



Game 6 — October 16, 1999
Furman Paladins (4-1; 3-0 SoCon) vs. The Citadel (1-4; 0-2 SoCon)
Charleston, South Carolina, Johnson Hagood Stadium (22,000) — Natural Grass
2:00 P.M. Kickoff (EDT)
WPEK-FM 98.1 (Live), Broadcast.com (Live)



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THE GAME

Fresh from Saturday's impressive 35-21 win over previously third-ranked Appalachian State, Furman (4-1; 3-0 SoCon) travels to Charleston to take on arch-rival The Citadel in a key Southern Conference matchup. The Paladins, winners of four straight, will attempt to keep pace behind league front runner Georgia Southern (4-1; 4-0 SoCon) by gunning for their third straight road victory of the 1999 campaign. Saturday's game will highlight Parents' Day at The Citadel.

THE SERIES

In a series that stretches back to 1913, Furman holds a 47-28-3 advantage over The Citadel, and the Paladins enter Saturday's contest having claimed wins in three of the past four games against their oldest and foremost Southern Conference rival. The Bulldogs, however, prevailed last year, overcoming a 21-0 deficit to earn a 25-24 victory in Greenville. In all games played in Charleston, Furman has posted a 19-16-2 record versus The Citadel. In Greenville, the Paladins own a 26-12 ledger against the Bulldogs. Furman is 2-0-1 against The Citadel in three neutral site meetings. The Paladins downed the Bulldogs 21-7 two years ago in Charleston.

1913	L	0-75	Charleston
1919	W	21-6	GREENVILLE
1920	W	21-6	Charleston
1921	W	42-0	GREENVILLE
1922	W	28-0	Florence
1923	W	30-14	GREENVILLE
1924	L	0-6	Charleston
1925	W	7-0	GREENVILLE
1926	W	7-0	Charleston
1927	W	6-0	Charleston
1928	W	13-0	GREENVILLE
1929	T	0-0	Charleston
1930	W	31-6	GREENVILLE
1931	W	33-7	Charleston
1932	W	20-0	Orangeburg
1933	W	14-0	GREENVILLE
1934	W	6-0	Charleston
1935	W	35-0	GREENVILLE
1936	W	13-7	GREENVILLE
1937	L	0-8	Charleston
1938	L	6-9	GREENVILLE
1939	W	7-0	Charleston
1940	W	36-7	GREENVILLE
1941	T	13-13	Charleston
1942	W	20-0	GREENVILLE
1946	W	14-0	Charleston
1947	W	7-0	GREENVILLE
1948	W	9-0	GREENVILLE
1949	W	19-7	Charleston
1950	W	21-7	GREENVILLE
1951	W	35-14	Orangeburg
1952	T	7-7	Orangeburg

1953	W	27-0	Charleston
1954	W	31-20	GREENVILLE
1955	L	19-25	Charleston
1956	W	7-0	GREENVILLE
1957	L	14-18	Charleston
1958	L	6-24	GREENVILLE
1959	L	14-18	Charleston
1960	L	6-7	GREENVILLE
1961	L	8-9	Charleston
1962	W	33-25	GREENVILLE
1963	W	34-25	Charleston
1964	L	0-17	GREENVILLE
1965	L	0-28	Charleston
1966	L	6-10	GREENVILLE
1967	W	14-6	Charleston
1968	L	12-31	GREENVILLE
1969	L	21-37	Charleston
1970	W	28-21	GREENVILLE
1971	L	33-35	Charleston
1972	L	13-19	GREENVILLE
1973	L	21-26	Charleston
1974	L	0-24	GREENVILLE
1975	L	9-13	Charleston
1976	L	16-17	GREENVILLE
1977	L	3-10	Charleston
1978	W	17-13	GREENVILLE
1979	W	45-44	Charleston
1980	W	28-15	GREENVILLE
1981	L	18-35	Charleston
1982	W	27-0	GREENVILLE
1983	W	49-21	Charleston
1984	W	42-14	GREENVILLE
1985	W	42-0	Charleston
1986	W	37-14	GREENVILLE
1987	W	58-13	Charleston
1988	W	30-17	GREENVILLE
1989	W	44-9	Charleston
1990	W	30-17	GREENVILLE
1991	L	6-10	Charleston
1992	L	14-20	GREENVILLE
1993	L	10-20	Charleston
1994	L	44-52	GREENVILLE
1995	W	24-3	Charleston
1996	W	35-25	GREENVILLE
1997	W	21-7	Charleston
1998	L	24-25	GREENVILLE

In Greenville: Furman leads 26-12-0
In Charleston: Furman leads 19-16-2
Neutral Sites: Furman leads 2-0-1

THE COACHES

Furman: Bobby Johnson (Clemson '73)
 34-28-0 (.548), 6th Year at Furman
 34-28-0 (.548), 6th Year Overall
 Johnson vs. The Citadel (3-2)

The Citadel: Don Powers (Western Carolina '68)
 16-22 (.421), 4th Year at The Citadel
 16-22 (.421), 4th Year Overall
 Powers vs. Furman (1-2)

**1998 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE
FINAL STANDINGS**

Team	SoCon	Overall
Georgia Southern	8 0	14 1
Appalachian State	6 2	9 2
Western Carolina	5 3	6 5
Chattanooga	4 4	5 6
The Citadel	4 4	5 6
Furman	3 5	5 6
Wofford	3 5	4 7
East Tennessee State	3 5	4 7
VMI	0 8	1 10

**1999 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE
STANDINGS**

Team	SoCon	Overall
Georgia Southern	4 0	5 1
Furman	3 0	4 1
East Tennessee State	3 1	4 1
Appalachian State	2 1	3 2
Wofford	2 1	3 2
Chattanooga	0 2	2 3
The Citadel	0 2	1 4
Western Carolina	0 3	1 4
VMI	0 4	1 5

October 9

@ Georgia Southern 70, Western Carolina 7
 @ Vanderbilt 58, The Citadel 0
 @ Wofford 55, VMI 10
 @ Furman 35, Appalachian State 21

October 16

Georgia Southern @ Appalachian State, 12:30
 Chattanooga @ VMI, 1:00
 Furman @ The Citadel, 2:00
 Liberty @ East Tennessee State, 2:00
 Wofford @ Western Carolina, 6:00

**1999 FURMAN PALADINS
PRE-SEASON HONORS**

Coaches Defensive Player-of-the-Year
 FS John Keith

Coaches All-Southern Conference
 OG Ben Hall (1st Team)
 FS John Keith (1st Team)
 LB Will Bouton (2nd Team)
 PK Jason Wells (2nd Team)

Southern Conference Polls
 Southern Conference SIDs (4th)
 Southern Conference Head Coaches (5th)
 Southern Conference Media (5th)

THE OFFENSES

Furman: Multiple I

'99 Points/Game —	38.8	
'99 Yards/Game —	414.4	
	305.4	Rushing
	109.0	Passing

The Citadel: Multiple I

'99 Points/Game —	9.2	
'99 Yards/Game —	185.6	
	87.6	Rushing
	98.0	Passing

THE DEFENSES

Furman: 43

'99 Points/Game —	14.0	
'99 Yards/Game —	311.2	
	171.2	Rushing
	140.0	Passing

The Citadel: 43

'99 Points/Game —	35.4	
'99 Yards/Game —	413.8	
	251.8	Rushing
	162.0	Passing

1999 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Furman (4-1, 3-0 SoCon)

Sept. 4	Elon 24, @ Furman 22
Sept. 18	Furman 52, @ William & Mary 6
Sept. 25	@ Furman 58, Elon 0
Oct. 2	Furman 27, @ Western Carolina 19
Oct. 9	@ Furman 35, Appalachian State 21
Oct. 16	@ The Citadel, 2:00
Oct. 23	E. TENNESSEE ST., 2:00
Oct. 30	@ North Carolina, 1:30
Nov. 6	@ Georgia Southern, 1:00
Nov. 13	WOFFORD, 2:00
Nov. 20	@ Chattanooga, 12:00

The Citadel (1-4, 0-2 SoCon)

Sept. 2	@ E. Tenn. St. 28, The Citadel 10
Sept. 11	Delaware 26 @ The Citadel 16
Sept. 25	Appalachian State 51, @ The Citadel 0
Oct. 2	@ The Citadel 20, S.C. State 14
Oct. 9	@ Vanderbilt 58, The Citadel 0
Oct. 16	FURMAN, 2:00
Oct. 23	@ Georgia Southern
Oct. 30	WOFFORD
Nov. 6	@ Chattanooga
Nov. 13	VMI
Nov. 20	@ Western Carolina

FURMAN-THE CITADEL LAST MEETING

GREENVILLE (Oct. 17, 1998) — Antonio Smith rushed for 110 yards and pair of fourth quarter touchdowns and quarterback Stanley Myers completed 18-of-19 passes for 167 yards to complete an impressive comeback and lead The Citadel to a 25-24 win over Furman in front of 13,011 fans at Paladin Stadium.

