

VANDERBILT LOOKS FOR 6TH STRAIGHT WIN



5-0, 3-0

1-4, 0-2

KICKOFF INFORMATION

DATE: Saturday, October 11, 2008

KICKOFF: 1:30 p.m., CST

STADIUM: Davis Wade Stadium

LOCATION: Starkville, Miss.

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 141

TV: TBA

DUO EARNS SEC HONORS

Junior linebacker Patrick Benoist and junior punter Brett Upson garnered Southeastern Conference individual honors Monday for their performances in No. 19 Vanderbilt's 14-13 victory over No. 13 Auburn.

Benoist was named SEC Defensive Player of the Week while Upson was recognized as the league's Specialist of the Week.

DUKE TICKETS AVAILABLE

The only Vanderbilt football tickets that remain available are for the Commodores' upcoming encounter with Duke on Saturday, Oct. 25. Tickets are \$22 each for the game, which also serves as homecoming on the Vanderbilt campus.

Vanderbilt's last two home games, Florida on Nov. 8 and Tennessee on Nov. 22, are sold out.

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THE COMMODORE SEASON AT A GLANCE...(5-0, 3-0)

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	(W, 14-13) 'Dores overcome 13-0 deficit before sellout crowd
10/11	@ Miss. State, 1:30 pm	1-4 Bulldogs come off bye week after 34-24 road loss to LSU
10/18	@ Georgia, TBA	4-1 Bulldogs return after off week after loss to Alabama
10/25	Duke , 2 pm	3-2 Blue Devils struggle in dominating Georgia Tech effort
11/8	Florida , TBA	4-1 Gators get back on track, steamroll Arkansas 38-7
11/15	@ Kentucky, TBA	4-1 Wildcats play No. 2 Alabama to the wire in 17-14 loss
11/22	Tennessee , TBA	2-3 Vols make change at QB; edge Northern Illinois 13-9
11/29	@ Wake Forest, TBA	3-1 Deacs point to big home game vs. ACC rival Clemson

VANDERBILT GAME NOTES

Commodore Storylines

★ The Commodores continue to move up in Top 25 rankings; Team is 13th, 14th in polls.
- **Rising among the Top 25...Page 3**

★ Large, supportive crowds watching 'Dores; Stadium at 95.5% full for first three games.
- **Two of last three home games soldout...Page 4**

★ Call 'em Comeback Commodores or the Cardiac Commodores - either description fits.
- **Five deficits, five wins...Page 5**

★ Vanderbilt playing well after halftime; defense has allowed just 10 points in second half.
- **'Dores own 58-10 2nd half margin ...Page 5**

★ For second straight week, Mackenzi Adams directs come-from-behind victory in relief quarterback role.
- **More on Adams' performance ...Page 7**

★ Twelve former 'Dores on NFL rosters.
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QUICK FACTS ON VANDERBILT & MISSISSIPPI STATE



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)

85-86 (.497)

vucommodores.com

MISSISSIPPI STATE

Starkville, Miss.

1862

17,039

Southeastern

Bulldogs

Maroon & White

Davis Wade Stadium

55,082

natural grass

Slyvester Croom (5th)

18-34 (.346)

mstateathletics.com



STADIUM IMPROVEMENTS ★ SEEKING 6-0 START

VANDERBILT STADIUM GETS FRESH LOOK; PHASE I CONSTRUCTION WORK COMPLETE

Enthusiastic Commodore fans attending home games this season are seeing 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 completed 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 RARE 6-0 START

The last time Vanderbilt started its season 6-0, an average car cost \$475, Herbert Hoover was just elected president, silent movies were still in vogue, and the Yankees' Sultan of Swat had just shocked the baseball world by clouting 60 home runs in a single season.

On Saturday in Starkville, the Commodores take on Mississippi State searching for their first 6-0 start since 1928, four years before Vanderbilt University became a charter member of the Southeastern Conference.

Last Saturday, Vanderbilt moved to 5-0 for the first time since World War II when the No. 19 Commodores defeated No. 13 Auburn 14-13 before a sellout crowd in Nashville. The team's most recent 5-0 start came in 1943 included a two wins against Tennessee Tech, and victories over Camp Campbell, Milligan and Carson-Newman.

Only eight teams in Vanderbilt football history have reached 6-0 to start the season. It has happened in 1897, 1902, 1904, 1912, 1915, 1916, 1921 and 1928.

Vanderbilt Teams Starting 5-0 Since WWI

YEAR	OPENING SEASON	COACH	FINAL RECORD
2008	5-0	Bobby Johnson	---
1943	5-0	E.H. Alley	5-0
1941	5-0	Red Sanders	8-2
1937	5-0	Ray Morrison	7-2
1928	6-0	Dan McGugin	8-2
1921	6-0	Dan McGugin	7-0-1

From 1897 to 1920, seven Vanderbilt teams started 5-0 on seven occasions (1897, 1902, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1915, 1916).

'DORES LOOKING FOR 4-0 SEC START

When Vanderbilt travels to Starkville to face Mississippi State, the Commodores will be looking to start a season 4-0 in Southeastern Conference play for the first time in program history.

A win Saturday in Starkville will also match the longest SEC win streak in team history.

The Commodores' current 3-0 record in the SEC has been duplicated just twice previously: in 1934 and 1950. In 1934, the second year of existence for the conference, Vanderbilt opened SEC play with victories over Mississippi State, Georgia Tech and Auburn before losing to LSU. The Commodores started the 1950 season with wins against Auburn, Alabama and Ole Miss before falling to Florida as the nation's No. 13 ranked team.

Vanderbilt is currently leading the SEC Eastern Division standings after early-season victories against South Carolina (24-17, Sept. 4), Ole Miss (23-17, Sept. 20) and Auburn (14-13, Oct. 4).

Vanderbilt has reached four SEC victories in a regular season season on just six occasions. The last two times it occurred was during the Commodores' Hall of Fame Bowl run in 1982 and the Gator Bowl campaign of 1955.

