



Game 7 — October 23, 1999

Furman Paladins (5-1; 4-0 SoCon) vs. East Tennessee State Buccaneers (5-1; 3-1 SoCon)

Greenville, South Carolina, Paladin Stadium (16,000) — Natural Grass

2:00 P.M. Kickoff (EDT) — Homecoming

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### THE GAME

Winners of five straight and all alone atop the Southern Conference standings, Furman (5-1, 4-0 SoCon) returns home to face league title contender East Tennessee State (5-1, 3-1 SoCon) in a key conference matchup for both teams. Furman is coming off a 31-17 triumph over arch-rival The Citadel, and East Tennessee State enters Saturday's contest following a 24-12 non-conference win over Liberty this past weekend. Saturday's game will highlight Homecoming Weekend at Furman University.

### THE SERIES

In a series that got its start in 1957, Furman holds a 19-6 advantage over East Tennessee State, but the Paladins enter Saturday's contest having lost three straight to the Buccaneers, including a 22-19 double overtime decision last year in Johnson City. The Buccaneers rolled up Furman 58-28 two years ago in Greenville. In all games played in Greenville, Furman has posted an 11-2 record versus East Tennessee State. In Johnson City, the Paladins sport an 8-4 advantage.

1957	W	13-7	GREENVILLE
1973	W	40-21	GREENVILLE
1974	L	13-24	Johnson City
1977	W	42-12	GREENVILLE
1978	W	35-14	Johnson City
1979	L	24-28	GREENVILLE
1980	W	33-21	Johnson City
1981	W	21-0	GREENVILLE
1982	W	20-15	Johnson City
1983	W	28-7	GREENVILLE
1984	W	28-16	Johnson City
1985	W	35-31	GREENVILLE
1986	L	13-25	Johnson City
1987	W	24-13	GREENVILLE
1988	W	31-14	Johnson City
1989	W	44-20	GREENVILLE
1990	W	29-13	Johnson City
1991	W	52-23	GREENVILLE
1992	W	45-14	Johnson City
1993	W	45-21	GREENVILLE
1994	W	33-21	Johnson City
1995	W	21-15	GREENVILLE
1996	L	19-21	Johnson City
1997	L	28-58	GREENVILLE
1998	L	19-22	Johnson City

**In Greenville:** Furman leads 11-2  
**In Johnson City:** Furman leads 8-4

### THE COACHES

Furman: Bobby Johnson (Clemson '73)  
35-28-0 (.555), 6th Year at Furman  
35-28-0 (.555), 6th Year Overall  
Johnson vs. East Tennessee State (2-3)

E. Tenn. St.: Paul Hamilton (Appalachian State '81)  
16-12 (.571), 3rd Year at The Citadel  
16-12 (.571), 3rd Year Overall  
Hamilton vs. Furman (2-0)

### THE OFFENSES

Furman: Multiple I  
'99 Points/Game — 37.5  
'99 Yards/Game — 397.2  
289.3 Rushing  
107.8 Passing

East Tennessee State: Multiple I  
'99 Points/Game — 32.7  
'99 Yards/Game — 404.7  
230.2 Rushing  
174.5 Passing

### THE DEFENSES

Furman: 43  
'99 Points/Game — 14.5  
'99 Yards/Game — 309.0  
185.5 Rushing  
123.5 Passing

East Tennessee State: 43  
'99 Points/Game — 12.0  
'99 Yards/Game — 258.7  
120.7 Rushing  
138.0 Passing

### 1999 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Furman (5-1, 4-0 SoCon)  
Sept. 4 Elon 24, @ Furman 22  
Sept. 18 Furman 52, @ William & Mary 6  
Sept. 25 @ Furman 58, VMI 0  
Oct. 2 Furman 27, @ Western Carolina 19  
Oct. 9 @ Furman 35, Appalachian State 21  
Oct. 16 Furman 31, @ The Citadel 17  
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

East Tennessee State (5-1, 3-1 SoCon)  
Sept. 2 @ E. Tenn. St. 28, The Citadel 10  
Sept. 11 @ E. Tenn. St. 61, W. Virginia Tech 0  
Sept. 18 E. Tenn. St. 26, @ VMI 17  
Sept. 25 @ E. Tenn. St. 38, Western Carolina 10  
Oct. 2 @ Appalachian State 23, E. Tenn. St. 19  
Oct. 16 @ E. Tenn. St. 24, Liberty 12  
Oct. 23 @ Furman, 2:00  
Oct. 30 GEORGIA SOUTHERN  
Nov. 6 @ Wofford  
Nov. 13 CHATTANOOGA  
Nov. 20 @ Middle Tennessee State

### 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
Furman	4 0	5 1
Georgia Southern	4 1	5 2
East Tennessee State	3 1	5 1
Appalachian State	3 1	4 2
Wofford	3 1	4 2
Chattanooga	1 2	3 3
The Citadel	0 3	1 5
Western Carolina	0 4	1 5
VMI	0 5	1 6

### October 16

@ Appalachian State 17, Georgia Southern 16  
Chattanooga 27, @ VMI 0  
Furman 31 @ The Citadel 17  
@ East Tennessee State 24, Liberty 12  
Wofford 35, @ Western Carolina 21

### October 23

The Citadel @ Georgia Southern, 1:00  
William & Mary @ VMI, 1:00  
Appalachian State @ Wofford, 1:30  
East Tennessee State @ Furman, 2:00  
Western Carolina @ Chattanooga, 7:00

### 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)

### 1999 FURMAN PALADINS REGULAR SEASON HONORS

Southern Conference Player-of-the-Week  
LB Will Bouton (Def. vs. William & Mary)  
QB Billy Napier (Fr. vs. William & Mary)  
FS John Keith (Def. vs. Western Carolina)  
TB Louis Ivory (Off. vs. Appalachian State)  
SS Walter Booth (Def. vs. Appalachian State)

ESPN/USA Today National Player-of-the-Week  
SS Walter Booth (Def. vs. Appalachian State)

## FURMAN-EAST TENNESSEE ST. LAST MEETING

JOHNSON CITY (Oct. 24, 1998) — East Tennessee State's Jerry Chapman kicked three field goals, including the game winning 28-yarder in second overtime, to lead the Buccaneers to a 22-19 win and third straight victory over Furman in front of 6,569 fans at Memorial Center.