Trailing 21-0 early in the second quarter following a 65-yard touchdown run and 52-yard touchdown reception by Furman's Des Kitchings, The Citadel scored twice in the second period to slice the Paladins' lead to 21-13.

After Jason Wells booted a 36-yard field goal with 11:26 left in the game to extend Furman's advantage to 24-13, the Bulldogs put together a

pair of impressive scoring drives that decided the game.

A 9-yard touchdown run by Smith with 9:10 to go capped a 5-play, 57-yard drive and cut Furman's lead to 24-19. The Bulldogs' Mike Fennelly then recovered a fumble by Furman backup quarterback Brent Rickman at the Paladin 31 with 6:39 remaining, and from there The Citadel used 11 plays and two key fourth down conversions to cover 31 yards before Smith scored on a 1-yard touchdown run with 1:38 on the clock to put the Bulldogs ahead, 25-24.

Following the ensuing kickoff, Furman drove to The Citadel 31-yard line, but the Bulldogs' Marcus Johnson blocked Jason Wells' 48-yard field goal attempt to preserve the win.

FURMAN	14	7	0	3	—	24
THE CITADEL	0	13	0	12	—	25

F — Des Kitchings 65 run (Jason Wells kick) 14:38-1Q
F — Justin Hill 16 run (Jason Wells kick) 6:17-1Q
F — Des Kitchings 52 pass from Justin Hill (Jason Wells kick) 10:30-2Q
C — Stanley Myers 17 run (Nick Hass kick) 6:01-2Q
C — Jason Barley 11 pass from Stanley Myers (kick failed) 0:13-2Q
F — Jason Wells 36 FG 11:26-4Q
C — Antonio Smith 9 run (pass failed) 9:10-4Q
C — Antonio Smith 1 run (pass failed) 1:38-4Q

Rushing: F — Rentz 21-111, Hill 8-66, Kitchings 1-65, Ivory 4-18, Russell 5-15, Rickman 3-9, Crosby 4-8. C — Smith 27-110, Myers 15-71, Jackson 6-46.

Passing: F — Hill 7-11-1-123, Rickman 4-11-0-35. C — Myers 18-19-0-167.

Receiving: F — Berrian 8-75, Kitchings 1-52, Owings 1-22, Burton 1-9. C — Smith 5-24, Gamble 4-41, Frank 4-32, Barley 3-33, Gresham 1-26, Akas 1-11.

Defense: F — Ruff 14, Adrian 10, Bouton 7, Rogers 7, Fouch 7.

	F	C
First Downs	22	24
Rushing	46-292	48-227
Passing	167	167
C/A/I	11-22-1	18-19-0
Total Offense	450	394
Fumbles-Lost	3-3	2-1
Penalties	4-45	5-51
Punts	1-41.0	5-34.2
Possession Time	29:36	30:24
Third Down Conversions	6-12	5-12
Sacks By-Yards	2-13	1-2

FURMAN LAST WEEK

GREENVILLE (Oct. 9, 1999) — Tailback Louis Ivory rushed for 135 yards and two touchdowns and strong safety Walter Booth tied a school record with three interceptions to lead Furman to a 35-21 upset win over nationally third-ranked Appalachian State in front of 13,052 fans at Paladin Stadium.

The victory, the Paladins' fourth straight, marked Furman's third win in its last four games

FURMAN RADIO

Furman football can be heard over the Paladins' radio network, headed up by Greenville flagship station WPEK-FM (98.1).

Chuck Hussion, the "Voice of the Furman Paladins", will call the play-by-play, and joining him with color commentary will be John Ingles.

David Hubbard joins Furman's broadcast team this fall as host of the tailgate, halftime, and post-game shows, and working alongside Hubbard as co-host of the tailgate show will be Ron Smith, Furman's head baseball coach. Gordon Higgins returns as sideline reporter, and Robbie Ross will serve as spotter and scoreboard reporter for the Furman broadcast team. Jimmy Fellers is the executive producer of all Furman football broadcasts.



FURMAN ON BROADCAST.COM

Furman football broadcasts can now be accessed live and on-demand by fans around the world over the internet through broadcast.com., Furman University's official Internet Broadcast Partner and leading aggregator and broadcaster of streaming media programming on the Web.

Fans can access live game play-by-play broadcasts of Furman football directly through broadcast.com at www.broadcast.com/sports/ncaa/furman/football or through the university's web site at www.furman.edu/athletics/football.

To listen to live action, users will need streaming software, which is available to download free-of-charge through broadcast.com. Specific instructions on how to download and install the software on a personal computer are also available through broadcast.com.



FURMAN ON TEAMLINE

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FURMAN FOOTBALL WEB SITE

The Furman sports information office maintains an athletics home page on the Internet. Furman's football web site includes program quick facts, schedule, coaches' biographies, season outlook, current roster and two-deep, game statistics, cumulative statistics, press releases, ticket information, as well as information on Paladin Stadium, Furman's radio network, and links to the Southern Conference and NCAA. Furman's athletics home page address: <http://www.furman.edu/athletics>.

against Appalachian State, the highest ranked opponent Furman has defeated since 1993, when the Paladins rolled up second-ranked Marshall 17-3 in Greenville.

With Furman holding a 7-0 lead, Ivory tallied his first score on a 16-yard run at the 5:48 mark of the first quarter to put the Paladins ahead 14-0. Later, in the second period, Ivory completed a 13-play, 79-yard drive with a 2-yard touchdown plunge to put Furman ahead 21-7.

The Paladins took control of the contest in the third period with a pair of scores, including a 3-yard scoring run by fullback Derek Russell and a 1-yard sneak by quarterback Justin Hill to make it a 35-14 game. Appalachian State accounted for the game's final points with a touchdown with only 0:13 remaining.

Furman's offense proved to be too tough for the Mountaineers as the Paladins rolled up 300 yards on the ground while controlling the football for 38:28 against the Southern Conference's top rushing defense.

FURMAN	14	7	14	0	—	35
APPALACHIAN ST.	0	14	0	7	—	21

- F — Marty Priore 1 run (Jason Wells kick) 11:18-1Q
- F — Louis Ivory 16 run (Jason Wells kick) 5:48-2Q
- A — Neil Cornatzer fumble recovery in end zone (Stuart Jones kick) 14:53-2Q
- F — Louis Ivory 3 run (Jason Wells kick) 7:36-2Q
- A — Karim Razzak 3 run (Stuart Jones kick) 6:19-2Q
- F — Derek Russell 3 run (Jason Wells kick) 11:49-3Q
- F — Justin Hill 1 run (Jason Wells kick) 9:17-3Q
- A — Daryl Skinner 2 pass from Joe Burchette (Stuart Jones kick) 0:13-4Q

Rushing: F — Ivory 27-135, Hill 16-76, Russell 13-45, Kitchings 2-20, Rentz 4-18, Sanders 1-5, Priore 0-1. A — Jeremiah 11-82, Razzak 11-58, Cornatzer 3-11, Reaves 3-9, Albea 4-8, Burchette 1-2.

Passing: F — Hill 7-12-1-97. A — Reaves 7-19-2-93, Jeremiah 10-17-1-85.

Receiving: F — Kitchings 4-67, Smerdzinski 2-25, Sansbury 1-5. A — Razzak 5-53, Skinner 5-50, Albea 3-16, Wilcox 2-35, Slade 2-23, Jeremiah 1-5, Cornatzer 1-3.

	F	A
First Downs	22	22
Rushing	63-300	33-170
Passing	97	185
C/A/I	7-12-1	19-38-3
Total Offense	397	355
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	1-0
Penalties	7-49	1-5
Punts	6-37.3	4-40.8
Possession Time	38:28	21:22
Third Down Conversions	9-17	6-12
Sacks By	0	2

NOTING THE PALADINS

✓ **STREAKING PALADINS**...In upending nationally third-ranked Appalachian State 35-21 in Greenville on Saturday, Furman claimed its fourth

straight win after following a 24-22, season opening loss to NCAA I-AA independent Elon. The four-game winning streak is the second longest run of success for a Bobby Johnson-coached Paladin squad. Last year Furman dropped its season opener to Clemson but then proceeded to win its next four games. In 1996, the Paladins posted six straight wins during one stretch on the way to a 9-4 finish and NCAA I-AA quarterfinal playoff finish. Counting a 31-28 win over Chattanooga in the 1998 season finale, Furman has now won five of its last six games.

