer, who led TCU football to two national championships in 1935 and 1938.

He is now the head Dutchman and pushes to make the Dutchmen



PHOTO COURTESY OF PATTON MAYNARD

Patton Maynard leads the TCU student section at Amon G. Carter Stadium.

an official part of TCU athletics, like the cheerleaders and Rangers.

The Dutchmen are at every TCU basketball and football game in the front row wearing purple and white striped overalls, leading the chants and preserving traditions while creating new ones, such as the Riff Ram chant.

Maynard emphasizes that the Dutchmen are not student section leaders, but a student culture.

"It's the culture of TCU, it's the history of TCU, it's the camaraderie of TCU," Maynard said. "Our point is to help create and encourage camaraderie."

'A bald kid with a big smile'

While Maynard has always loved the Horned Frogs, he hasn't always been so extroverted.

Throughout elementary school, Maynard was shy with a lisp. Sometimes people

questioned if he was mute.

"My sister used to talk for me because of my severe lisp," Maynard said. "I would give her a look and she knew exactly what I wanted to say, so she would just say it for me."

The two of them were "inseparable," Maynard said.

When he was in elementary school, he was diagnosed with alopecia. The autoimmune disease, which affects nearly 7 million Americans, causes hair loss on the scalp and face.

"I don't know where I would be today without this illness," Maynard said.

Maynard said he became extroverted and gained self-confidence when he shaved his head in seventh grade.

"I wanted to choose to make it something that I was happy about, I was proud about," Maynard said.

John Walker, senior political science major and a childhood friend of Maynard's, said when he met Maynard, he saw a "bald kid with a big smile."

"At the end of our first conversation, he said, 'By the way, I don't have cancer,'" Walker said.

The two went on to be close high school friends at Lake Country Christian High School and college friends at TCU.

"Alopecia hasn't stopped him at all," Walker said. "Nothing can phase him after that."

'This is who I am'

As a child, Maynard watched his sister, Megan Maynard, perform in dance recitals at Ed Landreth Hall. Today, she is a dancer at Disney World and Maynard is performing in his own shows at Ed Landreth.

His love of theatre was sparked at summer camp. Then, in fourth

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PHOTO COURTESY OF PATTON MAYNARD

Patton Maynard with his fellow dutchmen.

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grade, his teacher encouraged him to try out for a musical – he earned the lead.

After that musical, and throughout his time in high school, Maynard continued earning big leads in shows such as “State Fair” and “Beauty and the Beast”.

His last high school show, “Titanic”, moved him to audition for TCU’s musical theatre program just days before the deadline.

“I realized that this isn’t something I just like to do,” Maynard said. “This is who I am.”

At TCU, Maynard has performed in “The Real Inspector Hound.”

“He is a very animated human being,” Miller said. “Also, he’s always on the move, always doing something for someone.”

Nothing halfway

“If I am asked to do something, I don’t do it halfway- no matter what it is,” Maynard said. “If

you’re in a play and you have one line, don’t go out there and just throw that one line away. It’s important, it’s in there for a reason.”

From working as a Frog Camp facilitator to serving as the student outreach chair for Student Government Association and becoming a member of Phi Kappa Sigma, Maynard values commitment to his passions.

Maynard attended a celebratory dinner after initiation into Phi Kappa Sigma on February 12, 2019. Photo courtesy of Patton Maynard.

Maynard, three-year SGA College of Fine Arts representative, speaks at an SGA meeting. Photo courtesy of SGA.

As an incoming first-year student, Frog Camp Alpine was a catalyst for Maynard’s leadership at TCU.

“He was super confident and outgoing at Frog Camp,” said Audrey Spiller, senior nursing major. “He was a natural leader.”

Maynard later

facilitated Frog Camps Cultura, Summit and Alpine, where he has encouraged numerous first-year students.

“He can be high energy but he can also be super intentional and can have a one-on-one conversation with anyone,” Miller said.