Chapman's field goal in the second overtime period, which put East Tennessee State ahead 22-19, proved decisive after Buccaneer defensive back Keyandre Fenn ended the game by intercepting a pass by Furman quarterback Brent Rickman on the Paladins' second overtime possession. Chapman and Furman placekicker Jason Wells, who booted a career high four field goals, had connected on field goals in the first overtime period to send the contest into double overtime.

Furman, which led 13-9 at halftime on the strength of a pair of Wells field goals covering 41 and 46 yards, and an 8-yard touchdown run by Stuart Rentz, extended its lead to 16-9 on a 22-yard field goal by Wells at the 13:57 mark of the fourth quarter.

Furman, however, blew a chance to put the game away when, after Hershale Pleasant recovered a fumble at the East Tennessee State 16 with 7:25 left, the Paladins moved to the Buccaneer 5, but quarterback Brent Rickman was sacked on successive plays, and Wells missed a 39-yard field goal.

Taking over with 3:58 left in regulation, East Tennessee State put together an 11-play, 78-yard drive for the game tying touchdown on a 2-yard run by Brian Edwards with only 0:24 left on the clock. Edwards' game tying score followed a critical fourth down pass interference call on Furman at the goal line.

<b>FURMAN</b>	6	7	0	3	3	0	—	19
<b>E. TENN. ST.</b>	0	9	0	7	3	3	—	22

- F — Jason Wells 41 FG 10:08-1Q
- F — Jason Wells 46 FG 2:42-1Q
- ET — Jerry Chapman 28 FG 14:12-2Q
- F — Stuart Rentz 8 run  
(Jason Wells kick) 9:10-2Q
- ET — Lamar Cooper 80 pass from Todd Wells  
(pass failed) 5:01-2Q
- F — Jason Wells 22 FG 13:57-4Q
- ET — Brian Edwards 2 run  
(Jerry Chapman kick) 0:24-4Q
- ET — Jerry Chapman 40 FG 10T
- F — Jason Wells 23 FG 10T
- ET — Jerry Chapman 28 FG 20T

**Rushing:** F — Ivory 18-80, Rentz 11-49, Burton 7-48, Russell 2-3, Berrian 1-1, Rickman 8-(-33). ETS — Walker 13-92, Edwards 12-38, Wells 9-16, Chadwell 5-(-10).

**Passing:** F — Rickman 11-22-1-133. ETS — Wells 7-21-0-172, Chadwell 7-13-0-101.

**Receiving:** F — Kitchings 4-42, Berrian 2-56, Burton 2-18, Sansbury 2-4, Stewart 1-13. ETS — Cooper 9-176, Sims 1-53, Martin 1-16, Edison 1-13, Edwards 1-11, Satterfield 1-4.

**Defense:** F — Bouton 11, Jackson 9, Ruff 9, Rogers 7.

	<b>F</b>	<b>ETS</b>
First Downs	15	19
Rushing	47-148	39-136

Passing	133	273
C/A/I	11-22-1	14-34-0
Total Offense	281	409
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-2
Penalties	4-23	7-55
Punts	6-35.3	6-36.5
Possession Time	31:17	28:43
Third Down Conversions	2-14	3-16
Sacks By-Yards	4-20	3-25

## FURMAN LAST WEEK

CHARLESTON (Oct. 16, 1999) — Quarterback Justin Hill threw for one touchdown and ran for another to lead Furman (5-1, 4-0 SoCon) to a fifth straight win with 31-17 Southern Conference triumph over arch-rival The Citadel (1-5; 0-3 SoCon) before 14,629 fans at Johnson Hagood Stadium.

Hill connected with tight end Trent Sansbury on a 4-yard scoring strike to put the Paladins ahead 7-0 in the first quarter, and the Greer, S.C., junior later scored on a 2-yard run in the second period to increase Furman's lead to 21-7.

After the Paladins upped the lead to 24-7 on a 23-yard field goal by Jason Wells, The Citadel closed the margin to 24-14 with a 2-yard touchdown run by freshman quarterback Drew Johnson with 2:24 left in the third period.

Furman then caught a huge break when, after moving 54 yards in seven plays, Jason Wells scooped up a botched field goal snap and lobbed a pass that bounced off two Citadel defenders into the hands of 6-foot-9 Paladin senior Patrick Garner for a touchdown at the 14:11 mark of the fourth quarter.

Furman preserved the victory — the fourth in its last five meetings with The Citadel — with a pair of fourth quarter interceptions by cornerback Rodney Johnson and linebacker Will Bouton.

Louis Ivory led all Furman rushers with 98 yards on 21 carries. Justin Hill's afternoon included a season high 88 yards rushing and 96 passing yards. Des Kitchings caught three of Hill's passes for 54 yards and also returned a kickoff 95 yards for a touchdown in the first half to put the Paladins ahead 14-7.

<b>FURMAN</b>	14	7	3	7	—	31
<b>THE CITADEL</b>	7	0	7	3	—	17

- F — Trent Sansbury 4 pass from Justin Hill  
(Jason Wells kick) 8:45-1Q
- C — Drew Johnson 1 run  
(Nick Hass kick) 0:07-1Q
- F — Des Kitchings 95 kickoff return  
(Jason Wells kick) 0:00-1Q
- F — Justin Hill 2 run  
(Jason Wells kick) 4:57-2Q
- F — Jason Wells 23 FG 6:17-3Q
- C — Drew Johnson 2 run  
(Nick Hass kick) 2:24-3Q
- F — Patrick Garner 6 pass from Jason Wells  
(Jason Wells kick) 14:11-4Q
- C — Nick Hass 25 FG 6:45-4Q

**Rushing:** F — Ivory 21-98, Hill 6-88, Rentz 3-17, Russell 5-7, Napier 1-(-1). C — Johnson 26-138, Murphy 14-62, Jackson 18-55, Hall 2-2.

