

Game 12 -- October 12, 2002, 3:30 EDT Kickoff

Furman Paladins (4-1, 2-0 SoCon) vs. Appalachian State Mountaineers (4-1; 2-0 SoCon) Boone, North Carolina, Kidd Brewer Stadium (16,650) — Artificial

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2002 FURMAN	RESULTS	SCHEDULE
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Date	Opponent	Score/Time	Result
Sept.	7 @ Vanderbilt (Charter TV)	18-49 .	L
Sept.	14 ELON	57-7 .	W
Sept.	21 @ Richmond	17-7 .	W
Sept.	28 @ VMI	55-28 .	W
Oct.	5 WESTERN CAROLINA	24-23 .	W
Oct.	12 @ Appalachian State (Fox TV)	3:30	
Oct.	19 THE CITADEL (CSS TV)	3:30	
Oct.	26 @ East Tennessee State (CSS TV)	3:00	
Nov.	9 GEORGIA SOUTHERN (Fox TV).	3:30	
Nov.	16 @ Wofford	1:30	
Nov.	23 CHATTANOOGA	2:00	

THE GAME

In what looms as one of the Southern Conference most pivotal showdowns of the 2002 season, the NCAA fifth-ranked Furman Paladins travel to Boone, N.C., to take on the fourth-ranked Appalachian State Mountaineers in a 3:30 p.m. game televised live by Fox Sports South Network. Furman and Appalachian State both sport 4-1 records and bring four-game winning streaks into Saturday's clash.

THE COACHES

Furman: Bobby Lamb (Furman '86) 4-1 (.800), 1st Year at Furman 4-I (.800), 1st Year Overall Lamb vs. Appalachian State (0-0)

Appalachian State: Jerry Moore (Baylor '61) 111-52 (.681), 14th Year at Appalachian State 138-101-2 (.577), 21st Year Overall Moore vs. Furman (5-8)

THE SERIES

In a series that began in 1971 with a 0-0 tie, Furman has won four of the last six clashes against Appalachian State and owns a 20-8-3 record versus the Mountaineers. Last year the third-ranked Paladins got a pair of touchdown passes from quarterback Billy Napier to turn back fifth-ranked Appalachian State, 28-22, in Greenville. Two years ago in Boone, the Paladins led 17-11 and had the football at the Mountainer 2-yard line late in the fourth quarter but turned the ball over in the end zone, and Appalachian rallied with a game winning 80-yard drive to take an 18-17 victory. In all games played in Boone, the Paladins own an 8-5-1 record against Appalachian State; in Greenville the Paladins are 12-3-1 versus the Mountaineers.

FURMAN RADIO BROADCAST TEAM

Furman Radio WCSZ-AM 1070,WGOG-FM 96.3 Chuck Hussion, play-by-play; John Ingles, analyst; Gordon Higgins, sideline



2001 FINAL SOCON STANDINGS						
SoCon Overall					all	
Team	W	L	.Pct	W	L	.Pct
Furman	7	1	.875	12	3	.800
Georgia Southern	7	- 1	.875	12	2	.857
Appalachian State	6	2	.750	9	4	.692
Western Carolina	5	3	.625	7	4	.636
East Tennessee State	4	4	.500	6	5	.545
Wofford	3	5	.375	4	7	.364
The Citadel	2	6	.250	3	7	.300
Chattanooga	I	7	.125	3	8	.273
VMI	I	7	.125	1	10	.091

2002 SOCON STANDINGS

	SoCon		Overall		all	
Team	W	L	.Pct	W	L	.Pct
Furman	2	0	1.000	4	I	.800
Appalachian State	2	0	1.000	4	I	.800
Wofford	2	0	1.000	4	I	.800
Georgia Southern	2	1	.667	3	2	.500
East Tennessee State	2	1	.667	3	3	.500
Western Carolina	I	2	.333	3	3	.500
Chattanooga	0	2	.000	0	5	.000
The Citadel	0	2	.000	1	4	.200
VMI	0	3	.000	2	4	.333

October 5

Furman 24, Western Carolina 23 Georgia Southern 52, VMI 7 Wyoming 34, The Citadel 30 Wofford 27, Chattanooga 21 OT Appalachian State 29, East Tennessee State 10



October 12

Wofford @ VMI, I:00

East Tennessee State @ The Citadel, 2:00 Furman @ Appalachian State, 3:30 (Fox TV) Georgia Southern @ Western Carolina, 3:30



2002 SEASON HONORS

Southern Conference Player-of-the-Week **OB Billy Napier (vs. Elon)**

2002 PRE-SEASON HONORS

Sports Network NCAA I-AA All-America RS Brian Bratton (2nd Team)

All-Southern Conference (Coaches)

OG Trevor Kruger (1st Team) OT Steven Cain (1st Team) TE Willis Sudderth (1st Team) CB Rodney Johnson (1st Team) RS Brian Bratton (1st Team)

QB Billy Napier (2nd Team) WR Bear Rinehart (2nd Team) DT LeBryan Sperling (2nd Team) PK Danny Marshall (2nd Team)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Furman Coach</u>
			GREENVILLE	
			Boone	
			GREENVILLE	
1974.	L	3-27	Boone	. Art Baker
1975.	W	. 30-23	GREENVILLE	. Art Baker
1976.	T	. 14-14	Boone	. Art Baker
1977.	W	. 28-20	GREENVILLE	. Art Baker
			Boone	
1979.	W	. 31-17	GREENVILLE	. Dick Sheridan
1980.	W	. 21-20	Boone	. Dick Sheridan
			GREENVILLE	
			Boone	
1983.	W	49-0	GREENVILLE	. Dick Sheridan
			Boone	
			GREENVILLE	
1986.	T	. 17-17	Boone	. Jimmy Satterfield
1987.	L	8-16	GREENVILLE	. Jimmy Satterfield
1988.	W	24-9	Boone	. Jimmy Satterfield
			GREENVILLE	
1990.	W	30-7	Boone	. Jimmy Satterfield
1991.	L	. 23-26	GREENVILLE	. Jimmy Satterfield
1992.	W	. 16-13	Boone	. Jimmy Satterfield
1993.	W	. 27-21	GREENVILLE	. Jimmy Satterfield
			Boone	
			GREENVILLE	
1996.	W	. 20-14	Boone	. Bobby Johnson
			GREENVILLE	
1998.	L	. 13-26	Boone	. Bobby Johnson
1999.	W	. 35-21	GREENVILLE	. Bobby Johnson
2000.	L	. 17-18	Boone	. Bobby Johnson
2001.	W	. 28-22	GREENVILLE	. Bobby Johnson

In Greenville: Furman leads 12-3-1 In Boone: Furman leads 8-5-2

THE OFFENSES

Furman: Multiple	Appalachian State: Multiple I
'02 Points/Game — 34.2	'02 Points/Game — 29.6
'02 Yards/Game — 472.8	'02 Yards/Game — 329.6
Rushing — 214.0	Rushing — 168.0
Passing — 258.8	Passing — 161.6

THE DEFENSES

Furman: 43	Appalachian State: 43
'02 Points/Game — 22.8	'02 Points/Game — 27.6
'02 Yards/Game — 362.6	'02 Yards/Game — 368.6
Rushing — 197.8	Rushing — 137.6
Passing — 164.8	Passing — 231.0

LAST MEETING

GREENVILLE, S.C. — Billy Napier passed for 159 yards and two touchdowns to lift NCAA I-AA third-ranked Furman to a 28-22 win over fifth-ranked Appalachian State in front of 14,411 fans at Paladin Stadium.

