#### Game 2 — September 18, 1999



Furman Paladins (0-1; 0-0 SoCon) vs. William & Mary Tribe (0-2; 0-1 Atlantic 10) Williamsburg, Virginia, Walter J. Zable Stadium at Cary Field (13,000) — Natural Surface 1:00 P.M. Kickoff (EDT)



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#### THE GAME

Furman travels to Williamsburg, Va., to take on Atlantic 10 Conference member William & Mary in the first meeting between the Paladins and Tribe since the 1994 season. Furman, which dropped a 24-22 decision to Elon in the season opener on Sept. 4, was idle last Saturday. William & Mary, which is off to a 0-2 start following road losses to Delaware (34-27 ot) and North Carolina State (38-9), opens its home season this Saturday against Furman.

#### THE SERIES

William & Mary holds a 7-6 series advantage over Furman and heads into Saturday's game riding a two-game series winning streak over the Paladins. In the last meeting between the two schools, the Tribe downed Furman 28-26 in Greenville during the 1994 season. Furman dropped a 38-28 decision to William & Mary in 1990, the last time the two schools squared off in Williamsburg. Furman's last win over William & Mary came in 1989 in NCAA I-AA first round playoff action, when the Paladins topped the Tribe, 24-10. In all games played in Williamsburg, the Tribe is 5-2 versus Furman. In Greenville, Furman holds a 4-2 series advantage.

1959	W	8-7	Williamsburg
1960	W	25-23	Greenville
1961	L	6-19	Williamsburg
1962	L	7-21	Williamsburg
1963	L	17-27	Greenville
1964	L	14-21	Williamsburg
1972	L	7-31	Williamsburg
1974	W	10-0	Greenville
1975	W	21-6	Williamsburg
1976	W	23-7	Greenville
1989	W	24-10	Greenville
1990	L	28-38	Williamsburg
1994	L	26-28	Greenville

#### THE COACHES

Furman: Bobby Johnson (Clemson '73) 30-28-0 (.517), 6th Year at Furman 30-28-0 (.517), 6th Year Overall Johnson vs. William & Mary (0-1)

William & Mary: Jimmye Laycock (W&M '70) 129-87-2 (.485), 20th Year at W&M 129-87-2 (.485), 20th Year Overall Laycock vs. Furman (2-1)

#### THE OFFENSES

Furman: Multiple I '98 Points/Game — 22.0 '98 Yards/Game — 260.0 144.0 Rushing 116.0 Passing

William & Mary: Multiple Pro St	yle
'98 Points/Game — 18.0	•
'98 Yards/Game — 330.0	
68.0	Rushing
	Passing
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#### **THE DEFENSES**

Furman: 43 '98 Points/Game — 24.0 '98 Yards/Game — 302.0 264.0 Rushing 38.0 Passing

William & Mary: 44 '98 Points/Game — 36.0 '98 Yards/Game — 424.0 196.5 Rushing 227.5 Passing

#### 1998 RESULTS

Furman (5-6, 3-5 Southern, T6th) @ Clemson 33, Furman 0 @ Furman 27, South Carolina State 19 © Furman 34, Samford 24 Furman 51, @ VMI 14 @ Furman 31, Western Carolina 7 @ Appalachian State 26, Furman 13 The Citadel 25, @ Furman 24 @ E. Tenn. St. 22, Furman 19 (20t) Ga. Southern 45, @ Furman 17 @ Wofford 40, Furman 20 @ Furman 31, Chattanooga 28

William & Mary (7-4, 4-4 Atlantic 10, 4th)
William & Mary 21, @ Rhode Island 13
@ William & Mary 49, VMI 0
William & Mary 24, Northeastern 21 William & Mary 24, Northeastern 21
@ Villanova 45, William & Mary 28
William & Mary 45, @ Temple 38
@ William & Mary 52, Delaware 45
William & Mary 24, @ James Madison 12
New Hampshire 31, @ William & Mary 19
William & Mary 41, @ Hampton 31
Connecticut 34, @ William & Mary 26
@ Richmond 42, William & Mary 17