Prior to this year, the last time Vanderbilt won three consecutive games in the SEC was in 1982.

Vanderbilt has never won five consecutive games in SEC play. The team has captured four straight victories in SEC play on three occasions: 1935, 1948 and 1949.

VANDERBILT AND THE TOP 25 POLLS

COMMODORES RISE IN RANKINGS AFTER AUBURN WIN

Vanderbilt moved to No. 13 in the Associated Press Top 25 and No. 14 in the Coaches' and Harris Interactive polls after defeating nationally ranked Auburn 14-13 Saturday on campus.

The Commodores moved up six spots on the AP poll and five in the coaches' and Harris ballots after the win.

The No. 13 ranking is Vanderbilt's highest by the AP since consecutive wins over Chattanooga and Alabama pushed the Commodores to No. 13 during the 1956 season.

Vanderbilt is one of six SEC teams ranked

in the latest AP ballot, joining Alabama, LSU, Georgia, Florida and Auburn.

It also marks the first time since 1956 that Vanderbilt has enjoyed consecutive weeks in the Top 25 polls. In 1956, Vanderbilt was ranked for three weeks before suffering a 16-0 loss to No. 7 Ole Miss.

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 a 7-6 win.

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 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.

FIRST TIME SINCE 1955: 'DORES TOP TWO RANKED TEAMS IN SEASON

Vanderbilt's 14-13 victory over Auburn Saturday on campus was the Commodores' second win over an *Associated Press* Top 25 team this season, marking the first time in more than five decades for Vanderbilt to register at least two wins over ranked opponents in the same season.

The last time Vanderbilt managed two wins over ranked teams came in 1955 – and it also involved a game against Auburn. That year, Vanderbilt defeated No. 17 Kentucky 34-0 then closed out its finest season of the post-World War II era with a 25-13 triumph over No. 8 Auburn in the Gator Bowl.

Vanderbilt has never defeated three teams ranked in the AP Top 25 in the same season.

The Commodores also notched their first victory as a ranked AP squad since beating Alabama on Oct. 6, 1956 as the nation's No. 18 squad. Since the poll began in 1936, Vanderbilt is 10-13-1 all-time when ranked by the AP.

HARRIS INTERACTIVE POLL

media/former coaches & players' ballot,
released Oct. 5, 2008

#	School (1st) Record	Votes
1	Oklahoma (106) 5-0	2837
2	LSU (2) 4-0	2604
3	Alabama (6) 6-0	2594
4	Missouri 5-0	2553
5	Texas 5-0	2447
6	Penn State 6-0	2210
7	Texas Tech 5-0	2036
8	Southern California 3-1	2025
9	Brigham Young 5-0	1964
10	Georgia 4-1	1803
11	Florida 4-1	1768
12	Ohio State 5-1	1577
13	Utah 6-0	1416
14	Vanderbilt 5-0	1327
15	Boise State 4-0	1177
16	Kansas 4-1	1157
17	Oklahoma State 5-0	964
18	Virginia Tech 5-1	802
19	South Florida 5-1	593
20	Auburn 4-2	456
21	Michigan State 5-1	424
22	Wake Forest 3-1	351
23	Northwestern 5-0	268
24	Wisconsin 3-2	233
25	North Carolina 4-1	194

Others receiving votes: California 169; Tulsa 143; TCU 139; Georgia Tech 126; Florida State 119; Illinois 108; Ball State 85; Pittsburgh 74; Kentucky 61; Oregon 51; Notre Dame 40; Boston College 38; Fresno State 36; Connecticut 29; Arizona 25; Minnesota 11; Maryland 10; West Virginia 3; Mississippi 2; UCLA 1.

ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL

writers poll, released Oct. 5, 2008

#	School (1st) Record	Votes
1.	Oklahoma (51) 5-0	1,608
2.	Alabama (13) 6-0	1,537
3.	Missouri (1) 5-0	1,487
4.	LSU 4-0	1,444
5.	Texas 5-0	1,374
6.	Penn State 6-0	1,287
7.	Texas Tech 5-0	1,163
8.	USC 3-1	1,137
9.	Brigham Young 5-0	1,103
10.	Georgia 4-1	1,014
11.	Florida 4-1	977
12.	Ohio State 5-1	931
13.	Vanderbilt 5-0	833
14.	Utah 6-0	815
15.	Boise State 4-0	677
16.	Kansas 4-1	623
17.	Oklahoma State 5-0	565
18.	Virginia Tech 5-1	485
19.	South Florida 5-1	392
20.	Auburn 4-2	236
21.	Wake Forest 3-1	205
22.	North Carolina 4-1	196
23.	Michigan State 5-1	161
24.	Pittsburgh 4-1	21
25.	Ball State 6-0	97

Others receiving votes: Wisconsin 96, Tulsa 85, Illinois 81, California 80, Northwestern 78, TCU 70, Georgia Tech 59, Kentucky 49, Florida State 36, Notre Dame 6, Fresno State 5, Arizona 5, Oregon 4, Boston College 3

USA TODAY COACHES' POLL

coaches ballot, released Oct. 5, 2008

#	School (1st) Record	Votes
1.	Oklahoma (60) 5-0	1524
1.	Missouri 5-0	1404
3.	LSU 4-0	1398
4.	Alabama 6-0	1339
5.	Texas 5-0	1305
6.	Penn State 6-0	1203
7.	Texas Tech 5-0	1101
8.	Brigham Young 5-0	1086
9.	Southern California 3-1	1055
10.	Georgia 4-1	937
11.	Ohio State 5-1	893
12.	Florida 4-1	883
13.	Utah 6-0	793
14.	Vanderbilt 5-0	704
15.	Kansas 4-1	667
16.	Boise State 4-0	624
17.	Oklahoma State 5-0	523
18.	Virginia Tech 5-1	393
19.	Michigan State 5-1	273
20.	South Florida 5-1	267
21.	Wake Forest 3-1	247
22.	Northwestern 5-0	231
23.	Auburn 4-2	121
24.	Wisconsin 3-2	105
25.	California 4-1	98

