



Vanderbilt Game Notes



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VANDY-ALABAMA INFO

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 8, 2011

KICKOFF: 6:00 pm, CST

STADIUM: Bryant-Denny Stadium, Tuscaloosa

TELEVISION: ESPNU

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HOME GAME TICKETS REMAIN

Tickets remain available for all four remaining home games on the Vanderbilt schedule: Georgia, Oct. 15; Army, Oct. 22; Arkansas, Oct. 29; and Kentucky, Nov. 12.

Tickets can be purchased online at vucommodores.com, by phone at (615) 322-GOLD, and at the McGugin Center Box Office on campus during regular business hours.

QB WAS 'BAMA PREP STANDOUT

As a senior at Prattville H.S., current Vandy starting QB **Larry Smith** was named all-classification Player of the Year in Alabama.

SEEKING WIN VS. RANKED FOE

Vanderbilt travels to Tuscaloosa Saturday seeking to end an 10-game losing streak to teams ranked in the Associated Press Top 25.

The 'Dores last victory over a Top 25 foe came in 2008 against Auburn (14-13, Oct. 4).

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2011 Schedule at a Glance

DATE	OPPONENT	NOTES
9/3	ELON, CSS	James Franklin gains first win as coach, 45-14 over Elon
9/10	CONNECTICUT, CSS	2-0 'Dores get 24-21 comeback win over Connecticut
9/17	OLE MISS, SEC-TV	'Dores go to 3-0 with impressive 30-7 win over Ole Miss
9/24	@ So. Carolina, ESPN2	Carolina defense dominant in 21-3 victory in Columbia
10/8	@ Alabama, ESPNU, 6 pm	Crimson Tide move to 4-0, top Florida 38-10 on the road
10/15	GEORGIA	Dogs earn 24-10 home win over Miss. State to go to 3-2
10/22	ARMY	Cadets improve to 2-3 with 45-6 home victory over Tulane
10/29	ARKANSAS	4-1 Razorbacks get 42-38 comeback win vs. Texas A&M
11/5	@ Florida	Gators fall from unbeaten ranks, losing 38-10 to Alabama
11/12	KENTUCKY	Wildcats drop to 3-2 overall, losing 35-7 to ranked LSU
11/19	@ Tennessee	3-1 Vols register 41-10 win over Buffalo in Knoxville
11/26	@ Wake Forest	Deacs go to 3-1 with 27-19 road win over Boston College

'Dores Return from Bye Week; Face Alabama in Tuscaloosa

Storylines for Game 5

★ The Commodores and Crimson Tide were annual rivals until 1991 when the SEC went to divisional play. Still, the 'Dores have only played three teams more often than Alabama.

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★ Six probable Vanderbilt starters were raised in Alabama.

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★ Vanderbilt leads the nation with 14 interceptions. The 'Dores have already surpassed their 2009 and 2010 season totals in picks.

- [More on Vanderbilt Interception Total...Page 3](#)

★ The Commodore defense is producing plenty of turnovers and points.

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★ **Chase Garnham** (LB) and **Jonathan Krause** (WR) posted career highs vs. South Carolina.

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★ **Chris Marve** (LB) continues to move up Vanderbilt's career tackles lists.

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★ Check out latest on former 'Dores in the NFL.

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VANDERBILT & ALABAMA QUICK FACTS

VANDERBILT

Location Nashville, Tenn.
Founded 1873
Enrollment 6,794 (undergrads)
Conference Southeastern (East)
Nickname Commodores
Colors Black & Gold
Home Field Vanderbilt Stadium
Capacity 39,773
Field Surface natural grass
Head Coach James Franklin (1st)
Coaching Record 3-1 (.750)
Website vucommodores.com

ALABAMA

Tuscaloosa, Ala.
1831
30,232
Southeastern (West)
Crimson Tide
Crimson & White
Bryant-Denny Stadium
101,821
natural grass
Nick Saban (5th)
48-11 (.814)/134-53-1 (.717)
rolltide.com



THE ALABAMA SERIES

- ★ Meeting Between Schools: 83rd
- ★ Series Record: Vanderbilt trails, 19-59-4
- ★ Last Meeting: Vanderbilt 10, Alabama 24 (2007)
- ★ First Meeting: Vanderbilt 30-Alabama 0 (1903)
- ★ Last Game in Tuscaloosa: Vanderbilt 10, Alabama 13 (2006)
- ★ Last Game in Nashville: Vanderbilt 10, Alabama 24 (2007)
- ★ Vanderbilt Record in Nashville: 14-28-2
- ★ Vanderbilt Record in Tuscaloosa: 1-15-0
- ★ Vanderbilt Record in Birmingham: 3-15-1
- ★ Vanderbilt Record in Mobile: 1-1-1
- ★ Vanderbilt Road Record vs. Alabama: 5-31-2

MORE ON THE ALABAMA SERIES

Though Vanderbilt and Alabama no longer compete annually, the Commodore-Crimson Tide rivalry is one of the oldest and most played series in Southeastern Conference history.

Vanderbilt has played 82 games versus Alabama. The only SEC teams Vanderbilt has played more than Alabama is cross-state Tennessee (104 games according to Vanderbilt team records), Ole Miss (86) and Kentucky (83).

Vanderbilt and Alabama lined up against each other every year from 1953 to 2002.

Vanderbilt controlled the series in its infancy, which started in 1903. The Commodores captured the first five games – and eight of the first 10 contests. Through the 1950s, the Alabama-Vanderbilt series was one of the South's finest, with the Crimson Tide holding a slim 17-16-4 margin entering the 1960 campaign. The series has been one-sided since 1960.

The Vanderbilt-Alabama series features three consecutive ties. After Vanderbilt took five of seven games from 1949-1956, the teams played to 6-6, 0-0 and 7-7 ties from 1957 to 1959.

TWO BAMA LEGENDS COACHED AT VANDY

Two legends of college football, **Paul "Bear" Bryant** and **Wallace Wade**, worked in the Vanderbilt gridiron program before compiling Hall of Fame careers as head coaches.

Bryant, an Alabama alum, cut his teeth in the coaching ranks mentoring Vanderbilt offensive linemen under Head Coach **Red Sanders** in the early 1940s. As a Commodore assistant in 1941, Bryant helped Vanderbilt to a 8-2 record and a 7-0 victory over No. 7 ranked Alabama.

Within weeks of that Vanderbilt-Alabama tilt, Bryant left Nashville to enter the Navy with the nation embroiled in World War II.

After graduating from Brown University, Wade served as a Vanderbilt assistant coach on 1921 and 1922 Southern Conference championship teams under Head Coach **Dan McGugin**. In 1923, he accepted the Alabama head coaching position, where he won three national championships in eight years.

Today, Bryant, McGugin, Sanders and Wade are members of the College Football Hall of Fame.

SMITH, NICKSON WERE ALABAMA PREP STARS

Vanderbilt's two primary starting quarterbacks for the last five years, **Larry Smith** and **Chris Nickson**, were both highly regarded prep players in Alabama. As seniors, both earned the state's Player of the Year as seniors: Smith at Prattville H.S.; Nickson at Pike County H.S. near Troy.

ELEVEN ALABAMA RESIDENTS ON VU ROSTER

The Vanderbilt player roster includes 11 players from the state of Alabama, including six that started in the Commodores' most recent games.

Three key offensive starters – quarterback **Larry Smith** (R-Sr., Prattville), running back **Zac Stacy** (Jr., Centreville) and wide receiver **Jordan Matthews** (So., Madison) – residents of Alabama.

Defensive starters from the state include linebacker **Chase Garnham** (So., Fairhope), end **Walker May** (So., Birmingham) and safety **Sean Richardson** (So., Linden).

Other Commodores from Alabama are **Dexter Daniels** (R-Jr., DE, Brantley), **Jacques Kirk** (Fr., WR, Jasper), **Jared Morse** (So., DT, Oxford) and **Nick Aguirre** (So., DB, Mobile).

The 11th Commodore from the state, **Jabo Burrow** (R-Jr., Morris) opened the season as a starting offensive guard, but has been forced to end his career due to injury.

FOUR COMMODORES FACE PREP TEAMMATES

Four Commodores will face prep teammates this Saturday when Vanderbilt goes to Tuscaloosa to take on the Crimson Tide.

Larry Smith (R-Sr., QB) was teammates with a pair of Alabama players at Prattville HS just north of Montgomery: **Nick Gentry** (R-Jr., DL) and **Nick Perry** (So., DB).

Thad McHaney (R-So., DE) and **Derek King** (Fr., DB) were teammates at Brentwood Academy south of Nashville with Alabama's **Chris Jordan** (Sr., LB), **s, OT** atte

Spencer Pulley (Fr., OL) played at Evangelical Christian in Memphis with two brothers playing for the Crimson Tide, **Barrett Jones** (Jr., OT) and **Harrison Jones** (R-Fr., TE).

COMMODORE DEFENSE PLAYING WELL

The Commodore defense has performed well under a new coaching staff directed by first-year coordinator **Bob Shoop**.

The veteran unit ranks high in the Southeastern Conference and NCAA in several categories, including scoring defense, rushing defense, red zone efficiency and passing efficiency.

The defense also leads the nation with 14 interceptions – a big reason why the Commodores rank second in the SEC in turnover margin.

During a 3-1 stretch to open the season, Vanderbilt has limited opponents to 15.8 ppg. The average is fourth in the SEC and 15th in the NCAA. The unit also ranks high in total defense (279.3 ypg; 5th in SEC), rushing defense (97.0 ypg; 4th in SEC) and pass defense (182.3 ypg; 6th in SEC).

The unit also has been stellar inside the 20-yard line, ranking second in the conference and third nationally in red zone efficiency (50%).

The Commodore opponent on Saturday, Alabama, boasts one of the SEC's most potent offenses and the league's top-ranked defense.

VANDERBILT'S DEFENSIVE TEAM STATS

Defensive Category	Avg.	in SEC	in NCAA
Scoring Defense	15.8	4	15
Total Defense	279.3	5	11
Rushing Defense	97.0	4	25
Passing Defense	182.3	6	22
Def. Pass Efficiency	85.4	2	4
3rd Down Conv. % (Defense)	34%	5	37
Red Zone Defense Efficiency	50%	2	T-3



VU DEFENSE: NCAA INTERCEPTION LEADER

The Vanderbilt defense leads the nation in one key defensive statistic: total interceptions.

