



Game 9 -- November 4, 2000
Furman Paladins (6-2, 3-2 SoCon) vs. Georgia Southern Eagles (8-1, 7-0 SoCon)
Greenville, South Carolina, Paladin Stadium (16,000) — Natural Grass
2:00 Kickoff — Homecoming
CSS-TV (Live), WCSZ-AM 1070 (Live), YahooBroadcast.com (Live)



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THE GAME

Idle last Saturday after dropping a 23-21 decision to East Tennessee State in Johnson City on Oct. 21, Furman returns to action when it hosts NCAA I-AA defending national champion and 2000 Southern Conference champion Georgia Southern for homecoming. Furman needs a win over the Eagles to remain in the hunt for an at-large playoff bid. Georgia Southern locked up the conference's automatic playoff bid by clinching the outright league championship on Saturday with its 42-7 drubbing of East Tennessee State and Appalachian State's 30-27 loss to Chattanooga.

THE SERIES

In a series that got its start in 1985 in Tacoma, Washington, with a 44-42 Georgia Southern win in the NCAA I-AA national championship game, the Eagles hold a commanding 8-2 advantage over Furman.

Furman bounced back from its loss to Georgia Southern in 1985 by beating the Eagles in the 1988 national title game clash in Pocatello, Idaho. Since that game, however, Georgia Southern has defeated Furman seven times in eight meetings, including a 41-38 verdict last year in Statesboro. Two years ago in Greenville, the Eagles dusted the Paladins 45-17. Furman is 1-3 versus Georgia Southern in Greenville and 0-4 against the Eagles in Statesboro. The schools' two neutral site clashes came in the two national championship games.

1985	L	42-44	Tacoma, WA
1988	W	17-12	Pocatello, ID
1992	L	0-21	GREENVILLE
1993	L	19-31	Statesboro
1994	L	26-31	GREENVILLE
1995	L	20-27	Statesboro
1996	W	21-14	GREENVILLE
1997	L	13-30	Statesboro
1998	L	17-45	GREENVILLE
1999	L	38-41	Statesboro

In Greenville: Ga. Southern leads 3-1
In Statesboro: Ga. Southern leads 4-0
Neutral Sites: Tied 1-1

THE COACHES

Furman: Bobby Johnson (Clemson '73)
 45-32 (.584), 7th Year at Furman
 45-32 (.584), 7th Year Overall
 Johnson vs. Ga. Southern (1-5)

Ga. Southern: Paul Johnson (Western Carolina '79)
 45-7 (.865), 4th Year at Ga. Southern
 45-7 (.865), 4th Year Overall
 Johnson vs. Furman (3-0)

THE OFFENSES

Furman: Multiple I	
'00 Points/Game —	29.8
'00 Yards/Game —	413.0
	304.0 Rushing
	109.0 Passing

Georgia Southern: Spread	
'00 Points/Game —	35.6
'00 Yards/Game —	469.4
	359.2 Rushing
	110.2 Passing

THE DEFENSES

Furman: 43	
'00 Points/Game —	13.3
'00 Yards/Game —	334.3
	125.1 Rushing
	209.1 Passing

Georgia Southern: 43	
'00 Points/Game —	15.6
'00 Yards/Game —	306.4
	133.0 Rushing
	173.4 Passing

2000 SCHEDULES

FURMAN (6-2, 3-2 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	@ E. Tenn. St. 23, FURMAN 21
Nov. 4	GEORGIA SOUTHERN, 2:00
Nov. 11	@ Wofford, 3:30
Nov. 18	CHATTANOOGA, 2:00

GEORGIA SOUTHERN (8-1, 7-0 SoCon)

Sept. 2	@ Georgia 29, GA. SOUTHERN 7
Sept. 9	@ GA. SOUTHERN 57, Johnson C. Smith 12
Sept. 16	@ GA. SOUTHERN 24, Wofford 17
Sept. 23	GA. SOUTHERN 31, @ Chattanooga 10
Sept. 30	@ GA. SOUTHERN 56, VMI 3
Oct. 7	GA. SOUTHERN 42, @ W. Carolina 24
Oct. 14	@ GA. SOUTHERN 34, Appalachian St. 28
Oct. 21	GA. SOUTHERN 27, @ The Citadel 10
Oct. 28	@ GA. SOUTHERN 42, E. Tenn. St. 7
Nov. 4	@ Furman, 2:00
Nov. 11	ELON, 1:00

FURMAN-GEORGIA SOUTHERN LAST MEETING

STATESBORO, GA (Nov. 6, 1999) -- Chris Chambers kicked a 28-yard field goal as time expired to lift nationally fourth-ranked Georgia Southern to a 41-38 win over the seventh-ranked Paladins at Paulson Stadium.