Others receiving votes: No. Carolina (4-1) 88; TCU (5-1) 84; Tulsa (5-0) 76; Ball State (6-0) 75; Florida State (4-1) 61; Ga. Tech (4-1) 56; Kentucky (4-1) 51; Pittsburgh (4-1) 32; Illinois (3-2) 25; Fresno State (3-2) 19; Cincinnati (4-1) 18; Arizona (4-1) 16; Oregon (4-2) 15; Notre Dame (4-1) 11; Connecticut (5-1) 8; Maryland (4-2) 7; Boston College (4-1) 6; Duke (3-2) 1; Minnesota (5-1) 1; So. Carolina (4-2) 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 4-0. 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, having played there and graduated from its law school. McGugin also was brothers-in-law of legendary Michigan coach Fielding Yost.

AP RANKING TRIVIA

- Vanderbilt's highest ever ranking is No. 7 (Oct. 31, 1937);
- The last time Vanderbilt was ranked higher than the current No. 13 was 1948 (No. 12 rank entering 1948 finale vs. Miami, Fla.);
- Vanderbilt has never been ranked for four consecutive weeks.



THE MSU SERIES • COMMODORE NOTES

THE VANDERBILT-MISS. STATE SERIES

- ★ Meeting Between Schools: 20th
- ★ Series Record: Vanderbilt trails, 7-10-2
- ★ Last Meeting: Vanderbilt 31, Miss. State 13 (2004)
- ★ First Meeting: Vanderbilt 61, Miss. State 0 (1904)
- ★ Last Game in Starkville: Vanderbilt 21, Miss. State 30 (2003)
- ★ Last Game in Nashville: Vanderbilt 31, Miss. State 13 (2004)
- ★ Vanderbilt-MSU Series Record in Nashville: 6-4-2
- ★ Vanderbilt Road Record in Series: 1-6
- ★ Bobby Johnson vs. Miss. State: 1-1
- ★ Johnson vs. Miss. State Coach Sylvester Croom: 1-0

VANDERBILT-MISS. STATE SERIES NOTES

Though Vanderbilt captured the last game played between the schools, Mississippi State owns a 10-7-2 overall advantage in the series. The Bulldogs have captured eight of the last 10 games played.

The series has been contested on an infrequent basis. The teams have played just 19 times, making Mississippi State the second least played SEC foe for the Commodores. Only South Carolina, added to the SEC in 1992, has been played with less frequency.

The Commodores have struggled on the Mississippi State campus. Vanderbilt is 1-6 all-time in Starkville, and enter the game having lost five straight since a 49-19 win in 1971.

SUPPORTIVE CROWDS WATCH COMMODORES

An enthusiastic sellout crowd of 39,773 watched Vanderbilt defeat Auburn last Saturday in Nashville, continuing a strong showing by the Commodores fans at the admission gates.

In Vanderbilt's two earlier home wins – against South Carolina on Sept. 4 and vs. Rice on Sept. 13 – more than 36,500 fans were in attendance.

Through three games, the Commodores are averaging crowds of 37,997. The current attendance figure represents 95.5 percent of capacity in Vanderbilt Stadium.

The Commodores have three more home games on the schedule, two of which (Florida on Nov. 8 and Tennessee on Nov. 22) are sold out. Tickets remain for the home game vs. Duke on Oct. 25.

With season ticket sales sold out at 19,185 – the highest level since 1996 – Vanderbilt are on pace to post its highest average attendance since the mid 1990s.

Capacity in Vanderbilt Stadium was reduced in 2001 when a 1,500-seat bleacher section located in the north end zone was removed.

Average Attendance Since 2000

YEAR	AVG. ATTENDANCE
2008 (thru 3 games)	37,997
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

RECENT 'DORE SUCCESS VS. RANKED TEAMS

Vanderbilt earned its second victory of the season over a nationally ranked opponent when the Commodores defeated No. 13 Auburn 14-13 before a capacity crowd and ESPN national audience Saturday.

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

The victory over No. 13 Auburn gave Vanderbilt two wins over ranked opponents in the same season since 1955 when No. 17 Kentucky was a 34-0 regular season victim and No. 8 Auburn fell in the Gator Bowl.

Since 2006, the Commodores are 4-6 against ranked opponents. Three of the losses have been by seven points 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.

Vanderbilt wins over Top 25 teams since 2005

OPPONENT	LOCATION (DATE)	SCORE
No. 13 Auburn	Nashville (10/4/2008)	14-13
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

'DORES GET SECOND STRAIGHT ESPN WIN

After going more than two decades without a victory on ESPN, the Commodores own a two-game win streak on the network after topping Auburn last Saturday 14-13.

The Commodores opened 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's win over Auburn allowed the Commodores to move to 3-0 this season in games aired by the family of ESPN stations. Vanderbilt defeated Miami (Ohio) 34-13 on ESPNU in its season opener on August 28.

'DORES ON ESPN STATIONS

YEAR	OPPONENT	STATION	W/L
2008	Auburn	ESPN	W
2008	So. Carolina	ESPN	W
2008	Miami (Ohio)	ESPNU	W
2007	Georgia	ESPN2	L
2006	Michigan	ESPN	L
2005	Wake Forest	ESPNU	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

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

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

The Commodores lead the nation in turnover margin through five games. At the same time, special teams have contributed in a big way toward the team's 5-0 start.

Vanderbilt are pacing the nation with a +9 turnover margin. Minnesota has a higher turnover margin (+10), but the Gophers have played in six games and own a smaller per game advantage in the category.

Vanderbilt has forced 15 turnovers by their opponents: 11 interceptions and four fumbles. At the same time, the Commodores have committed just six miscues: five fumbles and one interception.