Napier completed 9-of-15 passes and connected with freshman flanker Isaac West for both scores in the second half on plays covering 39 and 30 yards. West had six pass receptions for 120 yards and five punt returns for 42 yards.

The win was the third straight by Furman over Appalachian State in Greenville and the 11th consecutive league home win for the Paladins.

Appalachian State, which tallied 81 offensive snaps to Furman's 45, outgained the Paladins 222-194 in total offense, but the Mountaineers managed only 2.7 yards per snap to Furman's 4.3.

Tailback Louis Ivory, who came into the game 50 yards shy of Furman's career rushing record, was held to 40 yards on 18 carries, but his 18-yard touchdown run with 4:17 left in the first half put the Paladins ahead for good, 14-7.

The Paladins raced to a 7-0 lead on the game's first play when Brian Bratton took the opening kickoff and sprinted 100 yards for a touchdown.

Appalachian State's Jerry Beard tied the game at 7-7 with a 13-yard run with 13:51 left in the second quarter.

Leading 14-7 at the half, Furman linebacker Will Bouton pounced on an Appalachian State fumble at the Mountaineer 39-yard line, and on the next play Napier hit a streaking West for a 39-yard touchdown strike to stretch the Paladin advantage to 21-7 at the 4:43 mark of the third period.

The Mountaineers made it 21-14 on a Joey Hoover 1-yard touchdown run with 11:14 left in the game, but two possessions later a 17-yard punt return by West to the Appalachian State 30 set up the Paladins' final score, which came one play later when Napier found West behind the Mountaineer secondary for a 30-yard touchdown pass with 7:46 left.

After Furman's Richie Jackson intercepted a Joe Burchette pass at the Paladin I-yard line, Furman punter Lee Willis ran out of the end zone for a safety to make it 28-16 with 3:13 to go.

Appalachian State regained possession at the Furman 43 on the ensusing kickoff, and eight plays later Burchette connected with Jose White on a 3-yard touchdown pass to make it 28-22 with 1:26 remaining. Appalachian State's onside kick, however, was recovered by Furman's James Thomas at the 50-yard line, allowing the Paladins to run out the clock.

Bouton headlined a stout Paladin defensive effort with nine tackles, three tackles-for-loss, and a fumble recovery.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Appalachian State	0	7	0	15	_	22
Furman	7	7	7	7	_	28

SCORING SUMMARY

F — Brian Bratton 100 kickoff return

SPORTS NETWORK NCAA I-AA FOOTBALL POLL (October 7, 2002)

Rnk. Team	2002 Record	Points	Previous
I) Montana (97)	5-0	2,497	I
2) Maine (I)	6-0	2,273	3
3) McNeese State (2	2) 4-1	2,252	2
4) Appalachian State	4-1	2,196	4
5) Furman	4-1	2,081	5
6) Villanova	5-1	1,905	7
7) Northwestern Sta	ate 4-1	1,768	9
8) Northern Arizona	a 4-1	1,594	12
9) Eastern Illinois	3-2	1,465	13
	4-1		
11) Grambling State	5-1	1,326	15
12) Northern Iowa	3-2	1,163	6
13) Western Illinois	4-1	1,116	8
14) Portland State	3-2	1,086	16
15) Bethune-Cookma	ın 6-0	930	19
16) Georgia Southerr	ı 3-2	906	18
17) William & Mary	2-2	851	17
18) Wofford	4-1	744	20
19) Eastern Kentucky	4-2	735	21
20) Northeastern	4-1	724	11
21) Florida A&M	4-2	687	10
22) Youngstown State	e 3-2	509	22
23) Nicholls State	5-1	431	24
24) Pennsylvania	3-0	414	23
	ate 4-1		

FURMAN WEEK-BY-WEEK IN THE POLLS

Date	TSN	Date	TSN
Preseason	7	Oct. 14	
Sept. 2	4	Oct. 21	
Sept. 9	7	Oct. 28	
Sept. 16	7	Nov. 4	
Sept. 23	7	Nov. 11	
Sept. 30	5	Nov. 18	
Oct. 7	5	Final	

(Danny Marshall kick) 14:44-1Q 0- 7
A — Jerry Beard 13 run (Érik Rockhold kick) 13:51-2Q
4 plays, 25 yards, TOP 1:28
F — Louis Ivory 18 run (Danny Marshall kick) 4:17-2Q
2 plays, 25 yards, TOP 1:05 7-14
F — Isaac West 39 pass from Billy Napier
(Danny Marshall kick) 4:43-3Q
I play, 39 yards, TOP 0:08 7-21
A — Joey Hoover I run (Erik Rockhold kick) II:14-4Q
7 plays, 41 yards, TOP 3:01 14-21
F — Isaac West 30 pass from Billy Napier
(Danny Marshall kick) 7:46-4Q
I play, 30 yards, TOP 0:07 14-28
A — Team Safety 3:13-4Q
A — Jose White 3 pass from Joe Burchette (pass failed) 1:47-4Q
8 plays, 43 yards, TOP 1:26
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: F — Ivory 18-40, Emerson 4-10, Bratton 1-2, Napier 7-(-17). A

— Beard 14-44, Jackson 4-13, Watkins 4-11, Burchette 9-8, Hoover 2-5, White 2-1, Layton 1-(-8).

Passing: F — Napier 9-15-1-159. A — Burchette 21-45-1-148.

Receiving: F — West 6-120, Sansbury 2-25, Thomas I-14. A — White 6-23, Hayward 5-60, Layton 3-31, Fowlkes 3-15, Watkins 2-3, Hoover I-9, Little I-7.

Field Goals: F — None. A — None.

Defense: F — Bouton 9 (3 solo, 6 ast., 3 TFL, 1 FR, 1 PBU), Jackson 8 (7 solo, 1 ast., 1 Int., 1 PBU), Frierson 8 (5 solo, 3 ast., 2 TFL), Smith 8 (4 solo, 4 ast., 1 TFL, 1 PBU), Thrift 8 (3 solo, 5 ast., 2 TFL), Billingsly 6 (4 solo, 2 ast., 3 TFL, 1 Sack). A — Mannino 6 (5 solo, 1 ast., 1 TFL, 1 Sack), Hunter 5 (3 solo, 2 ast., 3 TFL, 1 Sack), Seaverns 5 (3 solo, 2 ast., 1 Int., 1 PBU), Watson 4 (2 solo, 2 ast., 2 TFL).