Chambers' game winning kick came after Furman quarterback Justin Hill connected with Bryant Huguley on a 34-yard touchdown pass to tie the game at 38-38 with 1:43 left. The Eagles' moved into field goal range behind the fleet feet of quarterback Greg Hill, who ran seven times for 65 yards to set up Chambers' decisive field goal.

Trailing 31-7 midway through the third quarter, Furman appeared to be on the verge of a blowout loss, but the Paladins rallied in impressive fashion by taking advantage of a pair of Eagle turnovers.

A 1-yard scoring run by Derek Russell and 40-yard Jason Wells field goal cut Georgia Southern's lead to 31-17 by the end of third quarter.

1999 SOCON FINAL STANDINGS

Team	SoCon	Overall
Georgia Southern	7 1	13 2
Furman	7 1	9 3
Appalachian State	7 1	9 3
Wofford	5 3	6 5
East Tennessee State	4 4	6 5
Chattanooga	3 5	5 6
Western Carolina	2 6	3 8
The Citadel	1 7	2 9
VMI	0 8	1 10

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Chattanooga	2 3	4 4
The Citadel	1 5	2 7
VMI	0 6	1 8

Last Week's Results

@ Georgia Southern 42, E. Tenn. St. 7
 @ Wofford 31, The Citadel 10
 @ Chattanooga 30, Appalachian State 27
 Western Carolina 41, VMI 31

This Week's Games

Georgia Southern @ Furman, 2:00
 VMI @ Appalachian State, 2:00
 Chattanooga @ the Citadel, 2:00
 Wofford @ East Tennessee State, 2:00

2000 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 6-yard touchdown run by Adrian Peterson on the first play of the fourth period increased the Eagles' lead to 38-17, but the Paladins struck back with a Derek Russell 2-yard scoring plunge and a 5-yard touchdown run by Louis Ivory with 8:47 left to make it 38-31.

After watching Georgia Southern miss a 50-yard field goal try, Furman took just five plays to move 67 yards for the game tying score when Hill found Huguley behind the Eagle secondary for a 34-yard strike.

Greg Hill paced GSU's attack with 219 yards and two touchdowns while also throwing for 142 yards and a third score. Furman's Justin Hill, meanwhile, completed 14-of-25 passes for a career high 240 yards and two touchdowns on the way to another career high 289 yards in total offense.

FURMAN	0	7	10	21	—	38
GA. SOUTHERN	7	21	3	10	—	41

- GS — Adrian Peterson 66 run
(Chris Chambers kick) 10:24-1Q
- F — Trent Sansbury 7 pass from Justin Hill
(Jason Wells kick) 14:00-2Q
- GS — Adrian Peterson 4 run
(Chris Chambers kick) 12:45-2Q
- GS — Dedric Parham 30 pass from Greg Hill
(Chris Chambers kick) 4:16-2Q
- GS — Greg Hill 41 run
(Chris Chambers kick) 0:50-2Q
- GS — Chris Chambers 26 FG 8:02-3Q
- F — Derek Russell 1 run
(Jason Wells kick) 4:45-3Q
- F — Jason Wells 40 FG 0:24-3Q
- GS — Adrian Peterson 6 run
(Chris Chambers kick) 14:57-4Q
- F — Derek Russell 2 run
(Jason Wells kick) 12:38-4Q
- F — Louis Ivory 5 run (Jason Wells kick) 8:47-4Q
- F — Bryant Huguley 34 pass from Justin Hill
(Jason Wells kick) 1:43-4Q
- GS — Chris Chambers 28 FG 0:00-4Q

Rushing: F — Hill 14-49, Ivory 16-44, Kitchings 3-24, Russell 6-16, Rentz 2-4. GS — Hill 28-219, Peterson 24-197, Freeman 4-44, Cunningham 3-11.

Passing: F — Hill 14-25-2-240. GS — Hill 6-8-2-142.
Receiving: F — Kitchings 4-70, Smerdzinski 4-61, Sansbury 3-46, Huguley 1-34, Thomas 1-29, Ivory 1-0. GS — Parham 2-29, Freeman 1-18, Cunningham 1-12, Johnson 1-8, Peterson 1-5.

	F	GS
First Downs	22	24
Rushing	41-137	59-471
Passing	240	142
C/A/I	14-25-2	6-8-2
Total Offense	377	613
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties	4-37	15-134
Punts	2-27.5	1-48.0
Possession Time	28:16	31:44
Third Down Conversions	3-10	5-11
Sacks By	0-0	2-11

FURMAN LAST TIME OUT

JOHNSON CITY, TENN. (Oct. 21, 2000) -- East Tennessee State kicker Con Chellis booted a 26-yard field goal with 1:12 left in the game to lift the Buccaneers to a 23-21 upset win over the nationally seventh-ranked Furman Paladins at Memorial Center.