Commodore special teams also have performed in superb fashion through four games. Junior punter **Brett Upson** was again superb last Saturday, averaging a net of 38.1 yards. His last effort of 55 yards pinned Auburn inside its own 5-yard line late in the game. League officials recognized Upson's effort

on Monday, naming him SEC Special of the Week.

Senior kicker **Bryant Hahnfeldt** missed two field goals against Auburn, but still has hit on 7-of-9 FGAs.

Junior **D.J. Moore** has been one of the nation's top return specialists. Moore tops the nation with a 28.5-yard punt return average.

Vanderbilt coverage units also have enjoyed success. The Commodores are allowing just 3.0 yards per punt return, tops in the SEC and sixth best in the nation.

SECOND HALF SUCCESS KEY TO VANDERBILT 5-0 START

The Commodores' 5-0 start has been keyed by crucial successes in the second half.

Vanderbilt has outscored its first five opponents 58-10 in the second half.

The Commodore defense held Auburn scoreless in the second half, and limited the Tigers to just three first downs and 57 yards of total offense after intermission.

Vanderbilt has held its last three opponents – high-powered Rice, Ole Miss and Auburn – scoreless in the second half.

The Vanderbilt defense has not allowed a touchdown this season in the third quarter. The only third-quarter points scored on the Commodores this season was a field goal by Miami (Ohio) in the opener.

Vanderbilt also holds a 27-7 scoring advantage over its opponents in the fourth quarter.

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.

COMMODORE RED ZONE EFFICIENCY

When Vanderbilt has been in a position to tally points, they've been extremely successful this season.

The Commodores rank first in the Southeastern Conference – and among the NCAA's Top 10 – in offensive efficiency inside the opponent's 20-yard line with a 95 percent success rate.

Vanderbilt has scored on 18 of 19 possessions in the red zone, including 2 of 2 against Auburn last Saturday. The Commodores have tallied 106 total points from the 18 scores: 13 touchdowns and five field goals.

The Commodores also rank among the nation's best in defensive red zone efficiency, limiting opponents to points at a 62% clip. Vanderbilt opponents have scored just 44 points – five TDs and three FGs – in 13 drives that reached the Commodore 20-yard line.

COMEBACK COMMODORES: FIVE DEFICITS, FIVE WINS

While Vanderbilt has opened the season 5-0 for the first time since World War II, the Commodores' path to unbeaten status and national rankings has been even more unusual.

Bobby Johnson's Commodores have faced deficits in every game this season, yet managed to find ways to register victories instead of losses.

All five 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 four of the five games, including all three SEC encounters, Vanderbilt has trailed by at least a touchdown.

- Against Auburn, the Commodores fell behind 13-0 early in the first quarter after the Tigers drove 49 yards for an early touchdown and turned Vanderbilt's only turnover of the game into a second touchdown.

After the second Auburn score, the Commodore offense came together behind reserve QB Mackenzi Adams and the defense stiffened. While Adams directed two scoring drives and accounted for more than 200 yards of total offense, the defense limited Auburn to less than 100 yards of total offense during the last three quarters.

- 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.

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

- 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.

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

COMMODORE NOTES

'DORES – SEC INTERCEPTION LEADERS

The Commodore defense, sparked by a veteran defensive secondary, tops the Southeastern Conference with 11 interceptions.

The Commodores' interception total is second in the NCAA, trailing only North Carolina's 12-INT total.

Five different defenders have contributed interceptions, including junior safety **Ryan Hamilton**, who had three picks in the win at Ole Miss on Sept. 13.

Junior DB **Myron Lewis** and senior safety **Reshard Langford** have a pair of interceptions. Lewis came up with the team's only pick against Auburn, a late interception that sealed the Commodores' first win against Auburn in 53 years.

Langford leads all Commodores with 10 career interceptions, one more than junior CB **D.J. Moore**.

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.

Hahnfeldt provided 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.

He added a pair of PATs in the win over Auburn, but missed his only two field goal attempts, from 40 and 49 yards.

Hahnfeldt has shared the team's Specialist of the Week honors in four of five games. He is 7-of-9 in field goals, including three beyond 40 yards. He is also 16 of 16 on extra point attempts.

Hahnfeldt holds the team record for PATs made with 103. He needs 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	40-63	103-107	223
2.	John Markham, 1997-2000	47-68	68-77	209

VANDERBILT LIMITING PENALTIES

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

The Commodores are averaging just 3.2 infractions a game. Their penalty total (16) leads the SEC and is tied for third in the NCAA.

Penalties are costing the Vanderbilt just 30.4 yards per game, tops in the SEC and ninth in the country.

Vanderbilt opponents are averaging 7.2 infractions and 54.8 penalty yards per game.

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

COMMODORES 13-12 IN LAST 25 GAMES

After years of disappointment, Vanderbilt is starting to enjoy more success.

The Commodores are 13-12 in their last 25 games dating back to a 43-14 victory over Temple on Sept. 30, 2006.

Since the 2005 season opener, Vanderbilt enters the Mississippi State game owning a 19-21 record since the 2005 season opener.

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 (278.8 yards), passing offense (96 yards) and 10th in total defense (333 yards) and passing defense (211.6 yards). Yet, the Commodores are 5-0, 3-0 in SEC play, and outscoring their first five opponents by a 10.4-point margin.

While the Commodore offense is producing fewer passing yards, its also gaining yards on the ground (182.8 ypg, 3rd in SEC) and has limited costly turnovers (6 total).

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 five touchdowns in 13 red-zone opportunities against the Commodores.

The defense also is one of the SEC's most aggressive.

Vanderbilt tops the conference – and ranks sixth nationally – with 16 quarterback sacks, including five against Auburn. The unit also has more interceptions (11) than any other team in the conference, and is a big reason why the Commodores lead all NCAA FBS teams in turnover margin (+9).

FINDING SUCCESS UNDER THE LIGHTS

Vanderbilt's 14-13 victory over Auburn continued a recent trend of success in night games.

