

FINAL FACTS on the 1951 VANDERBILT BASKETBALL TEAM

1950-51

SEASON'S RECORD

SEC TOURNAMENT BOX SCORES

Opponent	V. Op	First Round (Tennessee)	Semi-Finals (L.S.U.)
Mid. Tenn.	58 45	VANDY (88)	VANDY (75)
Lipscomb	71 69	Kardokus, f	Kardokus, f
Florida	81 64	Southwood	Smith, f-g
Holy Cross	62 64	Smith, f-g	Southwood
NYU	56 87	Weiss, c	Weiss, c
Texas	49 55	Herring	Herring
Baylor	54 53	Kelley, g-c	Kelley, g-c
Tulsa	56 49	McChesney	Heldman, g
Lipscomb	57 59	Heldman, g	White
Auburn	61 51	White	Totals
Alabama	49 35	Clark	L.S.U. (63)
Miss. State	63 60	Totals	FG Pct: Vandy, 38.3; LSU, 34.2
LSU	69 61	TENNESSEE (52)	
Tennessee	59 57	FG Pct: Vandy, 41.9, Tenn. 23.8	
Kentucky	49 74	Quarter-Finals (Georgia)	Finals (Kentucky)
Tennessee	59 61	VANDY (70)	VANDY (61)
Ga. Tech	55 47	Kardokus, f	Kardokus, f
Sewanee	63 44	Southwood	Southwood
Tulane	55 90	Smith, f-g	Smith, f-g
Ga. Tech	69 67	Weiss, c	Weiss, c
Kentucky	57 89	Herring	Kelley, g-c
Georgia	69 57	Kelley, g-c	Heldman, g
Tennessee	88 52	Heldman, g	White
Georgia	70 60	White	Totals
LSU	75 63	Totals	KENTUCKY (57)
Kentucky	61 57	GEORGIA (60)	FG Pct: Vandy 32.9, Kentucky, 27.6
		FG Pct: Vandy 31.7, Georgia, 28.6	

\* - Overtime  
 c - Conference games  
 a - All-College Tourney  
 t - SEC Tournament

Tourney Scoring Leaders - Kardokus, 64; Spivey, 63; Smith, 57. Kentucky had won the previous seven successive SEC Tournaments, twelve altogether. It was Vanderbilt's first time in the Finals of the SEC. The last Vanderbilt Basketball Championship was the 1927 Southern Conference Tournament at Atlanta.

CUMULATIVE TOTALS FOR 1951 SEASON (27 Games) Won-Lost Record: Overall 19-8; Reg. SEC 10-4.

Player	No. Games	FG's Att.	FG's Made	Pct. Made	FT's Att.	FT's Made	Pct. Made	Pers. Fouls	Total Points	Ave. Pts.
Al WEISS, c	26	365	132	.362	144	89	.618	100	353	13.6
Dave KARDOKUS, f	27	405	122	.301	78	56	.718	81	300	11.1
Bob Dudley SMITH, f-g	27	297	101	.340	121	87	.719	70	289	10.7
George KELLEY, g-c	27	267	75	.284	144	96	.667	98	246	9.1
Jack HELDMAN, g	27	303	79	.261	81	50	.617	79	208	7.7
Gene SOUTHWOOD, f	26	216	69	.319	57	37	.649	48	175	6.7
Bob WHITE, g	24	126	37	.294	22	13	.591	44	87	3.6
Bucky HERRING, f	11	21	4	.190	2	2	1.000	11	10	0.9
Jimmy CLARK, g	6	13	2	.154	1	0	.000	1	4	0.7
George MCCHESENEY, f	7	9	1	.111	1	0	.000	1	2	0.3
Other Players	14	62	8	.129	13	4	.308	21	20	1.4
TOTALS	27	2084	630	.302	664	434	.654	557	1694	62.7
DEFENSIVE TOTALS	27	2102	621	.295	637	391	.612	571	1633	60.5
Ave. Per Game		77.2	23.3		24.9	16.1		20.6		
Opp. Ave. Per Game		77.8	23.0		23.6	14.5		21.1		

The 1951 team won more game (19) and scored more points (1694) than any other Vanderbilt basketball team in history.

The season's best offensive effort was against Tennessee in the SEC Tourney; the 88 points scored on 39 FG's and 10 FT's was the highest total since the Commodores defeated Mississippi State 90-45 on Feb. 14, 1949. The 39 FG's scored ties the mark set that night. The FG percentage of 41.9 against Tennessee is second in Vanderbilt history to the 44.3% made against Miss. State.

Best defensive effort was in holding Alabama to 10 FG's to win 49-35.