TEAM STATIS	STICS	
	FUR	ASU
First Downs	9	14
Rushing	30-35	36-74
Passing	159	148
C/A/I		
Total Offense	194	222
Fumbles-Lost		
Penalties	7-60	11-83
Punts	8-35.3	11-38.6
Punt Returns	5-42	6-40
Kickoff Returns	3-139	5-81
Possession Time	29:16	30:44
Third Down Conversions	1-11	6-21
Fourth Down Conversions	0-0	2-4
Sacks By	3-17	3-15

NOTING THE PALADINS

- Network NCAA I-AA poll, Furman has been ranked in the Top 25 for 46 consecutive weeks since the 1999 season.
- THE NEWCOMER VS. THE VETERAN...When Furman and Appalachian State square off this Saturday, it will feature the youngest head coach in the league (Furman's Bobby Lamb...39 years-old and in his first year at FU) versus the the league's all-time winningest coach (Appalachian State's Jerry Moore, 111-52 and in his 14th year at ASU). Although it will be his first Furman-Appalachian State game as a head coach, Bobby Lamb has actually been involved with more Paladin-Mountaineer clashes (20) than Jerry Moore (13). As a standout quarterback for Furman from 1982-85, Lamb and Furman went 3-1 against Appalachian State. Later, during a 16-year tenure as an assistant coach from 1986-01, Lamb and Furman

posted a 9-6-1 record against Appalachian State, thus giving the Paladins a 13-7-1 record (.643) versus the Mountaineers in his 20 years at Furman. Moore, meanwhile, has gone 5-8 (.385) versus Furman in 13 meetings.

▼ THE BIG BEAR...Senior All-Southern Conference flanker Bear Rinehart (Seneca, S.C.), the leader of Furman's experienced receiving corps, has fashioned an outstanding start to the 2002 campaign, and that was evidenced again in Saturday's 24-23 win over Western Carolina when he caught five passes for a career best 153 yards and a touchdown, which covered 44 yards. Rinehart's receiving yards total against the Catamounts marked the ninth highest single game total in Furman history. His latest outing continues a solid string of performances that began in the season opener against Vanderbilt when he caught seven passes for 127 yards. In the Paladins' 17-7 win over Richmond on Sept. 21, he came up especially big, catching a career high nine passes for 94 yards while steadying the Paladin receiving corps following the departure of big play split end **Isaac** West (Augusta, Ga.) to injury. The nine catches against Richmond represented the fifth best single game total in school history. A very accomplished guitarist and singer/songwriter, Rinehart, who is nicknamed for legendary Alabama coach Paul "Bear" Bryant, appears well on the way to finishing his career ranked among the school's all-time leaders in receptions, receiving yards, and touchdown receptions (see following charts). He also returns punts for Furman and has averaged a solid 12.0 yards per return on seven attempts this season.

CAREER RECEPTIONS

Rank Player	Years	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	TD
I) Luther Broughton	1993-96	123	1,565	12.7	6
2) Des Kitchings	1996-99	112	1,808	16.1	11
3) Adrick Harrison	1992-95	111	1,342	12.1	11
4) Josh Cole	1993-96	110	1,506	13.7	11
5) Chas Fox	1982-85	106	2,045	19.3	26
6) Tommy Southard	1974-77	101	1,342	13.3	8
7) Byron Trotter	1968-70	98	1,112	11.3	3
8) Jimmy Jordan	1966-68	85	1,188	14.0	4
9) Bear Rinehart	1999	82	1,413	17.2	10
Brette Simmons	1974-78	82	1,197	14.6	5
Damon Bradley	1989-93	82	1,204	14.7	7
12) Billy Risher	1979-83	81	1,447	17.9	18
13) Donald Lipscomb	1988-91	80	1,827	22.8	8
14) Robbie Hahn	1966-67	79	1,375	17.4	16
15) Stanford Jennings	1980-83	76	865	11.4	4
16) Paul Siffri	1988-91	71	1,101	15.5	9
17) Kirk Burnett	1983-86	70	1,259	18.0	6

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CAREER TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS

Rank Player	Years	TD
I) Chas Fox	1982-85	26
2) Billy Risher	1979-83	18
3) Robbie Hahn	1966-67	16
4) Adrick Harrison	1992-95	11

Josh Cole	1993-96 11	
Jody Wade	1994-97 11	
Des Kitchings		
8) Bear Rinehart		
Paul Siffri	1988-91 9	
10) Tommy Southard	1974-77 8	
Donald Lipscomb		

▶ PALADINS DISPLYING IMPRESSIVE DEPTH IN RECEIV-ING CORPS...Since big play sophomore split end Issac West (Augusta, Ga.) exited the lineup with a fractured collarbone in the Paladins' 17-7 win over Richmond on Sept. 21, the Paladins have relied on the impressive depth in its receiving corps to keep its Southern Conference leading passing attack moving. In addition to Bear senior Bear Rinehart (Seneca, S.C.), who has contributed 26 catches for 471 yards and two touchdowns, Furman has gotten strong play from West's replacement, sophomore Brian Bratton (Augusta, Ga.), who has claimed 15 receptions for 215 yards and three scores, including a career best 76-yard touchdown catch against VMI (55-28 win). In addition, three other Paladin wideouts — redshirt freshman Daric Carter (Fuqay-Varina, N.C.) and seniors James Thomas (Marianna, Fla.) and Andy Rump (Sherborn, Mass.) — have combined for nine receptions for 153 yards, and sophomore tight end Willis Sudderth (Lilburn, Ga.) has added six for 67 yards and a score. All told, 12 Paladins have claimed receptions thus far this season, including four running backs, who have combined for 13 catches for 123 yards. Prior to his injury, West collected 10 passes for 242 yards and three touchdowns (24.2 ypc), including three receptions for 160 yards (78, 71, and 11-yard scoring grabs) in the Paladins' 57-7 rout of Elon on Sept. 14.

► ISSAC WEST AND ASU...A year ago Isaac West (Augusta, Ga.) proved to be the difference in the Paladins' 28-22 win over Appalachian State in Greenville, catching six passes for 120 yards and two touchdowns covering 39 and 30 yards on his way to Southern Conference Freshman-of-the-Week honors.