Since the 2005 opener, the Commodores are 13-4 while playing under the lights, including a 10-3 record in Vanderbilt Stadium. The team has also earned nine victories in its last 10 night games.

Vanderbilt has won all four night games this season, including the SEC victories over South Carolina, Ole Miss and Auburn.

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

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 Auburn, the Commodore 22-player starting lineup included three seniors, 12 juniors, three sophomores and four redshirt freshmen.

COMMODORE NOTES FROM WIN OVER AUBURN

WIN OVER TIGERS ENDS 13-GAME STREAK

Vanderbilt's 14-13 victory over No. 13 Auburn on Saturday broke a 13-game Commodore losing streak to the Tigers dating back to Vanderbilt's win in the 1955 Gator Bowl.

It's just one of many losing streaks the Commodores have stopped during the Bobby Johnson Era, including:

MISSISSIPPI STATE – 4 games, 31-13, 2004

ARKANSAS – 3 games, 28-24, 2005

OLE MISS – 5 games, 31-23, 2005

TENNESSEE – 22 games, 28-24 in Knoxville, 2005

GEORGIA – 11 games, 24-22, 2006

SOUTH CAROLINA – 7 games, 17-6, 2007

AUBURN – 13 games, 14-13.

Johnson's Commodores have also ended Vanderbilt losing streaks to numerous established coaches, including Steve Spurrier of Duke/Florida/South Carolina, Phillip Fulmer of Tennessee, Mark Richt of Georgia, and Tommy Tuberville of Ole Miss/Auburn.

DEFENSE COMES UP HUGE

After performing at a high level in the first four games, the Vanderbilt defense stepped up another notch by shutting down Auburn's offense for much of the game.

After making first quarter adjustments, the Commodore defense shut out their Tiger counterparts in the 14-13 Vanderbilt victory.

The Commodore allowed 82 total yards after the opening quarter, and just 57 yards in the second half. The Tigers produced just six first downs after the initial quarter.

The effort continues a strong overall showing by the Commodore defense. Vanderbilt's five opponents have scored just 10 second half points this season.

ADAMS' SUPERB EFFORT VS. AUBURN

For the second straight week, **Mackenzi Adams** (R-Jr.) guided the Commodores to an SEC victory after entering in a relief role at quarterback.

Adams was superb against Auburn after senior starter Chris Nickson departed in the second quarter with a hurt shoulder.

Adams generated 207 yards of total offense – 153 passing and 54 rushing – and directed both scoring drives in the Vanderbilt comeback win from a 13-point deficit.

Adams hit on 13 of 23 passes, including touchdown strikes of 15 yards to junior WR Justin Wheeler and 1 yard to freshman TE Brandon Barden. He did not throw

an interception.

Adams' passing total against the talented Auburn defense was the most by a Commodore QB this season.

Adams' 54-rushing yards also topped the Commodores against the Tigers.

Two weeks earlier, Adams relieved an ailing Nickson at Ole Miss, leading the Commodores to a come-from-behind triumph in Oxford.

Adams completed 3-of-5 passes for 31 yards and rushed for 28 yards on 10 carries against the Rebels. Adams also guided the Commodores to a pair of fourth quarter drives that ended with decisive field goals.

MORE NOTES FROM AUBURN GAME

The Commodores produced a season high of 157 passing yards against the Tigers. Vanderbilt's offense entered the game averaging just 80 passing yards.

Mackenzi Adams set single-season team highs in completions (12), attempts (23), yards (153) and touchdown passes (2) in a solid relief effort.

Three receivers – senior WR **Sean Walker**, junior WR **Justin Wheeler** and freshman TE **Brandon Barden** – either set or matched career highs in the game. Wheeler set a career high with five receptions, including one that resulted in Vanderbilt's first points, a 15-yard TD. Sean set a career high with 66 receiving yards and matched his previous high with four receptions. Barden's four catches also set a career high.

Two other veteran receivers, senior WR **George Smith** and junior WR **Alex Washington**, saw their initial action of the year.

★★★★★★

The Commodore defense limited Auburn to 13 total points, its lowest output versus Vanderbilt since losing 25-13 in the 1955 Gator Bowl.

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Bobby Johnson tied one of his football mentors, George MacIntyre, for fifth place all-time in wins among Vanderbilt head coaches. The victory was Johnson's 25th at Vanderbilt.

Johnson and MacIntyre trail four other Commodore head coaches on the all-time list: Ray Morrison (29 wins, 1918/35-39), Red Sanders (36 wins, 1940-48), Art Guepe (39 wins, 1953-62) and Dan McGugin (197 wins, 1904-34).

McGugin remains one of the Top 20 winningest coaches in college football history.

MacIntyre served as Johnson's position coach during his collegiate playing days at Clemson.

★★★★★★

The aggressive Commodore defense was credited with five quarterback sacks against Auburn, and continually harassed both Tiger signal callers.

Sacks were credited to **Patrick Benoist**, **Ryan Hamilton**, **Myron Lewis**, **Broderick Stewart** and **Steven Stone**. Lewis, a cornerback, leads the Commodores this season with three QB sacks, one more than Benoist, Stewart and **Greg Billinger**.

Stewart is the team's active career leader with 13 sacks.

★★★★★★

Benoist and **Chris Marve** continue to play stellar at linebacker.

Benoist contributed a team-high 13 tackles, two for loss, and a QB sack in the Commodore effort against Auburn. Benoist is the SEC's No. 2 tackler with 50 stops. He also earned the SEC Defensive Player of the Week honors Monday for his performance against Auburn.

In just his first year as a starter, Marve tallied 10 total tackles, one shy of a career high.

★★★★★★

The Commodore secondary again performed well. CB **Myron Lewis** had a game-clinching INT, a sack and two tackles for loss. **Ryan Hamilton** had 10 tackles, a sack and two tackles for loss.

