

VANDERBILT LOOKS FOR 5TH STRAIGHT WIN



4-0, 2-0

4-1, 2-1

KICKOFF INFORMATION

DATE: Saturday, October 4, 2008

KICKOFF: 5:00 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, sidelines reporter

XM RADIO: Channel 200

TV: ESPN (national)

ESPN CREW:

Brent Musburger, play-by-play;

Kirk Herbstreit, analyst;

Lisa Salters, sidelines

ESPN's COLLEGE GAMEDAY SHOW COMING TO CAMPUS

ESPN's popular "College GameDay Built by The Home Depot" show will make its first appearance ever on the Vanderbilt campus this Saturday when No. 13 Auburn invades Nashville to take on the No. 19 Commodores.

The entire College GameDay crew – Chris Fowler, Lee Corso, Kirk Herbstreit and Desmond Howard – will be on campus to focus national attention on the Auburn-Vanderbilt matchup.

The game, scheduled to kickoff at 5 p.m., CT, also will air on ESPN.

More details on how fans can watch the show will be available Tuesday at vucommodores.com.

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THE COMMODORE SEASON AT A GLANCE...(4-0, 2-0)

DATE	OPPONENT	NOTES
8/28	@ Miami of Ohio	(W, 34-13) Commodores rush for 269 yards in road win
9/4	So. Carolina , ESPN	(W, 24-17) Second straight win over ranked Gamecocks
9/13	Rice , 6 pm	(W, 38-21) Vanderbilt scores 24 unanswered points in win
9/20	@ Ole Miss, 6 pm	(W, 23-17) Defense forces six turnovers in key road victory
10/4	Auburn , ESPN, 5 pm	4-1 No. 13 Tigers use huge defensive effort to topple UT
10/11	@ Miss. State, TBA	1-4 Bulldogs play hard in 34-24 loss to LSU in Baton Rouge
10/18	@ Georgia, TBA	4-1 Bulldogs get overwhelmed by visiting Alabama 41-30
10/25	Duke , 2 pm	3-1 Blue Devils continue to impress; defeat Virginia 31-3
11/8	Florida , TBA	3-1 Gators upset in 31-30 loss to Ole Miss in Gainesville
11/15	@ Kentucky, TBA	4-0 Wildcats have their way with Western Kentucky 41-3
11/22	Tennessee , TBA	1-3 Vols struggle on offense in 14-12 defeat at Auburn
11/29	@ Wake Forest, TBA	3-1 Deacs suffer first loss of season, 24-17, to Navy

VANDERBILT GAME NOTES

Commodore Storylines

★ The Commodores continue to move up in Top 25 rankings; Team is 19th in polls.

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★ While the series has its share of oddities, Auburn have controlled recent games.

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★ Safety Ryan Hamilton enjoys career game in Vanderbilt win at Ole Miss.

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★ Commodore special teams, ability to create turnovers aiding Vanderbilt cause.

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★ D.J. Moore continues to show versatility; Junior standout impacting outcome in virtually every phase of games.

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★ Twelve former 'Dores on NFL rosters.

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QUICK FACTS ON VANDERBILT & AUBURN



Location

Founded

Enrollment

Conference

Nickname

Colors

Home Field

Capacity

Field Surface

Head Coach

Coaching Record

Website

VANDERBILT

Nashville, Tenn.

1873

6,402

Southeastern

Commodores

Black & Gold

Vanderbilt Stadium

39,773

natural grass

Bobby Johnson (7th)

84-86 (.494)

vucommodores.com

AUBURN

Auburn, Ala.

1856

24,137

Southeastern

Tigers

Burnt Orange & Navy Blue

Jordan-Hare Stadium

87,451

natural grass

Tommy Tuberville (10th)

109-54 (.669)

auburntigers.com

STADIUM IMPROVEMENTS ★ SEEKING 5-0 START

VANDERBILT STADIUM GETS FRESH LOOK; PHASE I CONSTRUCTION WORK COMPLETE

Commodore fans attending home games this season will be greeted by the first substantial improvements to Dudley Field and Vanderbilt Stadium in more than a decade.

Construction crews completed Phase 1 work on Vanderbilt Stadium in late August. The result is a clean, refurbished look for the stadium, built in 1981.

The construction is the first of five phases outlined in a \$60 million athletic facility enhancement plan. The project was announced last winter by Vanderbilt Vice Chancellor of University Affairs and Student Athletics David Williams II.

Among the football stadium improvements completed in the Phase I work are:

- New brick exterior renovation to south end of stadium facing McGugin Athletic Center and Jess Neely Drive. The work extends the brick facade included at the adjacent Hawkins Baseball Field.
- Painting of stadium exterior.
- Addition of new Vanderbilt Bookstore and Commodore Grille outlets on concourse.
- New eastside concourse artwork featuring Vanderbilt Athletics "It's Good To Be Gold" theme. The artwork includes action images of several recent Vanderbilt standouts, such as football players Jay Cutler, Earl Bennett and Chris Williams, golfer Brandt Snedeker, hoopsters Shan Foster and Chantelle Anderson, and baseball players Pedro Alvarez and David Price.
- New exterior signage and installation of large "Star V" logos on the press box structure.

Bobby Johnson's football team also benefited from the addition of FieldTurf artificial surface at its practice facility this summer.

Phase I construction also is aimed at enhancing both Memorial Gym and Hawkins Field. New men's and women's player locker rooms, and post-game press conference facilities are under construction at Memorial Gym, along with the installment of a new wooden gym floor. At Hawkins Field, work is under way to expand capacity with the addition of seating areas in left field and right field.

The facility project is expected to continue for several years. Phase II, expected to get under way after the 2008 football season, calls for total renovation of both stadium gates facing Jess Neely Drive, and the continuation of the brick exterior facade down Natchez Trace. Work on the long-anticipated Vanderbilt Athletics Hall of Fame also is expected to start after the season.

The project also calls for future construction of new football player locker and meeting rooms, and expanded training and academic support facilities.

COMMODORES SEEKING 5-0 START

Starting 4-0 at Vanderbilt is unique. Starting 5-0 – which the Commodores will attempt when they face Southeastern Conference Western Division power Auburn on Saturday – is just plain rare.

The Commodores' 4-0 start, provided by come-from-behind wins against Miami (Ohio), South Carolina, Rice and Ole Miss, is just the team's fourth 4-0 start since 1950.

Trying to find the last time a Vanderbilt squad started the season 5-0? You need only go back to World War II, mere months before D-Day and the Western Allies' invasion of Normandy, France. The year was 1943, the team's final record was 5-0, and its undermanned Wartime opponents included Tennessee Tech for two games, Camp Campbell, Milligan and Carson-Newman.

The Commodores have now reached 4-0 twice under Bobby Johnson. In 2005, the squad rode the late-game heroics of QB Jay Cutler to a 4-0 mark before finishing 5-6 overall. Johnson is the first Commodore head coach to have two 4-0 teams since Ray Morrison accomplished the feat in 1937-38.

This marks only the fourth 4-0 start for Vanderbilt since World War II.

Vanderbilt Teams Starting 4-0

YEAR	OPENING SEASON	COACH	FINAL RECORD
2008	4-0	Bobby Johnson	---
2005	4-0	Bobby Johnson	5-6
1984	4-0	George MacIntyre	5-6
1950	4-0	Bill Edwards	7-4
1943	5-0	E.H. Alley	5-0
1941	4-0	Red Sanders	8-2
1938	4-0	Ray Morrison	6-3
1937	5-0	Ray Morrison	7-2

Between 1890 and 1934, Vanderbilt teams started 4-0 on 16 different occasions. Squads coached by Dan McGugin (1904-17, 1919-1934) accomplished the feat 13 times.

'DORES LOOKING FOR 3-0 SEC START

The Commodores will be seeking their third consecutive win in Southeastern Conference play when Auburn comes to Nashville on Saturday.

Vanderbilt is currently leading the SEC Eastern Division standings after early-season victories against South Carolina (24-17, Sept. 4) and Ole Miss (23-17, Sept. 20).

The last time Vanderbilt won three consecutive games in the tough SEC was 1982 – which also happens to be the Commodores' last year for a postseason bowl appearance. In 1982, the Commodores started 3-2 before putting together a five-game win streak, a stretch that included victories over Ole Miss (19-10, Oct. 23), Kentucky (23-10, Nov. 6) and Tennessee (28-21, Nov. 27).

The Commodores have captured three straight SEC victories on just seven occasions: 1934, 1935, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1955 and 1982.

Vanderbilt's longest winning streak in SEC play is four games, accomplished in 1948 and 1949.

The Commodores also captured consecutive SEC wins under Bobby Johnson to open the 2005 season – 28-24 at Arkansas (Sept. 10.) and 31-23 vs. Ole Miss (Sept. 17).

VANDERBILT ENTERS TOP 25 NATIONAL POLLS

COMMODORES EARN FIRST AP RANKING IN 24 YEARS

For the first time since Los Angeles hosted the Summer Olympics, "Ghostbusters" was a No. 1 movie hit, Bruce Springsteen packed houses on the *Born in the USA* tour and Ronald Reagan was campaigning for a second term, the Vanderbilt Commodores are nationally ranked in the Associated Press Poll.

Writers across the nation have the Commodores ranked No. 19 in the latest poll, released Sunday afternoon.

Two other key ballots – the *USA Today* Coaches' Poll and Harris Interactive Poll – also recognize the Commodores' 4-0 early-season start. Vanderbilt is No. 19 in both polls.

Before this year, Vanderbilt last reached the AP Top 25 on Oct. 1, 1984, a day after toppling Alabama 30-21 to move to 4-0. A ranking of No. 19 lasted one week, with Tulane pulling a 27-23 surprise over Vanderbilt in Nashville.

Vanderbilt's football history includes a 30-year stretch (1904-34) as the South's dominant power under head coach Dan McGugin. The AP Poll began publishing its rankings in 1936, two years after McGugin retired from the Vanderbilt position.

Vanderbilt has been ranked by the AP in 10 different seasons: 1984, 1958, 1956, 1955, 1950, 1948, 1947, 1942, 1938 and 1937.

The Commodores' highest AP ranking ever – No. 7 – came on Oct. 28, 1937, days after tackle Greer Ricketson stunned No. 6 LSU on an infamous 50-yard "hidden ball" play in an eventual 7-6 win.

Most of the Vanderbilt's rankings came early in the history of the AP Poll. Eight rankings came between 1937 and 1958.

This year, Vanderbilt moved into the Top 25 in both the AP and coaches polls one day after defeating Ole Miss 23-17 in Oxford, Miss. The Commodores began receiving votes after topping South Carolina 24-17 on Sept. 4.

VANDERBILT BECOMES UNANIMOUS TOP 25 SELECTION

The 4-0 Commodores became a unanimous member of the national Top 25 after registering its second consecutive victory in Southeastern Conference play, 23-17 at Ole Miss on Sept. 20. The Top 25 ranking is the first for Vanderbilt since the Commodores were No. 19 after defeating Alabama in 1984.

Vanderbilt was ranked No. 19 this week in national polls by the *USA Today* (coaches) and Associated Press (sportswriters). In the first Harris Interactive Poll released Sunday, the Commodores were also 19th.

The Commodores will host No. 13 (AP) Auburn this Saturday. It is the first time since 1956 that a ranked Vanderbilt faced a ranked opponent.

Voters started giving Vanderbilt recognition after a 24-17 win over South Carolina on Sept. 4.

HARRIS INTERACTIVE POLL

media/former coaches and players' ballot, released Sept. 28, 2008

#	SCHOOL (1ST) RECORD	VOTES
1	Oklahoma (102) 4-0	2,835
2	LSU (3) 4-0	2,637
3	Alabama (7) 5-0	2,601
4	Missouri (1) 4-0	2,524
5	Texas (1) 4-0	2,455
6	Penn State 5-0	2,102
7	USC 2-1	1,997
8	Texas Tech 4-0	1,933
9	BYU 4-0	1,904
10	Georgia 4-1	1,831
11	Florida 3-1	1,744
12	South Florida 5-0	1,657
13	Auburn 4-1	1,506
14	Ohio State 4-1	1,482
15	Utah 5-0	1,195
16	Wisconsin 3-1	973
17	Kansas 3-1	966
18	Boise State 3-0	808
19	Vanderbilt 4-0	704
20	Fresno State 3-1	493
21	Oregon 4-1	476
22	Virginia Tech 4-1	350
23	Oklahoma State 4-0	299
24	Connecticut 5-0	286
25	Wake Forest 3-1	223

Other receiving votes: Mich. State 187; Northwestern 165; Maryland 98; TCU 77; Kentucky 73; Fla. State 66; Tulsa 59; Illinois 55; Ga. Tech 43; No. Carolina 41; Ball State 36; Cal 31; Boston College 25; Notre Dame 18; Nebraska 16; Clemson 15; Colorado 15; East Carolina 10; Michigan 10; Ole Miss 9; Oregon State 7; Arizona 6; Duke 3; West Virginia 3; Tennessee 1.

ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL

writers poll, released Sept. 28, 2008

#	SCHOOL (1ST) RECORD	VOTES
1.	Oklahoma (43) 4-0	1,599
2.	Alabama (21) 5-0	1,565
3.	LSU 4-0	1,466
4.	Missouri (1) 4-0	1,453
5.	Texas 4-0	1,362
6.	Penn State 5-0	1,252
7.	Texas Tech 4-0	1,105
8.	Brigham Young 4-0	1,098
9.	Southern California 2-1	1,087
10.	South Florida 5-0	1,035
11.	Georgia 4-1	1,018
12.	Florida 3-1	914
13.	Auburn 4-1	860
14.	Ohio State 4-1	829
15.	Utah 5-0	713
16.	Kansas 3-1	650
17.	Boise State 3-0	549
18.	Wisconsin 3-1	520
19.	Vanderbilt 4-0	459
20.	Virginia Tech 4-1	290
21.	Oklahoma State 4-0	277
22.	Fresno State 3-1	232
23.	Oregon 4-1	199
24.	Connecticut 5-0	126
25.	Wake Forest 3-1	107

Others receiving votes: Maryland 46; Michigan State 42; Kentucky 40; Ball State 38; Northwestern 32; Tulsa 32; TCU 30; Illinois 24; North Carolina 21; Florida State 14; Ole Miss 13; Georgia Tech 10; California 5; Nebraska 5; Oregon State 3; Boston College 3; Colorado 2.

USA TODAY COACHES' POLL

coaches ballot, released Sept. 28, 2008

#	SCHOOL (1ST) RECORD	VOTES
1.	Oklahoma (57) 4-0	1520
2.	LSU (1) 4-0	1399
3.	Missouri 4-0	1398
4.	Alabama (2) 5-0	1350
5.	Texas (1) 4-0	1310
6.	Penn State (5-0)	1146
7.	Brigham Young (4-0)	1054
8.	Texas Tech (4-0)	1047
9.	Southern California (2-1)	990
T-10.	South Florida (5-0)	888
T-10.	Georgia (4-1)	888
12.	Ohio State (4-1)	854
13.	Florida (3-1)	832
14.	Auburn (4-1)	776
15.	Utah (5-0)	684
16.	Kansas (3-1)	555
17.	Wisconsin (3-1)	521
18.	Boise State (3-0)	446
19.	Vanderbilt (4-0)	351
20.	Oregon (4-1)	286
21.	Fresno State (3-1)	280
22.	Oklahoma State (4-0)	229
23.	Connecticut (5-0)	180
24.	Virginia Tech (4-1)	161
25.	Wake Forest (3-1)	148

Others receiving votes: Northwestern 98; Mich. State 88; Kentucky 86; Ball State 43; Maryland 40; Tulsa 38; Florida State 31; TCU 25; California 20; Georgia Tech 18; Illinois 14; Nebraska 8; Oregon State 7; Clemson 5; North Carolina 5; Notre Dame 3; Cincinnati 2; Duke 1; Ole Miss 1.

DID YOU KNOW? COMMODORES WERE NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

With Vanderbilt entering the Associated Press Top 25 for just the second time since 1958 after topping Ole Miss on Sept. 20, even ardent fans of the team might need to be reminded that their Commodores lay claim to national champion status – at least in the eyes of one pollster.

According to the NCAA's official website, the Commodores were recognized as national champions by Billingsley after an 8-1 campaign in 1906 and 8-1 record in 1911. The 1906 squad outscored its opponents 278-16, losing only at Michigan 10-4. It also beat the great Carlisle squad by a 4-0 margin. Dan McGugin's 1911 squad outscored its foes 259-9, again dropping a decision at Michigan 9-8.

McGugin's ties to Michigan were deep. Not only did he play on national championship teams at Michigan and graduate from its law school, McGugin and legendary Wolverine coach Fielding Yost were brothers-in-law and Nashville neighbors.



THE AUBURN SERIES • 2007 GAME RECAP

THE VANDERBILT-AUBURN SERIES

- ★ Meeting Between Schools: 41st
- ★ Series Record: Vanderbilt trails, 19-20-1
- ★ Last Meeting: Vanderbilt 7, Auburn 35 (2007)
- ★ First Meeting: Vanderbilt 10, Auburn 30 (1893)
- ★ Last Game in Nashville: Vanderbilt 7, Auburn 45 (2003)
- ★ Last Game in Auburn: Vanderbilt 7, Auburn 35 (2007)
- ★ Vanderbilt-Auburn Series Record in Nashville: 10-7
- ★ Bobby Johnson vs. Auburn: 0-2
- ★ Vanderbilt vs. Auburn Coach Tommy Tuberville: 0-9

VANDERBILT-AUBURN SERIES NOTES

The Vanderbilt-Auburn series can best be described as unique. Though the series looks virtually even – Auburn holds a 20-19-1 all-time lead – it's an affair the Commodores have struggled to win for five decades.

Auburn has captured the last 13 games played between the schools. The Vanderbilt losing streak dates back to the Commodores' only bowl victory – a 25-13 win over No. 8-ranked Auburn in the 1955 Gator Bowl. That Vanderbilt win in Jacksonville, Fla., featured five Auburn fumbles – all recovered by the Commodores.

Since the Gator Bowl, Auburn has captured the 13 meetings between the team by an average margin of 25 points.

PLAYING WITH SUCCESS UNDER THE LIGHTS

Vanderbilt has produced solid results in recent night games.

Since the 2005 opener, the Commodores are 12-4 while playing under the lights, including an 9-3 record in Vanderbilt Stadium. The team has also earned eight victories in its last nine night games. Vanderbilt has won all four night games this season, including the 23-17 victory at Ole Miss on Sept. 20.

Other top Vanderbilt performances at night include road victories at Wake Forest and Arkansas in 2005, and a win over Ole Miss in 2007.

RECENT 'DORE RESULTS VS. RANKED TEAMS

Vanderbilt looks for its second victory this season over a nationally ranked opponent when the Auburn Tigers come to Nashville Saturday.

On Sept. 4, the 'Dores claimed a win over No. 24 South Carolina. It represented the third straight season that Commodore squad has defeated a Top 25 opponent – the first time in team history.

The Commodores are 3-5 in their last eight games against ranked opponents. Three of the losses have been by a touchdown or less.

Prior to defeating No. 16 Georgia in Athens in 2006, the Commodores had lost 51 consecutive meetings with ranked teams.

The victory over USC was the 'Dores' first home win over a ranked opponent since defeating No. 25 Ole Miss 31-9 on Sept. 19, 1992.

Wins over Top 25 teams since 2005

OPPONENT	LOCATION (DATE)	SCORE
No. 24 South Carolina	Nashville (9/4/2008)	24-17
No. 6 South Carolina	Columbia, S.C. (10/20/2007)	17-6
No. 16 Georgia	Athens, Ga. (10/14/2006)	24-22

GAME 5

VANDERBILT COMMODORES ★ AUBURN TIGERS
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VANDERBILT 7 AUBURN 35

AUBURN, Ala. – Ben Tate rushed for 96 yards, Brad Lester ran for 77 yards and two touchdowns as Auburn beat Vanderbilt 35-7 for its third consecutive victory.

The Tigers, fresh from a road upset over No. 9 Florida, scored touchdowns on four of their first five possessions and were up 28-0 at halftime.

Tate had just nine carries while Lester had 13. Mario Fannin gained 54 yards on 11 carries and had three catches for 26 yards. All three had big plays during a first

half when Auburn outgained Vandy by a 324-66 margin.

Mackenzi Adams took over for Chris Nickson in the second half. Nickson was just 5-for-16 for 38 yards. Adams went 4-of-9 for 24 yards.

The Commodores scored on Cassen Jackson-Garrison's 1-yard run with 4:57 left.

SCORING SUMMARY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	FINAL	RECORD
VANDERBILT	0	0	0	7	7	3-2, 1-2
AUBURN	14	14	7	0	35	4-2, 2-1

FIRST QUARTER: AU – Tate 4-yd. run (Byrum kick) 7:02. AU – Smith 2-yd. pass from Cox (Byrum kick) 2:55.

SECOND QUARTER: AU – Fannin 22-yd. run (Byrum kick) 14:24. AU – Lester 17-yd. run (Byrum kick) 3:29.

THIRD QUARTER: AU – Lester 5-yd. run (Byrum kick) 8:57.

FOURTH QUARTER: VU – Jackson-Garrison 1-yd. run (Hahnfeldt kick) 4:57

STATISTICS	VANDERBILT	AUBURN
FIRST DOWNS	17	19
RUSHING (NET)	38-133	39-239
PASSING YARDS	88	165
PASSES: ATT-COMP-INT	31-12-1	18-14-1
TOTAL OFF. (PLAYS-YARDS)	69-221	57-404
PUNT RETURNS-YARDS	4-31	2-(-4)
KO RETURNS-YARDS	4-98	2-38
INT RETURNS-YARDS	1-24	1-26
PUNTS (#-AVG)	6-36.3	5-41.6
FUMBLES-LOST	0-0	0-0
PENALTIES-YARDS	7-45	11-87
POSSESSION TIME	31:52	28:08
THIRD-DOWNS	3 OF 13	6 OF 11
FOURTH-DOWNS	2 OF 4	0 OF 0
RED-ZONE SUCCESS	1-2	4-4
SACKS BY: (#-YARDS)	1-7	2-13



RUSHING: VU–Jackson-Garrison 13-45; Hawkins 6-41; Jennings 9-35; Kovalcheck 1-10; Adams 4-4; Reeves 2-3; Nickson 3-(-5). AU–Tate 9-96; Lester 13-77; Fannin 11-54; Stewart 2-15; Burns 3-4; Cox 1-(-7).

PASSING: VU–Nickson 5-16-0-38; Adams 4-9-1-24; Kovalcheck 3-6-0-26. AU–Cox 14-17-1-165; Burns 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING: VU–Bennett 4-31; Anderson 2-14; Walker 2-10; Washington 1-12; Green 1-8; Smith 1-7; Jennings 1-6. AU–Fannin 3-26; Smith 3-23; Billings 2-36; Dunn 1-33; Trott 1-16; Hawthorne 1-12; Stewart 1-9; Tate 1-7; Bennett 1-3.

COMMODORE NOTES

VANDERBILT'S EARLY-SEASON SUCCESS: TURNOVER MARGIN AND SPECIAL TEAMS PLAY

Vanderbilt is off to one of its best starts in decades due in part to a positive turnover margin and effective special teams play.

The Commodores lead all the nation in turnover margin through four games. At the same time, special teams have contributed in a big way toward the team's 4-0 start.

Vanderbilt has forced 14 turnovers by their opponents: 10 interceptions and four fumbles. The Commodores' interception rate is tied for the NCAA lead with Boston College of the ACC and Texas Tech of the Big 12.

Commodore special teams have performed in superb fashion through four games. Veteran kicker Bryant Hahnfeldt (Sr., Nashville) has converted on 7-of-7 field goal attempts, including all three from 40 yards and beyond. Hahnfeldt has also connected on all 14 extra point tries this season. The success has enabled Hahnfeldt to become the Commodores' all-time leading scorer.

Punter Brett Upson (Jr., Griffin, Ga.) is off to his best season in a Commodore uniform. Through averaging 39.6 yards, Upson's net

punting average is a career-high 36.8 yards. Only seven of Upson's 21 punts have been returned; eight have been downed inside the opponent's 20-yard line.