MOST INTERCEPTIONS IN SINGLE SEASON (since World War II)

Year	Total INTs
T-1. 1982	24
T-1. 1948	24
3. 1969	23
T-4. 2008	20
T-4. 1952	20
T-6. 1989	19
T-6. 1950	19
T-8. 1951	18
T-8. 1959	18
10. 1947	17
T-11. 2007	16
T-11. 1974	16
T-11. 1958	16
T-14. 1973	15
T-14. 1968	15
T-16. 2011	14
T-16. 2006	14
T-16. 1984	14
T-16. 1970	14
T-16. 1967	14
T-16. 1966	14
T-16. 1965	14

Through four games, the Commodore secondary has 14 interceptions, two more than Ohio University. No other NCAA defense has reached double digits this season in picks.

Four Southeastern Conference teams – Georgia, Mississippi State, Ole Miss and South Carolina – share second place in the conference with eight interceptions.

In Vanderbilt's last game, the defense registered four interceptions in a loss at South Carolina. In two SEC games, Vanderbilt has picked off nine opponent passes.

Casey Hayward (Sr., CB) and **Trey Wilson** (Jr., CB) are team leaders in interceptions with four and three, respectively. Both rank among the NCAA Top Ten in the category.

Javon Marshall (R-So., safety), also has two picks.

The Commodores also are making the most of the interceptions. For the first time in team history, Vanderbilt players registered an interception return for touchdown in three consecutive

games. Only one other NCAA team (La.-Lafayette with four) can top the Commodores' three-TD total.

It also marks the first time in modern day history that Vanderbilt has scored on three interceptions in a season.

Leading the way is Wilson, who became only the second Commodore to have two pick-sixes in one season with returns vs. Ole Miss and Elon.

The 14 picks surpasses the team's interception total from the last two years. It is also higher than 16 of Vanderbilt's last 20 season totals.

HAYWARD: OFF TO SENSATIONAL CAMPAIGN

Off to an sensational season, **Casey Hayward** (Sr., DB) ranks among the national leaders in interceptions and is on pace to challenge the team's all-time leader in the category.

Hayward shares the SEC lead with four picks.

Hayward set a single-game career high with two interceptions against South Carolina.

Hayward's performance allowed the season to tie former standout Corey Chavous for fifth all-time with 12 career interceptions.

Hayward's next pick will move him into a second place tie with D.J. Moore (2006-08) and Ken Stone (1970-1972), just two behind all-time team leader Leonard Coleman (15 INTs, 1980-83).

Hayward has interception in three games this season, including a critical pick against UConn that he returned 50 yards for a touchdown.

VANDY INTERCEPTION LEADERS

Player	INTs
1. Leonard Coleman, 1980-83	15
T-2. D.J. Moore, 2006-08	13
T-2. Ken Stone, 1970-72	13
T-2. Donald Gleisner, 1950-52	13
T-5. CASEY HAYWARD, 2008-	12
T-5. Corey Chavous, 1994-97	12

HOLDING EDGE IN TURNOVER MARGIN

Vanderbilt has started the 2011 season exactly the way it wanted in turnover margin, a statistic that has been a dependable indicator of team success for the Commodores.

The Commodores are +7 in turnover margin through four games, picking off 14 passes and forcing two fumbles. On offense, Vanderbilt has lost nine turnovers: five fumbles and four interceptions.

The defense have been an interception machine in SEC play, picking off nine passes facing Ole Miss and South Carolina. Vanderbilt's five-interception total against Ole Miss was the most against an SEC opponent since the Commodores picked off five Kentucky passes on Nov. 6, 1982. The Commodores also intercepted five Eastern Michigan passes on Sept. 29, 2007.

The forced turnovers have directly led to 45 Vanderbilt points this season. Twenty-one points have come by way of interception returns for touchdowns, including a pair of scores by **Trey Wilson** (DB, Jr.).

After four weeks of the season, the Commodores rank second in the SEC and fifth in the NCAA in the turnover margin.

Since arriving on campus, Coach Franklin has talked about the importance of holding an edge in turnovers. In 2010, his Maryland Terrapins' squad rode a positive turnover margin (+15) to a 9-4 record and Military Bowl victory.

In 2008, the Commodores' 7-6 season and Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl victory were aided by a positive turnover margin (+9).

On the flip side, Vanderbilt finished a disappointing 2-10 season last year with a negative turnover margin (-4).

COMMODORE DEFENSE: PRODUCING POINTS

During the summer, James Franklin said the 'Dores would produce points on defense. His squad has produced them in bunches.

For the first time in modern history, Vanderbilt has returned picks for touchdowns in three straight games. Only one other NCAA squad, Louisiana-Lafayette (4), can top Vanderbilt's three-early season TD returns.

Each of the scores were pivotal to Commodore victories.

Trey Wilson (Jr., CB) scored on returns of 21 yards vs. Elon and 52 yards vs. Ole Miss. **Casey Hayward** (Sr., CB) tallied from 50 yards vs. Connecticut. All three scores provided Vanderbilt with either the winning and tying points.

This marks just the second time since World War II that Vanderbilt has tallied defensive touchdowns in three consecutive games. The only other time it happened came against The Citadel, Mississippi State and Georgia in 1999: **Jamie Winborn's** 26-yard fumble return, **Nate Morrow's** 65-yard fumble return and **Lamont Turner's** 59-yard interception return.

VANDERBILT'S 2011 DEFENSIVE SCORES

Opponent	Defensive Player	TD Play
Elon	Trey Wilson, DB	21-yard INT return
Connecticut	Casey Hayward, DB	50-yard INT return
Ole Miss	Trey Wilson, DB	52-yard INT return

VANDY FEATURED IN SPORTS ILLUSTRATED

First-year Head Coach James Franklin and the Vanderbilt football were featured in the recent edition of *Sports Illustrated*.

SI staff writer Michael Rosenberg attended SEC Media Days, then spent three days on campus during camp doing research for the in-depth look at the program Franklin intends to build in Nashville.





Commodore Notes



TATE BECOMES EIGHTH FIRST-TIME STARTER

Wesley Tate (R-So., WR) became eighth Commodore player to enjoy his first career start this season when he was in the opening lineup against Ole Miss.

Tate is one of five first-time offensive starters, joining **Mylon Brown** (R-So., OG), **Chris Boyd** (WR, R-Fr.), **Fitz Lassing** (TE/FB, So.) and **Chase White** (OL, R-Fr.). Brown is the only one to start all four games.

Three defensive players have enjoyed initial career starts: **Tristan Strong** (R-Jr., LB), **Chase Garnham** (So., LB) and **Javon Marshall** (So., safety).

THIRTEEN FIRST-TIME CONTRIBUTORS

Thirteen underclass Commodores have seen their initial action during the first four games.

Five defensive players have played their first snaps this year: **Robby Barbieri** (R-Fr., LB), **Reggie Ford** (So., DB), **Thomas Ryan** (R-Fr., DE), **Vince Taylor** (R-Fr., DT) and **Kyle Woestmann** (R-Fr., DE). First-time offensive players are **Chris Boyd** (R-Fr., WR), **Andrew Bridges** (R-Fr., OT), **Trent Pruitt** (R-Fr., WR), **Spencer Pulley** (Fr., OG), **Jordan Rodgers** (R-Jr., QB), **Jerron Seymour** (Fr., RB) and **Joe Townsend** (Fr., C). **Andrew East** (R-Fr.) is in his first year as the primary snapper.

FOUR TRUE FRESHMEN SEE EARLY ACTION

Four true freshmen have played early in the 2011 season.

Jerron Seymour (RB) is the team's second leading rusher and has a pair of rushing TDs. **Spencer Pulley** (OG) and **Joe Townsend** (C) have played on the offensive front. **Dillon van der Wal** saw his first action vs. Connecticut at tight end.

NOTES FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA GAME

★ **Chase Garnham** (So., LB) continues to impress as a first-year starting outside linebacker. The product of Fairhope, Ala., set a single-game career high with 10 total tackles. He also topped the Commodore defensive effort with eight solo tackles.

★ Despite the loss, the Commodore defense notched four interceptions, pushing its yearly total to 14 picks. There could have been more turnovers – Vanderbilt was unable to recover any of South Carolina's six fumbles.

Vanderbilt defense has posted two or more interceptions in every game this season.

★ The young offensive line struggled in pass protection against the Gamecocks for the second time this season, allowing six quarterback sacks that resulted in a loss of 42 yards.

The unit also allowed seven sacks in the team's victory over Connecticut.

★ **Jonathan Krause** (So., WR) set a career high with nine catches the most by a Commodore WR since **Earl Bennett** had 11 catches vs. Ole Miss on Sept. 15, 2007.

Krause leads the Vanderbilt receiving corps with 15 catches. Krause is the only Commodore receiver to possess at least 10 catches through four games.

★ The offense enjoyed little success in third downs against the Gamecocks, converting on just one of 14 attempts. The lack of third down efficiency helped South Carolina hold a 34:08-25:52 advantage in time of possession.

★ **Walker May** (R-So., DE) earned his first start this season – and second career start – on the defensive front.

★ **Archibald Barnes** (R-Jr., LB) contributed a career-high seven tackles and a forced fumble in an extended reserve role at outside linebacker.

★ **Carey Spear** (So., PK) continues to show accuracy as a first-year placekicker. Spear is now 3-of-3 in field goals this year after making a 33-yarder in the first quarter.

LB STRONG SECOND 'DORE TO MISS SEASON DUE TO INJURY

In the midst of his best year, **Tristan Strong** (R-Jr., LB) suffered a leg injury at South Carolina that will end his season.

Strong becomes the second Vanderbilt player to suffer a season-ending injury, join-

ing **Jabo Burrow** (R-Jr., OG). Burrow ended his career last month with injury concerns.

Strong was solid as a first-year outside linebacker. He concluded the year with 16 total tackles.

Vanderbilt's Record When...

Playing at home	3-0
Playing on the road	0-1
Playing at night	2-1
Playing during the day	1-0
Vanderbilt scores on first possession	0-0
Opponent scores on first possession	1-0
Vanderbilt scores first	2-1
Opponent scores first	1-0
Vanderbilt leads after 1st quarter	2-1
Opponent leads after 1st quarter	0-0
Teams are tied after 1st quarter	1-0
Vanderbilt leads at halftime	2-0
Opponent leads at halftime	0-1
Teams are tied at halftime	0-0
Vanderbilt leads after 3rd quarter	3-0
Opponent leads after 3rd quarter	0-1
Teams are tied after 3rd quarter	0-0
Vanderbilt has more total yards	2-0
Opponent has more total yards	1-1
Vanderbilt has more rushing yards	3-0
Opponent has more rushing yards	0-1
Vanderbilt has more passing yards	1-0
Opponent has more passing yards	2-1
Vanderbilt has more turnovers	0-0
Opponent has more turnovers	3-1
Teams have equal turnovers	0-0
Vanderbilt has more penalties	2-0
Opponent has more penalties	1-1
Teams have equal penalties	0-0
Vanderbilt has more time of possession	1-0
Opponent has more time of possession	2-1
Vanderbilt has 100-yard rusher	1-0
Opponent has 100-yard rusher	1-0
Vanderbilt scores at least 20 points	3-0
Opponent scores at least 20 points	1-1
Playing on natural grass	3-1
Playing on artificial surface	0-0
Vanderbilt defense scores	3-0
Opponent defense scores	1-1

RARE WINNING MARGIN

Vanderbilt's 23-point victory over Ole Miss (30-7) on Sept. 17 marked the widest winning margin by the Commodores in Southeastern Conference play since it defeated Mississippi State 49-19 on Sept. 25, 1971.