NAPIER EFFICIENT WITH ARM, PLAYING TIME...Senior All-Southern Conference quarterback Billy Napier (Chatsworth, Ga.), the nation's leader in passing efficiency with a 190.76 rating, had his fifth straight solid passing outing of the 2002 campaign on Saturday in the Paladins' 24-23 win over Western Carolina, completing I 5-of-22 passes for a career high 252 yards and two touchdowns despite having three stitches on the index finger knuckle on his throwing hand. His performance against the Catamounts, which marked the ninth best single game passing performacne in school history, followed on the heels of 9-of-11, 222-yard, two-touchdown outing against VMI (55-28 win), against whom he played less than two quarters. In earlier action in the Paladins' 57-7 rout of Elon Sept. 14, he fashioned the best single game passing efficiency performance in Southern Conference history (411.08 rating) by completing 8-of-10 passes for 237 yards and four touchowns before exiting the game (after only 17 snaps) with Furman leading 42-0. Through five games the Paladin signal caller has completed 72-of-100 passes (72.0%) for 1171 yards and eight touchdowns. He currently leads the SoCon in passing (234.2 ypg) and total offense (244.0 ypg).

BILLY NAPIER GAME-BY-GAME STATS, HIGHLIGHTS IN 2002

<u>Opponent</u>	Statistics/Highlights
Vanderbilt	21-of-31, 241 yds., 2-yard TD run
Elon	8-of-10, 237 yds., 4 TDs
Т	D passes 78, 71, 7, 11 yds; exited game after 17 snaps
set new	SoCon single game passing efficiency record (411.08)
Richmond	
	top receiver Isaac West injured in first quarter
VMI	9-of-11, 222 yds., 2 TDs, 1-yard TD run
TD passes 7	76, 2 yds; exited game after two second quarter series
Western Carolina	
TD passes 15, 4	14 yds; 8-of-9 in second half, new career high passing yds.

MORE ON NAPIER...A year ago senior quarterback Billy Napier (Chatsworth, Ga.) was labeled in the preseason as the only significant question mark on an otherwise veteran team. Fifteen wins, a league title, and a national runnerup finish later, questions about Napier's abilities are

now extinct. A consensus second team All-Southern Conference choice in 2001 and the son of high school coach, Napier delivered solid play a year ago, completing 62.3 percent of his passes (129×207) for 1,772 yards and 10 TDs in 2001. Included in his campaign was a perfect 12-of-12, 159-yard, TD performance in a 24-17 win over Georgia Southern in NCAA I-AA semifinal playoff action in Statesboro that snapped the Eagles' 39-game home winning streak. He is the latest in a long line of outstanding Furman quarterbacks who, since 1978, have combined to garner 12 all-conference citations, and it's no coincidence that over the past 23 seasons the Paladins have won 11 league championships. Heading into the Saturday's game against Appalachian State, Napier ranks eighth on Furman's career passing yardage chart and 10th in career passing touchdowns.

FURMAN CAREER PASSING YARDAGE

Rank	Player	Years	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yards TD
I)	B. Bonaventure	1992-96.	672	412	17	5,379 39
2)	Frankie DeBusk	1987-90.	575	304	27	4,984 32
3)	Bobby Lamb	1982-85.	449	249	17	4,186 41
4)	Clyde Hewell	1966-68.	563	313	21	3,993 20
5)	Philly Jones	1991-95.	515	306	16	3,721 23
6)	Justin Hill	1997-00.	421	232	15	3,607 24
7)	David Henderson	1976-79.	467	259	23	3,582 22
8)	Billy Napier	1999	373	239 .	15	3,452 20
9)	David Whitehurst.	1973-76.	468	245	23	3,122 22
10)	David Charpia	1980-83.	361	211	15	3,032 19
H)	Tim Sorrells	1977-81.	428	197	24	2,945 31
12)	Billy Canty	1958-61.	446	214	22	2,460 24
13)	Billy Baker	1956-59.	400	207	23	2,315 13
14)	Cleve Hightower	1968-70.	336	139	25	1,866 14
	Hugh Swilling					

CAREER PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

Rank Player	Years	TD
I) Bobby Lamb	1982-85	41
2) Braniff Bonaventure	1992-96	39
3) Frankie DeBusk	1987-90	32
4) Tim Sorrells	1977-81	31
5) Justin Hill	1997-00	24
Billy Canty		
7) Philly Jones		
8) David Whitehurst	1973-76	22
David Henderson		
10) Billy Napier	1999	20
Clyde Hewell		
12) David Charpia		
13) Hugh Swilling	1989-92	16
I4) Cleve Hightower	1968-70	14

"AIR" FURMAN...For a program that's made plenty of championship hay over the past 25 years by running the football, and only two years ago produced NCAA I-AA's leading rusher in Walter Payton Award winning tailback Louis Ivory (2,079 yards), it's definitely news to see the Paladins getting it done offensively — and in a big way — through the air, but that's exactly what first year head coach Bobby Lamb has signaled a willingness to do this fall with the senior quarterback Billy Napier (Chatsworth, Ga.) and an experienced receiving corps. Last year Furman's run/pass ratio was 69.2% vs. 30.8%. Through five games this year Furman is still running the football significantly more than passing it (65.9% vs. 34.1%), but those figures may be a little deceiving in that they include a pair of blowout wins over Elon (57-7) and VMI (55-28) where the Paladins pretty much abandoned the passing game in the second half of both contests.

FURMAN RUN-PASS RATIO

<u>2001</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>2002</u>
492 (69.2%)	Rushing Attempts (Ratio).	226 (65.9%)
218.9	Rushing Yards Per Game .	214.0
218 (30.8%)	. Passing Attempts (Ratio)	117 (34.1%)
166.8	. Passing Yards Per Game	258.8

► FURMAN PASSING STANDARDS WATCH....If Furman's increased emphasis on the passing game continues, several season team and individual passing standards could come under assault this year. Among the

most notable:

TEAM

Record (Year)	<u>Category</u>	2002 (5 Games)
162 (1995)	Most Completions	81
	Most Yards	
	Most Yards Per Game	
64.7% (1996)	Completion Percentage	69.2%
162.45 (1985)	Passing Efficiency	182.39

INDIVIDUAL

<u>Record, Player (Year)</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>2002 (5 Games)</u>
238, Hightower (1969)	Most Attempts	100, Napier
151, Bonaventure (1995)	Most Completions	72, Napier
2,035, DeBusk (1990)	Most Yards	1,171, Napier
185.0, DeBusk (1990)	Most Yards Per Game	234.2, Napier
64.5, Bonaventure (1995) Completion %	72.0, Napier
170.89, Lamb (1985)	Passing Efficiency	190.76, Napier