✓ **FURMAN 2-0 VS. THE CITADEL IN CHARLESTON UNDER BOBBY JOHNSON**...Furman heads into Saturday's game against The Citadel riding a two-game winning streak in Charleston. The Paladins knocked off their chief rival 21-7 two years ago, and in 1995 the Paladins rolled up the Bulldogs 24-3. Both wins came under Bobby Johnson, who is 2-0 against The Citadel in Charleston as Furman's head coach.

✓ **HIGHEST RANKED VICTIM SINCE 1993**...A 35-21 loser to Furman on Saturday, Appalachian State marked the highest ranked opponent the Paladins have defeated since Furman knocked off No. 2 Marshall in Greenville in 1993.

✓ **ANOTHER FAST START**...In scoring on its first two possessions in Saturday's 35-21 triumph over Appalachian State, Furman fashioned another impressive start to a football game. In the past four contests, the Paladins have tallied on 10 of their 13 first quarter possessions (10 TDs, 1 FG) and have outscored the opposition 69-3 in the first period. In all five games, the Paladins have outscored their opponents 69-10. A year ago, Furman narrowly edged the opposition in first quarter scoring in its first five contests, 38-33.

✓ **PALADINS ASSERTING STRENGTH IN SECOND HALF, TOO**...While Appalachian State's touchdown with 0:13 in the game in no way threatened the outcome of Saturday's impressive 35-21 Furman win, it did mark the first fourth quarter score against the Paladins this year. Overall, Furman has outscored the opposition 48-7 in the fourth quarter and 95-16 in the second half through five games.

✓ **FU SURRENDERS ONLY FIVE TOUCHDOWNS IN LAST 18 QUARTERS**...Furman has surrendered only five touchdowns and four field goals to the opposition in the last 18 quarters.

✓ **HIGHEST ATTENDANCE FIGURE SINCE 1994**...The 13,052 fans who witnessed Furman's 35-21 win over Appalachian State on Saturday marked the biggest crowd to see a Furman game in Paladin Stadium since the 1994 season when 14,157 fans witnessed The Citadel's 52-44 win over the Paladins.

✓ **OFFENSIVE IMPROVEMENT EVIDENT**...One of the keys to Furman's turnaround in the early going this year has been the work of the Paladin offense, which heads into Saturday's game against The Citadel averaging 38.8 points and 414.4 yards/game. In Saturday's 35-21 win over Appalachian State, Furman gutted Appalachian State's league leading rushing defense (98.0 yards/game coming into the game) with 300 yards and five

FURMAN ON INFO CONNECTION

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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE COACHES' TELECONFERENCE

The Southern Conference will conduct a weekly teleconference throughout the 1999 season featuring the league's nine football coaches. The weekly teleconference is open to members of the media each Tuesday (August 31 - November 24) from 10:00 a.m. — 11:03 a.m. EST. Each coach will have seven minutes to make an opening statement and answer questions. The number to call is (312) 470-7265. The password is SoCon.

1999 SoCon Teleconference Schedule

- 10:00 a.m. — Jerry Moore, Appalachian State
- 10:07 a.m. — Don Powers, The Citadel
- 10:15 a.m. — Paul Hamilton, E. Tenn. St.
- 10:21 a.m. — Bobby Johnson, Furman
- 10:28 a.m. — Paul Johnson, Ga. Southern
- 10:35 a.m. — Buddy Green, Chattanooga
- 10:42 a.m. — Cal McCombs, VMI
- 10:49 a.m. — Bill Bleil, Western Carolina
- 10:56 a.m. — Mike Ayers, Wofford



touchdowns. In addition, the Paladins claimed a decisive advantage in time of possession (38:38-21:22) and posted more snaps (75) than Appalachian State (71). The Paladins have now won the time of possession-total offense-offensive snaps statistical battle in each of its last three games. Last year Furman averaged only 311.1 yards total offense per game, recorded fewer offensive snaps (665) than any other Southern Conference team, and finished last in the league in average time of possession (29:26).

Furman Offense Comparison

Category	1999 5 Games	1998 5 Games	1998 Season
Scoring Offense	38.8	28.6	24.3
Rushing Offense	305.4	197.2	185.0
Passing Offense	109.0	109.2	126.1
Total Offense	414.4	306.4	311.1
Total Offensive Plays	341	298	665
Time of Possession	32:25	30:14	29:26

✓ **TIME OF POSSESSION DIFFERENTIAL BIGGEST SINCE 1995 SEASON...**By controlling the football for 38:28 in its 35-21 win over Appalachian State on Saturday, Furman posted its biggest time of possession differential since the 1995 season, when the Paladins hogged the football for 39:12 in a 31-21 win over Western Carolina in Cullowhee.

✓ **MORE OFFENSIVE NOTABLES...**Another sign of Furman's improved offensive execution is evident in the Paladins' work on third and fourth down. A year ago Furman converted only 34.8% of its third down opportunities (49-of-141) to rank sixth in the Southern Conference. Through five games this year Furman has converted 44.9% of its third down situations (31-of-69), currently fourth best among conference schools. In fourth down situations, the Paladins currently lead the conference (8-of-11, 81.8%) after finishing seventh in that category a year ago (5-of-10, 50.0%).

✓ **PALADIN OFFENSIVE FRONT FLEXING MUSCLE...**Paving the way for Furman's offensive success this year has been excellent work by the Paladin offensive line, led by pre-season All-Southern Conference guard Ben Hall (Royston, Ga.). Hall, who has now started in 27 consecutive games, graded out 91.8% on 74 plays in the Paladins' 35-21 win over Appalachian State on Saturday. His work against the Mountaineers was only part of what was an excellent overall performance by the Paladin offensive line, which included winning marks by all five starters. Rivaling Hall's quality play was junior tackle Josh Moore (Cross Hill, S.C.), who graded out a 1.93 on 69 plays. Sophomore center Chris Stewart (Palm Harbor, Fla.), who is mounting a strong bid for All-Southern Conference honors, posted a grade of 90.7% on 75 plays, and next was sophomore tackle Donnie Littlejohn (Gaffney, S.C.), who graded out 86.5% on 74 plays. Sophomore guard Marty Priore (Cincinnati, Ohio) rounded Furman's strong offensive line play with a winning grade of 84.9% on 73 snaps.

✓ **DEFENSE TURNING THE CORNER...**A year ago Furman's defense surrendered 25.7 points and 372.2 yards per game, and faded noticeably down the stretch, yielding 31.0 points and 432.3 yards/game over the final six outings (1-5). This

year, Furman appears to have turned the corner defensively. Through five games (4-1), the Paladins are surrendering 14.0 points and 311.2 yards per game, and Furman is doing it with some noticeable youth. Comprising the Paladins' two-deep defensive chart in Saturday's game against Appalachian State were four seniors, three juniors, 11 sophomores, and four freshmen.

Furman Defense Comparison

Category	1999 5 Games	1998 Season
Scoring Defense	14.0	25.7
Rushing Defense	171.2	209.8
Passing Defense	140.0	162.4
Total Defense	311.2	372.2

✓ **SUPER SAFETIES...**To best gauge just how big a role Furman's starting safeties Walter Booth (Gainesville, Fla.) and John Keith (Newnan, Ga.) have played in the Paladins' current four-game winning streak, consider that Booth and Keith have accounted for seven of the Paladins' eight interceptions in those four contests, including six in the past two games. In Saturday's 35-21 toasting of Appalachian State, Booth tied a Furman single game record (shared with three others) with three interceptions and was named Sports Network National Defensive Player-of-the-Week, only a week after registering a game clinching pickoff in the Paladins' 27-19 win over Western Carolina in Cullowhee. Keith, meanwhile, was named Southern Conference Defensive Player-of-the-Week after tallying 12 tackles and a pair of interceptions in the win over Western Carolina.

✓ **INTERCEPTION, INC....**In registering three interceptions in Saturday's 35-21 win over Appalachian State, Furman posted an outstanding follow-up performance to its work two weeks ago when the Paladins picked off Western Carolina quarterback Shawn Snyder four times in a 27-19 Paladin win in Cullowhee. That's seven interceptions in the past two games for Furman and eight on the season. Last year, the Paladins totaled 12 pickoffs in 11 games.

✓ **KEITH COMING UP BIG...**After an injury plagued 1998 season, senior All-Southern Conference free safety John Keith (Newnan, Ga.) has assumed the much needed role of leader of Furman's defense in 1999, and judging by Furman's defensive success thus far, Keith's presence has been huge.