**Passing:** F — Hill 7-8-0-96, Wells 1-1-0-6, Rentz 0-1-0-0. C — Johnson 4-9-1-41, Eckert 0-2-1-0, McGill 0-1-0-0, Team 0-1-0-0.

**Receiving:** F — Kitchings 3-54, Smerdzinski 2-

## 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**

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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>.

35, Garner 1-6, Sansbury 1-4, Ivory 1-3. C — Frank 2-8, Jackson 1-27, Barley 1-6.

	F	C
First Downs	13	21
Rushing	36-209	60-257
Passing	102	41
C/A/I	8-10-0	4-13-2
Total Offense	311	298
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties	5-60	2-21
Punts	2-36.0	2-30.5
Possession Time	22:58	37:02
Third Down Conversions	4-9	8-17
Sacks By	2	0

### NOTING THE PALADINS

✓ **STREAKING PALADINS...**In topping The Citadel 31-17 on Saturday, Furman claimed its fifth straight win following a 24-22, season opening loss to NCAA I-AA independent Elon. The five-game winning streak is the second longest run of success for a Bobby Johnson-coached Paladin squad. 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 six of its last seven games.

✓ **ALL ALONE IN FIRST PLACE...**With Appalachian State's 17-16 win over Georgia Southern on Saturday, Furman is now the only undefeated team in Southern Conference play. Currently 5-1 overall and 4-0 in league action, Furman hasn't had sole possession of first place in the Southern Conference this late in the year since 1989, when the Paladins posted a 5-1 overall record and 3-0 league mark through six games on the way to a 12-2 record and perfect 7-0 Southern Conference ledger.

✓ **MOST IMPROVED TEAM IN SOCON...**While another league school has floated the banner as the Southern Conference's most improved team, a close examination of the facts reveals that Furman, in fact, has produced the league's biggest turnaround this year. Last season the Paladins sported a 4-2 overall record and 2-1 conference mark through six games. This year, Furman is 5-1 overall and 4-0 in league play through six games. A sixth place finisher in the league a year ago, Furman has vaulted into first place — an improvement that has earned Furman the title as Southern Conference's most improved team.

✓ **FURMAN CONTINUES RUN OF SUCCESS IN CHARLESTON...**Furman's 31-17 win over arch-rival The Citadel on Saturday marked the Paladins' third straight win in Charleston and eighth triumph in its last 11 trips to Johnson Hagood Stadium. Furman is now 3-0 against its chief league rival in Charleston under head coach Bobby Johnson.

✓ **ROAD WARRIORS...**Furman's 31-17 win over The Citadel in Charleston on Saturday improved the Paladins' season road record to 3-0. Last year Furman posted a 1-4 road record.

✓ **BUCS TURNING THE TABLES??...**A winner in 19 of its first 22 games against East Tennessee

State, Furman has stumbled lately against the Buccaneers, losing three straight, including a 22-19 double overtime decision last year in Johnson City. Two years ago East Tennessee State gained its first ever win in Paladin Stadium with a 58-28 triumph and, in the process, handed the Paladins' their worst Southern Conference loss in Paladin Stadium history. Overall, though, Furman is 8-1 versus East Tennessee State in Paladin Stadium, and Furman owns an 89-26-1 overall record (77.1%) in Paladin Stadium

✓ **GETTING THE UPPER HAND EARLY...**In scoring on two of its first three possessions in Saturday's 31-17 victory over The Citadel, Furman continued its impressive trend of early game success. In the past five contests, during which Furman has gone 5-0, the Paladins have tallied on 12 of their 16 first quarter possessions (12 TDs) and have outscored the opposition 83-10 in the first period. On the season, the Paladins have outscored opponents 83-17 in the first quarter. A year ago, opponents edged Furman 43-38 in the first quarter in the first six games and 76-75 on the season.

✓ **PALADINS ASSERTING STRENGTH IN SECOND HALF, TOO...**When Appalachian State scored a touchdown with 0:13 left in the game in the Paladins' 35-21 triumph over the Mountaineers two weeks ago, it marked the first fourth quarter score against the Paladins this year. In Saturday's 31-17 conquest of The Citadel, Furman surrendered a lone field goal to the Bulldogs. Overall, Furman has outscored the opposition 55-10 in the fourth quarter and 105-26 in the second half through six games.

✓ **NOT SO SWEET HOMECOMINGS...**Lately, Furman homecomings haven't been very happy affairs for Paladin football as Furman has dropped its last two homecoming games, including last year's 25-24 verdict to The Citadel. Overall, Furman is only 2-5 in its last seven homecoming games and 1-4 since 1994. East Tennessee State's only win in Paladin Stadium (1-8) came two years ago when the Buccaneers pasted Furman in the fourth quarter on the way to a 58-28 homecoming rout.

✓ **OFFENSIVE IMPROVEMENT EVIDENT...**One of the keys to Furman's turnaround this year has been the work of the Paladin offense, which heads into Saturday's game against East Tennessee State averaging 37.5 points and 397.2 yards/game. Last year Furman averaged 24.3 points and only 311.1 yards total offense per game.

	1999	1998	1998
Category	6 Games	6 Games	Season
Scoring Offense	37.5	26.0	24.3
Rushing Offense	289.3	196.3	185.0
Rushing TDs	25	14	24
Passing Offense	107.8	106.8	126.1
Passing TDs	3	5	8
Total Offense	397.2	303.1	311.1
Total Offensive Plays	387	352	665
Time of Possession	30:51	30:14	29:26

✓ **MORE OFFENSIVE NOTABLES...**Another sign of Furman's improved offensive execution is

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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.

