



# COMMODORE GAME NOTES

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## 2010 Schedule

### FEBRUARY

19	NIAGARA	4 p.m.
20	NIAGARA	1 p.m.
21	NIAGARA	1 p.m.
23	AUSTIN PEAY	4 p.m.
26	at UCLA	8 p.m.
27	at USC	8:30 p.m.
28	vs. Oklahoma State!	Noon

### MARCH

2	TENNESSEE TECH	4 p.m.
5	KENT STATE@	4 p.m.
6	ILLINOIS STATE@	4 p.m.
7	INDIANA@	4 p.m.
10	TENNESSEE MARTIN	4 p.m.
12	OHIO	4 p.m.
13	OHIO	2 p.m.
14	OHIO	1 p.m.
16	WESTERN KENTUCKY	6 p.m.
17	at Western Kentucky	3 p.m.
19	at Alabama★	6:35 p.m.
20	at Alabama★ (FSN TV)	3 p.m.
21	at Alabama★ (CSS TV)	2 p.m.
23	LIPSCOMB	6 p.m.
24	WRIGHT STATE	6 p.m.
26	KENTUCKY★	6 p.m.
27	KENTUCKY★	2 p.m.
28	KENTUCKY★	1 p.m.
30	WOFFORD	6 p.m.
31	WOFFORD	6 p.m.

### APRIL

2	at Florida★	5:30 p.m.
3	at Florida★ (SUN TV)	3 p.m.
4	at Florida★ (SUN TV)	Noon
6	BELMONT	6 p.m.
9	SOUTH CAROLINA★	6 p.m.
10	SOUTH CAROLINA★	2 p.m.
11	SOUTH CAROLINA★	1 p.m.
13	MIDDLE TENNESSEE	6 p.m.
16	AUBURN★	6 p.m.
17	AUBURN★	2 p.m.
18	AUBURN★ (ESPNU TV)	1 p.m.
20	at Lipscomb	6 p.m.
21	at Middle Tennessee	6 p.m.
23	at Tennessee★ (CSS TV)	6 p.m.
24	at Tennessee★ (CSS TV)	6 p.m.
25	at Tennessee★	1 p.m.
27	at Austin Peay	6 p.m.
30	GEORGIA★	6 p.m.

### MAY

1	GEORGIA★ (CSS TV)	6 p.m.
2	GEORGIA★	1 p.m.
7	at LSU★	7 p.m.
8	at LSU★ (CSS TV)	6 p.m.
9	at LSU★ (CST TV)	1 p.m.
11	LOUISVILLE	6 p.m.
14	at Mississippi State★	6:30 p.m.
15	at Mississippi State★	2 p.m.
16	at Mississippi State★	1:30 p.m.
20	ARKANSAS★	6 p.m.
21	ARKANSAS★	6 p.m.
22	ARKANSAS★ (SportSouth TV)	2 p.m.
26-30	SEC Tournament	TBA

Bold Caps – Home Games ★ – SEC Game  
 ! – Dodgertown Classic (Los Angeles, Calif.) Dodger Stadium  
 All games central time and are subject to change.

## Vanderbilt vs. Niagara



Friday, February 19 ★ 4 p.m. CT  
 Saturday, February 20 ★ 1 p.m. CT  
 Sunday, February 21 ★ 1 p.m. CT  
 Hawkins Field (3,700)

## Setting The Scene

### Series History vs. Niagara

This weekend's series will be the first ever meetings between the two schools.

### Polls

Vanderbilt is ranked No. 29 by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers and No. 32 by *Collegiate Baseball* in each syndicate's preseason poll. Niagara is unranked.

### The Coaches

VU's **Tim Corbin** is 276-157 in his eighth season in Nashville. He is 382-295 in 14 seasons overall. Niagara's **Rob McCoy** is 20-35 in his second season as the head coach.

### Radio/TV/Internet

The first two games of the series will be broadcast in the Nashville area on WNSR 560 AM, with Sunday's contest an internet only production. All three games will be webcast on [www.vucommodores.com](http://www.vucommodores.com). **Joe Fisher** will call the action in the Friday opener, with **Eric Jones** handling the Saturday and Sunday broadcasts. Fans can also sign up for text updates via [www.twitter.com/vandybaseball](http://www.twitter.com/vandybaseball) and follow [www.vucommodores.com](http://www.vucommodores.com).

### Tickets

Season tickets are available for purchase online at [www.vucommodores.com](http://www.vucommodores.com) or through the Vanderbilt Ticket Office (615) 322-GOLD.

## Probable Starter Notes (2009 Stats If Applicable)

### Position Players

No.	Pos.	Player	GP-GS	Avg.	HR	RBI	Notes
5	C	Andrew Giobbi	48-45	.289	6	41	Set career high with six homers in shortened yr.
9	1B	Curt Casali	64-64	.336	10	59	Had successful Tommy John surgery in summer.
8	2B	Riley Reynolds	63-61	.332	0	22	Freshman All-American.
6	SS	Brian Harris	64-63	.299	9	45	First-team All-SEC, All-Defensive Team.
22	3B	Jason Esposito	64-64	.287	4	42	Started every game at 3B as true freshman.
36	LF	Aaron Westlake	63-62	.377	10	57	SEC Batting Champion in 2009.
26	CF	Jordan Wormsley	25-5	.208	0	2	Saw most action as defensive specialist in 2009.
7	RF	Joe Loftus	59-55	.263	4	28	Started in 42 games in LF in 2009.
36	DH	Bryan Johns					Shortstop on JUCO National Champs (Howard JC).