Margaret Koopman, senior movement science major, facilitated Frog Camp Cultura with Maynard during summer 2018.

“Patton’s outgoing, amiable nature drew people in, both frog campers and facilitators,” Koopman said. “He truly cared about every individual there, and was always doing something to help someone else.”

However, as Maynard enters his senior year, his legacy lies in the organization he brought to life: the Dutchmen.

“Nothing would make me happier than coming back to campus in 50 years and seeing the Dutchmen, in their purple and white overalls, doing the exact same thing,” Maynard said.

SPORTS

Freshman Duggan shines as football wins season opener

By COLIN POST

SPORTS EDITOR, TCU 360

Nothing was normal in TCU's season opener. Two quarterbacks played somewhat equal time, Jalen Reagor could not hold on to the ball and almost half of TCU's drives ended in field goals.

In the end, all that matters, at least to head coach Gary Patterson, is that TCU won 39-7, starting the season 1-0.

"I can sit here and complain, but the bottom line is we didn't really lose anybody, we won a ball game, we know what we gotta work on, we got an off week, so here we



PHOTO BY CRISTIAN ARGUETA SOTO

Receiver Jalen Reagor scored his 18th career TD, good for third on TCU's all-time list.

go," Patterson said.

As it has been for the past two seasons, the most anticipated moment to watch for coming into the game was what quarterback

the Horned Frogs would select. Though graduate transfer Alex Delton was the initial signal-caller to step onto the field, true freshman Max Duggan shone brightest under

the new and impressive lights of the Carter.

"To be honest, the only time I know Max is a true freshman is when y'all guys tell me," wide receiver Tre'Vontae Hights said. "On the field, he plays like a junior or senior."

Delton's opening drive started with three consecutive completions as he marched the Horned Frogs down to the Lions' six-yard line. Two-straight incompletions followed, though, causing TCU to settle for a field goal.

It looked like TCU was going to find the end zone for the first time on its second drive, as Delton connected with Hights in stride on a bomb. Hights then fumbled the ball after being wrapped up at the UAPB 5-yard line.

Then, it was Duggan's time. Patterson said on the Tuesday prior to the game that Duggan would enter for the "third or fourth series."

Duggan's first drive wasn't perfect, but it was close. He orchestrated an 11-play, 58-yard drive that was capped off by his one-yard touchdown run, putting TCU up 10-0.

The young signal caller went 4-for-5 with 42 yards on the drive.

TCU would be forced to punt on the next two possessions (the first by Duggan and the second by Delton). Late in the half, the Lions put together a strong drive in an effort to put points on the board for the first time. Once again, the TCU defense stood strong and stopped the

Lions in their tracks.

UAPB quarterback Shannon Patrick's shot at the endzone was read perfectly by safety Trevon Moehrig, who made the play of the game and took the interception 58 yards to set up the offense at the Lions' 36-yard line.

TCU settled for another field goal as the half ended. This was the second of four-straight drives, dating from 3:40 left in the second quarter to 8:40 left in the third quarter, in which the Horned Frogs went into or near the red zone and were forced to settle for a field goal.

Kicker Jonathan Song finished 5-for-5 on field goals for the day, the most by a TCU kicker since Jaden Oberkrom went 6-for-6 in 2012 against Texas Tech.

"It's huge," Song said about his perfect field goal percentage, "After you get that first one under your belt, you feel good. You feel confident."

After being on the bench for seven-straight drives, Duggan returned and brought the Frogs out of their stale offensive spell. His 37-yard strike to Reagor with 1:18 in the third quarter gave him TCU's first passing touchdown of the season.

His touchdown was the 18th of his career, giving him sole possession of the third spot on TCU's all-time list.

Duggan and company cruised from there, as the 2018 Iowa Gatorade Player of the Year would go on to lead two more scoring drives to put the

Lions away for good.