Chellis, who moments earlier had missed an extra point that could have tied the contest at 21-21, connected on the game winning field goal following a key 51-yard punt return by the Buccaneers' Keyandre

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The defeat, Furman's third straight to East Tennessee State in Johnson City, was especially tough because the Paladins appeared to be ready to take command after assuming a 21-14 lead following a 10-yard touchdown run Louis Ivory with 7:51 left in the third quarter.

Two possessions later Furman drove 66 yards in 10 plays to the Buccaneer 1 but, on a second and goal play, Ivory fumbled and East Tennessee State's Lee Neisz recovered at the Buccaneer 6.

From there East Tennessee State covered 94 yards in impressive fashion to slice Furman's lead to 21-20 following an 8-yard touchdown run by quarterback Todd Wells with 7:43 left.

Despite the fumble, Furman had two prime opportunities to win the game with ball control but could not come up with needed first downs on its last two possessions prior to the Buccaneers' game winning field goal.

Louis Ivory topped Furman's offensive effort with 227 yards and two touchdowns on a school record 41 carries. Buccaneer quarterback Todd Wells, meanwhile, passed for 336 yards and two scores and accounted for 401 yards in total offense.

FURMAN	7	7	7	0	—	21
E. TENN. ST.	7	7	0	9	—	23

- ET — Cecil Moore 42 pass from Todd Wells
(Con Chellis kick) 12:20-1Q
- F — Louis Ivory 8 run
(Danny Marshall kick) 6:59-1Q
- ET — Cecil Moore 35 pass from Todd Wells
(Con Chellis kick) 12:15-2Q
- F — Derek Russell 1 run
(Danny Marshall kick) 3:22-2Q
- F — Louis Ivory 10 run
(Danny Marshall kick) 7:51-3Q
- ET — Todd Wells 8 run
(kick failed) 7:43-4Q
- ET — Con Chellis 26 FG 1:12-4Q

Rushing: F — Ivory 41-227, Russell 10-32, Napier 7-27, Rembert 1-4. ET — Wells 9-65, Carter 9-25, Gamble 6-24, Sims 1-7, Martin 1-1, Team 1-(-2), Bass 1-(-8).

Passing: F — Napier 8-20-3-73, ET — Wells 233-44-3-336.

Receiving: F — Smerdzinski 3-27, Rinehart 2-20, Burton 2-15, Huguley 1-11. ET — Moore 5-125, Martin 5-81, Sims 5-42, Turner 3-35, Gamble 2-11, Rader 1-18, Carter 1-14, Tiller 1-10.

	F	ET
First Downs	22	23
Rushing	59-279	28-112
Passing	73	336
C/A/I	8-20-3	23-44-3
Total Offense	352	448
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties	5-52	12-96
Punts	4-42.8	7-36.0
Possession Time	25:05	45:55
Third Down Conversions	4-13	4-12
Sacks By	0-0	1-10

NOTING THE PALADINS

✓ **BIGSTAKES...** Saturday's Furman-Georgia Southern game has a lot at stake, especially for Furman. The Paladins need a victory to remain in the hunt for an NCAA I-AA playoff bid, which in the Paladins' case will require a minimum of eight wins — and possibly nine — to secure. Georgia Southern, on the other hand, locked up the 2000 Southern Conference crown with last Saturday's 42-7 win over East Tennessee State, and later that day watched its crown change to the outright

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 or through the university's web site at 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

variety after Chattanooga edged Appalachian State, 30-27. Obviously a win over Furman on Saturday would give Georgia Southern an undefeated league record, which is no small accomplishment in one of NCAA I-AA's best conferences.

✓ **HOMECOMING BLUES**...Homecoming hasn't exactly been a weekend celebration for Furman's football team the last several years. That's because the Paladins have posted a lowly 2-4 mark in homecoming games over the past six seasons. Last year Furman thrilled the alumni by whipping East Tennessee State 48-21 on homecoming weekend, but two years ago arch-rival The Citadel stormed back from a 21-0 deficit to steal a 25-24 victory and spoil the Paladins' annual celebration. Overall, Furman is 43-24-4 (.634) in homecoming games over the years and 13-6 in Paladin Stadium homecoming clashes. Georgia Southern owns one of those six losses, having clipped the Paladins 26-21 in Furman's 1994 homecoming contest.

✓ **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
Western Carolina	8-4-1	.654
VMI	9-5	.643
East Tennessee State	8-5	.615
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	20-7	.741
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

✓ **NOT MUCH SUCCESS VS. GSU**...As the charts above indicate, Furman's has had its least conference success against Georgia Southern, both at home (1-3) and away (0-4).

✓ **BREAKING DOWN SOME NUMBERS**...Furman is 7-0 in its last seven Southern Conference home games, 11-3 (.786) in its last 14 league clashes, and 16-5 (.762) in its last 21 contests. The last league team to beat Furman in Paladin Stadium was Georgia Southern, which downed the Paladins 45-17 late in the 1998 season.