QUICK TURNAROUND FOR 'DORES

Vanderbilt was the only team in America that has surpassed its 2010 win total through the first three games of 2011.

In fact, the Commodores' 3-0 start also surpasses the win total from the 2009 campaign.



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Kyle Fischer



Casey Hayward



Chris Marve



Larry Smith



Carey Spear

2011 CAPTAINS: MARVE, HAYWARD, SMITH, FISCHER, SPEAR GET TEAMMATES' VOTE

In late August, Vanderbilt players voted five teammates to serve as 2011 captains: **Kyle Fischer, Casey Hayward, Chris Marve, Larry Smith and Carey Spear.**

Fischer (R-Sr., OT) and Smith (R-Sr., QB) will serve on the offensive side; Hayward (Sr., CB) and Marve (R-Sr., LB) on defense; and Spear (So., PK) on special teams.

Fischer, Hayward, Smith and Spear are first-time co-captains. Marve served in the role last year.

FISCHER: A 28-game starter on the offensive line, Fischer accepted a greater leadership role last spring. As a senior, he has moved to right tackle after playing guard as a junior.

HAYWARD: The latest in a string of excellent Vandy defensive backs, Hayward ranks among the SEC active leaders in INTs (10) and enters the season with a team-leading 27 consecutive starts.

MARVE: A three-year starter and candidate for numerous postseason defensive awards, Marve is the SEC's active leader with 329 career

tackles. He also has a team-high 39 starts.

SMITH: The fifth-year senior has shown determination to improve technique since Franklin's arrival. Smith has jumped into the team's all-time Top Ten in passing early in the season.

SPEAR: After earning the placekicking duties in preseason, Spear is 2-2 this year in field goals, including a 31-yard game winner vs. UConn.

The 'Dores will also name additional captains prior to each game.

VANDY WINS CONFERENCE OPENER

Vanderbilt's 30-7 victory over Ole Miss in Nashville on Sept. 17 was the Commodores' third win in its last seven Southeastern Conference openers.

The Commodores are not 6-19 in their last 25 SEC openers. Other recent victories are a 24-17 home win over South Carolina in 2008 and 28-24 win at Arkansas in 2005.

VANDY RESULTS IN SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE OPENERS

Year	Opponent	Site	W/L	Score
2011	Ole Miss	Nashville	W	30-7
2010	LSU	Nashville	L	3-27
2009	LSU	Baton Rouge, La.	L	9-23
2008	South Carolina	Nashville	W	24-17
2007	Alabama	Nashville	L	10-24
2006	Alabama	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	L	10-13
2005	Arkansas	Fayetteville, Ark.	W	28-24
2004	So. Carolina	Nashville	L	6-31
2003	Ole Miss	Nashville	L	21-24
2002	Auburn	Nashville	L	6-31
2001	Alabama	Nashville	L	9-10
2000	Alabama	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	L	10-28
1999	Alabama	Nashville	L	17-28
1998	Miss. State	Nashville	L	0-42
1997	Alabama	Nashville	L	0-20
1996	Alabama	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	L	26-36
1995	Alabama	Nashville	L	25-33
1994	Alabama	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	L	7-17
1993	Alabama	Nashville	W%	6-17
1992	Alabama	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	L	8-25
1991	LSU	Baton Rouge, La.	L	14-16
1990	LSU	Nashville	W	24-21
1989	Miss. State	Starkville, Miss.	L	7-42
1988	Miss. State	Nashville	W	24-20
1987	Alabama	Nashville	L	23-30

% Vanderbilt awarded victory due to Alabama forfeit

VANDY O-LINE: FAMILIAR FACES, NEW ROLES

Early in the 2011 season, the Vanderbilt offensive line has featured a bunch of familiar jersey numbers lining up at unfamiliar positions.

Three 2010 starters – **Wesley Johnson** (R-So.), **Kyle Fischer** (R-Sr.) and **Ryan Seymour** (R-Jr.) – are playing new positions this year.

Johnson, an SEC All-Freshman pick last year at left tackle, moved inside to center. Seymour shifted from right tackle to left tackle. Fischer, the team's most experienced lineman and a co-captain, moved from right guard to right tackle.

3-0 COMMODORES RECEIVED TOP 25 VOTES

Prior to dropping their first road game to South Carolina, the Commodores received Top 25 consideration in national polls after starting the season 3-0.

In separate releases Sept. 18, Vanderbilt notched 11 votes in the USA Today Coaches Poll, and eight votes in the Associated Press ballot.

It marked the first Top 25 consideration for the Commodores since mid-October 2008.

Vanderbilt did not earn votes in either poll this week.

GALT FACED SONS AT SOUTH CAROLINA

Dwight Galt, Vanderbilt's Director of Performance Enhancement, opposed three familiar faces on the South Carolina sidelines on Sept. 24.

Two of Galt's sons, **Dwight IV** and **Tommy**, serve as members of the Gamecock coaching staff. One of Galt's closest friends in collegiate conditioning is South Carolina Strength Director **Craig Fitzgerald**.

Fitzgerald played at Maryland from 1994-96, conditioning under Galt's tutelage, then worked as Galt's top strength assistant with the Terrapins from 2000-05.





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RECORDS FOR FIRST-YEAR COMMODORE COACHES

James Franklin, the 27th head coach in Vanderbilt gridiron history, became the first coach to register victories in his first three games since World War II. He guided Vanderbilt to a 45-14 victory over Elon on Sept. 3, a 24-21 come-from-behind win over UConn on Sept. 10, and an impressive 30-7 victory over Ole Miss on Sept. 17.

On Sept. 24, Franklin's 'Dores lost their first game, dropping a road encounter at South Carolina.

The last new coach to guide Vanderbilt to wins in his first three games was E.H. Alley in 1943. Before that, the last new coach to duplicate Franklin's 3-0 mark was Dan McGugin in 1904.

Through just three games, Franklin has matched or bettered the first-year win total of the five previous Vanderbilt head coaches.

RECORDS FOR NEW VANDERBILT COACHES

Coach	Year	First Year Record
James Franklin	2011	3-1
Robbie Caldwell	2010	2-10
Bobby Johnson	2002	2-10
Woody Widenhofer	1997	3-8
Rod Dowhower	1995	2-9
Gerry DiNardo	1991	5-6
Watson Brown	1986	1-10
George MacIntyre	1979	1-10
Fred Pancoast	1975	7-4
Steve Sloan	1973	5-6
Bill Pace	1967	2-7-1
Jack Green	1963	1-7-2
Art Guepe	1953	3-7
Bill Edwards	1949	5-5
Doby Bartling	1944	3-0-1
E.H. Alley	1943	5-0
Red Sanders	1940	3-6-1
Ray Morrison	1918	4-2
Dan McGugin	1904	9-0
J.H. Henry	1903	6-1-1
W.H. Watkins	1901	6-1-1
J.L. Crane	1899	7-2
R.G. Acton	1896	3-2-2
C.L. Upton	1895	5-3-1
Henry Thornton	1894	7-1
W.J. Keller	1893	6-1
Elliott H. Jones	1890	1-0

SEEKING PAIR OF BOWL APPEARANCES

Nine Commodore returnees are trying to achieve something no other Vanderbilt letterwinner can claim: become the team's first players to make multiple postseason bowl appearances.

The current players – **Brandon Barden** (TE), **Tim Fugger** (DE), **T.J. Greenstone** (DT), **Casey Hayward** (DB), **Josh Jelesky** (OL), **Chris Marve** (LB), **Sean Richardson** (safety), **Larry Smith** (QB) and **Udom Umoh** (WR) – played in the 2008 Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl, a 16-14 victory over Boston College.

Several of the current 'Dores played pivotal roles in the postseason win. It marked the first career start for Smith at quarterback. Marve also started and finished with a team-high 10 tackles. Richardson made one of the biggest plays of the game, recovering a fumbled punt for a touchdown. Hayward played much of the game in place of an injured **D.J. Moore**. Umoh posted the first three catches of his career.

Vandy-Alabama Statistical Comparison

	VANDY	ALABAMA
TEAM RECORD	3-1	4-0
TOTAL POINTS	102	192
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	13	24
POINTS ALLOWED	63	42
TOUCHDOWNS ALLOWED	8	5
FIRST DOWNS	50	105
RUSHING	28	50
PASSING	18	52
PENALTY	4	3
RUSHING YARDAGE	535	1,149
YARDS GAINED RUSHING	721	1,243
YARDS LOST RUSHING	[186]	[94]
RUSHING ATTEMPTS	130	191
AVERAGE PER RUSH	4.1	6.0
AVERAGE PER GAME	133.8.2	229.8
TDs RUSHING	6	17
PASSING YARDAGE	497	1,041
ATT-COMP-INT	103-59-4	142-88-4
AVERAGE PER PASS	4.8	7.3
AVERAGE PER CATCH	8.4	11.8
AVERAGE PER GAME	124.2	208.2
TDs PASSING	4	4
TOTAL OFFENSE	1,032	2,190
TOTAL PLAYS	233	333
AVERAGE PER PLAY	4.4	6.6
AVERAGE PER GAME	258.0	438.0
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	13-287	9-270
AVERAGE KICK RETURN	22.1	30.0
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	12-78	25-372
AVERAGE PUNT RETURN	6.5	14.9
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	14-267	5-70
AVERAGE INT. RETURN	19.1	14.0
FUMBLES-FUMBLES LOST	8-5	6-3
OPP. FUMBLES-FUMBLES REC.	12-2	7-3
PENALTIES-Yards	29-230	15-148
AVERAGE PER GAME	57.5	29.6
PUNTS-Yards	26-1,118	21-809
AVERAGE PER PUNT	43.0	38.5
NET PUNT AVERAGE	40.2	36.3
TIME OF POSSESSION	27:38	31:51
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	11/55	28/64
3RD DOWN PCT.	20%	44%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	4/6	2/2
4TH DOWN PCT.	67%	100%
QB SACKS-Yards	8-33	8-71
QB SACKS ALLOWED-Yards	16-114	8-39
FG MADE/ATTEMPTS	3-3	8-11





SMITH MOVING UP CAREER PASSING LISTS

Larry Smith (R-Sr., QB) could move up in two career passing stats when the Commodores travel to ranked South Carolina Saturday.