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



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 six games this year Furman has converted 44.8% of its third down situations (35-of-78), currently fourth best among conference schools. In fourth down situations, the Paladins currently lead the conference (10-of-13, 76.9%) after finishing seventh in that category a year ago (5-of-10, 50.0%).

✓ **WELLS BREAKS FURMAN KICK SCORING STANDARD**...In connecting on a field goal and four extra points in Saturday's 31-17 win over The Citadel, senior placekicker Jason Wells (Lawton, Okla.) became Furman's all-time kick scoring leader with 226 points, surpassing former great Mike Wood (1986-89). In addition to setting a new school career standard, Wells delivered a knockout blow to The Citadel when he scooped up a botched Furman field goal snap and lobbed a pass toward the goal line, where it bounced off two Citadel players into the hands of Furman's Patrick Garner (Greenville, S.C.) for a touchdown that put the Paladins ahead 31-14. Wells' career numbers heading into Saturday's game against East Tennessee State include 33x56 FGs (.589) and 127x132 PATs (.962).

**FURMAN CAREER KICK SCORING LEADERS**

Rank	Player	Years	Points
1)	<b>Jason Wells</b>	<b>1996-</b>	<b>226</b>
1)	Mike Wood	1986-89	225
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)	<b>Jason Wells</b>	<b>1996-</b>	<b>226</b>
5)	Mike Wood	1986-89	225
6)	Kevan 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

✓ **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 six games (5-1), the Paladins are surrendering 14.5 points and 309.0 yards per game, and Furman is doing it with some noticeable youth. Comprising the Paladins' two-deep defensive chart in Saturday's game against The Citadel were four seniors, three juniors, 11 sophomores, and four freshmen.

**Furman Defense Comparison**

	1999	1998
Category	6 Games	Season
Scoring Defense	14.5	25.7
Rushing Defense	185.5	209.8
Passing Defense	123.5	162.4
Total Defense	309.0	372.2

✓ **IVORY HEADLINES IMPROVED RUSHING ATTACK**...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 six games have been conclusive as the Paladins are averaging a heady 289.3 yards rushing per game and 5.8 yards per rush thanks, in large measure, to Ivory's team leading 717 rushing yards (119.5 ypg) and eight rushing touchdowns (6.2 ypc).

In Furman's 35-21 dismantling of Appalachian State on Oct. 9, 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, which earned him Southern Conference Player-of-the-Week honors, followed an impressive outing against Western Carolina on Oct. 2 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.

✓ **FURMAN OL POWERING THE WAY**...Paced by senior guard Ben Hall (Royston, S.C.), a pre-season All-Southern Conference selection, Furman's offensive line has delivered very consistent play thus far in helping the Paladins to a 5-1 record. Hall, the most veteran of Furman's offensive lineman, has now started in 28 consecutive games and has earned winning grades in 26 of his 29 career starts, including his latest, a 86.0% performance in Furman's 31-17 win over The Citadel on Saturday.

One encouraging aspect of Furman's offensive line work is it includes only one senior (Hall), and features several very experienced underclassmen, including sophomore left guard Marty Priore (Cincinnati, Ohio), who has now started in 14 straight games after registering eight starts as a freshman a year ago. At left tackle, sophomore Donnie Littlejohn (Gaffney, S.C.) has now started in 15 straight games following a freshman campaign in 1998 that included nine starts. Junior right tackle Josh Moore (Cross Hill, S.C.), meanwhile, now counts 12 starts in his career. The youngest member of Furman's offensive line and team's strongest player (480 bench press, 650 squat, 352 power clean), sophomore center Chris Stewart (Palm Harbor, Fla.) earned the seventh start of his young career in Saturday's win over The Citadel.

✓ **DES KITCHINGS: MR. VERSATILE**...While there are many talented running backs, receivers,

and kick return specialists in the Southern Conference, there is probably no player in the league more versatile than Furman's Des Kitchings (Wagener, S.C.), who in Saturday's 31-17 win over The Citadel put on another impressive performance. Kitchings, who caught three of Furman's eight pass completions on the day, recorded one of the game's biggest momentum plays when, after The Citadel had scored to tie the game at 7-7, he scooped up a bounding kickoff and returned it 95 yards for a touchdown. The 95-yard return, the longest of Kitchings' career and fifth longest in school history, is his second of the season (93-yard return for TD vs. Elon) and third of his career. Kitchings' threat as a return specialist is well known and is reflected in the fact that have only allowed him six kickoffs through six games (SoCon leading 44.8 avg.).

Counting his kickoff return against The Citadel, Kitchings has now scored seven touchdowns on the year — an impressive total that takes on even more significance when considering that four have come via the rush, two on kickoff returns, and one as a receiver. Although he didn't register a rush in the win over The Citadel, Kitchings' effectiveness as a ballcarrier has been well documented this year, and he heads into the East Tennessee State game with 191 yards rushing on 14 carries (13.6 ypc). He is also Furman's leading receiver with 24 catches for 363 yards and one score.

✓ **KITCHINGS ON THE CHARTS**...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 now has 94 receptions for 1,413 yards in his career. The 94 catches places him in eighth place on Furman's career receptions ledger, and his 1,413 yards in receptions ranks seventh in school history. Kitchings' eight career touchdown catches ranks eighth all-time. As a return specialist, Kitchings' 29.5 yards/return average on 27 returns (3 TDs) is well ahead of the current school standard of 27.1 yards/return currently held by Josh Cole (1993-96), and is even better than the current Southern Conference career kickoff returns standard of 28.7 yards/return held by Marshall's Troy Brown (1991-92).