D.J. Moore (Jr., Spartanburg, S.C.) has been one of the nation's top return specialists. Moore is averaging 29 yards on seven punt returns and 22 yards on kickoff returns.

Vanderbilt coverage units also have enjoyed success. Opposing teams are averaging just 2.7 yards on punt returns.

COMEBACK COMMODORES

Vanderbilt opening the season 4-0 hasn't happened with much irregularity. The Commodores' route to becoming 4-0 is even more unusual.

Bobby Johnson's squad has found ways to register victories, instead of watching as opponents accomplish the feat.

All four Vanderbilt victories have been come-from-behind affairs for the Commodores. In each game, Vanderbilt has put together a string of unanswered points to prevail.

- In the opener at Miami, the Commodores trailed 3-0 early before putting together a 17-0 stretch to take the lead for good.

- In its Southeastern Conference opener, Vanderbilt trailed South Carolina 10-3 at halftime, then scored 21 unanswered points to take a 24-10 margin en route to an eventual 24-17 win.

- On three occasions during the first half, the Rice Owls took a 7-point lead on the Commodores before Vanderbilt reeled off 24 straight points to secure a 38-21 decision.

- At Ole Miss, the Commodores twice trailed by 10 points, 10-0 and 17-7 in the first quarter before coming back to record a 23-17 victory. The Vanderbilt offense provided three possessions that resulted in Bryant Hahnfeldt field goals after the first quarter, the Commodore defense held Ole Miss without points for the final three quarters.

VANDERBILT'S SECOND HALF SUCCESS

The Commodores' 4-0 start has been keyed by success in the second half.

Vanderbilt has outscored its first four opponents 51-10 in the second half. In the fourth quarter, when the Commodores have traditionally struggled, Vanderbilt holds a 27-7 scoring advantage.

The Vanderbilt defense has been superb in second half action, holding its last two opponents scoreless after intermission.

The second half advantage continues a trend witnessed by recent Bobby Johnson squads. Twice in the last three years, 2005 and 2007, Vanderbilt has finished the season with a scoring advantage over its opponents after intermission.

HAMILTON HAS CAREER GAME AT OLE MISS; SWEEPS NATIONAL WEEKLY DEFENSIVE HONORS

Safety **Ryan Hamilton** (R-Jr., Wycombe, Pa.) swept national defensive player of the week honors following a remarkable performance in the Commodores' 23-17 win at Ole Miss on Sept. 20.

Quite simply, Hamilton enjoyed a career of highlights in a single game, significant enough to earn him the Football Writers Association of America Bronko Nagurski and Walter Camp Foundation National Defensive Player of the Week honors. He was also named the Southeastern Conference's top defensive player, and earned similar recognition from *USA Today*.

Hamilton's performance included tying a school record with three interceptions. Hamilton was responsible for totally changing momentum in the game in the first quarter, taking his first pick 79 yards for a Commodore touchdown. It was the fourth longest interception return in team history, and the first returned for a touchdown since **D.J. Moore** accomplished the feat against Eastern Michigan in 2007.

Hamilton's third interception came as time expired and sealed Vanderbilt's first victory in Oxford, Miss., since 1999.

Hamilton's three interceptions might not be his top highlight from the outstanding performance. Early in the third quarter, Hamilton made a huge defensive play, stopping a Rebel runner inside the Vanderbilt 1-yard line on 4th and goal. Four plays later, Hamilton recovered an Ole Miss fumble near midfield following a Vanderbilt punt.

Hamilton, who became the second Vanderbilt defender to win the FWAA's weekly award this season, added a fumble recovery and had six tackles (four unassisted), including a goal-line stop that prevented a Rebel score. The other Vanderbilt recipient this season was linebacker Patrick Benoist in a 24-17 victory over South Carolina.

Hamilton will be added to the 2008 Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List. The Bronko Nagurski Trophy will be presented to the best defensive player in college football on Dec. 7 by the FWAA and the Charlotte Touchdown Club at the Westin Hotel in Charlotte, N.C.

COMMODORE NOTES

'DORES – SEC INTERCEPTION LEADERS

The Commodore defense, sparked by a veteran defensive secondary, tops the Southeastern Conference and shares the national lead with 10 interceptions.

The Commodores' interception total is tied with Boston College and Texas Tech for the most in the nation through four games.

Five different defenders have contributed interceptions, including safety Ryan Hamilton, who had three picks in the win at Ole Miss. Fellow safety Reshard Langford has two this season, and 10 for his career.

HAHNFELDT: TEAM'S ALL-TIME SCORER

Kicker **Bryant Hahnfeldt** (Sr., Nashville) has become the team's all-time leading scorer, earning national attention in the process.

In Vanderbilt's last game, Hahnfeldt providing the winning points at Ole Miss, scoring the team's last nine points by hitting field goals from 34, 31 and 40 yards in the 23-17 victory. He was one of three kickers across the nation to earn weekly recognition from the Lou Groza Award committee after the performance against Ole Miss.

Hahnfeldt departed the Ole Miss game with 221 career points, 11 more than the total accumulated by John Markham (1997-2000). Both were standout kickers at Montgomery Bell Academy, a school located 1.5 miles west of Vanderbilt.

Hahnfeldt has shared the team's Specialist of the Week honors after every game. He is enjoying an outstanding senior campaign for the Commodores. He is 7-of-7 in field goals, including three beyond 40 yards. He is also 14 of 14 on extra point attempts.

Hahnfeldt holds the team record for PATs made with 101. He needs to convert eight field goals to surpass Markham's school record of 47.

Commodore Leaders – Career Points by Kicker

	PLACEKICKER	FGs	PATs	POINTS
1.	Bryant Hahnfeldt , 2005-08	40-61	101-105	221
2.	John Markham, 1997-2000	47-68	68-77	209

HAWKINS PROVIDES SOLID RUSH PRESENCE

Tailback **Jared Hawkins** (R-Jr., Spring, Texas) continues to make the most of his starting opportunity.

After setting career highs in rushing yardage in consecutive games, Hawkins came by another solid performance in Vanderbilt 23-17 win at Ole Miss. He topped the Commodore rushing attack with 72 yards on 17 carries. Hawkins also caught one pass, a 9-yarder that resulted in Vanderbilt's second touchdown.

Hawkins leads the Commodores with 314 rushing yards. He is second on the team to QB **Chris Nickson** with three rushing touchdowns. He enters the Auburn game as the SEC's sixth leading rusher, averaging 78.6 yards.

Hawkins established career highs in rushing yards and attempts in Vanderbilt's victory over Rice. In just his second career start, Hawkins rushed for 107 yards on 20 carries. Hawkins' rushing total against Rice is the most by a Commodore RB since Cassen Jackson-Garrison produced 119 yards against Ole Miss in 2007.

STATISTICS DON'T TELL THE FULL STORY

Statistics don't always tell the full truth about a football team. The 2008 edition of the Commodores is a classic example.

Vanderbilt ranks last in several key stat categories in the SEC, including total offense (282.8 yards), total defense (364.3 yards), passing offense (80.8 yards) and passing defense (240 yards). Yet, the Commodores are 4-0, 2-0 in SEC play, and outscoring their first four opponents by a 12.8-point margin.

While the Commodore offense is producing fewer passing yards, its also gaining yards on the ground (202 ypg, 3rd in SEC) and has limited turnovers (5 total). Vanderbilt, Florida and Washington are the only three teams in the nation without a pass intercepted.

On defense, the Commodores have been a bend-but-don't break unit. The unit also stiffens at the right time: opponents are scored just four touchdowns in 11 red-zone opportunities against the Commodores.

The defense also is one of the SEC's most aggressive, topping the conference in quarterback sacks (11) and interceptions (10). The unit is a big reason why the Commodores lead the nation in turnover margin.

VANDERBILT LIMITING PENALTIES

Once again, Bobby Johnson's disciplined Commodores are among the NCAA leaders in fewest penalties committed.

The Commodores are averaging less than three infractions per game. Their penalty total (11) leads the SEC and is tied with Pittsburgh for the NCAA lead.

Penalties are costing the Vanderbilt just 28.8 yards per game, second to Alabama in the SEC and eighth in the NCAA.

Under Johnson, the Commodores have been among the national leaders in both penalties categories.

SUPPORTIVE CROWDS WATCH COMMODORES

An enthusiastic crowd of 37,370 watched Vanderbilt's last home game – a 38-21 win over Rice on Sept. 13. The audience for the non-SEC game was higher than the crowd that watched the Commodores' 24-17 win over No. 24 South Carolina in the home opener Sept. 4.

Three of the Commodores' four remaining home games, versus SEC foes Auburn, Florida and Tennessee, are sold out. Tickets remain for the Oct. 25 game against ACC member Duke.

With season ticket sales at 19,185 – the highest level since 1996 – the Commodores are hoping to post its highest average attendance since the late 1990s.

Average Attendance Since 2000

YEAR	AVG. ATTENDANCE
2008 (thru 2 games)	37,110
2007 (8 games)	34,629
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

COMMODORE NOTES

'DORES SEEKING SECOND ESPN WIN

After going more than two decades without a victory on ESPN, the Commodores will seek their second win on the network in less than a month when it faces Auburn Saturday.

The Commodores opened its home schedule this season on ESPN, defeating No. 24 South Carolina 24-17 on Sept. 4.

Before topping South Carolina, the 'Dores were winless in seven previous ESPN appearances dating back to a 1984 game against LSU.

Vanderbilt is also looking to move to 3-0 this season in games aired by the family of ESPN stations. In its season opener on August 28, Vanderbilt defeated Miami (Ohio) 34-13 on ESPN.

'DORES ON ESPN STATIONS

YEAR	OPPONENT	STATION	W/L
2008	So. Carolina	ESPN	W
2008	Miami (Ohio)	ESPN	W
2007	Georgia	ESPN2	L
2006	Michigan	ESPN	L
2005	Wake Forest	ESPN	W
	LSU	ESPN2	L
	Georgia	ESPN2	L
	Florida	ESPN2	L
1999	Kentucky	ESPN	L
1998	Miss. State	ESPN2	L
	Tennessee	ESPN2	L
1997	Alabama	ESPN	L
	Georgia	ESPN	L
1996	Notre Dame	ESPN	L
	Alabama	ESPN2	L
	Tennessee	ESPN	L
1984	LSU	ESPN	L

VANDERBILT GETTING EFFICIENT QB PLAY

While Commodore passing stats don't grab your attention, **Chris Nickson** (R-Sr.) and **Mackenzi Adams** (R-Jr.) are playing the QB position exactly as Bobby Johnson would wish.

The Commodore pass offense ranks 116th nationally, yet Nickson and Adams are accomplishing all the little things that Johnson wants in a successful signal caller.

The Commodore QB duo has committed only two turnovers through four games. Nickson, who has played most of the way, is one of just three full-time starters in the NCAA without an interception.

Both Nickson and Adams have handled the ball with care.

Nickson averages 151 yards of

total offense, and has rushed for a team-high five TDs while passing for three more. Nickson also ranks among the SEC Top 10 with a 67.5-yard rush average.

Earlier this year, Nickson became just the third Commodore QB to reach 3,000 passing yards and 1,000 rushing yards in his career, joining Jay Cutler (2002-05) and Eric Jones (1986-88) on the list.

Adams came in against Ole Miss and performed admirably in Nickson's absence. He completed 3-of-5 passes for 31 yards and rushed for 28 yards on 10 carries. Adams also guided the Commodores to a pair of fourth quarter drives that ended with success field goals.

MORE COMMODORE NOTES FROM OLE MISS

★ Vanderbilt held Ole Miss scoreless through the last three quarters. It marked the second straight opponent that the Commodore defense has shut down after halftime.

★ Freshman LB **Chris Marve**, a native of Memphis, posted the finest game of his brief Vanderbilt career in the win at Ole Miss. He contributed a team-high 11 total tackles, including seven solo stops.

Marve also produced two huge defensive plays for the defense. In the third quarter, he stopped a Rebel runner at the Vanderbilt 1-yard line to force a fourth down where the Commodores again stuffed a rush attempt. In the waning minutes and Ole Miss, Marve made the play of the game, stripping a Rebel runner of possession inside the Vanderbilt 2-yard line. The fumble was recovered by **D.J. Moore** in the end zone.