Selected by Southern Conference head coaches as the league's pre-season defensive player-of-the-year, Keith fashioned a solid pre-season, making a successful move from strong safety to free safety. In the Paladins' 52-6 win over William & Mary on Sept. 18, Keith tallied five tackles and an interception. In limited action in Furman's 58-0 rout of VMI three weeks ago, Keith notched three tackles and a tackle-for-loss. In the Paladins' 27-19 win over Western Carolina on Oct. 2, Keith earned league defensive player-of-the-week accolades after notching 12 tackles, a tackle-for-loss, and two interceptions — the 10th and 11th interceptions of his fine career. Keith's first pickoff halted a Western Carolina scoring threat the Furman 26, and his second pickoff, at the Catamount 44, set up Furman's first touchdown of the game. In Saturday's 35-21 upset of

nationally third-ranked Appalachian State, the Paladin senior registered a squad high 10 tackles in helping pace a solid Paladin defensive effort.

An outstanding tackler, Keith recorded a career high 19 tackles in Furman's 1998 season opener against Clemson, but late in the Paladins' third game (34-24 win over Samford), he sustained a deep sprain in his right foot, which effectively sidelined him for the next three games and limited his effectiveness the rest of the season. Still, he tallied 56 tackles and earned Furman's Best Defensive Back Award.

Forced to sit out spring practice after undergoing post-season surgery, Keith serves as a team co-captain this season. Despite the injury plagued 1998 campaign, Keith has totaled 224 tackles and 11 interceptions in his career. One of his nine pickoffs includes a school record 99-yard return in a 43-21 Furman win over Chattanooga in the 1997 season finale.

✓ **GROUND ATTACK GETTING IT DONE...**Coming into Saturday's game against Furman, Appalachian State led the Southern Conference in rushing defense, surrendering only 2.6 yards/rush and 98.0 yards/game. Appalachian State left Paladin Stadium with a 35-21 loss and ranked third in the league in rushing defense (138.4 yards/game) thanks, in large measure, to Furman's ground attack, which ripped the Mountaineers for 300 yards on 63 attempts (4.8 yards/rush) and five touchdowns.

The fine work turned in by Furman's ground attack against Appalachian State continued an impressive string of rushing performances the Paladins have registered this season.

In its last four games, Furman has totaled 1,383 yards (346.8 yards/game) and 23 touchdowns via the rush. In the win over William & Mary on Sept. 18, Furman rolled up 509 yards rushing, only 12 yards shy of the school's single game rushing record. In the thrashing of VMI a week later, nine Paladin ball carriers combined to rush for 381 yards, the second most productive rushing day for Furman football in Bobby Johnson's five-plus seasons as head coach of the Paladins. Two weeks ago, the Paladin ground assault proved to be the deciding factor in the fourth quarter, producing two touchdowns in a 27-19 win over Western Carolina in Cullowhee.

Through five games Furman has combined to score 24 rushing touchdowns, and the Paladins are averaging a healthy 305.4 rushing yards/game (5.8 yards/rush) heading into this Saturday's game against The Citadel. Last year Furman scored 24 rushing touchdowns all season and averaged only 185.0 yards/game via its ground attack.

Furman Top Single Game Rushing Performances

vs. Davidson (1984)	521
vs. William & Mary (1999)	509
vs. Davidson (1953)	504
vs. Davidson (1978)	491
vs. Davidson (1979)	491
vs. Presbyterian (1980)	476
vs. Davidson (1982)	466

Furman Top Single Game Rushing Performances

(Bobby Johnson Era, 1994-Present)	
vs. William & Mary (1999)	509

vs. VMI (1999)	381
vs. Elon (1997)	365
vs. South Carolina State (1996)	355
vs. Wofford (1997)	320
vs. Western Carolina (1996)	318
vs. South Carolina State (1998)	311
vs. Appalachian State (1999)	300

✓ **IVORY PROVIDING SPARK...** When Furman's coaching staff decided to move sophomore Louis Ivory (Fort Valley, Ga.) from fullback to tailback this fall, the aim was to help jump start Furman's lackluster ground game, which finished a disappointing sixth in the Southern Conference last year (185.0 yards/game). The results through five games have been conclusive as the Paladins are averaging a heady 305.4 yards rushing per game and 5.8 yards per rush thanks, in large measure, to Ivory's team leading 619 rushing yards (123.8 ypg) and eight rushing touchdowns (6.5 ypc).

In Saturday's 35-21 dismantling of Appalachian State, Ivory ran like a thoroughbred, totaling 27 carries for a game high 135 yards and two touchdowns while also breaking 13 tackles. His performance against the Mountaineers followed an impressive outing against Western Carolina two weeks ago when he rushed for 150 yards and a pair of scores, including a game clinching 43-yard scoring in the fourth quarter. Ivory ran for a season high 151 yards and a touchdown in the Paladins' 52-6 rout of William & Mary on Sept. 18.

Quickly establishing himself as one of the Southern Conference's top running backs, Ivory appears to be a prime candidate to become Furman's first 1,000-yard rusher since the 1992 season when Carl Tremble ran for 1,555 yards as a senior. A year ago Ivory began the season in fine fashion, working at fullback and rushing for 202 yards and two touchdowns in the Paladins' first two games before ankle injuries slowed his production. He finished the year with 406 yards and four touchdowns (5.1 ypa). He posted a career-best 161-yard, two-touchdown outing as a fullback in the Paladins' 27-19 win over South Carolina State in 1998.

✓ **DES KITCHINGS: PRODUCTION VIA THE RUSH...** For the fourth straight game, Furman senior wide receiver Des Kitchings (Wagener, S.C.) again showcased why he is one of the most versatile players in NCAA I-AA football. In addition to catching four passes for 67 yards and returning two kickoffs for 58 yards in Furman's 35-21 win over Appalachian State, Kitchings ran twice for 20 yards, including a key 18-yard pickup on a reverse on what proved to be Furman's game winning touchdown drive in the third quarter.

Kitchings' performance against Appalachian State followed a fine outing in the Paladins' 27-19 triumph over Western Carolina on Oct. 2. In that contest he burned the Catamounts through the air, catching six passes for 97 yards and a touchdown, and on the ground, rushing four times for 27 yards and for what proved to be the game winning touchdown, a 12-yard burst around left end in the fourth quarter after lining up as a tailback in the Paladin backfield.

Kitchings has now rushed for 191 yards and four touchdowns this season. That work includes an 11-yard touchdown run against VMI (58-0 win), in a game in which he saw only one quarter

of action, and a pair of touchdown runs off reverses covering 51 and 34 yards against William & Mary (52-6 win). In the William & Mary game, Kitchings became the first wide receiver in Furman history to rush for over 100 yards when he ran for 117 yards. Counting a 65-yard scoring run on a reverse last year against The Citadel, Kitchings has now rushed 32 times for 396 yards (12.4 ypc) and five touchdowns in his career.

✓ **DES KITCHINGS: PRODUCTION THROUGH THE AIR...** In registering a career high seven receptions for 105 yards in the Paladins' season opener against Elon on Sept. 4, senior flanker Des Kitchings placed his name on Furman's career receptions and receiving yards charts. The squad's fastest player (4.36 40-yard dash), Kitchings, who caught four passes for 67 yards in Furman's 35-21 win over Appalachian State on Saturday, now has 91 receptions for 1,359 yards in his career. The 91 catches places him in a tie for eighth place on Furman's career receptions ledger, and his 1,359 yards in receptions ranks 10th in school history. Kitchings' eight career touchdown catches ranks eighth all-time.

FURMAN CAREER RECEPTIONS LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	Rec.
1)	Luther Broughton	1993-96	135
2)	Josh Cole	1993-96	119
3)	Chas Fox	1982-85	113
4)	Adrick Harrison	1992-95	111
5)	Tommy Southard	1974-77	103
6)	Byron Trotter	1968-70	98
7)	Donald Lipscomb	1988-91	95
8)	Des Kitchings	1996-	91
9)	Billy Risher	1979-83	87
10)	Jimmy Jordan	1966-68	85
11)	Brette Simmons	1974-78	82
	Damon Bradley	1989-93	82
12)	Robbie Hahn	1966-67	79
13)	Kirk Burnett	1983-86	77
	Stanford Jennings	1989-83	77
	Paul Siffri	1988-91	77
14)	Mike Bartik	1971-73	73

FURMAN CAREER RECEIVING YARDS LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	Yds.
1)	Chas Fox	1982-85	2,158
2)	Donald Lipscomb	1988-91	2,148
3)	Luther Broughton	1993-96	1,659
4)	Josh Cole	1993-96	1,606
5)	Billy Risher	1979-83	1,561
6)	Tommy Southard	1974-77	1,443
7)	Kirk Burnett	1983-86	1,396
8)	Robbie Hahn	1966-67	1,375
9)	Des Kitchings	1996-	1,359
10)	Adrick Harrison	1992-95	1,342
11)	Damon Bradley	1989-93	1,204
12)	Brette Simmons	1974-78	1,197
13)	Jimmy Jordan	1966-68	1,188
14)	Paul Siffri	1988-91	1,160
15)	Jody Wade	1988-91	1,124
16)	Byron Trotter	1968-70	1,112