- N TIGHT END TRADITION POISED TO CONTINUE...Since 1977 Furman has produced 16 All-Southern Conference tight ends, including Trent Sansbury, who last year earned his second all-league scroll after catching 36 passes for 479 yards and two touchdowns. With Sansbury graduated, the Paladins have turned to a pair of newcomers to fill the void, and it appears sophomore Willis Sudderth (Lilburn, Ga.), a preseason All-Southern Conference selection, may be emerging as the top candidate to extend Furman's strong tight ends tradition. In Furman's win over VMI on Sept. 28, he caught four passes for 35 yards, including his first career touchdown a 2-yard catch on a fourth down play that gave the Paladins a 21-0 first quarter lead. That followed a two-reception, 32-yard outing in the Paladins' 17-7 win over Richmond on Sept. 21. Redshirt freshman John Rust (Burlington, N.C.), who sat out the VMI game due to injury, has contributed two catches for 23 yards on the season.
- NOT FORGETTING THE RUN...With all the talk about Furman's highly efficient passing game, it should be noted that the Paladins haven't forgotten how to run the football — something Furman has done as effectively as anybody over the last 25 years. Despite losing three All-American offensive linemen to graduation off last year's 12-3 team, the Paladins head into Saturday's game against Appalachian State averaging a solid 214.0 yards per game on the ground (a year ago the Paladins averaged 218.9 yards per per game rushing). In Saturday's win over Western Carolina, the Paladins ran for 192 yards (on the way to 444 yards in total offfense) and proved they could deliver on the ground in the crunch. After closing to within a point at 24-23 with 3:43 left, Western Carolina opted to kick it deep in hopes of forcing a Furman punt. Starting at its own 19, Furman picked up two critical first downs via the rush, including one on a 12-yard run off a toss sweep against a Catamount defense sporting nine players in the box. Though eventually forced to punt, Furman's ability to run the football in the clutch helped the Paladins hold on for the win.
- N TAILBACK BY COMMITTEE...After watching two-time All-America tailback Louis Ivory run into the record books last year with a Southern Conference leading 1,492 yards and 19 TDs, Furman has filled its high profile backfield slot with three juniors and a redshirt freshman in 2002: Hindley Brigham (Birmingham, Ala.), Lamar Rembert (Ocala, Fla.), Toreico O'Neal (Barnesville, Ga.), Brandon Mays (Arden, N.C.). Last year when Ivory was forced to the sideline with a knee injury late in the Paladins' 24-20 first round playoff win over Western Kentucky, the trio of Brigham, Rembert, and O'Neal stepped up to combine for 299 yards and three touchdowns the following week in a 34-17 triumph over previously undefeated Lehigh. Through five games this year, Brigham, Mays, O'Neal, and Rembert have combined to rush for 789 yards and four touchdowns (157.8 ypg). In Saturday's win over Western Carolina, Furman's tailbacks combined for 146 yards on 28 carries (5.2 ypg) with O'Neal leading the way with 10 carries for 62 yards.
- ▶ KRUGER, CAIN CARRY LOAD ON OL...After saying goodbye to 135 career starts from three All-America offensive linemates last year (174 if including tight end Trent Sansbury), senior right guard Trevor Kruger (Moultrie, Ga.) and senior right tackle Steven Cain (Anderson, S.C.) are the true veterans of Furman's offensive line this fall. A major plus is both players are regarded by Southern Conference head coaches as

- tops at their respective positions as indicated by their selection to the preseason all-league team. Cain, in particular, has already gained the attention on many NFL scouts and checks in as Furman's biggest player at 6-foot-5, 310 pounds. A solid candidate for Southern Conference Jacobs Blocking Award consideration in 2002, Cain, who counts 20 career starts, also ranks as one of the Paladins' strongest players in the weight room with a bench press of 415 pounds, a squat of 500 pounds, and a power clean lift of 352 pounds (in testing last spring). Kruger, meanwhile, sports a unit high 32 starts in his career.
- No QUICK STRIKE PALADINS...Though Western Carolina scored first on Saturday with a field goal, Furman ended the first quarter with a 7-3 lead and, in the process, continued its strong first period work this year. Through five games, Furman has outscored the opposition 77-24 in the first quarter. Over the last four contests (all wins), Furman has posted a 77-10 scoring differential in the first quarter.
- THE EXPERIENCE FACTOR...With only 11 starters back off last year's squad that went 12-3, won a share of the Southern Conference championship, and finished as NCAA I-AA national runnerup, Furman had the tough task of filling several shoes and several quality ones at that. Eleven all-conference performers and five All-Americans graduated, including tailback Louis Ivory, the school's all-time leading rusher (5,353 yards, 53 TDs, 6.3 ypc) and middle linebacker Will Bouton (445 tackles, 50 starts). In addition, three All-American offensive linemen (and 135 career starts) departed center Chris Stewart, guard Marty Priore, and tackle Donnie Littlejohn, who garnered the league's Jacobs Blocking Award as well as two-time all-conference tight end Trent Sansbury and three all-conference veterans in the secondary: cornerback Richie Jackson and safeties Shelvis Smith and Josh Cooper. The departure of quality is significant, as is the overall level of experience as evidenced by the chart below:

CAREER STARTING EXPERIENCE COMPARISON

<u>2001</u>	Career Starts	2002 Career Starts
TE	Trent Sansbury 39	Willis Sudderth 5
LT	Donnie Littlejohn 48	Ben Bainbridge5
LG	Marty Priore 47	Justin Price 5
С	Chris Stewart 40	Craig Morgan 5
RG	Trevor Kruger 27	Trevor Kruger 32
RT	Steven Cain 15	Steven Cain 20
SE	James Thomas 18	Brian Bratton 2
FLK	Bear Rinehart 15	Bear Rinehart 20
QB	Billy Napier 15	Billy Napier21
FB	Eric Emerson 15	Eric Emerson20
<u>TB</u>	Louis Ivory 42	O'Neal, Brigham, & Rembert 7
Offer	se Totals 321	Offense Totals 142
DE	Brandon Poole 20	Brandon Poole25
DT	LeBryan Sperling 32	LeBryan Sperling 37
NG	Ryan Spencer 29	Justin Porter 4
DE	Eddie Overdyke 13	Eddie Overdyke 17
WLB	Sterling Frierson 15	Cedrick Ritter 5
MLB	Will Bouton 50	Mike Killian 14
SLB	John Thrift 40	Keito Whetstone 6
LCB	Richie Jackson 50	T.J. Wilson 5
RCB	Rodney Johnson 29	Rodney Johnson 34
SS	Shelvis Smith 27	Paul Billingsly 6
<u>FS</u>	<u>Josh Cooper</u> 27	<u>Cam Newton</u> 5
Defer	nse Totals 332	Defense Totals 158
2001	Combined Totals 653	2002 Combined Totals 300

WILSON STEPS UP AT CB...After yielding a 43-yard touchdown pass to Vanderbilt on the Paladins' first defensive play of the season in the first start of his career, sophomore cornerback T.J. Wilson (Rome, Ga.) has shown improvement each week in his new role as regular in the Paladin lineup. In Saturday's 24-23 win over Western Carolina, Wilson put together an impressive outing with a season high seven tackles, a fumble recovery, and his first career interception. He also recovered a fumble (though its not credited as such in the statistics) by teammate Eddie Overdyke in the first quarter after Overdyke had scooped up a Western Carolina miscue and returned it to the Catamount 15 before coughing it

up. Wilson's possession saving recovery led to the Paladins' first touchown of the game and gave Furman a 7-3 lead. His "regular" fumble recovery at the Paladin 18-yard line in the third quarter, with Furman holding a 14-10 lead, halted a Western Carolina scoring threat, and his interception at the Furman 27 also snuffed a Catamount foray into Paladin territory.