#### 1999 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Furman (0-1 0-0 Southern)

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Sept. 4	Elon 24, Furman 22
Sept. 18	@ William & Mary, 1:00
Sept. 25	VMI, 7:00
Oct. 2	@ Western Carolina, 6:00
Oct. 9	APPALACHIAN STATE, 2:00
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

#### 1998 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE **FINAL STANDINGS**

Team	So	Con	Ove	rall
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	So	Con	Ove	rall
Georgia Southern	1	0	2	0
East Tennessee State	1	0	2	0
Appalachian State	0	0	1	1
Chattanooga	0	0	1	1
Western Carolina	0	0	1	1
VMI	0	0	1	1
Furman	0	0	0	1
Wofford	0	1	0	1
The Citadel	0	1	0	2

#### September 11

@ Appalachian State 34, Eastern Kentucky 20 Delaware 26, @ The Citadel 16

@ East Tennessee State 61, West Virginia Tech 0 Georgia Southern 55, @ Wofford 14

@ Louisville 58, Chattanooga 30

@ VMI 15, Concord 14

@ Maryland 51, Western Carolina 10

#### September 18

Furman @ William & Mary, 1:00 East Tennessee State @ VMI 1:00 The Citadel @ Western Carolina, 6:00 Georgia Southern @ Oregon State, 6:30 Savannah State @ Chattanooga, 3:30 Wofford @ Middle Tennessee State, 7:00

#### 1999 FURMAN PALADINS **PRE-SEASON HONORS**

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)

William & Mary (0-2, 0-1 Atlantic 10)

Sept. 2 @ Delaware 34, William & Mary 27 (ot)

Sept. 11 @ N.C. State 38, William & Mary 9

Sept. 18 FURMAN, 1:00 Sept. 25 @ Northeastern

Oct. 9 VILLANOVA Oct. 16 JAMES MADISON

Oct. 23 @ VMI Oct. 30 MAINE

Oct. 30 MAINE
Nov. 6 @ Rhode Island
Nov. 13 MASSACHUSETTS

Nov. 20 @ Richmond

#### **LAST MEETING**

GREENVILLE (Sept. 17, 1994) — William & Mary quarterback Shawn Knight passed for two touchdowns and ran for another to lead the Tribe to a 28-26 win over Furman at Paladin Stadium.

Knight completed 15-of-19 passes for 219 yards and rushed eight times for 43 yards in pacing William & Mary's attack, which totaled 467 yards, including 170 rushing yards by tailback Troy Keen

Furman, which rolled up 467 yards in total offense, was led by quarterback Braniff Bonaventure, who threw one touchdown and ran for another, and tailback Leonardo McClarty, who accounted for 112 rushing yards.

Trailing 14-6 at intermission, Furman closed it to 14-12 following a 24-yard touchdown run by Bonaventure midway through the third period.

A 4-yard touchdown run by McClarty and successful two-point conversion gave the Paladins a 20-14 advantage early in the fourth quarter, but the Tribe countered with a 2-yard Knight touchdown run and an 11-yard strike from Knight to Jam Hamrick to take a 28-20 lead.

Furman had a chance to tie the game following a 14-yard touchdown pass from Bonaventure to Ric Ford with 3:35 left, but the Paladins failed to convert the subsequent two-point conversion attempt.