FURMAN CAREER TD RECEPTION LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	TDs.
1)	Chas Fox	1982-85	28
2)	Billy Risher	1979-83	19
3)	Robbie Hahn	1966-67	16
4)	Jody Wade	1994-97	13
5)	Adrick Harrison	1992-95	11
	Josh Cole	1993-96	11

6)	Paul Siffri	1988-91	10
7)	Donald Lipscomb	1988-91	9
8)	Tommy Southard	1974-77	8
	Kirk Burnett	1983-86	8
	Des Kitchings	1996-	8

✓ **DES KITCHINGS: PRODUCTION ON KICK RETURNS...** After returning a kickoff 93 yards for a touchdown in the Paladins' season opener against Elon, senior Des Kitchings has only had the opportunity to return three kickoffs in the last four games, and two of those (for 58 yards) came Saturday in the Paladins' 35-21 triumph over Appalachian State. Following Kitchings' 93-yard return in the season opener, Elon, William & Mary, VMI, and Western Carolina employed pook and line drive, bouncing kickoffs to deny Kitchings return opportunities. Consequently, through five games Kitchings has posted only four kickoff returns and is not ranked among league leaders due to the lack of returns. His 39.5 yards/return average blows away the current league leader, East Tennessee State's Terrence Sims (27.2 yards/return). Kitchings' sports a fine 27.4 yards/return average on 25 career returns, two of which he has returned for scores.

✓ **WELLS ON THE CHARTS...** Furman senior placekicker Jason Wells (Lawton, Okla.), a pre-season All-Southern Conference selection, is poised to leave his mark on the school's kick scoring and overall scoring charts. Wells' career numbers heading into this Saturday's game against The Citadel include 32x54 FGs (.592) and 122x127 PATs (.960). With 219 career points, he only needs seven points to surpass Mike Wood as Furman's all-time kick scoring leader.

FURMAN CAREER KICK SCORING LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	Points
1)	Mike Wood	1986-89	225
2)	Jason Wells	1996-	219
3)	Keven Esval	1982-85	214
	Jim Richter	1992-95	214
4)	Glen Connally	1988-90	188
5)	Tim Tanguay	1980-82	177

FURMAN CAREER SCORING LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	Points
1)	Carl Tremble	1989-92	300
2)	Stanford Jennings	1980-83	268
3)	Robbie Gardner	1982-86	258
4)	Mike Wood	1986-89	225
5)	Jason Wells	1996-	219
6)	Keven Esval	1982-85	214
	Jim Richer	1992-95	214
7)	Chas Fox	1982-85	198
8)	Mike Glenn	1978-80	192
9)	Glenn Connally	1988-90	188
10)	Tim Tanguay	1980-82	177

✓ **RUSHING THE PASSER...** Two years ago Furman paced the Southern Conference with 32 quarterback sacks, but last year, following the graduation of All-America defensive end Bryan Dailer (17.5 sacks in '97), the Paladins slipped all the way to eighth, with only nine takedowns. With seven sacks in the first five games, Furman is only two shy of matching last year's sack total with six regular season games remaining on the schedule.

✓ **SPERLING GAINS FIRST START...True**

Freshman defensive tackle LeBryan Sperling (Decatur, Ga.) gained the first start of his career Saturday in the Paladins' 35-21 win over Appalachian State. Sperling, who recorded one tackle in the win over the Mountaineers, has 10 tackles, two tackles-for-loss, and two sacks through five games.

✓ **MORE FRESHMAN IMPACT ON DL...** Although he was scratched from the starting lineup against Appalachian State after injuring his shoulder in Furman's 27-19 win over Western Carolina two weeks ago, true freshman rush end Eddie Overdyke (Lilburn, Ga.) still registered a pair of tackles and a tackle-for-loss in the win over the Mountaineers. Overdyke, who in all has earned starts in three games, heads into this Saturday's contest against The Citadel with 14 tackles, two tackles-for-loss, and a sack.

✓ **NOTING OTHER PALADIN FRESHMEN...** Redshirt freshman quarterback Billy Napier (Chatsworth, Ga.) has been impressive in two appearances thus far this season. In his first game action as a Paladin, Napier rushed three times for 19 yards, including a 15-yard scoring run, in the Paladins' 52-6 rout of William & Mary. The next week Napier put together another impressive outing by completing 8-of-13 passes for 108 yards and rushing for 28 yards on nine carries in three quarters of play in the Paladins' 58-0 rout of VMI. For his play against VMI, Napier was named Southern Conference Freshman-of-the-Week. Freshman split end James Thomas (Marianna, Fla.) has registered quality playing time in Furman's wide receiver corps this fall and has two catches for 31 yards in five games.

✓ **DEREK RUSSELL: TD MAN...** Junior fullback Derek Russell (Austell, Ga.) ranks as Furman's fifth leading rusher through five games, but his six rushing touchdowns trails only tailback Louis Ivory's team leading eight rushing scores.

✓ **HOLDING ON TO THE FOOTBALL...** Furman has suffered only two turnovers (1 fumble, 1 interception) in its last four games (16 quarters), and the Paladins currently rank second in the Southern Conference in turnover margin (+1.80), with 14 turnovers gained and five lost.

✓ **KEEPING THE FLAGS IN THE POCKET...** Furman is the least penalized team in the Southern Conference heading into this Saturday's game against The Citadel. Through five games, the Paladins have been penalized 26 times for 202 yards. The Citadel is the second least penalized team in the league (29 penalties, 219 yards).

✓ **HOLMES RETURNS...** Sophomore nose guard Jarrod Holmes (Powder Springs, Ga.) saw his first action as a Paladin Saturday against Appalachian State after missing almost the entire pre-season and the Paladins' first four games due to a hamstring tear sustained over the summer. A transfer from SMU, Holmes is now penciled in as a backup to starting nose guard Ryan Spencer (Clover, S.C.), who has registered 13 tackles in five games.

✓ **MARION MARTIN: ATHLETIC, ACADEMIC STAR...** Starting weak side linebacker Marion Martin (Columbia, S.C.) is an outstanding stu-

dent on Furman's football team who is contributing in a major way on the field. In five starts, Martin has tallied 24 tackles and three pass deflections, including one on a bone crushing hit on William & Mary wide receiver Chris Rosier. In Furman's 27-19 win over Western Carolina, Martin recorded five tackles and had two pass deflections. A chemistry major, Martin sports a 3.89 GPA and this summer teamed up with university professor Dr. Lon Knight in pioneer chemistry research known as "Mass Selected Matrix Isolation."

✓ **REMARKABLE STUART RENTZ...** In rushing for 144 yards and a pair of touchdowns in Furman's 58-0 rout of VMI, senior tailback Stuart Rentz (Pickens, S.C.) posted the fifth 100-yard rushing performance of his career, which now includes two 100-yard outings against VMI. Rentz's solid work against the Keydets featured a career long touchdown run covering 55 yards. Holder of a 3.90 GPA and a double major in Spanish and history, Rentz has now rushed for 1,259 yards and 10 touchdowns in his career and has averaged 6.2 yards per carry. As a freshman in 1996, Rentz, a walk-on and three-time member of the Southern Conference Academic Honor Roll, posted two 100-yard rushing performances, including a 125-yard effort in a 45-30 win over Western Carolina.

✓ **BUSSARD, FRIERSON OUT FOR SEASON...** Nose guard/defensive tackle Ryan Bussard (Marietta, Ga.) and linebacker Sterling Frierson (Woodrow, S.C.), both redshirt freshmen, will miss the remainder of the 1999 season due to injuries, according to head athletic trainer Brian Reese. The culprit in Bussard's case is slow rehabilitation associated with a posterior cartilage tear in his left shoulder, a problem that will likely require surgery. Frierson, meanwhile, will soon undergo surgery to repair a torn anterior cruciate knee ligament sustained in the Paladins' 27-19 win over Western Carolina on Oct. 2.

✓ **ONE FOR THE RECORD BOOKS...** Furman's recent 58-0 win over VMI on Sept. 25 forced some research into the school's football record book, and the notable team milestones achieved by the Paladins include:

✎ The 58-0 victory over VMI marked the biggest Southern Conference win (margin of victory) in Furman football history. The previous biggest margin had been 49 points, which Furman posted in shutouts of VMI (49-0) and Appalachian State (49-0) in 1983.