Smith, a two-year starter, needs two pass attempts to jump John Gromos into seventh place all-time and four completions to pass Chris Nickson into eighth place all-time.

Coming off a confidence-building preseason camp where he was elected as an offensive co-captain, Smith could reach the team's all-time Top 5 in several categories with an outstanding season.

Smith was efficient in the victory over Ole Miss, hitting 13 of 20 for 103 yards while rushing for 13 yards and a TD.

VANDERBILT CAREER PASSING YARDAGE LEADERS

Quarterback	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Yards	TDs
1. Jay Cutler, 2002-05	1,242	710	57.2	8,697	59
2. Greg Zolman, 1998-2001	1,156	596	51.6	7,981	41
3. Whit Taylor, 1979-82	1,016	555	54.6	6,307	41
4. Kurt Page, 1981-84	936	531	56.7	6,233	35
5. Eric Jones, 1986-88	661	365	55.2	5,029	32
6. Damian Allen, 1994-97	699	307	43.9	3,704	17
7. John Gromos, 1985, 87-89	580	297	51.2	3,514	17
8. Chris Nickson, 2005-08	541	284	52.8	3,406	29
9. Bill Wade, 1949-51	437	201	46.0	3,397	31
10. LARRY SMITH , 2008-	595	292	48.4	2,967	14

KENT AMONG VANDERBILT'S TOP TEN PUNTERS

In little more than a year as the Commodores' punter, **Richard Kent** (R-Jr.) ranks among team's all-time best. Kent's 42.1-yard average is tied for No. 3 on the team's all-time punt average charts.

Kent had a career game against Ole Miss, averaging 51.8 yards on four punts. He had two punts of more than 60.

Kent is averaging 43.0 yards on 26 punts, with an excellent net punting average of 40.2 yards.

VANDY CAREER PUNT AVERAGE

Punter	No.	Yards	Avg.
1. Ricky Anderson, 1981-84	111	5,067	45.6
2. Jim Arnold, 1979-82	277	12,171	43.9
3. Alan Herline, 1983-86	121	5,108	42.2
4. RICHARD KENT , 2010-	110	4,629	42.1
5. Bill Marinangel, 1993-96	272	11,336	41.7

Must have at least 75 career punts

MARVE, HAYWARD TOP SQUAD IN STARTS

Chris Marve (R-Sr., LB) has started more games than any other position player on the 2011 Commodore roster. The All-SEC candidate and two-time defensive co-captain made his 40th career start when Vanderbilt defeated Ole Miss last Saturday.

Brandon Barden (R-Sr., TE) ranks second on the team with 32 starts despite missing the Ole Miss and South Carolina games. Barden is followed by **Kyle Fischer** (R-Sr., OL) with 29 starts. Four other veterans – **Casey Hayward** (Sr., CB), **Sean Richardson** (Sr., safety) and **Larry Smith** (R-Sr., QB) – have at least 25 career starts.

Hayward leads the team with 28 consecutive starts entering this season. He is followed by Richardson (22) and Fischer (21). Four other 'Dores – **Wesley Johnson** (R-So., OL), **Richard Kent** (R-Jr., punter) and **Rob Lohr** (R-Jr., DT) – have started 16 consecutive games.

NORMAN, STACY: WHERE THEY STAND

The career rushing achievements of junior backs **Warren Norman** and **Zac Stacy** are beginning to show on Vanderbilt's all-time charts.

Stacy jumped into the all-time Top 30 rushing list after rushing for 169 yards on 11 carries against Ole Miss. The effort included a 77-yard TD.

Stacy was limited to 18 rushing yards in the loss at South Carolina.

Norman, who has not played this year, ranks 25th in career rushing entering his third season. His career rushing total (1,242 yards) is less than 500 yards shy of the team's all-time Top Ten.

VANDERBILT CAREER RUSHING LEADERS

Name (Career)	Rushing Yards (carries, TDs)
1. Frank Mordica (1976-79)	2,632 yards (546 carries, 18 TDs)
2. Carl Woods (1983-86)	2,490 yards (619 carries, 15 TDs)
3. Jamie O'Rourke (1971, 73-74)	2,202 yards (498 carries, 20 TDs)
4. Jermaine Johnson (1993-95)	2,152 yards (486 carries, 13 TDs)
5. Jared McGrath (1997-00)	2,151 yards (492 carries, 9 TDs)
6. Lonnie Sadler (1972-75)	2,096 yards (569 carries, 8 TDs)
7. Rodney Williams (1998-01)	2,021 yards (452 carries, 16 TDs)
8. Everett Crawford (1984-87)	1,814 yards (395 carries, 12 TDs)
9. Cassen Jackson-Garrison (2004-07)	1,814 yards (410 carries, 18 TDs)
10. Dean Davidson (1947-50)	1,731 yards (337 carries, 25 TDs)
11. Phil King (1955-57)	1,717 yards (342 carries, 12 TDs)
12. Kwane Doster (2002-04)	1,621 yards (339 carries, 7 TDs)
13. Tom Moore (1957-59)	1,606 yards (335 carries, 12 TDs)
14. Tony Jackson (1989, 91-93)	1,532 yards (313 carries, 7 TDs)
15. Norval McKenzie (2001-04)	1,491 yards (319 carries, 7 TDs)
16. Corey Harris (1988-91)	1,486 yards (297 carries, 6 TDs)
17. Marcus Wilson (1989-92)	1,468 yards (444 carries, 24 TDs)
18. Chris Nickson (2005-08)	1,463 yards (348 carries, 17 TDs)
19. Charley Horton (1952-55)	1,458 yards (257 carries, 18 TDs)
20. Herb Rich (1946-49)	1,324 yards (299 carries, 10 TDs)
21. Steve Burger (1970-72)	1,308 yards (414 carries, 23 TDs)
22. Terry Potter (1977-80)	1,294 yards (317 carries, 14 TDs)
23. Jared Hawkins (2006-09)	1,288 yards (269 carries, 7 TDs)
24. Jay Cutler (2002-05)	1,256 yards (453 carries, 17 TDs)
25. WARREN NORMAN (2009-)	1,242 yards (222 carries, 7 TDs)
29. ZAC STACY (2009-)	1,089 yards (209 carries, 7 TDs)

Source: VandySports.com

BARDEN AMONG TOP 20 RECEIVERS

Brandon Barden (TE, R-Sr.) has surpassed the 1,000-yard plateau for career receiving yards.

Barden has three catches for 35 yards in the first two games, but did not play against Ole Miss or South Carolina due to injury.

For his career, Barden has 94 receptions, good for 1,026 yards. He ranks 18th place on the team's all-time catches list.

Barden is currently second all-time among Vanderbilt tight ends, and needs 21 catches to surpass **Allama Matthews'** school record of 114 receptions.

He is tops among SEC tight ends in career catches, and leads the team with eight TD catches.

Barden is a candidate for the John Mackay Award, given to the nation's top tight end.

VU RECEPTION LEADERS

Receiver	Career Catches
1. Earl Bennett	236
2. Keith Edwards	200
3. Boo Mitchell	188
4. Dan Stricker	182
5. Chuck Scott	145
6. Everett Crawford	143
7. Martin Cox	132
8. Curt Chesley	125
9. Erik Davis	124
10. Carl Parker	118
11. Allama Matthews	114
12. Wamon Buggs	111
13. Tavarus Hogans	110
14. Marlon White	109
15. Brandon Smith	108
16. Norman Jordan	106
17. Clarence Sevillian	99
18. BRANDON BARDEN	94

Source: VandySports.com



★ Coach James Franklin

FRANKLIN FACTS

- When announced as the 27th head coach in Vanderbilt history, Franklin also became the first African-American to hold the Commodore position.
- Franklin is the first Vanderbilt coach to start his Commodore career 2-0 since Fred Pancoast in 1975.
- As a quarterback at East Stroudsburg, Franklin was a finalist for the NCAA Division II National Player of the Year.
- Regarded as a top recruiter, Franklin has been named among the nation's Top 25 recruiting coaches on multiple occasions by Rivals.com.
- Franklin is recognized as a noted quarterback mentor, having worked closely with Josh Freeman at Kansas State, and Danny O'Brien among others at Maryland. He also worked with several other top QBs, including Dan Marino and Donovan McNabb as a participant in the NFL's Minority Coaching Fellowship and Brett Favre as a Green Bay WR coach in 2005.
- Franklin's Kansas State offense in 2006 featured a rare triple accomplishment, producing a 1,000-yard rusher, 3,000-yard passer and 1,500-yard receiver.
- Franklin pupil Danny O'Brien earned ACC Rookie of the Year honors in 2010 after throwing for 2,438 yards and 22 touchdowns.

KEY MARYLAND STAFFERS JOIN FRANKLIN

Franklin enticed four key staffers from the University of Maryland to help turnaround the fortunes of Vanderbilt football.

- **DWIGHT GALT, Director of Performance Enhancement**
For years, Galt and Franklin talked about how they would manage a football program if given the opportunity. When Vanderbilt hired Franklin, the lifetime Maryland man jumped at the chance to join him. For 27 years, Galt poured his passion into the Terp program. Since 1993, he had served as its director of strength & conditioning.
- **JEMAL GRIFFIN, Chief of Staff**
Griffin served as Maryland's Director of Football Operations for the last three years. He worked closely with Franklin, the Terps' assistant head coach/offensive coordinator during the same period.
- **JOHN DONOVAN, Offensive Coordinator**
For the last three years, Donovan and Franklin spent many hours together, orchestrating the Maryland offensive attack.
- **CHARLES BANKINS, Special Teams Coordinator**
Bankins joined Franklin and Donovan in 2009, working as the tight ends coach and special teams coordinator.

Franklin...Building Interest Since Arriving on Campus

FRANKLIN INTRODUCED IN NASHVILLE ★ Dec. 17, 2010

James Franklin is introduced as Vanderbilt's 27th head football coach in a press conference held in the Board of Trust Room at Sarratt Student Center. At 39, the former assistant head coach/offensive coordinator at Maryland becomes the youngest Vandy head coach in nearly two decades.

FRANKLIN: "It's time that this football program starts reflecting everything else on this campus, and that's a commitment to excellence. I'm not a six-and-five guy, and I'm not a seven-and-five guy. There's going to be high expectations from day one. There is no part of this program that will settle. Everything we do will be about championships."