**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)	<b>Des Kitchings</b>	<b>1996-</b>	<b>94</b>
9)	Billy Risher	1979-83	87
10)	Jimmy Jordan	1966-68	85

**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)	<b>Des Kitchinigs</b>	<b>1996-</b>	<b>1,413</b>
8)	Kirk Burnett	1983-86	1,396
9)	Robbie Hahn	1966-67	1,375
10)	Adrick Harrison	1992-95	1,342

#### 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
	<b>Des Kitchings</b>	<b>1996-</b>	<b>8</b>

✓ **TRACKING JUSTIN HILL...**Furman's impressive 5-1 start has been fueled, in part, by the solid play of junior quarterback Justin Hill (Greer, S.C.), who is now in his second season as the Paladins' starting signal caller. In the Paladins' 31-17 win over The Citadel on Saturday, Hill turned in another quality performance, rushing for 88 yards a touchdown and passing for 96 yards (7-of-8) and another score. Hill's 88-yard rushing performance against the Bulldogs marked the third highest single game rushing total of his career and included a career best 60-yard scamper in the second half. With 942 career rushing yards, Hill now ranks second all-time in career rushing yardage among Furman quarterbacks, trailing only David Whitehurst (1973-76), who ran for 1,270 yards in his career. Hill has also moved onto Furman's career passing yards chart at 13th with 1,856 yards.

#### FURMAN CAREER PASSING LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	Yds.
1)	Frankie DeBusk	1987-90	5,851
2)	Braniff Bonaventure	1992-96	5,731
3)	Bobby Lamb	1982-85	4,594
4)	Clyde Hewell	1966-68	3,993
5)	Philly Jones	1991-95	3,721
6)	David Charpia	1980-83	3,591
7)	David Henderson	1976-79	3,582
8)	David Whitehurst	1973-76	3,122
9)	Tim Sorrells	1977-81	2,945
10)	Billy Canty	1958-61	2,460
11)	Billy Baker	1956-59	2,315
12)	Cleve Hightower	1968-70	1,866
13)	<b>Justin Hill</b>	<b>1997-</b>	<b>1,856</b>
14)	John DeLeo	1970-71	1,778
15)	Keith Moore	1984-87	1,743

✓ **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 five-game winning streak, consider that Booth and Keith have accounted for seven of the Paladins' 10 interceptions in those five contests, including six in the past three games. In Saturday's 31-17 win over The Citadel, Booth and Keith again came up big, with Booth totaling nine tackles, three tackles-for-loss, a fumble recovery, and a blocked field goal, and Keith totaling 11 stops, including a couple of the bone crushing variety. Booth's impressive work against The Citadel came on the heels of a spectacular performance two weeks ago in the Paladins' 35-21 win over Appalachian

State when he tied a Furman single game record with three interceptions on the way to earning Southern Conference and ESPN/USA Today National Defensive Player-of-the-Week honors. 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 on Oct. 2.

✓ **INTERCEPTION, INC....**In registering two interceptions in Saturday's 31-17 win over The Citadel, Furman's defense, and in particular the Paladin secondary, posted an outstanding follow-up performance to its work two weeks ago when the Paladins picked off three passes in a 35-21 win over previously third-ranked Appalachian State. Counting the Paladins' four pickoffs three weeks ago in a 27-19 win over Western Carolina, Furman has racked up nine interceptions in its last three games. Furman ranks second in the Southern Conference with 10 interceptions, but in passing defense, as measured by efficiency, Furman sports the league's best pass defense (86.5 rating). 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 on Sept. 25, 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 Furman's 35-21 upset of nationally third-ranked Appalachian State on Oct. 9, 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 241 tackles and 11 interceptions in his career. One of his 11 pickoffs includes a school record 99-yard return in a 43-21 Furman win over Chattanooga in the 1997 season finale.

✓ **JOHNSON NABS FIRST INT...**Sophomore cornerback Rodney Johnson (Marion, N.C.), the youngest starter in Furman's secondary (7 career starts) picked up the first interception of his career in Saturday's 31-17 win over The Citadel.

✓ **GETTING TO THE QB...**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. In registering a pair of sacks in Saturday's 31-17 win over The Citadel, Furman matched last year's sack total with five regular season games remaining. Leading Furman's pass rush this year is senior tackle Brian Conner (Knoxville, Tenn.) and true freshman tackle LeBryan Sperling (Decatur, Ga.) with two takedowns.

✓ **FRESHMAN IMPACT ON DL...**A pair of true freshmen, rush end Eddie Overdyke (Lilburn, Ga.) and tackle LeBryan Sperling (Decatur, Ga.) are making significant contributions along Furman's defensive front this year, and that was evidenced again in Saturday's 31-17 win over The Citadel. Although he did not start, Overdyke, who counts three starts on the year, tallied three tackles. Sperling, meanwhile, registered his second consecutive start and totaled a pair of tackles and a tackle-for-loss in the win over the Bulldogs. On the year, Overdyke has garnered 17 tackles, a pair of tackles-for-loss, and a sack. Sperling's numbers include 12 tackles, three tackles-for-loss and a pair of sacks.

✓ **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 six games.

✓ **DEREK RUSSELL: TD MAN...**Junior fullback Derek Russell (Austell, Ga.) ranks as Furman's fifth leading rusher through six 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 three turnovers (2 fumbles, 1 interception) in its last five games (20 quarters), and the Paladins currently lead the Southern Conference in turnover margin (+1.83), with 17 turnovers gained and six lost.

✓ **KEEPING THE FLAGS IN THE POCKET...**Furman ranks as the second least penalized team in the Southern Conference heading into this Saturday's game against East Tennessee State. Through six games, the Paladins have been penalized 31 times for 262 yards.

