



Game 8 -- October 21, 2000

Furman Paladins (6-1; 3-1 SoCon, No. 7 TSN) vs. East Tennessee State Buccaneers (3-3; 2-2 SoCon)

Johnson City, Tennessee, Memorial Center (16,000) — Artificial Surface (13,000)

7:00 Kickoff

WCSZ-AM 1070 (Live), YahooBroadcast.com (Live)



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THE GAME

Sporting a 6-1 record and fresh from a 33-7 triumph over The Citadel, Furman (6-1, 3-1 SoCon) returns to action this Saturday when it travels to Johnson City, Tenn., to take on East Tennessee State (3-3, 2-2 SoCon). The Buccaneers were idle this past Saturday after knocking off The Citadel 20-7 in Charleston on Oct. 7.

THE SERIES

In a series that got its start in 1957, Furman holds a 20-6 advantage over East Tennessee State, but the Paladins enter Saturday's contest having lost three of the past four meetings to the Buccaneers, including a 22-19 double overtime decision two years ago in Johnson City. Furman captured last year's contest in Greenville by a 48-21 score. In all games played in Johnson City, the Paladins sport an 8-4 advantage. In Greenville, Furman owns a 12-2 record versus the Buccaneers.

Table of series history from 1957 to 1999, listing date, result, and location.

In Greenville: Furman leads 12-2
In Johnson City: Furman leads 8-4

THE COACHES

Furman: Bobby Johnson (Clemson '73)
45-31 (.592), 7th Year at Furman
45-31 (.592), 7th Year Overall
Johnson vs. E. Tenn. St. (3-3)

E. Tenn. St.: Paul Hamilton (Appalachian State '81)
20-19 (.513), 4th Year at E. Tenn. St.
20-19 (.513), 4th Year Overall
Hamilton vs. Furman (3-1)

THE OFFENSES

Furman: Multiple I
'00 Points/Game — 31.0
'00 Yards/Game — 421.7
307.6 Rushing
114.1 Passing

E. Tenn. St.: Multiple I
'00 Points/Game — 23.7
'00 Yards/Game — 363.7
137.0 Rushing
226.7 Passing

THE DEFENSES

Furman: 43
'00 Points/Game — 11.9
'00 Yards/Game — 318.0
127.0 Rushing
191.0 Passing

E. Tenn. St.: 43
'00 Points/Game — 23.3
'00 Yards/Game — 354.7
150.3 Rushing
204.3 Passing

2000 SCHEDULES

FURMAN (6-1, 3-1 SoCon)

- Sept. 2 @ FURMAN 16, Elon 3
Sept. 9 @ FURMAN 44, Newberry 10
Sept. 16 @ FURMAN 34, William & Mary 10
Sept. 23 FURMAN 35, @ VMI 21
Sept. 30 @ FURMAN 38, Western Carolina 14
Oct. 7 @ Appalachian State 18, FURMAN 17
Oct. 14 @ FURMAN 33, The Citadel 7
Oct. 21 @ East Tennessee State, 7:00
Nov. 4 GEORGIA SOUTHERN, 2:00
Nov. 11 @ Wofford, 3:30
Nov. 18 CHATTANOOGA, 2:00

EAST TENNESSEE STATE (3-3, 2-2 SoCon)

- Sept. 2 ETSU 37, @ Liberty 20
Sept. 9 @ Colorado State 41, ETSU 7
Sept. 16 ETSU 38, VMI 3
Sept. 23 @ W. Carolina 39, ETSU 27
Sept. 30 Appalachian State 30, @ ETSU 13
Oct. 7 ETSU 20, @ The Citadel 7
Oct. 21 FURMAN, 7:00
Oct. 28 @ Georgia Southern, 1:00
Nov. 4 WOFFORD, 2:00
Nov. 11 @ Chattanooga, 1:30
Nov. 18 CHARLESTON SOUTHERN, 7:30

FURMAN-EAST TENNESSEE STATE LAST MEETING

GREENVILLE, S.C. (Oct. 23, 1999) -- Louis Ivory rushed for a then career high 203 yards and two touchdowns and quarterback Justin Hill completed all nine pass attempts for 156 yards and a pair of scores to lead 14th-ranked Furman to a 48-21 win over 13th-ranked East Tennessee State at Paladin Stadium.

Furman, which rolled up a season high 553 yards in total offense, including 358 on the ground on the way to its sixth straight win, wasted little time in taking control, scoring on four of its five first half possessions.

1999 SOCON FINAL STANDINGS

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Last Week's Results

Furman 33, The Citadel 7
Georgia Southern 34, Appalachian State 28
Wofford 40, Western Carolina 31
Chattanooga 27, VMI 14

This Week's Games

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

1999 PRE-SEASON HONORS

The Sports Network All-America
OT Josh Moore (1st Team)
TE Trent Sansbury (1st Team)
LB Will Bouton (1st Team)

All-Southern Conference (Coaches)

OT Josh Moore C Chris Stewart
OG Marty Priore TB Louis Ivory
TE Trent Sansbury LB Will Bouton

NCAA I-AA Pre-Season Polls

The Sports Network (9th)
ESPN-USA Today (9th)

2000 SEASON HONORS

Southern Conference Players-of-the-Week

TB Louis Ivory vs. Elon (Sept. 2-Off.)
LB Will Bouton vs. Elon (Sept. 2-Def.)
DE Brandon Poole vs. VMI (Sept. 23-Fr.)
TB Louis Ivory vs. Western Carolina (Sept. 30)
FS Josh Cooper vs. The Citadel (Oct. 14)

A 1-yard touchdown run by Derek Russell, a 22-yard touchdown pass from Justin Hill to Zach Smerdzinski, and a pair of Louis Ivory scoring runs covering 8 and 12 yards staked Furman to a 27-0 halftime lead.

Derek Russell's second score of the game, a 3-yard run on Furman's first possession of the second half, put the Paladins up 34-0 before East Tennessee State scratched with a pair of touchdowns to make it 34-13. The Paladins answered with a pair of scoring strikes by Justin Hill and backup quarterback Billy Napier covering 63 and 33 yards to put the game out of reach for the Buccaneers.

Ivory's 202 rushing yards eclipsed his previous high mark of 161 yards set in a 27-19 win over South Carolina State in 1998. Hill, meanwhile, tied a school record for consecutive completions (13) first set by his position coach Bobby Lamb in 1985.

<b>FURMAN</b>	14	13	14	7	—	48
<b>E. TENN. ST.</b>	0	0	13	8	—	21

- F — Derek Russell 1 run  
(Jason Wells kick) 9:11-1Q
- F — Zach Smerdzinski 22 pass from Justin Hill (Jason Wells kick) 3:13-1Q
- F — Louis Ivory 8 run  
(Jason Wells kick) 7:41-2Q
- F — Louis Ivory 12 run  
(Jason Wells kick) 0:38-2Q
- F — Derek Russell 3 run  
(kick failed) 13:24-3Q
- ET — Brandon Walker 4 run  
(Brian Fuchs kick) 8:57-3Q
- ET — Terrance Sims 1 run  
(Brian Fuchs kick) 2:54-3Q
- F — Des Kitchings 63 pass from Justin Hill (Jason Wells kick) 0:24-3Q
- F — James Thomas 33 pass from Billy Napier (Jason Wells kick) 11:59-4Q
- ET — Charvin Clark 35 pass from Jamey Chadwell (Scott Carter pass) 4:01-4Q

**Rushing:** F — Ivory 22-203, Hill 6-54, Kitchings 2-25, Rentz 4-25, Huguley 1-20, Russell 9-20, Burton 5-13, Napier 4(-2). ET — Walker 19-92, Miller 7-25, Carter 4-14, Wells 3-12, Sims 5-10, Chadwell 1(-5).

**Passing:** F — Hill 9-9-0-156, Napier 2-2-0-39. ET — Wells 14-24-0-138, Chadwell 8-12-1-120.

**Receiving:** F — Kitchings 4-89, Smerdzinski 4-62, Thomas 1-33, Hunter 1-6, Sansbury 1-5. ET — Cooper 5-37, Clark 4-78, Edison 4-47, Rader 3-35, Miller 3-28, Martin 1-14, Walker 1-12, Carter 1-7.

	F	ET
First Downs	26	25
Rushing	53-358	39-148
Passing	195	258
C/A/I	11-11-0	22-36-1
Total Offense	553	406
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-1
Penalties	4-29	5-46
Punts	2-41.5	5-33.6
Possession Time	27:23	32:37
Third Down Conversions	8-11	5-12
Sacks By	1-5	0-0

### FURMAN LAST TIME OUT

GREENVILLE, S.C. (Oct. 14, 2000) -- Backup quarterback Billy Napier passed for 170 yards and a touchdown to lead ninth-ranked Furman to a 33-7 win over arch-rival The Citadel in front of 13,326 fans at Paladin Stadium Saturday afternoon.

Napier a sophomore from Chatsworth, Ga., re-

placed injured starting quarterback Justin Hill on Furman's second series, and completed 11-of-16 passes in the contest, including a 26-yard touchdown pass to tight end Trent Sansbury in the third quarter to give the Paladins a 10-7 lead.

Furman tailback Louis Ivory ran for 214 yards and scored on a 58-yard run in the third quarter to post his second straight 1,000-yard season. Ivory now has 1,179 yards through seven games. The win was Furman's fifth in its last six games against The Citadel and fifth straight home victory.

The Citadel grabbed an early 7-0 lead when Nate Mahoney scored on a 1-yard plunge to cap an 8-play, 70-yard drive on the Bulldogs' first possession.

With Napier taking over for Hill on Furman's second possession, the Paladins moved 62 yards to the Citadel 3 but failed to score when the Bulldogs' Jay Ingram pounced on a fumble by Ivory in the end zone on the first play of the second quarter.

A 39-yard Danny Marshall field goal with 9:34 left in the first half cut The Citadel's lead to 7-3.

Furman wasted little time in assuming command in the third quarter. Taking the kickoff the Paladins moved 70 yards in six plays to grab a 10-7 advantage when Napier split two Bulldog defenders with a 26-yard touchdown pass to tight end Trent Sansbury at the 12:04 juncture.

After a fumble at the Citadel 18 halted Furman's next scoring threat, the Paladins bounced back quickly when Ivory bounced off a pair of Bulldog defenders and raced 58 yards for a touchdown to stretch the Paladin lead to 17-7 with 2:42 left in the third quarter.

A 39-yard punt by Furman's Lee Willis that was downed at The Citadel 1 led to Furman's next score, which came on a safety when cornerback Richie Jackson tackled the Bulldogs' Nate Mahoney in the end zone to make it 19-7 early in the fourth quarter.

Furman's defense, which surrendered 162 yards in the first half, limited Citadel to only 91 total yards in the second half and set up the Paladins' last two scores. Free safety Josh Cooper's 35-yard interception return for a score made it 26-7, and Cooper's school record tying third interception of the contest set up a 3-yard touchdown run by Derek Russell with just over two minutes left in the game.

Held to only 147 total yards in the first half, Furman finished with 430 yards in total offense.

<b>FURMAN</b>	0	3	14	16	—	33
<b>THE CITADEL</b>	7	0	0	0	—	7

- C — Nate Mahoney 1 run  
(Brice Stefanick kick) 11:31-1Q
- F — Danny Marshall 39 FG 9:34-2Q
- F — Trent Sansbury 26 pass from Billy Napier (Danny Marshall kick) 12:04-3Q
- F — Louis Ivory 58 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 2:42-3Q
- F — Will Bouton safety 12:40-4Q
- F — Josh Cooper 35 interception return  
(Danny Marshall kick) 3:28-4Q
- F — Derek Russell 3 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 2:02-4Q

**Rushing:** F — Ivory 25-214, Russell 4-27, Rembert 3-19, Napier 9-5, Burton 1-2, O'Neal 2-2, Sansbury 1-1, Hill 1(-10). C — Murphy 10-67, Johnson 16-60, Mahoney 14-40, Dunham 7-27, Wiley 1-0, Healy 1(-6), Call 1(-12).

