

# VANDERBILT GAME NOTES

## COMMODORES LOOK FOR BOWL ELIGIBILITY VICTORY

### VANDERBILT SCHEDULE

Sept. 1	<b>Richmond</b>	W	41-17
Sept. 8	<b>ALABAMA</b> (LF Sports)	L	10-24
Sept. 15	<b>OLE MISS</b> (PPV)	W	31-17
Sept. 29	<b>Eastern Michigan</b>	W	30-7
Oct. 6	@ Auburn (LF Sports)	L	7-35
Oct. 13	<b>GEORGIA</b> (ESPN2)	L	17-20
Oct. 20	@ South Carolina	W	17-6
Oct. 27	<b>Miami (Ohio)</b>	W	24-13
Nov. 3	@ Florida (LF Sports)	L	22-49
Nov. 10	<b>KENTUCKY</b>	L	20-27
Nov. 17	@ Tennessee (PPV)	L	24-25
Nov. 24	<b>Wake Forest</b> (no TV)		1:00 pm

All Kickoff Times - CST

### SEARCHING FOR 6TH WIN

The 'Dores head into the season finale in search of their sixth victory. Vanderbilt hasn't reached six wins since 1982.

*More on quest for bowl eligibility, page 2*

### SENIOR DAY ACTIVITIES

Seventeen Commodores will be honored in Senior Day ceremonies Saturday.

The 17 seniors are TE Brad Allen, WR Bryant Anderson, LB Marcus Buggs, OG Josh Eames, DE Curtis Gatewood, LB Jonathan Goff, DT Gabe Hall, OC Hamilton Holliday, DT Brandon Holmes, DT Theo Horrocks, TB Cassen Jackson-Garrison, OG Merritt Kirchoffer, QB Richard Kovalcheck, LB Dominic Morais, OT Brian Stamper, DT David Whittington and OT Chris Williams.

### BENNETT EXPANDS RECORD

Earl Bennett continues to distance himself from every other SEC receiver in career catches.

*More on Bennett's accomplishments, page 10*

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## GAME 12 WAKE FOREST AT VANDERBILT (7-4, 5-3) (5-6, 2-6)

### COMMODORE STORYLINES

★ Commodores seek unbeaten non-SEC record in season finale.

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★ See where Vanderbilt ranks in the SEC and NCAA in various statistics.

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### KICKOFF INFORMATION

**DATE:** Saturday, November 24, 2007

**KICKOFF:** 1:00 p.m., CST

**STADIUM:** Vanderbilt Stadium

**LOCATION:** Nashville, Tenn.

**RADIO:** Vanderbilt Radio Network;  
Flagship Station - 104.5 "The Zone"

**COMMODORE RADIO CREW:**

Joe Fisher, play-by-play;

John Gromos, color analyst;

Kevin Ingram, sideline reporter

**SIRIUS RADIO CHANNEL:** 161

**TELEVISION:** None

### VANDERBILT VS. THE ACC

The Commodores are 65-56-5 all-time versus members of the Atlantic Coast Conference. In the last decade, Vanderbilt owns a 7-2 record against ACC teams.

*More on Vanderbilt vs. the ACC, page 3*

### QUICK FACTS ON THE UNIVERSITIES



#### Location

Nashville, Tenn.

1873

6,402

Southeastern

Commodores

Black & Gold

Vanderbilt Stadium

39,773

natural grass

Bobby Johnson (6th)

Clemson, 1973

80-85 (.485)

[vucommoedors.com](http://vucommoedors.com)

#### WAKE FOREST

Winston-Salem, N.C.

1834

4,321

Atlantic Coast

Demon Deacons

Old Gold & Black

Groves Stadium

31,500

natural grass

Jim Grobe (13th)

Virginia, 1975

77-73-1 (.513)

[wakeforestsports.com](http://wakeforestsports.com)



# GAME NOTES

## COMMODORES SEEKING SIXTH VICTORY

On Saturday, Vanderbilt will try to do something it hasn't achieved in a quarter century – win its sixth game of the regular season when it travels to Knoxville to play the Demon Deacons.

The Commodores have lost three consecutive Southeastern Conference games, including narrow decisions to Kentucky and Tennessee, trying to reach the six-win plateau.

Vanderbilt posted its fifth victory Oct. 27 in Nashville – a 24-13 decision over Miami (Ohio). Last week, the Commodores dropped a narrow decision to No. 20 Kentucky, 27-20, in an attempt to become bowl eligible for the first time in 25 years.

This marks only the seventh season since the 'Dores' 8-4 1982 Hall of Fame Bowl campaign that Vanderbilt has reached five wins.

## PREP TEAMMATES FACE OFF SATURDAY

Several Vanderbilt players will face high school teammates when the Commodores host Wake Forest.

- **Bryant Hahnfeldt** (Jr., PK) and **Matt Bubis** (R-So., FB/TE) played at Montgomery Bell Academy, the same Nashville school that produced Demon Deacon **Joe Birdsong** (R-So., OT).

- **Darlron Spead** (R-So., CB) played in the same secondary at Camden County (Ga.) H.S., as did Wake Forest's **Kevin Patterson** (R-Jr., safety). In 2003, they helped the team to AAAAA state title.

- **Austin Monahan** (Fr., TE) played at Charlotte (N.C.) Country Day with WFU's **Andrew Conroy** (Jr., LB).

- **Kyle Fischer** (Fr. OT) and WFU's **Anthony Davis** (R-Jr., DE) both attended Spring Valley H.S. in Columbia, S.C.

- **Michael Garcia** (R-Fr., LB) and **Ryan van Rensburg** (Fr., TB) played at The Bolles School in Jacksonville, Fla. with **Riley Skinner** (R-So., QB), **John Russell** (R-So., DT) and **Cannon Gaskin** (R-Fr., OT).

- **John Stokes** (Fr., LB/SN) played at Memphis University School with WFU's **Russell Nenon** (R-Fr., OC)

- **T.J. Greenstone** (Fr., DT) and WFU's **Barrett McMillin** (R-So., OG) played at Collins Hill H.S. in Lawrenceville, Ga.

## COMMODORE COACHES WITH ACC TIES

Several Vanderbilt coaches, including Head Coach Bobby Johnson, have ties to the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Johnson played WR/DB at Clemson of the ACC. He later served as defensive coordinator at his alma mater in 1974.

Linebacker coach **Warren Belin** will face his alma mater Saturday. Belin was a three-year starter at linebacker for Wake Forest.

**Robbie Caldwell** (asst. head coach/offensive line) coached offensive lines for 11 years at North Carolina State and two years at North Carolina.

Offensive coordinator **Ted Cain** served a decade as the offensive coordinator at N.C. State from 1986-96. QB coach **Jimmy Kiser** followed Cain as N.C. State's coordinator, serving three years in the role. Kiser coached at N.C. State for 11 additional years.

WR coach **Charlie Fisher** worked two years as an offensive assistant with Kiser at N.C. State.

Secondary coach **Jamie Bryant** served one year as a defensive graduate assistant at North Carolina.

Director of Conditioning **John Sisk** worked five years with the Clemson strength staff.

## 17 TO PARTICIPATE IN SENIOR DAY ACTIVITIES

Seventeen Commodores will be honored Saturday prior to kickoff of the season finale vs. Wake Forest as part of Senior Day activities. The group includes 12 starters: six on defense and six on offense.

The full list of Senior Day participants follows:

<b>BRAD ALLEN</b> Tight End Venice, Fla.	<b>GABE HALL</b> Defensive Tackle Virginia Beach, Va.	<b>RICHARD KOVALCHECK</b> Quarterback San Diego, Calif.
<b>BRYANT ANDERSON</b> Wide Receiver Roswell, Ga.	<b>HAMILTON HOLLIDAY</b> Offensive Center Marietta, Ga.	<b>DOM MORAIS</b> Linebacker, Dayton, Texas
<b>MARCUS BUGGS</b> Linebacker Madison, Tenn.	<b>BRANDON HOLMES</b> Defensive Tackle Garland, Texas	<b>BRIAN STAMPER</b> Offensive Tackle Windermere, Fla.
<b>JOSH EAMES</b> Offensive Guard North Cape May, N.J.	<b>THEO HORROCKS</b> Defensive Tackle Fayetteville, Tenn.	<b>DAVID WHITTINGTON</b> Defensive Tackle Lafayette, La.
<b>CURTIS GATEWOOD</b> Defensive End Memphis, Tenn.	<b>CASSEN JACKSON-GARRISON</b> Running Back Knoxville, Tenn.	<b>CHRIS WILLIAMS</b> Offensive Tackle Glynn, La.
<b>JONATHAN GOFF</b> Linebacker Lynn, Mass.	<b>MERRITT KIRCHOFFER</b> Offensive Guard Roswell, Ga.	

## MOST HOME WINS SINCE 1987

Going into the season finale against Wake Forest, the Commodores are 4-3 in home games played in Vanderbilt Stadium. They are attempting to reach five victories on campus for the first time since 1982.

The four victories in Vanderbilt Stadium is the most by a Commodore squad since 1987. No Commodore squad has posted five home victories since the 1982 team went undefeated (6-0) in the stadium.

This season, the Commodores have a season-opening victory over Richmond, a SEC triumph over Ole Miss, and wins over Mid-American Conference members Eastern Michigan and Miami (Ohio). The losses have been to Alabama, Georgia and Kentucky.

The 4-3 record is part of Vanderbilt's first eight-game home schedule in more than a century.

## UNBEATEN NON-SEC RECORD AT STAKE

The Commodores will look to go through a season unbeaten in non-Southeastern Conference action for the first time in eight years when they host Wake Forest this Saturday.

Vanderbilt is 3-0 in non-conference action, having topped Richmond (41-17, Sept. 1), Eastern Michigan (30-7, Sept. 29) and Miami (Ohio) (24-13, Oct. 27).

The Demon Deacons will be the Commodores' stiffest non-SEC foe. Wake Forest is 7-3 in non-ACC games since Vanderbilt and Wake Forest last met in the 2005 season opener. The Deacons' lone non-conference losses have been a pair of losses to Nebraska and an Orange Bowl defeat at the hands of Louisville last season.

A Vanderbilt win will mark just the team's eighth unbeaten non-SEC campaign in the last 50 years. It most recently happened in 1999.

# SERIES ★ LAST GAME IN SERIES

## VANDERBILT-WAKE FOREST SERIES NOTES

- ★ Meeting Between Schools: 11th
- ★ Series Record: Vanderbilt leads, 7-3
- ★ Last Meeting: Vanderbilt 24-Wake Forest 20 (2005)
- ★ First Meeting: Vanderbilt 9-Wake Forest 6 (1964)
- ★ Last Game at Nashville: Vanderbilt 35-Wake Forest 14 (1994)
- ★ Last Game at Winston-Salem: Vanderbilt 24-WF 20 (2005)
- ★ Vanderbilt Record on Vanderbilt Campus: 3-2
- ★ Vanderbilt Record @ Wake Forest: 4-1
- ★ Longest Vanderbilt Win Streak: 4
- ★ Longest Vanderbilt Losing Streak: 3

**SERIES NOTES** In 2006, Vanderbilt and Wake Forest agreed to a seven-game football series every year through 2014 except 2009. The Commodores are 7-3 all-time against the Demon Deacons, the defending champion of the Atlantic Coast Conference.

In games played in Nashville, Vanderbilt is 3-2 all-time, including a 35-14 1994 victory, the most recent contest in Nashville. In games played in Winston-Salem, N.C., the Commodores are 4-1.

Vanderbilt is seeking to win its fifth consecutive game in the series.

In 2005 – the last time the teams played – QB **Jay Cutler** led a four-play, 49-yard touchdown drive late in the fourth quarter to help the Commodores to a 24-20 victory in Winston-Salem. The winning drive included a 28-yard Cutler toss to **Earl Bennett**, the first reception of Bennett's remarkable Vanderbilt career.

## VANDERBILT VS. THE ACC

Vanderbilt is 65-56-5 all-time against members of the Atlantic Coast Conference.

In the last 10 years, the Commodores are 7-2 vs. ACC opponents, with both losses coming against Georgia Tech. In the last 25 years, Vanderbilt has a 13-16 overall record against ACC members.

ACC MEMBER	VU RECORD VS.	LAST
Boston College	0-2-0	1963
Clemson	3-1-0	1960
Duke	7-3-0	2006
Georgia Tech	15-18-3	2003
Maryland	8-4-0	1987
Miami (Fla.)	4-4-0	1981
North Carolina	5-8-0	1982
North Carolina State	1-0-0	1946
Virginia	12-7-2	1975
Virginia Tech	3-6-0	1989
<i>Wake Forest</i>	<i>7-3-0</i>	<i>2005</i>
<b>Vanderbilt All-time vs ACC</b>	<b>65-56-5</b>	

## VANDERBILT VS. NORTH CAROLINA TEAMS

The Commodores are 20-14 all-time against teams located in the state of North Carolina:

TEAM	VU RECORD VS.	LAST
Duke	7-3	2006
North Carolina	5-8	1982
North Carolina State	1-0	1946
Wake Forest	7-3	2005

## 2005 RECAP ★ GAME 1

### VANDERBILT AT WAKE FOREST

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## VANDERBILT 24 WAKE FOREST 20

**WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.** – For the first time since 1993, the Commodores opened their season with a road victory, earning a 24-20 comeback over ACC foe Wake Forest. The game was aired nationally on ESPN.