# **FURMAN** 3 3 6 14 — 26 **WILLIAM & MARY** 7 7 0 14 — 28

- W Michael Tomlin 35 pass from Shawn Knight (Brian Shallcross kick) 13:04-1Q
- F Jim Richter 24 FG 7:24-1Q
- W Troy Keen 5 run
  - (Brian Shallcross kick) 0:42-2Q
- F Jim Richter 23 FG 0:00-2Q
- F Braniff Bonaventure 24 run (run failed) 7:10-3Q
- F Leonardo McClarty 4 run (Josh Cole pass from Braniff Bonaventure) 11:53-4Q
- W Shawn Knight 2 run (Brian Shallcross kick) 8:50-4Q
- W Jay Hamrick 11 pass from Shawn Knight (Brian Shallcross kick) 7:09-4Q
- F Ric Ford 14 pass from Braniff Bonaventure (run failed) 3:35-4Q

**Rushing:** F — McClarty 23-112, Culpepper 12-61, Bonaventure 2-23, Lynch 5-15, Ford 2-9, Jones 1-3, Strappy 1-2. W&M Keen — 27-170, Knight 8-43, Fitzgerald 3-17, Parker 3-12, Witcher 1-3.

**Passing:** F — Bonaventure 10-16-1-148, Jones 10-16-1-94. W&M — Knight 15-19-0-219. **Receiving:** F — Harrison 6-94, Ford 8-75.

Broughton 3-35, Cole 1-28, Davis 2-10. W&M — Tomlin 3-94, Hammonds 4-75, Keen 4-16, Commons 2-16, Hamrick 1-11, Whipple 1-7.

	F	W&M
First Downs	28	22
Rushing	46-225	42-245
Passing	242	219
C/A/I	20-32-2	15-19-0
Total Offense	467	464
Fumbles-Lost	4-3	5-3
Penalties	4-40	5-35
Punts	1-31-0	2-35.0
Possession Time	33:01	26:59
Third Down Conversio	ns 8-11	7-10
Sacks By	0	0

#### **FURMAN....THE LAST TIME OUT**

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 two weeks ago at Paladin Stadium.

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 Hershal 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 Hershal 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.

#### **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**

Furman football radio broacasts will again be available to fans on the TEAMLINE telephone service. Fans can access Furman games by dialing 1-800-846-4700 and entering Furman's four-digit access code (1109).

#### **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.

**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	3 2-11	8-16
Sacks By	2	1

#### **NOTING THE PALADINS**

✓ FURMAN 0-3 IN LAST THREE ROAD GAMES...After dropping the 1999 season opener to Elon, 24-22, on Sept. 4, Furman returns to action this Saturday against William & Mary in Williamsburg in what looms as a tough assignment for the Paladins, who are 0-3 in their last three road games. Furman, whose last road victory was a 51-14 rout of VMI last year, dropped a 38-28 decision to the Tribe in Williamsburg in 1990, the last time the two schools met at Zable Stadium.

✓ OFFENSIVE STRUGGLES CONTINUE...The 24-22 season opening loss to Elon marked Furman's sixth loss in its last seven games, dating back to the 1998 season. Outgained 302-260 in total offense by Elon, Furman has been outgained by the opposition in its last five games, having produced only 272.6 yards/game compared to its opponents' 425.0 yards/game. In that five-game stretch, Furman has topped the 300-yard offense mark only once (307 vs. Chattanooga, 31-28 win). For the fourth straight game Furman failed to capture the time of possession edge. Elon controlled the football for 32:20 to Furman's 27:40. The Paladins ranked last in the Southern Conference in time of possession in 1998 (29:26 avg.).

✓ KITCHINGS ON THE CHARTS...In registering a career high seven receptions for 105 yards and a kickoff return for 93 yards and touchdown in the Paladins' 24-22 season opening loss to Elon on Sept. 4, senior flanker Des Kitchings (Wagener, S.C.) placed his name on Furman's career receptions, receiving yards, and longest kickoff return charts. The squad's fastest player (4.36 40-yard dash), Kitchings now has 77 receptions for 1,155 yards in his career. The 77 catches places him in a tie with four other players for 12th place on Furman's career receptions ledger, and his 1,155 yards in receptions ranks 14th in school history. Kitchings' 93-yard kickoff return, the second of his career, is the seventh longest kickoff return in Furman history.