**Passing:** F — Napier 11-16-0-170, Hill 0-1-0-0. C — Johnson 3-7-2-48, Call 2-3-0-21, Hardin 1-2-0-6, Hines 0-1-1-0.

**Receiving:** F — Sansbury 5-94, Rinehart 2-39, Smerdzinski 2-15, Thomas 1-19, Ivory 1-3. C — Healy 5-69, Gamble 1-6.

### FURMAN RADIO

All Furman football games this season can be heard live over Greenville radio station WCSZ-AM (1070).

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 returns to 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. Gordon Higgins returns as sideline reporter, and Robbie Ross will again serve as spotter and scoreboard reporter for the Furman broadcast team. Jimmy Fellers is the executive producer of all Furman football broadcasts.

### FURMAN ON YAHOO BROADCAST.COM

Furman football broadcasts can again be accessed live and on-demand by fans around the world over the internet through Yahoo Broadcast.com.

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

### FURMAN ON TEAMLINE

Furman football radio broadcasts 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>.

### SOUTHERN CONFERENCE COACHES' TELECONFERENCE

The Southern Conference will conduct a weekly coaches' teleconference throughout the 2000 season. The weekly teleconference is open to members of the media each Tuesday (August 29 - November 14) 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 (712) 271-3576. The password is SoCon.

### 2000 SoCon Teleconference Schedule

- 10:00 a.m. — Jerry Moore, Appalachian State
- 10:07 a.m. — Don Powers, The Citadel
- 10:14 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. — Donnie Kirkpatrick, UTC
- 10:42 a.m. — Cal McCombs, VMI
- 10:49 a.m. — Bill Bleil, Western Carolina
- 10:56 a.m. — Mike Ayers, Wofford

	F	C
First Downs .....	19	10
Rushing .....	26-260	38-176
Passing .....	170	75
C/A/I .....	11-17-0	6-13-3
Total Offense .....	430	251
Fumbles-Lost .....	3-2	2-0
Penalties .....	4-26	8-54
Punts .....	4-42.8	7-36.0
Possession Time .....	29:17	30:43
Third Down Conversions .....	4-12	5-15
Sacks By .....	1-12	4-24

### NOTING THE PALADINS

✓ **RARE COMPANY**...Though its 18-17 loss to Appalachian State in Boone on Oct. 7 denied Furman its first 6-0 start in program history, the current 6-1 record following Saturday's 33-7 win over The Citadel still ranks among the best records ever posted by a Furman squad through its first seven games. All told, only 13 teams in Furman's 95-season football history have started a season 6-1 and, ironically, among the select group are the last two Paladin squads.

### FURMAN'S BEST SEVEN GAME STARTS

Season	7-Game Record	Final Record
1919 .....	6-1	6-2-1
1920 .....	6-1	9-1
1923 .....	6-1	9-2
1927 .....	6-1	10-1
1932 .....	6-1	8-1
1935 .....	6-1	8-1
1963 .....	6-1	7-3
1980 .....	6-1	9-1-1
1985 .....	6-1	12-2
1989 .....	6-1	12-2
1996 .....	6-1	9-4
1999 .....	6-1	9-3
2000 .....	6-1	??

✓ **SUCCESS AT HOME**...The following is a breakdown of Furman home records versus current Southern Conference opposition.

### FURMAN HOME RECORDS VERSUS CURRENT SOUTHERN CONFERENCE OPPONENTS

Opponent	Home Record	Pct
East Tennessee State .....	12-2	.857
VMI .....	12-3	.800
Appalachian State .....	11-3-1	.767
Wofford .....	27-8-5	.738
The Citadel .....	27-12	.692
Western Carolina .....	9-5-1	.633
Chattanooga .....	7-6	.538
Georgia Southern .....	1-3	.250
Totals .....	106-40-7	.716

✓ **AND ON THE ROAD**...Furman has acquitted itself nicely against Southern Conference opposition on the road over the years.

### FURMAN ROAD RECORDS VERSUS CURRENT SOUTHERN CONFERENCE OPPONENTS

Opponent	Road Record	Pct
East Tennessee State .....	8-4	.667
Western Carolina .....	8-4-1	.654
VMI .....	9-5	.643
Appalachian State .....	8-5-2	.600
Chattanooga .....	9-6	.600
The Citadel .....	20-16-1	.554
Wofford .....	16-15-2	.515
Georgia Southern .....	0-4	.000
Totals .....	78-59-6	.567

✓ **OVERALL VERSUS THE SOCON**...Here is Furman's overall series records versus current Southern Conference opposition.

### FURMAN OVERALL RECORDS VERSUS CURRENT SOUTHERN CONFERENCE OPPONENTS

Opponent	Road Record	Pct
East Tennessee State .....	20-6	.769
VMI .....	21-8	.724
Appalachian State .....	19-8-3	.683
Western Carolina .....	17-9-2	.643
Wofford .....	43-23-7	.637
The Citadel .....	49-28-3	.631
Chattanooga .....	16-12	.571
Georgia Southern .....	2-8	.200
Totals .....	187-102-15	.639

✓ **BEST RECORDS VERSUS ETSU**...Even though Furman has dropped two straight games to East Tennessee State in Johnson City, the Paladins' home (12-2, .857), away (8-4, .667), and overall (20-6, .769) series records are better versus the Buccaneers than against any other current Southern Conference league foe.

✓ **BREAKING DOWN SOME NUMBERS**...Furman is 7-0 in its last seven Southern Conference home games, 11-2 (.846) in its last 13 league clashes, and 16-4 (.800) in its last 20 contests. Furman's four losses in the 20-game stretch have been by two points (Elon, 24-22), three points (Georgia Southern, 41-38), seven points (Massachusetts, 30-23 OT), and one point (Appalachian State, 18-17), respectively.

✓ **CLOSING IN ON 100**...Furman's 33-7 victory over The Citadel on Saturday marked the Paladins' fifth home win of the 2000 season and 96th victory in Paladin Stadium history. Now in its 20th season of play in the beautiful facility, Furman has compiled a 96-27-1 record (.778) since moving into Paladin Stadium in 1981.

✓ **DEFENSIVE IMPROVEMENT EVIDENT**...The return of nine defensive starters for the 2000 season offered plenty of optimism for improved defensive play this fall, and although one of the nine starters, junior cornerback Rodney Johnson (Marion, N.C.), was sidelined for the season due to knee injury sustained in the season opener against Elon, Furman's defense appears to be making good on its expected improvement. It's also encouraging to know that the current Paladin starting defensive cast sports only one senior, linebacker Marion Martin (Columbia, S.C.).

### FURMAN DEFENSIVE COMPARISON (1999 vs. 2000)

Category	1999	2000	Margin
Scoring Defense .....	18.3	11.9	-6.4
Rushing Defense .....	205.3	127.0	-78.3
Passing Defense .....	180.0	191.0	+11.0
Total Defense .....	385.3	318.0	-67.3
Sacks/Game .....	1.0	2.3	+1.3

✓ **PALADIN "D" BOTTLES UP BULLDOGS IN SECOND HALF**...After surrendering 162 total yards to The Citadel in the first half Saturday, Furman's defense bottled up the Bulldogs in the second half, pitching a shutout, picking off two passes, and limiting The Citadel to only two first downs, eight yards rushing, and 89 total yards.

✓ **INSIDE SOME DEFENSIVE NUMBERS**...Furman has surrendered only 102.5 yards per game rushing to the opposition in the last four games, and just six rushing touchdowns this season. Although opponents have attempted almost twice as many passes (194-98) and thrown for 1,377 yards to Furman's 799 through

seven games, the opposition has managed only two touchdown passes this season to the Paladins' five. In recording seven sacks in its win over VMI on Sept. 23, Furman posted its highest sack total since the 1997 season when the Paladins notched a school single game record 10 takedowns in a 43-21 win over Chattanooga. Counting one sack in Saturday's 33-7 win over The Citadel, Furman, with 16 takedowns in seven games this year, has already exceeded last season's sack total of 14, which the Paladins registered in 12 contests.

### FURMAN TOP SINGLE GAME SACK PERFORMANCES (Overall)

Opponent	Sacks
Chattanooga (1997) .....	10
The Citadel (1996) .....	8
VMI (2000) .....	7
Chattanooga (1996) .....	7
Western Carolina (1989) .....	7
Chattanooga (1993) .....	6
Newberry (1988) .....	6
Chattanooga (1988) .....	6

### FURMAN TOP SINGLE GAME SACK PERFORMANCES (Bobby Johnson Era, 1994-Present)

Opponent	Sacks
Chattanooga (1997) .....	10
The Citadel (1996) .....	8
VMI (2000) .....	7
Chattanooga (1996) .....	7
Northern Arizona (1996) .....	5

✓ **EXACTING A HIGH PRICE FOR TURNOVERS**...A year ago Furman paced the Southern Conference in turnover margin (+0.75/game), and through seven games this year the Paladins again top the league with a +1.29 margin. All told, Furman has generated 61 of its 217 points this season via a combination of scores by the Paladin defense following turnovers or points by the Furman offense on possessions following opponent miscues. In Saturday's 33-7 win over The Citadel, the Paladins cashed in a pair of Bulldog interceptions for 14 points.

✓ **COOPER TIES FU INTERCEPTION MARK**...In picking off three passes in Saturday's 33-7 win over The Citadel, one of which he returned 35 yards for a touchdown, junior free safety Josh Cooper (Cincinnati, Ohio) tied a Furman single game interceptions record held by four other Paladins: Joe Watts vs. Presbyterian (1951), Mark Gordon vs. Presbyterian (1975), John Zemina vs. VMI (1982), and Walter Booth vs. Appalachian State (1999). Cooper's 35-yard interception return for a touchdown was the first by a Paladin since teammate Will Bouton returned a pickoff 24 yards for a score in a 31-7 win over Western Carolina in 1998.

✓ **FIRST SAFETY SINCE 1996**...When junior cornerback Richie Jackson (Cincinnati, Ohio) tackled The Citadel's Nate Mahoney in the end zone for a safety early in the fourth quarter of Saturday's 33-7 Paladin win over the Bulldogs, it marked the first safety for Furman since the 1996 season when Seth Ramaley blocked a punt by Wofford's Brandon Kale out of the end zone in a 33-3 win over the Terriers.

✓ **NAPIER STEPS UP**...When Furman starting quarterback Justin Hill (Greer, S.C.) exited the lineup with a bruised right shoulder following the Paladins' first offensive series on Saturday, sophomore quarterback Billy Napier (Chatsworth, Ga.) was put on the hot seat. Napier, who played sparingly as Hill's backup a year ago and who had completed only 8-of-14 passes for

110 yards in three games this year, made the most of his opportunity by completing 11-of-16 passes for 170 yards and a touchdown in leading the Paladins to the 33-7 win.

✓ **FINDING THE TIGHT END...**Five games into the 2000 season many Furman football observers were beginning to wonder if the Paladins knew they even had a Sports Network Pre-Season All-America tight end on the squad. With only three receptions in five games, junior All-Southern Conference performer Trent Sansbury (Lilburn, Ga.) obviously had had very little contact with the pigskin. Two weeks ago that began to change when Sansbury caught three passes for 94 yards, including a 60-yard touchdown pass in the Paladins' 18-17 loss to Appalachian State. On Saturday in the Paladins' 33-7 win over The Citadel, it was more Sansbury as he hooked up with quarterback Billy Napier for five receptions for 94 yards and a touchdown, which came on a beautiful 26-yard strike between two Bulldog defenders to put the Paladins ahead 10-7 in the third quarter. Sansbury now ranks as Furman's leading receiver with 11 catches for 230 yards (20.9 ypc) and two touchdowns.

✓ **OFFENSIVE SUPERLATIVES...**In starting the season 6-1, Furman has added a couple of more offensive statistical superlatives to an expanding list of top performances under head coach Bobby Johnson. The Paladins' 400 rushing yards in the 38-14 win over Western Carolina on Sept. 30 marked the second highest rushing total by a Bobby Johnson-coached Furman squad, and is only exceeded by 1999's 509-yard rushing effort in Furman's 52-6 dismantling of the Tribe in Williamsburg.