First-year running back Darwin Barlow saw action on TCU's final drive, using eight carries to gain 45 yards and a touchdown. Patterson said after the game that Barlow dedicated the score to his former coach at Newton High School, W.T. Johnson, who passed away in May.

"I thought it was a cool thing that Barlow actually scored the touchdown for his coach from Newton," Patterson said. "He's a good player."

Duggan finished 16-for-23 with 165 yards, and two touchdowns. Delton had finished 10-for-22 with 119 yards. Neither quarterback threw an interception.

While Reagor had caught the lone receiving touchdown, it was Hights who led the game in receiving with eight catches for 108 yards.

Graduate student Tre'Vontae Hights led the game with 108 yards receiving.

"Just patience, man, doing my part, waiting my time, making sure I'm in the right position," Hights said about preparing for his moment. "I did the best that I could do."

Hights entered the game with just six catches on his career.

On the defensive side of the ball, linebacker Garret Wallow finished with 13 tackles, including eight for a loss. Both of those totals are career highs for the junior, who also added a sack.

The Horned Frogs will get a bye next week.

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CAMPUS NEWS

Updates to visitor experience to come at the Carter

By **ROBBIE VAGLIO**

EXECUTIVE EDITOR, TCU 360

While construction won't be complete this season, TCU football is promising Horned Frog fans major improvements in their gameday experience.

From buying a cold one to cooling off under giant fans on the concourse and watching highlights on a new video board, the Carter has been upgraded for the 2019 season.

The "giant video board," in the north end zone will be 53 feet wider and 18 feet taller than the previous screen, TCU athletic director

Jeremiah Donati said.

The new Jumbotron will be 108 feet wide and 48 inches tall, just larger than the screen in Baylor's McLane Stadium.

MillerCoors beer will be available in aluminum cans from the time the gates open until the start of the fourth quarter. Hard seltzer will also be available.

In a tweet, Donati said the discounted concessions will be "your favorite food items," but did not offer any other specifics.

He predicted that the new grab-and-go convenience stores in the football stadium will

have "food options you are going to love."

But in an effort to increase gameday safety, fans who leave the game will need a new ticket to re-enter the stadium.

"In benchmarking other institutions, and anticipating trends in large venues, the elimination of the in-and-out policy is the safe action to take," a spokesperson for the athletic department said.

Finally, the visiting bands are being moved to the northwest corner of the stadium, leaving better seats for the TCU faithful.

The complete \$100 million expansion project

will not be completed until the start of the 2020 season, Donati announced in a tweet on July 25.

"While very disappointing, we wouldn't be able to deliver a game day experience that our donors deserved," Donati said. "We have spent the last few weeks looking at every option to access the space but ultimately we believed our donors deserved better. We are committed to delivering a world class experience for them."

The project, which was delayed by weather, was anticipated to debut for the Oct. 26 homecoming game against Texas.



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The upgrades will include 48 new boxes, two private clubs, more than 1,000 club seats, 22 luxury suites, meeting spaces for corporate events and a 100-foot outdoor balcony overlooking Frog Alley and the TCU campus.

The Frogs are set to open the 2019 season on Aug. 31 against Arkansas Pine-Bluff, donning brand-new uniforms for the season.

LEAD ON,SM DIFFERENCE MAKERS.

Congratulations to the finalists for the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Award

These individuals are recognized for providing TCU with the critical voices necessary for change and for their sustained actions to transform the University by making it an even more diverse, equitable and inclusive learning environment and place to work.

The winner will be announced at Fall Convocation.