The victory was sparked by a fourth quarter drive by senior QB Jay Cutler, who connected with freshman Earl Bennett to spark a 49-yard possession that ended with tailback Jeff Jennings' 5-yard TD carry.

After going ahead, the Commodore defense held the Demon Deacons out of the end zone. In the closing seconds, Wake Forest's last-gasp pass was knocked down by CB Josh Allen.

Cutler completed 25 of 36 passes for 276 yards and a TD, and added 89 rushing yards. Jennings had 43 rushing yards and two TDs. Marlon White had a game-high seven catches.

Andrew Pace, playing his first game at cornerback, finished with 10 tackles. Kelechi Ohanaja and Allen had nine and eight tackles, respectively.

### SCORING SUMMARY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	FINAL	RECORD
VANDERBILT	3	7	7	7	24	(1-0)
WAKE FOREST	3	3	7	7	20	(0-1)

**FIRST QUARTER:** WF - Swank 34-yd FG 11:14. VU - Hahnfeldt 34-yd FG 8:41.

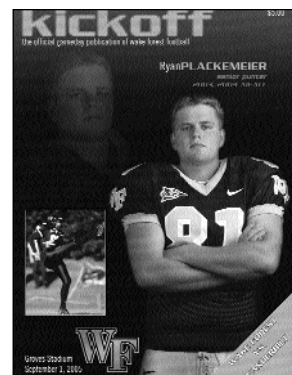
**SECOND QUARTER:** VU - White 20-yd pass from Cutler (Hahnfeldt kick) 14:26.

WF - Swank 22 yd field goal :00.

**THIRD QUARTER:** VU - Jennings 10 yd run (Hahnfeldt kick 5:00. WF - Belton 2-yd run (Swank kick) :03.

**FOURTH QUARTER:** WF - Mauk 1 yd run (Swank kick) 10:22. VU - Jennings 5-yd run (Hahnfeldt kick) 1:48.

TEAM STATISTICS	VANDERBILT	W. FOREST
FIRST DOWNS	24	26
RUSHING	30-146	51-274
PASSING	276	198
PASSES ATT-COMP-INT	36-25-1	26-15-0
TOTAL OFF. (#-YARDS)	66-422	77-472
KICKOFF RETURNS-YARDS	3-48	5-67
INT. RETURNS-YARDS	0-0	1-0
PUNTS (NUMBER-AVG)	4-34.2	4-33.8
FUMBLES-LOST	1-0	3-1
PENALTIES-YARDS	2-5	7-65
POSSESSION TIME	28:45	31:15
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	7 OF 13	5 OF 14
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	0 OF 1	1 OF 2
RED-ZONE SCORES-CHANCES	4-4	4-6
SACKS BY: NUMBER-YARDS	2-27	0-0



**RUSHING:** VU - Cutler 10-89; Jennings 8-43; Jackson-Garrison 7-10; Nickson 2-4; Bright 2-2; Team 1-(-2). WFU - Andrews 34-254; Mauk 13-15; Belton 4-5.

**PASSING:** VU - Cutler 25-36-1-276. WFU - Mauk 15-26-0-198.

**RECEIVING:** VU - White 7-89; Davis 6-59; Dunning 4-46; Jennings 3-16; Smith 2-14; Bennett 1-28; Bright 1-13; Cassen Jackson-Garrison 1-11. WFU - Davis, 6-41; Morton, N 5-85; Marion, 1-45; Andrews 1-33; Idlette 1-0; Belton 1-(-6).

# NOTES ★ COMPARISONS

## NOTES FROM TENNESSEE GAME

**RARE LOSS WITHOUT TURNOVER:** For the first time since more than a year, Vanderbilt lost a game in which it did not have a turnover and owned an advantage in the critical turnover margin category.

The 'Dores had their first miscue-free game of the season, and their first since hosting Arkansas early in the 2006 season. That game, a 21-19 loss, was also the last time Vanderbilt dropped a decision when it did not commit a turnover.

It also marks the team's first loss this season when it had an advantage in turnover margin. The 'Dores were 3-0 in similar games.

For the season, the Commodores are even in turnover margin: committing and forcing 20 total turnovers.

**ADAMS IMPROVEMENT CONTINUES:** QB **Mackenzi Adams** (R-So.) continues to show improvement in his first year as a starter.

One week after setting career highs in completions and passing yards, Adams added another career best by throwing three touchdowns. It is just Adams' fifth career start.

Adams, who took every offensive snap for the second straight game, connected on scoring strikes with TE **Brad Allen**, TB **Jeff Jennings** and WR **George Smith**. It was the first career TD reception by Allen.

Adams also completed passes to seven different receivers for the second straight week. With favorite target **Earl Bennett** missing much of the second half, Adams connected with a pair of rare targets – **Alex Washington** (WR, R-So.) and **Justin Wheeler** (WR, R-So.) for three receptions each.

**GOFF, LANGFORD STANDOUT:** **Reshard Langford** (R-Jr, safety) and **Jonathan Goff** (R-Sr.) played superbly for the 'Dores, sharing Defensive Player of the Week honors. Langford posted a career-high 11 total tackles against the Vols. Goff matched a career high with 14 total tackles. They also shared on a tackle for loss.

**SEASON-BEST PUNTING EFFORT FOR UPSON** Sophomore Brett Upson's best punting performance of the season was mired by a 45-yard Tennessee return that eventually led to their winning field goal.

Upson averaged 46 yards on six punts, including a 59-yarder that was his longest of the season. After starting the season slowly, Upson has pushed his punting average to 39.3 yards.

**FOUR POSSESSIONS/FOUR SCORES:** Vanderbilt scored all of its points on four consecutive possessions that came in the second and third quarters.

Vanderbilt's first score came on a 17-play drive that consumed 9:02 of the clock – both season highs. The Commodores took its following possession 76 yards for a TD. Late in the first half, a fumble recovery by **Patrick Benoist** resulted in a 33-yard Hahnfeldt FG. Vanderbilt also then took its first drive of the second half 75 yards for a TD.

The Commodore offense controlled 10 minutes of clock in the second and third quarters. Vanderbilt ended the game with a 33:42-26:18 advantage in time of possession.

**THIRD DOWN DEFENSE:** The Vanderbilt defense, which held the Vols to 350 total yards, also limited Tennessee to just two of 12 conversions on third downs.

**MOORE BACK AS RETURNER:** Late in the game, **D.J. Moore** made a huge play as a return specialist, taking the final Vol kickoff 55 yards to give Vanderbilt a chance at the game-winning FG.

## TEAM STATISTICAL COMPARISONS

	VANDERBILT	WAKE FOREST
	(AFTER WEEK 13)	
<b>TEAM RECORD</b>	5-6/2-6	7-3/5-3
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>	243	307
<b>TOUCHDOWNS SCORED</b>	30	37
<b>POINTS ALLOWED</b>	240	262
<b>TOUCHDOWNS ALLOWED</b>	28	32
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>	209	206
RUSHING	98	89
PASSING	86	103
PENALTY	25	14
<b>RUSHING YARDAGE</b>	1786	1569
YARDS GAINED RUSHING	2043	1918
YARDS LOST RUSHING	[257]	[349]
RUSHING ATTEMPTS	453	471
AVERAGE PER RUSH	3.9	3.3
AVERAGE PER GAME	162.4	142.6
TDs RUSHING	13	17
<b>PASSING YARDAGE</b>	1784	2149
<b>ATT-COMP-INT</b>	297-161-10	323-229-14
AVERAGE PER PASS	6.0	6.7
AVERAGE PER CATCH	11.1	9.4
AVERAGE PER GAME	162.2	195.4
TDs PASSING	15	10
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE</b>	3570	3718
TOTAL PLAYS	750	794
AVERAGE PER PLAY	4.8	4.7
AVERAGE PER GAME	324.8	338.0
<b>KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS</b>	45-1062	46-1063
AVERAGE KICK RETURN	23.6	23.1
<b>PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS</b>	30-251	26-300
AVERAGE PUNT RETURN	8.4	11.5
<b>INTERCEPTION RETURNS: #-YARDS</b>	15-110	16-398
AVERAGE INT. RETURN	7.3	24.9
<b>FUMBLES/FUMBLES LOST</b>	22-10	12-7
<b>OPP. FUMBLES/FUMBLES RECOVERED</b>	13-5	20-13
<b>PENALTIES-YARDS</b>	534-444	59-547
AVERAGE PER GAME	40.4	49.7
<b>PUNTS-YARDS</b>	53-2084	62-2438
AVERAGE PER PUNT	39.3	39.3
NET PUNT AVERAGE	32.5	34.5
<b>TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME</b>	31:48	32:08
<b>3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS</b>	68/165	74/181
3RD DOWN PCT.	41%	41%
<b>4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS</b>	11/18	9/18
4TH DOWN PCT.	61%	50%
<b>FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS</b>	12/19	16/19



# 2007 PARTICIPATION ★ NOTES

## VANDERBILT ACTIVE PLAYER PARTICIPATION

PLAYER	POSITION	2007 GAMES PLAYED	2007 STARTS	CAREER GAMES PLAYED	CAREER STARTS	CONSECUTIVE CAREER STARTS
Mackenzi Adams	QB	11	5	24	5	5
Brad Allen	TE	11	9	33	14	3
Josh Allen	CB	11	1	33	10	-
Bryant Anderson	WR	10	-	30	1	-
Joey Bailey	C	4	-	4	-	-
Earl Bennett	WR	11	11	34	31	31
Patrick Benoist	LB	8	4	17	5	4
Greg Billinger	DT	10	-	22	-	-
Jake Bradford	TE	11	2	23	2	-
Brandon Bryant	LB	7	3	19	3	-
Matt Bubis	FB	10	-	12	-	-
Marcus Buggs	LB	11	11	44	27	24
Joel Caldwell	CB	11	-	21	11	-
Nate Campbell	LB	11	-	11	-	-
Ryan Custer	OG	11	-	23	2	-
Josh Eames	OL	11	11	37	31	13
Jared Fagan	CB	11	-	34	2	-
Michael Garcia	LB	5	-	5	-	-
Drew Gardner	OL	10	-	16	-	-
Curtis Gatewood	DE	11	11	45	23	23
Jonathan Goff	LB	11	11	44	39	39
Justin Green	TE	9	-	9	-	-
Gabe Hall	DT	11	11	42	11	11
Bryant Hahnfeldt	PK	11	11	34	34	34
Ryan Hamilton	S	11	11	23	20	18
Jared Hawkins	TB	10	-	22	-	-
Eric Hensley	OL	6	-	17	-	-
Hamilton Holliday	OL	11	11	41	25	23
Brandon Holmes	DT	2	-	8	-	-
Theo Horrocks	DT	11	11	42	33	25
Cassen Jackson-Garrison	TB	11	8	43	22	4
Jeff Jennings	TB	10	2	34	13	-
Chris Johnson	LB	11	-	22	-	-
Theron Kadri	DE	11	-	11	-	-
Merritt Kirchoffer	OG	11	11	38	21	12
Richard Kovalcheck	QB	3	-	6	-	-
Reshard Langford	SS	11	11	37	34	34
Reilly Lauer	DE	2	-	2	-	-
John Laughrey	PK	2	-	2	-	-
Myron Lewis	CB	11	11	21	11	11
Gaston Miller	TB	-	-	8	-	-
Nick Miller	SN	4	-	16	-	-
Austin Monahan	TE	8	-	8	-	-
D.J. Moore	CB	11	11	23	20	11
Austin Newton	LB	8	-	8	-	-
Chris Nickson	QB	8	7	26	19	-
Kennard Reeves	RB	11	-	11	-	-
Chris Reinert	WR	6	-	8	-	-
Larry Simmons	WR	-	-	2	-	-
George Smith	WR	11	11	34	25	15
Adam Smotherman	DT	7	-	7	-	-
Darlon Spead	CB	10	3	22	3	-
Brian Stamper	OT	11	11	49	47	11
Broderick Stewart	DE	11	-	23	-	-
John Stokes	LB/SN	11	-	11	-	-
Steven Stone	DE	11	11	23	11	11
Alan Strong	CB	8	-	8	-	-
Brent Trice	S	11	-	23	-	-
Brett Upson	P	11	11	23	23	23
Ryan Vance	OL	2	-	3	-	-
Brad Vierling	OG	11	-	24	-	-
Sean Walker	WR	11	9	30	15	1
Alex Washington	WR	11	-	23	-	-
Thomas Welch	OT	11	-	20	-	-
Justin Wheeler	WR	11	-	20	-	-
David Whittington	DT	11	-	24	-	-
Chris Williams	OT	11	11	34	32	32

## SEASON NOTES

**STATS AS CLOSE AS RECORD** Statistics continue to tell the story of Vanderbilt Football 2007 – it's been close.

The Commodores' season stats virtually mirror the team's 5-6 overall record and its last recent game, a 25-24 heartbreaker at Tennessee.

- Vanderbilt holds a slim, three-point advantage in total points over its 11 opponents (243-240).
- Vanderbilt has scored two more TDs than its opponents (30-28).
- Vanderbilt is averaging 324.5 yards of total offense, 3.4 yards less than its opponents.
- Vanderbilt maintains a 209-199 edge in total first downs.
- Both Vanderbilt and its opponents have 20 turnovers.
- Vanderbilt has punted once more than its opponents; and returned one less kickoff.