FRANKLIN ANNOUNCES OFFENSIVE STAFF ★ Jan. 13, 2011

The head coach announces the hirings of his offensive coaches, including new coordinator John Donovan, and Dwight Galt, the man who will guide the Commodores' conditioning program. He also names key administrators in the football office.

FRANKLIN: "We're really laying the foundation right now with the offensive staff, the administrative staff, the strength coach, to put together what my focus is on, which is to build the best staff in the country. When I say that, I'm talking about people that are passionate about being at Vanderbilt."

FRANKLIN INTRODUCED AT BASKETBALL GAME ★ Jan. 20, 2011

Franklin takes the floor during halftime of the men's basketball game against Ole Miss in Memorial Gymnasium, asking students and fans for their support for the football team in the coming months.

FRANKLIN: "We have a plan; we have a vision for what this program could be, but we can't do it alone. We need everybody's support. We need this community, we need this campus to come together and unite more than it ever has before."

FRANKLIN NAMES DEFENSIVE STAFF ★ Jan. 31, 2011

Four defensive coaches are named to fill out Franklin's staff: defensive coordinator and safeties coach Bob Shoop, linebackers coach and co-defensive coordinator Brent Pry, secondary coach Wes McGriff and defensive line coach Sean Spencer.

NATIONAL SIGNING DAY ★ Feb. 2, 2011

Fueled by a strong finish to recruiting, Franklin lands 21 signees coming from 13 states. The class, which includes a pair of 4-star prospects, is touted as Vanderbilt's most talented class in years.

FRANKLIN TO AUDIENCE OF FANS: "Basically, this staff was not going to take 'no' for an answer. We told every recruit that. We would go into their homes and tell them reasons they should come and tell their family. In the end, we would look them in the eye and tell them we weren't taking 'no' for an answer and they were coming to Vanderbilt."

FRANKLIN STAGES STUDENT TRYOUTS ★ Feb. 15, 2011

After visiting dorms and fraternity row, Franklin personally conducts tryouts for the Vanderbilt student body to make the team's spring roster. Seventeen students participated in the tryouts. Eventually, six students would join the team for spring drills.

FRANKLIN GUIDES SPRING DRILLS ★ March 18, 2011

Franklin oversees his first spring practice as head coach at the John Rich Practice Facility on campus. During the ensuing 14 practices, Franklin puts his stamp on the Commodore program: upbeat, energetic, disciplined, physical and positive.

THOUSANDS ATTEND SPRING GAME ★ April 17, 2011

The 'Dores conclude a month of drills with the Black and Gold Spring Game in Vanderbilt Stadium. The Black Team comes away with a 19-7 victory in front of a large and enthusiastic crowd. It marks the first spring intrasquad game on campus in more than 10 years. A fireworks display caps the spring finale.

OPENS FIRST PRESEASON AS HEAD COACH ★ Aug. 5, 2011

Pushing for an ultra-competitive atmosphere, Franklin tells team that every starting job will be decided during preseason camp. High energy is the theme through team's August drills. Franklin eyes a bigger picture – changing the expectations of all associated with Vanderbilt football.

POSTS WINS IN FIRST THREE VANDY GAMES ★ September, 2011

Franklin becomes the first new Vandy coach to win his opening three games since World War II.

Coach Franklin & the Vanderbilt Staff



The '11 Vanderbilt Staff

JOHN DONOVAN OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR/BACKS

One of two offensive position coaches at Maryland to join Franklin in Nashville... After Franklin accepted job, Donovan guided Terp offense to 51-point performance in Military Bowl... Coached quarterbacks and running backs at Maryland... Graduate of John Hopkins.

BOB SHOOP DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR/SAFETIES

Former head coach at Columbia... Has coached on winning side of Army-Navy, Boston College-Notre Dame and Harvard-Yale rivalries... Came from four-year stint guiding superb defenses at William & Mary... Brother is offensive coordinator at North Carolina.

BRENT PRY CO-DEF. COORDINATOR/LINEBACKERS

Son of a college coach... Coached defense at East Stroudsburg when Franklin was standout QB... Spent last year at Georgia Southern, developing a Top Ten defense as coordinator.

CHARLES BANKINS SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR/TE

Coached at NFL, college and prep levels... Worked two years at Maryland with Franklin... Coached ACC's top punt returner (Tony Logan) last year... Another Terp standout, Torrey Smith, broke ACC kickoff return records in 2009.

CHRIS BEATTY OFF. RECRUITING COORDINATOR/RECEIVERS

Joined Franklin after three years at West Virginia... WVU duties included director of recruiting... Mentored pair of dynamic WVU offensive players: RB Noel Devine and WR Jock Sanders... As Virginia high school coach, mentored former Florida standout Percy Harvin.

HERB HAND OFFENSIVE LINE

Lone holdover from 2010 Commodore staff... Came to Vanderbilt as OL coach after three years helping guide high-powered offenses at Tulsa... Spent five years coaching at West Virginia, working with some of nation's most productive attacks... Avid tweeter.

WES MCGRUFF DEF. RECRUITING COORDINATOR/DEF. BACKS

Known to staff as "Crimedog"... Previously coached in SEC at Kentucky (2001-02)... Came from Miami where he mentored All-America DB Kenny Phillips and Brandon Harris... Close friend of NFL Hall of Famer Shannon Sharpe as teammates at Savannah State.

RICKY RAHNE QUARTERBACKS

Cornell grad... Came from two-year stint at Kansas State working with legendary head coach Bill Snyder... Worked as grad. assistant under Franklin at Kansas State in 2006, mentoring young QB Josh Freeman.

SEAN SPENCER DEFENSIVE LINE

Energetic DL coach... Encourages players to attack like "wild African dogs"... Has worked with three finalists for Buchanan Award, given to top defensive player in FCS classification.

The Franklin File

AGE: 39

CAREER RECORD AS HEAD COACH: 3-1

ALMA MATER: East Stroudsburg (Pa.) University; Playing career – 1991-94

DEGREE: Bachelor's: Psychology, East Stroudsburg, 1995

Master's: Educational Leadership, Washington State, 1999

FAMILY: Wife, Fumi; daughters: Addy and Shola

FRANKLIN ON TWITTER: www.twitter.com/jamesfranklinvu

Franklin's Career At a Glance

2008-10 MARYLAND (assistant head coach/offensive coordinator/quarterbacks)

On December 23, 2007, Ralph Friedgen sways Franklin back to Maryland as the Terps' assistant head coach and offensive coordinator. In February 2009, Friedgen designates Franklin as his successor at Maryland... The Terrapins go 9-4 overall in 2010, finishing second in the ACC's Atlantic Division and winning the Military Bowl... Quarterback Danny O'Brien earns ACC Rookie of the Year and Freshman All-America honors under Franklin's mentorship, ranking third nationally among freshmen in pass efficiency rating... O'Brien throws for 22 touchdowns against only eight picks after becoming the team's starter in Week Four... Franklin's 2010 offense ranks among the nation's best in limiting turnovers... Torrey Smith also flourishes in 2010, catching 67 passes for 1,055 yards to earn first-team All-ACC honors... For the fourth time in his career, Franklin also is honored as a Top 25 recruiter by Rivals.com for helping to secure a class that included a number of four-star athletes... In 2008, the Terps defeat four ranked teams en route to a win in the Humanitarian Bowl to cap an 8-5 record. Terp WR Darrius Heyward-Bey becomes No. 9 overall pick of the 2009 NFL Draft.

2006-07 KANSAS STATE (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks)

As K-State's offensive coordinator, Franklin helps the Wildcats to a 7-6 record in 2006, including a 45-42 win over No. 4 Texas. Kansas State also plays in the Texas Bowl, its first postseason appearance in three years... In 2007, under Franklin's guidance, K-State offense becomes first in team history to feature a 3,000-yard passer, 1,500-yard receiver and 1,000-yard rusher in the same season... QB Josh Freeman (eventual 2009 first-round pick of Tampa Bay) sets numerous school records, including 3,353 passing yards... WR Jordy Nelson becomes an All-America player by catching 122 passes, and is a high draft pick of the Packers... In 2011, he starts on Green Bay's world champion squad.

2005 GREEN BAY PACKERS-NFL (assistant coach/wide receivers)

Assisting Head Coach Mike Sherman, Franklin mentors a strong receiving arsenal that includes Donald Driver, Javon Walker and Robert Ferguson catching passes from Brett Favre... Despite an injury to Walker, the Packers rank sixth in team receiving yards... Driver sets career highs with 86 receptions for 1,221 receiving yards.

2000-04 MARYLAND (wide receivers/recruiting coordinator)

Franklin helps Maryland to three consecutive bowl appearances starting with the 2001 squad... Maryland also achieves three straight seasons of 10 wins or more (2001-03), including appearance in 2002 FedEx Orange Bowl... Terps followed Orange Bowl berth with 30-3 victory over Tennessee in 2002 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl and 41-7 win over West Virginia in 2003 Toyota Gator Bowl... Promoted to recruiting coordinator in 2003, Franklin delivers back-to-back recruiting classes that were ranked among the nation's Top 25.

1999 IDAHO STATE (wide receivers)

As receivers coach, Franklin helps ISU finish ninth nationally in total offense.

1998 WASHINGTON STATE (graduate assistant coach/tight ends)

Franklin joins highly successful Cougar Coach Mike Price as grad assistant.

1997 JAMES MADISON (wide receivers)

Franklin mentors James Madison wide receivers... Junior receiver Earnest Payton finishes his career as the school's leader in receptions with 185.

1996 EAST STROUDSBURG (defensive backs)

Franklin returns to his alma mater, Division II East Stroudsburg.

NFL MINORITY COACHING FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Franklin participates in the program in 1998, serving an internship with Miami. He also enjoyed stints with Philadelphia in 1999 and Minnesota in 2008.



Notes ★ Player Participation

WILSON, JOHNSON EARN SEPT. 17 SEC AWARDS

Trey Wilson (Jr., CB) and **Wesley Johnson** (R-So., center) were named SEC Defensive Player and Offensive Lineman of the Week for their efforts in Vanderbilt's 30-7 victory over Ole Miss on Sept. 17.

Wilson picked off two Rebel passes, returning one for a 52-yard TD. He also contributed three defended passes in the stellar performance.

With two picks returned for touchdowns, Wilson becoming the 'Dore to achieve the feat in a single season since Jay Chesley in 1974.

Johnson anchored an offensive line effort that helped produce 281 rushing yards for the Commodores. It was the team's highest rushing total against an SEC opponent since 1994.

Johnson also won the league's offensive line award last year for his performance playing tackle against Ole Miss.