#### **FURMAN CAREER RECEPTIONS LEADERS**

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Rank	<u>Player</u>	<u>Years</u>	Rec.
1)	Luther Broughton	1993-96	135
2)	Josh Cole	1993-96	119
2) 3)	Chas Fox	1982-85	113
	Adrick Harrison	1992-95	111
4) 5)	Tommy Southard	1974-77	103
6)	Byron Trotter	1968-70	98

7)	Donald Lipscomb	1988-91	95
8)	Billy Risher	1979-83	87
9)	Jimmy Jordan	1966-68	85
10)	Brette Simmons	1974-78	82
,	Damon Bradley	1989-93	82
11)	Robbie Hahn	1966-67	79
12)	Des Kitchings	1996-	77
,	Kirk Burnett	1983-86	77
	Stanford Jennings	1989-83	77
	Paul Siffri	1988-91	77
13)	Mike Bartik	1971-73	73

#### **FURMAN CAREER RECEIVING YARDS LEADERS**

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<u>Rank</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Yds.</u>
1)	Chas Fox	1982-85	2,158
2)	Donald Lipscomb	1988-91	2,148
2) 3)	Luther Broughton	1993-96	1,659
<b>4</b> )	Josh Cole	1993-96	1,606
5)	Billy Risher	1979-83	1,561
6)	Tommy Southard	1974-77	1,443
<b>7</b> )	Kirk Burnett	1983-86	1,396
8)	Robbie Hahn	1966-67	1,375
8) 9)	Adrick Harrison	1992-95	1,342
10)	Damon Bradley	1989-93	1,204
11)	Brette Simmons	1974-78	1,197
12)	Jimmy Jordan	1966-68	1,188
13)	Paul Śiffri	1988-91	1,160
14 <b>)</b>	Des Kitchings	1996-	1,155
15)	Jody Wade	1988-91	1,124
16)	Byron Trotter	1968-70	1,112
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✓ WELLS TAKING AIM...Furman senior placekicker Jason Wells (Lawton, Okla.), a preseason All-Southern Conference selection, is poised to leave his mark on the school's kick scoring and overall scoring charts. For Wells, who initially came to Furman to play soccer, the 1999 campaign should afford him an opportunity to bounce back from a 1998 season that saw him hampered with a bone spur in his left (plant) foot. Despite the injury, he still converted 11x18 FGs and 30x30 PATs, led Furman in scoring (63 points) for a second straight season and, in the process, moved onto the school's career kick scoring and scoring ledgers. Wells' career numbers heading into this Saturday's game against William & Mary include 30x51 FGs (.589) and 101x106 PATs (.953).

#### **FURMAN CAREER KICK SCORING LEADERS**

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Rank Park	<u>Player</u>	<u>Years</u>	Points <b>Points</b>
1)	Mike Wood	1986-89	225
2)	Keven Esval	1982-85	214
,	Jim Richter	1992-95	214
3)	Jason Wells	1996-	191
<b>3)</b> 4)	Glen Connally	1988-90	188
5)	Tim Tanguay	1980-82	177
6)	Andy Goss	1974-76	125

### **FURMAN CAREER SCORING LEADERS**

Plaver	Years	Points
Carl Tremble	1989-92	300
Stanford Jennings	1980-83	268
Robbie Gardner	1982-86	258
Mike Wood	1986-89	225
Kevan Esval	1982-85	214
Jim Richer	1992-95	214
Chas Fox	1982-85	198
Mike Glenn	1978-80	192
Jason Wells	1996-	191
Glenn Connally	1988-90	188
	Stanford Jennings Robbie Gardner Mike Wood Kevan Esval Jim Richer Chas Fox Mike Glenn Jason Wells	Carl Tremble       1989-92         Stanford Jennings       1980-83         Robbie Gardner       1982-86         Mike Wood       1986-89         Kevan Esval       1982-85         Jim Richer       1992-95         Chas Fox       1982-85         Mike Glenn       1978-80         Jason Wells       1996-