➤ STREAKING AT HOME...Furman's 24-23 win over Western Carolina extended the Paladins' home winning streak to 10 games and also improved the program's regular season home winning streak to 19 games dating back to 1999. Furman, which sports a 108-28-1 record (.792) in 21-plus seasons of play in the beautiful facility, also owns a school record 14-game home winning streak against Southern Conference opposition.

FURMAN CONSECUTIVE HOME VICTORIES (10-0)

<u>Date</u>	Opponent	<u>Score</u>	<u>Result</u>
Sept. 8, 2001	Elon	46-7	W
Sept. 22, 2001	VMI	65-7	W
Oct. 6, 2001	Appalachian State	28-22	W
Oct. 20, 2001	East Tennessee State	31-6	W
Nov. 10, 2001	Wofford	45-14	W
Nov. 24, 2001	Presbyterian	47-28	W
Dec. 1, 2001	WESTERN KENTUCKY	24-20	W
Dec. 8, 2001	LEHIGH	34-17	W
Sept. 14, 2002	Elon	57-7	W
Oct. 5, 2002	Western Carolina	24-23	W

FURMAN CONSECUTIVE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE HOME VICTORIES (14-0)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	Score	<u>Result</u>
Nov. 21, 1998	. Chattanooga	31-28	W
	. VMI		
	. Appalachian State		
	. East Tennessee State		
	. Wofford		
	. Western Carolina		
•	. The Citadel		
Nov. 4, 2000	. Georgia Southern	45-10	W
	. Chattanooga		
	. VMI		
	. Appalachian State		
	. East Tennessee State		
	. Wofford		
Oct. 5, 2002	. Western Carolina	24-23	W

FURMAN CONSECUTIVE REGULAR SEASON HOME VICTORIES (19-0)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Result</u>
Sept. 25, 2000	· VMİ	58-0	W
Oct. 9, 2000	Appalachian State	35-21	W
	East Tennessee State		
Nov. 13, 2000	Wofford	30-3	W
Sept. 2, 2000	Elon	16-3	W
	Newberry		
Sept. 16, 2000	. William & Mary	34-10	W
Sept. 30, 2000	Western Carolina	38-14	W
	The Citadel		
Nov. 4, 2000	Georgia Southern	45-10	W
Nov. 18, 2000	Chattanooga	45-44	W
Sept. 8, 2001	Elon	46-7	W
Sept. 22, 2001	VMI	65-7	W
Oct. 6, 2001	Appalachian State	28-22	W
Oct. 20, 2001	East Tennessee State	31-6	W
Nov. 10, 2001	Wofford	45-14	W
Nov. 24, 2001	Presbyterian	47-28	W
	Elon		
Oct. 5, 2002	Western Carolina	24-23	W

➤ **VERSUS THE SOCON IN PALADIN STADIUM...**Furman has compiled a 57-18-1 record (.757) in Paladin Stadium against current members of the Southern Conference.

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>.Pct</u>
VMI	10-0	1.000
Wofford	6-0-1	928
East Tennessee State	10-1	909
Appalachian State	8-3	727
Chattanooga	7-3	700
The Citadel	7-3	700
Western Carolina	7-5	584
Georgia Southern	<u> 2-3</u>	400
	57-18-1	

NCAA I-AA ROAD WARRIORS...Furman is 7-1 against NCAA I-AA road opposition in its last eight games and 12-4 versus divisional road foes since 1999.

NICK IT DEEP (IF YOU DARE)...A year ago Brian Bratton (Evans, Ga.) earned Southern Conference Freshman-of-the-Year and All-America honors after leading NCAA I-AA in kickoff returns, averaging 37.2 yards on 14 returns, three of which he ran back for touchdowns. Bratton recorded his first kickoff return for a score in a 65-7 win over VMI, covering 91 yards. Later, in a key matchup against nationally fifth-ranked Appalachian State, he took the opening kickoff back 100 yards to help propel Furman to a 28-22 win. And in the Paladins' 45-14 whitewash of Wofford, he notched his second 100-yard return (and third touchdown of the season). Bratton was so effective a year ago that many opponents simply chose to pooch kick it short or out of bounds, often giving the Paladins excellent field position — a tactic the Paladins have seen numerous times already in 2002. Bratton's kickoff return exploits follow on the heels of another great Paladin kick returner, Des Kitchings (1996-99), who returned three kickoffs for touchdowns in 1999 on the way to earning All-America honors. All told, Furman has returned seven kickoffs for touchdowns over the last three-plus seasons.

THE MARSHALL PLAN...Furman's placekicking chores are handled by junior Danny Marshall (Atlanta, Ga.), who earned second team All-Southern Conference honors a year ago after converting 10-of-12 field goals (.833). Marshall, who at one point a year ago extended a consecutive made field goals streak to a school record 12 straight, has converted 6-of-8 field goal tries and all 19 PAT attempts this year, with his only misses being a 51-yard attempt against Richmond and 40-yard attempt versus Western Carolina. Against VMI two weeks ago, he nailed a career long 46-yarder with no time left in the first half to give Furman a 38-14 halftime lead, and he came back in the third period to hit a 42-yarder. Furman's leading scorer this season with 37 points, he already ranks fourth on Furman's career kick scoring chart with 195 points, having knocked down 29-of-37 field goals (.784) and 108-of-114 PATs (.947).