LOHR GETS SEC D-LINE AWARD ON SEPT. 10

Rob Lohr (R-Jr., DT) earned Southeastern Conference Defensive Lineman of the Week honors for his performance in Vanderbilt's 24-21 victory over Connecticut on Sept. 10.

Lohr, who contributed four tackles for loss in the victory, was selected over several SEC standouts. Two other Commodores, **Casey Hayward** (Sr., DB) and **Tim Fugger** (R-Fr., DE), also were nominated for the award.

Lohr's four tackles for loss ties for the most by a Commodore defender since linebacker Jamie Winborn contributed five tackles resulting in losses during a 43-20 against No. 6 Florida on Nov. 4, 2000. **Casey Hayward** also accomplished the feat at LSU in 2009.

Lohr became the first Vanderbilt defensive player to earn SEC weekly honors since defensive back **D.J. Moore** was recognized after the Commodores' 31-24 victory over Kentucky on Nov. 15, 2008.

VANDY, UMASS TO PLAY FOUR-GAME SERIES

Vanderbilt and Massachusetts have finalized an agreement to play a four-game series in football starting in 2012.

The Commodores and Minutemen will play twice in Nashville, the first coming on Oct. 27, 2012, and twice in Gillette Stadium. Starting next year, the venue near Boston will join as home to both UMass and the New England Patriots.

The teams will play in consecutive years through 2015. Besides the 2012 game, other series dates include Sept. 21, 2013 in Foxborough, Mass., Oct. 4, 2014 in Nashville, and Oct. 29, 2015 in Foxborough.

In April, UMass announced a jump to NCAA's Football Bowl Championship division (FBS), as a member of the MAC Conference.

STRONG RUSHING EFFORT VS. OLE MISS

Vanderbilt produced 281 rushing yards in its victory over Ole Miss. The performance ranks as the team's fifth highest rushing total against a Southeastern Conference team in the 30-year history of Vanderbilt Stadium, trailing just four games from 1990-92.

The effort against Ole Miss was topped by 169 yards by **Zac Stacy** (Jr., RB). Stacy's total equals the team's 10th best rushing performance since World War II, and the most against an SEC foe since **Lew Thomas** ran for 173 against Auburn in 2001.

In the last 30 years, the 281-yard rushing total ranks as the Commodores' eighth highest rushing total against an SEC foe – and the most since Vanderbilt rushed for 286 yards at Kentucky on Nov. 5, 1994.

Active Player Participation

PLAYER	Pos.	2011 GAMES PLAYED	2011 STARTS	CAREER GAMES PLAYED	CAREER STARTS	CONSECUTIVE CAREER STARTS
Robby Barbieri	LB	1	-	1	-	-
Brandon Barden	TE	2	2	39	32	-
Archibald Barnes	LB	4	-	31	1	-
Chris Boyd	WR	4	1	4	1	-
Andrew Bridges	OL	4	-	4	-	-
Brady Brown	WR	-	-	4	-	-
Mylon Brown	OL	4	4	11	4	4
Jabo Burrow	OL	1	1	13	10	-
Karl Butler	S	4	-	16	-	-
Steven Clarke	CB	4	-	15	-	-
John Cole	WR	2	1	26	21	-
Dexter Daniels	DE	3	-	27	-	-
Akeem Dunham	WR	2	-	17	-	-
Andrew East	SN	4	-	4	-	-
Kyle Fischer	OL	4	4	41	29	21
Reggie Ford	DB	1	-	1	-	-
Eddie Foster	CB	4	-	28	16	-
Ryan Fowler	PK	1	-	24	23	-
Tim Fugger	DE	4	4	35	22	7
Chase Garnham	LB	4	4	16	4	4
T.J. Greenstone	DT	4	-	38	12	-
Andre Hal	CB	4	-	16	2	-
Casey Hayward	CB	4	4	41	28	28
Wesley Johnson	OL	4	4	16	16	16
Josh Jelesky	OL	2	-	25	-	-
Bobby Jewell	LB	1	-	3	-	-
Mason Johnston	TE	4	1	14	2	-
DeAndre Jones	LB	4	-	23	-	-
Richard Kent	P	4	4	16	16	16
Jonathan Krause	WR	4	2	16	12	-
Kenny Ladler	S	4	-	16	10	-
Fitz Lassing	FB	4	2	15	2	1
Taylor Loftley	DT	3	-	11	-	-
Rob Lohr	DT	4	4	27	16	16
Javon Marshall	C	4	3	12	3	1
Chris Marve	LB	4	4	40	40	11
Jordan Matthews	WR	4	3	16	4	2
Walker May	DE	4	1	11	2	1
Thad McHaney	DE	4	-	10	-	-
Austin Monahan	TE	4	2	24	9	1
Jared Morse	DT	4	-	12	-	-
Colt Nichter	DT	4	4	20	11	4
Warren Norman	RB	-	-	20	13	-
Al Owens	LB	3	-	16	-	-
Marc Panu	FB	3	-	14	-	-
Micah Powell	RB	4	-	22	-	-
Trent Pruitt	WR	3	-	3	-	-
Spencer Pulley	OL	2	-	2	-	-
Sean Richardson	S	4	4	41	26	22
Jordan Rodgers	QB	4	-	4	-	-
Thomas Ryan	DE	1	-	1	-	-
Jameson Sackey	WR	3	-	4	-	-
Eric Samuels	S	4	-	23	-	-
Jerron Seymour	RB	4	-	4	-	-
Ryan Seymour	OL	4	4	25	15	14
Andre Simmons	S	3	-	14	-	-
Larry Smith	QB	4	4	26	25	4
Carey Spear	PK	4	4	16	4	4
Zac Stacy	RB	4	4	23	11	4
Logan Stewart	OL	2	-	10	6	-
Tristan Strong	LB	4	4	22	4	4
Wesley Tate	WR	4	1	15	1	-
Vince Taylor	DT	3	-	3	-	-
Johnell Thomas	DE	4	4	25	5	4
Joe Townsend	OL	3	-	3	-	-
Udom Umoh	WR	4	2	41	23	1
Dillon van der Wal	TE	3	-	3	-	-
Caleb Welchans	OL	4	-	27	5	-
Chase White	OL	4	3	4	3	3
Trey Wilson	CB	4	4	28	5	4
Kyle Woestmann	DE	3	-	3	-	-



Vanderbilt Active Career Leaders

Category	Team Leaders	Career Totals
Total Offense	L. Smith/W. Norman	3,453/1,362
Total TDs	W. Norman/L. Smith	11/8
Rushing Yards	W. Norman/Z. Stacy	1,235/1,089
Rushing Attempts	W. Norman/Z. Stacy	222/213
Rushing TDs	Smith/Norman-Stacy (tie)	8/7
Passing Yards	L. Smith/J. Rodgers	2,967/84
Pass Attempts	L. Smith/ J. Rodgers	595/14
Completions	L. Smith/ J. Rodgers	292/9
Passing TDs	L. Smith/ J. Rodgers	14/1
Receptions	B. Barden/J. Cole	94/65
Receiving Yards	B. Barden/J. Cole	1,026/758
Receiving TDs	B. Barden/J. Matthews	8/4
Punt Return Yards	J. Cole/Z. Stacy	196/46
Kick Return Yards	W. Norman/E. Samuels	1,608/683
Total Tackles	C. Marve/S. Richardson	338/210
Solo Tackles	C. Marve/S. Richardson	178/118
Tackles for Loss	C. Marve/T.J. Greenstone	24/16
Quarterback Sacks	Fugger/C. Marve	7/6.5
Interceptions	C. Hayward/E. Foster	12/3
Forced Fumbles	C. Marve/T. Fugger	7/6
Fumbles Recovered	T.J. Greenstone-C. Marve (tie)	2
Defensed Passes	C. Hayward/E. Foster	30/9
Career Starts (Pos.)	C. Marve/B. Barden	40/32
Consec. Starts (Pos.)	Hayward/Richardson	28/22

PREP TEAMMATES NOW COMMODORES

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

- **Wesley Johnson** (R-So., center) attended Montgomery Bell Academy in Nashville along with **Fitz Lassing** (So., FB) and **Reggie Ford** (R-So., CB).
- **Richard Kent** (R-Jr., punter) and **Kyle Woestmann** (R-Fr., DE) were teammates at Walton H.S., in Marietta, Ga.
- **Warren Norman** (Jr., RB/RS) and **Taylor Loftley** (R-Jr., DT) were teammates at Chamblee H.S. located east of Atlanta.
- **Thad McHaney** (R-So., DE) and **Derek King** (Fr., DB) were teammates at Brentwood Academy just south of Nashville.
- A pair of walk-ons, **Bobby Jewell** (Sr., LB) and **Daniel Hagaman** (So., WR) played at Brentwood H.S. south of Nashville.

COMMODORES INTRODUCE BLACK HELMETS

After warming up in their traditional gold helmets, the 'Dores returned to the field just minutes before kickoff against Connecticut donning new black helmets.

It marked the first time since the Watson Brown Era (1990) that Vanderbilt helmets were all black.

The 'Dores also wore the black helmets vs. South Carolina.



Media Information

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

PLAYERS

Robby Barbieri (bar-bee-AIR-ee)	Tim Fugger (FEW-ger)
Andre Hal (HAL)	Jacquese (juh-KWEESE) Kirk
Rob Lohr (LOR)	Chris Marve (MARV)
Marc Panu (PAN-ooH)	Steven Scheu (SHOY)
Jerron (juh-RON) Seymour	Udom (OOD-um) Umoh (OO-mah)
Jose Valedon (vall-uh-DAHNN)	Caleb Welchans (Well-chins)
Kyle Woestmann (West-man)	

COACHES

Ricky Rahne (**RON-nee**)

VANDERBILT POSTGAME INTERVIEWS

Following the Alabama game, Coach Franklin will meet with media representatives at Vanderbilt's press conference facilities in Bryant-Denny Stadium. The space is located directly across from Vanderbilt's locker room.

The Vanderbilt Player Locker Room is closed to the media. Our SID staff will take requests for interviews involving 4-5 student-athletes, which will start as soon as Coach Franklin concludes his postgame remarks.

NEW GAME WEEK INTERVIEW POLICIES

Media wishing to interview Commodore players should contact the Vanderbilt Athletic Communications staff in advance.

Post-practice access to Coach Franklin, assistant coaches and student-athletes is available on Wednesdays, at approximately 6:15 p.m. Reporters can watch the last 30 minutes of each Wednesday session.

Local media photographers and videographers can shoot either the opening minutes of practice Tuesday-Thursday, or shoot the final 10 minutes of practice on Wednesday (approximately 6:05 p.m.).