### MOORE TOP KICKOFF RETURNER IN YEARS

Sophomore **D.J. Moore** is putting together one of the finest seasons ever by a Vanderbilt return specialist.

Moore established a team record for most kickoff return yardage in a season in the Tennessee game. With 68 yards in returns, Moore has 812 yards in KO returns, eclipsing the former team mark of 792 yards set by Tony Jackson in 1992.

Moore is averaging 28.0 yards per return, third in the SEC and the highest ever by a Vanderbilt player with a minimum of 10 returns. Only two Commodores in history – Phil King in 1957 (30.0 avg. on eight returns) and J.P. Moore in 1946 (32.2 avg. on five returns) have finished the season with a higher average.

**DEFENSE CONTINUES SOLID PLAY** The Vanderbilt defense has limited its last five opponents – four of which were ranked when the teams met – to an average of fewer than 100 rushing yards.

The last five opponents are averaging 99 rushing yards against the 'Dore defense. That average also includes a 210-yard total by Florida in Gainesville.

The unit ranks favorably with outstanding Commodore defenses of the past. The unit's current average offense allowed – 327.9 yards – would rank fifth lowest since the 1974 Peach Bowl season. It also would be best yearly performance by a Commodore defense when the 1999 unit held opponents to 315.5 yards.

**GOFF REACHES 100-TACKLE PLATEAU** Senior LB **Jonathan Goff** posted 14 total tackles vs. Tennessee, giving him a single-season career high of 100 tackles this year. His previous high was 93 tackles last year.

Other Commodore defensive players having their best years in terms of tackles are CB **D.J. Moore**, 76 tackles; LB **Marcus Buggs**, 71 tackles; safety **Ryan Hamilton**, 61 tackles; safety **Reshard Langford**, 58 tackles; CB **Myron Lewis**, 41 tackles; and DT **Gabe Hall**, 26 tackles.

### MORE SEASON TIDBITS:

- In its last eight games, the Commodores are averaging 173 rushing yards, but has failed to reach 200 passing yards in any one of the games.
- After the first two games this season, Vanderbilt ranked last in the SEC in time of possession. Entering the finale, the Commodores are 12th in the NCAA in the category and second in the league.

Utilizing an efficient rushing attack, the 'Dores have been superb in ball control for the last five weeks, maintaining more than 6:00 advantage in time of possession.

# STAT RANKINGS ★ PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

## 2007 SEC, NCAA STAT RANKINGS

TEAM CATEGORY	AVG.	SEC	NCAA
Scoring Offense	22.1	11	95
Scoring Defense	21.8	4	29
Total Offense	324.5	11	105
Rushing Offense	162.4	5	49
Passing Offense	162.2	12	113
Total Defense	327.9	4	25
Rushing Defense	126.2	6	35
Passing Defense	201.7	6	22
Punt Returns	8.4	7	68
Kickoff Returns	23.6	2	20
Net Punting	32.5	12	97
Turnover Margin	+0	9	59
Pass Efficiency	114.6	10	94
Defensive Pass Efficiency	117.6	7	38
Penalties (Total)	5.1	2	T-12
Penalty Yardage	40.4	2	7
Third Down Conversion %	41.2%	T-6	T-47
Third-Down Conversion % (opponent)	36.6%	5	38
Quarterback Sacks	27	3	33
Quarterback Sacks Allowed	15	5	26
Pass Interceptions	15	T-3	T-27
Time of Possession	31:47	2	12
Offense in Red Zone %	37/52 71.2%	11	
Defense in Red Zone %	33/40 82.5%	8	
First Downs	19.0	9	
First Downs Allowed	18.1	T-3	
INDIVIDUAL OFF. CATEGORIES	AVG.	SEC	NCAA
Mackenzi Adams	Passing Efficiency	118.9	8
	Total Offense	115.7	11
Earl Bennett	Receptions	6.3	T-1 T-26
	Receiving Yards	69.5	7 64
C. Jackson-Garrison	Rushing	53.0	12
Chris Nickson	Passing Efficiency	115.2	11
INDIVIDUAL DEF. CATEGORIES	AVG.	SEC	NCAA
Marcus Buggs	Tackles for Loss	1.1	T-7 T-45
	Total Tackles	6.5	18
	Sacks	.27	T-22
Jonathan Goff	Total Tackles	8.1	3 T-51
	Solo Tackles	5.0	T-5 T-66
	Interceptions	2	T-21
	Sacks	.27	T-22
Myron Lewis	Passed Defensed	1.1	T-6 T-17
D.J. Moore	Total Tackles	6.9	T-12
	Solo Tackles	5.1	5 T-32
	Interceptions	5	T-3 T-27
	Passes Defensed	1.3	T-3 T-9
	All-Purpose Yards	85.8	14
Reshard Langford	Interceptions	2	T-21
Broderick Stewart	Sacks	.45	T-10 T-98
Steven Stone	Sacks	.27	T-22
SPECIAL TEAM CATEGORIES	AVG.	SEC	NCAA
Bryant Hahnfeldt	Scoring (by kicker)	63 pts.	10
	Field Goals Made	12	9 T-67
D.J. Moore	Kick Return Avg.	28.0	3 23
Alex Washington	Punt Returns	8.0	8 59
Brett Upson	Punting	39.3	9 95

## PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

### RICHMOND (W, 41-17, 9/1)

**OFFENSIVE PLAYERS OF WEEK:** Earl Bennett, WR;  
Chris Nickson, QB

**DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Ryan Hamilton, safety

**SPECIALIST OF WEEK:** Bryant Hahnfeldt, PK

### ALABAMA (L, 10-24, 9/8)

**OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Chris Williams, LT

**DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Marcus Buggs, LB

**SPECIALIST OF WEEK:** D.J. Moore, KR/PR

### OLE MISS (W, 31-17, 9/15)

**OFFENSIVE PLAYERS OF WEEK:** Josh Eames, LG;  
Cassen Jackson-Garrison, TB

**DEFENSIVE PLAYERS OF WEEK:** Jonathan Goff, LB;  
Theo Horrocks, DT

**SPECIALIST OF WEEK:** D.J. Moore, KR

### EASTERN MICHIGAN (W, 30-7, 9/29)

**OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Sean Walker, WR

**DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Defensive unit

**SPECIALIST OF WEEK:** Brandon Bryant, coverage units

### AUBURN (L, 7-35, 10/6)

**OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Chris Williams, LT

**DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Myron Lewis, CB

**SPECIALISTS OF WEEK:** Jared Hawkins, coverage units;  
Alex Washington, PR

### GEORGIA (L, 17-20, 10/13)

**OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Mackenzi Adams, QB

**DEFENSIVE PLAYERS OF WEEK:** Jonathan Goff, LB;  
Reshard Langford, safety

**SPECIALISTS OF WEEK:** Chris Johnson, coverage units;  
Jared Hawkins, coverage units

### SOUTH CAROLINA (W, 17-6, 10/20)

**OFFENSIVE PLAYERS OF WEEK:** Brad Allen, TE;  
George Smith, WR

**DEFENSIVE PLAYERS OF WEEK:** Patrick Benoist, LB;  
D.J. Moore, CB

**SPECIALISTS OF WEEK:** Brett Upson, punter

### MIAMI (OHIO) (W, 24-13, 10/27)

**OFFENSIVE PLAYERS OF WEEK:** Brian Stamper, OT  
Hamilton Holliday, center

**DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Theo Horrocks, DT

**SPECIALISTS OF WEEK:** Brent Trice, coverage units

### FLORIDA (L, 22-49, 11/3)

**OFFENSIVE PLAYERS OF WEEK:** None

**DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Reshard Langford, safety

**SPECIALISTS OF WEEK:** Bryant Hahnfeldt, PK

### KENTUCKY (L, 20-27, 11/10)

**OFFENSIVE PLAYERS OF WEEK:** Merritt Kirchoffer, OG

**DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Broderick Stewart, DE

**SPECIALISTS OF WEEK:** Thomas Welch, Return/Punt

### TENNESSEE (L, 24-25, 11/17)

**OFFENSIVE PLAYERS OF WEEK:** Chris Williams, OT

**DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK:** Jonathan Goff, LB

**SPECIALISTS OF WEEK:** Reshard Langford, safety  
Joel Caldwell, coverage

Brett Upson, punter



# COMMODORE NOTES

## HOLLIDAY, BENOIST EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

**Hamilton Holliday** (Sr., center, Marietta, Ga.) and **Patrick Benoist** (So., LB, Southlake, Texas) received District IV first-team academic honors last week.

Both Holliday, a two-year starter on the offensive line, and Benoist, a first-year starter on an improved defensive unit, now are eligible for *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-American recognition presented by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Holliday, a second team District IV recipient last year, was recognized for his outstanding play and his 3.29 GPA in engineering science. Holliday was the SEC's top offensive lineman of the week after an excellent performance in Vanderbilt's win over Miami (Ohio), a game that witnessed the Commodores rush for nearly 300 yards.

Benoist missed the first three games with an injury, but has been a valuable addition since his return, contributing 28 tackles. He ranks second on the team with four QB sacks. Benoist holds a 3.37 GPA while working toward a degree in Economics from the College of Arts and Science.

Holliday and Benoist are trying to become the first CoSIDA national All-America recipients since LB Hunter Hillenmeyer was honored in 2002, and later garnered the National Football Foundation's prestigious National Scholar-Athlete Award.

## JOHNSON EIGHTH VU COACH TO 20 WINS

**Bobby Johnson** became the eighth head coach in team history to guide at least 20 Commodore victories when he reached the plateau when Vanderbilt defeated Miami (Ohio) 24-13 on Oct. 27.

Johnson is the first Commodore coach to accomplish the feat since George MacIntyre, who directed the program from 1979-85.

While Johnson's overall coaching record at Vanderbilt is 20-48, his teams are 14-19 since the 2005 opener. It's the most victories in a three-year span since Gerry DiNardo's squads went 14-19 (1992-94).

## VANDERBILT AMONG SEC LEADERS IN SACKS

The Vanderbilt defense ranks second in the Southeastern Conference – and 23rd in the nation – with 27 quarterback sacks. The unit trails only LSU's 31-sack total.

Last Saturday, the Commodores hurried Tennessee QB Erik Ainge frequently, but did not garner any sack. Two weeks before, the 'Dores had three sacks and more than a dozen pressures on Kentucky QB Andre Woodson.

DE **Broderick Stewart** (R-So.) leads the team with five sacks.

The 27-sack total is the most ever by a Bobby Johnson-coached Vanderbilt unit, topping the former best of 25 QB sacks in 2005.

The team record for sacks was set in 1994 when the Commodores produced 38 sacks.

### COMMODORE LEADERS – YEARLY QB SACK TOTALS

	YEAR	TOTAL SACKS	SEASON LEADER (TOTAL)
1.	1994	38	James Manley (9)
2.	1999	31	Matt Stewart (6.5)
3.	1992	28	Gary Rogers (6)
T-4.	2007	27	Broderick Stewart (5)
T-4.	1996	27	Jamie Duncan (6)
T-4.	1995	27	Jay Stallworth (6)

## O-LINE ONE OF NCAA'S MOST EXPERIENCED

The Vandy offensive line features five seniors – all returning starters from a year ago.

The veteran unit includes All-SEC performers **Chris Williams** and **Brian Stamper** at tackle, **Josh Eames** and **Merritt Kirchoffer** at guard and **Hamilton Holliday** at center.

None of the five have missed a starting assignment this season. Williams enters the Wake Forest game with 32 consecutive starts.

LINEMAN	TOTAL GAMES	TOTAL STARTS
Chris Williams, LT	34	32
Josh Eames, LG	37	31
Hamilton Holliday, C	41	25
Merritt Kirchoffer, RG	37	21
Brian Stamper, RT	49	47
<b>Totals</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>156</b>

## JACKSON-GARRISON NINTH ALL-TIME RUSHER

**Cassen Jackson-Garrison** (Sr., TB) moved into ninth place all-time in Vanderbilt's career rushing charts at Tennessee. After totaling 83 rushing yards for the second consecutive week against the Vols, Jackson-Garrison has 1,803 yards for his career. He passed **Dean Davidson** (1,731 yards, 1947-50) during the effort.

Jackson-Garrison needs 28 rushing yards to break his personal single-season rushing high (614 yards, 2006).

### COMMODORE LEADERS – CAREER RUSHING

NAME	ATT.	YARDS	AVG.	TD
1. Frank Mordica, 1976-79	546	2,632	4.8	18
2. Carl Woods, 1983-86	619	2,490	4.0	15
3. Jamie O'Rourke, 1971, 73-74	498	2,202	4.4	20
4. Jermaine Johnson, 1993-95	486	2,152	4.4	13
5. Jared McGrath, 1997-2000	492	2,151	4.4	9
6. Lonnie Sadler, 1972-75	569	2,096	3.7	8
7. Rodney Williams, 1998-2001	452	2,021	4.5	16
8. Everett Crawford, 1984-87	395	1,814	4.6	12
9. <i>Cassen Jackson-Garrison, 2004-07</i>	<i>398</i>	<i>1,803</i>	<i>4.5</i>	<i>18</i>
10. Dean Davidson, 1947-50	337	1,731	5.1	25

## GOFF AMONG SEC'S TOP ACTIVE TACKLERS

Senior LB **Jonathan Goff** ranks third among active Southeastern Conference players in total tackles and solo tackles. Goff matched a career high with 14 total tackles at Tennessee last Saturday.