#### **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



- Tim Tanguay 1980-82 ✔ PLEASANT COMPANY...Furman junior defensive end Hershal Pleasant (North Augusta, S.C.) almost singlehandedly helped Furman post a comeback win in the Paladins' season opener two weeks ago against Elon. In the fourth guarter, Pleasant picked up a Fightin' Christian fumble and returned it 30 yards for a touchdown that cut Elon's lead to 24-22. Then, with 3:50 to go in the game. Pleasant recovered another Elon fumble at the Fightin' Christian 29-yard line, but the Paladins missed what likely would have been a game winning 36-yard field goal in the game's final minute. For Pleasant, who three tackles in the game, including one for loss, the two fumble recoveries were the second and third of his career. His fumble return for a touchdown was the first by a Furman player since Leroy Davies-Venn returned a VMI fumble five yards for a score in a 35-14 Paladin win on Sept. 27, 1997.
- **✓** BUSSARD RETURNS, HOLMES REMAINS ON SHELF..Redshirt freshman nose guard/defensive tackle Ryan Bussard (Marietta, Ga.) participated in his first practice of the 1999 season this past week after missing the entire pre-season and Furman's season opener against Elon due to a posterior cartilage tear in his left shoulder. Bussard had emerged from spring practice listed as a contender for a starting job on the Paladin defensive front, but a slow recovery from postspring practice surgery sidelined him until last week. Another Furman defensive lineman, sophomore SMU transfer Jarrod Holmes (Powder Springs, Ga.), is likely to be sidelined at least three more weeks due to a hamstring tear sustained over the summer. Holmes, who fashioned an impressive spring practice, had been penciled in as Furman's probable starting nose guard heading into pre-season practice.
- ✓ IVORY MAKING THE MOVE...Judging by the results in the Paladins' season opener, the move of sophomore Louis Ivory (Fort Valley, Ga.) from fullback to tailback has been positive. Against Elon, Ivory rushed 18 times for a game high 98 yards, including a long run of 32 yards in the second half. Ivory's move is an attempt by Furman to jump start its option based ground game, which hasn't produced a 1,000-yard rusher since Carl Tremble ran for 1,555 yards in 1992. A year ago Ivory began the season in fine fashion, 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).
- ✓ FIRST TIME STARTERS...Furman's starting lineup against Elon featured only two players with no previous starting experience. The pair included junior split end Zach Smerzinski (Vienna, Va.) and junior weak side linebacker Marion Martin (Columbia, S.C.). Smerdzinski, a two-year letterman who has seen extensive duty the last two years as Furman's punt return specialist, caught one pass for six yards against Elon. And Marion Marion, also a two-year letterwinner, had a fine inaugural as a starter, racking up 11 tackles.
- ✓ BIG PASSING GAMES PRODUCE LITTLE SUCCESS FOR PALADINS...When Furman squared off against William & Mary in Williamsburg

- in 1990, Paladin quarterback Frankie DeBusk passed for a career high 339 yards, but Furman still lost, 38-28. DeBusk's fine passing performance, which featured Donald Lipscomb's school single game receiving yards standard (6 rec., 202 yards), is one of only eight 300-yard passing performances in Furman history. Furman is only 2-6 in those games.
- ✓ JOHNSON, LAYCOCK SHARE CLEMSON BACKGROUND...Furman head coach Bobby Johnson and William & Mary mentor Jimmye Laycock were once on the same team when the two were at Clemson — Johnson as a player and Laycock as a graduate assistant coach during the 1971 season. A three-year letterman as a defensive back, Johnson led Clemson in interceptions in 1971 and '72 prior to earning his B.S. degree in management from Clemson in 1973. Laycock, meanwhile, earned a master's degree from Clemson in 1972. Laycock later served three years (1977-79) as offensive coordinator at Clemson before being named head coach at William & Mary in 1980. Johnson returned to his alma mater twice — once in 1981 as an athletic counselor, and later in 1993 to serve as defensive coordinator for one season.
- ✓ KEITH BACK AND HEALTHY...After an injury plagued 1998 season, senior All-Southern Conference free safety John Keith (Newnan, Ga.) appears ready to assume the much needed role of leader of Furman's defense in 1999. Selected by Southern Conference head coaches and the league's pre-season defensive player-of-the-year, Keith fashioned a solid pre-season, making what appears to be a successful move from strong safety to free safety, where Furman's coaching staff believes he will be more effective in disrupting opposing offenses. An outstanding tackler, Keith began the 1998 campaign by recording a career high 19 tackles in a loss to 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 will serve as a team co-captain this fall along with strong safety Walter Booth, offensive guard Ben Hall, and tailback Stuart Rentz. Despite the injury plagued 1998 campaign, Keith has totaled 199 tackles and eight interceptions in his career. One of those eight pickoffs was returned a school record 99 yards in a 43-21 Furman win over Chattanooga during the 1997 season.
- ✓ IN SEARCH OF (A PASS RUSH)... 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. That figure will have to rise if Furman is to register notable improvement on defense this fall, and with two sacks in the season opener against Elon the Paladins may be on the way. On the defensive front, senior strong tackle Brian Conner (Knoxville, Tenn.), who produced a sack against Elon, leads all Paladin defensive linemen with 6.5 ca-