There is no availability to the head coach, staff or players on Tuesday and Thursday. The Tuesday and Thursday practices are closed after the opening periods. Besides television production obligations, Vanderbilt coaches and players are not made available on Fridays.

WEEKLY PRESS CONFERENCE ON MONDAYS

Coach Franklin will conduct a weekly press conference for local media on Mondays at 12:00 noon CT. It is held in the McGugin Center. Interviews with selected student-athletes will follow Franklin's remarks.

The conference is archived and available at vucommodores.com, each Monday by 2:30 p.m., CT. A transcript is provided usually by 3 p.m.

SEC COACHES TELECONFERENCE: WED., 10:30 AM

Coach Franklin is available each Wednesday morning to media outlets as part of the Southeastern Conference Coaches' Teleconference.

Franklin's 10-minute segment starts at 10:30 a.m., CT.

To participate, call the SEC SID Office at (205) 458-3010.

FRANKLIN RADIO SHOW ON THURSDAY, 6 PM

The Commodore Call-In Show with Coach Franklin, a regular weekly feature of Nashville radio flagship WRQQ 97.1 Classic Hits *has moved to Thursdays, starting at 6 p.m., in the Holiday Inn's Commodore Grille on West End Avenue*. The one-hour show, hosted by VU announcer Joe Fisher, gives fans an opportunity to ask questions about the program and upcoming opponents.





Commodore Notes

2011 Stats: Where Vanderbilt Ranks in SEC & NCAA

TEAM CATEGORY	AVG.	SEC	NCAA
Scoring Offense	25.5	10	81
Total Offense	258.0	11	117
Rushing Offense	133.8	8	77
Passing Offense	124.3	12	116
Scoring Defense	15.8	4	15
Total Defense	279.3	5	11
Rushing Defense	97.0	4	25
Passing Defense	182.3	6	22
Net Punting	38.7	5	27
Punt Returns	6.5	7	76
Kickoff Returns	21.7	7	55
Turnover Margin	1.8 (+7)	2	T-5
Pass Efficiency	102.9	9	111
Def. Pass Efficiency	85.4	2	4
Penalties	7.3	9	T-88
Penalty Yards	57.5	9	T-79
3rd Down Conv. %	20%	12	120
3rd Down Conv. % (Defense)	34%	5	37
Red Zone Offense Efficiency	89%	T-5	T-36
Red Zone Defense Efficiency	50%	2	T-3
QB Sacks	2.0 (8)	3	T-53
QB Sacks Allowed	4.0 (16)	11	116
Pass Interceptions	3.5 (14)	1	1
First Downs	12.5	12	118
First Downs Allowed	15.3	T-3	T-17
Time of Possession	27:38	9	97
Individual Category	Avg.	SEC	NCAA
Zac Stacy rushing yards	85.0	12	T-82
Jerron Seymour rushing yards	39.8	19	
Larry Smith pass efficiency	101.7	11	
total offense	98.5	18	
Chris Boyd TD receptions	.8 (3)	T-2	T-34
Jonathan Krause receptions	3.8 (15)	11	
punt returns	6.7	T-9	T-50
Eric Samuels kickoff returns	22.7	8	69
Tim Fugger sacks	.8 (3)	3	T-31
tackles for loss	1.3 (5)	5	T-49
Casey Hayward interceptions	1.0 (4)	T-1	T-1
passes defended	1.5 (6)	T-5	T-17
Rob Lohr tackles for loss	1.4 (5.5)	3	T-34
sacks	.5 (2)	T-7	T-93
Jovan Marshall interceptions	.5 (2)	T-6	T-21
Trey Wilson interceptions	.8 (3)	T-3	T-6
passes defended	1.8 (7)	T-3	T-9
Johnell Thomas sacks	.4 (1.5)	18	
Chris Marve total tackles	8.0 (32)	9	T-86
Richard Kent punting	43.0	5	27
Carey Spear field goals	.8 (3)	10	T-86

MARVE MOVING UP CAREER TACKLES LISTS

Chris Marve, a two-time All-SEC linebacker, is nearing the team's all-time Top Ten for career tackles.

Marve had nine total tackles, including one for loss, in the Commodores' loss at South Carolina. He also had a team-high 12 tackles in the Commodores' season opener vs. Elon.

He needs 10 tackles to pass **Randy Sittason** (1975-78) for 12th all-time.

Marve also needs one tackle for loss to join the team's all-time Top Ten, barely trailing **Marcus Buggs** (2004-07) in the statistical category.

Marve needs to produce multiple double-digit tackle performances to challenge the team's top three career tacklers: **Andrew Coleman** (458), **Joe Staley** (457) and **Chris Gaines** (440).

The Memphis product has been named to watch lists for several honors, including the Nagurski Trophy, the Bednarik Award, Lombardi and Butkus Award, and the Lott IMPACT Trophy.

A two-time defensive captain who has worked in Vanderbilt's Admissions Office, Marve garnered 80 stops last year while nursing an injury. He posted more than 100 tackles as a freshman and sophomore.

The team's second leading tackler, **Sean Richardson** (Sr., safety) had five tackles and his first career interception vs. Ole Miss. He needs 40 tackles to reach the career top 25.

VANDY CAREER TACKLES

Player	Total Tackles
1. Andrew Coleman (1978-81)	458
2. Joe Staley (1979-1982)	457
3. Chris Gaines (1984-87)	440
4. DeMond Winston (1986-89)	429
5. Jamie Duncan (1994-97)	425
6. Manuel Young (1980-82, 1984)	421
7. Tom Galbierz (1972-75)	413
8. Moses Osemwegie (2002-05)	391
9. Shelton Quarles (1990-93)	388
10. Jamie Winborn (1998-99)	377
11. Gerald Collins (1990-94)	357
12. Randy Sittason (1975-78)	348
13. CHRIS MARVE (2008-)	338
14. Bob O'Connor (1980-1983)	337
15. Jonathan Goff (2004-07)	307
16. Steve Bearden (1980-83)	301
17. Bob Scanlon (1985-88)	295
18. Steve McCoy (1981-84)	287
19. Ainsley Battles (1996-99)	286
20. Aaron Smith (1990-93)	274
21. Matt Stewart (1997-2000)	269
22. Ronnie Myrick (1976-79)	265
23. Justin Giboney (1999-2002)	259
24. Hunter Hillenmeyer (1999-2002)	249
25. James Manley (1992-95)	249
SEAN RICHARDSON (2008-)	210

VANDY CAREER TACKLES FOR LOSS

Player	Total Tackles For Loss
1. Jamie Winborn (1998-99)	45.0
2. Matt Stewart (1997-2000)	41.5
3. Alan Young (1991-93)	34.0
4. Moses Osemwegie (2002-05)	30.5
5. Joe Staley (1979-1982)	30.0
T-6. Jamie Duncan (1994-97)	28.5
T-6. James Manley (1992-95)	28.5
8. Broderick Stewart (2006-09)	27.5
9. Steve Bearden (1980-83)	27.0
10. Marcus Buggs (2004-07)	24.5
T-11. CHRIS MARVE (2008-)	24.0

NINE VANDY OPPONENTS PLAYED IN 2010 BOWLS

Seven of Vanderbilt's remaining eight opponents made postseason bowl appearances last year. On Sept. 10, the Commodores beat Connecticut, a participant in the 2010 Fiesta Bowl.

South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, Army, Arkansas, Florida, Kentucky and Tennessee are other opponents that played in 2010 bowls.

Status of Former Commodores in the NFL

Player	NFL Team	Notes
Earl Bennett, WR	Chicago Bears	Valuable receiver missed win vs. Carolina with chest injury, marking third straight absence from lineup.
Jay Cutler, QB	Chicago Bears	Hits 9 of 17 passes for 102 yards as Bears' running back sparks Chicago to 34-29 home win over Carolina.
Jonathan Goff, LB	New York Giants	Probable MLB starter expected to miss 2011-12 season after suffering torn ACL in practice on Sept. 5.
Reshard Langford, S	Kansas City Chiefs	Second-year safety saw special teams duty for first time this year in Chiefs' 22-17 win over Minnesota.
Myron Lewis, DB	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	Second-year DB saw first action of year last Sunday; Bucs host Indianapolis on Monday Night Football.
D.J. Moore, DB	Chicago Bears	Posts five tackles and the Bears' first TD – 20-yard INT return – in Chicago's 34-29 win over Panthers.
Chris Williams, OG	Chicago Bears	Starting LG helps Bears' offense pound Carolina with 224 rushing yards during 34-29 victory in Chicago.
Thomas Welch, OT	New England Patriots	Second-year OL earned first snaps as Pat, seeing time as tackle eligible in New England's win at Oakland.



FRANKLIN: ONE OF 24 NEW FBS HEAD COACHES

James Franklin is one of 13 NCAA FBS coaches across the nation who will be directing their first game as a head coach this season.

Vanderbilt is one of 24 programs entering the year with a new head coach.

Franklin, regarded as one of the nation's top offensive minds following successful coordinator tenures at Maryland and Kansas State, was named as Vanderbilt's 27th head coach last December.

Franklin is also one of two new head coaches in the Southeastern Conference, joining Will Muschamp of Florida. This is also Muschamp's first year as a collegiate head coach. Both are 3-1 on the year.

NEW NCAA FBS HEAD COACHES IN 2011

School	New Head Coach	Former Coach
Arkansas State	Hugh Freeze	Steve Roberts
Ball State	Pete Lembo	Stan Parrish
Colorado	Jon Embree *	Dan Hawkins
Connecticut	Paul Pasqualoni	Randy Edsall
Florida	Will Muschamp *	Urban Meyer
Indiana	Kevin Wilson *	Bill Lynch
Kent State	Darrell Hazell *	Doug Martin
Louisiana	Mark Hudspeth	Rickey Bustle
Maryland	Randy Edsall	Ralph Friedgen
Miami (Florida)	Al Golden	Randy Shannon
Miami (Ohio)	Don Treadwell *	Michael Haywood
Michigan	Brady Hoke	Rich Rodriguez
Minnesota	Jerry Kill	Tim Brewster
North Carolina	Everett Withers *	Butch Davis
North Texas	Dan McCarney	Todd Dodge
Northern Illinois	Dave Doeren *	Jerry Kill
Ohio State	Luke Fickell *	Jim Tressel
Pittsburgh	Todd Graham	Dave Wannstedt
San Diego St.	Rocky Long	Brady Hoke
Stanford	David Shaw *	Jim Harbaugh
Temple	Steve Addazio *	Al Golden
Tulsa	Bill Blankenship *	Todd Graham
Vanderbilt	James Franklin *	Robbie Caldwell
West Virginia	Dana Holgorsen *	Bill Stewart

* first-year head coach at NCAA FBS level

FORMER COACH MACINTYRE HONORED SEPT. 10

Former Vanderbilt Head Coach Coach **George MacIntyre** was honored during halftime of the Connecticut game for his incredible contribution to the legacy of Commodore football and also to assist in raising awareness within the Commodore community for finding a cure to multiple sclerosis.