✓ **MARION MARTIN: ATHLETIC, ACADEMIC STAR...**Starting weak side linebacker Marion Martin (Columbia, S.C.) is an outstanding student on Furman's football team who is contributing in a major way on the field. In six starts, Martin has tallied 29 tackles, two tackles-for-loss, and three pass deflections. In Furman's 31-17 win over The Citadel on Saturday, Martin recorded five tackles and had two tackles-for-loss. 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 on Sept. 25, 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 1,276 yards and 10 touchdowns in his career and has averaged 6.3 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. 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 Ghesling '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 Rushia 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 35-28 (.555), and his last four teams have combined to post a 32-20 slate (.615). Against NCAA I-AA competition, Furman teams under Johnson's direction have gone 35-24 (.593). 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 167-81-7 (.668).

**FURMAN INJURY REPORT (for ETSU)**

FB Adam Sanders (knee) -- probable  
DT Ryan Bussard (shoulder) -- out for season  
LB Sterling Frierson (knee) -- out for season

**FURMAN STARTING LINEUPS**

	<b>ELON</b>	<b>W&amp;M</b>	<b>VMI</b>	<b>WCU</b>	<b>ASU</b>	<b>CIT</b>	<b>ETSU</b>	<b>UNC</b>	<b>GSU</b>	<b>WOFF</b>	<b>UTC</b>
SE	Sm'zinski	Sm'zinski	Sm'zinski	Sm'zinski	Sm'zinski	Sm'zinski					
LT	Littlejohn	Littlejohn	Littlejohn	Littlejohn	Littlejohn	Littlejohn					
LG	Priore	Priore	Priore	Priore	Priore	Priore					
C	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart					
RG	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall					
RT	Moore	Moore	Moore	Moore	Moore	Moore					
TE	Sansbury	Sansbury	Sansbury	Sansbury	Sansbury	Sansbury					
FLK	Kitchings	Kitchings	Kitchings	Kitchings	Kitchings	Kitchings					
QB	Hill	Hill	Hill	Hill	Hill	Hill					
FB	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell					
TB	Ivory	Ivory	Ivory	Ivory	Ivory	Ivory					
RUE	Hubbard	Overdyke	Overdyke	Overdyke	Hubbard	Hubbard					
ST	Conner	Conner	Conner	Conner	Sperling	Sperling					
NG	Spencer	Spencer	Spencer	Spencer	Spencer	Spencer					
WT	Kup'sky	Kup'sky	Kup'sky	Kup'sky	Kup'sky	Kup'sky					
SLB	Thrift	Thrift	Thrift	Thrift	Thrift	Thrift					
MLB	Bouton	Bouton	Bouton	Bouton	Bouton	Bouton					
WLB	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin					
LCB	Jackson	Jackson	Jackson	Jackson	Jackson	Jackson					
RCB	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson					
SS	Booth	Booth	Booth	Booth	Booth	Booth					
FS	Keith	Keith	Keith	Keith	Keith	Keith					

## FURMAN PALADINS VS. EAST TENNESSEE STATE BUCCANEERS 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.)

### EAST TENNESSEE STATE OFFENSE

SE	14	Charvin Clark .....	(6-1, 170, So.)
	10	Michael Rader .....	(6-1, 197, Fr.)
FLK	4	Lamar Cooper .....	(5-9, 185, Sr.)
	17	Corey Martin .....	(5-10, 181, Jr.)
TE	84	Pedro Edison .....	(6-3, 250, Sr.)
	32	Allen Johnson .....	(6-1, 232, Jr.)
LT	69	Victor Hooks .....	(6-1, 302, Jr.)
	71	Curtis Price .....	(6-6, 318, Fr.)
LG	74	Travis Crusenberry .....	(6-2, 288, Sr.)
	56	Michus Bridges .....	(6-0, 289, Jr.)
C	72	Jim Beverly .....	(6-4, 304, Sr.)
	66	Lonnie Nettles .....	(6-5, 260, Fr.)
RG	65	Manuel Llaneza .....	(6-1, 297, Sr.)
	70	Rhett Landrum .....	(6-2, 310, So.)
RT	58	Chip Pearson .....	(6-5, 300, So.)
	64	Leon Buchanan .....	(6-3, 270, So.)
FB	40	Scott Carter .....	(5-10, 203, Fr.)
	47	Jermaine Gamble .....	(5-7, 160, So.)
TB	44	Brandon Walker .....	(5-10, 204, Sr.)
	3	Raymondo Miller .....	(5-8, 178, Fr.)
QB	7	Todd Wells .....	(5-10, 198, Jr.)
	21	Jamey Chadwell .....	(6-0, 212, Sr.)

### EAST TENNESSEE STATE DEFENSE

LE	54	Rahim El Amin .....	(6-2, 207, Jr.)
	20	Ryan Vaughan .....	(6-2, 205, Jr.)
LT	77	Andrew Simmons .....	(6-0, 242, So.)
	67	Kai Shreckenbergl .....	(6-2, 255, Fr.)
NG	57	Julius Curr .....	(6-0, 275, Fr.)
RE	55	Monti Panzica .....	(6-1, 240, Sr.)
	95	Frank Hopper .....	(6-2, 252, Fr.)
WLB	33	Derek Fudge .....	(6-0, 248, Sr.)
	5	Lee Neisz .....	(6-2, 213, Jr.)
MLB	45	Kevin Peterson .....	(5-10, 235, Sr.)
	43	Charles Williams .....	(5-10, 225, Sr.)
SLB	42	Terrieic Robbins .....	(5-10, 215, Sr.)
	12	Corey Bolden .....	(6-2, 210, Jr.)
CB	1	Keyandre Fenn .....	(5-6, 160, Jr.)
	36	Jeremy Touchstone .....	(5-9, 168, Fr.)
SS	25	Cullen Crane .....	(6-0, 208, Sr.)
	16	Russ Lindgren .....	(6-0, 203, Jr.)
FS	18	Keydrick Gordon .....	(5-8, 175, Jr.)
	11	Adam Walton .....	(6-0, 192, Sr.)
CB	24	Denario Smalls .....	(5-8, 177, Jr.)
		Kareem Coffin .....	(5-8, 178, Fr.)