- reer sacks. He should get some help from senior defensive end Bobby Hubbard (Charlotte, N.C.). who has four sacks in three seasons of play, and junior weak tackle Steve Kupchinsky (Kingsport, Tenn.), who has also registered three sacks in his career.
- ✔ BACK INTO THE FOLD... Furman's coaching staff has always sported a "home grown" flavor, and that tradition grew earlier this year when former Paladin player and assistant coach Ted Cain '74 returned to head up the squad's tight ends and wide receivers. Cain, who in 1997 and '98 served as head coach at Southern Conference rival VMI, worked 11 seasons as receivers coach and offensive coordinator at North Carolina State (1986-96) before going to VMI. Cain began his coaching career at Furman in 1977, and from 1978-85 served as passing game coordinator and tight ends/receivers coach under former Paladin mentor Dick Sheridan. During that span, Furman captured six Southern Conference championships.
- ✔ 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 fouryear head coaching record is 30-28 (.517), and his last four teams have combined to post a 27-19 slate (.587). Against NCAA I-AA competition, Furman teams under Johnson's direction have gone 30-24 (.556). 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 162-81-7 (.662).

#### **INJURY REPORT**

DT Peter Kamm (sprained foot) -- doubtful NG Jarrod Holmes (hamstring) -- out

#### **FURMAN TRAVEL PLANS**

Furman will depart for Williamsburg via chartered bus on Thursday, and will headquarter that night at the Ramada Inn Airport-Greensboro (336) 668-3900. On Friday, the team will proceed on to Williamsburg, where it will headquarter at the Fort Magruder Inn-Williamsburg (757) 220-2250. Furman is scheduled to work out at Zable Stadium on Friday from 3:00-4:00 p.m. The Paladins will return to Greenville immediately following the game.