✓ **LAST FIVE LOSSES OF THE "TOUGH" VARIETY**...Furman's last five losses, including two in its last three games, have been especially tough because they have been decided by two points (Elon, 24-22), three points (Georgia Southern, 41-38), seven points (Massachusetts, 30-23 OT), one point (Appalachian State, 18-17), and two points (East Tennessee State, 23-21), respectively.

✓ **CLOSING IN ON 100**...Furman's 33-7 victory over The Citadel on Oct. 14 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 worth noting 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 (3)	13.2 (1)	-5.1
Rushing Defense	205.3 (5)	125.1 (1)	-80.2
Passing Defense	180.0 (7)	209.1 (6)	+29.1
Total Defense	385.3 (6)	334.3 (2)	-51.0
Yards Per Play	5.4	5.0	-0.4
Sacks/Game	1.0	2.0	+1.0

(#) - Southern Conference Rank

✓ **INSIDE SOME DEFENSIVE NUMBERS**...Furman has surrendered only 104.4 yards per game rushing to the opposition in the last five games, and just seven rushing touchdowns this season. Although opponents have attempted almost twice as many passes (238-118) and thrown for 1,673 yards to Furman's 872 through eight games, the opposition has managed only four 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. With 16 sacks on the year, Furman 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

✓ **PALADIN POINTERS**...Furman has not surrendered an individual 100-yard rushing performance to an opponent in eight games this year. Marcel Shipp of Massachusetts was the last foe to rush for 100 yards against Furman when he ran for 170 in the Paladins' 30-23 loss to the Minutemen in the first round of last year's NCAA I-AA playoffs. Appalachian State's Karim Razzak's 82 yards are the most rushing yards by a Paladin opponent this year. Junior cornerback Richie Jackson (Cincinnati, Ohio) recorded the 11th interception of his career in the Paladins' 23-21 loss to East Tennessee State on Oct. 21

✓ **COOPER TIES FU INTERCEPTION MARK**...In picking off three passes in Furman's 33-7 win over The Citadel on Oct. 14, 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 score was the first by a Paladin since teammate Will Bouton returned one 24 yards for a score in a 31-7 win over Western Carolina in 1998. Including his pickoff against East Tennessee State, Cooper now has a league leading six picks on the season.

✓ **IVORY SETS NEW RUSHING ATTEMPTS STANDARD**...Although he was despondent following Furman's 23-21 loss to East Tennessee State on Oct. 21, junior tailback Louis Ivory (Fort Valley, Ga.) emerged from the game with another school record. His 41 attempts, as part of a 227-yard, two-touchdown performance against the Buccaneers, topped the previous Furman single game rushing attempts mark of 39 set by Carl Tremble in a 35-7 win over Chattanooga in 1992. Ivory's previous single game rushing attempts high had been 34, which he posted as a part of 177-yard performance in last year's 28-3 win over North Carolina.

FURMAN SINGLE GAME RUSHING ATTEMPTS

Player	Opponent	Yards
Louis Ivory	E. Tenn. St. (2000)	41
Carl Tremble	Chattanooga (1992)	39
Mark Stowers	W. Carolina (1978)	35
Louis Ivory	N. Carolina (1999)	34
Steve Crisp	Carson-Newman (1971)	33

✓ **MORE IVORY FU SUPERLATIVES**...Louis Ivory's career long 88-yard scoring run and career high 232-yard rushing performance against William & Mary (34-10 win) on Sept. 16 rank among the most impressive superlatives 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 (16-3 win); 65 vs. Western Carolina (38-14 win).

FURMAN LONGEST RUSHING PLAYS

Player	Opponent	Yards
Russ Sutton	Presbyterian (1951)	93
Louis Ivory	William & Mary (2000)	88
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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
Louis Ivory	..... William & Mary (2000)	..... 232
Carl Tremble	..... Chattanooga (1992)	..... 228
Louis Ivory	..... E. Tenn. St. (2000)	..... 227
William Gressette	..... Presbyterian (1916)	..... 217
Louis Ivory	..... The Citadel (2000)	..... 214
John Bagwell	..... Marshall (1987)	..... 213
Louis Ivory	..... E. Tenn. St. (1999)	..... 203
Pat Carroll	..... Carson-Newman (1970)	..... 202
Carl Tremble	..... The Citadel (1990)	..... 202

✓ **MORE ON THE IVORY TOWER**...Louis Ivory's 227-yard outing against East Tennessee State, besides marking the second highest single game rushing total of his career, also represented his second straight 200-yard game and third 200-yard performance in a season that has seen him post some of the nation's best rushing numbers to date. It also represented the 10th 100-yard rushing performance in his last 11 games and 16th career 100-yard rushing outing. Of his 16 career 100-yard rushing performances, during which Furman posted a 14-2 record, none came as quick as his 187-yard outing in Furman's 38-14 win over 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 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.