Goff has played well down the stretch. In addition to the effort at Tennessee, he has posted 11 total tackles and a sack vs. Miami, and matched career highs versus Georgia with 12 solo tackles.

### SEC ACTIVE CAREER LEADERS – TOTAL TACKLES

TACKLES	PLAYER, POSITION, SCHOOL
351	Wesley Woodyard, LB, Kentucky
295	Jonathan Hefney, safety, Tennessee
291	<b>Jonathan Goff</b> , LB, Vanderbilt

### SEC ACTIVE CAREER LEADERS – SOLO TACKLES

TACKLES	PLAYER, POSITION, SCHOOL
236	Wesley Woodyard, LB, Kentucky
208	Jonathan Hefney, safety, Tennessee
201	<b>Jonathan Goff</b> , LB, Vanderbilt

# COMMODORE NOTES

## CONTROLLING THE CLOCK

Vanderbilt ranks second in the SEC and among the NCAA leaders in ball control. The Commodores are averaging 31:36 in time of possession, 14th best in the nation. Only LSU's 31:55 average is better in the SEC.

The Commodores strengthened their success in ball control against Kentucky, finishing the game with a commanding 35:52-24:08 edge in time of possession. Vanderbilt had the football for more than 11 minutes of the fourth quarter, but could score only one touchdown in the final stanza.

Vanderbilt started the season struggling in time of possession, failing to control the ball for 27 minutes in either of its first two games. The team has fared better as the season has endured. In the last four games, Vanderbilt has averaged a 6-minute advantage in time of possession.

## BUGGS CONTINUES AS DEFENSIVE PLAYMAKER

**Marcus Buggs** (R-Sr., LB) continues to be one of the Commodores top defensive playmakers. He had eight total tackles, a tackle for loss and two QB hurries against Tennessee.

The product of Madison, Tenn., tops the Vanderbilt defense with 12 tackles for loss, one year after posting a team-high 10.5 tackles for loss.

Buggs is enjoying his best year in a Commodore uniform. The linebacker has 71 total tackles, a career high. He has also matched his career high in solo tackles (40) entering the season finale.

Buggs is trying to become the first defender to lead the team in tackles for loss in consecutive seasons since All-America LB Jamie Winborn accomplished the feat in 1998-99.

### COMMODORE LEADERS – TACKLES FOR LOSS

YEAR	LEADER	TACKLES FOR LOSS
2007	<i>Marcus Buggs</i>	12.0
2006	<i>Marcus Buggs</i>	10.5
2005	Moses Osemwegie	9.5
2004	Osemwegie/Robert Dinwiddie	6.0
2003	Jovan Haye	12.5

## ADAMS AMONG TOP SOPHOMORE PASSERS

**Mackenzi Adams** has thrown for 987 yards this season, the eighth highest passing total ever by a Vanderbilt sophomore quarterback.

Adams passed Van Heflin (984 yards, 1978) and Whit Taylor (899 yards, 1980) on the list of passing yards by a second-year player.

Adams needs 177 passing yards in the finale to join the all-time top five Vanderbilt sophomore passers.

### COMMODORE LEADERS – SOPHOMORE PASSERS

SOPHOMORE QB, YEAR	PASSING YARDS
1. Jay Cutler, 2003	2,347
2. <b>Chris Nickson</b> , 2006	2,085
3. Greg Zolman, 1999	2,059
4. Fred Fisher, 1973	1,450
5. John Miller, 1968	1,164
6. Mike Healey, 1990	1,041
7. Ronnie Gordon, 1994	991
8. <b>Mackenzi Adams</b> , 2007	987

## OFFENSE EMPHASIZING RUSHING ATTACK

An emphasis on running the ball has proved beneficial to the Commodores' success. Twice in the last month, Vanderbilt has topped 200 rushing yards.

The Commodores rushed for 239 yards against Kentucky. Three weeks ago, Vanderbilt rushed for a season-high 290 yards in the win over Miami (Ohio) on Oct. 27. It was the Commodores' highest rushing total since accumulating 344 yards in a 49-18 victory over Furman on Sept. 7, 2002, and the most against a BCS-Bowl Subdivision opponent since racking up 338 rushing yards in a 42-28 win at Duke (Oct. 27, 2001).

The Commodores rushed for 131 yards in the 25-24 loss at Tennessee.

Vanderbilt is succeeding in the rushing game by committee. TB **Cassen Jackson-Garrison** leads the team with 583 rushing yards, followed by TB **Jeff Jennings** (338 yards), QB **Mackenzi Adams** (289 yards), TB **Jared Hawkins** (267 yards) and QB **Chris Nickson** (178 yards).

The rushing output vs. Miami is the second highest ever by a Bobby Johnson-directed Commodore squad. The ten highest Vanderbilt rushing accumulations in Johnson's six-year tenure follows:

YARDS	OPPONENT	DATE
344	vs. Furman	Sept. 7, 2002
290	vs. Miami (Ohio)	Oct. 27, 2007
284	vs. Chattanooga	Sept. 6, 2003
279	vs. Temple	Sept. 30, 2006
257	at Ole Miss	Sept. 21, 2002
254	vs. Florida	Nov. 6, 2004
246	vs. Kentucky	Nov. 15, 2003
240	vs. Arkansas	Sept. 16, 2006
239	vs. Kentucky	Nov. 10, 2007

## SPECIAL TEAMS – TALE OF TWO HALVES

Vanderbilt special teams were solid for most of the Tennessee game. **Brett Upson** enjoyed his finest punting effort of the season, **Bryant Hahnfeldt** was converting on field goals, and coverage teams were limiting Volunteer yardage.

Just when the Commodores needed its best special teams play, two second half breakdowns in coverage lead to a Tennessee rally that likely resulted in the Volunteer comeback win.

- A 15-yard roughing the kicker penalty that came late in the third quarter with Vanderbilt leading 24-9 turned momentum in the game. Six plays later, a UT TD brought the margin to eight points.

- With Vanderbilt holding a 24-22 lead, the Vols returned an Upson punt 45 yards to the Vanderbilt 25, setting up the go-ahead field goal.

## SEVENTEEN PLAYERS STARTED EVERY GAME

Nineteen Commodores have started every game this season.

Defensive starters in all 11 games are DEs **Curtis Gatewood** and **Steven Stone**, DTs **Theo Horrocks** and **Gabe Hall**, LBs **Jonathan Goff** and **Marcus Buggs**, CBs **Myron Lewis** and **D.J. Moore**, and safeties **Reshard Langford** and **Ryan Hamilton**.

On offense, nine-game starters are OTs **Chris Williams** and **Brian Stamper**, OGs **Merritt Kirchoffer** and **Josh Eames**, center **Hamilton Holliday**, and WRs **Earl Bennett** and **George Smith**.

Both specialists, placekicker **Bryant Hahnfeldt** and punter **Brett Upson**, also have started all 10 games for the Commodores.



# COMMODORE NOTES

## GOFF WEARS DOSTER PATCH AGAIN

The "KD1" jersey patch, one of the most significant recognitions awarded by Vanderbilt players, is being worn for the second consecutive season by standout linebacker and co-captain **Jonathan Goff**.

The patch honors the memory of Kwane Doster, the only Commodore ever to receive the SEC Freshman of the Year Award. Doster was shot and killed in his hometown of Tampa, Fla., on Dec. 26, 2004.

Goff, a redshirt senior and two-time team captain, is the only Commodore to have the patch. It was initiated last season by Head Coach Bobby Johnson.

"It is a great honor to be elected by my teammates to honor Kwane. I will wear it again with great pride," Goff said.

The Doster legacy continues this season at Vanderbilt football program. Jermaine Doster, younger brother of former Commodore standout, is a freshman running back prospect.

## STAMPER, JENNINGS BACK FROM INJURIES

A pair of former standouts who missed all or most of the 2006 campaign, **Brian Stamper** (R-Sr., OT) and **Jeff Jennings** (R-Jr., TB), have returned to action this year. Stamper has started every game at right tackle, while Jennings has started twice and played a key role in eight games.

Stamper, a 47-game career starter, underwent career-threatening back surgery last year after the pain became too much early in the season. He was granted a medical redshirt and fifth year of eligibility last winter after he and the team petitioned the NCAA. Jennings, who has compiled 15 career rushing TDs, sat out the entire 2006 season to rehabilitate the injured leg.

## JOHNSON'S STAFF MARKED BY FEW CHANGES

When Bobby Johnson arrived at Vanderbilt, he held the belief that consistency on the coaching staff would lead to more stability in the program and greater chances for team success. He has put the principle into action as head coach of the Commodore program.

Since arriving prior to the 2001 season, Johnson has made just two changes to his coaching staff – **Kenny Carter** replaced J.D. Hall in 2004 and **Rick Logo** replaced David Turner in 2006. Under Johnson, Vanderbilt has experienced the fewest coaching changes in the SEC.

The coaching staff has multiple links dating back three decades to 1976 – Johnson's initial year in collegiate coaching when he served as a defensive ends assistant at Furman.

## VANDY ROSTER INCLUDES PREP TEAMMATES

The Commodore roster features several players who competed on the same high school team, then followed each other to Nashville.

- Redshirt senior **Merritt Kirchoffer** and junior **Josh Allen** attended Roswell H.S. near Atlanta. Allen and Kirchoffer are likely to start at cornerback and offensive guard, respectively.
- Redshirt sophomore DT **Derrius Dowell** and redshirt freshman CB **Alan Strong** were standouts at Douglass H.S. in Atlanta.
- Sophomore CB **D.J. Moore** and redshirt freshman DE **Terrial Brannon** were classmates at Broome H.S. in Spartanburg, S.C.
- Junior PK **Bryant Hahnfeldt** and redshirt sophomore FB **Matt Bubis** were classmates at Montgomery Bell Academy in Nashville.

## PAIR OF SEVEN-SACK EFFORTS THIS SEASON

The Vanderbilt defense has twice equalled the Commodores' single-game record for quarterbacks sacks this season.

The unit initially matched the record with seven sacks in a 31-17 win over Ole Miss on Sept. 15. On Oct. 20, the defense duplicated the feat in Columbia, S.C., in a 17-6 victory over the No. 6 Gamecocks. The Commodores added five more sacks in a 24-13 win over Miami (Ohio) in Nashville.

The unit posted three sacks versus Kentucky and have 27 this season, third in the SEC behind LSU and Georgia. It is the most sacks by the team since 1999 and ties for the fifth most ever by a 'Dores. The defense did not record a sack at Tennessee.

Statistics since the 1984 season – when quarterback sacks officially became a defensive stat – reveals that no Commodore unit has produced more sacks in a game than the seven achieved against Ole Miss and South Carolina.

### COMMODORE LEADERS – QUARTERBACK SACKS

PLAYER	QB SACKS
1. Broderick Stewart	5.0
2. Patrick Benoist	4.0
T-3. Marcus Buggs	3.0
T-3. Jonathan Goff	3.0
T-3. Steven Stone	3.0

## NUMEROUS STARTERS BACK FOR 'DORES

Eighteen position players that started multiple games in 2006 were in the starting lineup for the 'Dore season opener. Both kicking specialists for the 'Dores also returned.

Offensive starters back in familiar roles are QB **Chris Nickson**, TB **Cassen Jackson-Garrison**, TE **Brad Allen**, WR **Earl Bennett**, WR **George Smith**, LT **Chris Williams**, LG **Josh Eames**, C **Hamilton Holliday**, RG **Merritt Kirchoffer** and RT **Brian Stamper**.

Returning starters on defense were DE **Curtis Gatewood**, DT **Theo Horrocks**, MLB **Jonathan Goff**, OLB **Marcus Buggs**, CB **D.J. Moore**, SS **Reshard Langford**, and FS **Ryan Hamilton**.

## THIRTEEN 'DORES SEEING INITIAL ACTION

Thirteen Commodores, including three true freshmen, have enjoyed their initial collegiate action in the opening four games this season.

Redshirt freshmen seeing their initial action includes RB **Kennard Reeves**, TE **Justin Green**, LB **Nathan Campbell**, LB **Michael Garcia**, DE **Reilly Lauer**, LB **Austin Newton**, OC **Joey Bailey**, CB **Alan Strong**, DT **Adam Smotherman** and PK **John Laughrey**. True freshmen LB/SN **John Stokes**, DE **Theron Kadri** and TE **Austin Monahan** have played.

## SIX NEW DEFENSIVE STARTERS THIS SEASON

**Patrick Benoist** (So., LB) became the sixth first-time defensive starter this season when he was in the opening lineup at Auburn. Other new defensive starters are LB **Brandon Bryant**, DT **Gabe Hall**, DE **Steven Stone**, CB **Myron Lewis** and CB **Darlron Spead**.

The offense has two new starters: QB **Mackenzi Adams** and TE **Jake Bradford**. Both made their first start at South Carolina.

# TRACKING EARL BENNETT

## JUNIOR STANDOUT IS SEC'S CAREER LEADER IN RECEPTIONS

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Biletnikoff Award semifinalist **Earl Bennett** added to the Southeastern Conference career receiving record he broke a month ago by catching two yards in limited action during Vanderbilt's 25-24 loss to Tennessee.