Marve is tied for third on the team with 26 total tackles.

★ Eighteen Commodore players have started all four games this season.

★ The Commodores forced a season-high six turnovers by Ole Miss, including four interceptions and a pair of fumbles.

It was the most turnovers forced by a Vanderbilt squad since they collected six turnovers in a 31-17 win over Eastern Michigan on Sept. 15, 2007.

The four-interception total, including three from safety **Ryan Hamilton**, is the most by the Commodores since they picked off five Eastern Michigan passes.

★ Punter **Brett Upson** continues to impress. He averaged 44.1 yards on seven punts while allowing just seven return yards. Four of Upson's punts were downed into the Ole Miss 20-yard line.

★ Collectively, quarterbacks **Chris Nickson** and **Mackenzi Adams** played winning football for the Commodores. They combined for 38 rushing yards and 71 passing yards on 9-of-12 completions.

Adams played solid in relief of Nickson in the second half. He completed 3-of-5 passes, rushed for 28 yards and guided two second half scoring drives.

★ Receivers **Sean Walker** and **Jamie Graham** had 25 and 12 rushing yards, respectively.

Walker also had a team-high three receptions and 56 yards in kickoff returns, including a career long return of 38 yards.

★ DE Steven Stone posted two tackles for loss, including a sack of Ole Miss QB Jevan Snead.

★ Two years ago, Vanderbilt went to Ole Miss, owned a 400-179 advantage in total offense, yet lost the game 17-10 because of five turnovers.

Fast forward two years. On Sept. 20, Ole Miss held a 385-202 advantage in total yardage, yet Vanderbilt prevailed on the strength of quality special teams and forcing six turnovers.

★ The Vanderbilt offense was 3-of-3 in red zone opportunities at Ole Miss, and are converting at a 94.1% clip this year (16 of 17). The Commodore defense has limited opponents to a 63.6% success rate in the red zone (7 of 11). Ole Miss was 1 of 3 inside the Vanderbilt 20-yard line.

A YOUTHFUL COMMODORE STARTING SQUAD

One year after losing six players to NFL rosters, Vanderbilt Head Coach **Bobby Johnson** is playing a squad dominated by youth this season.

In Vanderbilt's win at Ole Miss, the Commodores' 22-player starting lineup included three seniors, 12 juniors, three sophomores and four redshirt freshmen.

COMMODORE NOTES

COMMODORES RUSHING EFFECTIVELY BEHIND YOUTHFUL OFFENSIVE LINE

The Vanderbilt offense has enjoyed success running the football behind the Southeastern Conference's least experienced offensive line.

Through four games, the Commodores are averaging 202 rushing yards, third in the SEC and 26th in the NCAA. The Vanderbilt rushing attack is led by TB **Jared Hawkins** and the dual-threat abilities of QB **Chris Nickson**. Both rank among the conference's Top 10 rushers.

While Hawkins and Nickson have enjoyed success on the ground, they have followed behind a line that entered 2008 without significant game experience. Commodore coaches were forced to replace all five OL

starters from 2007 due to graduation. The departures included two of the top linemen in recent Vanderbilt history – first-round NFL draft pick **Chris Williams** and All-SEC tackle **Brian Stamper**.

Only one current starter, OG **Ryan Custer**, had any starting experience entering 2008 season and even Custer's was limited to three games.

The unit has come together behind the leadership of co-captain **Bradley Vierling** (R-Jr., center) and stellar play of **Thomas Welch** (R-Jr., RT). Others contributing substantial minutes are **Reilly Lauer** (R-So., LT) and **Joey Bailey** (R-So., RG).

PREP TEAMMATES FACE OFF SATURDAY

Several Commodore players will face former prep teammates when Vanderbilt and Auburn play this Saturday.

★ Two opposing receivers – Vanderbilt's **Udom Umoh** and Auburn's **Chris Slaughter** – were standouts for state champion Peach County (Ga.) H.S.

★ Commodore **Justin Green** (R-So, TE) and Auburn starting safety **Zac Etheridge** were classmates at Henderson H.S. in Troy, Ala.

★ Commodore **Joel Caldwell** (R-Jr., safety) attended powerful Hoover (Ala.) H.S., as did Auburn **OL Ryan Pugh**.

★ Vanderbilt LB **Chris Johnson** was teammates at Oak Mountain H.S. near Birmingham with Auburn punter **Ryan Shoemaker** and receiver John Cubelic.

★ Vanderbilt redshirt junior OL **Nick Forte** was a prep teammate of two Tigers – OG **Mike Berry** and DE **A.J. Greene** – at Brentwood Academy just south of Nashville.

★ Vanderbilt starting OG **Joey Bailey** starred at Hewitt-Trussville H.S. near Birmingham, the same school that produced former Auburn starting QB **Brandon Cox**.

★ Commodore **Larry Smith** (R-Fr., QB) played at powerful Prattville H.S. north of Montgomery with Auburn DL **Ryan Burse**.

★ Commodore **Greg Billinger** (Jr., DT) played on outstanding teams at Parkview H.S. near Atlanta with a pair of Tigers, TB **Brad Lester** and WR **Charles Olatunji**.

TWO 'BAMA PREP QB STARS AT VANDERBILT

Two of the last five Alabama all-classification Mr. Football Award recipients – quarterbacks **Chris Nickson** in 2003 and **Larry Smith** in 2006 – will be in a Vanderbilt jersey on Saturday. Nickson is expected to start as the Commodore signal caller against the Tigers.

The Mr. Football Award annually is given to Alabama's top prep player.

Nickson guided Pike County H.S. to the 2003 3A state title, piling up incredible stats along the way. Smith, a redshirt freshman QB who has not played this season, produced similar results for Prattville H.S. near Montgomery, guiding the squad to a 15-0 record and the 6A state title.

COMMODORES FROM ALABAMA

Three Vanderbilt starters, including two stellar seniors, are among a long list of Commodore players hailing from the state of Alabama.

The three Alabama natives expected to start against Auburn are QB **Chris Nickson** (R-Sr., Brundidge), safety **Reshard Langford** (R-Sr., Tanner) and **Joey Bailey** (R-So., Birmingham).

In total, the Commodore roster includes 11 players from Alabama. Only Tennessee (21) and Georgia (21) are more represented on the Vanderbilt roster.

Besides Nickson, Langford and Bailey, other Commodores from Alabama include:

★ **John Burrow**, (Fr., LB/DE) from Morris. Burrow's dad, Mike, was an All-SEC OL at Auburn;

★ **Joel Caldwell**, (R-Jr., safety) from Hoover. His brother, Jason, was a Vanderbilt letterwinner that graduated in 2005;

★ **Dexter Daniels**, (Fr., LB) from Brantley. Daniels attended same high school as Auburn hoop stars Chuck and Wesley Person;

★ **Davis Flowers**, (R-Fr., LB) from Dothan;

★ **Justin Green**, (R-So., TE) from Troy;

★ **Chris Johnson**, (R-Jr., LB) from Birmingham;

★ **Sean Richardson**, (Fr., safety) from Linden; and

★ **Larry Smith**, (R-Fr., QB) from Prattville.

VANDERBILT VS. NON-SEC OPPONENTS

Vanderbilt has won nine of its last 10 games against non-Southeastern Conference opponents.

In Vanderbilt's last non-SEC game, the Commodores defeated Conference USA-member Rice 38-24 on Sept. 13 in Nashville. In the opener, Vanderbilt defeated Mid-American Conference (MAC) member Miami University 34-13.

Under Bobby Johnson, the 'Dores are 14-10 in non-SEC games.

In the last decade, Vanderbilt holds a 24-14 non-SEC record. All-time, Vanderbilt is 434-188-32 in non-SEC games.

STAT COMPARISONS ★ MOORE...MR. VERSATILITY

STATISTICAL COMPARISON

	<u>VANDERBILT</u>	<u>AUBURN</u>
	(THROUGH WEEK 5)	
TEAM RECORD	4-0/2-0	4-1/2-1
TOTAL POINTS	119	99
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	14	12
POINTS ALLOWED	68	53
TOUCHDOWNS ALLOWED	8	6
FIRST DOWNS	65	86
RUSHING	46	41
PASSING	16	38
PENALTY	3	7
RUSHING YARDAGE	808	781
YARDS GAINED RUSHING	933	912
YARDS LOST RUSHING	[125]	[131]
RUSHING ATTEMPTS	175	206
AVERAGE PER RUSH	4.6	3.8
AVERAGE PER GAME	202.0	173.2
TDs RUSHING	10	5
PASSING YARDAGE	323	866
ATT-COMP-INT	57-33-0	148-83-5
AVERAGE PER PASS	5.7	5.9
AVERAGE PER CATCH	9.8	10.4
AVERAGE PER GAME	80.8	173.2
TDs PASSING	3	3
TOTAL OFFENSE	1131	1647
TOTAL PLAYS	232	354
AVERAGE PER PLAY	4.9	4.7
AVERAGE PER GAME	282.8	329.4
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	13-283	10-183
AVERAGE KICK RETURN	21.8	18.3
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	10-225	9-193
AVERAGE PUNT RETURN	22.5	21.4
INTERCEPTION RETURNS: #-YARDS	10-209	4-24
AVERAGE INT. RETURN	20.9	6.0
FUMBLES/FUMBLES LOST	7-5	10-6
OPP. FUMBLES/FUMBLES RECOVERED	8.4	11-4
PENALTIES-YARDS	11-115	36-271
AVERAGE PER GAME	28.8	54.2
PUNTS-YARDS	21-831	36-1488
AVERAGE PER PUNT	39.6	41.3
NET PUNT AVERAGE	36.8	37.3
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	31:03	30:38
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	18/48	22/75
3RD DOWN PCT.	38%	29%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	0/1	2/4
4TH DOWN PCT.	0%	50%
QUARTERBACK SACKS-YARDS	11-74	12-54
FG MADE/ATTEMPTS	7/7	5-9
OPP. FG MADE/ATTEMPTS	4/7	4-9

D.J. MOORE: MR. VERSATILITY

D.J. Moore (Jr., CB/KR) didn't need much time to affirm his status as one of the nation's most versatile and productive players.

Named First Team All-SEC by the Associated Press, Moore has singlehandedly shifted the momentum in early-season games against Rice and Miami (Ohio) that eventually became Commodore victories. For most of the Vanderbilt win at Ole Miss, the Rebel offense decided to test other cornerbacks besides Moore.

While Commodore fans thought Moore was special at Miami (Ohio), he might have been more remarkable in the win over Rice.

The only player four-way player in the SEC (WR, CB, PR, KR), Moore accumulated 206 all-purpose yards on just seven touches against the Owls. It ranks as Moore's career high for all-purpose yardage.

Moore opened against Rice with a 39-yard kickoff return, then added 17 yards on his first punt return. One play later, Moore went 24 yards on a reverse, leading to Vanderbilt's first touchdown.

Moore took over the game in the fourth quarter. After the Vanderbilt defense forced a Rice possession, Moore took the ensuing punt 67 yards to the Rice 1-yard line. Vanderbilt scored its final points on the next play.

On Rice's next possession, Moore stopped an Owl threat with an interception deep in Vanderbilt territory, returning the pick 31 yards.

Moore's performance in the opener at Miami was just as remarkable.

In the span of 5:42 on the game clock, Moore intercepted a Miami pass attempt, forced a fumble on a quarterback sack that took the RedHawks out of field goal range, then returned the Miami punt 91 yards to the 1-yard line. The plays led to 10 Vanderbilt points.

Moore contributed as a defensive back, wide receiver, punt returner and kickoff returner for the Commodores. The 91-yard punt return – second longest in Vanderbilt history – was the first of Moore's career.

Moore focused on defense against South Carolina, contributing four tackles, including a 2-yard loss, and deflecting a pass that resulted in Reshard Langford's ninth career interception.

In 2007, the native of Spartanburg, S.C., was remarkable against his home-state Gamecocks. Moore earned National Defensive Player of the Week honors helping Vanderbilt to a 17-6 victory over the No. 6 ranked Gamecocks. He contributed two interceptions and eight tackles in the stellar performance last year.

An Athlons' preseason All-American, Moore has been added to several individual watchlists, including the Jim Thorpe Award, Nagurski Trophy and Bednarik Award.