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Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Sept. 5, 2019:

This year, when you hit an obstacle, know that it's for the better. The extra time it takes to bypass the problem allows you to see new information. If you're single, date, but try not to move too quickly. Time is your ally. You'll tend to get angry quickly and get defensive. If attached, you and your partner enjoy an intense year of growth. As a couple, you're likely to manifest a new goal. SAGITTARIUS might not always give you the best advice, but they always cheer you on.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ You might want to push a project or situation to completion, but a need for details forces you to slow down. You'll recognize that you barely have a choice if you want a quality product or successful interaction. Tonight: Test out a hunch that often haunts you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ One-on-one relating draws a strong response. If you're feeling angry, try to express what the irritant really is. If you can, the situation could be easily resolved. Emotions intensify. Tonight: Know that you're desirable. Act as though you're desirable.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You're full of fun yet could cop an attitude. Others enjoy your wit and teasing. However, one person could become reactive and difficult. You might need to be more sensitive when dealing with him or her. Tonight: Put on your dancing shoes. Be available.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You have a lot to do, and you'll accomplish just that as long as you don't get bogged down for too long in a difficult issue with a close friend or loved

one. Get past your immediate knee-jerk reaction. Tonight: Join friends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Your creative energy comes up when you least expect and allows new possibilities to come forward. Someone might believe that you are backing off from a semi-agreement as you look at alternatives. Tonight:

Continue exploring on all levels.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Be more helpful, light and easygoing. Others will criticize no matter what, but you'll feel better if you keep yourself together. Also, when your critics calm down, they'll admire how you handled this issue. All the better! Tonight: Consider heading home early.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Reach out for a loved one you care about deeply. You often experience fun times together. Nevertheless, you might inadvertently trigger someone and receive an unexpected response. Stay as mellow as possible. Tonight: Return calls quickly.

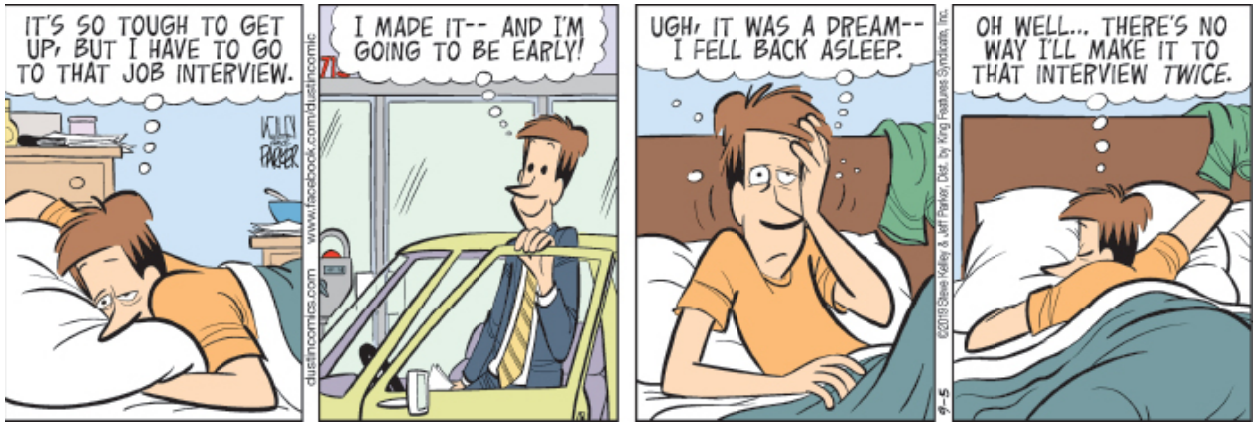
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Be aware that you become quite possessive and difficult at times. Right now, you could even be a touch combative. Remain distant as you deal with some strong feelings. By not reacting, you'll have more control of the outcome. Tonight: Meet up with a friend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ You have a way and style that mark your interactions. Others clearly gravitate toward you and want some of your time. Investigate new possibilities, but give yourself time to commit. You'll see other options come