STAT COMPARISONS ★ MOORE...MR. VERSATILITY

STATISTICAL COMPARISON

	<u>VANDERBILT</u>	<u>MISS. STATE</u>
TEAM RECORD	5-0/3-0	1-4/0-2
TOTAL POINTS	133	81
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	16	10
POINTS ALLOWED	81	107
TOUCHDOWNS ALLOWED	10	12
FIRST DOWNS	89	84
RUSHING	50	29
PASSING	23	52
PENALTY	7	3
RUSHING YARDAGE	1066	563
YARDS GAINED RUSHING	914	685
YARDS LOST RUSHING	[152]	[122]
RUSHING ATTEMPTS	207	168
AVERAGE PER RUSH	4.4	3.4
AVERAGE PER GAME	182.8	112.6
TDs RUSHING	10	6
PASSING YARDAGE	480	994
ATT-COMP-INT	88-49-1	168-98-6
AVERAGE PER PASS	5.5	5.9
AVERAGE PER CATCH	9.8	10.1
AVERAGE PER GAME	96.0	198.8
TDs PASSING	5	4
TOTAL OFFENSE	1394	1557
TOTAL PLAYS	295	336
AVERAGE PER PLAY	4.7	4.6
AVERAGE PER GAME	278.8	311.4
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	16-328	21-485
AVERAGE KICK RETURN	20.5	23.1
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	14-271	16-72
AVERAGE PUNT RETURN	19.4	4.5
INTERCEPTION RETURNS: #-YARDS	11-204	3-34
AVERAGE INT. RETURN	18.5	11.3
FUMBLES/FUMBLES LOST	8-5	8-6
OPP. FUMBLES/FUMBLES RECOVERED	10-4	15-6
PENALTIES-YARDS	16-152	35-273
AVERAGE PER GAME	30.4	54.6
PUNTS-YARDS	29-1144	29-1077
AVERAGE PER PUNT	39.4	37.1
NET PUNT AVERAGE	37-1	33.3
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	30:51	30:23
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	24/65	24/73
3RD DOWN PCT.	37%	33%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	0/1	4/10
4TH DOWN PCT.	0%	40%
QUARTERBACK SACKS-YARDS	16-106	8-48
FG MADE/ATTEMPTS	7/9	3-6
OPP. FG MADE/ATTEMPTS	4/7	8-11

D.J. MOORE: MR. VERSATILITY

D.J. Moore (Jr., CB/KR) continues to affirm his status as one of the nation's most versatile and productive players.

Named First Team All-SEC by the Associated Press last year, 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. Against Auburn, Moore's versatility helped the Commodore defeat the Tigers for the first time in more than five decades.

Moore's 25-yard punt return in the second quarter against Auburn led to Vanderbilt's first touchdown. Moore also shut down opposing receivers, and contributed a defended pass and six tackles to the outstanding Commodore defensive effort.

Moore ranks as the NCAA's No. 1 punt returner with a 28.5-yard average.

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 Rice 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. 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 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 points.

Against Miami, Moore contributed as a CB, WR, PR and KR. 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, Moore was remarkable against his home-state South Carolina Gamecocks, earning National Defensive Player of the Week honors with two interceptions in 17-6 win over the Gamecocks.

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. He also put together a great year on kickoff returns, compiling a team-record 823 yards and averaging 25.7 yards per return.



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	5	-	29	6	-
Josh Allen	CB	5	2	39	11	2
Rob Ashabranner	C	1	-	1	-	-
Joey Bailey	OG/C	5	5	8	5	5
Brandon Barden	TE	5	2	5	2	2
Patrick Benoist	LB	5	5	31	10	9
Greg Billinger	DT	5	5	28	5	5
Jake Bradford	TE	5	-	29	2	-
Terrell Brannon	DE	5	-	6	-	-
Brandon Bryant	LB	-	-	20	3	-
Matt Bubis	FB	5	-	17	-	-
Joel Caldwell	CB	5	-	27	11	-
Nate Campbell	LB	7	-	17	-	-
John Cole	WR	1	-	1	-	-
Ryan Custer	OG	5	5	29	8	5
Jared Fagan	CB	5	-	40	2	-
Kyle Fischer	OT	5	-	5	-	-
Davis Flowers	LB	2	-	2	-	-
Nick Forte	OG	2	-	2	-	-
Tim Fugger	DE	1	-	1	-	-
Michael Garcia	LB	5	-	9	-	-
David Giller	SN	1	-	1	-	-
Drew Gardner	OL	5	-	21	-	-
Jamie Graham	WR	5	4	5	4	-
Justin Green	TE	3	-	12	-	-
T.J. Greenstone	DT	5	2	5	2	-
Bryant Hahnfeldt	PK	5	5	40	40	40
Ryan Hamilton	S	5	5	29	26	24
Jared Hawkins	TB	5	4	27	4	4
Casey Hayward	DB	5	-	5	-	-
Eric Hensley	OL	5	-	22	-	-
Jeff Jennings	TB	2	1	33	14	-
Chris Johnson	LB	5	-	28	-	-
Theron Kadri	DE	5	-	17	-	-
Reshard Langford	SS	5	5	40	40	40
Reilly Lauer	DE/OT	5	5	7	5	5
John Laughrey	PK	-	-	3	-	-
David Leinweber	DE	1	-	1	-	-
Myron Lewis	CB	5	5	27	17	17
Chris Marve	LB	5	5	5	5	5
Gaston Miller	TB	4	-	12	-	-
Nick Miller	SN	-	-	16	-	-
Austin Monahan	TE	4	3	13	3	-
D.J. Moore	CB	5	5	29	26	17
Austin Newton	LB	5	-	14	-	-
Chris Nickson	QB	5	5	32	23	5
Kennard Reeves	RB	2	-	14	-	-
Chris Reinert	WR	2	-	11	-	-
Sean Richardson	S	5	-	5	-	-
Larry Simmons	WR	3	-	7	-	-
George Smith	WR	1	1	36	27	1
Adam Smotherman	DT	5	3	13	3	1
Darlon Spead	CB	2	-	25	4	-
Broderick Stewart	DE	5	5	29	5	5
John Stokes	LB/SN	5	3	17	3	1
Steven Stone	DE	5	5	29	17	17
Alan Strong	CB	5	-	16	-	-
Rich Tompkins	DB	4	-	4	-	-
Brent Trice	LB	5	-	29	-	-
Udom Umoh	WR	5	-	5	-	-
Brett Upson	P	5	5	29	29	29
Ryan Vance	OL	-	-	3	-	-
Bradley Vierling	OG	5	5	29	5	5
Sean Walker	WR	5	5	36	20	5
Alex Washington	WR	1	-	25	-	-
Thomas Welch	OT	5	5	26	5	5
Justin Wheeler	WR	5	5	26	5	5
Turner Wimberly	WR	5	-	5	-	-