Last year, Moore was one of the nation's top cornerbacks, sharing the SEC lead with six interceptions and ranking among the defensive leaders in solo tackles. He also put together one of the finest seasons ever by a Commodore kickoff returner, compiling a team-record 823 yards. He ranked among the NCAA leaders with a 25.7-yard average on kickoff returns and averaged 13 yards on six rushing attempts.

PLAYER PARTICIPATION ★ STATISTICAL RANKINGS

VANDERBILT ACTIVE PLAYER PARTICIPATION

PLAYER	POS.	2008 GAMES PLAYED	2008 STARTS	CAREER GAMES PLAYED	CAREER STARTS	CONSECUTIVE CAREER STARTS
Chris Aaron	C	1	-	1	-	-
Mackenzi Adams	QB	4	-	28	6	-
Josh Allen	CB	4	2	38	11	2
Rob Ashabranner	C	1	-	1	-	-
Joey Bailey	OG/C	4	4	7	4	4
Brandon Barden	TE	4	1	4	1	1
Patrick Benoist	LB	4	4	30	9	8
Greg Billinger	DT	4	4	27	4	4
Jake Bradford	TE	4	-	28	2	-
Terrell Brannon	DE	4	-	5	-	-
Brandon Bryant	LB	-	-	20	3	-
Matt Bubis	FB	4	-	16	-	-
Joel Caldwell	CB	4	-	26	11	-
Nate Campbell	LB	6	-	16	-	-
John Cole	WR	1	-	1	-	-
Ryan Custer	OG	4	4	28	7	4
Jared Fagan	CB	4	-	39	2	-
Kyle Fischer	OT	4	-	4	-	-
Davis Flowers	LB	2	-	2	-	-
Nick Forte	OG	1	-	1	-	-
Michael Garcia	LB	4	-	8	-	-
David Giller	SN	1	-	1	-	-
Drew Gardner	OL	4	-	20	-	-
Jamie Graham	WR	4	4	4	4	4
Justin Green	TE	2	-	11	-	-
T.J. Greenstone	DT	4	2	4	2	1
Bryant Hahnfeldt	PK	4	4	39	39	39
Ryan Hamilton	S	4	4	28	25	23
Jared Hawkins	TB	4	3	26	3	3
Casey Hayward	DB	4	-	4	-	-
Eric Hensley	OL	4	-	21	-	-
Jeff Jennings	TB	1	1	32	14	-
Chris Johnson	LB	4	-	27	-	-
Theron Kadri	DE	4	-	16	-	-
Reshard Langford	SS	4	4	39	39	39
Reilly Lauer	DE/OT	4	4	6	4	4
John Laughrey	PK	-	-	3	-	-
David Leinweber	DE	1	-	1	-	-
Myron Lewis	CB	4	4	26	16	16
Chris Marve	LB	4	4	4	4	4
Gaston Miller	TB	4	-	12	-	-
Nick Miller	SN	-	-	16	-	-
Austin Monahan	TE	4	3	13	3	-
D.J. Moore	CB	4	4	28	25	16
Austin Newton	LB	4	-	13	-	-
Chris Nickson	QB	4	4	30	22	4
Kennard Reeves	RB	1	-	13	-	-
Chris Reinert	WR	2	-	11	-	-
Sean Richardson	S	4	-	4	-	-
Larry Simmons	WR	3	-	7	-	-
George Smith	WR	-	-	35	26	-
Adam Smotherman	DT	4	2	12	2	-
Darlon Spead	CB	2	-	25	4	-
Broderick Stewart	DE	4	4	28	4	4
John Stokes	LB/SN	4	2	16	2	-
Steven Stone	DE	4	4	28	16	16
Alan Strong	CB	4	-	15	-	-
Rich Tompkins	DB	4	-	4	-	-
Brent Trice	S	4	-	28	-	-
Udom Umoh	WR	4	-	4	-	-
Brett Upson	P	4	4	28	28	28
Ryan Vance	OL	-	-	3	-	-
Bradley Vierling	OG	4	4	28	4	4
Sean Walker	WR	4	4	35	19	4
Alex Washington	WR	-	-	24	-	-
Thomas Welch	OT	4	4	25	4	4
Justin Wheeler	WR	4	4	25	4	4
Turner Wimberly	WR	4	-	4	-	-

VANDERBILT 2008 STATISTICAL RANKINGS

TEAM CATEGORY	AVG.	SEC	NCAA
Scoring Offense	29.8	7	52
Scoring Defense	17.0	7	30
Total Offense	282.8	12	112
Rushing Offense	202.0	3	26
Passing Offense	80.8	12	116
Total Defense	364.3	12	73
Rushing Defense	124.6	10	45
Passing Defense	240.0	12	93
Net Punting	36.8	5	41
Punt Returns	22.5	1	3
Kickoff Returns	21.8	9	61
Turnover Margin	+9	1	1
Pass Efficiency	122.9	6	65
Defensive Pass Efficiency	104.7	9	26
Penalties (Total)	11	1	T-1
Penalty Yardage	28.8	2	8
Third Down Conv. %	37.5%	7	T-74
Third-Down Conv. % (opponent)	37.9%	10	65
Quarterback Sacks	11	1	T-14
Quarterback Sacks Allowed	6	7	T-50
Pass Interceptions	10	1	T-1
Time of Possession	31:04	4	40
First Downs	16.3	12	T-105
First Downs Allowed	18.5	T-11	T-56
INDIVIDUAL CATEGORY	AVG.	SEC	NCAA
Josh Allen	interceptions	.25	T-14
Greg Billinger	sacks	.5	T-6 T-74
Patrick Benoist	tackles	9.25	2 T-32
	tackles for loss	.88	T-13
	sacks	.25	T-24
Bryant Hahnfeldt	scoring (kicker)	8.75	5 T-50
	field goals made	1.75	3 T-18
Ryan Hamilton	interceptions	.75	1 T-5
	tackles	7.5	8
Jared Hawkins	rushing	78.5	6 59
Reshard Langford	tackles	6.67	T-11
	interceptions	.5	T-3 T-24
Myron Lewis	interceptions	.25	T-14
	sacks	.5	T-6 T-74
Chris Marve	tackles	5.0	T-19
	sacks	.25	T-24
D.J. Moore	interceptions	.25	T-14
	passes defended	1.33	T-3 T-40
	punt returns	29.0	1 1
	kickoff returns	22.0	11 T-74
	sacks	.25	T-24
	all-purpose yards	121.7	4 62
Chris Nickson	rushing	67.5	7 77
	pass efficiency	123.9	9
	total offense	140.5	11
	scoring	7.5	T-10 T-76
	all-purpose yards	89.3	13
Darlon Spead	interceptions	.25	T-14
Broderick Stewart	sacks	.25	T-24
Steven Stone	sacks	.5	T-6 T-74
Brent Trice	sacks	.25	T-24
Brett Upson	punting	39.6	5 58
Sean Walker	all-purpose yards	90.5	17
	kickoff returns	24.4	11 T-74



COMMODORE NOTES

WEEKLY INDIVIDUAL HONORS: TOP COMMODORE PERFORMERS

MIAMI (OHIO)	<i>(W) 34-13, Aug. 28</i>
OFF. PLAYER OF WEEK:	Chris Nickson, QB
DEF. PLAYER OF WEEK:	Reshard Langford, FS
SPECIALISTS OF WEEK:	Bryant Hahnfeldt, PK Brett Upson, Punter
SOUTH CAROLINA	<i>(W) 24-17, Sept. 4</i>
OFF. PLAYERS OF WEEK:	Jared Hawkins, TB Thomas Welch, OT
DEF. PLAYERS OF WEEK:	Patrick Benoist, LB Greg Billinger, DT
SPECIALIST OF WEEK:	Bryant Hahnfeldt, PK
RICE	<i>(W) 38-24, Sept. 13</i>
OFF. PLAYERS OF WEEK:	Reilly Lauer, OT Jared Hawkins, TB
DEF. PLAYERS OF WEEK:	Ryan Hamilton, SS
SPECIALIST OF WEEK:	D.J. Moore, RS Bryant Hahnfeldt, PK
OLE MISS	<i>(W) 23-17, Sept. 20</i>
OFF. PLAYERS OF WEEK:	Austin Monahan, TE
DEF. PLAYERS OF WEEK:	Ryan Hamilton, SS Chris Marve, LB
SPECIALIST OF WEEK:	Bryant Hahnfeldt, PK Brett Upson, Punter

SEASON TICKET SALES PACE STRONG FOR 2008 SCHEDULE

Vanderbilt football season ticket sales were at their highest levels in more than a decade, according to Commodore athletic officials.

Season ticket sales surpassed the 19,000-mark this season as officials announced Vanderbilt home sellouts against Auburn, Florida and Tennessee.

The total of 19,071 represents the most sold by Vanderbilt Athletics since 1996 when the home schedule included Notre Dame and Tennessee.

Besides Auburn, Florida and Tennessee, the Commodore home schedule includes ACC foe Duke on Oct. 25. Tickets for the Duke game are \$22.

The 2008 sales level is well ahead of last year's final sales total of 15,191. In 2006 – the last year Vanderbilt hosted Tennessee, South Carolina and Florida on its Nashville campus – 11,367 season tickets were sold.

"We're extremely pleased with the ticket sales total. I also believe we'll sell many more before the home opener," Ticket Manager Eric Jones said. "The tremendous home schedule is obviously a factor for the increase, but we're seeing new season ticket buyers that are enthusiastic about Coach (Bobby) Johnson's team."

JENNINGS WEARS KWANE DOSTER 'KD1' PATCH

Tailback **Jeff Jennings** (R-Sr.) became the second Vanderbilt player to wear the "KD1" jersey patch, one of the most significant recognitions awarded by the Commodore players.

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. It was worn for the last two seasons by linebacker Jonathan Goff.

"It is a really big honor to wear the patch," Jennings said. "For the type of person Kwane (Doster) was, it is a real big honor to go out on the field and represent him."

"It means even more that I knew him and got to play with him. I really know what type of player and person he was, the type of work ethic he had and how much he wanted to win every game," Jennings added.

The team's Leadership Council votes on the player to wear the "KD1" patch. They recognized Jennings' leadership role and willingness to return from a serious knee injury suffered late in the 2005 season.

Jennings missed the South Carolina, Rice and Ole Miss games after starting in the opener at Miami (Ohio). He needs 87 yards to surpass 1,000 career rushing yards.

PREP TEAMMATES ON VANDERBILT ROSTER

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

- **Derrius Dowell** (R-Jr., DT) and **Alan Strong** (R-So., CB) were standouts at Douglass H.S. in Atlanta.
- **D.J. Moore** (Jr., CB/WR/KR) and **Terrell Brannon** (R-So., DE) were classmates at Broome H.S. in Spartanburg, S.C.
- Senior PK **Bryant Hahnfeldt** (Sr., PK), **Matt Bubis** (R-Jr., H-Back) and **Rich Tompkins** (R-Fr., DB) attended at Montgomery Bell Academy in Nashville.
- **Darlon Spead** (R-Jr., CB) and **Ryan Seymour** (Fr., DT) graduated from southern Georgia prep power Camden County H.S.
- **Michael Garcia** (R-So., LB) and **Ryan van Rensburg** (R-Fr., TB) were teammates at The Bolles School in Jacksonville, Fla.
- **Adam Smotherman** (R-So., DT) and **James Williams** (R-Fr., OT) helped Smyrna H.S. near Nashville to a state title.
- Linebackers **John Stokes** (So.) and **DeAndre Jones** (Fr.) were star performers at University School in Memphis.

MONAHAN OUT OF ACTION

Sophomore starting TE **Austin Monahan** became the second Commodore receiver likely out for the season when he suffered a shoulder fracture in Vanderbilt's 23-17 win at Ole Miss.

Two weeks earlier, **Chris Reinert** (R-Jr.) was lost for the season after suffering a broken left leg in the Commodores' victory over South Carolina.

Injured after catching a first-down pass at Ole Miss, Monahan was developing into a key contributor in his first year as a starter. He has four receptions for 45 yards.

The 'Dores also played without the services of senior receiver and co-captain **George Smith** for the first four games.