✎ Furman reached the 50-point plateau for a second straight game, a feat that had never before been accomplished in the history of Furman football (94 seasons, 889 games).

✎ The 58 points were the most ever scored by a Bobby Johnson-coached Furman team and the most by the Paladins since the 1989 season when Furman tallied 59 points in a 59-17 win over Presbyterian. The 58 points were the most scored against a Southern Conference opponent since 1987 when Furman defeated The Citadel 58-13 in Charleston.

✎ Furman's 110 points in wins over William &

Mary and VMI marked the second highest consecutive games points total in program history, trailing only the 111 points Furman posted in back-to-back wins during the 1920 season (42-3 win over Oglethorpe and 69-0 win over Wofford).

✎ The shutout was the first by Furman since the Paladins blanked Wofford 38-0 during the 1995 season.

✎ Furman's 546-yard offensive performance against VMI marked its second straight 500-yard outing (542 vs. William & Mary, Sept. 18). Prior to the William & Mary and VMI games, Furman had last posted back-to-back 500-yard offensive performances during the 1990 season when the Paladins rolled up 565 yards in a 30-17 win over The Citadel and 586 yards in a 45-17 thrashing of Eastern Kentucky.

✎ VMI's four first downs tied a Furman opponent record (shared by four other teams) for fewest first downs in a game. The Keydets didn't post their first first down until the third quarter.

✓ **FURMAN INDUCTS 10 INTO HALL-OF-FAME SEPT. 25...** Former football standouts Bruce Gheesling '82 of Covington, Ga., David Charpia '84 of Greenville, and Gene Reeder '86 of Woodruff were among 10 greats who were inducted into the Furman University Athletic Hall-of-Fame in ceremonies Sept. 25. Also inducted were Ruchia Brown '94 (women's basketball), Bill Dimitrouleas '73 (track & field), Cathy Frohnheiser '94 (softball), Russ Hunt '73 (men's basketball), Janey Strause-McKenna '87 (women's tennis), and Forrest Wakefield '36 (honorary).

✓ **BOBBY JOHNSON: YEAR SIX...** The 1999 season marks Furman head coach Bobby Johnson's sixth year at the helm of the Paladin program and 22nd season of service to the university. After suffering through a 3-8 season in 1994 (the program's first losing season since 1979 and worst record since 1972), Furman rebounded in 1995 to finish 6-5. A year later Johnson, a Columbia native and 1973 Clemson graduate, directed the Paladins to a 9-4 record and into the NCAA I-AA playoffs — the program's first playoff appearance since 1990. Furman went 7-4 in 1997 and 5-6 a year ago. Johnson's four-year head coaching record is 34-28 (.548), and his last four teams have combined to post a 31-20 slate (.608). Against NCAA I-AA competition, Furman teams under Johnson's direction have gone 34-24 (.586). Johnson's 22-year tenure includes work as defensive backs coach, assistant head coach, defensive coordinator, and head coach. The Paladins' record during that span (1976-80; 82-92; 94-present) is 166-81-7 (.667).

FURMAN INJURY REPORT

DT Ryan Bussard (shoulder) -- out for season
LB Sterling Frierson (knee) -- out for season

FURMAN PALADINS VS. THE CITADEL BULLDOGS DEPTH CHART

FURMAN OFFENSE (Multiple I)

FLK	4	DES KITCHINGS	(5-10, 177, Sr.)
	1	Bryant Huguley	(5-7, 151, Jr.)
LT	71	DONNIE LITTLEJOHN	(6-3, 266, So.)
	74	Steven Cain	(6-5, 278, R-Fr.)
LG	75	MARTY PRIORE	(6-1, 272, So.)
	56	Trevor Kruger	(6-2, 289, R-Fr.)
C	54	CHRIS STEWART	(5-11, 280, So.)
	65	Tye Crews	(6-2, 265, So.)
RG	59	BEN HALL	(6-4, 285, Sr.)
	62	Justin Price	(6-5, 275, R-Fr.)
RT	77	JOSH MOORE	(6-5, 293, Jr.)
	60	Ryan Kineard	(6-3, 265, Sr.)
TE	89	TRENT SANSBURY	(6-2, 236, So.)
	84	Graham Hunter	(6-3, 252, So.)
SE	33	ZACH SMERDZINSKI	(5-9, 183, Jr.)
	3	James Thomas	(5-10, 180, R-Fr.)
QB	15	JUSTIN HILL	(5-11, 191, Jr.)
	19	Billy Napier	(6-3, 200, R-Fr.)
FB	23	DEREK RUSSELL	(5-11, 222, Jr.)
	40	Adam Sanders	(5-10, 212, Jr.)
TB	34	LOUIS IVORY	(5-8, 193, So.)
	21	Stuart Rentz	(5-8, 190, Sr.)

FURMAN DEFENSE (43)

RUE	47	EDDIE OVERDYKE	(6-2, 224, Fr.)
	55	Bobby Hubbard	(6-3, 229, Sr.)
ST	98	LEBRYAN SPERLING	(6-3, 252, Fr.)
	64	Steve DeBeer	(6-5, 281, So.)
NG	78	RYAN SPENCER	(6-3, 291, So.)
	90	Jarrod Holmes	(6-2, 267, So.)
WT	97	STEVE KUPCHINSKY	(6-4, 269, Jr.)
	48	Brian Conner	(6-2, 245, Sr.)
SLB	9	JOHN THRIFT	(6-0, 214, So.)
	41	Andrew Knight	(6-0, 211, Fr.)
MLB	20	WILL BOUTON	(6-2, 225, So.)
	46	Steve Wall	(5-10, 231, So.)
WLB	12	MARION MARTIN	(5-9, 217, Jr.)
	11	Brad Redmond	(6-0, 202, So.)
LCB	8	RICHIE JACKSON	(6-0, 178, So.)
	17	Chris Lowery	(5-9, 175, R-Fr.)
RCB	25	RODNEY JOHNSON	(5-9, 170, So.)
	31	Andre Stroman	(5-8, 180, Jr.)
SS	24	WALTER BOOTH	(5-10, 190, Sr.)
	38	Shelvis Smith	(6-1, 202, So.)
FS	10	JOHN KEITH	(6-0, 204, Sr.)
	2	Josh Cooper	(5-11, 184, So.)

FURMAN SPECIALISTS

PK	16	JASON WELLS	(6-2, 210, Sr.)
KO	16	JASON WELLS	(6-2, 210, Sr.)
P	80	LEE WILLIS	(5-11, 157, So.)
SSN	61	BRAD BYARS	(6-1, 247, R-Fr.)
LSN	65	TYE CREWS	(6-2, 265, So.)
H	13	BRENT SCOGGINS	(6-0, 201, So.)
KOR	4	DESMOND KITCHINGS	(5-10, 177, Sr.)
PR	33	ZACH SMERDZINSKI	(5-9, 183, Jr.)

THE CITADEL OFFENSE (Multiple I)

WR	6	CARLOS FRANK	(5-9, 170, Sr.)
	22	Matt Healy	(6-1, 170, Fr.)
TE	88	JASON BARLEY	(6-3, 240, Jr.)
	87	Benton Ballenger	(6-1, 230, Jr.)
RT	69	HARRY MILES	(6-3, 280, Jr.)
	63	Chad Boozer	(6-1, 265, Fr.)
RG	66	OMAR NESBIT	(6-1, 285, So.)
	64	Horace Stephenson	(6-3, 260, Fr.)
C	52	CHIP SIMMONS	(6-0, 260, Sr.)
	53	Jonathan Gess	(5-11, 250, So.)
LG	62	COREY WHITE	(6-2, 250, Fr.)
	72	Chad Pitts	(6-2, 240, So.)
LT	79	QUENTIN ARMSTRONG	(6-2, 285, Fr.)
	72	Lewis Dawson	(6-6, 320, Fr.)
WR	7	DENDRICK GAMBLE	(5-10, 180, Jr.)
	18	Stan Hollingsworth	(6-3, 190, So.)
QB	3	CHRIS ECKERT	(6-0, 195, So.)
	16	Drew Johnson	(6-0, 180, Fr.)
FB	33	MAURICE MURPHY	(5-10, 220, So.)
	49	Thomas Gibbs	(5-11, 210, Jr.)
TB	28	Kenyon Doyle	(5-10, 160, Fr.)
	32	Nate Mahoney	(5-11, 190, Fr.)