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 W
E. Tenn. St.	..... 41 att./227 yds./2 TD	..... 21-23 L
Totals	..... 196 att./1406 yds./12 TD	..... 6-2 (7.2 ypc, 175.8 ypg)

✓ **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
E. Tenn. St. ('00)	..... 41 att./227 yds./2TD	..... 21-23 L
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./44 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
E. Tenn. St. ('00)	..... 41 att./227 yds./2 TD	..... 21-23 L
Totals	..... 445 att./2925 yds./26 TD	..... 15-5 (6.6 ypc, 146.3 ypg)

✓ **QUICKEST TO 1,000**...In rushing for 214 yards in the Paladins' 33-7 win over The Citadel on Oct. 14, Louis Ivory became the fastest player in Furman football history to reach 1,000 rushing yards. Ivory, who now has 1,406 yards, topped the 1,000-yard mark in the Paladins' seventh game, a feat that previously had taken the best Paladins 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.

FURMAN'S QUICKEST TO 1,000 YARDS

Player	Year	Game Reached	Season 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

✓ **IVORY TAKES AIM AT FU SEASON RUSHING MARK**...Aided by 441 rushing yards in his last two games, Louis Ivory is now only 149 yards shy of Furman's single season rushing standard of 1,555 yards set by Carl Tremble in 1992. Ivory heads into the Georgia Southern game (Furman's ninth contest of the year) with 1,406 yards. Last year Ivory posted the second highest single season rushing total in school history with 1,519 yards in 12 games. Tremble's rushing standard was registered in 11 contests. With 12 touchdowns this year, Ivory is also only three touchdowns shy of matching Furman's single season rushing touchdowns record of 15, currently shared by three players: Robbie Gardner (1986), Carl Tremble (1990), and Derek Russell (1999).

FURMAN SINGLE SEASON RUSHING LEADERS

Rank	Player	Year	Yds.
1)	..... Carl Tremble	..... 1992	..... 1,555
2)	..... Louis Ivory	..... 1999	..... 1,519
3)	..... Louis Ivory	..... 2000	..... 1,406
4)	..... Stanford Jennings	..... 1983	..... 1,390
5)	..... Carl Tremble	..... 1990	..... 1,277

6)	..... Robbie Gardner	..... 1984	..... 1,232
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)	..... Louis Ivory	..... 1999	..... 14
.....	..... Stanford Jennings	..... 1983	..... 14
.....	..... Robbie Gardner	..... 1984	..... 14
3)	..... John Bagwell	..... 1985	..... 13
.....	..... Carl Tremble	..... 1992	..... 13
4)	..... Louis Ivory	..... 2000	..... 12
5)	..... Mike Glenn	..... 1980	..... 11
.....	..... Stanford Jennings	..... 1981	..... 11
.....	..... Stanford Jennings	..... 1982	..... 11
.....	..... Dwight Sterling	..... 1988	..... 11
.....	..... Carl Tremble	..... 1991	..... 11
.....	..... 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)	..... Louis Ivory	..... 1998-	..... 3,331
4)	..... Robbie Gardner	..... 1982-86	..... 3,213
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
4)	..... Derek Russell	..... 1997-	..... 32
5)	..... Louis Ivory	..... 1998-	..... 30
6)	..... Mike Glenn	..... 1978-80	..... 29
7)	..... John Bagwell	..... 1984-88	..... 26
8)	..... Larry Robinson	..... 1973-76	..... 25
9)	..... Dwight Sterling	..... 1986-89	..... 20
10)	..... David Whitehurst	..... 1973-76	..... 18

✓ **DEREK RUSSELL: TD MAN**...Eight 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 eight touchdowns despite having rushed for only 242 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 Georgia Southern, Russell has run for 32 touchdowns in a career that includes 1,035 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) ... Derek Russell	1987-	192
... Mike Glenn	1978-80	192
9) ... Glenn Connally	1988-90	188
11) ... Louis Ivory	1998-	180
12) ... Tim Tanguay	1980-82	177
... 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 1,406 rushing yards.

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 26 career starts. Priore, meanwhile, has started in 28 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 (29 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 112 starts in their collective careers.

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

Player	Games	Starts
C Chris Stewart (Jr.)	28	21
OG Marty Priore (Jr.)	30	28
OG Trevor Kruger, (So.)	19	8
OT Donnie Littlejohn (Jr.)	30	29
OT Josh Moore (Sr.)	37	26
Totals	144	112

✓ **EYEING THE RECORD BOOK**...Through eight games Furman is averaging 304.0 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.
1)	2000	8	424	2,432 ...	304.0
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.