The Commodores will also be without freshman receiver **John Cole** for the rest of 2008. Cole suffered a knee injury at Miami and underwent surgery Sept. 10. He returned two punts for 23 yards against the RedHawks.

Junior DB **Darlon Spead** also is expected to miss extended playing time after sustaining a lower leg injury at the conclusion of an interception return against South Carolina.

Linebacker **Brandon Bryant** (R-Jr.) is expected to remain out of action due to an leg fracture that occurred during the offseason.

VANDERBILT DEFENSE CONTINUES STRONG PLAY

The defense turned in yet another strong second half performance in Vanderbilt's 23-17 victory at Ole Miss on Sept. 20.

For the second consecutive game, the Commodore defense held an opponent scoreless in the halftime, enabling the Vanderbilt offense to produce decisive points.

The Commodore defense did more than its share against the Rebels. The squad produced a season-high six turnovers: four interceptions and two fumbles. Safety **Ryan Hamilton** was responsible for connecting four of the miscues, including three INTs, en route to national defensive player of the week honors.

In the second half, the defense also chipped in with a pair of stellar defensive plays deep in Vanderbilt territory. The first Rebel drive after intermission was stopped inside the Vanderbilt 1-yard line after LB **Chris Marve** (R-Fr., Memphis) and Hamilton stuffed 3rd and 4th down rushes.

Then, with 2:30 left on the clock and Vanderbilt holding a three-point margin, Marve provided the biggest play of his young Vanderbilt career, stripping a Rebel runner of the ball at the Commodore 2-yard line, enabling **D.J. Moore** to make the recovery in the Vanderbilt end zone.

The unit has been an opportunistic defense, responsible for creating 13 turnovers: 10 interceptions and three forced fumbles. The unit ranks among the NCAA leaders in takeaways.

FIRST-TIME COMMODORE STARTERS

Jared Hawkins (TB, R-Jr.) and **T.J. Greenstone** (DT, R-Fr.) earned their first career starting assignments in the win over South Carolina on Sept. 4.

Hawkins and Greenstone became the 12th and 13th Commodores this season to earn their first career starts. There have been seven new starters on offense and six on defense.

First-time starting assignments on offense were given to four OL – **Joey Bailey** (R-So., RG), **Reilly Lauer** (R-So., LT), **Bradley Vierling** (R-Jr., C) and **Thomas Welch** (R.-Jr., RT). Besides Hawkins, **Jamie Graham** (R-Fr., WR) and **Austin Monahan** (So., TE) were the other first-time starters on offense. Besides Greenstone, three other DL – **Greg Billinger** (Jr., DT), **Adam Smotherman** (R-So., DT) and **Broderick Stewart** (R-Jr., DE) – have started for the first time. A pair of linebackers from Memphis, **John Stokes** (So., SLB), and **Chris Marve** (R-Fr., MLB), also made their first career start.

COMMODORES SEEING INITIAL ACTION

Sixteen Commodores, including a trio of true freshmen, have enjoyed their initial collegiate action in the first three games of the season.

True freshmen seeing action in the opener were WR **John Cole**, CB **Casey Hayward** and safety **Sean Richardson**. Cole is out for the season with a leg injury suffered in the opener.

Three first-time players, **Jamie Graham** (WR), **Chris Marve** (MLB) and **T.J. Greenstone** (DT), have started this season for the Commodores.

Other Commodores getting into their first game are **Kyle Fischer** (OT, R-Fr.), **Udom Umoh** (WR, R-Fr.), **Brandon Barden** (TE, R-Fr.), **Rich Tompkins** (DB, Fr.), **Davis Flowers** (LB, R-Fr.), **Turner Wimberly** (WR, R-So.), **David Giller** (LS, So.), **Chris Aaron** (OC, R-So.), **Rob Ashabranner** (OC, R-Fr.) and **David Leinweber** (DE, R-Jr.).

COMMODORES WIN TWICE IN OXFORD THIS YEAR

In an oddity resulting from the 2008 schedule, the Commodores captured their second victory of the season in a town named Oxford when they defeated Ole Miss 23-17 two weeks ago in Mississippi.

In the season opener, Vanderbilt's paid a visit to Oxford, Ohio to face Miami University, leaving the scenic Ohio university community with a 34-13 victory over Miami.

FORMER VANDERBILT PLAYERS IN THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Former Commodore	NFL Team	Notes
Earl Bennett, WR	Chicago Bears	Third round pick; Remained on inactive list as Bears and Eagles played on Sunday night
Marcus Buggs, LB	Buffalo Bills	Added to Bills' practice squad after getting released from active roster on Aug. 30
Corey Chavous, Safety	St. Louis Rams	Had three tackles, for a loss, and QB hurry in Ram's 31-14 loss against Buffalo
Jay Cutler, QB	Denver Broncos	Completed 29 of 49 passes for 361 yards, 1 TD, 2 INTs in Bronco loss at Kansas City
Justin Geisinger, OG/C	Washington Redskins	Saw initial action of the season on OL as Washington notched 26-24 win over Cowboys
Jonathan Goff, LB	New York Giants	Rookie LB impressed coaches in preseason camp; currently sidelined with back injury
Theo Horrocks, DT	Jacksonville Jaguars	Suffered foot injury in preseason; added to Jaguars' injured reserve list in late August
Jovan Haye, DT	Tampa Bay	Contributes two solo tackles in Buccaneers' 30-21 division win over Green Bay
Hunter Hillenmeyer, LB	Chicago Bears	Contributed one tackle, a QB sack and QB hurry in Bears' 24-20 victory over Eagles
Chris Williams, OT	Chicago Bears	First round pick is sidelined with back injury; returned to light practice duty last week
Jamie Winborn, LB	Denver Broncos	Does not register tackle in reserve LB role as Broncos drop first game of year vs. Chiefs
Todd Yoder, TE	Washington Redskins	After catching TD last week, did not have a reception in Redskin's 26-24 win over Dallas

NOTE: Curtis Gatewood (DE/LB) was removed from practice squad by Washington Redskins on Sept. 24.

MORE ABOUT THE COMMODORES

SMITH – BEATING THE ODDS

George Smith continues to beat the odds.

Vanderbilt's offensive co-captain and starting receiver was featured on ESPN.com this summer for his remarkable attitude and amazing recovery from a near-death experience in 2004.

In the last three years, the sixth-year senior from Pembroke Pines, Fla., has survived a serious ailment and gunshot attack to become a valuable starting receiver for the Black & Gold.

The fact that Smith is in uniform is 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 during the 2005 preseason camp.

One of only three sixth-year players in the SEC this year, Smith has 76 career receptions, 997 career receiving yards and eight TDs.

Smith missed the first four games due to a foot injury, but is expected to play against Auburn.

JAMIE GRAHAM: TWO-SPORT STUDENT-ATHLETE

When **Jamie Graham** (R-Fr., Nashville) made his first appearance in a Commodore uniform as a WR starter against Miami, he earned the distinction of being the only SEC student-athlete who played basketball in 2007-08 to participate in football this year.

Graham continues to develop as an offensive weapon. He posted his first career touchdown against Rice with a 27-yard rush.

For the season, Graham has six rushes for 50 yards and six receptions for 40 yards and a score.

Graham, a Nashville native, redshirted on the football team in 2007, but became an integral part of the Commodore men's basketball success last winter.

After joining the hoops team after football ended, Graham became a fan favorite and defensive specialist in 15 appearances on the basketball court. He played important minutes down the stretch, helping the squad to a berth in the NCAA tournament.

Graham became the first Commodore to play both basketball and football since wide receiver Fred Baker did both in 1994-95.

SQUAD SERVED BY 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 **Reshard Langford**, **George Smith** and **Bradley Vierling** are members of the Leadership Council.

Others voted by teammates to represent other various position groups include **Mackenzi Adams**, quarterbacks; **Steven Stone**, defensive line; **Jeff Jennings**, offensive backfield; **Jake Bradford**, receivers/tight ends; **Bryant Hahnfeldt**, specialists; and **Patrick Benoist**, linebackers.

KITCHINGS JUST THIRD CHANGE TO JOHNSON STAFF

First-year Commodore running backs mentor **Des Kitchings** represents just the third change to Coach Johnson's Vanderbilt staff in his tenure.

Kitchings, a former Furman offensive coach, replaces Kenny Carter, who joined the Florida staff.

Johnson arrived at Vanderbilt with the belief that consistency on the coaching staff would lead to greater stability in the program and better chances for team success. He has taken the principle to heart: under Johnson, Vanderbilt has experienced the fewest coaching changes in the SEC. Both coordinators – Bruce Fowler (defense) and Ted Cain (offense) – also have the conference's longest tenures.

The coaching staff has multiple links dating back three decades to Johnson's initial year in collegiate coaching when he served as a defensive ends assistant at Furman. Johnson is just the fourth head coach in Vanderbilt football history to reach seven years of service.

COMMODORES CONTINUE ANCHOR 'UNITY' TRADITION

For the fourth 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.

MEDIA INFORMATION

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Patrick Benoist (Ben-WAH)
Teriall (Ter-RELL) Brannon
Matt Bubis (BOO-bus)
Nick Forte (FORT)
Tim Fugger (FEW-ger)
Theron (THER-in) Kadri (COD-ree)
Reshard (Rah-SHARD) Langford
Chris Marve (MARV)
Chris Reinert (RINE-ert)
Darlron (Dah-RON) Speed (SPEED)
Udom (OOD-um) Umoh (OO-mah)
Bradley Vierling (VEER-ling)

JOHNSON, STUDENT-ATHLETE

POSTGAME INTERVIEWS

Following the Auburn game, Coach Johnson will meet with media representatives at the Commodores' postgame press conference facilities in McGugin Athletic Center (two-story brick building across Jess Neely Drive from stadium).

As in past seasons, the post-game conference area is housed in the team's wide receiver meeting room. Access is gained through the stadium tunnel, across Jess Neely Drive, and into the McGugin Center entrance directly in front of Gate 3.

The Vanderbilt Player Locker Room is closed to the media. The Vanderbilt SID staff will take requests for student-athlete interviews. Interviews with 4-5 student-athletes will be conducted as soon as Coach Johnson 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 Johnson ends his weekly press conference in McGugin Center.

Selected Vanderbilt players will be available for interviews with opponent beat reporters on Wednesday following practice.

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.

INAUGURAL VANDERBILT ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME CLASS

On Sept. 12, 2008, Vanderbilt Student Athletics administrators, loyal supporters and longtime friends of the program welcomed the inaugural Vanderbilt Athletics Hall of Fame.

The distinguished 12-person class,

introduced during halftime of the Rice-Vanderbilt game on Sept. 13, was determined by a panel of Student Athletics administrators with input from various outside sources.

This winter, plans call for construction to

begin on Phase II of the Vanderbilt Athletic Facility Project, work that includes more enhancements to Vanderbilt Stadium and a Vanderbilt Athletics Hall of Fame addition to McGugin Athletic Center.

Chantelle Anderson

Women's Basketball, 1999-2003

Chantelle Anderson is the most decorated women's basketball player in Vanderbilt history. The 6-6 Vancouver, Wash., native is the Commodores' only two-time Kodak All-American, the all-time leading scorer and was voted the school's Female Athlete of the Year three times. Anderson was a dominant inside force for the Commodores, concluding her career as the program's all-time leader scorer with 2,604 points.

Peggy Harmon Brady

Women's Golf, 1968-1972

She came to Vanderbilt after graduating from Central High School in Shelbyville, in an era when there was no varsity athletics for women. Out of the blue her sophomore year, Director of Athletics Jess Neely called to invite Harmon to represent Vanderbilt in the Intercollegiate. Perhaps Neely noticed she had won the USGA Junior Championship. While her pioneer story is inspiring, little did she realize that she was blazing a trail that her daughter, Chris, would follow decades later. They are the only mother-daughter All-Americans in school history.

John Hall

Football, 1951-1954

John Hall describes himself as an overachiever on and off the football field. The native of Knoxville was an under-sized defensive lineman who became Vanderbilt's first academic All-America in 1954, then enjoyed an enormously successful career that culminated as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ashland, Inc., and president of the Vanderbilt Board of Trust.