### Starting Pitcher

No.	R/L	Player	W-L	ERA	Last Appearance	W-L-S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2	R	Sonny Gray	5-1	4.30	vs. Indiana (5/30/09)	W	8.0	7	0	0	1	10
34	R	Taylor Hill	2-1	5.05	vs. Indiana (5/30/09)	ND	1.0	2	0	0	0	1
21	R	Jack Armstrong	0-0	12.91	vs. Georgia (5/8/09)	S	3.0	1	1	1	5	3



### SEC Baseball Standings

	SEC East			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Florida	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kentucky	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Carolina	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0	0	0

  

	SEC West			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Alabama	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas	0	0	0	0	0	0
Auburn	0	0	0	0	0	0
LSU	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ole Miss	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mississippi State	0	0	0	0	0	0

#### Friday, February 19

1-Kentucky vs. Virginia Tech	11 a.m.
Duquesne at South Carolina	2 p.m.
Ball State at Arkansas	3 p.m.
SEMO at Auburn	3 p.m.
LA-Monroe at Ole Miss	3 p.m.
Xavier at Tennessee	3 p.m.
Rhode Island at Mississippi State	4 p.m.
Niagara at Vanderbilt	4 p.m.
Georgia at Baylor	5 p.m.
USF at Florida	5:30 p.m.
Centenary at LSU	7 p.m.

#### Saturday, February 20

1-Kentucky vs. West Virginia	10 a.m.
USF at Florida	1 p.m.
Ball State at Arkansas	1 p.m.
Xavier at Tennessee	1 p.m.
Niagara at Vanderbilt	1 p.m.
South Alabama at Alabama	2 p.m.
Rhode Island at Mississippi State	2 p.m.
Duquesne at South Carolina	2 p.m.
LA-Monroe at Ole Miss	2:30 p.m.
SEMO at Auburn	3 p.m.
Georgia vs. Duke (Waco, Texas)	5 p.m.
Centenary at LSU	5 p.m.

#### Sunday, February 21

Georgia vs. Duke (Waco, Texas)	10 a.m.
USF at Florida	11 a.m.
Duquesne at South Carolina	12:30 p.m.
Centenary at LSU	1 p.m.
Ball State at Arkansas	1 p.m.
SEMO at Auburn	1 p.m.
Xavier at Tennessee	1 p.m.
Niagara at Vanderbilt	1 p.m.
Alabama at South Alabama	1:30 p.m.
LA-Monroe at Ole Miss	1:30 p.m.
Rhode Island at Mississippi State	1:30 p.m.
Georgia at Baylor	2 p.m.
1-Kentucky vs. Coastal Carolina	2 p.m.

### What's On Tap

Vanderbilt opens its 121st season of baseball this weekend as Niagara comes to town for a three-game series. The Commodores and Purple Eagles will open on Friday at 4 p.m. and will continue at 1 p.m. on Saturday, before closing things out on Sunday at 1 p.m.

### About Niagara

Niagara finished with a 20-35 record a year ago with a 14-10 record in Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference play. Head coach Rob McCoy is in his second season at the helm of the program and his first as the full-time skipper after serving in an interim capacity a year ago.

Junior infielder Brian Deering is the top returning hitter after notching a .356 batting average with six homers and 39 RBI a year ago. As a team, Niagara batted .280 with 18 homers and 303 runs scored in 55 games (5.5 per game).

Senior righthander Michael Spaulding is top returning pitcher after sporting a 4-5 record with a 5.06 ERA in 12 starts a year ago. He had 60 strikeouts and 32 walks in 74.2 innings pitched. As a team, the Purple Eagles had a 6.79 ERA with 298 strikeouts and 254 walks in 436.0 innings. Niagara's rotation was unavailable as of Thursday morning.

### Season/Home Openers

Vanderbilt is 4-3 in season openers under Tim Corbin and is 55-43-2 all-time in season openers according to school records available. Friday's contest marks the first time since 2005 that VU has opened at home. The Commodores are 3-0 in season openers at Hawkins Field dating back to the inaugural season in 2002. Under Corbin, VU is 7-0 in home openers.

### Opening Day Starter

Sonny Gray will get the nod on the mound on Friday, joining a stellar list of Commodore starters to pitch on opening day in the Tim Corbin era. The list includes first-round draft picks Jeremy Sowers, David Price and Mike Minor and third round pick Ryan Mullins. In addition, Gray is the first right-hander to start for Corbin on opening day. Below is the list of opening day starters:

2003	Jeremy Sowers (LHP)
2004	Jeremy Sowers (LHP)
2005	Ryan Mullins (LHP)
2006	David Price (LHP)
2007	David Price (LHP)
2008	Mike Minor (LHP)
2009	Mike Minor (LHP)
2010	Sonny Gray (RHP)

### Commodores Picked To Finish Fourth In SEC East

Vanderbilt was picked to finish fourth in the Southeastern Conference Eastern Division as the league office released its annual preseason coaches poll today.

The Commodores received one first-place vote in the division with Florida, last year's division winner, garnering 64 of a possible 66 points from the coaches.

LSU is predicted to repeat as the 2010 Southeastern Conference baseball champions, as voted by the league's 12 baseball coaches in the 19th annual preseason SEC poll.