### EAST TENNESSEE STATE SPECIALISTS

PK	27	Brian Fuchs .....	(5-11, 170, Sr.)
KO	27	Brian Fuchs .....	(5-11, 170, Sr.)
P	29	David Helton .....	(6-1, 183, Sr.)
SSN	53	Adam Howell .....	(6-1, 235, So.)
LSN	53	Adam Howell .....	(6-1, 235, So.)
H	29	David Helton .....	(6-1, 183, Sr.)
KOR	9	Alonzo Woolfolk .....	(5-7, 169, So.)
PR	17	Corey Martin .....	(5-10, 181, Jr.)

## 1999 FURMAN UNIVERSITY PALADINS SUPERLATIVES

### INDIVIDUAL

Longest Run From Scrimmage .....	60,	Justin Hill vs. The Citadel	38,	Drew Johnson, The Citadel
Longest Pass Completion .....	39,	Justin Hill to Des Kitchings vs. Western Carolina	59,	Shawn Snyder to Michael Banks, Western Carolina
Longest Punt Return .....	21,	Zach Smerdzinski vs. VMI	38,	Michael Banks, Western Carolina
Longest Kickoff Return .....	95,	Des Kitchings vs. The Citadel	61,	Daryl Skinner, Appalachian State
Longest Interception Return .....	17,	Walter Booth vs. Western Carolina	24,	Sam Ames, Elon
Longest Fumble Return .....	30,	Hershal Plesant vs. Elon		
Longest Punt .....	54,	Lee Willis vs. Appalachian State	59,	Brian Reilly, Appalachian State
Best Punting Average .....	43.0	Lee Willis vs. Western Carolina	40.9,	Brent Barth, VMI
Longest Field Goal .....	26,	Jason Wells vs. William & Mary	44,	Josh Jones, Western Carolina
Longest Field Goal Attempt .....	48,	Jason Wells vs. VMI	55,	Stuart Jones, Appalachian State
Most Rushing Attempts .....	27,	Louis Ivory vs. Western Carolina & Appalachian State	26,	Drew Johnson, The Citadel
Most Rushing Yards .....	151,	Louis Ivory vs. William & Mary	138,	Drew Johnson, The Citadel
Most Pass Attempts .....	20,	Justin Hill vs. Western Carolina	34,	Shawn Snyder, Western Carolina
Most Pass Completions .....	13,	Justin Hill vs. Western Carolina	17,	Shawn Snyder, Western Carolina
Most Passing Yards .....	134,	Justin Hill vs. Western Carolina	240,	Shawn Snyder, Western Carolina
Most Touchdown Passes .....	1,	three players vs. two opponents	1,	Derrick Moore, Elon
Most Total Offense Attempts .....	37,	Justin Hill vs. Western Carolina	38,	Shawn Snyder, Western Carolina
Most Total Offense Yards .....	184,	Justin Hill vs. The Citadel	239,	Shawn Snyder, Western Carolina
Most Passes Caught .....	7,	Des Kitchings vs. Elon	7,	Lamont Williams, Western Carolina
Most Touchdown Passes Caught .....	1,	three players vs. two opponents	1,	three players
Most Pass Reception Yardage .....	105,	Des Kitchings vs. Elon	92,	Lamont Williams, Western Carolina
Most Points Scored .....	18,	Louis Ivory vs. VMI	12,	Drew Johnson, The Citadel
Most Touchdown Responsibilities .....	3,	Louis Ivory vs. VMI	2,	Derrick Moore, Elon
				Drew Johnson, The Citadel
Most Touchdowns Scored .....	3,	Louis Ivory vs. VMI	2,	Drew Johnson, The Citadel
Most PATs .....	7,	Jason Wells vs. William & Mary & Elon	3,	Jim Willis, Elon
				Stuart Jones, Appalachian State
Most Field Goals .....	1,	Jason Wells vs. four opponents	2,	Brett Sterba, William & Mary
				Josh Jones, Western Carolina
Most Sacks .....	2,	Steve Kupchinsky vs. William & Mary	1,	five players

### TEAM

Offense		Best	Worst	
Points Scored .....	58,	vs. VMI	22,	vs. Elon
Touchdowns Scored .....	9,	vs. VMI	3,	vs. Elon
First Downs .....	27,	vs. William & Mary	15,	vs. Elon
Rushing Attempts .....	63,	vs. Appalachian State	36,	vs. The Citadel
Rushing Yards .....	509,	vs. William & Mary	144,	vs. Elon
Rushing Touchdowns .....	8,	vs. VMI	1,	vs. Elon
Pass Attempts .....	22,	vs. VMI	10,	vs. William & Mary & The Citadel
Pass Completions .....	13,	vs. VMI & Western Carolina	3,	vs. William & Mary
Passing Yards .....	165,	vs. VMI	33,	vs. William & Mary
Had Intercepted .....	0,	by four opponents	2,	by Elon
Passing Touchdowns .....	1,	vs. Western Carolina	0,	vs. four opponents
Total Plays .....	75,	vs. Appalachian State	54,	vs. Elon
Total Offense .....	546,	vs. VMI	260,	vs. Elon
Average Gain Per Play .....	8.5,	vs. William & Mary	4.8,	vs. Elon
Fumbles Lost .....	0,	vs. William & Mary, VMI, and Appalachian State	1,	vs. Elon, Western Carolina, & The Citadel
Punts .....	1,	vs. VMI	6,	vs. Appalachian State
Punt Return Yards .....	62,	vs. VMI	0,	vs. William & Mary & The Citadel
Kickoff Return Yards .....	128,	vs. Elon	8,	vs. VMI
Possession Time .....	38:38,	vs. Appalachian State	22:58,	vs. The Citadel
Third Down Conversion% .....	52.9% (9-17),	vs. Appalachian State	18.1% (2-11),	vs. Elon
Quarterback Sacks .....	0,	by William & Mary, VMI, The Citadel	2,	by Western Carolina & Appalachian State
Defense		Best	Worst	
Points Scored .....	0,	by VMI	24,	by Elon
First Downs .....	4,	by VMI (tied school record)	25,	by Western Carolina
Rushing Attempts .....	33,	by Appalachian State	58,	by Elon
Rushing Yards .....	80,	by VMI	264,	by Elon
Rushing Touchdowns .....	0,	by William & Mary & VMI	2,	by Elon & Appalachian State
Pass Attempts .....	7,	by VMI	38,	by Appalachian State
Pass Completions .....	3,	by Elon	20,	by William & Mary
Passing Yards .....	23,	by VMI	240,	by Western Carolina
Interceptions .....	4,	vs. Western Carolina	0,	vs. Elon & VMI
Passing Touchdowns .....	0,	by four opponents	1,	by Elon & Appalachian State
Total Plays .....	44,	by VMI	76,	by William & Mary
Total Offense .....	103,	by VMI	407,	by William & Mary
Average Gain Per Play .....	2.3,	by VMI	5.6,	by Western Carolina
Fumbles Recovered .....	2,	vs. Elon, William & Mary, & VMI	0,	vs. Western Carolina & Appalachian State
Punts .....	8,	by VMI	2,	by Western Carolina & The Citadel
Punt Return Yards .....	-2,	by Appalachian State	42,	by Elon
Kickoff Return Yards .....	86,	by Elon	225,	by William & Mary
Possession Time .....	21:22,	by Appalachian State	37:02,	by The Citadel
Third Down Conversion% .....	26.7% (4-15),	by VMI	58.3% (7-of-12),	by Western Carolina
Quarterback Sacks .....	3,	vs. William & Mary	0,	vs. Appalachian State