Bennett missed virtually the entire second half against the Vols when he handed awkwardly on his back after making a difficult catch in traffic.

Through 11 games, Bennett is tied for the SEC lead with 69 receptions and ranks 7th with 765 receiving yards. He also has four touchdown catches.

He has 22 more catches than any other

receiver in SEC history. Remarkably, in a conference that has produced numerous star receivers, Bennett claimed the SEC career receptions record in the 31st regular season game of his career, and without the benefit of appearing in postseason play.

Bennett is on pace to reach 75 receptions for the third consecutive year. He is the only receiver in SEC history to post consecutive seasons of 75 receptions. Bennett is also trying to lead the SEC in receiving for the third consecutive year.

Bennett continues to assault other SEC career receiving lists:

- Moved into the SEC all-time Top Ten in receiving yardage. With 2,787 career receiving yards, he is 10th all-time in the SEC. He needs 204 receiving yards to overtake Boo Mitchell for the all-time team record.

After setting the Vanderbilt team mark for receptions earlier this year, Bennett is approaching two other key team receiving records:

- Bennett needs three touchdown catches to overtake **Dan Stricker** (21, 1999-2002) as the all-time leader.
- Bennett ranks third on the Commodore all-time chart for receiving yardage. He needs 94 receiving yards to overtake **Dan Stricker** (2,880 yards, 1999-2002) for second place behind Mitchell.

In 34 career games, Bennett has been remarkably consistent and productive. He has set a team record with nine games of 10 or more receptions. He also has nine games of at least 100 receiving yards.

Among his top performances was a school-record 223-yard effort in the 2007 opener against Richmond. That performance allowed Bennett to become the first player in SEC history with three games of at least 200 receiving yards. His 13 receptions against Richmond also established a new SEC standard for opening-game performances by a receiver.

Bennett was named a semifinalist for the Biletnikoff Award on Oct. 27.

Bennett has produced an abundance of remarkable single game performances in a career that spans only 30 starting assignments. He has achieved 150 receiving yards or more in seven games. He now has achieved three of the six highest single-game receiving yardage totals in school history. Bennett has five of the top 11 highest single-game receiving totals in school history.

Bennett's reception total and receiving yardage total (1,146) from 2006 are the second highest totals in Vanderbilt history.

Bennett's individual game achievements are remarkable: 223 yards/3 TDs vs. Richmond (Sept. 1, 2007); 220 yards at Kentucky (Nov. 11, 2006); SEC-record tying five TD catches vs Kentucky (No. 10, 2005); 204 yards at South Carolina (Oct. 25, 2005); 184 yards at Duke (Oct. 28, 2006); and 179 yards at Ole Miss (Oct. 7, 2006).

### BENNETT'S RECORDS

Career Receptions #	230
Receiving Yards (game)	223 (Richmond, 2007)
TD receptions (game) ^	5, (vs. Kentucky, 2005)
Most games with 10 or more receptions	(9)
Most games with 200+ receiving yards #	(3)
Receptions by So.	82 (2006)
Receiving Yards by So.	1,146 (2006)
Catches in game (So.)	13 (vs. Florida, 2006)
Rec. Yards in game (So.)	220 (@ Kentucky, 2006)
Receptions by Fr. %	79 (2005)
Receiving yards by Fr.	876 (2005)
TD receptions by Fr.	9 (2005)
Catches in game (Fr.)	16 (@ USC, 2005)
Rec. Yards in game (Fr.)	204 (@ USC, 2005)
# SEC record ^ Ties SEC record	
% SEC freshman record	

### CAREER LEADERS — RECEIVING YARDAGE

RECEIVER	YEARS	YARDS
1. Boo Mitchell	1985-88	2,964
2. Dan Stricker	1999-2002	2,880
3. <b>Earl Bennett</b>	<b>2005-07</b>	<b>2,787</b>

### ALL-TIME SINGLE GAME RECEIVING TOTALS

RECEIVER	YARDS	GAME
<b>Earl Bennett</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>Richmond, 2007</b>
Clarence Sevellian	222	Tennessee, 1992
<b>Earl Bennett</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>Kentucky, 2006</b>
M.J. Garnett	219	MTSU, 2001
<b>Earl Bennett</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>So. Carolina, 2005</b>
Dan Stricker	204	Duke, 2001

### CAREER TOUCHDOWN CATCHES

RECEIVER	YEARS	CAREER TDS
1. Dan Stricker	1999-2002	21
2. Chuck Scott	1981-84	20
3. <b>Earl Bennett</b>	<b>2005-07</b>	<b>19</b>

### BENNETT'S ASSAULT OF SEC ALL-TIME RECORDS

*Earl Bennett became the SEC career leader in receptions on Oct. 27, breaking the former record held by Craig Yeast of Kentucky (208 catches).*

Yards	Name, School	Years
1. 3,093	Terrence Edwards, Georgia	1999-02
2. 3,001	Josh Reed, LSU	1999-01
3. 2,964	<b>BOO MITCHELL</b> , Vanderbilt	1985-88
4. 2,899	Craig Yeast, Kentucky	1995-98
5. 2,884	Fred Gibson, Georgia	2001-04
6. 2,880	<b>DAN STRICKER</b> , Vanderbilt	1999-02
7. 2,879	Anthony Lucas, Arkansas	1995-99
8. 2,836	D.J. Hall, Alabama	2004-07
9. 2,814	Joey Kent, Tennessee	1993-96
10. <b>2,787</b>	<b>EARL BENNETT</b> , Vanderbilt	2005-07

*Bennett moved into the SEC all-time Top 10 in receiving yardage two weeks ago, passing Wendell Davis of LSU. He needs 94 yards to pass Dan Stricker for No. 2 all-time among Commodores.*

# INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION

## PRESEASON ACCOLADES

### ALL-AMERICA TEAMS

#### EARL BENNETT

*Athlon's, Blue Ribbon, Street & Smith, Lindy's,  
The Sporting News, Rivals.com, Scout*

#### JONATHAN GOFF

*Athlon's, Phil Steele*

#### CHRIS WILLIAMS

*Athlon's*

### AWARD WATCHLISTS

#### EARL BENNETT

*Walter Camp Player of the Year,  
Biletnikoff Trophy, Maxwell Trophy*

#### JONATHAN GOFF

*Bronko Nagurski Award, Butkus Award, Bednarik Award*

#### CHRIS WILLIAMS

*Outland Trophy, Lombardi Rotary Award*

### ALL-SEC

#### EARL BENNETT

*(virtually unanimous first-team selection)*

#### JONATHAN GOFF

*Coaches (1st) and Media (1st)*

#### CHRIS WILLIAMS

*(Coaches (1st) and Media (2nd))*

#### BRIAN STAMPER

*Coaches (2nd) and Media (2nd)*

#### CHRIS NICKSON

*Coaches (3rd)*

#### CURTIS GATEWOOD, RESHARD LANGFORD, THEO HORROCKS

*named by preseason publications*

## CHRIS WILLIAMS

**R-Senior • Offensive Tackle • 6-6, 315 • Glynn, La.**

The Commodore All-America candidate continued his excellent play, earning Offensive Player of the Week honors after helping an undermanned Vanderbilt offense rush for 137 yards in a narrow loss at Tennessee.

## JONATHAN GOFF

**R-Senior • 6-4, 235 • Linebacker • Lynn, Mass.**

Goff played big against the Volunteers, sharing co-Defensive Player of the Week honors after matching a career high with 14 total tackles, including seven solo stops. Goff has notched at least 11 tackles in four of his last six games.

## D.J. MOORE

**Sophomore • 5-10, 180 • Cornerback/KO Returns • Spartanburg, S.C.**

Playing hurt, Moore contributed four total tackles and a defensed pass while making virtually every defensive snap. Moore is tied for third in the SEC with five interceptions, and also ranks third with a 28.0-yard average on kickoff returns.

## MARCUS BUGGS

**R-Senior • Linebacker • 6-0, 225 • Madison, Tenn.**

Buggs continued his outstanding play for the Commodores, contributing eight total tackles and one tackle for loss in a physical performance vs. Tennessee. He leads the team with 12 tackles for loss, and has a career-high 71 total tackles.

## THEO HORROCKS

**Senior • Defensive Tackle • 6-4, 290 • Fayetteville, Tenn.**

A steady, yet physical presence in the interior front, Horrocks had three total tackles in Vanderbilt's 25-24 loss to Tennessee. He also blocked a Vol extra point attempt.

## RESHARD LANGFORD

**R-Junior • Safety • 6-2, 207 • Tanner, Ala.**

Langford posted a career-high 11 total tackles against Tennessee, sharing co-Defensive Player of the Week honors. He also contributed on a tackle for loss.

## CURTIS GATEWOOD

**R-Senior • Defensive End • 6-3, 245 • Memphis, Tenn.**

Gatewood posted four total tackles at Tennessee. He has 2.5 QB sacks and six tackles for loss this season.

## FORMER COMMODORES IN THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Former Player	NFL Team	Most Recent Performance
Corey Chavous, Safety	St. Louis Rams	Recorded seven tackles and a QB sack in Rams' second straight win, 13-9 over 49ers.
Jay Cutler, QB	Denver Broncos	Plays much-anticipated matchup vs. Titans and Vince Young on Monday Night.
Justin Geisinger, OG	Washington Redskins	Re-signed to Washington practice squad on Sept. 26. Has not played.
Jovan Haye, DT	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	DT starter continued excellent play with seven total tackles in 31-7 win over Falcons.
Hunter Hillenmeyer, LB	Chicago Bears	Contributed two tackles in a reserve role in Bears' 30-23 loss to Seattle Seahawks.
Matt Stewart, LB	Cleveland Browns	Six-year veteran; Remains on injured reserve list with the Browns.
Jamie Winborn, LB	Denver Broncos	Expected to contribute on special teams when Broncos face Titans on Monday Night.
Todd Yoder, TE	Washington Redskins	Blocking TE/special teams contributor in Washington's 28-23 loss to rival Cowboys.

# MORE ABOUT THE 'DORES

## HOLLIDAY SEC LINEMAN OF THE WEEK

Senior offensive center **Hamilton Holliday** was named the SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week Oct. 29 after helping Vanderbilt produce its highest rushing total in five years in a win over Miami (Ohio).

Holliday contributed a season-high five knockdown blocks while earning a "winning" 93% grade in the Miami (Ohio) performance. Holliday's effort was instrumental in the Commodores' 290 rushing yards.

Holliday became the fifth Vanderbilt recipient this season of SEC Player of the Week honors: Other honorees are CB **D.J. Moore**, Defensive Player of the Week, and punter **Brett Upson**, Specialist of the Week, Oct. 20; OT **Chris Williams**, Offensive Lineman of the Week, Sept. 15; and **Earl Bennett**, Offensive Player of the Week, Sept. 1.

## D.J. MOORE EARNS THREE NATIONAL AWARDS

**D.J. Moore** (So., CB) swept three important individual awards two weeks ago in the aftermath of a superb performance in Vanderbilt's 17-6 upset victory at No. 6 South Carolina on Oct. 20.

Moore, a native of Spartanburg, S.C., was honored with both the Walter Camp and Bronko Nagurski National Defensive Player of the Week awards after picking off two Gamecock passes and contributed eight total tackles. On Oct. 25, the Master Coaches Survey – a group that include 17 former coaches including 11 members of the College Football Hall of Fame – awarded Moore its "MCS Nike Game Ball" given to the nation's top defensive player of the week.

Moore became the first Vanderbilt defensive player to claim either of the three awards. He also took home SEC Defensive Player of the Week honors last Monday.

Moore's first INT led to Vanderbilt's initial points. His second pick halted the Gamecocks' deepest offensive threat of the game.

Moore posted another remarkable game last Saturday in Vanderbilt's win over Miami (Ohio). Contributing in virtually every phase of the game, Moore netted six total tackles, his first career QB sack and three defensed passes on defense, averaged 40.5 yards on kickoff returns, and had a 39-yard rush as a running back.

Moore ranks among SEC and NCAA leaders in several categories.

- Moore is tied for third in the SEC lead with five INTs, the highest single season total by a 'Dore in 18 years;
- Moore is fifth in the SEC in solo tackles, averaging 6.1 per game;
- He ranks tied for ninth in the NCAA with 15 defensed passes;
- Moore is the NCAA's 23rd best KO returner with a 28.0-yd. avg.

## UPSON SEC'S TOP SPECIALIST OCT. 20

Sophomore punter **Brett Upson** used a career performance against South Carolina to earn the SEC Specialist of the Week after Vanderbilt's 17-6 road victory over No. 6 South Carolina on Oct. 20.

Upson, a native of Griffin, Ga., continuously pinned the Gamecocks deep in their territory with his punts. He averaged 41.7 yards on eight attempts against South Carolina.

Upson, who struggled early in the season, placed six of his eight punts inside the Gamecock 20-yard line, forcing South Carolina to start drives as deep as their own 2-yard line. Other Upson punts were downed at the USC 3-and 9-yard lines.

## TOSTITOS' TEAM OF THE WEEK FOR OCT. 20

Vanderbilt was selected the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl National Team of the Week on Oct. 22 after its 17-6 upset of No. 6 South Carolina in Columbia wo days earlier.