The Tigers, ranked No. 2 nationally in multiple preseason polls, seek to capture their league-leading 15th SEC Championship. The Tigers return eight position players with starting experience and 10 pitchers from their 2009 squad which claimed the NCAA National Championship. Since 1996, the SEC has named a regular season champion as well as a tournament champion. Prior to 1996, the tournament champion was considered the SEC Champion.

In the overall SEC Champion vote, LSU received five of a possible 11 votes. Florida received four votes while Arkansas had three.

In addition to picking a preseason SEC champion, the league's head coaches voted a predicted order of finish in the SEC Eastern and Western Divisions. In the Eastern Division, Florida was the favorite with 64 of a possible 66 points. South Carolina came in second with 52 points and Georgia third with 42. LSU was favorite in the Western Division with a total of 63 points.

## Drafted Commodores

	Rd	Yr.	Team
Jack Armstrong	36th	2008	Texas
Will Clinard	37th	2008	Los Angeles
Jason Esposito	7th	2008	Kansas City
Regan Flaherty	28th	2009	Seattle
Grayson Garvin	45th	2008	Houston
Sonny Gray	27th	2008	Chicago (NL)
Drew Hayes	22nd	2009	Seattle
Joe Loftus	29th	2008	Minnesota
Navery Moore	26th	2008	Boston
Chase Reid	42nd	2007	Milwaukee
Sam Selman	14th	2009	Los Angeles (AL)
Mike Yastrzemski	36th	2009	Boston

## Commodores In The Pros\*

Majors		Years at VU
Jensen Lewis	Cleveland	2003-05
David Price	Tampa Bay	2005-07
Jeremy Sowers	Cleveland	2002-04

### AAA

Mike Baxter	Portland (SD)	2004-05
Matt Kata	Round Rock (HOU)	1997-99
Ryan Rote	Charlotte (CHI-A)	2004-05
Jeff Sues	Indianapolis (PIT)	2002-05

### AA

Pedro Alvarez	Altoona (PIT)	2006-08
Matt Buschmann	San Antonio (SD)	2003-06
Ryan Klosterman	Jacksonville (FLA)	2003-04
Ryan Mullins	New Britain (MIN)	2003-05
Cesar Nicolas	Erie (DET)	2001-04
Antoan Richardson	Connecticut (SF)	2004-05
*Casey Weathers	Tulsa (COL)	2006-07

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Dominic de la Osa	Beloit (MIN)	2005-08
Alex Feinberg	Tri-City (COL)	2005-08
Ryan Flaherty	Peoria (CHI-N)	2006-08
Brett Jacobson	Frederick (BAL)	2006-08
David Macias	Peoria (CHI-N)	2005-08
Mike Minor	Rome (ATL)	2007-09

### Rookie/Short Season

Caleb Cotham	Staten Island (NY)	2007-09
Steven Liddle	Elizabethon (MIN)	2007-09
Jonathan White	AZL Giants (SF)	2005-09

\* - Casey Weathers missed the 2009 season after undergoing Tommy John surgery.

## National Award Watch Lists

Player (Pos.)	Award
Sonny Gray (RHP)	Golden Spikes Award

## Commodore Weekly Winners

Player (Pos.)	Honor	Date
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CB- Collegiate Baseball

NCBWA- National Collegiate Baseball Writers Assoc.

Arkansas was second with 59, while Ole Miss, who shared the overall title last season with LSU, finished third with 39.

Points were compiled on a 6-5-4-3-2-1 basis for each division. Coaches were not allowed to vote for their own team. Each coach also voted for one team as an overall conference champion.

### Eastern Division

Team

- 1) Florida (9)
- 2) South Carolina (2)
- 3) Georgia
- 4) Vanderbilt (1)
- 5) Kentucky
- 6) Tennessee

### Western Division

Team

- 1) LSU (8)
- 2) Arkansas (4)
- 3) Ole Miss
- 4) Alabama
- 5) Auburn
- 6) Mississippi State

( ) - First Place Votes

SEC Champion: LSU (5); Florida (4); Arkansas (3)

## Commodore Tidbits

Seven of the eight top hitters from last year return with combined totals of .314 batting average, 43 HRs, 96 2B and 294 RBI ... The Commodores play 13 of their first 16 games at Hawkins Field, the lone road trip a three-game round robin appearance in Los Angeles next week ... The Commodores will not have a left-hander in the weekend rotation for the first time in Tim Corbin's tenure ... Sophomore third baseman starts the year with a five-game hitting streak, while junior catcher/first baseman Curt Casali has a four-game active skein ... VU has had the top draft pick in the SEC the last three years (2007-09) and four out of the last six years including Jeremy Sowers in 2004 ... Russell Brewer is seven saves behind school record holder Ryan Rote's (2004-05) ... Niagara is the first team the Commodores have faced from the Metro Atlantic Conference since taking on Manhattan in 1927. The league didn't form until 1980.

## Sonny and Jack Preseason All-Americans

Sophomore right-handed pitchers Sonny Gray and Jack Armstrong were both named to *Baseball America's* preseason All-America teams.

Gray was named to the BA's second-team, while Armstrong was a third-team choice.

The duo was part of a group of 13 Southeastern Conference players named to the three All-America squads, including seven first-team selections.