## FURMAN PALADINS VS. WILLIAM & MARY TRIBE DEPTH CHART

FURMAN OFFENSE (Multiple I)					WILLIAM & MARY OFFENSE (Multiple Pro Style)			
FLK	4	DES KITCHINGS	. (5-10, 177, Sr.)	WR	12	DAVE CONKLIN	(5-10, 180, Sr.)	
	1	Bryant Huguley			27	Hasani Cameron		
LT	71	DONNIE LITTLEJOHN		LT	78	MATT MAZEFSKY		
	74	Steven Cain			73	David Dunn, Jr.		
LG	7 <del>5</del>	MARTY PRIORE		LG	55	RAY LOFFREDO		
LG				LO	50	Matt Fruendt		
^	56	Trevor Kruger		С			, ,	
С	54	CHRIS STEWART	,		53	CHRIS MORRIS		
	65	Tye Crews		<b>D</b> 0	54	Scott Tompkins	(6-3, 270, 50.)	
RG	59	BEN HALL	, ,	RG	54	NICK MAKRIANNIS	, ,	
	62	Justin Price			64	Pat Finn		
RT	77	JOSH MOORE	. (6-5, 293, Jr.)	RT	74	NICK GILLILAND	, ,	
	60	Ryan Kineard	. (6-3, 265, Sr.)		57	Dwight Beard		
TE	89	TŘENT SANSBURY	. (6-2, 236, So.)	TE	88	SCOT OSBORNE		
	84	Graham Hunter	. (6-3, 252, So.)		83	Chad DiNunzio	(6-3, 250, Sr.)	
SE	33	ZACH SMERDZINSKI	. (5-9, 183, Jr.)	WR	5	CHRIS ROSIER	(6-2, 210, Jr.)	
	3	James Thomas			14	Mike Partlow	(6-3, 205, Sr.)	
QB	15	JUSTIN HILL		QB	6	DARON POPE		
~-	19	Billy Napier			10	David Corley, Jr		
FB	23	DEREK RUSSELL		ТВ	33	HAMEEN ALI		
10	40	Adam Sanders		'5	36	Komlan Lonergan		
ТВ	34	LOUIS IVORY		FB/HB	24	MIKE LEACH		
ID				ГБ/ПБ			\ ' ' \	
	21	Stuart Rentz	. (5-8, 190, Sr.)		16	Corey Paxton	(0-2, 213, K-FI.)	
FURM.	AN DI	EFENSE (43)		WILLIA	WILLIAM & MARY DEFENSE (44)			
RUE	55	BOBBY HÚBBARD	. (6-3, 229, Sr.)	DE	90	JUSTIN SOLOMON	(6-3, 235, Jr.)	
	99	Hershal Pleasant	, ,		99	Kyle Jacobs		
ST	48	BRIAN CONNER		DT	93	ERIK BENGAARD		
	98	LeBryan Sperling			71	Todd Garland	, ,	
NG	78	RYAN SPENCER		DT	92	MATT MILLS	, ,	
	64	Steve DeBeer			54	Chad Richards		
WT	97	STEVE KUPCHINSKY		DE	40	CHRIS STAHL		
V V I	91	Clay O'Daniel			98	Marcus Washington		
SLB	9	JOHN THRIFT		OLB	23	RONNIE THOMAS		
SLD				OLD	29	Mike Bowler		
МЪ	43	Sterling Frierson		MLB	38	TODD GREINEDER	(0-11, 180, OL.)	
MLB	20	WILL BOUTON		IVILD				
\A/I D	46	Steve Wall	,	\A/I D	43	David Liston	, , ,	
WLB	12	MARION MARTIN		WLB	47	MOHAMMAD YOUSSOFI	, , ,	
or	11	Brad Redmond			91	Ed Zaptin		
LCB	8	RICHIE JACKSON		SS	1	JASON SISTO		
	17	Chris Lowery			4	Darvin Alexander		
RCB	25	RODNEY JOHNSON		CB	17	MIKE BEVERLY		
	31	Andre Stroman			44	Rich Musinski		
SS	24	WALTER BOOTH		FS	2	JIMMY CERMINARO	(6-1, 195, Jr.)	
	38	Shelvis Smith	. (6-1, 202, So.)		21	Adam Braithwaite	(5-10, 180, So.)	
FS	10	JOHN KEITH	. (6-0, 204, Sr.)	CB	9	KHARI REYNOLDS	(5-10, 185, Jr.)	
	2	Josh Cooper			8	Mike Toal	(6-0, 190, So.)	
FUDM	AN CI	DECIAL ICTC		14/11 1 1/		MADY CRECIALISTS		
		PECIALISTS	(0.0.040.0)			MARY SPECIALISTS	(C O 40E lm)	
PK	16	JASON WELLS		PK	11	BRETT STERBA		
KO	16	JASON WELLS	. (b-2, 210, Sr.)	KO	11	BRETT STERBA		
Р	80	LEE WILLIS		Р	24	MIKE LEACH		
SSN	61	BRAD BYARS		SSN	81	MATT SANGER		