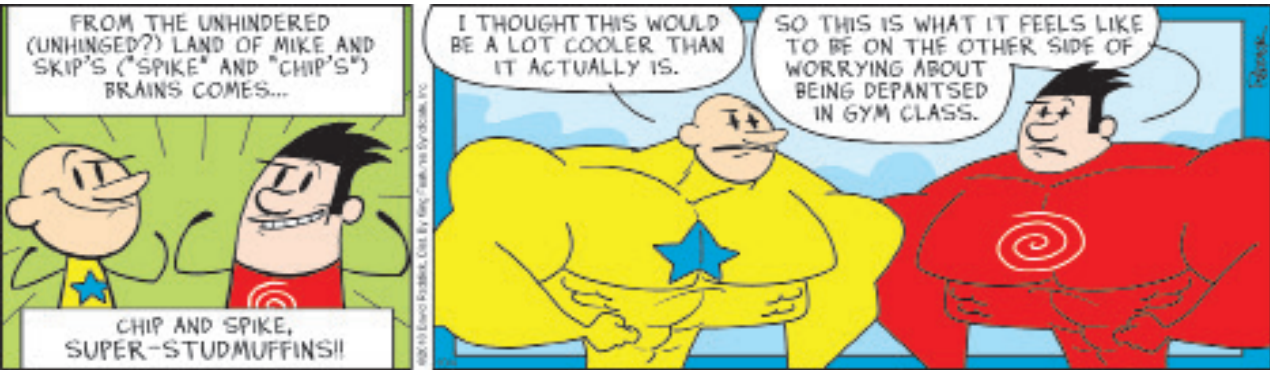
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forward. Tonight: Happy as can be.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ You could feel tired or want to withdraw from some of the activity around you. The smart move would be to follow your desire. Otherwise, you could be very

difficult for someone else to deal with. Tonight: Take a much needed personal night.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Where their friends are is where Aquarians are usually the happiest. You'll find

that you have many opportunities coming forward. Expect some activity from your immediate circle of friends. Tonight: Where crowds can be found.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ You might feel pressured once more as you take

the lead with a pet project. You might also be trying to convince someone that you're right and that you have the better idea. Be diplomatic! Tonight: Up working, chatting and visiting with a friend.

The New York Times

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PUZZLE BY GRANT THACKRAY

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- 17 ABCDE
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- 19 Pasture sound
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- 21 FGHI
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- 30 Under Prohibition
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- 33 Who sings "America" in "West Side Story"
- 35 Prized athlete, for short
- 38 MNOP
- 42 Bank stamp abbr.
- 43 Powerhouse in cricket
- 44 Doesn't delay
- 45 World champion athlete under two different names
- 46 QRST
- 49 Zipped
- 52 Winter Wyoming hrs.
- 54 Temperature test, of a sort

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- 55 UVW
- 57 Fooled
- 58 Long life: Abbr.
- 61 When the Lyrid meteor shower occurs
- 62 XYZ
- 65 TV character who said "Computers make excellent and efficient servants, but I have no wish to serve under them"
- 66 Commute communally
- 67 Standish on the Mayflower
- 68 Passes
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- 2 So-called "king of the road"
- 3 Qualifying phrase
- 4 +, briefly
- 5 B(r)est friend?
- 6 Geezers, with "the"
- 7 Concoction
- 8 Rush order deadline
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- 11 Figure also called "the Creator," "the King" and "the All-Seer"
- 12 Afternoon tea offering
- 13 TV host Mandel
- 15 What bathroom mirrors may do
- 22 Gave, as a meal
- 23 "The ___ the limit"
- 24 One who knows the drill
- 26 Doe; a Deere?
- 27 Some of them come in "pineapple" and "soprano" varieties, informally
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TCU Trivia

Demographics: There were 150 female journalism students in 2018. True or False?

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TCU TRIVIA ANSWER

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- 37 Covert come-on
- 39 Nice chunk of money
- 40 Cartoon genre
- 41 Image on an Irish euro
- 45 Counsel
- 47 Accepted applications
- 48 Staffers
- 49 Uncontrolled jerk
- 50 Small part of a pound?
- 51 Flynn of "Captain Blood"
- 53 Symbol of power
- 56 Sorts
- 57 Douglas ____, first president of Ireland
- 58 "So long"
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- 64 Calgary is in it: Abbr.