Coach MacIntyre, a longtime resident of Nashville, was known throughout his coaching career as a powerful motivator and infectious personality. Those qualities have never been more apparent than in his current battle with multiple sclerosis.

More than 50 of MacIntyre's former players joined Vanderbilt Athletics officials during the on-field ceremony.

"Coach Mac," as he's been known throughout much of his career, served as head coach of the Commodores from 1979-1985 and led Vanderbilt to some of the university's biggest victories. In 1982, MacIntyre's team upset 14th-ranked Florida 31-29 and went on to finish the season 8-3 with an appearance in the Hall of Fame Bowl. That year, he received the Bobby Dodd Coach of the Year Award, the *Sporting News* College Football Coach of the Year and the SEC Coach of the Year. The eight wins posted in 1982 were the most wins posted by a Commodore team since 1955 and a mark that has not been matched since.

After leaving Vanderbilt, MacIntyre went on to a successful business career before returning to the coaching ranks as an assistant coach at Liberty University when in 1997 he was forced to retire after being diagnosed with primary progressive multiple sclerosis. In the subsequent years, Coach Mac has continued to serve as an inspiration to his former players and fellow coaches.

A group of those former players came together earlier this year with the hopes of honoring MacIntyre for his contributions to Vanderbilt and the local community. In conjunction with the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and the athletic department, this group of former players and colleagues has worked to raise awareness and money in Coach Mac's honor in the fight against MS.

The infectious personality and strong will continue to resonate today from Coach Mac, who still serves as a motivator and inspiration for former players, coaches and friends that visit him at his home in Nashville.

For more information on Coach MacIntyre and his fight against MS, please contact the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Mid-South Chapter at (800) 269-9055.

VANDERBILT: BEVY OF RETURNING STARTERS

Vanderbilt's starting lineup in the season opener featured 14 position players that started much of the 2010 season. The list of Commodore starters includes eight offensive players and six defensive contributors back from similar roles last year.

Returning offensive starters who have earned their way into Franklin's starting lineup are **Larry Smith** (QB), **Udom Umoh** (WR), **Kyle Fischer** (OL), **Wesley Johnson** (OL), **Ryan Seymour** (OL), **Jabo Burrow** (OL) and **Brandon Barden** (TE).

On defense, seven starters from a year ago should be in the starting unit vs. Elon. They are **Tim Fugger** (DE), **Rob Lohr** (DT), **Colt Nichter** (DT), **Chris Marve** (LB), **Casey Hayward** (CB) and **Sean Richardson** (safety).

Four other starters – **Zac Stacy** (RB), **Jordan Matthews** (WR), **Austin Monahan** (TE) and **Johnell Thomas** (DE) – also started games last year.

A number of other position players that played key roles for the Commodores in the opener also have multiple career starts, including **John Cole** (WR), **Jonathan Krause** (WR), **Eddie Foster** (CB), **T.J. Greenstone** (DT), **Andre Hal** (CB) and **Kenny Ladler** (safety).

VANDERBILT VS. RECENT NON-SEC OPPONENTS

After defeating Elon (45-14) and Connecticut (24-21) this season, Vanderbilt is 11-8 against non-Southeastern Conference opponents in the last five years.

In 2010, the 'Dores were 1-3 vs. non-SEC foes: defeating Eastern Michigan while falling to Northwestern, UConn and Wake Forest.

In the last decade, Vanderbilt is 19-17 in games against non-SEC teams. Vanderbilt still hosts Army (Oct. 22) and plays at Wake Forest (Nov. 26).

Year	Non-SEC Opponents (W/L)
2011	Elon (W), Connecticut (W), Army, Wake Forest
2010	Northwestern (L), UConn (L), Ea. Michigan (W), Wake Forest (L)
2009	Western Carolina (W), Rice (W), Army (L), Ga. Tech (L)
2008	Miami OH (W), Rice (W), Duke (L), W. Forest (L), Boston College (W)
2007	Richmond (W), E. Michigan (W), Miami OH (W) Wake Forest (L)
2006	Michigan (L), Tennessee State (W), Temple (W)
2005	Wake Forest (W), Richmond (W), Middle Tennessee (L)
2004	Navy (L), Rutgers (L), Eastern Kentucky (W)
2003	Chattanooga (W), TCU (L), Georgia Tech (L), Navy (L)
2002	Ga. Tech (L), Furman (W), Middle Tennessee (L), Connecticut (W)



★ Depth Chart - Oct. 2, 2011



Offense

First Team

WR 87	Jordan Matthews	6-3, 202, So.	Madison, Ala.
WR 17	Jonathan Krause	5-11, 184, So.	Snellville, Ga.
WR 24	Wesley Tate	6-1, 224, R-Sr.	Madison, Tenn.
QB 10	Larry Smith	6-2, 224, R-Sr.	Prattville, Ala.
TB 2	Zac Stacy	5-9, 208, Jr.	Centreville, Ala.
FB 38	Fitz Lassing	6-3, 240, So.	Nashville, Tenn.
TE 6	Brandon Barden	6-5, 246, R-Sr.	Lincolnton, Ga.
LT 62	Ryan Seymour	6-5, 300, R-Jr.	Kingsland, Ga.
LG 73	Chase White	6-5, 285, R-Fr.	Plano, Texas
C 67	Wesley Johnson	6-5, 280, R-Sr.	Nashville, Tenn.
RG 50	Mylon Brown	6-6, 300, R-Sr.	Trilby, Fla.
RT 72	Kyle Fischer	6-6, 305, R-Sr.	Columbia, S.C.

Second Team

80	Chris Boyd	6-3, 208, R-Fr.	Roswell, Ga.
4	Udom Umoh	6-0, 180, R-Sr.	Fort Valley, Ga.
82	Jameson Sackey	6-1, 208, R-Jr.	Mableton, Ga.
11	Jordan Rodgers	6-1, 210, R-Jr.	Chico, Calif.
18	Jerron Seymour	5-7, 190, Fr.	Hialeah, Fla.
-or- 5	Warren Norman	5-10, 198, Jr.	Stone Mtn., Ga.
85	Mason Johnston	6-4, 242, R-Sr.	Jacksonville, Fla.
-or- 86	Austin Monahan	6-6, 242, R-Jr.	Charlotte, N.C.
85	Mason Johnston	6-4, 242, R-Sr.	Jacksonville, Fla.
52	Andrew Bridges	6-6, 275, R-Fr.	Atlanta, Ga.
-or- 60	Logan Stewart	6-4, 280, So.	Boiling Springs, S.C.
56	Joe Townsend	6-4, 284, Fr.	Hendersonville, Tenn.
69	Josh Jelesky	6-5, 275, R-Jr.	Naperville, Ill.
78	Caleb Welchans	6-5, 305, R-Jr.	Wildwood, Mo.

Defense

First Team

DE 42	Tim Fugger	6-4, 255, R-Sr.	Oak Brook, Ill.
DT 84	Rob Lohr	6-4, 290, R-Jr.	Phoenixville, Pa.
DT 58	Colt Nichter	6-2, 285, R-Jr.	Park City, Utah
DE 98	Johnell Thomas	6-0, 250, R-Jr.	Orlando, Fla.
SLB 36	Chase Garnham	6-3, 230, So.	Fairhope, Ala.
MLB 13	Chris Marve	6-0, 238, R-Sr.	Memphis, Tenn.
WLB 15	Archibald Barnes	6-4, 228, R-Jr.	Tampa, Fla.
CB 19	Casey Hayward	5-11, 188, Sr.	Perry, Ga.
FS 31	Javon Marshall	5-11, 190, R-Sr.	Huber Heights, Ohio
SS 21	Sean Richardson	6-2, 215, Sr.	Linden, Ala.
CB 8	Trey Wilson	5-11, 188, Jr.	Shreveport, La.

Second Team

99	Thad McHaney	6-5, 260, R-Sr.	Nashville, Tenn.
97	Jared Morse	6-2, 288, So.	Oxford, Ala.
74	T.J. Greenstone	6-3, 290, R-Sr.	Lawrenceville, Ga.
92	Kyle Woestmann	6-3, 255, R-Fr.	Marietta, Ga.
90	Walker May	6-5, 235, R-Sr.	Birmingham, Ala.
37	Al Owens	6-2, 220, R-Jr.	Springtown, Texas
47	DeAndre Jones	6-0, 232, R-Jr.	Memphis, Tenn.
37	Al Owens	6-2, 220, R-Jr.	Springtown, Texas
23	Andre Hal	6-0, 184, So.	Port Allen, La.
-or- 1	Kenny Ladler	6-1, 205, So.	Stone Mountain, Ga.
22	Eric Samuels	6-0, 195, Jr.	Eustis, Fla.
28	Karl Butler	6-1, 200, So.	New Orleans, La.
12	Steven Clarke	5-10, 190, So.	Lauderdale Lakes, Fla.
16	Eddie Foster	5-10, 172, Jr.	Colleyville, Texas

Special Teams

First Team

P 94	Richard Kent	6-2, 198, R-Jr.	Marietta, Ga.
PK 39	Carey Spear	5-10, 190, So.	Mayfield Village, Ohio
H 94	Richard Kent	6-2, 198, R-Jr.	Marietta, Ga.
SN 34	Andrew East	6-2, 228, R-Fr.	Indianapolis, Ind.
LS 34	Andrew East	6-2, 228, R-Fr.	Indianapolis, Ind.
KO 39	Carey Spear	5-10, 190, So.	Mayfield Village, Ohio
KOR 23	Andre Hal	6-0, 184, So.	Port Allen, La.
PR 17	Jonathan Krause	5-11, 184, So.	Snellville, Ga.

Second Team

48	Ryan Fowler	5-10, 172, R-Jr.	Taylor, S.C.
48	Ryan Fowler	5-10, 172, R-Jr.	Taylor, S.C.
11	Jordan Rodgers	6-1, 210, R-Jr.	Chico, Calif.
84	Rob Lohr	6-4, 290, R-Jr.	Phoenixville, Pa.
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48	Ryan Fowler	5-10, 172, R-Jr.	Taylor, S.C.
-or- 22	Eric Samuels	6-0, 195, Jr.	Eustis, Fla.
39	Mitchell Hester	5-8, 184, Fr.	Neptune Beach, Fla.