✓ **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 through five games, junior All-Southern Conference performer Trent Sansbury (Liburn, Ga.) obviously had had very little contact with the pignskin. Three 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. In the Paladins' 33-7 win over The Citadel on Oct. 14, 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 has 11 catches for 230 yards (20.9 ypc) and two touchdowns.

✓ **OFFENSIVE SUPERLATIVES**...In starting the season 6-2, 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
Newberry (2000)	44-10 W
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
Western Carolina (2000)	400	38-14 W
William & Mary (2000)	389	34-10 W
Newberry (2000)	385	44-10 W
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
Newberry (2000)	520	44-10 W
Western Carolina (2000)	518	38-14 W
Chattanooga (1996)	516	42-21 W
VMI (1997)	505	35-14 W

VMI (1998)

✓ **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 and continued good work through eight games, true freshman Danny Marshall (Atlanta, Ga.), who beat out three other Paladin upperclassmen for the team's placekicking job, has 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 against the Phoenix by connecting on field goals covering 43, 29, and 34 yards, plus an extra point. Marshall, whose eight-game statistics include 9-of-12 FGs and 29-31 PATs, ranks second on the team in scoring with 56 points heading into this Saturday's game against Georgia Southern. 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.

✓ **HILL PROBABLE FOR GSU**...Furman senior quarterback Justin Hill (Greer, S.C.), who sustained a strained rotator cuff in his right shoulder on the first series of the Paladins' 33-7 win over The Citadel on Oct. 14, is listed as probable for this Saturday's game against Georgia Southern after sitting out the East Tennessee State contest on Oct. 21. According to Furman head athletic trainer Brian Reese, Hill has made steady progress in rehabilitation the last two weeks and began throwing last Thursday.

✓ **NOTING QB JUSTIN HILL**...Furman quarterback Justin Hill, a second team All-Southern Conference pick in 1999, 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 23-9 with Hill in the starting lineup. 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

✓ **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.

✓ **PREVOST, JOHNSON ON THE SHELF**...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.

✓ **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 53 tackles, three tackles-for-loss, two forced fumbles, 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 45-32 (.584) and his last six teams have combined to post a 42-24 mark (.636). Against NCAA I-AA competition, Furman teams under Johnson's direction have gone 43-28 (.606). 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 177-85-7 (.671).

✓ **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.

✓ **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 the Paladins' 33-7 Paladin win over the Bulldogs on Oct. 14, 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.

INJURY REPORT (for GSU Game)

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

FURMAN PALADINS VS. GEORGIA SOUTHERN EAGLES

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 SANSBURY	(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.)
or	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.)
	41	Andrew Knight	(6-0, 220, So.)
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.)
or	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	(6-0, 180, Fr.)
KO	88	BRIAN KOVACH	(6-1, 189, So.)
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.)
or	22	LAMAR REMBERT	(5-7, 175, R-Fr.)

GEORGIA SOUTHERN OFFENSE

WR	5	DERRICK OWENS	(6-0, 194, So.)
	85	Titus Johnson	(6-0, 176, Sr.)
LT	61	JAMES McCOY	(6-3, 244, So.)
	67	Bubba Brantley	(6-2, 275, Jr.)
LG	60	DIETRICH EVERETT	(6-2, 288, Sr.)
	71	Josh Jones	(6-2, 280, Jr.)
C	74	CHARLES CLARKE	(6-1, 271, So.)
	75	Anthony Scott	(6-2, 262, Sr.)
RG	73	MICHAEL ANDERSON	(6-2, 240, Sr.)
	57	Derrick Nobles	(6-1, 271, Sr.)
RT	77	PAUL COLLINS	(6-4, 280, Fr.)
	73	Michael Anderson	(6-2, 240, Sr.)
WR	7	CHRIS JOHNSON	(6-2, 176, Sr.)
	81	Anthony Williams	(5-8, 163, So.)
QB	9	J.R. REVERE	(5-11, 184, Jr.)
	17	Melvin Cox	(6-1, 177, Fr.)
FB	3	ADRIAN PETERSON	(5-10, 212, Jr.)
	11	Edmund Coley	(5-10, 194, Jr.)
SB	22	ZZREAM WALDEN	(5-9, 179, So.)
	34	Mark Myers	(5-7, 167, So.)
SB	13	ANDRE WEATHERS	(5-9, 170, Jr.)
	11	Edmund Coley	(5-10, 194, Jr.)