VANDERBILT 2008 STATISTICAL RANKINGS

TEAM CATEGORY	AVG.	SEC	NCAA
Scoring Offense	26.6	7	60
Scoring Defense	16.2	7	24
Total Offense	278.8	12	114
Rushing Offense	182.8	3	36
Passing Offense	96.0	12	116
Total Defense	333.0	10	47
Rushing Defense	121.4	10	45
Passing Defense	211.6	10	69
Net Punting	37.1	3	34
Punt Returns	19.4	4	10
Kickoff Returns	20.5	9	72
Turnover Margin	+9	1	1
Pass Efficiency	118.0	7	77
Defensive Pass Efficiency	104.6	8	25
Penalties (Total)	16	1	T-3
Penalty Yardage	30.6	1	9
Third Down Conv. %	36.9%	8	79
Third-Down Conv. % (opponent)	36.5%	9	51
Quarterback Sacks	16	1	6
Quarterback Sacks Allowed	7	T-4	T-39
Pass Interceptions	11	1	2
Time of Possession	30:51	4	48
First Downs	16.0	11	T-106
First Downs Allowed	17.8	9	T-46
INDIVIDUAL CATEGORY	AVG.	SEC	NCAA
Greg Billinger	sacks	.4	T-11
Patrick Benoist	tackles	10.0	2
	tackles for loss	1.1	T-8
	sacks	.25	T-24
Bryant Hahnfeldt	scoring (kicker)	7.4	9
	field goals made	1.4	4
Ryan Hamilton	interceptions	.75	T-1
	tackles	8.0	8
Jared Hawkins	rushing	64.4	8
Reshard Langford	tackles	5.6	19
	interceptions	.4	T-6
Myron Lewis	interceptions	.4	T-6
	sacks	.6	T-4
	tackles	6.0	T-16
	tackles for loss	8	T-18
Chris Marve	tackles	7.2	T-11
D.J. Moore	passes defended	1.33	T-3
	punt returns	28.5	1
	kickoff returns	22.0	12
	all-purpose yards	90.2	13
Chris Nickson	rushing	62.0	10
	pass efficiency	109.6	10
	total offense	121.2	13
	scoring	7.5	T-10
	all-purpose yards	89.3	13
Broderick Stewart	sacks	.4	T-11
Steven Stone	sacks	.6	T-4
	tackles for loss	.8	T-18
Brett Upson	punting	39.5	8
Sean Walker	all-purpose yards	87.2	17
	kickoff returns	24.4	7



NOTES FROM SEPT. 20 WIN AT OLE MISS

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.

MORE TEAM 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.

★ LB **Chris Marve** (R-Fr., 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 Sneed.

★ 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.

COMMODORE NOTES

WEEKLY INDIVIDUAL HONORS: TOP COMMODORE PERFORMERS

MIAMI (OHIO)

OFF. PLAYER OF WEEK: (W) 34-13, Aug. 28
Chris Nickson, QB
DEF. PLAYER OF WEEK: Reshard Langford, FS
SPECIALISTS OF WEEK: Bryant Hahnfeldt, PK
Brett Upson, Punter

SOUTH CAROLINA

OFF. PLAYERS OF WEEK: (W) 24-17, Sept. 4
Jared Hawkins, TB
Thomas Welch, OT
DEF. PLAYERS OF WEEK: Patrick Benoist, LB
Greg Billinger, DT
SPECIALIST OF WEEK: Bryant Hahnfeldt, PK

RICE

OFF. PLAYERS OF WEEK: (W) 38-24, Sept. 13
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

OFF. PLAYERS OF WEEK: (W) 23-17, Sept. 20
Austin Monahan, TE
DEF. PLAYERS OF WEEK: Ryan Hamilton, SS
Chris Marve, LB
SPECIALIST OF WEEK: Bryant Hahnfeldt, PK
Brett Upson, Punter

AUBURN

OFF. PLAYERS OF WEEK: (W) 14-13, Oct. 4
Mackenzi Adams, QB
DEF. PLAYERS OF WEEK: D.J. Moore, CB
Patrick Benoist, LB
SPECIALIST OF WEEK: Brett Upson, Punter

2008 SEASON TICKETS SOLD OUT FOR VANDERBILT 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 19,175 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.

JENNINGS WEARS KWANE DOSTER 'KD1' PATCH

This season, 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 returned to action in the victory over Auburn after missing the three previous games with an injury. He needs 85 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 14-13 victory over No. 13 Auburn last Saturday.

For the third 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 Tigers. Led by LBs **Patrick Benoist** and **Chris Marve** and safety **Ryan Hamilton**, the squad limited Auburn to less than 100 yards of total offense after the first quarter.

The performance against Auburn followed a superb showing at Ole Miss. The defense produced six turnovers, four interceptions and two fumbles, to spark the win at Ole Miss. Hamilton was responsible for connecting four of the miscues, including three INTs, en route to national defensive player of the week honors.