**FURMAN TOP SINGLE GAME SCORING PERFORMANCES**

*(Bobby Johnson Era, 1994-Present)*

Opponent	Result
VMI (1999)	58-0 W
VMI (1995)	55-24 W
William & Mary (1999)	52-6 W
VMI (1998)	51-14 W
East Tennessee State (1999)	48-21 W
Western Carolina (1996)	45-30 W
<b>Newberry (2000)</b>	<b>44-10 W</b>
The Citadel (1994)	44-52 L
Chattanooga (1997)	43-21 W
Chattanooga (1996)	42-21 W
Northern Arizona (1996)	42-31 W

**FURMAN TOP SINGLE GAME RUSHING PERFORMANCES**

*(Bobby Johnson Era, 1994-Present)*

Opponent	Yards	Result
William & Mary (1999)	509	52-6 W
<b>Western Carolina (2000)</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>38-14 W</b>
<b>William &amp; Mary (2000)</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>34-10 W</b>
<b>Newberry (2000)</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>44-10 W</b>
VMI (1999)	381	58-0 W
Wofford (1999)	369	30-3 W
VMI (1997)	365	35-14 W
East Tennessee State (1999)	358	48-21 W
South Carolina State (1996)	355	27-13 W
Wofford (1997)	320	28-7 W
Western Carolina (1996)	318	45-30 W
South Carolina State (1998)	311	27-17 W
Appalachian State (1999)	300	35-21 W

**FURMAN TOP SINGLE GAME TOTAL OFFENSE PERFORMANCES**

*(Bobby Johnson Era, 1994-Present)*

Opponent	Yards	Result
Western Carolina (1996)	573	45-30 W
East Tennessee State (1999)	553	48-21 W

VMI (1999)	546	58-0 W
William & Mary (1999)	542	52-6 W
VMI (1995)	538	55-24 W
<b>Newberry (2000)</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>44-10 W</b>
<b>Western Carolina (2000)</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>38-14 W</b>
Chattanooga (1996)	516	42-21 W
VMI (1997)	505	35-14 W
VMI (1998)	500	51-14 W

✓ **LOUIS IVORY RETURNS TO FORM, TOPS 1,000 YARDS...**

Although he had his string of eight consecutive 100-yard games snapped in the Paladins' 18-17 loss to Appalachian State on Oct. 7, junior tailback Louis Ivory (Fort Valley, Ga.) rebounded in solid fashion in Saturday's 33-7 win over The Citadel by rushing 25 times for 214 yards and a touchdown on the way to his second straight 1,000-yard season. The 214-yard effort against the Bulldogs, which included a 58-yard touchdown run in the third quarter that gave Furman a 17-7 lead, marked his second 200-yard performance of the season and the second highest single game effort of his career. It also represented the 11th 100-yard rushing performance in his last 13 games and 15th career 100-yard rushing outing. Of his 15 career 100-yard rushing performances, during which Furman posted a 14-1 record, none came as quick as his 187-yard outing against Western Carolina on Sept. 30, as Ivory, on only his third carry (a 39-yard run with over seven minutes left in the first quarter) topped the 100-yard plateau. A 65-yard touchdown run on his second carry paved the way.

On Sept. 16 Ivory posted a career high rushing outing by totaling 232 yards and two touchdowns in the Paladins' 34-10 win over William & Mary. Spicing his new career single game standard, which represented the fourth highest single game rushing total in Furman history, was a career long 88-yard touchdown run. In the Paladins' 16-3 season opening win against Elon on Sept. 2, Ivory ran for 182 yards, including a then-career best 75-yard touchdown run in the game's final minute to seal the victory. His 58-yard touchdown run against The Citadel on Saturday was only his fourth longest touchdown run of the season.

**LOUIS IVORY IN 2000**

Opponent	Statistics	Result
Elon	20 att./182 yds./1 TD	16-3 W
Newberry	19 att./171 yds./2 TD	44-10 W
William & Mary	27 att./232 yds./2 TD	34-10 W
VMI	28 att./135 yds./1 TD	35-21 W
W. Carolina	17 att./187 yds./3 TD	38-14 W
Appalachian St.	19 att./58 yds./0 TD	17-18 L
The Citadel	25 att./214 yds./1 TD	33-7
Totals	155 att./1179 yds./10 TD	6-1 (7.6 ypc, 168.4 ypg)

✓ **QUICKEST TO 1,000...**In rushing for 214 yards in Saturday's 33-7 win over The Citadel, Louis Ivory became the fastest player in Furman football history to reach 1,000 rushing yards. Ivory, who now has 1,179 yards, topped the 1,000-yard mark in what previously had taken the best Paladin runners eight games to accomplish. Interestingly, one of those two runners was Ivory himself, who needed eight games a year ago to top 1,000 yards. The other Furman runner who reached the plateau in eight games was Carl Tremble (1992).

**FURMAN'S QUICKEST TO 1,000 YARDS**

Player	Year	Game Season	
		Reached	Total
Louis Ivory	2000	7th	??
Carl Tremble	1992	8th	1,555
Louis Ivory	1999	8th	1,519
Stanford Jennings	1983	9th	1,390
Stanford Jennings	1981	9th	1,168

Carl Tremble	1990	11th	1,277
Robbie Gardner	1984	10th	1,232
Robbie Gardner	1986	11th	1,113

✓ **THE BEST OF IVORY...**The following are Louis Ivory's top single game rushing performances and a summary of his career as Furman's starting tailback.

**LOUIS IVORY'S TOP RUSHING GAMES**

Opponent	Statistics	Result
William & Mary (00)	27 att./232 yds./2 TD	34-10 W
The Citadel (00)	25 att./214 yds./1 TD	33-7 W
E. Tenn. St. ('99)	22 att./203 yds./2 TD	48-21 W
W. Carolina ('00)	17 att./187 yds./3 TD	38-14 W
Elon ('00)	20 att./182 yds./1 TD	16-3 W
N. Carolina ('99)	34 att./177 yds./1 TD	28-3 W
Newberry ('00)	19 att./171 yds./2 TD	44-10 W
S.C. State ('98)	23 att./161 yds./2 TD	27-19 W
William & Mary ('99)	17 att./151 yds./1 TD	52-6 W
W. Carolina ('99)	27 att./150 yds./2 TD	27-19 W
UMass ('99)	19 att./143 yds./0 TD	23-30 L
VMI ('00)	28 att./135 yds./1 TD	35-21 W
Appalachian St. ('99)	27 att./135 yds./2 TD	35-21 W
Chattanooga ('99)	22 att./128 yds./1 TD	40-35 W
Wofford ('99)	20 att./107 yds./1 TD	30-3 W

**LOUIS IVORY AS A STARTING TAILBACK**

Opponent	Statistics	Result
Elon ('99)	18 att./98 yds./0 TD	22-24 L
William & Mary ('99)	17 att./151 yds./1 TD	52-6 W
VMI ('99)	6 att./85 yds./3 TD	58-0 W
W. Carolina ('99)	27 att./150 yds./2 TD	27-19 W
Appalachian St. ('99)	27 att./135 yds./2 TD	35-21 W
The Citadel ('99)	21 att./98 yds./0 TD	31-17 W
E. Tenn. St. ('99)	22 att./203 yds./2 TD	48-21 W
N. Carolina ('99)	34 att./177 yds./1 TD	28-3 W
Ga. Southern ('99)	16 att./144 yds./1 TD	38-41 L
Wofford ('99)	20 att./107 yds./1 TD	30-3 W
Chattanooga ('99)	22 att./128 yds./1 TD	40-35 W
UMass ('99)	19 att./143 yds./0 TD	23-30 L
Elon ('00)	20 att./182 yds./1 TD	16-3 W
Newberry ('00)	19 att./171 yds./2 TD	44-10 W
William & Mary ('00)	27 att./232 yds./2 TD	34-10 W
VMI ('00)	28 att./135 yds./1 TD	35-21 W
W. Carolina ('00)	17 att./187 yds./3 TD	38-14 W
App. St. ('00)	19 att./58 yds./0 TD	17-18 L
The Citadel ('00)	25 att./214 yds./1 TD	33-7 W
Totals	404 att./2698 yds./24 TD	15-4 (6.7 ypc, 142.0 ypg)

✓ **CHARTING LOUIS IVORY...**In rushing for 214 yards and a touchdown in Saturday's 33-7 win over The Citadel, Louis Ivory continued to solidify his standing as one of Furman's all-time leading rushers by becoming only the fifth back in Furman football history to rush for over 3,000 yards. Ivory now ranks fourth on Furman's career rushing chart with 3,104 yards heading into Saturday's game against East Tennessee State.

In 1999 Ivory made the switch from fullback to tailback on the way to becoming the first Paladin 1,000-yard rusher since Carl Tremble topped the plateau in 1992. In rolling up 1,519 yards and 14 touchdowns in 1999, Ivory posted the second highest season rushing total in Furman history and tallied 100-yard rushing performances in eight games. In addition, his 14 rushing touchdowns in 1999 were the second highest season total ever by a Paladin. In a 28-3 victory over North Carolina, Ivory garnered a career high 34 carries for 177 yards — the most yards ever by a Paladin player against and NCAA I-A opponent.

**FURMAN SINGLE SEASON RUSHING LEADERS**

Rank	Player	Year	Yds.
1)	Carl Tremble	1992	1,555
2)	<b>Louis Ivory</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>1,519</b>
3)	Stanford Jennings	1983	1,390

4) ... Carl Tremble .....	1990 .....	1,277
5) ... Robbie Gardner .....	1984 .....	1,232
<b>6) ... Louis Ivory .....</b>	<b>2000 .....</b>	<b>1,179</b>
7) ... Stanford Jennings .....	1981 .....	1,168
8) ... Robbie Gardner .....	1986 .....	1,113
9) ... Brian Jager .....	1985 .....	1,045
10) ... Stanford Jennings .....	1982 .....	1,025

#### FURMAN SINGLE SEASON RUSHING TD LEADERS

Rank	Player	Year	TDs
1) ... Robbie Gardner .....	1986 .....	15	
... Carl Tremble .....	1990 .....	15	
... Derek Russell .....	1999 .....	15	
2) ... Stanford Jennings .....	1983 .....	14	
... Robbie Gardner .....	1984 .....	14	
... <b>Louis Ivory .....</b>	<b>1999 .....</b>	<b>14</b>	
3) ... John Bagwell .....	1985 .....	13	
... Carl Tremble .....	1992 .....	13	
4) ... Mike Glenn .....	1980 .....	11	
... Stanford Jennings .....	1981 .....	11	
... Stanford Jennings .....	1982 .....	11	
... Dwight Sterling .....	1988 .....	11	
... Carl Tremble .....	1991 .....	11	
<b>5) ... Louis Ivory .....</b>	<b>2000 .....</b>	<b>10</b>	
... Mike Glenn .....	1979 .....	10	
... Brian Jager .....	1985 .....	10	
... Billy Stockdale .....	1990 .....	10	

#### FURMAN CAREER RUSHING LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	Yds.
1) ... Carl Tremble .....	1989-92 .....	4,746	
2) ... Stanford Jennings .....	1980-83 .....	4,016	
3) ... Robbie Gardner .....	1982-86 .....	3,213	
<b>4) ... Louis Ivory .....</b>	<b>1998- .....</b>	<b>3,104</b>	
5) ... Larry Robinson .....	1973-76 .....	3,038	
6) ... Mike Glenn .....	1978-80 .....	2,446	
7) ... John Bagwell .....	1984-88 .....	2,183	
8) ... Dinky Williams .....	1981-84 .....	2,110	
9) ... Mark Moore .....	1994-97 .....	2,061	
10) ... Dwight Sterling .....	1986-90 .....	1,983	

#### FURMAN CAREER RUSHING TD LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	Yds.
1) ... Carl Tremble .....	1989-92 .....	48	
2) ... Robbie Gardner .....	1982-86 .....	43	
3) ... Stanford Jennings .....	1980-83 .....	40	
<b>4) ... Derek Russell .....</b>	<b>1997- .....</b>	<b>31</b>	
5) ... Mike Glenn .....	1978-80 .....	29	
<b>6) ... Louis Ivory .....</b>	<b>1998- .....</b>	<b>28</b>	
7) ... John Bagwell .....	1984-88 .....	26	
8) ... Larry Robinson .....	1973-76 .....	25	
9) ... Dwight Sterling .....	1986-89 .....	20	
10) ... David Whitehurst .....	1973-76 .....	18	

✓ **IVORY RECORDING FURMAN ALL-TIME SUPERLATIVES...**Louis Ivory's 88-yard scoring run and 232-yard rushing performance against William & Mary on Sept. 16 rank among the most impressive marks in Furman history. In addition to the 88-yard run against the Tribe, Ivory has posted the second and third longest scoring runs of his career this year: 75 vs. Elon; 65 vs. Western Carolina.