Gray went 5-1 with a 4.30 ERA and notched 72 strikeouts in 58.2 innings last spring en route to Freshman All-American honors. He pitched predominantly out of the bullpen to start the year before moving into the weekend rotation at the end of the season. The Smyrna, Tenn., native made 22 appearances with four starts and led the team with five saves. He pitched for the USA National Collegiate Team over the summer and went 3-1 with a 0.75 ERA in eight appearances. Gray struck out 27 in 24 innings while opponents hit only .139 off him and was named the No. 3 pro prospect on the squad by *Baseball America*.

Armstrong saw limited action for the Commodores last spring as he adjusted to the college game. He recorded a three-inning save in his last outing, a 10-2 win over Georgia on May 8. The Florida native excelled over the summer pitching for Wareham in the Cape Cod League. He went 4-1 with a 2.57 ERA and struck out 31 in 35 innings of work for the Gateman Armstrong was named to the Cape Cod All-Star team and was honored with Wareham's Albert Bigelow



**Commodores in 2010**

In Day Games . . . . .	0-0
In Night Games . . . . .	0-0
On Artificial Turf . . . . .	0-0
On Natural Grass . . . . .	0-0
In Extra Innings . . . . .	0-0
vs. Lefthanders . . . . .	0-0
vs. Righthanders . . . . .	0-0
When Scoring First . . . . .	0-0
When Opponents Scores First . . . . .	0-0
When Ahead After 5 Innings . . . . .	0-0
When Trailing After 5 Innings . . . . .	0-0
When Tied After 5 Innings . . . . .	0-0
When Ahead After 8 Innings . . . . .	0-0
When Trailing After 8 Innings . . . . .	0-0
When Tied After 8 Innings . . . . .	0-0
vs. Top 5 Teams . . . . .	0-0
vs. Top 10 Teams . . . . .	0-0
vs. Top 25 Teams . . . . .	0-0
In One-Run Games . . . . .	0-0
In Two-Run Games . . . . .	0-0
In Three+Run Games . . . . .	0-0
When Scoring 0-5 Runs . . . . .	0-0
When Scoring 6-10 Runs . . . . .	0-0
When Scoring 11-20 Runs . . . . .	0-0
When Scoring 20+ Runs . . . . .	0-0
On Weekdays . . . . .	0-0
On Weekends . . . . .	0-0
On Mondays . . . . .	0-0
On Tuesdays . . . . .	0-0
On Wednesdays . . . . .	0-0
On Thursdays . . . . .	0-0
On Fridays . . . . .	0-0
On Saturdays . . . . .	0-0
On Sundays . . . . .	0-0
In Five-Game Series . . . . .	0-0
In Four-Game Series . . . . .	0-0
In Three-Game Series . . . . .	0-0
In Two-Game Series . . . . .	0-0
In Single-Game Series . . . . .	0-0
In February . . . . .	0-0
In March . . . . .	0-0
In April . . . . .	0-0
In May . . . . .	0-0
In June . . . . .	0-0
In the State of Tennessee . . . . .	0-0
vs. Out-of-State Opponents . . . . .	0-0
vs. Atlantic Sun . . . . .	0-0
vs. Big 12 . . . . .	0-0
vs. Big East . . . . .	0-0
vs. Horizon League . . . . .	0-0
vs. Metro Atlantic . . . . .	0-0
vs. Mid American . . . . .	0-0
vs. Missouri Valley . . . . .	0-0
vs. Ohio Valley . . . . .	0-0
vs. Pac 10 . . . . .	0-0
vs. Southern . . . . .	0-0
vs. Sun Belt . . . . .	0-0

Award, an award given to the team's most outstanding pitcher. His four wins tied for tops in the CCBL and he was ranked the No. 6 prospect in the league by *Baseball America*.

**Commodores Had Longest Road Trip In College Baseball**

As Division I baseball starts up this week across the country, one Vanderbilt record that will not be beaten is longest trip of the year. Vanderbilt traveled 6,648 miles to Tokyo, Japan and an additional 1,797 miles to Hong Kong over the Thanksgiving holiday week. Due to a generous gift by Vanderbilt alum Bill Kaye, the Commodores were able to fly to Japan and face four of the top teams in Japan's collegiate system. Along with the quality competition the kids were able to experience different cultures, each with their own unique traditions and histories. The team went 1-1-2 on the field and learned valuable lessons off the field as well.

**Vanderbilt Career Wins**

1. Jeff Peebles (1970-73) . . . . .	29
4. Matt Bsuchmann (2003-06) . . . . .	23
4. Jeremy Sowers (2002-04) . . . . .	23
4. Kyle Balch (1985-88) . . . . .	23
<b>7. Mike Minor (2007-) . . . . .</b>	<b>22</b>

**Vanderbilt Career Strikeouts**

1. David Price (2005-07) . . . . .	441
2. Mike Willis (1969-72) . . . . .	350
3. Jeremy Sowers (2002-04) . . . . .	327
<b>4. Mike Minor (2007-) . . . . .</b>	<b>292</b>

# HEAD COACH TIM CORBIN



In seven seasons at Vanderbilt, Tim Corbin has turned Vanderbilt into one of the national powers of college baseball and taken the program to unprecedented success with four straight NCAA regional appearances.

In 2009, Corbin took a young squad with seven new offensive starters and molded them into a team that finished with a 37-27 record and runner-up finishes in the Southeastern Conference tournament and the NCAA Louisville Regional.