The Commodores have never beaten a team ranked higher than No. 6 by the Associated Press. Only once previously – in 1937 – had Vanderbilt ever defeated another No. 6 opponent (LSU, 7-6 in Nashville).

The Tostitos' National Team of the Week honor was the first ever for the Commodores by the Football Writers Association of America (FWAA).

## SMITH SEC COMMUNITY SERVICE RECIPIENT

Receiver **George Smith**, an individual who has overcome significant health issues to have a productive playing career, was featured Oct. 6 as the SEC Community Service Team Player of the Week.

Smith, who nearly died three years ago from spinal cord inflammation resulting from acute transverse myelitis, frequently shares his experiences with young patients suffering from the illness at Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt. Smith has inspired several Nashville patients and their families, sharing how doctors discovered the viral illness, and how he made a full recovery.

## HOLLIDAY IS DRADDY TROPHY SEMIFINALIST

**Hamilton Holliday** (Sr., center) was named a semifinalist for the 2007 Draddy Trophy and the National Football Foundation & College Football Scholar-Athlete Awards on Oct. 11.

The prestigious Draddy Trophy, often referred to as "The Academic Heisman," recognizes an individual as the absolute best in the country for his combined academic success, football performance and exemplary community leadership. academic success, football performance and community leadership.

Hamilton, a two-year starter at center, is working toward a degree in Engineering Science. A dean's list and three-time All-Southeastern Conference Honor Roll recipient, Holliday was a second team CoSIDA District IV Academic All-American in 2006.

Though no Vanderbilt student-athlete has received the Draddy Trophy, four former players – **Hunter Hillenmeyer** (2002), **Andy McCarroll** (1989), **Doug Martin** (1974) and **Wade Butcher** (1961) – have earned the National Scholar-Athlete Award.

# MORE ABOUT THE 'DORES

## DOSTER LEGACY CONTINUES; KWANE'S BROTHER JERMAINE IS FRESHMAN ON '07 SQUAD

The Doster Legacy continues this season with the Vanderbilt football program.

**Jermaine Doster**, younger brother of former Commodore standout and 2002 Southeastern Conference Freshman of the Year Kwane Doster, is a member of Vanderbilt's freshman class.

Like his brother, Jermaine comes to Vanderbilt following an excellent prep career as a running back at Robinson H.S. in Tampa, Fla.

Jermaine's brother will always be part of the Vanderbilt family. A two-year starter, Kwane died in his hometown Dec. 26, 2004 from injuries suffered in a shooting. Doster was a Vanderbilt junior and on target to graduate when the tragedy happened.

Unlike his brother, Jermaine might have a chance to get accustomed to life on the campus before he hits the field. At least three proven players (**Cassen Jackson-Garrison**, **Jeff Jennings** and **Jared Hawkins**) are ahead of Doster on the depth chart.

Coach Bobby Johnson and the Commodore players continue to honor the memory of Kwane Doster. No Commodore has worn Kwane's No.1 since his death. A gameday locker is perpetually on display in the Vanderbilt players' locker room.

## NINE NAMED TO COMMODORE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Nine Commodores participate in the Leadership Council, serving as an entity that addresses team and student-athlete issues while acting as their teammates' voice in communicating with coaches.

Co-captains **Jonathan Goff**, **Theo Horrocks** and **Chris Williams** are members of the Leadership Council.

Others voted by teammates to represent other various position groups. They include **Marcus Buggs**, linebackers; **Reshard Langford**, defensive secondary; **Gabe Hall**, defensive line; **Brad Allen**, offensive backfield; **George Smith**, wide receivers; and **Brian Stamper**, offensive line.

## GEORGE SMITH CONTRIBUTING BIG AGAINST THE ODDS

**George Smith** is beating the odds. In the last two years, the redshirt junior from Pembroke Hills, Fla., has survived a serious ailment and gunshot attack to become a valuable starting receiver for the Black & Gold.

The fact that Smith was in uniform last year was quite remarkable. In April 2004, Smith was diagnosed with acute transverse myelitis, an illness that causing swelling of the spinal cord. For the next six weeks, Smith fought the illness in intensive care and eventually extensive rehabilitation. Smith returned to Vanderbilt the following semester, sat out the 2004 season, and finally received medical clearance as the August 2004 preseason camp neared.

In the last two-plus seasons, Smith has moved into a starting role and has 69 career catches for 905 yards and eight touchdowns.

## COMMODORES CONTINUE ANCHOR "UNITY" TRADITION

For the third straight year, Vanderbilt will travel with an authentic anchor as a symbol of team unity. Prior to each game, two players are selected to carry the anchor to and from the Vanderbilt locker room on gameday, either at Vanderbilt Stadium or to the opponent's home stadium.

Originally, the anchor was developed by the team's Leadership Council as a way of demonstrating team unity among the squad.

## NEW ADDITION TO JACKSON- GARRISON HOUSEHOLD

The only married Commodore player, senior TB **Cassen Jackson-Garrison**, welcomed a new addition to his family Tuesday, Oct. 16.

Cassen's wife, Courtney, gave birth to 7-lb., 4-oz. Cassen II at Summit Hospital in Nashville.

The new arrival is sure to impact a second 'Dore – TB Jeff Jennings, who shares an apartment close to campus with Cassen and Courtney.

Jackson-Garrison and Jennings, both from east Tennessee, have been roommates for much of their time at Vanderbilt. They have also been keen competitors for the same playing role: Jennings started at tailback in 2005; Jackson-Garrison got the nod in 2006 when his best friend was out with an injury. The duo have shared tailback duties with **Jared Hawkins** (R-So.) for much of the year.

## COMMODORE MEDIA INFO

### PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Patrick Benoist (Ben-WAH)  
Terrial (Ter-RELL) Brannon  
Matt Bubis (BEW-bus)  
Nick Forte (FORT)  
Tim Fugger (FEW-ger)  
Theo Horrocks (HOR-ricks)  
Cassen (KAY-sin) Jackson-Garrison  
Theron (THER-in) Kadri (COD-ree)  
Merritt Kirchoffer (KIRCH-offer)  
Richard Kovalcheck (Ko-VOL-chek)  
Reshard (Rah-SHARD) Langford  
Chris Marve (MARV)  
Dom Morias (MORE-ree-as)  
Chris Reinert (RINE-ert)  
Darlon (Dah-RON) Speed (SPEED)  
Udom (OOD-um) Umoh (OO-mah)  
Bradley Vierling (VEER-ling)

### COACH JOHNSON, STUDENT-ATHLETE POSTGAME INTERVIEWS

Following the Wake Forest game, Coach Johnson will meet with the media at the team's postgame press conference facilities in McGugin Center, located across the street from Vanderbilt Stadium. For access, go through the end zone tunnel, cross Jess Neely Drive and enter McGugin Center through marked entrance. The conference is first room on right room.

The Vanderbilt Player Locker Room is closed to the media. Interview request forms will be collected by the Vanderbilt SID staff. Player interviews will be conducted as soon as the head coach concludes his remarks.

### PRACTICE WEEK INTERVIEW POLICIES

Media wishing to interview players during the week should contact the Vanderbilt Media Relations staff in advance.

Selected players will be available Monday immediately after Coach Bobby Johnson concludes his weekly press conference.

Selected Vanderbilt players will be available for interviews with out-of-town beat reporters on Wednesday.

Commodore players will be available upon request either Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday at the conclusion of practice.

Coach Johnson is available briefly to reporters at the conclusion of practice.

Media photographers are permitted to shoot the first 30 minutes of practice.

# MORE ABOUT THE 'DORES

## EXCELLENT CROWDS WATCHING 'DORES

The Commodores are playing before an average of 35,626 fans through seven home games. The average represents 89.6% capacity in Vanderbilt Stadium, which seats 39,773.

Vanderbilt hosted its third sellout crowd of the season – the most in a season since 1996 – last Saturday against the Kentucky Wildcats. Other sellouts included encounters with Georgia (Oct. 13) and Alabama (Sept. 8)

Vanderbilt athletics has sold more than 15,000 season tickets this year, the most in more than a decade.

YEAR	AVG. ATTENDANCE
2007 (thru 6 games)	35,626
2006 (7 games)	34,861
2005 (6 games)	36,031
2004 (6 games)	28,472
2003 (7 games)	28,282
2002 (7 games)	32,192
2001 (6 games)	33,990

## HAHNFELDT No. 3 IN POINTS BY KICKER

**Bryant Hahnfeldt** (Jr., PK) ranks third all-time among Commodore placekickers in with 182 career points. He kicked his 32th career field goal and three extra points at Tennessee. Hahnfeldt's 49-yard FGA with :33 left that would have given the Commodores a lead was no good after hitting the left crossbar.

Hahnfeldt, who is on pace to overtake former standout John Markham as the team's all-time leading scorer, has converted 12 of 19 field goals this season. For his career, Hahnfeldt has converted on 60% of his field goal attempts (32/53) and 86 of 90 PATs.

### COMMODORE LEADERS – CAREER POINTS BY KICKER

PLACEKICKER, YEARS	FGs	PATs	POINTS
1. John Markham, 1997-2000	47-68	68-77	209
2. Ricky Anderson, 1981-84	40-57	72-75	192
3. <b>Bryant Hahnfeldt</b> , 2005-07	32-53	86-90	182

## NICKSON No. 7 ALL-TIME IN TOTAL OFFENSE

Redshirt-junior QB **Chris Nickson**, who has missed substantial action in the second half of the 2007 season, ranks seventh all-time among Commodore QBs in total offense.

Nickson's 2,861 career passing yards also ranks ninth all-time among Commodore signal callers.

### COMMODORE LEADERS – CAREER TOTAL OFFENSE

QUARTERBACK, YEARS	RUSHES	YARDS	PASSES	YARDS	PLAYS	TOT. Yds
1. Jay Cutler, 2002-05	453	1,256	1,242	8,697	1,695	9,953
2. Greg Zolman, 1998-01	228	-274	1,156	7,981	1,384	7,607
3. Whit Taylor, 1979-82	331	420	1,016	6,307	1,347	6,727
4. Eric Jones, 1986-88	389	1,211	661	5,029	1,050	6,240
5. Kurt Page, 1981-84	116	-225	936	6,233	1,052	6,008
6. Damian Allen, 1994-97	241	29	699	3,704	940	3,888
7. <b>Chris Nickson</b> , 2005-07	220	921	413	2,861	622	3,782

## OLE MISS PROMO: \$50,894 TO HOSPITAL

More than \$50,000 will go to the Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt from a special Vandy-Ole Miss ticket promotion spearheaded by country music entertainer **Kix Brooks**.

Brooks, several former Commodore football players, community leaders, and friends of the hospital teamed with Vanderbilt Athletics for the promotion – which contributed \$50,894 to the Children's Hospital.

## SNEDEKER, LEWIS HONORARY CAPTAINS

Two former Vanderbilt student-athletes, **Brandt Snedeker** and **Jensen Lewis**, have served as honorary captains during recent Commodore games.

Snedeker, a 2004 All-America and the like PGA Tour Rookie of the Year, flipped the coin prior to Vanderbilt's homecoming game against Georgia. Lewis, a 2005 graduate and rookie pitcher for the Cleveland Indians this year, did the same honors for the Miami (Ohio) game.

At homecoming, Vanderbilt Athletics also recognized former 2005 SEC Offensive Player of the Year **Jay Cutler**. The former Vanderbilt QB and current Denver Broncos' starter was in town to watch the game.

## QUARLES GRAND MARSHAL OF HOMECOMING

**Shelton Quarles**, a Nashville native and former Commodore defensive standout who went on to enjoy a successful career with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, served as grand marshal of the Vanderbilt homecoming parade on Oct. 13.

Quarles retired last year after 10 years with the Tampa Bay Bucs. A standout LB, Quarles was named to the 2002 Pro Bowl after leading Tampa Bay to victory in Super Bowl XXXVII.

Quarles, a graduate of Whites Creek H.S. just north of Nashville, remains an outstanding citizen of Tampa, and does an abundance of community work there and in Nashville through his IMPACT Foundation. Now, he serves as a Bucs' scout.

## CONCUSSION PUTS HAWKINS ON SIDELINES

**Jared Hawkins** (R-So., TB) is expected to miss the Wake Forest game after suffering a severe concussion vs. Kentucky last Saturday. The 'Dores third leading rusher with 217 yards, Hawkins did not play at Tennessee.

# MORE ABOUT THE 'DORES

## WIN OVER No. 6 USC EQUALS BEST EVER

Vanderbilt has never beaten a team ranked higher in the Associated Press polls than South Carolina, who fell 17-6 to the Commodores as the nation's No. 6 squad.

Only once previously has Vanderbilt defeated a No. 6-ranked opponent. That win came 70 years ago – 7-6 over LSU on Oct. 23, 1937.