GEORGIA SOUTHERN DEFENSE

LT	44	FREDDY PESQUEIRA	(6-1, 241, So.)
	2	Willie Johnson	(6-3, 245, Fr.)
NT	90	GINO TUTERA	(5-10, 251, Sr.)
	93	Elliott Rogers	(6-2, 263, So.)
RT	91	CARLTON OGLESBY	(6-2, 245, Fr.)
	54	Winston Hardison	(6-3, 217, So.)
OLB	41	MICHAEL YOUNGBLOOD	(6-2, 232, Jr.)
	42	Chris O'Neil	(5-10, 165, Jr.)
ILB	31	JASON NEESE	(6-0, 218, Jr.)
	43	Basail Mack	(5-10, 231, Sr.)
ILB	47	MICHAEL WARD	(6-0, 217, So.)
	56	Joe Scott	(5-10, 218, So.)
OLB	97	JAMAT JONES	(6-2, 230, Jr.)
	58	Corey Middlebrooks	(6-1, 230, Jr.)
CB	21	LAVAR RAINEY	(5-10, 183, Sr.)
	23	Dreck Cooper	(5-7, 157, Jr.)
FS	12	RYAN HADDEN	(6-2, 203, Sr.)
	38	Phillip Mouzon	(5-10, 196, Fr.)
SS	16	NICK KEARNS	(6-0, 198, Jr.)
	18	David Young	(6-2, 199, So.)
CB	1	NATE GATES	(6-0, 184, Sr.)
	23	Dreck Cooper	(5-7, 157, Jr.)

GEORGIA SOUTHERN SPECIALISTS

PK	87	ROB BIRONAS	(6-1, 198, Sr.)
KO	87	ROB BIRONAS	(6-1, 198, Sr.)
P	40	SCOTT SHELTON	(5-11, 182, So.)
SSN	52	BRAD BIRD	(6-4, 239, Jr.)
LSN	78	TRAVIS BURKETT	(6-1, 269, Sr.)
H	7	CHRIS JOHNSON	(6-2, 176, Sr.)
PR	81	ANTHONY WILLIAMS	(5-8, 163, So.)
or	13	ANDRE WEATHERS	(5-9, 170, Jr.)
KOR	81	ANTHONY WILLIAMS	(5-8, 163, So.)
or	1	NATE GATES	(6-0, 184, 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	51,	Keyandre Fenn, East Tennessee State
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	63,	Lee Willis vs. East Tennessee State	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	41,	Louis Ivory vs. East Tennessee State (<u>School Record</u>)	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 seven players
		Louis Ivory vs. Western Carolina		
Most Pass Attempts	20,	Billy Napier vs. East Tennessee State	44,	Todd Wells, East Tennessee State
Most Pass Completions	11,	Billy Napier vs. The Citadel	29,	David Rivers, Western Carolina
Most Passing Yards	170,	Billy Napier vs. The Citadel	336,	Todd Wells, East Tennessee State
Most Touchdown Passes	1,	Justin Hill vs. four opponents	2,	Todd Wells, East Tennessee State
		Billy Napier vs. The Citadel		
Most Total Offense Attempts	41,	Louis Ivory vs. East Tennessee State	53,	Todd Wells, East Tennessee State
Most Total Offense Yards	271,	Justin Hill vs. Appalachian State	401,	Todd Wells, East Tennessee State
Most Passes Caught	5,	Trent Sansbury vs. The Citadel	7,	Rich Musinksi, William & Mary
				Michael Banks, Western Carolina
Most Touchdown Passes Caught	1,	by five players vs. five opponents	2,	Cecil Moore, East Tennessee State
Most Pass Reception Yardage	94,	Trent Sansbury vs. Appalachian State & The Citadel	125,	Cecil Moore, East Tennessee State
Most Points Scored	18,	Derek Russell vs. Newberry	12,	by Cecil Moore, East Tennessee State
		Louis Ivory vs. Western Carolina		
Most Touchdown Responsibilities	3,	Derek Russell vs. Newberry	3,	by Todd Wells, East Tennessee State
		Louis Ivory vs. Western Carolina		
Most Touchdowns Scored	3,	Derek Russell vs. Newberry	2,	by Cecil Moore, East Tennessee State
		Louis Ivory vs. Western Carolina		
Most PATs	5,	Danny Marshall vs. Newberry & Western Carolina	2,	by Josh Jones, Western Carolina
				by Con Chellis, East Tennessee State
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	3, by E. Tenn. St.
Passing Touchdowns	1, vs. five opponents	0, vs. Elon, Western Carolina & E. Tenn. St.
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	5, vs. East Tennessee State
Punts	2, vs. Newberry & Western Carolina	6, vs. four opponents
Punt Return Yards	46, vs. Newberry	0, vs. Elon, Western Carolina, & E. Tenn. St.
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

Defense	Best	Worst
Points Scored	3, by Elon	23, by East Tennessee State
First Downs	10, by The Citadel	24, by William & Mary
Rushing Attempts	28, by East Tennessee State	51, by Elon
Rushing Yards	4, by VMI	200, by Elon
Rushing Touchdowns	0, by Elon	1, by five opponents
Pass Attempts	13, by Elon & The Citadel	44, by East Tennessee State
Pass Completions	5, by Elon	29, by Western Carolina
Passing Yards	100, by Newberry	336, by East Tennessee State
Interceptions	3, vs. William & Mary, The Citadel, & E. Tenn. St.	0, vs. Newberry
Passing Touchdowns	0, by five opponents	2, by East Tennessee State
Total Plays	52, by Newberry	76, by William & Mary
Total Offense	218, by VMI	448, by East Tennessee State
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	64, by East Tennessee State
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 & East Tennessee State

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.