#### FURMAN LONGEST RUSHING PLAYS

Player	Opponent	Yards
Russ Sutton .....	Presbyterian (1951) .....	93
Louis Ivory .....	William & Mary (2000) .....	88
<b>Louis Ivory .....</b>	<b>William &amp; Mary (2000) .....</b>	<b>88</b>
Mike Glenn .....	Appalachian St. (1980) .....	88
Robbie Gardner .....	Marshall (1984) .....	88
Robbie Gardner .....	Central Florida (1984) .....	88
Paul Gwinn .....	Wofford (1937) .....	85

#### FURMAN SINGLE GAME RUSHING LEADERS

Player	Opponent	Yards
William Gressette .....	Erskine (1916) .....	318

Mike Glenn .....	Presbyterian (1980) .....	261
Ernest Crosby .....	S.C. State (1996) .....	243
<b>Louis Ivory .....</b>	<b>William &amp; Mary (2000) .....</b>	<b>232</b>
Carl Tremble .....	Chattanooga (1992) .....	228
William Gressette .....	Prebsyterian (1916) .....	217
<b>Louis Ivory .....</b>	<b>The Citadel (2000) .....</b>	<b>214</b>
John Bagwell .....	Marshall (1987) .....	213
<b>Louis Ivory .....</b>	<b>E. Tenn. St. (1999) .....</b>	<b>203</b>
Pat Carroll .....	Carson-Newman (1970) ...	202
Carl Tremble .....	The Citadel (1990) .....	202

✓ **DEREK RUSSELL: TD MAN...**Seven games into the 2000 season, senior fullback Derek Russell (Austell, Ga.) is once again proving to be a valuable scoring weapon as he has tallied seven touchdowns despite having rushed for only 210 yards. A year ago Russell led Furman in scoring with 90 points on a school single season tying 15 touchdowns despite finishing only fourth in rushing with 337 yards. Heading into Saturday's clash with East Tennessee State, Russell has run for 31 touchdowns in a career that includes 1,039 rushing yards. While he is a proven performer as a blocker and runner in short yardage situations, Russell does have a pair of 100-yard rushing performances to his credit, and both have come against Chattanooga. In the Paladins' 40-35, Southern Conference title-clinching win over the Mocs last year, Russell ran for 101 yards on 15 carries, including a decisive 44-yard touchdown run late in the fourth quarter.

#### FURMAN CAREER SCORING LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	Pts.
1) ... Carl Tremble .....	1989-92 .....	300	
2) ... Stanford Jennings .....	1980-83 .....	268	
3) ... Jason Wells .....	1996-99 .....	259	
4) ... Robbie Gardner .....	1982-86 .....	258	
5) ... Mike Wood .....	1986-89 .....	225	
6) ... Keven Esval .....	1982-85 .....	214	
... Jim Richter .....	1992-95 .....	214	
7) ... Chas Fox .....	1982-85 .....	198	
8) ... Mike Glenn .....	1978-80 .....	192	
9) ... Glenn Connally .....	1988-90 .....	188	
<b>10) ... Derek Russell .....</b>	<b>1987- .....</b>	<b>186</b>	
11) ... Tim Tanguay .....	1980-82 .....	177	
<b>12) ... Louis Ivory .....</b>	<b>1998- .....</b>	<b>168</b>	
... John Bagwell .....	1984-88 .....	168	
13) ... Larry Robinson .....	1973-76 .....	152	
14) ... Andy Goss .....	1974-76 .....	137	

✓ **OFFENSIVE LINE GETTING IT DONE...**With four starters returning off last year's offensive line, Furman, as expected, has gotten solid line play in its seven games as evidenced by junior tailback Louis Ivory's 1,179 rushing yards in the Paladins' 6-1 start.

Heading the list are three pre-season All-Southern Conference selections: senior tackle Josh Moore (Cross Hill, S.C.), junior guard Marty Priore (Cincinnati, Ohio), and junior center Chris Stewart (Palm Harbor, Fla.). Moore, a consensus 1999 all-conference first team pick, was named to the 2000 Sports Network Pre-Season All-America team. He owns 25 career starts. Priore, meanwhile, has started in 27 consecutive games since moving into the lineup early in 1998 campaign. And Stewart, the team's strongest player (500-pound bench press, 675-pound squat, 357-pound power clean), tallied the highest season blocking grade (89.6%) and winning grades in all 12 games a year ago in helping the Paladins to a 9-3 record and league championship. Furman's other returning starter, junior tackle Donnie Littlejohn, actually boasts more starting experience (28 games) than all Paladin linemen.

✓ **EXPERIENCE, EXPERIENCE...**Furman's veteran offensive line, which includes only one senior in right tackle Josh Moore, has combined to post 107 starts in

their collective careers.

#### FURMAN'S OFFENSIVE LINE (Career Games Played-Starts)

Player	Games	Starts
C Chris Stewart (Jr.) .....	28 .....	20
OG Marty Priore (Jr.) .....	30 .....	27
OG Trevor Kruger, (So.) .....	19 .....	7
OT Donnie Littlejohn (Jr.) .....	30 .....	28
OT Josh Moore (Sr.) .....	37 .....	25
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>144 .....</b>	<b>107</b>

✓ **EYEING THE RECORD BOOK...**Through seven games Furman is averaging 307.6 yards per game rushing. If that clip continues, the Paladins will establish a new team season rushing yardage average standard as the chart below indicates:

#### SEASON TEAM RUSHING YARDAGE AVERAGE

Rank	Year	G	Att.	Yds.	Avg.
<b>1) ... 2000 .....</b>	<b>7 .....</b>	<b>365 .....</b>	<b>2153 .....</b>	<b>307.6</b>	
2) ... 1985 .....	14 .....	714 .....	4,034 .....	288.1	
3) ... 1999 .....	12 .....	606 .....	3,410 .....	284.2	
4) ... 1984 .....	11 .....	569 .....	3,100 .....	281.8	
5) ... 1980 .....	11 .....	595 .....	3,021 .....	274.6	

✓ **GOING FOR A RARE TRIPLE...**If tackle Josh Moore, guard Marty Priore, and Chris Stewart make good on their pre-season All-Southern Conference tabs by league head coaches, it will indeed be a rarity. Only twice before, in 1981 and 1990, have three Furman offensive linemen earned first team All-Southern Conference honors in the same year.

✓ **NAME GAME...**Redshirt freshman defensive end Brandon Poole (Columbia, S.C.), who earned Southern Conference Freshman-of-the-Week honors for his three-sack performance in a 35-21 win over VMI on Sept. 23, is the son of former University of South Carolina Heisman Trophy winner George Rogers. Sophomore tight end Jon Brown (Duluth, Ga.) is the nephew of Los Angeles Dodgers ace pitcher Kevin Brown.

✓ **FACTS WORTH KNOWING...**Redshirt freshman linebacker Todd Prevost (Nashville, Tenn.), who was knocked unconscious on the opening kickoff against Newberry on Sept. 9, has retired following medical recommendations. Junior cornerback Rodney Johnson (Marion, N.C.) recently underwent reconstructive knee surgery to repair a torn anterior cruciate ligament and damaged medial collateral ligament sustained in the second series of Furman's 2000 season opening game against Elon. Johnson, a starter at right cornerback in all 12 games in 1999, will sit out spring practice next year but anticipates returning to the playing field for the 2001 season as a redshirt junior.

✓ **MARSHALL CONTINUING SOLID WORK...**No, he's not General George Marshall, but after his three field goal performance in Furman's season opening 16-3 win over Elon on Sept. 2 true freshman Danny Marshall (Atlanta, Ga.), who beat out three other Paladin upperclassmen for the team's placekicking job, earned a few salutes from his teammates and coaching staff. Appearing in his first game as a Paladin, Marshall accounted for 10 of the Paladins' 16 points by connecting on field goals covering 43, 29, and 34 yards, plus an extra point. Marshall, whose seven-game statistics include 9-of-12 FGs and 26-27 PATs, ranks second on the team in scoring with 53 points heading into this Saturday's game against East Tennessee State. The only freshman among Furman's 24 position starters, Marshall is the son of former Paladin defensive end Tommy Marshall (1974-76), who later served as an assistant coach on the Furman

staff for eight years (1986-93), during which time the Paladins captured three Southern Conference titles and the 1988 NCAA I-AA national championship.

✓ **NOTING QB JUSTIN HILL...**Furman quarterback Justin Hill (Greer, S.C.), a second team All-Southern Conference pick in 1999 who exited Saturday's game against The Citadel with a bruised right shoulder following the Paladins' first offensive series, played a major role in leading Furman to a 9-3 record, Southern Conference championship, and trip to the NCAA I-AA playoffs a year ago, throwing for 1,519 yards and nine touchdowns while also rushing for 680 yards and eight scores. During one three-game stretch that included wins over The Citadel, East Tennessee State, and North Carolina, Hill completed a school record 19 straight pass attempts, and he finished the season with a 62.4 completion percentage, the second highest season rate in school history. Hill, who in the Paladins' 18-17 loss to Appalachian State on Oct. 7 rushed for 115 yards and a touchdown (career long 65-yard run) while throwing for 156 and another score, has now totaled 1,700 career rushing yards — the most ever by a Paladin quarterback — and over 5,000 yards in total offense (5,070), thus becoming one of only five players in school history to top 5,000 yards in total offense. Furman is now 23-9 with Hill in the starting lineup, although it is unclear whether he will start this Saturday against East Tennessee State. As a freshman in 1997, he paced the Paladins to a 3-0 record in three late season starts. In 1998 Furman went 5-5 with Hill under center (missed one start due to injury), and last season the Paladins forged a 9-3 mark with their veteran quarterback at the controls.

✓ **THE BEST OF HILL...**The following are Justin Hill's top single game rushing, passing, and total offense performances.