False- There were 116 female journalism students in 2018



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SPORTS

Quarterback race still open heading into fall camp

By **BRAYDEN ROUX**

STAFF WRITER, TCU 360

Just a week before TCU's season opener, the quarterback race seemed to be narrowed down to two candidates, Kansas State transfer Alex Delton and true freshman Max Duggan.

Those two seem to have separated themselves from the rest of the competition throughout the summer in practice and scrimmages.

Lingering injuries have thinned out the competition, which included six quarterbacks. Redshirt freshman Justin Rogers is still recovering from drop-foot condition, and junior Mike Collins missed all three preseason scrimmages with a bone bruise in his foot.

Matthew Baldwin, the Ohio State transfer was in the mix as well, but the NCAA denied his transfer request, TCU has appealed the decision, but there hasn't been a decision on the appeal yet. Baldwin is a pro-style quarterback who completed 70 percent of his passes for 4,000 yards and 44 touchdowns during his final year of high school.

Despite the

competition being limited, TCU still has two solid options in Duggan and Delton. Delton has more college experience than Duggan, but both are players to be excited about. Delton spent the beginning of his college career at Kansas State, and showed that he could be a dependable playmaker as a mobile quarterback through the air and on the run. Delton played in 20 games and started six during his time at Kansas State. He threw for 1,202 yards, and five touchdowns while rushing for 868 yards and 11 touchdowns as a Wildcat.

"To have a guy that knows how to handle himself, how to prepare, how to do things, I think has made that position a lot better," Patterson said of Delton.

Duggan was ranked the third-best dual threat quarterback coming out of high school in Iowa, where he threw for 2,100 yards and 24 touchdowns during his senior season. He has shown off a strong arm as well as an ability to avoid pressure in the pocket and make plays with his legs when needed.

With less than a week until TCU's season opener against Arkansas



PHOTO BY CHRISTIAN ARGUETASOTO

Mike Collins played in 9 games last season before suffering a career-ending injury against Baylor.

Pine Bluff at The Carter, it is expected that both Duggan and Delton will see time throughout the game.

Earlier in fall camp, Patterson said the high level of competition for the starting job will improve the team's performance once a starter is named.

"I always found when you have a high competition level you end up with a better product," Patterson said. "The best part about it is they all get along."

Entering fall practices, only two quarterbacks on the roster have taken snaps as a Horned Frog, and three transferred in this offseason from other Division 1 programs.

Both of the quarterbacks familiar with the Horned Frog system are coming off of injuries and their status for the beginning of the season remains uncertain.

Collins is the only quarterback in the room that has played significant time for the Frogs. The junior played in nine games last season, taking the starting job from Shawn Robinson before he suffered a season-ending injury against Baylor. Collins threw for 1,076 yards and six touchdowns and ran for 111 yards and three touchdowns last season.

While only taking one snap for the Horned Frogs last season, Justin

Rogers is familiar with the TCU system after being in Fort Worth for over a year. The former four-star recruit has been forced to sit out due to an ACL tear.

Patterson said Rogers is still recovering from a severe knee injury that he suffered during his senior year of high school.

"Justin is somewhere around 90 percent (healthy), he was able to go through spring and take reps," Patterson said. "One of these days the nerve [in his knee] just wakes up, it's not completely awake yet, but it's a lot farther along than it was a year ago."

Coming out of high school, Rogers was the No. 34 player in the

country and the No. 2 dual-threat quarterback according to 247Sports.

Rounding out the quarterback list is Matthew Downing, a redshirt freshman transfer from the Georgia. Downing will be eligible to play this season.

Entering his 19th season at TCU, Patterson is excited to watch the quarterback completion unfold.

"I think all six guys have handled themselves really well, they all have a chip on their shoulder and I'm excited to see how everybody does," he said.