The 2009 draft saw six Commodores selected, highlighted by junior pitcher Mike Minor's selection with the seventh overall pick by the Atlanta Braves. His selection marked the fifth time in the last three seasons a Vanderbilt player has been picked in the first round.

Corbin's overall record of 276-157 (.637) is third best in terms of wins at Vanderbilt, and first in terms of winning percentage for coaches with 100 games or more.

In 2008, Corbin guided the Commodores to their second straight 40-win season (41-22) and third consecutive appearance in the NCAA tournament. The Commodores battled through the first half of the season without the services of Preseason Player of the Year Pedro Alvarez and managed to record road sweeps over Mississippi State and Tennessee for the first time in school history.

The 2008 draft saw eight current Commodores selected, highlighted by Pedro Alvarez who was taken with the second overall pick by the Pittsburgh Pirates. Vanderbilt became the first school in draft history to have the first overall pick (David Price in 2007) and second overall pick in consecutive drafts, an indication of the talent Corbin has brought into the program over the last six years.

In 2007, Corbin guided the Commodores to their best season ever, finishing with a school record 54 wins. The team also achieved a No. 1 national ranking for the first time in school history and held that honor for 13 of 15 weeks during the regular season.

The Vanderbilt baseball team also swept through the Southeastern Conference, winning both the regular season and tournament crown for the first time ever, and it marked the first time an SEC team had done it since 1996. The team lost only one conference series the entire season against SEC West Division winner Arkansas in Fayetteville and avenged the series loss by defeating the Razorbacks in the SEC tournament title game.

The conference recognized Corbin for the work he had done, naming him SEC Coach of the Year. Corbin also picked up Co-National Coach of the Year by College Baseball Insider and regional coach of the year honors by the American Baseball Coaches Association.

The Commodores hosted their first ever NCAA regional as the No. 1 National Seed and arrived as a power in college baseball.

Corbin's success and methods of running the Vanderbilt program has earned him respect among the college and international baseball communities.

In the summer of 2006 he managed the USA Baseball National Team to a 28-2-1 record that culminated with a gold medal finish at the FISU (International University Sports Federation) World University Championship in Havana, Cuba. The .919 winning percentage set a new national team high and it garnered special recognition by the United States Olympic Committee.

In 2006 he guided a youthful Commodore squad to a 38-27 record and sixth-place finish in the rugged Southeastern Conference. The team was the youngest team in the league, with seven everyday starters being freshmen or sophomores. For the second time in three seasons, Corbin guided the team to the SEC Tournament Championship game and the young squad also gained valuable NCAA experience after advancing to the championship round of the Atlanta Regional.

The 2006 team posted impressive series wins over College World Series participant Georgia, Super Regional participants South Carolina and Ole Miss, and took series on the road against Florida and LSU. The team handed LSU its worst conference loss at home in school history in the process.

In addition to on the field successes, the baseball program itself has had significant upgrades to the facilities with a new fieldhouse, complete with new locker rooms for players, coaches and Commodore alums playing professional baseball. Also included are coach's offices, a classroom that overlooks Hawkins Field and a new weight room. New for 2009 are permanent seats in the outfield pushing Hawkins Field seating capacity to double the amount when Corbin arrived in 2003. These recent upgrades reinforce the

excitement and commitment made to the baseball program due to the successes Tim Corbin has achieved as well as those he will strive to accomplish in the future.

He has already pushed the program to its most successful season, rewritten a significant portion of its record book, and ascended to the ranks of Southeastern Conference and national powers. For him, such excellence has been a constant in a career that covers three decades in both the collegiate and international baseball ranks.

Corbin, along with his coaching staff, are a tireless group that saw their recruiting efforts pay in 2005 as their recruiting class was labeled the nation's best by *Baseball America*.

Professional baseball has also taken notice of the program as 28 VU players have been drafted over the last four years, including eight in 2008.

In 2005, Corbin directed the squad to its second consecutive 30-win season, an achievement that had not been done in over 15 years. The campaign was highlighted with series wins over Alabama, Mississippi, South Carolina and College World Series participant Tennessee.

In 2004, Corbin not only directed the Commodores to their first NCAA Tournament appearance in 24 years, he guided them to their first-ever Super Regional as they swept through the Charlottesville Regional with victories over George Mason, Princeton and host Virginia. In the Super Regional they fell to the eventual national runner-up, Texas, but still carved out a piece of history as the first team in NCAA baseball history to make it that far one year after having finished with a sub-.500 record.

Along the way Vanderbilt racked up 45 wins, was the only team to rank among the SEC's top five in earned run average (first), batting average (fourth) and fielding percentage (first), and finished with a .703 winning percentage, which was third-best in the highly competitive conference, which sent nine schools to the NCAA Tournament. The Commodores' school-record .978 fielding percentage was second in the nation, and their 30 error-free games were 11 more than the previous season.

Before Corbin was hired as the 21st coach in program history, Vanderbilt had not earned a spot in the conference tournament in a decade. Not only has he led his team there twice, the Commodores made it to the 2004 championship game.

During the 2004 regular season, Vanderbilt swept a series against Mississippi State for the first time. It was one of three conference whitewashes and one of five series' wins in all.