FURMAN	0	6	3	7	—	16
ELON	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.

FURMAN	14	14	7	9	—	4
NEWBERRY	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.

FURMAN	0	10	17	7	—	34
WILLIAM & MARY	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 to 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.

FURMAN	0	14	21	0	—	35
VMI	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.

FURMAN	14	3	14	7	—	38
W. CAROLINA	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.

FURMAN	7	7	0	3	—	17
APPALACHIAN ST.	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, replaced injured starting quarterback Justin Hill on the 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. 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.

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.

After a fumble halted Furman's next scoring threat, the Paladins bounced back when Ivory bounced off a pair of Bulldog defenders and raced 58 yards for a touchdown to stretch the Paladin lead to 17-7.

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 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 Furman's final score with just over two minutes left.

FURMAN	0	3	14	16	—	33
THE CITADEL	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.

	F	CIT
First Downs	19	10
Rushing	46-260	50-176
Passing	170	75
C/A/I	11-16-0	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

ETSU 23, FURMAN 21

JOHNSON CITY, TENN. (Oct. 21, 2000) -- East Tennessee State kicker Con Chellis booted a 26-yard field goal with 1:12 left in the game to lift the Buccaneers to a 23-21 upset win over the nationally seventh-ranked Furman Paladins at Memorial Center.

Chellis, who moments earlier had missed an extra point that could have tied the contest at 21-21, connected on the game winning field goal following a key 51-yard punt return by the Buccaneers' Keyandre Fenn to the Furman 13.

The defeat, Furman's third straight to East Tennessee State in Johnson City, was especially tough because the Paladins appeared to be ready to take command after assuming a 21-14 lead following a 10-yard touchdown run Louis Ivory with 7:51 left in the third quarter.

Two possessions later Furman drove 66 yards in 10 plays to the Buccaneer 1 but, on a second and goal play, Ivory fumbled and East Tennessee State's Lee Neisz recovered at the Buccaneer 6.

From there East Tennessee State covered 94 yards in impressive fashion to slice Furman's lead to 21-20 following an 8-yard touchdown run by quarterback Todd Wells with 7:43 left.

Despite the fumble, Furman had two prime opportunities to win the game with ball control but could not come up with needed first downs on its last two possessions prior to the Buccaneers' game winning field goal.

Louis Ivory topped Furman's offensive effort with 227 yards and two touchdowns on a school record 41 carries. Buccaneer quarterback Todd Wells, meanwhile, passed for 336 yards and two scores and accounted for 401 yards in total offense.

FURMAN	7	7	7	0	—	21
E. TENN. ST.	7	7	0	9	—	23

ET — Cecil Moore 42 pass from Todd Wells
(Con Chellis kick) 12:20-1Q

F — Louis Ivory 8 run
(Danny Marshall kick) 6:59-1Q

ET — Cecil Moore 35 pass from Todd Wells
(Con Chellis kick) 12:15-2Q

F — Derek Russell 1 run
(Danny Marshall kick) 3:22-2Q

F — Louis Ivory 10 run
(Danny Marshall kick) 7:51-3Q

ET — Todd Wells 8 run
(kick failed) 7:43-4Q

ET — Con Chellis 26 FG 1:12-4Q

Rushing: F — Ivory 41-227, Russell 10-32, Napier 7-27, Rembert 1-4. ET — Wells 9-65, Carter 9-25, Gamble 6-24, Sims 1-7, Martin 1-1, Team 1-(-2), Bass 1-(-8).

Passing: F — Napier 8-20-3-73, ET — Wells 233-44-3-336.

Receiving: F — Smerdzinski 3-27, Rinehart 2-20, Burton 2-15, Huguley 1-11 ET — Moore 5-125, Martin 5-81, Sims 5-42, Turner 3-35, Gamble 2-11, Rader 1-18, Carter 1-14, Tiller 1-10.

	F	ET
First Downs	22	23
Rushing	59-279	28-112
Passing	73	336
C/A/I	8-20-3	23-44-3
Total Offense	352	448
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties	5-52	12-96
Punts	4-42.8	7-36.0
Possession Time	25:05	45:55
Third Down Conversions	4-13	4-12
Sacks By	0-0	1-10