#### JUSTIN HILL'S TOP RUSHING GAMES

Opponent	Statistics	Result
Wofford ('99)	11 att./134 yds./2TD	30-3 W
App. St. ('00)	21 att./115 yds./1TD	17-18 L
Wofford ('97)	9 att./107 yds./1TD	28-7 W
Appalachian St. ('98)	17 att./97 yds./1TD	13-26 L
William & Mary ('99)	13 att./94 yds./1 TD	52-6 W
William & Mary ('99)	10 att./86 yds./0 TD	34-10 W
W. Carolina ('00)	13 att./80 yds./0 TD	38-14 W

#### JUSTIN HILL'S TOP PASSING GAMES

Opponent	Statistics	Result
Ga. Southern ('99)	14-25-2/240 yds./2TD	38-41 L
VMI ('98)	11-17-0/215 yds./2TD	51-14 W
N. Carolina ('99)	10-12-0/187 yds./2TD	28-3 W
UMass ('99)	15-25-1/183 yds./0TD	23-30 L

#### JUSTIN HILL'S TOP TOTAL OFFENSE GAMES

Opponent	Statistics	Result
Ga. Southern ('99)	289 yds./2TDR	38-41 L
App. St. ('00)	271 yds./2TDR	17-18 L
Wofford ('99)	240 yds./3TDR	30-3 W
VMI ('98)	225 yds./2TDR	51-14 W
UMass ('99)	223 yds./0TDR	23-30 L
N. Carolina ('99)	217 yds./3TDR	28-3 W

✓ **HILL IN THE RECORD BOOKS...**Justin Hill is poised to leave his name on a number of school career statistical charts as indicated in the summaries below:

#### FURMAN QB CAREER RUSHING LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	Yds.
1)	Justin Hill	1997-	1,700
2)	David Whitehurst	1973-76	1,270
3)	Frankie DeBusk	1987-90	875
4)	Tim Sorrells	1977-81	716
5)	Philly Jones	1991-95	561

#### 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)	Justin Hill	1997-	3,370
9)	David Whitehurst	1973-76	3,122
10)	Tim Sorrells	1977-81	2,945

#### FURMAN CAREER PASSING TD LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	TDs
1)	Bobby Lamb	1982-85	47
2)	Braniff Bonaventure	1992-95	42
3)	Frankie DeBusk	1987-90	38
4)	Tim Sorrells	1977-81	31
5)	Billy Canty	1958-61	24
6)	Philly Jones	1991-95	23
7)	David Charpia	1980-83	22
	David Henderson	1976-79	22
	David Whitehurst	1973-76	22
8)	Justin Hill	1997-	21
	Clyde Hewell	1966-68	20
10)	Hugh Swilling	1989-92	16

#### FURMAN CAREER TOTAL OFFENSE LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	Yds.
1)	Frankie DeBusk	1987-90	6,726
2)	Braniff Bonaventure	1992-96	5,671
3)	Bobby Lamb	1982-85	5,328
4)	Justin Hill	1997-	5,070
5)	Carl Tremble	1989-92	4,746
6)	David Whitehurst	1973-76	4,392
7)	Philly Jones	1991-95	4,282
8)	Stanford Jennings	1980-83	4,053
9)	David Charpia	1980-83	3,980
10)	David Henderson	1976-79	3,667

#### FURMAN CAREER TD RESPONSIBILITY LEADERS

Rank	Player	Years	TDRs
1)	Bobby Lamb	1982-85	58
2)	Frankie DeBusk	1987-90	55
3)	Carl Tremble	1989-92	48
4)	Braniff Bonaventure	1992-95	46
5)	Robbie Gardner	1982-85	43
6)	Stanford Jennings	1980-83	41
7)	David Whitehurst	1973-76	40
	Tim Sorrells	1977-81	40
8)	Justin Hill	1997-	36
9)	Billy Canty	1958-61	32
10)	Mike Glenn	1978-80	29

✓ **MARION MARTIN: ATHLETIC, ACADEMIC STAR...**Starting weak side linebacker Marion Martin (Columbia, S.C.) is an outstanding student on Furman's football team who contributes in a major way on the field. A year ago Martin racked up 66 tackles in helping Furman to a 9-3 record and Southern Conference championship. After the season he was named to the prestigious GTE Academic All-America second team, joining fellow teammate Stuart Rentz, who earned first team honors, in giving Furman two representatives on the prestigious squad. In May of this year, Martin graduated summa cum laude with a 3.90 grade point average in chemistry. Already closing in on master's degree in chemistry from Furman, Martin opted to return for his final season of eligibility prior to seeking his doctoral degree. In the Paladins' 16-3 season opening win over Elon on Sept. 2, he tallied four tackles and a forced fumble in the game's waning seconds that helped the Paladins preserve the victory. On the year he has 46 tackles, three tackles-for-loss, and a sack.

✓ **BOBBY JOHNSON: YEAR SEVEN...**The 2000 football season marks Furman head coach Bobby Johnson's seventh year at the helm of the Paladin program and 23rd season of service to the university. After suffering through a 3-8 season in 1994 (the program's first losing season since 1979), 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, 5-6 in 1998, and 9-3 last year on the way to claiming the program's 10th league championship and second NCAA playoff appearance under Johnson. Johnson's six-plus year head coaching record is 45-31 (.592) and his last six teams have combined to post a 42-23 mark (.646). Against NCAA I-AA competition, Furman teams under Johnson's direction have gone 43-27 (.614). Johnson's 22-plus 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 177-84-7 (.674).

✓ **JOHNSON=SUCCESS...**Furman's nine wins last year as part of its 9-3 season tied the high water win mark for Bobby Johnson-coached Paladin squad. In 1996, Furman went 8-3 in the regular season and finished with a 9-4 record. The nine regular season wins a year ago were the most by a Furman team since 1989 when the Paladins posted a 10-1 regular season mark on the way to a 12-2 record. Only nine teams in Furman football history (94 seasons) have won at least nine games in a regular season, and Bobby Johnson has had a hand in seven of those squads in the capacities of defensive backs coach, defensive coordinator, and head coach.

#### WINNINGEST FURMAN REGULAR SEASONS

Year	Record	Coach
1920	9-1-0	W.L. Laval
1923	9-2-0	W.L. Laval
1927	10-1-0	W.L. Laval
1980	9-1-1	Dick Sheridan
1982	9-2-0	Dick Sheridan
1983	9-1-1	Dick Sheridan
1985	10-1-0	Dick Sheridan
1988	9-2-0	Jimmy Satterfield
1989	10-1-0	Jimmy Satterfield
1999	9-2-0	Bobby Johnson

✓ **FURMAN AND THE NFL...**Furman football currently sports three graduates on active NFL rosters and a fourth on a practice squad.

Tight end Luther Broughton '97 (Cainhoy, S.C.) is now in his second season with the Philadelphia Eagles after catching 26 passes for 295 yards and three touchdowns last season. A fifth-round pick of the Eagles in the 1997 draft, Broughton spent the 1997 campaign with the Eagles before signing the Carolina Panthers, with whom he played the entire 1998 season before being traded back to the Eagles prior to the start of the 1999 campaign.

Linebacker Orlando Ruff '99 (Winnsboro, S.C.) is entering his second season with the San Diego Chargers and first as the Chargers' starting middle linebacker. Last year, after signing with San Diego as a free agent, Ruff garnered team special teams MVP honors.

John Keith '00 (Newnan, Ga.), a fourth round pick of the San Francisco 49ers in this year's draft, earned a spot on the 49ers roster following a strong pre-season as nickel back and member of special teams but two weeks ago was lost for the season after sustaining a broken arm in a game against Oakland.

Wide receiver Des Kitchings '00 (Wagener, S.C.), a seventh round choice of the Kansas City Chiefs in this year's draft, was signed by the Chiefs to their practice squad.

#### INJURY REPORT (for ETSU Game)

QB Justin Hill (strained shoulder) -- doubtful  
CB Rodney Johnson (torn ACL/MCL) -- out  
DT Clay O'Daniel (torn cartilage in knee) -- out

**FURMAN STARTING LINEUPS**

	<b><i>ELON</i></b>	<b><i>NEW</i></b>	<b><i>W&amp;M</i></b>	<b><i>VMI</i></b>	<b><i>WCU</i></b>	<b><i>ASU</i></b>	<b><i>CIT</i></b>	<b><i>ETSU</i></b>	<b><i>GSU</i></b>	<b><i>WOFF</i></b>	<b><i>UTC</i></b>
SE	Sm'zinski	Thomas	Thomas	Sm'zinski	Sm'zinski	Sm'zinski	Thomas				
LT	Littlejohn	Littlejohn	Littlejohn	Littlejohn	Littlejohn	Littlejohn	Littlejohn				
LG	Priore	Priore	Priore	Priore	Priore	Priore	Priore				
C	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart				
RG	Kruger	Kruger	Kruger	Kruger	Kruger	Kruger	Kruger				
RT	Moore	Moore	Moore	Moore	Moore	Moore	Moore				
TE	Sansbury	Sansbury	Sansbury	Sansbury	Sansbury	Sansbury	Sansbury				
FLK	Huguley	Huguley	Huguley	Huguley	Rinehart	Rinehart	Rinehart				
QB	Hill	Hill	Hill	Hill	Hill	Hill	Hill				
FB	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell	Russell				
TB	Ivory	Ivory	Ivory	Ivory	Ivory	Ivory	Ivory				
DE	Overdyke	Poole	O'Daniel	Overdyke	Overdyke	Overdyke	Kupchinsky				
DT	Spencer	Spencer	Spencer	Spencer	Spencer	Spencer	Spencer				
DT	Sperling	Sperling	Sperling	Sperling	Sperling	Sperling	Sperling				
DE	DeBeer	DeBeer	DeBeer	DeBeer	DeBeer	DeBeer	DeBeer				
SLB	Thrift	Thrift	Thrift	Thrift	Thrift	Thrift	Thrift				
MLB	Bouton	Bouton	Bouton	Bouton	Bouton	Bouton	Bouton				
WLB	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin				
LCB	Jackson	Jackson	Jackson	Jackson	Jackson	Jackson	Jackson				
RCB	Johnson	Stroman	Stroman	Stroman	Stroman	Stroman	Lowery				
SS	Smith	Smith	Smith	Smith	Smith	Smith	Smith				
FS	Cooper	Cooper	Cooper	Cooper	Cooper	Cooper	Cooper				

## FURMAN PALADINS VS. EAST TENNESSEE STATE BUCCANEERS

### FURMAN OFFENSE (Multiple I)

FLK	7	BEAR RINEHART .....	(5-11, 185, So.)
or	1	Bryant Huguley .....	(5-8, 163, Sr.)
LT	71	DONNIE LITTLEJOHN .....	(6-3, 272, Jr.)
	67	Joe Wilson .....	(6-2, 293, So.)
LG	75	MARTY PRIORE .....	(6-1, 288, Jr.)
	76	Matt Mangum .....	(6-3, 294, R-Fr.)
C	54	CHRIS STEWART .....	(6-0, 270, Jr.)
	61	Brad Byars .....	(6-1, 235, So.)
RG	56	TREVOR KRUGER .....	(6-2, 281, So.)
	62	Justin Price .....	(6-5, 287, So.)
RT	77	JOSH MOORE .....	(6-5, 306, Sr.)
	74	Steven Cain .....	(6-5, 287, So.)
TE	89	TRENT SANBURY .....	(6-3, 238, Jr.)
	84	Graham Hunter .....	(6-3, 259, Jr.)
SE	33	ZACH SMERDZINSKI .....	(5-10, 199, Sr.)
or	3	James Thomas .....	(5-10, 182, So.)
QB	15	JUSTIN HILL .....	(6-0, 187, Sr.)
or	19	Billy Napier .....	(6-3, 207, So.)
FB	23	DEREK RUSSELL .....	(5-11, 239, Sr.)
	5	Quinton Burton .....	(5-11, 199, Sr.)
TB	34	LOUIS IVORY .....	(5-9, 200, Jr.)
	22	Lamar Rembert .....	(5-7, 175, R-Fr.)

### FURMAN DEFENSE (43)

DE	47	EDDIE OVERDYKE .....	(6-2, 231, So.)
	93	Brandon Poole .....	(6-0, 259, R-Fr.)
DT	98	LEBRYAN SPERLING .....	(6-3, 284, So.)
	99	Josh McWhorter .....	(6-1, 290, R-Fr.)
DT	78	RYAN SPENCER .....	(6-2, 276, Jr.)
	72	Pete Stamas .....	(6-2, 248, Jr.)
DE	64	STEVE DEBEER .....	(6-4, 252, Jr.)
	91	Clay O'Daniel .....	(6-2, 276, Jr.)
SLB	9	JOHN THRIFT .....	(6-0, 220, Jr.)
	18	Keito Whetstone .....	(6-0, 212, R-Fr.)
MLB	20	WILL BOUTON .....	(6-2, 233, Jr.)
	46	Steve Wall .....	(5-11, 216, Jr.)
WLB	12	MARION MARTIN .....	(5-9, 219, Sr.)
	43	Sterling Frierson .....	(6-0, 190, Jr.)
LCB	8	RICHIE JACKSON .....	(6-0, 190, Jr.)
	17	Chris Lowery .....	(5-9, 179, So.)
RCB	17	CHRIS LOWERY .....	(5-9, 179, So.)
	31	Andre Stroman .....	(5-8, 187, Sr.)
SS	38	SHELVIS SMITH .....	(6-0, 207, Jr.)
	26	Tarick Khadra .....	(5-10, 182, Sr.)
FS	2	JOSH COOPER .....	(5-11, 190, Jr.)
	14	Paul Billingsly .....	(6-1, 199, R-Fr.)