THE CITADEL DEFENSE (4-3)

DE	96	MICHAEL FENNELLY	(6-3, 230, Sr.)
	95	Keele Goodwin	(6-1, 240, So.)
DT	78	MARIO RICHARDSON	(6-2, 295, Jr.)
	92	Pete Waechter	(6-5, 255, Jr.)
DT	59	TRAVIS CUNNINGHAM	(6-1, 280, So.)
	67	Aaron Capps	(6-2, 240, So.)
DE	90	JEFF JOHNSON	(6-2, 235, So.)
	97	Omar Baker	(6-3, 245, Fr.)
LB	58	DEAN KELLEY	(6-1, 225, Sr.)
	42	Quinn Ferrall	(6-0, 215, So.)
LB	40	DENNY HAYWOOD	(6-2, 235, Jr.)
	55	Travis Stephens	(6-0, 225, So.)
LB	47	BRIAN SMITH	(6-2, 230, Jr.)
	43	Britt Gardner	(6-0, 215, Jr.)
CB	2	CHRIS WEBB	(5-10, 190, Sr.)
	17	Charles Watson	(5-8, 165, Fr.)
FS	29	MATT HAM	(5-11, 180, Fr.)
	24	Marcus Carter	(6-1, 180, Fr.)
SS	20	KEVIN HOWARD	(5-10, 175, So.)
	27	Benardo Richardson	(6-0, 180, Fr.)
CB	1	JAY INGRAM	(5-7, 165, Jr.)
	26	James Breaker	(5-11, 190, Fr.)

THE CITADEL SPECIAL TEAMS

PK	30	NICK HAAS	(5-9, 165, So.)
KO	82	TOMMY WOOD	(6-3, 175, Jr.)
P	13	STAN MCGILL	(5-10, 165, Sr.)
SSN	60	LINDSEY LYERLY	(5-10, 215, Jr.)
LSN	60	LINDSEY LYERLY	(5-10, 215, Jr.)
H	13	STAN MCGILL	(5-10, 165, Sr.)
KOR	6	CARLOS FRANK	(5-9, 170, Sr.)
PR	6	CARLOS FRANK	(5-9, 170, Sr.)

ELON 24, FURMAN 22

GREENVILLE (Sept. 4, 1999) — The NCAA I-AA independent Elon Fightin' Christians built a two-touchdown lead and held off a second half Furman rally to post a 24-22 upset win over the Paladins in the 1999 season opener for both teams.

Trailing 24-10, Furman sliced Elon's lead to 24-16 following a 1-yard touchdown plunge by fullback Derek Russell with 1:38 left in the third quarter.

Furman struck for another touchdown on the final play of the third quarter when junior defensive end Hershhal Pleasant scooped up an Elon fumble and returned it 30 yards for a score, but the Paladins' failure to convert a two-point pass play allowed Elon to maintain a 24-22 lead.

The Fightin' Christians' margin appeared to be in jeopardy in the fourth quarter when Furman drove 62 yards in six plays, but the scoring opportunity slipped away when Jerome Nelson pounced on a fumbled Paladin handoff at the Elon 11.

Furman had two other chances to grab a fourth quarter lead, but one ended with a punt from the Elon 38, and the other one, which followed a second Fightin' Christian fumble at its own 29-yard line, ended when Jason Wells missed a 36-yard field goal with only 38 seconds left in the game.

FURMAN	0	10	12	0	—	22
ELON	7	14	3	0	—	24

- E — Travis Whitaker 3 pass from Derrick Moore (Jim Willis kick) 4:40-1Q
- F — Jason Wells 22 FG 14:57-2Q
- E — Derrick Moore 2 run (Jim Willis kick) 5:33-2Q
- F — Des Kitchings 93 kickoff return (Jason Wells kick) 5:15-2Q
- E — Steven Ferguson 22 run (Jim Willis kick) 0:13-2Q
- E — Jim Willis 22 FG 5:14-3Q
- F — Derek Russell 1 run (Jason Wells kick) 1:38-3Q
- F — Hershhal Pleasant 30 fumble return (pass failed) 0:00-3Q

Rushing: F — Ivory 18-98, Russell 2-17, Hill 9-14, Kitchings 1-14, Rentz 2-11, Scoggins 1-(-10). E — Ferguson 11-82, Moore 13-74, Thomas 14-54, Bethea 13-50, Jones 2-9, Stevens 5-(-5).

Passing: F — Hill 9-15-2-116. E — Moore 2-4-0-13, Stevens 1-3-0-25, Gilchrist 0-1-0-0.

Receiving: F — Kitchings 7-105, Smerdzinski 1-6, Rentz 1-5. E — Johnson 1-25, Broadie 1-10, Whitaker 1-3.

	F	ELON
First Downs	15	18
Rushing	39-144	58-264
Passing	116	38
C/A/I	9-15-2	3-8-0
Total Offense	260	302
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-2
Penalties	4-40	5-42
Punts	2-29.5	5-38.0
Possession Time	27:40	32:20
Third Down Conversions	2-11	8-16
Sacks By	2	1

FURMAN 52, WILLIAM & MARY 6

WILLIAMSBURG (Sept. 18, 1999) — Turning to an old friend, the triple option, Furman rolled up 509 yards rushing and scored on its first four possessions of the game on the way to a 52-6 rout of William & Mary at Zable Stadium.

In claiming the first win by a Southern Conference team in Williamsburg since 1980 and handing William & Mary its worst home loss since 1958, Furman posted the second best single game rushing mark in school history, trailing only the 521 rushing yards the Paladins rolled up in a 55-7 win over Davidson in 1984.

Tailback Louis Ivory spearheaded Furman's potent ground game, rushing for 151 yards and a touchdown, and flanker Des Kitchings added 117 yards and two touchdowns — both on reverses — to become the first Furman wide receiver in history to rush for over 100 yards in a game. Quarterback Justin Hill added 94 yards on the ground and a touchdown run covering 11 yards.

Furman, which built a 24-6 halftime lead, put the game away with a 35-yard touchdown run by Ivory in the third period, and added three more scores in the fourth quarter, including one by redshirt freshman quarterback Billy Napier, who registered his first collegiate action.

The loss was the worst home defeat suffered by William & Mary since the Tribe's 55-6 loss to West Virginia during the 1958 season.

FURMAN	21	3	7	21	—	52
WILLIAM & MARY	3	3	0	0	—	6

- F — Derek Russell 14 run (Jason Wells kick) 12:05-1Q
- F — Justin Hill 11 run (Jason Wells kick) 7:44-1Q
- WM — Brett Sterba 40 FG 2:05-1Q
- F — Des Kitchings 51 run (Jason Wells kick) 1:42-1Q
- F — Jason Wells 26 FG 9:38-2Q
- WM — Brett Sterba 23 FG 0:00-2Q
- F — Louis Ivory 35 run (Jason Wells kick) 5:23-3Q
- F — Des Kitchings 34 run (Jason Wells kick) 13:43-4Q
- F — Billy Napier 15 run (Jason Wells kick) 11:52-4Q
- F — Derek Russell 3 run (Jason Wells kick) 4:28-4Q

Rushing: F — Ivory 17-151, Kitchings 5-117, Hill 13-94, Sanders 3-57, Rentz 7-43, Russell 6-28, Napier 3-19. WM — Corley 6-53, Ali 12-46, Lonergan 10-45, Nesmith 6-27, Pope 5-17, Kushin 1-4, Carty 2-1.

Passing: F — Hill 2-9-0-24, Napier 1-1-0-9. WM — Corley 16-29-1-176, Pope 2-3-0-15, Carty 2-2-0-23.

Receiving: F — Sansbury 1-12, Kitchings 1-12, Rinehart 1-9. WM — Conklin 6-73, Leach 3-46, Rosier 3-45, DiNunzio 2-22, Osborne 2-15, Lonergan 2-4, Cameron 1-9, Ali 1-0.

	F	W&M
First Downs	27	21
Rushing	54-509	42-193
Passing	33	214
C/A/I	3-10-0	20-34-1
Total Offense	542	407
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	3-2
Penalties	7-45	7-89
Punts	2-35.5	3-35.7
Possession Time	28:58	31:02
Third Down Conversions	5-10	6-15
Sacks By	3	0

FURMAN 58, VMI 0

GREENVILLE (Sept. 25, 1999) — Posting its second straight 50-point, 500-yard offensive performance, Furman scorched the scoreboard for 27 first quarter points and played virtually everybody in uniform on the way to a 58-0 rout of VMI in front of 11,212 fans at Paladin Stadium.

In earning its 18th-straight win over VMI and claiming the shutout, the program's first since a 38-0 blanking of Wofford in 1995, Furman posted back-to-back 50-point performances for the first time in school history and scored more points in two games than any other Furman team since 1920. The Paladins downed William & Mary 52-6 on Sept. 18.