In the last two games, the unit has successively stop three goal line possessions by the opponent. Benoist and Hamilton stopped Auburn's Ben Tate at the Vanderbilt 1-yard line on the Tigers' first possession. At Ole Miss, Hamilton and Marve produced consecutive huge solo tackles to halt a Rebel drive early in the third quarter, then Marve stripped a Rebel runner of the ball inside the Vanderbilt 2-yard line in the waning minutes to secure the win.

The unit has been opportunistic, creating 13 turnovers: 11 interceptions and three forced fumbles.

FIRST-TIME COMMODORE STARTERS

Brandon Barden (TE, R-Fr.) became the 13th Commodore this season to earn his first career starting assignment when he was in opening lineup against Auburn Saturday.

There have been seven first-time starters on offense and six on the Commodore defensive unit this season.

Besides Barden, other first-time starting assignments on offense are **Joey Bailey** (R-So., RG), **Reilly Lauer** (R-So., LT), **Bradley Vierling** (R-Jr., C), **Thomas Welch** (R.-Jr., RT), **Jared Hawkins** (TB, R-Jr.), **Jamie Graham** (R-Fr., WR) and **Austin Monahan** (So., TE). On defense, the first-time starters include four linemen – **Greg Billinger** (Jr., DT), **Adam Smotherman** (R-So., DT), **Broderick Stewart** (R-Jr., DE) and **T.J. Greenstone** (DT, R-Fr.), and 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

Eighteen Commodores, including a trio of true freshmen, have enjoyed their initial collegiate action in the first five games of this 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.

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

Other Commodores getting into their first game are **Tim Fugger** (DE, R-Fr.), **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; Saw first career action Sunday in Bears' 34-7 win over Detroit Lions
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	Chavous had the week off Sunday as Rams and new coach prepare for Washington
Jay Cutler, QB	Denver Broncos	Completed 23 of 34 passes for 227 yards and 1 TD in Broncos' 16-13 win over Bucs
Justin Geisinger, OG/C	Washington Redskins	Saw action in reserve OG position as Washington notches 23-17 win over Eagles
Jonathan Goff, LB	New York Giants	Rookie LB impressed in preseason camp; currently inactive due to 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	Did not register a tackle as starting DT role in Buccaneers' 16-13 loss at Denver
Hunter Hillenmeyer, LB	Chicago Bears	Provided a defense pass as starting SLB in Chicago Bears' 34-7 victory over Lions
Chris Williams, OT	Chicago Bears	First round pick is sidelined with back injury; return to full-pad practices 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	Had one catch as reserve TE in Washington's key 23-17 victory over Philadelphia

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 77 career receptions, 1,018 career receiving yards and eight TDs.

After missing four games, Smith returned against Auburn, catching two passes for 21 yards.

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 seven rushes for 51 yards and six receptions for 40 yards and a score. He also averages 5.1 yards on punt returns.

Graham 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

- 85-86 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
- 225-142-8 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	5-0
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	5-0 (3-0)	First 3-0 SEC start since 1950 road win over No. 6 So. Carolina win over No. 22 Georgia in Athens VU's Most SEC wins since '91
2007	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	5-7 (2-8)	
2006	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	4-8 (1-7)	
2005	Vanderbilt	Head Coach	5-6 (3-5)	
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	I-AA Playoffs; I-AA Region II Coach of Year
1997	Furman	Head Coach	7-4	
1996	Furman	Head Coach	9-4	
1995	Furman	Head Coach	6-5	
1994	Furman	Head Coach	3-8	I-AA Playoffs; Conference Champions I-AA National Champions; Conference Champions
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 I-AA Playoffs; Conference Champions I-AA National Champions; Conference Champions
1989	Furman	Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator	12-2	
1988	Furman	Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator	13-2	
1987	Furman	Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator	7-4	
1986	Furman	Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator	7-3-2	I-AA Finals; Conference Champion
1985	Furman	Defensive Coordinator	12-2	
1984	Furman	Defensive Coordinator	8-3	Conference Champion Conference Champion Conference Champion
1983	Furman	Defensive Coordinator	10-2-1	
1982	Furman	Defensive Backs Coach	9-3	Conference Champion
1981	Furman	Defensive Backs Coach	8-3	
1980	Clemson	Athletic Academic Counselor		Conference Champion
1979	Furman	Defensive Backs Coach	5-6	
1978	Furman	Defensive Backs Coach	8-3	
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 OCT. 6

OFFENSE

Z WR	7	Sean Walker	(6-0, 178, R-Sr.)
	26	Andrew Diomande	(6-2, 204, Sr.)
X WR	80	Justin Wheeler	(6-1, 178, R-Jr.)
-or-	25	Jamie Graham	(6-0, 190, R-Fr.)
S WR	88	George Smith	(6-3, 202, R-Sr.)
	23	Udom Umoh	(5-11, 172, R-Fr.)
QB	9	Mackenzi Adams	(6-3, 215, R-Jr.)
	3	Chris Nickson	(6-1, 212, R-Sr.)
TB	31	Jared Hawkins	(5-10, 202, R-Jr.)
	27	Gaston Miller	(5-7, 180, R-So.)
TE	87	Brandon Barden	(6-5, 245, R-Fr.)
-or-	85	Jake Bradford	(6-6, 270, Sr.)
LT	68	Reilly Lauer	(6-6, 275, R-So.)
	66	Eric Hensley	(6-6, 312, R-Jr.)
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.)
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.)
	72	Kyle Fischer	(6-6, 300, R-Fr.)
	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	59	Adam Smotherman	(6-4, 285, R-So.)
	74	T.J. Greenstone	(6-3, 278, R-Fr.)
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.)

ALPHABETICAL TEAM ROSTER

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	99	Derrius Dowell	DT	6-3	285	R-Jr.	2L	Atlanta, Ga./Douglass
							Tanner, Ala./Tanner								

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NO.	NAME	POS.	NO.	NAME	POS.	NO.	NAME	POS.	NO.	NAME	POS.	NO.	NAME	POS.
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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