CAREER KICK SCORING

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Kank Player	r ears	AP	ГG	Points
I) Jason Wells	1996-99	143-151.	35-57	248
2) Mike Wood	1986-89	134-141.	29-49	221
3) Jim Richter	1992-95	85-92	43-63	214
4) Danny Marshall	2000	108-114	29-36	195
5) Keven Esval	1982-85	135-141.	17-34	186
6) Tim Tanguay	1980-82	105-111.	24-41	177
7) Glenn Connally	1987-90	30-42	49-50	139
8) Andy Goss	1974-76	56-62	23-38	125

CAREER SCORING

Rank Player	Years	TD	XP	FG	Points
I)Louis Ivory	1998-01	53	0-0	0-0 .	318
2) Stanford Jennings	1980-83	43	2-2	0-0 .	262
3) Carl Tremble	1989-92	43	0-0	0-0 .	258
Robbie Gardner	1982-86	43	0-0	0-0 .	258
5) Jason Wells	1996-99	0	143-151	35-57	248
6)Mike Wood	1986-89	0	134-141	29-49	221
Jim Richter	1992-95	0	85-92	43-63	214
8) Derek Russell	1997-00	34	0-1	0-0 .	204
9) Danny Marshall	2000	0	108-114	. 29-36	195
10) Mike Glenn	1978-80	32	0-0	0-0 .	192
II) Keven Esval	1982-85	0	135-141	17-34	186
Chas Fox	1982-85	30	3-3	0-0 .	186

- 13) Tim Tanguay 1980-82 0... 105-111 ... 24-41 177
- NEEP THE FLAG IN YOUR POCKET...Although Furman was flagged six times for a season high 51 yards against VMI, the Paladins still rank as the least penalized team in the Southern Conference through five games. Three weeks ago Furman was not penalized in its 17-7 win over Richmond a first for a Paladin squad since 1995, when Furman went unflagged in a 24-3 win over The Citadel in Charleston. The Paladins have been the Southern Conference's least penalized team each year since 1999.
- **COMPETITIVE, EVEN IN DEFEAT...**While Furman owns a solid 35-10 record (.778) in its last 45 games, in the nine of the 10 losses the Paladins have proven to be tough competition, losing by a combined total of 45 points.

Opponent (Year)		<u>Margin</u>
Appalachian State (2000)I-AA Semifinalist	17-18	I
Elon (1999)	22-24	2
East Tennessee State (2000)	21-23	2
Ga. Southern (1999) I-AA National Champion	38-41	3
Wyoming (2001) NCAA I-A Opponent	14-20	6
Massachusetts (1999) ot I-AA Playoffs	. 23-30	7
Hofstra (2000) I-AA Playoffs	24-31	7
Montana (2001)I-AA National Championship	6-13	7
Ga. Southern (2001)	10-20	10
Vanderbilt (2002)NCAA I-A Opponent		

- NOTES NEADS UP PALADIN SECONDARY...With the departure of head coach Bobby Johnson, the new top "Johnson" in the Furman program is senior cornerback Rodney Johnson (Marion, N.C.). As outstanding a person as he is a football player, Johnson is the only returning regular in the Paladin secondary, which graduated three All-Southern Conference performers. Selected by his teammates as a team cocaptain. Johnson returned from a season ending knee injury in the first game of the 2000 campaign to reclaim his starting job and proceeded to register 43 tackles, three tackles-for-loss, a pair of interceptions, and seven pass deflections last year. An excellent cover man and preseason all-league pick by conference head coaches, he picked up his third interception of the season and seventh career theft two weeks ago in the Paladins' 55-28 win over VMI. He's also a two-time Verizon District III All-Academic selection.
- NEW CROP OF FURMAN LBs...No area in the Furman program was hit harder by graduation than at linebacker, where the Paladins said goodbye to all three starters and a combined 105 career starts, including 50 by All-America and two-time Southern Conference defensive player-ofthe-year Will Bouton. While no one expects Furman to be as strong at linebacker as they were a year ago, through five games the new crop of Paladin linebackers have already gained some quality playing time and have the makings of being even stronger athletically than their predecessors. At middle linebacker senior Andrew Knight (Snellville, Ga.) and sophomore Mike Killian (Atlanta, Ga.) have taken over for Bouton. Last year Knight registered 37 tackles while Killian, who played linebacker in high school, notched 42 tackles, a pair of sacks, and a fumble recovery in nine starts at defensive end. This year the duo have combined for 66 tackles. Taking over for graduated strong side linebacker John Thrift is junior Keito Whetstone (Orangeburg, S.C.), and at the weak side post sophomore Cedrick Ritter (Fairfax, S.C.) is the heir to Sterling Frierson. Whetstone (30 tackles in '01), a two-year letterman, started for an injured Thrift versus Montana, and Ritter was very impressive in a backup role, totaling 43 tackles four tackles-for-loss, two sacks, and a pair of interceptions in 2001. At almost the midway point of the 2002 campaign, Whetstone has compiled 43 tackles while Ritter has totaled a team leading 50 stops, including three-for-loss, and a squad leading two fumble recoveries.
- ▶ SPERLING IS STERLING...Although not blessed with the experienced depth like last year, Furman's defensive front is headed up by senior tackle LeBryan Sperling (Decatur, Ga.), who serves as a team cocaptain. Sperling earned second team All-Southern Conference honors last year, and he's been tabbed by league head coaches to the 2002 preseason all-league team. In 10 regular season starts last year, Sperling tallied 37 tackles, including seven-for-loss, three sacks, and a fumble

- recovery to help headline a Paladin defense that paced the league in rushing defense (124.8 ypg) and finished second in scoring defense (14.0 ppg). This year Sperling has totaled 20 stops on a young and improving defensive unit.
- ► PALADIN POINTERS...Furman's 327 passing yards versus Elon on Sept. 14 represented the seventh highest single game passing total in school history. The five touchdown passes against Elon were the most by a Paladin squad since 1991, when **Hugh Swilling** tossed a school record five scores in a 46-28 win over VMI. Isaac West's three-reception, 160-yard, threetouchdown performance against Elon marked the eighth best single game receiving yards mark in school history and his 78-yard touchdown catch on Furman's first play of the game represented Billy Napier's longest career toss, the 12th longest pass in school history, and longest pass by a Paladin since 1998, when quarterback Justin Hill connected with Des Kitchings on an 87-yard scoring strike in 51-24 win over VMI. West's 53.3 yards per catch also marked the third best game per catch average in Southern Conference history. Furman converted its first two-point conversion in five years against Elon when offensive guard John Marks (Fort Mill, S.C.) gathered in a deflected pass by Jeremiah Van Dora (Hartwell, Ga.) with just over four minutes to go in the game. Marks' conversion was the first for the Paladins since tailback **Ernest Crosby** ran for two points in a 24-22 Furman win over Appalachian State in Greenville during the 1997 season. The two-hour kickoff delay against Elon due to lightning marked the second time in Paladin Stadium history a game had been delayed or interrupted by adverse weather conditions. The Furman-Elon game ended at 11:19 EDT and is believed to be the latest finish to a Furman game played in the eastern time zone. In ringing up the Phoenix for 35 points in the first quarter, Furman matched the most prolific quarter scoring standard in school history first set against Davidson in Greenville in 1982 (63-14 win). Furman's 49-point first half represented the highest first half scoring total in school history.
- N BLOODLINES...Furman starting junior defensive end Brandon Poole (Columbia, S.C.) is the son of former University of South Carolina Heisman Trophy winning running back George Rogers.
- ▼ KEEPING IT IN THE FAMILY...Redshirt freshman linebacker Andrew Carson (Newnan, Ga.) is the brother of former Clemson All-America linebacker Chad Carson. Andrew's father, Tom Carson, played football at Georgia Tech, and his grandfather, Earle Carson, was an end, three-year letterman, and an honorable mention All-American at Furman (1928-30). A great uncle, M.A. Carson, was a two-time letterwinner as an offensive guard at Furman (1926-27), and another great uncle, Tom Carson, was an All-South offensive tackle selection and threeyear letterman who serve as captain of Furman's 1931 squad. Sophomore placekicker Danny Marshall (Atlanta, Ga.) 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. Redshirt freshman cornerback Jon MacDonald (Greer, S.C.) is the son of former Furman wide receiver Norman MacDonald (1972-74). Sophomore tight end Will Keller (Clayton, Ga.) is the nephew of former Paladins fullback Elliott Keller (1962-63), who led the league in rushing in 1962 with 724 yards.
- ▶ PALADINS IN PRESEASON POLLS...A consensus preseason third place Southern Conference pick by league head coaches and media, Furman also earned a No. 7 national ranking in the Sports Network NCAA I-AA football preseason poll. The Paladins entered the 2001 campaign as a consensus No. 2 league pick and a No. 6 national ranking, but Furman managed to top the prognosticators by earning a share of the conference crown on the way to a 12-3 record, NCAA I-AA national runnerup finish, and No. 2 final national ranking.

