<u>New Orleans Saints training camp heads to</u> Yulman Stadium

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The New Orleans Saints first held a practice at Yulman Stadium in 2015. (Photo by Parker Waters)

The New Orleans Saints Training Camp practice presented by Verizon will be held at Tulane's Yulman Stadium Sunday, Aug. 6, beginning at 7 p.m.

The gates will open to fans at 6 p.m. and parking for the practice will be available in the Diboll Parking Garage on Ben Weiner Drive as well as on the Tulane campus in non-reserved spots beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The practice is scheduled to run until approximately 9 p.m., followed by a brief autograph session.

"A few years ago we had a really good practice at Tulane and it gave our fans an outstanding venue to come out and watch our team practice," said Saints head coach Sean Payton. "We're looking forward to getting out there again Sunday evening and taking advantage of the opportunity to continue to get ready for the upcoming season."

Admission to the practice and on-campus parking are free to the public. Fans who already had reserved tickets for Sunday morning's training camp session will be contacted by the Saints ticket office explaining future options for their tickets. Capacity for Sunday's practice at Yulman Stadium is 7,000.

"In order to accommodate the increased demand that we've seen during training camp and provide our fans with a special experience, we're very excited for Sunday night at Yulman Stadium," said Dennis Lauscha, president of the Saints organization. "We witnessed many families come out and really enjoy themselves a few years ago, and we hoped an opportunity like this would present itself at some point during camp.

"Yulman Stadium is a first-class venue, and the comforts of the stadium certainly provide a very comfortable environment for our fans. The timing of this also is relevant because many schools start up later next week, and the 7 p.m. start of practice allows our fans of all ages to enjoy seeing the team under the lights."

The New Orleans Saints and Tulane University share a rich history. The Saints played at the former Tulane Stadium on the uptown campus from 1967-74. When the Mercedes-Benz Superdome was constructed, Tulane once again shared a facility with the Saints from 1975-2005 and from 2006-13. Most recently, Saints owner Tom Benson and Executive Officer Gayle Benson supported Tulane's construction of Yulman Stadium, with the Green Wave making their debut on "Benson Field" in 2014. The club first held a practice at Yulman Stadium in 2015.

Additional information including photo and video restrictions and prohibited items are available <u>here</u>. Questions should be directed to Eric Hollier at 504-314-7271.

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