LSN	65	TYE CREWS		LSN	81	MATT SANGER		
Н	13	BRENT SCOGGINS		H	6	DARON POPE		
KOR	4	DESMOND KITCHINGS	. (5-10, 177, Sr.)	KOR	36	KOMLAN LONERGAN		
PR	33	ZACH SMERDZINSKI	. (5-9, 183, Jr.)	PR	36	KOMLAN LONERGAN	(5-9, 195, So.)	
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#### 1999 FURMAN UNIVERSITY PALADINS SUPERLATIVES INDIVIDUAL Longest Run From Scrimmage .................................. 32, Louis Ivory vs. Elon Steven Ferguson, Elon Scott Stevens to Phillip Johnson, Elon Longest Punt Return ...... 14, Zach Smerdzinski vs. Elon 19. two players, Elon Longest Interception Return ..... Sam Ames, Elon 24, Hershal Plesant vs. Elon Longest Fumble Return ...... 30, Lee Willis vs. Elon 53. Mark Gould, Elon Lee Willis vs. Elon 38.0, Mark Gould, Elon Jason Wells vs. Elon Jim Willis, Elon Jim Willis, Elon Jason Wells vs. Elon Louis Ivory vs. Elon DeWayne Thomas, Elon Louis Ivory vs. Elon Steven Ferguson, Elon Most Pass Attempts ...... 15, Justin Hill vs. Elon Derick Moore, Elon Most Pass Completions 9, Most Passing Yards 116, Derrick Moore, Elon Justin Hill vs. Elon Justin Hill vs. Elon 25. Scott Stevens, Elon Most Touchdown Passes ..... Derrick Moore, Elon 1, Most Total Offense Attempts ................................. 24. Justin Hill vs. Elon Derrick Moore, Elon Most Total Offense Yards ...... 130, Justin Hill vs. Elon Derrick Moore, Elon 87, Des Kitchings vs. Elon three players. Elon 1. Travis Whitaker, Elon Phillip Johnson, Elon four players, Elon Derrick Moore, Elon three players, Elon Jim Willis, Elon 3, Jim Willis, Elon Roger Allen, Elon **TEAM** Offense Worst 22, vs. Elon 3 vs. Elon 15, vs. Elon First Downs ...... 15, vs. Elon 39, vs. Elon Rushing Yards ...... 144, vs. Elon 144, vs. Elon 1. vs. Elon 15, vs. Elon 9, vs. Elon 116, vs. Elon 2, by Elon Passing Touchdowns ..... Total Plays ...... 54, vs. Elon 54, vs. Elon 260, vs. Elon Average Gain Per Play ...... 4.8, vs. Elon 4.8, vs. Elon 1, vs. Elon Punts 2, vs. Elon Punt Return Yards 42, vs. Elon 2, vs. Elon 42, vs. Elon Kickoff Return Yards ...... 128, vs. Elon 128. vs. Elon Possession Time ...... 27:40, vs. Elon 27:40, vs. Elon 18.1% (2-11), vs. Elon 1, by Elon Defense Worst 24, by Elon First Downs ...... 18, by Elon 18, by Elon Rushing Attempts ...... 58, by Elon by Elon 58, Rushing Yards ...... 264, by Elon 264, by Elon by Elon Pass Attempts ...... 8, by Elon 8. by Elon by Elon 38, by Elon Interceptions ...... 0, vs. Elon 0. vs. Elon by Elon 1. 66, by Elon Total Offense ...... 302, by Elon 302. by Elon 4.6, by Elon 2, by Elon Punts ...... 5, by Elon by Elon Punt Return Yards ...... 42, by Elon 42, by Elon Kickoff Return Yards ...... 86, by Elon 86, by Elon 32:20, by Elon

50.0%, by Elon

1, by Elon

Third Down Conversion% ....... 50.0% (8-16), by Elon