### FURMAN SPECIALISTS

PK	83	DANNY MARSHALL .....	(6-1, 208, Fr.)
KO	49	JONATHAN SPROUL .....	(6-0, 188, Sr.)
P	80	LEE WILLIS .....	(5-10, 159, Jr.)
SSN	61	BRAD BYARS .....	(6-1, 235, So.)
LSN	61	BRAD BYARS .....	(6-1, 235, So.)
H	13	BRENT SCOGGINS .....	(6-0, 205, Jr.)
PR	33	ZACH SMERDZINSKI .....	(5-10, 199, Sr.)
KOR	17	CHRIS LOWERY .....	(5-9, 179, So.)

### EAST TENNESSEE STATE OFFENSE

X	81	Tim Turner .....	(6-1, 175, Fr.)
	19	Tony Tiller .....	(6-1, 185, Fr.)
TE	2	Cecil Moore .....	(6-2, 204, So.)
or	10	Michael Rader .....	(6-1, 197, So.)
LT	50	Josh Kerr .....	(6-3, 274, Jr.)
	71	Curtis Price .....	(6-6, 330, Fr.)
LG	69	Victor Hooks .....	(6-1, 302, Sr.)
	78	Chad Hyder .....	(6-2, 260, Fr.)
C	66	Lonnie Nettles .....	(6-5, 293, So.)
	52	Rhett Landrum .....	(6-2, 310, Jr.)
RG	58	Chip Pearson .....	(6-5, 310, Jr.)
	65	Jeff Pierce .....	(6-3, 260, So.)
RT	61	Mike Martin .....	(6-3, 250, Fr.)
	75	Mitch Hughes .....	(6-4, 274, Fr.)
Z	17	Corey Martin .....	(5-10, 181, Sr.)
	23	Kareem Coffin .....	(5-8, 178, Jr.)
QB	7	Todd Wells .....	(5-10, 200, Sr.)
	15	Matt Wilhjelm .....	(5-10, 169, Jr.)
FB	27	Corey Carter .....	(6-1, 190, Fr.)
	47	Jermaine Gamble .....	(5-9, 209, Jr.)
SB	37	Terrance Sims .....	(5-6, 155, Sr.)
	31	Andrew Nuckolls .....	(5-10, 176, Fr.)

### EAST TENNESSEE STATE DEFENSE (43)

LE	16	Russ Lindgren .....	(6-1, 220, Sr.)
	20	Ryan Vaughan .....	(6-2, 205, Sr.)
LT	99	Travis Williams .....	(6-3, 270, Fr.)
	98	Mark Dukes .....	(6-3, 250, So.)
NG	62	David Johnson .....	(6-2, 270, Sr.)
	55	Brandon Calton .....	(6-4, 288, Fr.)
RT	77	Andrew Simmons .....	(6-2, 260, Jr.)
	95	Frank Hopper .....	(6-2, 265, So.)
RE	5	Lee Neisz .....	(6-2, 225, Sr.)
	86	Robby Hardt .....	(6-3, 240, Fr.)
MLB	54	Rahim El Amin .....	(6-2, 215, Sr.)
	44	Bobby Guarino .....	(6-1, 230, Fr.)
WLB	12	Cory Bolden .....	(6-2, 216, Sr.)
	41	Torian Welch .....	(6-0, 205, So.)
SC	1	Keyandre Fenn .....	(5-6, 160, Sr.)
	26	John Boggs .....	(5-10, 170, Fr.)
WC	24	Denario Smalls .....	(5-8, 180, Sr.)
	21	Howard Nix .....	(5-10, 175, So.)
SS	8	Ocasio Coefield .....	(6-3, 220, Jr.)
	30	Montreal Harkley .....	(6-3, 190, So.)
FS	18	Keydrick Gordon .....	(5-8, 180, Sr.)
	6	Troy Carter .....	(6-1, 185, Fr.)

### EAST TENNESSEE STATE SPECIALISTS

PK	11	Con Chellis .....	(5-8, 162, Jr.)
KO	11	Con Chellis .....	(5-8, 162, Jr.)
P	39	Aaron Bass .....	(6-2, 195, Fr.)
SN	53	Adam Howell .....	(6-1, 235, Jr.)
H	10	Michael Rader .....	(6-1, 197, So.)
PR	1	Keyandre Fenn .....	(5-6, 160, Sr.)
KOR	37	Terrance Sims .....	(5-6, 155, Sr.)



## 2000 FURMAN UNIVERSITY PALADINS SUPERLATIVES

### INDIVIDUAL

Longest Run From Scrimmage .....	88,	Louis Ivory vs. William & Mary	45,	Vic Gilmore, Newberry
Longest Pass Completion .....	60,	Justin Hill to Trent Sansbury vs. Appalachian State	52,	Joe Burchette to Troy Albea, Appalachian State
Longest Punt Return .....	26,	Zach Smerdzinski vs. Newberry	10,	by two players
Longest Kickoff Return .....	78,	Chris Lowery vs. Elon	100,	Richard Holland, VMI ( <u>Opponent Record</u> )
Longest Interception Return .....	35,	Josh Cooper vs. VMI	21,	Daryl Haymon
Longest Fumble Return .....	20,	Eddie Overdyke vs. VMI		
Longest Punt .....	51,	Lee Willis vs. Elon	53,	Justin Kohler, Western Carolina
Best Punting Average .....	42.8	Lee Willis vs. The Citadel	42.6,	Justin Kohler, Western Carolina
Longest Field Goal .....	43,	Danny Marshall vs. Elon	48,	Matt Maxey, VMI
Longest Field Goal Attempt .....	46,	Danny Marshall vs. Appalachian State	48,	Matt Maxey, VMI
Most Rushing Attempts .....	28,	Louis Ivory vs. VMI	18,	Derrick Moore, Elon
Most Rushing Yards .....	232,	Louis Ivory vs. William & Mary	82,	Karim Razzak, Appalachian State
Most Rushing Touchdowns .....	3,	Derek Russell vs. Newberry	1,	by six players
		Louis Ivory vs. Western Carolina		
Most Pass Attempts .....	16,	Billy Napier vs. The Citadel	42,	David Rivers, Western Carolina
Most Pass Completions .....	11,	Billy Napier vs. The Citadel	29,	David Rivers, Western Carolina
Most Passing Yards .....	170,	Billy Napier vs. The Citadel	290,	Joe Burchette, Appalachian State
Most Touchdown Passes .....	1,	Justin Hill vs. four opponents	1,	Kevin Carty, William & Mary
		Billy Napier vs. The Citadel		David Rivers, Western Carolina
Most Total Offense Attempts .....	34,	Justin Hill vs. Appalachian State	48,	David Rivers, Western Carolina
Most Total Offense Yards .....	271,	Justin Hill vs. Appalachian State	293,	Joe Burchette, Appalachian State
Most Passes Caught .....	5,	Trent Sansbury vs. The Citadel	7,	Rich Musinksi, William & Mary
			1,	Michael Banks, Western Carolina
Most Touchdown Passes Caught .....	1,	by five players vs. five opponents	1,	Danny Wade, William & Mary
				Tracy Biggs, Western Carolina
Most Pass Reception Yardage .....	94,	Trent Sansbury vs. Appalachian State & The Citadel	99,	Arketa Banks, Elon
Most Points Scored .....	18,	Derek Russell vs. Newberry	6,	by eight players
		Louis Ivory vs. Western Carolina		
Most Touchdown Responsibilities .....	3,	Derek Russell vs. Newberry	1,	by eight players
		Louis Ivory vs. Western Carolina		
Most Touchdowns Scored .....	3,	Derek Russell vs. Newberry	1,	by seven players
		Louis Ivory vs. Western Carolina		
Most PATs .....	5,	Danny Marshall vs. Newberry & Western Carolina	2,	by Josh Jones, Western Carolina
Most Field Goals .....	3,	Danny Marshall vs. Elon	2,	by Matt Maxey, VMI
Most Sacks .....	3,	Brandon Poole vs. VMI	2,	by Jason Sowell, Appalachian State

### TEAM

Offense	Best	Worst
Points Scored .....	44, vs. Newberry	13, vs. Elon
Touchdowns Scored .....	6, vs. Newberry	1, vs. Elon
First Downs .....	32, vs. Newberry	12, vs. Elon
Rushing Attempts .....	65, vs. Newberry	44, vs. Elon
Rushing Yards .....	500, vs. Western Carolina	216, vs. Elon
Rushing Touchdowns .....	5, vs. Newberry & Western Carolina	1, vs. Elon
Pass Attempts .....	21, vs. Newberry	9, vs. William & Mary
Pass Completions .....	12, vs. Newberry	2, vs. Elon
Passing Yards .....	170, vs. The Citadel	20, vs. Elon
Had Intercepted .....	0, vs. five opponents	2, by Appalachian State
Passing Touchdowns .....	1, vs. five opponents	0, vs. Elon & Western Carolina
Total Plays .....	86, vs. Newberry	54, vs. Elon
Total Offense .....	520, vs. Newberry	236, vs. Elon
Average Gain Per Play .....	7.8, vs. Western Carolina	4.4, vs. Elon
Fumbles Lost .....	0, vs. William & Mary & Western Carolina	3, vs. VMI
Total Turnovers .....	0, vs. William & Mary & Western Carolina	4, vs. VMI
Punts .....	2, vs. Newberry & Western Carolina	6, vs. William & Mary, VMI, & Appalachian State
Punt Return Yards .....	46, vs. Newberry	0, vs. Elon & Western Carolina
Kickoff Return Yards .....	117, vs. Newberry	0, vs. William & Mary
Possession Time .....	37:10, vs. Newberry	26:48, vs. Elon
Third Down Conversion% .....	72.7% (8-11), vs. VMI	26.7% (4-15), vs. Appalachian State
Quarterback Sacks Allowed .....	0, by Newberry & William & Mary	4, by The Citadel
Defense	Best	Worst
Points Scored .....	3, by Elon	18, by Appalachian State
First Downs .....	10, by The Citadel	24, by William & Mary
Rushing Attempts .....	30, by Newberry & Western Carolina	51, by Elon
Rushing Yards .....	4, by VMI	200, by Elon
Rushing Touchdowns .....	0, by Elon	1, by Newberry, VMI, W. Carolina & Appalachian St.
Pass Attempts .....	13, by Elon & The Citadel	42, by Western Carolina
Pass Completions .....	5, by Elon	29, by Western Carolina
Passing Yards .....	100, by Newberry	292, by William & Mary
Interceptions .....	3, vs. William & Mary & The Citadel	0, vs. Newberry
Passing Touchdowns .....	0, by five opponents	1, by William & Mary & Western Carolina
Total Plays .....	52, by Newberry	76, by William & Mary
Total Offense .....	218, by VMI	430, by William & Mary
Average Gain Per Play .....	3.4, by VMI	6.2, by Appalachian State
Fumbles Recovered .....	4, vs. Elon	0, vs. Newberry & The Citadel
Total Turnovers .....	6, by Elon	0, by Newberry
Punts .....	7, by four opponents	2, by Elon
Punt Return Yards .....	0, by Western Carolina	17, by Elon
Kickoff Return Yards .....	71, by Appalachian State	189, by VMI
Possession Time .....	22:50, by Newberry	33:12, by Elon
Third Down Conversion% .....	18.1% (2-11), by Newberry	43.8% (7-of-16), by Elon
Quarterback Sacks .....	7, vs. VMI	0, vs. Elon

## FURMAN 16, ELON 3

GREENVILLE (Sept. 2, 2000) -- Freshman placekicker Danny Marshall booted three field goals and tailback Louis Ivory rushed for 182 yards and a touchdown to lift nationally ninth-ranked Furman to a 16-3 win over Elon in the season opener for both teams.