## 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 Hershale 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.

<b>FURMAN</b>	0	10	12	0	—	22
<b>ELON</b>	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 — Hershale 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.

<b>FURMAN</b>	21	3	7	21	—	52
<b>WILLIAM &amp; MARY</b>	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.

<b>FURMAN</b>	27	10	7	14	—	58
<b>VMI</b>	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.

<b>FURMAN</b>	7	0	7	13	—	27
<b>W. CAROLINA</b>	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.

<b>FURMAN</b>	14	7	14	0	—	35
<b>APPALACHIAN ST.</b>	0	14	0	7	—	21

- F — Marty Priore 1 run (Jason Wells kick) 11:18-1Q
- F — Louis Ivory 16 run (Jason Wells kick) 5:48-1Q
- 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

## FURMAN 31, THE CITADEL 17

CHARLESTON (Oct. 16, 1999) — Quarterback Justin Hill threw for one touchdown and ran for another to lead Furman to a fifth straight win with 31-17 Southern Conference triumph over arch-rival The Citadel before 14,629 fans at Johnson Hagood Stadium.

Hill connected with tight end Trent Sansbury on a 4-yard scoring strike to put the Paladins ahead 7-0 in the first quarter, and the Greer, S.C., junior later scored on a 2-yard run in the second period to increase Furman's lead to 21-7.

After the Paladins upped the lead to 24-7 on a 23-yard field goal by Jason Wells, The Citadel closed the margin to 24-14 with a 2-yard touchdown run by freshman quarterback Drew Johnson with 2:24 left in the third period.

Furman then caught a huge break when, after moving 54 yards in seven plays, Jason Wells scooped up a botched field goal snap and lobbed a pass that bounced off two Citadel defenders into the hands of 6-foot-9 Paladin senior Patrick Garner for a touchdown at the 14:11 mark of the fourth quarter.

Furman preserved the victory — the fourth in its last five meetings with The Citadel — with a pair of fourth quarter interceptions by cornerback Rodney Johnson and linebacker Will Bouton.

Louis Ivory led all Furman rushers with 98 yards on 21 carries. Justin Hill's afternoon included a season high 88 yards rushing and 96 passing yards. Des Kitchings caught three of Hill's passes for 54 yards and also returned a kickoff 95 yards for a touchdown in the first half to put the Paladins ahead 14-7.

<b>FURMAN</b>	14	7	3	7	—	31
<b>THE CITADEL</b>	7	0	7	3	—	17

- F — Trent Sansburg 4 pass from Justin Hill (Jason Wells kick) 8:45-1Q
- C — Drew Johnson 1 run (Nick Hass kick) 0:07-1Q
- F — Des Kitchings 95 kickoff return (Jason Wells kick) 0:00-1Q
- F — Justin Hill 2 run (Jason Wells kick) 4:57-2Q
- F — Jason Wells 23 FG 6:17-3Q
- C — Drew Johnson 2 run (Nick Hass kick) 2:24-3Q
- F — Patrick Garner 6 pass from Jason Wells (Jason Wells kick) 14:11-4Q
- C — Nick Hass 25 FG 6:45-4Q

**Rushing:** F — Ivory 21-98, Hill 6-88, Rentz 3-17, Russell 5-7, Napier 1-(-1). C — Johnson 26-138, Murphy 14-62, Jackson 18-55, Hall 2-2.

**Passing:** F — Hill 7-8-0-96, Wells 1-1-0-6, Rentz 0-1-0-0. C — Johnson 4-9-1-41, Eckert 0-2-1-0, McGill 0-1-0-0, Team 0-1-0-0.

**Receiving:** F — Kitchings 3-54, Smerdzinski 2-35, Garner 1-6, Sansbury 1-4, Ivory 1-3. C — Frank 2-8, Jackson 1-27, Barley 1-6.

	F	C
First Downs	13	21
Rushing	36-209	60-257
Passing	102	41
C/A/I	8-10-0	4-13-2
Total Offense	311	298
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties	5-60	2-21
Punts	2-36.0	2-30.5
Possession Time	22:58	37:02
Third Down Conversions	4-9	8-17
Sacks By	2	0