Ryan Tolbert Jackson

Women's Track and Field, 1994-1998

A life-size photo of Ryan Tolbert Jackson dominates an entire wall of McGugin Center in recognition of her outstanding achievement as a track and field student-athlete. She is the only Commodore to ever win an individual NCAA championship., capturing the 400-meter hurdles with a meet-record 54.54 effort in 1997. She is a seven-time All-America recipient.

Roy Kramer

Director of Athletics, 1978-1990

A national champion football coach at Central Michigan, Roy Kramer arrived in Nashville in 1978. In a dozen years he energized Vanderbilt's athletic department with new facilities and popular coaches. By the time Kramer retired as SEC Conference Commissioner, many regarded him as the most powerful man in college athletics.

Clyde Lee

Basketball, 1963-1966

A tall and unpolished freshman from nearby Lipscomb High School enrolled in 1963 to play basketball for Coach Roy Skinner and Vanderbilt basketball was never the same again. Attendance boomed as fans flocked to watch "Colossal" Clyde Lee lead his team to 65 victories over three unforgettable seasons and establish himself as the standard by which all future Commodore stars would be measured. Old-timers call Memorial Gym's second and third tiers "the balconies that Clyde built."

Dan McGugin

Head Football Coach, 1904-1934

The winningest football coach in Vanderbilt history and one of college football's greatest innovators, Dan McGugin remains a legend more than seven decades after his death. When he finished his third decade as head coach of the Commodores, McGugin left behind a remarkable overall record of 197-55-10.

John Rich

Football-Baseball, 1945-1951

John Rich remembers being on the verge of expulsion from Vanderbilt University in the late 1940's and being given an unexpected second chance by the Dean of Students. He never forgot that golden opportunity and through the years as his coal business grew, he says he has tried to repay his beloved University with his time, by sharing his resources and lending his expertise. Rich also served the university for many years as a valuable member of the Vanderbilt Board of Trust.

Fred Russell

Baseball, 1925-1926; Nashville Banner Sports Editor, 1929-1998

Fred Russell was one of the great sports journalists of the 20th Century. Many admiring readers knew that. Fewer realized that he had played baseball at Vanderbilt. Mr. Russell covered and rubbed elbows with the legendary athletes of his day: his 25th anniversary at the paper was celebrated with appearances by Jack Dempsey, Bobby Jones and Red Grange. The press boxes of Vanderbilt Stadium (1982) and Hawkins Field (2002) are named in his honor.

June Stewart

Athletics Administration, 1973-1991

June Stewart joined the Vanderbilt athletic department in 1973 as a secretary in the sports information and National Commodore Club offices. By the time she retired 28 years later she was one of the most influential women in the Southeastern Conference. She also became the first female president of the College Sports Information Director of America (CoSIDA) organization.

Bill Wade

Football, 1949-1951

Bill Wade was Nashville's All-American boy. He was a prep legend, president of his Vanderbilt freshman class, a whiz on the gridiron where he became the No. 1 pick in the NFL Draft, a *Look Magazine* coverboy while a Commodore, and later quarterback of the world champion Chicago Bears. He was honored many times by many organizations, including the NCAA with its prestigious Silver Anniversary Award in 1976. Five decades after blazing a legacy on campus, Wade remains one of the school's most treasured student-athletes.

Perry Wallace

Men's Basketball, 1966-1970

Perry Wallace would have become a premiere Hall of Fame candidate even if he didn't make Southeastern Conference history by becoming the SEC's first African-American basketball player. Wallace was a star student-athlete, and left Vanderbilt as one of the greatest rebounders in team history. who went on to an outstanding career in law and education.

HEAD COACH BOBBY JOHNSON

PERSONAL DATA

AGE: 56

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

- 84-86 overall record as head coach;
4-4 record in NCAA postseason play
- During Vanderbilt tenure, has coached the first Commodore named unanimous SEC Offensive Player of the Year (Jay Cutler, 2005), the team's 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
- 224-142-8 Combined Record
(32 years of collegiate coaching)

SEVENTH YEAR RECORD OF 'DORE HEAD COACHES

Johnson is just the fourth head coach in team history to reach seven years of service with the university. Here's the seventh year record of that group:

COACH	YEARS	RECORD
Bobby Johnson	2008	4-0
George MacIntyre	1985	3-7-1
Art Guepe	1959	5-3-2
Dan McGugin	1910	8-0-1

SUMMARY OF JOHNSON'S COACHING CAREER

YEAR	SCHOOL	POSITION	RECORD	HIGHLIGHTS
2008	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	4-0 (2-0)	Second 4-0 start in VU tenure
2007	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	5-7 (2-8)	road win over No. 6 So. Carolina
2006	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	4-8 (1-7)	win over No. 22 Georgia in Athens
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
1999	Furman	Head Coach	9-3	I-AA Playoffs; Conference Champions; I-AA Region II Coach of Year
1998	Furman	Head Coach	5-6	
1997	Furman	Head Coach	7-4	
1996	Furman	Head Coach	9-4	I-AA Playoffs; I-AA Region II Coach of Year
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	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 INTERVIEW 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. 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 featuring Coach Johnson and Voice of the Commodores Joe Fisher – 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 CSS at Comcast 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 can be heard each Monday on Vanderbilt Athletics' flagship station WGFX FM-104.5 at a new time this season.

The show will air weekly at 6:30 p.m., 30 minutes earlier than in past years.

The show is hosted by Commodore play-by-play announcer Joe Fisher. The show, open to the public, will be held at the refurbished Commodore Bar & Grille in Holiday Inn Select, located on West End Avenue.

The show features Johnson's game recap, a look at the next opponent and questions from callers across Middle Tennessee.

COMMODORE DEPTH CHART

EFFECTIVE SEPT. 29

OFFENSE

Z WR	7	Sean Walker	(6-0, 178, R-Sr.)
	26	Andrew Diomande	(6-2, 204, Sr.)
X WR	25	Jamie Graham	(6-0, 190, R-Fr.)
-or-	80	Justin Wheeler	(6-1, 178, R-Jr.)
S WR	88	George Smith	(6-3, 202, R-Sr.)
	23	Udom Umoh	(5-11, 172, R-Fr.)
QB	3	Chris Nickson	(6-1, 212, R-Sr.)
	9	Mackenzi Adams	(6-3, 215, R-Jr.)
TB	31	Jared Hawkins	(5-10, 202, R-Jr.)
	27	Gaston Miller	(5-7, 180, R-So.)
TE	85	Jake Bradford	(6-6, 270, Sr.)
-or-	87	Brandon Barden	(6-5, 245, R-Fr.)
LT	68	Reilly Lauer	(6-6, 275, R-So.)
	72	Kyle Fischer	(6-6, 300, R-Fr.)
LG	73	Ryan Custer	(6-3, 295, R-Jr.)
	70	Drew Gardner	(6-6, 305, R-Jr.)
C	60	Bradley Vierling	(6-3, 292, R-Jr.)
	71	Joey Bailey	(6-4, 280, R-So.)
	55	Rob Ashrabranner	(6-2, 285, R-Fr.)
RG	71	Joey Bailey	(6-4, 280, R-So.)
	61	Nick Forte	(6-2, 290, R-Jr.)
RT	76	Thomas Welch	(6-7, 305, R-Jr.)
	66	Eric Hensley	(6-6, 312, R-Jr.)
	77	James Williams	(6-6, 305, R-Fr.)

DEFENSE

DE	96	Steven Stone	(6-5, 272, R-Jr.)
	89	Terrial Brannon	(6-3, 245, R-So.)
DT	56	Greg Billinger	(6-4, 290, Jr.)
	84	Rob Lohr	(6-4, 272, Fr.)
-or-	58	Colt Nichter	(6-2, 285, Fr.)
DT	74	T.J. Greenstone	(6-3, 278, R-Fr.)
-or-	59	Adam Smotherman	(6-4, 285, R-So.)
DE	90	Broderick Stewart	(6-5, 230, R-Jr.)
	91	Theron Kadri	(6-4, 272, So.)
SLB	49	John Stokes	(6-5, 228, So.)
	11	Brent Trice	(6-3, 218, Jr.)
	46	Austin Newton	(6-3, 218, R-So.)
MLB	13	Chris Marve	(6-0, 225, R-Fr.)
	45	Chris Johnson	(6-1, 228, R-Jr.)
WLB	30	Patrick Benoist	(6-0, 220, Jr.)
	52	Nathan Campbell	6-3, 228, R-So.)
CB	17	D.J. Moore	(5-10, 188, Jr.)
	14	Josh Allen	(5-9, 184, R-Sr.)
SS	33	Reshard Langford	(6-2, 212, R-Sr.)
	38	Sean Richardson	(6-2, 190, Fr.)
FS	2	Ryan Hamilton	(6-2, 210, R-Jr.)
	29	Joel Caldwell	(6-1, 195, R-Jr.)
CB	5	Myron Lewis	(6-3, 202, Jr.)
	16	Alan Strong	(5-10, 175, R-So.)
NB	20	Jared Fagan	(5-9, 182, R-Sr.)
	19	Casey Hayward	(6-0, 178, Fr.)

SPECIALISTS

PK	8	Bryant Hahnfeldt	(5-11, 185, Sr.)
	94	Ryan Fowler	(5-10, 160, Fr.)
H	9	Mackenzi Adams	(6-3, 215, R-Jr.)
SN	49	John Stokes	(6-5, 228, So.)
	69	David Giller	(6-1, 240, So.)
KO	8	Bryant Hahnfeldt	(5-11, 185, Sr.)
	94	Ryan Fowler	(5-10, 160, Fr.)
KR	17	D.J. Moore	(5-10, 182, Jr.)
	7	Sean Walker	(6-0, 178, R-Sr.)
PR	17	D.J. Moore	(5-10, 182, Jr.)
	25	Jamie Graham	(6-0, 190, R-Fr.)
P	39	Brett Upson	(5-11, 185, Jr.)
	8	Bryant Hahnfeldt	(5-11, 185, Sr.)

