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REDS ANNOUNCE CHANGES TO BROADCAST TEAMS Thom Brennaman Replaces George Grande On FOX Sports Ohio Jim Kelch Hired To Work Radio, Selected TV Games

CINCINNATI - Cincinnati Reds Chief Operating Officer Phil Castellini today announced that Thom Brennaman has replaced George Grande as the club's primary play-by-play announcer on games televised by FOX Sports Ohio and that longtime broadcaster Jim Kelch has joined the club's broadcast teams for the 2010 season.

"Thom clearly is one of the most versatile announcers in sports today. We're happy he'll have a more significant role in our TV broadcasts this season," Castellini said. "In Jim's time with us the last couple of years, we thought he blended well with our radio and television teams. He's broadcast baseball for 26 years and spent the last 10 watching our minor leaguers come up through the system. Our fans will benefit from that experience."

For most of the broadcasts on the FOX Sports Ohio schedule, Brennaman will team with color analysts Chris Welsh or Jeff Brantley, but he also will work a handful of games on radio alongside his father, Hall of Famer Marty Brennaman.

Brantley will continue his work with both radio and FOX Sports Ohio broadcasts. Kelch primarily will work radio but also will fill in for selected televised games.

Brennaman, 46, returned to the Reds' broadcast booth in 2007 after 15 seasons working for the Chicago Cubs and Arizona Diamondbacks. He also has broadcast college and NFL football along with baseball games of the week and post-season games.

Kelch, 51, has been the play-by-play voice for Class AAA Louisville baseball since 1989 and the last two seasons filled in on Reds on Radio and Reds TV broadcasts. The Bats have been the Reds' top minor league affiliate since 2000.

Both Brennamans, Kelch, Brantley and Welsh will be attending this weekend's FOX Sports Ohio Redsfest, presented by Kahn's, benefiting the Reds Community Fund at the Duke Energy Convention Center in downtown Cincinnati.

Grande retired following last season after 17 years working on the club's TV broadcasts.



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