It marks the Commodores' fourth win all-time over a team ranked in the AP Top 10:

YEAR	TOP TEN OPPONENT	SCORE	SITE
2007	No. 6 South Carolina	17-6	Columbia, S.C.
1974	No. 8 Florida	24-10	Nashville
1955	No. 8 Auburn	25-13	Jacksonville, Fla.
1937	No. 6 LSU	7-6	Nashville

## VANDERBILT SUCCEEDS IN ENDING STREAKS

In recent years, Bobby Johnson's Commodores have ended a number of extended Vanderbilt losing streaks to powerful opponents:

- The 'Dores' 28-24 victory over Tennessee in 2005 ended 22 years of Vanderbilt frustration in the UT series dating back to 1982. It also stopped a 14-game losing skid Neyland Stadium; and 13-game streak to UT teams directed by Phillip Fulmer.
- The 17-6 win over South Carolina on Oct. 20 stopped a seven-game skid to the Gamecocks and a 15-game streak to opponents coached by Steve Spurrier.
- Stopped an 11-game streak to Georgia (and six-game skid to UGA head coach Mark Richt) with road victory in 2006.
- Captured its first victory ever on the University of Arkansas campus with a 28-24 victory in 2005.

## RECENT VANDY ROAD SUCCESSES

The Commodores are 6-8 on the road since the 2005 opener – a remarkable record considering it took Vanderbilt 40 games over a span of nearly eight years to post its six previous road wins.

Several of the biggest wins in Bobby Johnson's Vanderbilt tenure have come away from Nashville. Under Johnson, four signature victories have come in front of hostile crowds:

- at No. 6 South Carolina (17-6, Oct. 20, 2007)
- at No. 16 Georgia (24-22, Oct. 14, 2006).
- at Tennessee (28-24, Nov. 19, 2005),
- at Arkansas (28-24, Sept. 10, 2005)

The Commodores have also defeated two Atlantic Coast Conference foes on the road – Wake Forest (28-24 on Sept. 1, 2005) and Duke (45-28 on Oct. 28, 2006) – in the last three years.

## MORDICA RUSHING RECORD REMAINS INTACT

Former Vanderbilt running back **Frank Mordica** remains in the SEC Record Book after a review of Nov. 3 Arkansas-South Carolina game film involving standout TB Darren McFadden and his remarkable rushing performance against the Gamecocks.

Upon review of the game, McFadden concluded the South Carolina game with 321 rushing yards vs. South Carolina, tying the rushing total Mordica compiled against Air Force on Nov. 18, 1978.

## PRELIMINARY PLANS UNDERWAY TO ENHANCE VANDERBILT STADIUM

Initial steps have been taken toward an eventual extensive enhancement to Dudley Field Vanderbilt Stadium.

Preliminary planning is taking place to evaluate the extent of improvements upcoming to the stadium and Dudley Field, which has served as home to Commodore football since Oct. 14, 1922 when Vanderbilt and Michigan played to a scoreless tie. The last serious renovation to the site came in 1981– a \$10.1 million project that included a rebuild of the south end-zone, suites and press box, and refurbished grandstands.

In April, a Vanderbilt group including Coach Johnson, interim Chancellor Nicholas Zeppos and Vice Chancellor of University Affairs David Williams II visited several recently completed stadium renovations across the South.

# HEAD COACH BOBBY JOHNSON

## PERSONAL DATA

**AGE:** 55  
**ALMA MATER:** Clemson  
**HIGH SCHOOL:** Eau Claire (S.C.) 1969  
**DEGREES:** Bachelor's in Management, 1973, Clemson;  
 Master's in Education, 1979, Furman  
**FAMILY:** Wife, Catherine

## KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 80-85 overall record as head coach; 4-4 record in NCAA postseason play
- In five years at Vanderbilt, has coached the first Commodore named unanimous SEC Offensive Player of the Year (Jay Cutler, 2005), the team's first and only SEC Freshman of the Year (Kwane Doster, 2002), the nation's top tackler (Hunter Hillenmeyer, 2002) and the first Vanderbilt All-America (Earl Bennett, 2006), in seven years.
- I-AA National Coach of the Year in 2001.
- Three Southern Conference titles
- 219-141-8 Combined Record (31 years of collegiate coaching)

## SIXTH YEAR RECORD OF 'IDORE HEAD COACHES

COACH	YEARS	W	L	T
Bobby Johnson	2007	5	6	-
George MacIntyre	1984	5	6	-
Bill Pace	1972	3	8	-
Art Guepe	1958	5	2	3
Red Sanders	1948	8	2	1
Dan McGugin	1909	7	3	-

## SUMMARY OF BOBBY JOHNSON'S COACHING CAREER

YEAR	SCHOOL	POSITION	RECORD	HIGHLIGHTS
2007	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	5-6 (2-6)	
2006	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	4-8 (1-7)	
2005	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	5-6 (3-5)	VU's Most SEC wins since '91
2004	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	2-9 (1-7)	
2003	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	2-10 (1-7)	
2002	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	2-10 (0-8)	
2001	Furman	Head Coach	12-3	I-AA Finals; Conference Co-Champion; I-AA Coach of the Year; I-AA Region II Coach of Year
2000	Furman	Head Coach	9-3	I-AA Playoffs; Conference Co-Champion I-AA Playoffs;
1999	Furman	Head Coach	9-3	Conference Champions; I-AA Region II Coach of Year
1998	Furman	Head Coach	5-6	I-AA Playoffs;
1997	Furman	Head Coach	7-4	I-AA Region II Coach of Year
1996	Furman	Head Coach	9-4	
1995	Furman	Head Coach	6-5	
1994	Furman	Head Coach	3-8	
1993	Clemson	Defensive Coordinator	8-3	
1992	Furman	Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator	6-5	
1991	Furman	Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator	7-4	
1990	Furman	Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator	9-4	I-AA Playoffs; Conference Champions
1989	Furman	Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator	12-2	I-AA Playoffs; Conference Champions
1988	Furman	Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator	13-2	Conference Champions I-AA National Champions; Conference Champions
1987	Furman	Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator	7-4	
1986	Furman	Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator	7-3-2	
1985	Furman	Defensive Coordinator	12-2	I-AA Finals; Conference Champion
1984	Furman	Defensive Coordinator	8-3	
1983	Furman	Defensive Coordinator	10-2-1	Conference Champion
1982	Furman	Defensive Backs Coach	9-3	Conference Champion
1981	Furman	Defensive Backs Coach	8-3	Conference Champion
1980	Clemson	Athletic Academic Counselor		
1979	Furman	Defensive Backs Coach	5-6	
1978	Furman	Defensive Backs Coach	8-3	Conference Champion
1977	Furman	Defensive Backs Coach	4-5-2	
1976	Furman	Defensive Ends Coach	6-4-1	

## JOHNSON'S WEEKLY MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES

Coach Johnson conducts a weekly press conference for local media each Monday at 12:00 noon CT. It is held in the McCall Room, at the McGugin Athletic Center. It is not available via satellite. A live video feed of the conference is planned at [www.vucommodores.com](http://www.vucommodores.com). A transcript is provided no more than three hours later.

Johnson participates in the weekly SEC Head Coaches' Teleconference at 10:21 a.m. (CT) on Wednesdays. Johnson is also available after regular Commodore practices Tuesday-Thursday.

## TV HIGHLIGHTS SHOW

The Commodore Connection – a weekly Vanderbilt highlights show with Coach Johnson that airs across Middle Tennessee cable systems, will be broadcast each Tuesday of the season.

In Nashville cable homes, the replay show will air Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., on Comcast Channel 49.

Regionally, the show airs twice weekly on Comcast Sports (Channel 27): Tuesday, 6:30 a.m., and Wednesday, 3:30 p.m.

## JOHNSON'S RADIO SHOW

The Commodore Call-In Show with Bobby Johnson usually can be heard on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. on WGFX FM-104.5. This week, the show was heard Sunday night due to scheduling conflicts with the Nashville Predators.

The weekly show is hosted by Commodore play-by-play announcer Joe Fisher. It is staged at the Commodore Bar & Grille, located in the Holiday Inn Select on West End Avenue, one block from Vanderbilt Stadium.

The show features Johnson's summary of the previous game, an indepth look at the Commodores' next opponent and questions from callers across Middle Tennessee.



# COMMODORE DEPTH CHART

As of Nov. 17, 2007

## OFFENSE

<b>Z WR</b>	88	George Smith (6-3, 200, R-Jr.)
	81	Bryant Anderson (6-3, 200, R-Jr.)
<b>X WR</b>	80	Justin Wheeler (6-0, 175, R-So.)
	4	Alex Washington (5-9, 185, R-So.)
<b>S WR</b>	10	Earl Bennett (6-1, 202, Jr.)
	4	Alex Washington (5-9, 185, R-So.)
<b>QB</b>	9	Mackenzi Adams (6-3, 210, R-So.)
	3	Chris Nickson (6-1, 210, R-Jr.)
	15	Richard Kovalcheck (6-2, 220, Sr.)
<b>TB</b>	22	Cassen Jackson-Garrison (6-1, 215, Sr.)
-or-	21	Jeff Jennings (6-1, 215, R-Jr.)
<b>LT</b>	74	Chris Williams (6-6, 320, R-Sr.)
	76	Thomas Welch (6-7, 295, R-So.)
<b>LG</b>	78	Josh Eames (6-5, 305, R-Sr.)
-or-	73	Ryan Custer (6-4, 295, R-So.)
<b>C</b>	53	Hamilton Holliday (6-3, 290, Sr.)
	60	Bradley Vierling (6-3, 290, R-So.)
<b>RG</b>	64	Merritt Kirchoffer (6-5, 320, R-Sr.)
	60	Bradley Vierling (6-3, 290, R-So.)
<b>RT</b>	72	Brian Stamper (6-5, 300, R-Sr.)
	76	Thomas Welch (6-7, 295, R-So.)
<b>TE</b>	83	Brad Allen (6-3, 240, R-Jr.)
	85	Jake Bradford (6-6, 265, R-So.)

## DEFENSE

<b>DE</b>	96	Steven Stone (6-6, 255, R-So.)
	90	Broderick Stewart (6-5, 225, R-So.)
<b>DT</b>	56	Gabe Hall (6-1, 290, Sr.)
	98	Greg Billinger (6-4, 285, So.)
<b>RT</b>	54	Theo Horrocks (6-4, 290, Sr.)
	44	David Whittington (6-2, 270, R-Jr.)
<b>DE</b>	48	Curtis Gatewood (6-3, 245, R-Sr.)
	93	Theron Kadri (6-3, 240, Fr.)
<b>WLB</b>	30	Patrick Benoist (6-0, 218, So.)
	35	Brandon Bryant (6-1, 228, R-So.)
	52	Nathan Campbell (6-3, 228, R-Fr.)
<b>MLB</b>	47	Jonathan Goff (6-4, 235, R-Sr.)
	45	Chris Johnson (6-1, 225, R-So.)
<b>SLB</b>	24	Marcus Buggs (5-11, 225, R-Sr.)
	49	John Stokes (6-5, 230, Fr.)
<b>CB</b>	17	D.J. Moore (5-10, 180, So.)
	14	Josh Allen (5-9, 182, R-Jr.)
<b>SS</b>	33	Reshard Langford (6-2, 207, R-Jr.)
	11	Brent Trice (6-3, 210, So.)
<b>FS</b>	2	Ryan Hamilton (6-2, 208, R-So.)
	29	Joel Caldwell (6-0, 195, R-So.)
<b>CB</b>	5	Myron Lewis (6-3, 195, So.)
	20	Jared Fagan (5-10, 180, R-Jr.)
<b>NB</b>	6	Darlron Spead (5-10, 185, R-So.)

## SPECIAL TEAMS

<b>P</b>	39	Brett Upson (5-11, 180, So.)
	8	Bryant Hahnfeldt (5-11, 190, Jr.)
<b>KO</b>	8	Bryant Hahnfeldt (5-11, 190, Jr.)
	97	John Laughrey (5-11, 180, R-Fr.)
<b>PK</b>	8	Bryant Hahnfeldt (5-11, 190, Jr.)
	97	John Laughrey (5-11, 180, R-Fr.)
<b>H</b>	9	Mackenzi Adams (6-3, 210, R-So.)
	36	Chris Reinert (5-9, 170, R-So.)

<b>PR</b>	4	Alex Washington (5-9, 185, R-So.)
	36	Chris Reinert (5-9, 170, R-So.)
<b>KR</b>	17	D.J. Moore (5-10, 180, So.)
	4	Alex Washington (5-9, 185, R-So.)
<b>LS</b>	49	John Stokes (6-5, 230, Fr.)
	75	Nick Miller (6-3, 270, R-So.)
<b>SN</b>	49	John Stokes (6-5, 230, Fr.)
	75	Nick Miller (6-3, 270, R-So.)