Leading the offensive barrage was sophomore tailback Louis Ivory, who rushed six times for 85 yards and scored three touchdowns covering 25, 42, and 6 yards in the game's first quarter. Ivory, whose night included only one quarter of work, gave way to senior Stuart Rentz, who led all rushers with 144 yards on 17 carries. Rentz also scored two touchdowns, including a career best 55-yarder, to further spark a Paladin ground game that posted 381 yards and eight touchdowns. Redshirt freshman quarterback Billy Napier also benefitted from Furman's early outburst, as he directed the Paladin offense over the final three quarters, completing 8-of-13 passes for 108 yards while adding 28 more on the ground.

Furman limited VMI to only four first downs and 103 total yards.

FURMAN	27	10	7	14	—	58
VMI	0	0	0	0	—	0

- F — Louis Ivory 25 run (Jason Wells kick) 10:13-1Q
- F — Louis Ivory 42 run (Jason Wells kick) 7:40-1Q
- F — Des Kitchings 11 run (Jason Wells kick) 6:12-1Q
- F — Louis Ivory 6 run (run failed) 1:40-1Q
- F — Stuart Rentz 3 run (Jason Wells kick) 9:41-2Q
- F — Jason Wells 23 FG 0:00-2Q
- F — Derek Russell 1 run (Jason Wells kick) 9:46-3Q
- F — Stuart Rentz 55 run (Jason Wells kick) 6:41-4Q
- F — Derek Russell 6 run (Jason Wells kick) 2:02-4Q

Rushing: F — Rentz 17-144, Ivory 6-85, Hill 6-55, Napier 9-28, Russell 6-27, Burton 2-22, Kitchings 2-13, Sanders 3-12, Huguley 1-(-5). VMI — Parker 11-23, Gibson 11-17, Ratchford 3-15, Frost 6-13, White 2-10, Jackson 1-4, Chenault 2-3, Sollomon 1-(-5).

Passing: F — Napier 8-13-0-108, Hill 5-9-0-57. VMI Gibson 4-7-0-23.

Receiving: F — Smerdzinski 4-60, Kitchings 3-28, Thomas 2-31, Huguley 2-21, Rinehart 1-14, Rucker 1-11. VMI — Parker 2-10, Yarbough 1-10, Alley 1-3.

	F	VMI
First Downs	25	4
Rushing	52-381	37-80
Passing	165	23
C/A/I	13-22-0	4-7-0
Total Offense	546	103
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	3-2
Penalties	5-41	6-54
Punts	1-33.0	8-40.9
Possession Time	33:49	26:11
Third Down Conversions	7-14	4-15
Sacks By	1	0

FURMAN 27, W. CAROLINA 19

CULLOWHEE (Oct. 2, 1999)—Sophomore tailback Louis Ivory rushed for a game high 150 yards and sparked a second half Paladin comeback with a pair of touchdowns to lead Furman to a 27-19 Southern Conference win over Western Carolina in front of 11,818 fans at E.J. Whitmire Stadium.

Limited to just 42 first half yards and with the Paladins trailing 13-7, Ivory spiced a 108-yard second half effort with a 1-yard touchdown run midway through the third quarter to give Furman a 14-13 lead. With the Paladins holding a tenuous 20-19 fourth quarter advantage, the Fort Valley, Ga., product registered the game's biggest play when, on a third-and-17 play, he bolted up the middle on the way to a 43-yard touchdown run with 2:28 left.

Furman's defense then choked off Western Carolina's last possession when senior strong safety Walter Booth stepped in front of Western Carolina pass, which he returned 17 yards to the Catamount 25.

Held to only 115 total yards in the first half, Furman's offense put together a pair of second half scoring drives covering 75 and 76 yards to seize control of the contest, which also featured a pair of scores by senior wide receiver Des Kitchings, whose performance included a 39-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Justin Hill and a 12-yard scoring run, his fourth rushing touchdown of the season.

Western Carolina was paced by Brad Hoover's 132 rushing yards, but the Catamount quarterback Shawn Snyder was picked off four times, including two by Paladin senior free safety John Keith, the Southern Conference pre-season defensive player-of-the-year.

FURMAN	7	0	7	13	—	27
W. CAROLINA	0	13	6	0	—	19

- F — Des Kitchings 39 pass from Justin Hill (Jason Wells kick) 0:13-1Q
- W — Josh Jones 21 FG 10:59-2Q
- W — Michael Banks 38 blocked punt return (David Hill kick) 5:22-2Q
- W — Josh Jones 44 FG 0:09-2Q
- F — Louis Ivory 1 run (Jason Wells kick) 7:44-3Q
- W — Brad Hoover 1 run (pass failed) 5:02-3Q
- F — Des Kitchings 12 run (pass failed) 5:43-4Q
- F — Louis Ivory 43 run (Jason Wells kick) 2:28-4Q

Rushing: F — Ivory 27-150, Kitchings 4-27, Rentz 1-10, Sanders 3-8, Russell 2-4, Hill 17-(-6). W — Hoover 25-132, Hooks 4-22, Gary 2-5, Snyder 4-(-1), Hill 1-(-9).

Passing: F — Hill 13-20-0-134. W — Snyder 17-34-4-240.

Receiving: F — Kitchings 6-97, Smerdzinski 4-29, Ivory 2-2, Hunter 1-6. W — Williams 7-92, Hoover 4-31, Carter 1-34, Tegeder 1-9, Hooks 1-6.

	F	W
First Downs	21	25
Rushing	54-193	36-149
Passing	134	240
C/A/I	13-20-0	17-34-4
Total Offense	327	389
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties	3-27	9-92
Punts	4-33.8	2-35.0
Possession Time	33:01	25:47
Third Down Conversions	8-17	7-12
Sacks By	1	1

FURMAN 35, APPALACHIAN ST. 21

GREENVILLE (Oct. 9, 1999) — Tailback Louis Ivory rushed for 135 yards and two touchdowns and strong safety Walter Booth tied a school record with three interceptions to lead Furman to a 35-21 upset win over nationally third-ranked Appalachian State in front of 13,052 fans at Paladin Stadium.

The victory, the Paladins' fourth straight, marked Furman's third win in its last four games against Appalachian State, the highest ranked opponent Furman has defeated since 1993, when the Paladins rolled up second-ranked Marshall 17-3 in Greenville.

With Furman holding a 7-0 lead, Ivory tallied his first score on a 16-yard run at the 5:48 mark of the first quarter to put the Paladins ahead 14-0. Later, in the second period, Ivory completed a 13-play, 79-yard drive with a 2-yard touchdown plunge to put Furman ahead 21-7.

The Paladins took control of the contest in the third period with a pair of scores, including a 3-yard scoring run by fullback Derek Russell and a 1-yard sneak by quarterback Justin Hill to make it a 35-14 game. Appalachian State accounted for the game's final points with a touchdown with only 0:13 remaining.

Furman's offense proved to be too tough for the Mountaineers as the Paladins rolled up 300 yards on the ground while controlling the football for 38:28 against the Southern Conference's top rushing defense.

FURMAN	14	7	14	0	—	35
APPALACHIAN ST.	0	14	0	7	—	21

- F — Marty Priore 1 run (Jason Wells kick) 11:18-1Q
- F — Louis Ivory 16 run (Jason Wells kick) 5:48-2Q
- A — Neil Cornatzer fumble recovery in end zone (Stuart Jones kick) 14:53-2Q
- F — Louis Ivory 3 run (Jason Wells kick) 7:36-2Q
- A — Karim Razzak 3 run (Stuart Jones kick) 6:19-2Q
- F — Derek Russell 3 run (Jason Wells kick) 11:49-3Q
- F — Justin Hill 1 run (Jason Wells kick) 9:17-3Q
- A — Daryl Skinner 2 pass from Joe Burchette (Stuart Jones kick) 0:13-4Q

Rushing: F — Ivory 27-135, Hill 16-76, Russell 13-45, Kitchings 2-20, Rentz 4-18, Sanders 1-5, Priore 0-1. A — Jeremiah 11-82, Razzak 11-58, Cornatzer 3-11, Reaves 3-9, Albea 4-8, Burchette 1-2.

Passing: F — Hill 7-12-1-97. A — Reaves 7-19-2-93, Jeremiah 10-17-1-85.

Receiving: F — Kitchings 4-67, Smerdzinski 2-25, Sansbury 1-5. A — Razzak 5-53, Skinner 5-50, Albea 3-16, Wilcox 2-35, Slade 2-23, Jeremiah 1-5, Cornatzer 1-3.

	F	A
First Downs	22	22
Rushing	63-300	33-170
Passing	97	185
C/A/I	7-12-1	19-38-3
Total Offense	397	355
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	1-0
Penalties	7-49	1-5
Punts	6-37.3	4-40.8
Possession Time	38:28	21:22
Third Down Conversions	9-17	6-12
Sacks By	0	2