Furman, which lost the 1999 season opener to the Phoenix, narrowly avoided a second straight defeat when strong safety Shelvis Smith recovered a fumble by Elon quarterback Derrick Moore at the Paladin 10-yard line with 1:26 left in the game and Furman holding a tenuous 9-3 lead.

Furman scored the game's only touchdown on the next play when, following a 15-yard penalty of the Phoenix, Ivory took a handoff from quarterback Justin Hill and raced 75 yards for the score with 46 seconds left.

Elon outgained Furman 325 to 236 in total offense, but the Phoenix suffered six turnovers, including four fumbles and two interceptions. Paladin linebacker Will Bouton led Furman's strong defensive effort with 13 tackles, two tackles-for-loss, an interception, and a fumble recovery which he returned for 18 yards.

Playing in his first collegiate contest, Marshall provided Furman with its first points of the game when he converted a 43-yard field goal early in the second quarter. He later added a 29-yard field goal with only 20 seconds left in the first half to make it 6-0.

Chris Lowery's 78-yard kickoff return to start the second half set up Marshall's third field goal, a 34-yarder, that gave the Paladins a 9-0 lead less than two minutes into the second half.

Elon answered with its only scoring drive of the game, moving 69 yards in 13 plays for a 27-yard field goal by Beau Wegmann with 6:40 to go in the third period. But the Phoenix failed to register points on its last five possessions, including four that ended inside Furman territory.

<b>FURMAN</b>	0	6	3	7	—	16
<b>ELON</b>	0	0	3	0	—	3

- F — Danny Marshall 43 FG 13:06-2Q
- F — Danny Marshall 29 FG 0:20-2Q
- F — Danny Marshall 34 FG 13:45-3Q
- E — Beau Wegmann 27 FG 6:40-3Q
- F — Louis Ivory 75 run  
Danny Marshall kick) 0:46-4Q

**Rushing:** F — Ivory 20-182, Hill 14-19, Russell 8-10, Rembert 2-5. E — Moore 18-73, Houston 14-54, Jones 8-30, Bryan 6-27, Mitchell 3-12, Singletary 1-5, Stevens 1-(-1).

**Passing:** F — Hill 2-10-0-20. E — Moore 5-11-2-125.

**Receiving:** F — Thomas 1-11, Huguley 1-9. E — Banks 3-99, Brown 1-19, Jones 1-7.

	F	E
First Downs .....	14	12
Rushing .....	51-200	44-216
Passing .....	20	125
C/A/I .....	2-10-0	5-11-2
Total Offense .....	236	325
Fumbles-Lost .....	2-2	4-4
Penalties .....	4-33	5-56
Punts .....	4-37.8	2-32.0
Possession Time .....	26:48	33:12
Third Down Conversions .....	4-13	7-16
Sacks By .....	0-0	1-3

## FURMAN 44, NEWBERRY 10

GREENVILLE (Sept. 9, 2000) -- Junior tailback Louis Ivory rushed for 171 yards and two touchdowns to lead NCAA I-AA ninth-ranked Furman to a 44-10 win over visiting Division II member Newberry Saturday night at Paladin Stadium.

Ivory, who posted his fifth straight 100-yard rushing performance and seventh in the Paladins' last eight games, scored on a 16-yard run in the first quarter to tie the game at 7-7 and later added a 16-yard scoring run early in the second period to give Furman a 21-7 lead.

Furman rolled up 385 yards rushing and totaled 520 yards against the Indians, who accounted for 241 yards in total offense. Ivory's 171 rushing yards moved him from eighth to sixth on Furman's career rushing chart with 2,278 yards.

Leading 21-7 in the second quarter, Furman extended its margin to 28-7 when quarterback Justin Hill hooked up with split end James Thomas on a 17-yard touchdown pass with only 42 seconds left in the half.

Furman made it 35-7 when fullback Derek Russell bulled over on a fourth and goal play from the Newberry 1 at the 10:00 mark of the third quarter.

Russell, who scored three touchdowns in the contest, accounted for the game's final score on a 1-yard dive with only 17 seconds left in the game.

<b>FURMAN</b>	14	14	7	9	—	4
<b>NEWBERRY</b>	7	0	0	3	—	10

- N — Vic Gilmore 45 run  
(B.J. Griffin kick) 13:07-1Q
- F — Louis Ivory 16 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 12:22-1Q
- F — Derek Russell 2 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 2:47-1Q
- F — Louis Ivory 16 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 10:50-2Q
- F — James Thomas 17 pass from Justin Hill  
(Danny Marshall kick) 9:42-2Q
- F — Derek Russell 1 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 10:00-3Q
- N — B.J. Griffin 39 FG 10:41-4Q
- F — Danny Marshall 29 FG 6:09-4Q
- F — Derek Russell 1 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 0:178-4Q

**Rushing:** F — Ivory 19-171, Rembert 9-74, Hill 9-43, Russell 11-37, O'Neal 6-36, Burton 2-10, Huguley 1-8, Napier 8-6. N — Gilmore 9-76, Tackett 9-37, Pierce 6-25, Coats 5-7, Kelly 1-(-4).

**Passing:** F — Hill 9-15-0-88, Napier 3-6-0-47. N — Coats 12-21-0-93, Dearybury 1-1-0-7.

**Receiving:** F — Thomas 4-35, Rinehart 3-46, Ditto 2-21, Smerdzinski 1-16, Burton 1-10, Russell 1-7. N — Pierce 4-42, Norris 3-26, Gilmore 2-2, Brown 1-14, Stevens 1-7, Peake 1-5, Henderson 1-4.

	F	N
First Downs .....	32	12
Rushing .....	65-385	30-141
Passing .....	135	100
C/A/I .....	12-21-0	13-22-0
Total Offense .....	520	241
Fumbles-Lost .....	5-1	1-0
Penalties .....	5-45	2-10
Punts .....	2-38.0	6-40.5
Possession Time .....	37:10	22:50
Third Down Conversions .....	10-16	2-11
Sacks By .....	1-5	0-0

## FURMAN 34, WILLIAM & MARY 10

GREENVILLE (Sept. 16, 2000) -- Junior tailback Louis Ivory rushed 27 times for a career high 232 yards and two touchdowns to lead NCAA I-AA eighth-ranked Furman to a 34-10 win over visiting William & Mary.

Ivory, who bested his previous career high rushing mark of 203 yards set last year in a win over East Tennessee State, headlined a Furman ground game that rolled up 389 yards with an 88-yard touchdown run at the 7:59 mark of the third quarter to give the Paladins a 17-0 lead. The 88-yard run marked the second longest in school history.

Ivory's record setting performance marked his sixth straight 100-yard outing and eighth 100-yard outing in the Paladins' last nine games. Furman's defense, meanwhile, accounted for four turnovers, including three interceptions.

Following a scoreless first quarter, Furman's Danny Marshall connected on a 39-yard field goal to put the Paladins ahead 3-0 with 9:10 left in the first half.

After stopping William & Mary on its next possession, the Paladins moved 80 yards in eight plays to take a 10-0 lead following an 11-yard touchdown run by Ivory with 1:13 left in the second quarter.

A 26-yard Danny Marshall field goal at the 3:32 mark of the third quarter increased the Paladins' lead to 20-0, and a little over a minute later the Paladins struck again when, following a fumble recovery by defensive end Clay O'Daniel at the Tribe 35, Justin Hill connected with Bryant Huguley for a 35-yard touchdown pass to make it a 27-0 game.

Furman's Derek Russell's 5-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter gave Furman a 34-3 lead before William & Mary registered its only touchdown of the contest on a 3-yard touchdown pass from Kevin Carty to Danny Wade on the game's final play.

<b>FURMAN</b>	0	10	17	7	—	34
<b>WILLIAM &amp; MARY</b>	0	0	0	10	—	10

- F — Danny Marshall 39 FG 9:10-2Q
- F — Louis Ivory 11 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 1:13-2Q
- F — Louis Ivory 88 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 7:59-3Q
- F — Danny Marshall 26 FG 3:32-3Q
- F — Bryant Huguley 35 pass from Justin Hill  
(Danny Marshall kick) 2:32-3Q
- WM — Brett Sterba 27 FG 14:03-4Q
- F — Derek Russell 5 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 12:30-4Q
- WM — Danny Wade 3 pass from Kevin Carty  
(Brett Sterba kick) 0:00-4Q

**Rushing:** F — Ivory 27-232, Hill 10-85, Russell 5-43, Burton 3-13, Ditto 1-7, O'Neal 1-5, Rembert 2-2, Napier 3-2, Huguley 1-0. WM — Lonergan 8-63, Howard 11-40, Ali 5-38, Corley 8-9, Musinski 1-(-5), Carty 2-(-7).

**Passing:** F — Hill 3-5-0-48, Napier 2-4-0-24. WM — Corley 15-27-2-184, Carty 10-14-1-108.

**Receiving:** F — Smerdzinski 2-20, Huguley 1-35, Rinehart 1-11, Sansbury 1-6. WM — Musinski 7-74, Paxton 5-59, Rosier 3-53, Cameron 3-30, Wade 3-25, Johnson 2-30, Ali 1-14, Howard 1-7.

	F	WM
First Downs .....	19	24
Rushing .....	53-389	35-138
Passing .....	72	292
C/A/I .....	5-9-0	35-41-3
Total Offense .....	461	430
Fumbles-Lost .....	2-0	2-1
Penalties .....	3-30	5-47
Punts .....	6-40.0	7-40.3
Possession Time .....	30:20	29:40
Third Down Conversions .....	3-11	6-15
Sacks By .....	4-15	0-0

## FURMAN 35, VMI 21

LEXINGTON, VA. (Sept. 23, 2000) -- Louis Ivory rushed for 135 yards and a touchdown and Furman's defense racked up seven sacks to lift the NCAA I-AA nationally sixth-ranked Paladins to a 35-21 Southern Conference win over VMI.

With the win Furman, posted its 19th straight series victory over the VMI and matched the program's longest winning streak over an opponent first set against Wofford from 1917-47.

Leading 14-13 at intermission, the Paladins stretched their advantage to 21-13 when Eddie Overdyke scooped up a fumble and returned it 20 yards for a score at the 12:40 mark of the third quarter.

Furman's lead didn't last long, however, as VMI's Richard Holland gathered in the ensuing kickoff, shed a couple of tacklers, and outdistanced the Paladin kick coverage unit for a 100-yard kickoff return. A two-point conversion knotted the game at 21-21.

A bobbled catch by Lamar Rembert on the kickoff and penalty gave Furman the ball at its own 1-yard line, but from that point the Paladin offense put together its most impressive drive of the contest. A 45-yard run by Louis Ivory moved it the Furman 46. Eleven plays later, Derek Russell scored on an 11-yard run to give the Paladins a 28-21 lead, and the Paladins added to it late in the third quarter when quarterback Justin Hill hooked up with James Thomas on a 36-yard scoring strike.

From that point Furman's defense, led by redshirt defensive end Brandon Poole's three sacks, stepped up the pressure on VMI, racking up five of its seven quarterback takedowns and holding VMI to only four rushing yards and 218 total yards.

<b>FURMAN</b>	0	14	21	0	—	35
<b>VMI</b>	3	10	8	0	—	21

VMI — Matt Maxey 20 FG 8:31-1Q

F — Louis Ivory 6 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 14:22-2Q

VMI — Gene Cauthen 2 run  
(Matt Maxey kick) 9:47-2Q

F — Derek Russell 1 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 1:27-2Q

VMI — Matt Maxey 48 FG 0:15-2Q  
F — Eddie Overdyke 20 fumble return  
(Danny Marshall kick) 12:40-3Q

VMI — Richard Holland 100 kickoff return  
(Joey Gibson rush) 12:23-3Q

F — Derek Russell 8 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 7:13-3Q

F — James Thomas 36 pass from Justin Hill  
(Danny Marshall kick) 0:35-3Q

**Rushing:** F — Ivory 28-135, Hill 11-67, Russell 6-31, Burton 4-16, Rembert 2-12, Huguley 2-(-3). VMI — Cauthen 11-26, Solomon 1-2, Armstead 5-0, Malast 1-(-1), Mitchell 6-(-11), Gibson 9-(-12).