His efforts earned him the 2004 Vanderbilt Coach of the Year award and a nomination for the Nashville Sports Council's Sports Person of the Year. Plus, a school-record five players were named to the SEC All-Tournament team, five players were drafted on the first day and seven VU players in all were chosen in the Major League Baseball Draft, topped by No. 6 overall pick pitcher Jeremy Sowers.

His first Vanderbilt team finished 27-28 overall and 14-16 in the SEC, good enough for second in the Eastern Division. It earned a conference tournament berth with a season-ending sweep of Tennessee capped by a dramatic ninth-inning rally in the finale. The overall and conference victory totals were the most by a first-year Vanderbilt coach and were made more impressive by the fact that the Commodores were 12-5 in one-run games.

## The Tim Corbin File

### Personal:

Full Name: . . . . . Timothy Carter Corbin  
 Born: . . . . . August 5, 1961 in Wolfeboro, N.H.  
 Hometown: . . . . . Wolfeboro, N.H.  
 Family: . . . . . Wife: Maggie Daughters: Molly (25) and Hannah (22)

### Education:

College: . . . . . Ohio Wesleyan  
 Degrees: . . . . . Master of Arts in Athletic Administration, 1986  
 . . . . . Bachelor of Arts in Physical Education, 1984

### Coaching Experience:

2003-Present . . . . . Vanderbilt Head Coach  
 2001-02 . . . . . Clemson Associate Head Coach  
 1998-2001 . . . . . Clemson Assistant Head Coach  
 1994-98 . . . . . Clemson Assistant Coach  
 1988-93 . . . . . Presbyterian College Head Coach  
 1987 . . . . . Wofford Assistant Coach  
 1985-86 . . . . . Ohio State Graduate Assistant Coach



# NATIONAL RANKINGS

Baseball America (Preseason)		Collegiate Baseball (Preseason)		USA Today/ESPN (Preseason)		NCBWA (Preseason)		Rivals.com (Preseason)	
1. Texas	50-16	1. Texas	50-16-1	1 Texas	50-16-1	1. Texas	50-16-1	1. Texas	
2. Virginia	49-15	2. LSU	56-17	2 LSU	56-17	2. LSU	56-17	2. Virginia	
3. Louisiana State	56-17	3. Virginia	49-15-1	3 Cal State Fullerton	47-16	3. Virginia	48-15-1	3. Louisiana State	
4. Cal State Fullerton	47-16	4. Cal State Fullerton	47-16	4 Virginia	49-15-1	4. Cal State Fullerton	47-16	4. Cal State Fullerton	
5. Rice	43-18	5. Arizona State	51-14	5 Florida State	45-18	5. Rice	43-18	5. UC Irvine	
6. Georgia Tech	38-19	6. Georgia Tech	38-19-1	6 Rice	43-18	6. Florida State	45-18	6. Rice	
7. Florida	42-22	7. Florida State	45-18	7 UC-Irvine	45-15	7. UC Irvine	45-15	7. Florida State	
8. UC Irvine	45-15	8. UC Irvine	45-15	8 Arizona State	51-14	8. Arizona State	51-14	8. Florida	
9. Florida State	45-18	9. Florida	42-22	9 Florida	42-22	9. Georgia Tech	38-19-1	9. Arizona State	
10. South Carolina	40-23	10. Oregon State	37-19	10 Georgia Tech	38-19-1	10. Florida	42-22	10. Georgia Tech	
11. Texas Christian	40-18	11. Rice	43-18	11 North Carolina	48-18	11. TCU	40-18	11. East Carolina	
12. Coastal Carolina	47-13	12. Miami	38-22	12 TCU	40-18	12. Miami	38-22	12. Louisville	
13. Louisville	47-18	13. North Carolina	48-18	13 Miami	38-22	13. North Carolina	48-18	13. South Carolina	
14. Arizona State	51-13	14. Ohio State	42-19	14 Oregon State	37-19	14. Clemson	44-22	14. Clemson	
15. Clemson	44-29	15. TCU	40-18	15 Clemson	44-22	15. Arkansas	41-24	15. Arkansas	
16. Miami	38-22	16. Clemson	44-22	16 Arkansas	41-24	16. East Carolina	46-20	16. Coastal Carolina	
17. Arkansas	41-24	17. Coastal Carolina	47-16	17 Mississippi	44-20	17. Coastal Carolina	47-16	17. Oregon State	
18. East Carolina	46-20	18. East Carolina	46-20	18 East Carolina	46-20	18. Oregon State	37-19	18. San Diego	
19. San Diego	29-25	19. Louisville	47-18	19 Coastal Carolina	47-16	19. Louisville	47-18	19. TCU	
20. North Carolina	48-18	20. UCLA	27-29	20 Louisville	47-18	20. Ole Miss	44-20	20. North Carolina	
21. Southern Miss	40-26	21. Southern Miss	40-26	21 Ohio State	42-19	21. South Carolina	40-23	21. Miami (Fla.)	
22. Georgia	38-22	22. Mississippi	44-20	22 Oklahoma	43-20	22. Southern Miss	40-26	22. Ohio State	
23. UCLA	27-29	23. Arkansas	41-24	23 San Diego	29-25	23. Ohio State	42-19	23. Georgia	
24. Mississippi	44-20	24. San Diego	29-25	24 Southern Miss	40-26	24. San Diego	29-25	24. Mississippi	
25. Oregon State	37-19	25. Oklahoma	43-20	25 Stanford	30-25	25. Oklahoma	43-20	25. Kansas	
		26. Stanford	30-25			26. Georgia	38-24		
		27. Wichita State	30-27			27. UCLA	27-29		
		28. South Carolina	40-23			28. Texas A&M	37-24		
		29. Texas A&M	37-24			29. Vanderbilt	37-27		
		30. Minnesota	40-19			30. Stanford	30-25		
		31. Georgia	38-24			31. Wichita State	30-27		
		32. Vanderbilt	37-27			32. Alabama	37-21		
		33. Fresno State	32-30			33. Kansas	39-24		
		34. Pepperdine	31-23			34. Kansas State	43-18		
		35. South Florida	34-12			35. Minnesota	40-19		
		36. Kansas	39-24						
		37. Mid Tenn St.	44-18						
		38. Florida Gulf Co	36-18						
		39. Notre Dame	36-23						
		40. Dallas Baptist	38-17						