# ALPHABETICAL TEAM ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Year	CL	Hometown/High School	No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Year	CL	Hometown/High School
63	Chris Aaron	OL	6-3	290	So.	TR	Palos Verdes, Calif./PVHS/Lehigh	21	Jeff Jennings	TB	6-1	215	R-Jr.	2L	Dandridge, Tenn./Jefferson Co.
9	Mackenzi Adams	QB	6-3	210	R-So.	1L	Tulsa, Okla./Union	45	Chris Johnson	LB	6-1	225	R-So.	1L	Birmingham, Ala./Oak Mountain
83	Brad Allen	TE	6-3	240	R-Jr.	2L	Venice, Fla./Venice	93	Theron Kadri	DE	6-3	240	Fr.	HS	Brighton, Tenn./Brighton
14	Josh Allen	CB	5-9	182	R-Jr.	2L	Roswell, Ga./Roswell	64	Merritt Kirchoffer	OG	6-5	320	R-Sr.	3L	Roswell, Ga./Roswell
81	Bryant Anderson	WR	6-3	210	R-Jr.	2L	Roswell, Ga./Centennial	15	Richard Kovalcheck	QB	6-2	220	R-Sr.	1L	San Diego, Calif./Ariz./St. Augustine
62	Rob Ashabraner	DL	6-2	270	Fr.	HS	Beaumont, Texas/Cathedral Christian	33	Reshard Langford	S	6-2	207	R-Jr.	2L	Tanner, Ala./Tanner
40	Bo Baggerley	LB	6-1	210	R-So.	SQ	Forsyth, Ga./Stratford Academy	68	Reilly Lauer	DE	6-6	250	R-Fr.	RS	Gates Mill, Ohio/St. Ignatius
71	Joey Bailey	C	6-3	275	R-Fr.	RS	Trussville, Ala./Hewitt-Trussville	97	John Laughrey	PK	5-11	180	R-Fr.	RS	McKenzie, Tenn./McKenzie
87	Brandon Barden	TE	6-5	225	Fr.	HS	Lincolnton, Ga./Lincolnton Co.	93*	David Leinweber	DE	6-5	250	R-So.	SQ	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Cranbrook
10	Earl Bennett	WR	6-1	202	Jr.	2L	Birmingham, Ala./West End	5	Myron Lewis	CB	6-2	195	So.	1L	Pompano Beach, Fla./Pompano Beach
30	Patrick Benoist	LB	6-0	215	So.	1L	Southlake, Texas/Carroll Senior	94	Kikko Logan	DE	6-2	235	R-Fr.	RS	Elba, Ala./Elba
98	Greg Billinger	DT	6-3	280	So.	1L	Liuburn, Ga./Parkview	43	Chris Marve	LB	6-0	230	Fr.	HS	Memphis, Tenn./White Station
85	Jake Bradford	TE	6-6	265	R-So.	1L	St. Simons Isl., Ga./Glynn Academy	27	Gaston Miller	TB	5-7	165	So.	1L	Murfreesboro, Tenn./Riverdale
89	Terrial Brannon	DE	6-3	235	R-Fr.	RS	Spartanburg, S.C./Broome	75	Nick Miller	SN	6-3	270	R-So.	1L	Matthews, N.C./East Mecklenburg
35	Brandon Bryant	LB	6-0	228	R-So.	1L	Cincinnati, Ohio/St. Xavier	86	Austin Monahan	TE	6-6	235	Fr.	HS	Charlotte, N.C./Phillips Acad. (Mass.)
32	Matt Bubis	FB	5-10	228	R-So.	1L	Nashville, Tenn./Montgomery Bell	17	D.J. Moore	CB	5-10	175	So.	1L	Spartanburg, S.C./Broome
24	Marcus Buggs	LB	5-11	225	R-Sr.	3L	Madison, Tenn./Goodpasture	37	Dom Morais	LB	6-0	215	R-Sr.	SQ	Dayton, Texas/Dayton
29	Joel Caldwell	S	6-1	195	R-So.	1L	Hoover, Ala./Hoover	91	Austin Newton	LB	6-2	215	R-Fr.	RS	McDonough, Ga./Union Grove
52	Nate Campbell	LB	6-3	228	R-Fr.	RS	Hazen, Ark./Hazen	3	Chris Nickson	QB	6-1	210	R-Jr.	2L	Brundidge, Ala./Pike Co.
50	Thomas Carroll	PK	5-9	160	R-So.	SQ	Columbus, Ga./Brookstone	95	Sam Panke	DE	6-2	230	R-So.	SQ	St. Louis, Mo./Ladue
50*	Bo Cramer	DL	6-4	255	Fr.	HS	Charlotte, N.C./Country Day	28	Kennard Reeves	TB	6-0	195	R-Fr.	RS	Duluth, Ga./Duluth
12*	Chris Crooks	WR	6-2	190	Fr.	HS	Cummings, Ga./Chattahoochee	36	Chris Reinert	WR	5-9	175	R-So.	SQ	Santa Ana, Calif./Servite
73	Ryan Custer	OG	6-3	295	R-So.	1L	Troy, Ohio/Troy	28*	Alex Schultz	DB	5-11	175	So.	SQ	Wayland, Mass./Wayland
26	Andrew Diomande	WR	6-1	185	Jr.	TR	Miami, Fla./Columbus/Clemson	18	Larry Simmons	WR	5-9	162	R-So.	1L	Austin, Texas/Anderson
41	Jermaine Doster	TB	5-10	205	Fr.	HS	Tampa, Fla./Robinson	88	George Smith	WR	6-3	200	R-Jr.	2L	Hollywood, Fla./Hollywood Hills
99	Derrius Dowell	DT	6-3	275	R-So.	SQ	Atlanta, Ga./Douglass	19	Larry Smith	QB	6-2	200	Fr.	HS	Prattville, Ala./Prattville
78	Josh Eames	OG	6-5	305	R-Sr.	3L	North Cape May, N.J./Lower Cape	59	Adam Smotherman	DT	6-4	275	R-Fr.	RS	Smyrna, Tenn./Smyrna
67	James Elledge	DL	6-4	275	Fr.	HS	Birmingham, Ala./Mountain Brook	69	Garrett Snoeyenbos	OL	6-3	260	Fr.	HS	Brentwood, Tenn./Ravenwood
20	Jared Fagan	CB	5-10	180	R-Jr.	2L	Waldorf, Md./Westlake	6	Darlon Spead	CB	5-10	185	R-So.	1L	Kingsland, Ga./Camden Co.
65	Kyle Fischer	OL	6-6	300	Fr.	HS	Columbia, S.C./Spring Valley	72	Brian Stamper	OT	6-5	300	R-Sr.	3L	Windermere, Fla./Lake Highland
38	Davis Flowers	LB	6-0	215	Fr.	HS	Dothan, Ala./Houston Academy	90	Broderick Stewart	DE	6-5	230	R-So.	1L	Newnan, Ga./Riverside Military
61	Nick Forte	OG	6-2	295	R-So.	SQ	Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood Academy	49	John Stokes	LB	6-5	230	Fr.	HS	Memphis, Tenn./University School
42	Tim Fugger	DE	6-4	225	Fr.	HS	Oak Brook, Ill./Montini Catholic	96	Steven Stone	DE	6-5	255	R-So.	1L	Conway, Ark./Conway
12	Jared Funk	QB	6-2	195	R-Fr.	RS	Long Grove, Ill./Saint Viator	16	Alan Strong	CB	5-10	175	R-Fr.	RS	Atlanta, Ga./Douglass
46	Michael Garcia	LB	6-0	240	R-Fr.	HS	Jacksonville, Fla./The Bolles School	11	Brent Trice	S	6-3	210	So.	1L	Orange, Va./Fork Union Military (Va.)
70	Drew Gardner	OG	6-6	300	R-So.	SQ	Hoxie, Ark./Hoxie	23	Udom Umoh	WR	6-0	175	Fr.	HS	Fort Valley, Ga./Peach Co.
48	Curtis Gatewood	DE	6-3	245	R-Jr.	3L	Memphis, Tenn./White Station	39	Brett Upson	P	5-11	180	So.	1L	Griffin, Ga./Spalding
47	Jonathan Goff	LB	6-4	235	R-Sr.	3L	Lynn, Mass./St. John's Prep	74	Ryan van Rensburg	TB	6-1	215	Fr.	HS	Jacksonville, Fla./The Bolles School
25	Jamie Graham	CB	5-11	180	Fr.	HS	Nashville, Tenn./Whites Creek	39	Ryan Vance	OG	6-3	285	R-So.	SQ	Bellaire, Texas/Episcopal
82	Justin Green	TE	6-6	230	Fr.	RS	Troy, Ala./Henderson	46*	Duane Vaughn	S	6-1	195	Fr.	HS	Goodlettsville, Tenn./Davidson Acad.
58	T.J. Greenstone	DT	6-3	270	Fr.	HS	Lawrenceville, Ga./Collins Hill	60	Bradley Vierling	C/OG	6-3	290	R-So.	1L	Warminster, Pa./Central Bucks East
49*	Chris Griffin	WR	6-1	185	R-Fr.	RS	Memphis, Tenn./Central	7	Sean Walker	WR	6-0	180	R-Jr.	2L	Wrens, Ga./Jefferson Co.
8	Bryant Hahnfeldt	P/PK	5-11	190	Jr.	2L	Nashville, Tenn./Montgomery Bell	4	Alex Washington	WR	5-9	185	R-So.	1L	Stone Mountain, Ga./Stephenson
56	Gabe Hall	DT	6-1	290	Sr.	3L	Virginia Beach, Va./Fork Union	76	Thomas Welch	OT	6-7	295	R-So.	1L	Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood
2	Ryan Hamilton	S	6-2	208	R-So.	1L	Wycombe, Pa./Council Rock North	80	Justin Wheeler	WR	6-1	180	R-So.	SQ	North Augusta, Ga./North Augusta
31	Jared Hawkins	TB	5-10	190	R-So.	1L	Spring, Texas/Klein	44	David Whittington	DT	6-2	275	R-Jr.	2L	Lafayette, La./St. Thomas More
66	Eric Hensley	OT	6-6	315	R-So.	1L	Clinton, Tenn./Clinton	74	Chris Williams	OT	6-6	320	R-Sr.	1L	Glynn, La./Catholic
53	Hamilton Holliday	C	6-4	290	Sr.	3L	Marietta, Ga./Walton	77	James Williams	OL	6-6	300	Fr.	HS	Smyrna, Tenn./Smyrna
92	Brandon Holmes	DT	6-3	295	R-Jr.	1L	Garland, Texas/Garland	13	Turner Wimberly	WR	6-0	195	R-Fr.	RS	Austin, Texas/Westlake
54	Theo Horrocks	DT	6-3	290	Sr.	3L	Fayetteville, Tenn./Lincoln Co.								
22	Cassen Jackson-Garrison	TB	6-1	215	Sr.	3L	Knoxville, Tenn./Central								

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2	Ryan Hamilton	S	22	Cassen Jackson-Garrison	TB	42	Tim Fugger	TE	63	Chris Aaron	OL	85	Jake Bradford	TE
3	Chris Nickson	QB	23	Udom Umoh	WR	43	Chris Marve	LB	64	Merritt Kirchoffer	OG	86	Austin Monahan	TE
4	Alex Washington	WR	24	Marcus Buggs	LB	44	David Whittington	DT	65	Kyle Fischer	OL	87	Brandon Barden	TE
5	Myron Lewis	CB	25	Jamie Graham	WR/CB	45	Chris Johnson	LB	66	Eric Hensley	OT	88	George Smith	WR
6	Darlon Spead	CB	26	Andrew Diomande	WR	46	Michael Garcia	LB	67	James Elledge	DL	89	Terrial Brannon	DE
7	Sean Walker	WR	27	Gaston Miller	TB	46*	Duane Vaughn	S	68	Reilly Lauer	DE	90	Broderick Stewart	DE
8	Bryant Hahnfeldt	PK/P	28	Kennard Reeves	TB	47	Jonathan Goff	LB	69	Garrett Snoeyenbos	OL	91	Austin Newton	LB
9	Mackenzi Adams	QB	28*	Alex Schultz	DB	48	Curtis Gatewood	DE	70	Drew Gardner	OG	92	Brandon Holmes	DT
10	Earl Bennett	WR	29	Joel Caldwell	S/DB	49*	Chris Griffin	WR	71	Joey Bailey	C	93	Theron Kadri	DE
11	Brent Trice	S	30	Patrick Benoist	LB	49	John Stokes	LB	72	Brian Stamper	OT	93*	David Leinweber	DE
12	Jared Funk	QB	31	Jared Hawkins	TB	50	Thomas Carroll	PK	73	Ryan Custer	OG	94	Kikko Logan	DE
12*	Chris Crooks	WR	32	Matt Bubis	TE	50*	Bo Cramer	DL	74	Chris Williams	OT	95	Sam Panke	DE
13	Turner Wimberly	WR	33	Reshard Langford	S	52	Nate Campbell	LB	75	Nick Miller	SN	96	Steven Stone	DE
14	Josh Allen	CB	34	Ryan van Rensburg	TB	53	Hamilton Holliday	C	76	Thomas Welch	OT	97	John Laughrey	PK
15	Richard Kovalcheck	QB	35	Brandon Bryant	LB	54	Theo Horrocks	DT	77	James Williams	OL	98	Greg Billinger	DT
16	Alan Strong	CB	36	Chris Reinert	WR	56	Gabe Hall	DT	78	Josh Eames	OG	99	Derrius Dowell	DT
17	D.J. Moore	CB	37	Dom Morais	LB	58	T.J. Greenstone	DT	79	Ryan Vance	OG			
18	Larry Simmons	WR	38	Davis Flowers	LB	59	Adam Smotherman	DT	80	Justin Wheeler	WR			
19	Larry Smith	QB	39	Brett Upson	P	60	Bradley Vierling	C/OG	81	Bryant Anderson	WR			
20	Jared Fagan	CB	40	Bo Baggerley	LB	61	Nick Forte	OG	82	Justin Green	TE			
21	Jeff Jennings	TB	41	Jermaine Doster	TB	62	Rob Ashabraner	DL	83	Brad Allen	TE			

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