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No.	NAME	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YEAR.	ELIG.	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL	No.	NAME	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YEAR.	ELIG.	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL	
63	Chris Aaron	OG	6-3	290	R-So.	SQ	Palos Verdes, Calif./Palos Verdes	68	Reilly Lauer	OT	6-6	275	R-So.	SQ	Gates Mill, Ohio/St. Ignatius	
9	Mackenzi Adams	QB	6-3	215	R-Jr.	2L	Tulsa, Okla./Union	93*	David Leinweber	DE	6-5	245	R-Jr.	SQ	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Cranbrook	
14	Josh Allen	CB	5-9	184	R-Sr.	3L	Roswell, Ga./Roswell	5	Myron Lewis	CB	6-3	202	Jr.	2L	Pompano Beach, Fla./Pompano Beach	
55	Rob Ashabranner	C	6-2	275	R-Fr.	RS	Beaumont, Texas/Cathedral Christian	54	Taylor Loftley	DL	6-2	250	Fr.	HS	Chamblee, Ga./Chamblee	
40	Bo Baggerley	LB	6-0	210	Sr.	SQ	Forsyth, Ga./Stratford Academy	84	Rob Lohr	DL	6-4	270	Fr.	HS	Phoenixville, Pa./Phoenixville	
71	Joey Bailey	OG/C	6-4	280	R-So.	1L	Trussville, Ala./Hewitt-Trussville	13	Chris Marve	LB	6-0	225	R-Fr.	RS	Memphis, Tenn./White Station	
87	Brandon Barden	TE	6-5	245	R-Fr.	RS	Lincolnton, Ga./Lincoln Co.	17	D.J. Moore	CB	5-10	182	Jr.	2L	Spartanburg, S.C./Broome	
15	Archie Barnes	LB	6-4	200	Fr.	HS	Tampa, Fla./Berkeley Prep	27	Gaston Miller	TB	5-7	180	R-So.	1L	Murfreesboro, Tenn./Riverdale	
30	Patrick Benoist	LB	6-0	222	Jr.	2L	Southlake, Texas/Carroll Senior	75	Nick Miller	SN	6-3	250	R-Jr.	2L	Matthews, N.C./East Mecklenburg	
56	Greg Billinger	DT	6-3	290	Jr.	2L	Lilburn, Ga./Parkview	86	Austin Monahan	TE	6-7	255	So.	1L	Charlotte, N.C./Country Day	
85	Jake Bradford	TE	6-6	270	Sr.	2L	St. Simons Island, Ga./Glynn Acad.	46	Austin Newton	LB	6-3	218	R-So.	1L	McDonough, Ga./Union Grove	
89	Terrial Brannon	DE	6-3	235	R-So.	SQ	Spartanburg, S.C./Broome	3	Chris Nickson	QB	6-1	212	R-Sr.	3L	Brundidge, Ala./Pike Co.	
32	Matt Bubis	HB	5-10	230	R-Jr.	1L	Nashville, Tenn./Montgomery Bell	37	Al Owens	DB	6-2	178	Fr.	HS	Springtown, Texas/Springtown	
57	John Burrow	LB	6-4	230	Fr.	HS	Morris, Ala./Mortimer Jordan	15*	Will Parker Roe	S	5-10	175	R-Fr.	RS	Humboldt, Tenn./Humboldt	
67	Michael Bryant	OL	6-4	290	Fr.	HS	La Vergne, Tenn./La Vergne	43	Micah Powell	DB	6-0	192	Fr.	HS	Tarpon Springs, Fla./East Lake	
65	Richard Cagle	OL	6-4	285	Fr.	HS	Houston, Texas/St. Pius X	58	Colt Nichter	DT	6-2	285	Fr.	HS	Park City, Utah/Park City	
29	Joel Caldwell	S	6-1	195	R-Jr.	2L	Hoover, Ala./Hoover	28	Kennard Reeves	TB	6-0	202	R-So.	1L	Duluth, Ga./Duluth	
52	Nate Campbell	LB	6-3	228	R-So.	1L	Hazen, Ark./Hazen	34	Ryan van Rensburg	TB	6-1	215	R-Fr.	RS	Jacksonville, Fla./The Bolles School	
50	Thomas Carroll	PK	5-9	165	R-Jr.	SQ	Columbus, Ga./Brookstone	36	Chris Reinert	WR	5-9	175	R-Jr.	1L	Santa Ana, Calif./Servite	
83	John Cole	WR	5-11	170	Fr.	HS	Somerset, Ky./Somerset	38	Sean Richardson	DB	6-2	190	Fr.	HS	Linden, Ala./Linden	
89*	Chris Crooks	WR	6-3	208	R-Fr.	SQ	Chattahoochee, Ga./Chattahoochee	28*	Alex Schultz	DB	6-0	192	R-Jr.	SQ	Wayland, Mass./Wayland	
73	Ryan Custer	OG	6-3	295	R-Jr.	2L	Troy, Ohio/Troy	45*	Chavez Scott	TB	5-7	185	Fr.	HS	Memphis, Tenn./Whitehaven	
48	Dexter Daniels	LB	6-1	210	Fr.	HS	Brantley, Ala./Brantley	62	Ryan Seymour	DL	6-4	255	Fr.	HS	Kingsland, Ga./Camden Co.	
84	Chris DeGeorge	HB	6-2	225	R-Jr.	SQ	Portland, Tenn./Portland	18	Larry Simmons	WR	5-10	168	R-Jr.	SQ	Austin, Texas/Anderson	
26	Andrew Diomande	WR	6-2	204	Sr.	TR	Miami, Fla./Columbus HS/(Clemson)	88	George Smith	WR	6-3	202	R-Sr.	3L	Pembroke Pines, Fla./Hollywood Hills	
41	Jermaine Doster	TB	5-10	205	R-Fr.	RS	Tampa, Fla./Robinson	10	Larry Smith	QB	6-2	215	R-Fr.	RS	Prattville, Ala./Prattville	
22	Akeem Dunham	WR	6-3	185	Fr.	HS	Eustis, Fla./Eustis	59	Adam Smotherman	DT	6-4	285	R-So.	1L	Smyrna, Tenn./Smyrna	
20	Jared Fagan	CB	5-9	182	R-Sr.	3L	Waldorf, Md./Westlake	6	Darlon Spead	NB	5-10	186	R-Jr.	2L	Kingsland, Ga./Camden Co.	
72	Kyle Fischer	OT	6-6	300	R-Fr.	RS	Columbia, S.C./Spring Valley	90	Broderick Stewart	DE	6-5	230	R-Jr.	2L	Newnan, Ga./Riverside Military	
51	Davis Flowers	LB	6-0	215	R-Fr.	RS	Dothan, Ala./Houston Academy	49	John Stokes	LB/SN	6-5	228	So.	1L	Memphis, Tenn./University School	
61	Nick Forte	OG	6-2	290	R-Jr.	SQ	Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood Academy	96	Steven Stone	DE	6-5	268	R-Jr.	2L	Conway, Ark./Conway	
94	Ryan Fowler	PK	5-10	160	Fr.	HS	Taylors, S.C./Eastside	16	Alan Strong	CB	5-10	180	R-So.	1L	Atlanta, Ga./Douglass	
42	Tim Fugger	DE	6-4	255	R-Fr.	RS	Oak Brook, Ill./Montini Catholic	24	Tristan Strong	LB	6-1	220	Fr.	HS	Loganville, Ga./Grayson	
12	Jared Funk	QB	6-2	202	R-So.	SQ	Long Grove, Ill./St. Viator	24*	Rich Tompkins	DB	5-11	185	R-Fr.	SQ	Nashville, Tenn./Montgomery Bell	
44	Michael Garcia	LB	6-0	235	R-So.	1L	Jacksonville, Fla./The Bolles School	11	Brent Trice	S/LB	6-3	214	Jr.	2L	Orange, Va./Fort Union Military	
70	Drew Gardner	OG	6-6	305	R-Jr.	1L	Hoxie, Ark./Hoxie	37*	Elvio Tropeano	S	5-9	200	R-Fr.	RS	Pomfret, Conn./Middlesex School	
69	David Giller	SN	6-1	240	So.	TR	Swampscott, Mass./Swampscott/	23	Udom Umoh	WR	6-0	172	R-Fr.	RS	Fort Valley, Ga./Peach Co.	
25	Jamie Graham	WR	6-0	190	R-Fr.	RS	Nashville, Tenn./Whites Creek	39	Brett Upson	P	5-11	185	Jr.	2L	Griffin, Ga./Spalding	
82	Justin Green	TE	6-6	235	R-So.	1L	Troy, Ala./Henderson	79	Ryan Vance	OG	6-3	290	R-Jr.	1L	Bellaire, Texas/Episcopal	
74	T.J. Greenstone	DT	6-3	282	R-Fr.	RS	Lawrenceville, Ga./Collins Hill	46*	Duane Vaughn	S	6-1	195	R-Fr.	RS	Goodlettsville, Tenn./Davidson Academy	
8	Bryant Hahnfeldt	P/PK	5-11	185	Sr.	3L	Nashville, Tenn./Montgomery Bell	60	Bradley Vierling	C	6-3	292	R-Jr.	2L	Warminster, Pa./Central Bucks East	
31	Jared Hamilton	FS	6-2	210	R-Jr.	2L	Wycombe, Pa./Council Rock North	7	Sean Walker	WR	6-0	178	R-Sr.	3L	Wrens, Ga./Jefferson Co.	
19	Casey Hayward	DB	6-0	178	Fr.	HS	Spring, Texas/Klein	4	Alex Washington	WR	5-10	182	R-Jr.	2L	Stone Mtn., Ga./Stephenson	
66	Eric Hensley	OT	6-6	312	R-Jr.	1L	Elko, Ga./Perry	76	Thomas Welch	OT	6-7	305	R-Jr.	2L	Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood	
93	Josh Jelesky	DE	6-5	234	Fr.	HS	Clinton, Tenn./Clinton	78	Caleb Welchans	OL	6-5	285	Fr.	HS	Wildwood, Mo./Lafayette	
21	Jeff Jennings	TB	6-1	214	R-Sr.	3L	Naperville, Ill./Naperville	80	Justin Wheeler	WR	6-1	178	R-Jr.	2L	North Augusta, S.C./North Augusta	
45	Chris Johnson	LB	6-1	228	R-Jr.	2L	Dandridge, Tenn./Jefferson Co.	77	James Williams	OL	6-6	305	R-Fr.	RS	Smyrna, Tenn./Smyrna	
47	DeAndre Jones	LB	6-0	220	Fr.	HS	Birmingham, Ala./Oak Mountain	81	Turner Wimberly	WR	6-1	195	R-So.	SQ	Austin, Texas/Westlake/	
91	Theron Kadri	DE	6-4	270	So.	1L	Memphis, Tenn./University School	97	John Laughrey	PK	5-11	180	R-So.	SQ	McKenzie, Tenn./McKenzie	
84*	Richard Kent	P	6-1	190	Fr.	HS	Brighton, Tenn./Brighton	98	Johnell Thomas	DL	6-1	240	Fr.	HS	Orlando, Fla./Boone	
33	Reshard Langford	S	6-2	212	R-Sr.	3L	Marietta, Ga./Walton Tanner, Ala./Tanner	99	Derrius Dowell	DT	6-3	285	R-Jr.	2L	Atlanta, Ga./Douglass	
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2	Ryan Hamilton	FS	21	Jeff Jennings	TB	38	Sean Richardson	DB	62	Ryan Seymour	DL	83	John Cole	WR
3	Chris Nickson	QB	22	Akeem Dunham	WR	39	Brett Upson	P	63	Chris Aaron	OG	84	Rob Lohr	DL
4	Alex Washington	WR	23	Udom Umoh	WR	40	Bo Baggerley	LB	65	Richard Cagle	OL	84	Chris DeGeorge	HB
5	Myron Lewis	CB	24	Tristan Strong	LB	41	Jermaine Doster	TB	66	Eric Hensley	OT	84*	Richard Kent	P
6	Darlon Spead	NB	24*	Rich Tompkins	DB	42	Tim Fugger	DE	67	Michael Bryant	OL	85	Jake Bradford	TE
7	Sean Walker	WR	25	Jamie Graham	WR	43	Micah Powell	DB	68	Reilly Lauer	OT	86	Austin Monahan	TE
8	Bryant Hahnfeldt	P/PK	26	Andrew Diomande	WR	44	Michael Garcia	LB	69	David Giller	SN	87	Brandon Barden	TE
9	Mackenzi Adams	QB	27	Gaston Miller	TB	45	Chris Johnson	LB	70	Drew Gardner	OG	88	George Smith	WR
10	Larry Smith	QB	28	Kennard Reeves	TB	45*	Chavez Scott	TB	71	Joey Bailey	C/OG	89	Terrial Brannon	DE
11	Brent Trice	S	28*	Alex Schultz	DB	46	Austin Newton	LB	72	Kyle Fischer	OL	89*	Chris Crooks	WR
12	Jared Funk	QB	29	Joel Caldwell	S	51	Davis Flowers	LB	73	Ryan Custer	OG	90	Broderick Stewart	DE
13	Chris Marve	LB	30	Patrick Benoist	LB	52	Nate Campbell	LB	74	T.J. Greenstone	DT	91	Theron Kadri	DE
14	Josh Allen	CB	31	Jared Hawkins	TB	54	Taylor Loftley	DL	75	Nick Miller	SN	93	Josh Jelesky	DE
15	Archie Barnes	LB	32	Matt Bubis	HB	55	Rob Ashabranner	C	76	Thomas Welch	OT	93*	David Leinweber	DE
15*	Will Parker Roe	S	33	Reshard Langford	S	56	Greg Billinger	DT	77	James Williams	OL	94	Ryan Fowler	PK
16	Alan Strong	CB	34	Ryan van Rensburg	TB	57	John Burrow	LB	78	Caleb Welchans	OL	96	Steven Stone	DE
17	D.J. Moore	CB	35	Brandon Bryant	LB	58	Colt Nichter	DT	79	Ryan Vance	OG	97	John Laughrey	PK
18	Larry Simmons	WR	36	Chris Reinert	WR	59	Adam Smotherman	DT	80	Justin Wheeler	WR	98	Johnell Thomas	DL
19	Casey Hayward	DB	37	Al Owens	DB	60	Bradley Vierling	C/OG	81	Turner Wimberly	WR	99	Derrius Dowell	DT
20	Jared Fagan	CB	37*	Elvio Tropeano	S	61	Nick Forte	OG	82	Justin Green	TE			

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