## Commodores Week-By-Week in the Polls

Preseason	Collegiate Baseball	ESPN/USA Today	Baseball America	NCBWA	Rivals.com
	32	NR	NR	29	NR
*Preseason Poll					

# 2010 ROSTERS

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	HT	WT	CL/EXP.	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
2	Sonny Gray	RHP	R/R	5-11	195	So./1L	Smyrna, Tenn.(Smyrna)
5	Andrew Giobbi	C/UTL	R/R	6-1	212	Sr./3L	Portland, Maine (Deering)
6	Brian Harris	INF	R/R	5-8	182	Sr./3L	Nashville, Tenn. (Montgomery Bell Academy)
7	Joe Loftus	OF/RHP	R/R	6-2	202	So./1L	Savage, Minn. (Academy of Holy Angels)
8	Riley Reynolds	INF	L/R	6-0	190	So./1L	Lee's Summit, Mo. (Blue Springs South)
9	Curt Casali	C/1B	R/R	6-2	216	Jr./2L	New Canaan, Conn. (New Canaan)
10	Navery Moore	RHP	R/R	6-1	200	So./1L	Franklin, Tenn. (Battle Ground Academy)
11	Bryan Johns	INF	R/R	5-8	166	Jr./TR	Allen, Texas (Allen/Howard JC)
12	Regan Flaherty	1B-OF	L/L	6-1	184	Fr./HS	Portland, Maine (Deering)
13	Anthony Gomez	INF	R/R	5-11	178	Fr./HS	Nutley, N.J. (Don Bosco Prep)
15	Richie Goodenow	LHP	L/L	6-2	202	Jr./2L	Nashville, Tenn. (Overton)
17	Andrew Harris	INF	L/R	6-0	194	Fr./HS	Nashville, Tenn. (Montgomery Bell Academy)
18	Mike Yastrzemski	OF	L/L	5-10	168	Fr./HS	Andover, Mass. (St. John's Prep)
19	Sean Murphy	2B/OF	R/R	5-6	162	Fr./HS	Vienna, Va. (Gonzaga College)
20	Connor Harrell	OF	R/R	6-2	200	Fr./HS	Houston, Texas (Kinkaid)
21	Jack Armstrong	RHP/DH	R/R	6-6	226	So./1L	Jupiter, Fla. (Jupiter)
22	Jason Esposito	INF	R/R	6-1	198	So./1L	Bethany, Conn. (Amity)
24	Corey Williams	LHP	L/L	6-1	200	Fr./RS	Huntsville, Ala. (Madison Academy)
26	Jordan Wormsley	OF	L/L	6-0	198	Jr./2L	Knoxville, Tenn. (Webb School)
27	Keenan Kolinsky	LHP	L/L	6-0	200	Fr./HS	Knoxville, Tenn. (Christian Academy)
28	Grayson Garvin	LHP	L/L	6-5	217	So./1L	Suwanee, Ga. (Wesleyan School)
31	Russell Brewer	RHP	R/R	6-0	210	Jr./2L	Norwood, N.C. (South Stanly)
33	Drew Hayes	RHP	R/R	6-0	212	Sr./2L	McKenzie, Tenn. (McKenzie/Bethel College)
34	Taylor Hill	RHP	R/R	6-3	222	Jr./2L	Old Hickory, Tenn. (Mt. Juliet)
36	Aaron Westlake	1B/C	L/R	6-3	236	So./1L	Redding, Calif. (Shasta)
39	Sam Selman	LHP	L/R	6-2	168	Fr./HS	Austin, Texas (St. Andrews)
42	Chase Reid	RHP	L/R	6-3	212	Jr./2L	Southlake, Texas (Southlake Carroll)
43	Nate Gonzalez	C	R/R	5-8	224	Fr./HS	Clermont, Fla. (East Ridge)
44	Mark Lamm	RHP	R/R	6-4	210	Jr./2L	Loretto, Tenn. (Loretto)
45	Drew Fann	C	R/R	6-3	204	So./1L	Murfreesboro, Tenn. (Oakland)
46	Will Clinard	RHP	R/R	6-4	224	Fr./RS	Cross Plains, Tenn. (East Robertson)