**Passing:** F — Hill 8-15-1-128. VMI — Gibson 19-25-1-174, Mitchell 4-7-0-40.

**Receiving:** F — Smerdzinski 3-56, Rinehart 2-25, Thomas 1-36, Huguley 1-11, Ivory 1-0. VMI — 6-85, Alley 6-45, Yarbough 6-27, Pearson 2-33, Solomon 2-13, Neal 1-11.

	F	VMI
First Downs .....	24	15
Rushing .....	53-258	33-4
Passing .....	128	214
C/A/I .....	8-15-1	23-32-1
Total Offense .....	386	218
Fumbles-Lost .....	5-3	2-1
Penalties .....	6-31	7-74
Punts .....	3-39.7	6-37.7
Possession Time .....	32:23	27:37
Third Down Conversions .....	8-11	5-15
Sacks By .....	7-45	1-4

## FURMAN 38, W. CAROLINA 14

GREENVILLE (Sept. 30, 2000) -- Junior tailback Louis Ivory rushed for 187 yards and three touchdowns to lead the NCAA I-AA nationally sixth-ranked Furman Paladins to a 38-14 win over Western Carolina.

Ivory, who topped the 100-yard rushing mark for the eighth straight game, scored on runs of 65, 25, and 14 yards to highlight a Paladin attack that generated 518 yards in total offense.

Furman wasted little time in grabbing the lead. After stopping Western Carolina on its first possession, Louis Ivory, on the Paladins' third play from scrimmage, took an option pitch from quarterback Justin Hill and raced 65 yards for a touchdown to give Furman a 7-0 advantage at the 11:54 mark.

Ivory, who topped the 100-yard mark on his third run of the game with a 39-yard burst up the middle midway through the first quarter, finished off Furman's second possession of the game with a 25-yard touchdown run to cap a five-play, 80-yard drive that put Furman ahead 14-0 with 4:55 left in the first period.

Furman extended its margin to 17-0 with a 24-yard Danny Marshall field goal before Western Carolina closed the margin to 17-7 on a 14-yard Fred Boateng touchdown run with 2:25 left in the half.

Furman polished off the Catamounts in the third quarter with a pair of touchdowns, the first on a 14-yard reverse run by flanker Bear Rinehart and the second on Ivory's third score of the game, also from 14 yards, to give the Paladins a 31-7 advantage.

Furman's ground attack accounted for 400 yards and featured nine ballcarriers.

<b>FURMAN</b>	14	3	14	7	—	38
<b>W. CAROLINA</b>	0	7	0	7	—	14

F — Louis Ivory 65 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 11:54-1Q

F — Louis Ivory 25 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 4:55-1Q

F — Danny Marshall 24 FG 8:34-2Q  
WC — Fred Boateng 14 run  
(Josh Jones kick) 2:25-2Q

F — Bear Rinehart 14 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 12:23-3Q

F — Louis Ivory 14 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 4:12-3Q

F — Toreico O'Neal 11 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 10:20-4Q

WC — Tracy Biggs 5 pass from David Rivers  
(Josh Jones kick) 5:27-4Q

**Rushing:** F — Ivory 17-187, Hill 13-80, Rembert 8-38, Napier 3-35, Burton 3-17, O'Neal 4-16, Rinehart 1-14, Russell 3-9, Sanders 1-4. WC — Bryant 11-41, Boateng 7-24, Biggs 3-19, Rivers 6-7, Williams 1-3, Gary 1-3, Seward 1-(-6).

**Passing:** F — 6-9-0-79, Napier 3-4-0-39. WC — Rivers 29-42-1-241.

**Receiving:** F — Huguley 3-45, Sansbury 2-36, Smerdzinski 2-19, Thomas 1-15, Rembert 1-3. WC — Banks 7-68, Bryant 6-17, Seward 5-62, Rucker 4-46, Lane 4-32, Boateng 1-7, Biggs 1-5, Gary 1-4.

	F	WCU
First Downs .....	22	26
Rushing .....	53-400	30-91
Passing .....	118	241
C/A/I .....	9-13-0	29-42-1
Total Offense .....	518	332
Fumbles-Lost .....	0-0	1-1
Penalties .....	2-20	4-20
Punts .....	2-41.0	5-42.6
Possession Time .....	31:05	28:55
Third Down Conversions .....	8-12	6-15
Sacks By .....	2-15	2-16

## APPALACHIAN ST. 18, FURMAN 17

BOONE, N.C. (Oct. 7, 2000) -- Jerry Beard's two-yard touchdown run with under three minutes remaining gave eighth-ranked Appalachian State its first lead of the game and an 18-17 win over sixth-ranked Furman at Kidd Brewer Stadium.

After DuShon Martin intercepted Furman quarterback Justin Hill in the end zone with 6:58 left in the game and ASU trailing 17-11, the Mountaineers went 80 yards in ten plays to complete the comeback.

Furman jumped on top 7-0 in the first quarter on a 65-yard run by Hill, the longest of his career, eight minutes into the game.

ASU took the kickoff after Hill's score and drove 52 yards in ten plays to set up Mark Wright for a 32-yard field goal to get on the board.

Long plays victimized the Mountaineers again as Hill hit tight end Trent Sansbury for a 60-yard score to go into the locker room up 14-3 at the half.

After Wes Hunter blocked a Furman punt on their first drive of the second half, ASU was stopped on a fourth down-and-one at the Paladin 19-yard line. Furman was forced to punt, however, and the Mountaineers went 53 yards in ten plays before quarterback Joe Burchette plowed in from one-yard out with 4:03 left in the third quarter. Burchette completed a pass to Daniel Wilcox for the two-point conversion and a 14-11 margin.

The Paladins tried to put the game away on the next drive, getting a first-and-goal at the ASU six-yard line. The defense, led by linebacker Justin Seaverns, held and forced Furman to settle for a field goal and a 17-11 lead.

A fumbled punt return gave the Paladins the ball on the ASU 23-yard line with 9:31 left. Again Furman had first-and-goal, and again the Mountaineer defense held, forcing Hill into the interception in the end zone on third-and-goal from the two-yard line, leading to the winning score.

<b>FURMAN</b>	7	7	0	3	—	17
<b>APPALACHIAN ST.</b>	3	0	8	7	—	18

F — Justin Hill 65 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 6:55-1Q

A — Mark Wright 32 FG 2:38-1Q

F — Trent Sansbury 60 pass from Justin Hill  
(Danny Marshall kick) 3:28-2Q

A — Joe Burchette 1 run  
(Daniel Wilcox pass) 4:03-3Q

F — Danny Marshall 19 FG 12:51-4Q  
A — Jerry Beard 2 run  
(Mark Wright kick) 2:42-4Q

**Rushing:** F — Hill 21-115, Ivory 19-58, Russell 9-53, Willis 1-12, Huguley 1-7. A — Razzak 10-82, Cornatzer 3-25, Bear 8-23, Watkins 2-3, Burchette 9-3, Albea 1-2, White 3-1.

**Passing:** F — Hill 8-13-2-156. A — Burchette 18-33-2-290.

**Receiving:** F — Sansbury 3-94, Ivory 2-11, Huguley 1-24, Rinehart 1-20, Smerdzinski 1-7. A — Albea 3-11, Gibson 3-67, Wilcox 3-46, Slade 3-39, Pryor 3-19, Razzak 2-9, White 1-(-1).

	F	A
First Downs .....	15	18
Rushing .....	51-245	36-139
Passing .....	156	290
C/A/I .....	8-13-2	18-33-2
Total Offense .....	401	429
Fumbles-Lost .....	2-1	2-2
Penalties .....	5-25	5-60
Punts .....	6-27.8	4-42.5
Possession Time .....	31:16	28:44
Third Down Conversions .....	4-15	6-14
Sacks By .....	1-1	2-19

## FURMAN 33, THE CITADEL 7

GREENVILLE, S.C. (Oct. 14, 2000) -- Backup quarterback Billy Napier passed for 170 yards and a touchdown to lead ninth-ranked Furman to a 33-7 win over arch-rival The Citadel in front of 13,326 fans.

Napier a sophomore from Chatsworth, Ga., replaced injured starting quarterback Justin Hill on Furman's second series, and completed 11-of-16 passes in the contest, including a 26-yard touchdown pass to tight end Trent Sansbury in the third quarter to give the Paladins a 10-7 lead.

Furman tailback Louis Ivory ran for 214 yards and scored on a 58-yard run in the third quarter to post his second straight 1,000-yard season. Ivory now has 1,179 yards through seven games. The win was Furman's fifth in its last six games against The Citadel and fifth straight home victory.

The Citadel grabbed an early 7-0 lead when Nate Mahoney scored on a 1-yard plunge to cap an 8-play, 70-yard drive on the Bulldogs' first possession.

With Napier taking over for Hill on Furman's second possession, the Paladins moved 62 yards to the Citadel 3 but failed to score when the Bulldogs' Jay Ingram pounced on a fumble by Ivory in the end zone on the first play of the second quarter.

A 39-yard Danny Marshall field goal with 9:34 left in the first half cut The Citadel's lead to 7-3.

Furman wasted little time in assuming command in the third quarter. Taking the kickoff the Paladins moved 70 yards in six plays to grab a 10-7 advantage when Napier split two Bulldog defenders with a 26-yard touchdown pass to tight end Trent Sansbury at the 12:04 juncture.

After a fumble at the Citadel 18 halted Furman's next scoring threat, the Paladins bounced back quickly when Ivory bounced off a pair of Bulldog defenders and raced 58 yards for a touchdown to stretch the Paladin lead to 17-7 with 2:42 left in the third quarter.

A 39-yard punt by Furman's Lee Willis that was downed at The Citadel 1 led to Furman's next score, which came on a safety when linebacker Will Bouton tackled the Bulldogs' Nate Mahoney in the end zone to make it 19-7 early in the fourth quarter.

Furman's defense, which surrendered 162 yards in the first half, limited Citadel to only 89 total yards in the second half and set up the Paladins' last two scores. Free safety Josh Cooper's 35-yard interception return for a score made it 26-7, and Cooper's school record tying third interception of the contest set up a 3-yard touchdown run by Derek Russell with just over two minutes left in the game.

<b>FURMAN</b>	0	3	14	16	—	33
<b>THE CITADEL</b>	7	0	0	0	—	7

- C — Nate Mahoney 1 run  
(Brice Stefanick kick) 11:31-1Q
- F — Danny Marshall 39 FG 9:34-2Q
- F — Trent Sansbury 26 pass from Billy Napier  
(Danny Marshall kick) 12:04-3Q
- F — Louis Ivory 58 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 2:42-3Q
- F — Will Bouton safety 12:40-4Q
- F — Josh Cooper 35 interception return  
(Danny Marshall kick) 3:28-4Q
- F — Derek Russell 3 run  
(Danny Marshall kick) 2:02-4Q

**Rushing:** F — Ivory 25-214, Russell 4-27, Rembert 3-19, Napier 9-5, Burton 1-2, O'Neal 2-2, Sansbury 1-1, Hill 1-(-10). C — Murphy 10-67, Johnson 16-60, Mahoney 14-40, Dunham 7-27, Wiley 1-0, Healy 1-(-6), Call 1-(-12).

**Passing:** F — Napier 11-16-0-170, Hill 0-1-0-0. C — Johnson 4-9-2-48, Call 2-3-0-21, Hines 0-1-1-0.

**Receiving:** F — Sansbury 5-94, Rinehart 2-39, Smerdzinski 2-15, Thomas 1-19, Ivory 1-3. C — Healy 5-69, Gamble 1-6.