**Head Coach:** 4 Tim Corbin (Ohio Wesleyan, 1984) - Eighth Season at Vanderbilt

**Assistant Coaches:** 16 Derek Johnson (Eastern Illinois, 1993); 32 Josh Holliday (Oklahoma State, 2004)

**Volunteer Coach:** 30 Larry Day (Connecticut, 2007)

**Trainer:** Chris Ham (Illinois, 2005)

**Office Assistant:** Graham Manning (Georgia, 2008)

**Baseball Operations:** Daniel Harris

**Student Managers:** 62 Alex Levitt and 61 Tyler Pirtle

**Director of Video Operations:** David Schnabel

## Alphabetical Roster

21	Jack Armstrong	17	Andrew Harris	24	Corey Williams
31	Russell Brewer	6	Brian Harris	26	Jordan Wormsley
9	Curt Casali	33	Drew Hayes	18	Mike Yastrzemski
46	Will Clinard	34	Taylor Hill		
22	Jason Esposito	11	Bryan Johns		
45	Drew Fann	27	Keenan Kolinsky		
12	Regan Flaherty	44	Mark Lamm		
28	Grayson Garvin	10	Navery Moore		
5	Andrew Giobbi	7	Joe Loftus		
13	Anthony Gomez	19	Sean Murphy		
43	Nate Gonzalez	42	Chase Reid		
15	Richie Goodenow	8	Riley Reynolds		
2	Sonny Gray	39	Sam Selman		
20	Connor Harrell	36	Aaron Westlake		

## Pronunciation Chart

Curt Casali	Ca <b>SALLY</b>
Will Clinard	<b>CLY</b> nerd
Regan Flaherty	<b>REE</b> gan
Andrew Giobbi	<b>GEO</b> bee
Richie Goodenow	good a <b>KNOW</b>
Navery Moore	<b>NAY</b> vere
Keenan Kolinsky	<b>KO</b> lin skee
Mike Yastrzemski	Ya strzem ski



# THE LAST TIME ...

## A Vanderbilt Team...

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Won 10 or more consecutive games	2/9/07-3/16/07 (20)
Lost five or more consecutive games	5/10/08-5/17/08 (five games)
Scored 20 or more runs in a game	22 vs. Lipscomb, 3/10/09
Scored 10+ Runs in an Inning	11, vs. Butler (4th Inning), 3/14/06
Did Not Strikeout:	vs. Tennessee-Martin, 2/23/05
Hit consecutive home runs	Curt Casali, Andrew Giobbi vs. South Carolina, 5/21/09
Shut out consecutive opponents	vs. Ole Miss (5-0), 3/18/06
	vs. Belmont (7-0), 3/22/06
	vs. Auburn (2-0), 3/24/06
Shut out the opponent	vs. Middle Tennessee (6-0), 5/31/09
Was shut out by the opponent	vs. Middle Tennessee (0-8), 4/7/09
Was shut out in two consecutive games	vs. Kentucky (0-14), (0-4), 4/23/76
Swept a conference doubleheader	vs. Georgia, 5/15/94
Was swept in a conference doubleheader	vs. Alabama, 4/18/09
Swept a conference series at home	vs. Mississippi State, 4/24/09-4/26/09
Was swept in a conference series at home	vs. Tennessee, 5/14/09-5/16/09
Swept a conference series (3-games) on the road	at Tennessee, 5/2/08-5/4/08
Was swept in a conference series on the road	at South Carolina, 5/1/09-5/03/09
Lost a conference series at home	vs. Alabama, 4/17/09-4/18/09
Lost a conference series on the road	at South Carolina, 5/1/09-5/3/09

## A Vanderbilt Player...

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Hit two home runs in a game	Aaron Westlake vs. Georgia, 5/8/09
Hit three home runs in a game	Jeff Martin vs. Valparaiso, 3/13/91
Hit a grand slam home run	Aaron Westlake vs. Mississippi State, 4/24/09
Walk-Off Home Run:	Curt Casali vs. Middle Tennessee, 3/26/08
Hit for the cycle	Clinton Johnston vs. Kentucky, 4/28/96
Had seven or more RBI in a game	Dominic de la Osa (7) vs. Georgia, 4/16/06
	Karl Nonemaker (7) vs. Kentucky, 5/12/02
Had five or more hits in a game	Alex Feinberg vs. Arkansas, 3/29/08
Two hits in an Inning:	Curt Casali (7th) vs. Belmont, 3/18/09
Had 10 or more total bases in a game	John Prothro (10) vs. Lipscomb, 2/20/02
	Aaron Fausett (10) vs. Ole Miss, 4/4/99
Stole three or more bases in a game	3, several times, last Jason Esposito vs. Arkansas, 4/10/09
Stole Home	Jonathan White vs. Stanford, 2/21/09
Had 10 or more strikeouts in a game	Sonny Gray (10) vs. Indiana (5/30/09)
Had 15 or more strikeouts in a game	David Price (17) vs. Austin Peay, 6/1/07
Pitched a complete game	Caleb Cotham vs. Middle Tennessee (5/31/09)
Pitched a nine-inning, complete game shutout	Caleb Cotham vs. Middle Tennessee (5/31/09)
Pitched a seven-inning, complete game shutout	Nick Christiani vs. Belmont, 5/5/09
Pitched a combined shutout	Drew Hayes (5.0), Nick Christiani (3.0), Chase Reid (1.0), Russell Brewer (1.0) vs. Morehead State, 4/15/09
Pitched a no-hitter	Jensen Lewis, Nick Pilkington, John Scott, Matt Buschmann at Western Ky., 5/6/03
Pitched a perfect game	Jensen Lewis, Nick Pilkington, John Scott, Matt Buschmann at Western Ky., 5/6/03