2002 SOCON FOOTBALL PRESEASON MEDIA POLL

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Team (1st place votes)	Points
Appalachian State (35)	346
Georgia Southern (2)	278
Western Carolina	
East Tennessee State	217
The Citadel	157
	Team (1st place votes) Appalachian State (35) Georgia Southern (2) Furman (2) Western Carolina East Tennessee State

7)	Wofford	126
8)	Chattanooga	105
	VMI	
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2002 SOCON FOOTBALL PRESEASON COACHES POLL

<u>Place</u>	<u>Team</u>	Points
I)	Appalachian State (8)	64
2)	Georgia Southern	48
3)	Furman	46
4)	East Tennessee State	44
,	Western Carolina	44
6)	The Citadel	27
7)	Wofford	25
8 <u>)</u>	Chattanooga	18
9)	VMI	8

NINE PALADINS NAMED PRESEASON ALL-SOCON...Nine Furman Paladins have been named to the Southern Conference coaches preseason all-league team. They include first team selections Steven Cain (Anderson, S.C.), offensive guard Trevor Kruger (Moultrie, Ga.), tight end Willis Sudderth (Lilburn, Ga.), cornerback Rodney Johnson (Marion, N.C.), and return specialist Brian Bratton (Evans, Ga.). Second team picks include quarterback Billy Napier (Chatsworth, Ga.), wide receiver Bear Rinehart (Seneca, S.C.), defensive tackle LeByran Sperling (Decatur, Ga.), and placekicker Danny Marshall (Atlanta, Ga.).

► FURMAN AND THE NFL...After starting the preseason with seven Furman products on NFL rosters, the Paladins are down to two. Linebacker Orlando Ruff '99 is in his fourth season with the San Diego Chargers, having started in all but one game at middle linebacker last year, where he totaled 60 tackles. Safety John Keith '00, was resigned by the San Francisco 49ers to their practice squad after being released by the team at the end of



preseason camp. Keith worked his way into the starting lineup as a rookie before sustaining a fractured forearm midway through the season, and last year he sustained torn knee ligaments on the opening kickoff in the first game of 2001 campaign. Cuts by NFL teams proved costly for six-year veteran Luther Broughton '97 (Chicago Bears), wide receiver Des Kitchings '00 (Indianapolis Colts), offensive tackle Josh Moore '01 (Philadelphia Eagles), linebacker Will Bouton '02 (Pittsburgh Steelers), and tight end Trent Sansbury '02 (Carolina Panthers).

SOCON COACHES' TELECONFERENCE...The Southern Conference will conduct a weekly teleconference throughout the 2002 season featuring the league's nine football coaches. The weekly teleconference is open to the media each Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:03 a.m. Eastern. Each coach will have seven minutes to make an opening statement and answer questions. The toll-free number to call is 1-866-375-5101.

Time (Eastern)	Coach, School
10:00-10:07	. Jerry Moore, Appalachian State
10:07-10:14	.Ellis Johnson,The Citadel
10:14-10:21	. Paul Hamilton, East Tennessee State
10:21-10:28	. Bobby Lamb, Furman
10:28-10:35	. Mike Sewak, Georgia Southern
10:35-10:42	. Donnie Kirkpatrick, Chattanooga
10:42-10:49	. Cal McCombs, VMI
10:49-10:56	.Kent Briggs,Western Carolina
10:56-11:03	Mike Avers Wofford



THE BOBBY LAMB FILE

PERSONAL

Name: Robert Emory Lamb

Born: December 24, 1962, in Augusta, Georgia
Wife: Allyson Acker of Greenville, South Carolina
Married: July 22, 1989, in Greenville, South Carolina

Children: Sallie Emory (May 21, 1992), Taylor Boyd (April 12, 1994)

EDUCATION

Commerce (Ga.) High School, 1982

Furman University, B.A. in Health and Exercise Science, 1987 Furman University, M.Ed. in Health and Exercise Science, 1992

PLAYING CAREER

Commerce High School, 1978-81, QB

- ▼ Four-Year Letterman, Three-Year Starter
- ▲ AA State Champion, 1981 (13-1-1)
- ★ Atlanta Journal-Constitution Georgia AA Back-of-the-Year, 1981

Furman University, 1982-85, QB

- ▼ Four-Year Letterman, Two-Year Starter
- N All-Southern Conference, 1984 & '85
- Now Southern Conference Player-of-the-Year, 1985 Now Southern Conference Player-of-th
- Now Southern Conference Champion/NCAA I-AA Runner-Up, 1985 (12-2) Now Southern Conference Champion/NCAA I-AA Runner-Up, 1985 (12-2)
- NCAA I-AA National Passing Efficiency Leader, 1985 (171.20)
- Nouth Carolina Athletic Hall-of-Fame State Male Amateur Athlete-of-the-Year, 1985 Nouth Carolina Athletic Hall-of-Fame State Male Amateur Athlete-of-the-Year, 1985 Nouth Carolina Athletic Hall-of-Fame State Male Amateur Athlete-of-the-Year, 1985 Nouth Carolina Athletic Hall-of-Fame State Male Amateur Athlete-of-the-Year, 1985 Nouth Carolina Athletic Hall-of-Fame State Male Amateur Athlete-of-the-Year, 1985 Nouth Carolina Athletic Hall-of-Fame State Male Amateur Athlete-of-the-Year, 1985 Nouth Carolina Athlete-Of-the-Of-the-Year, 1985 Nouth Carolina Athlete-Of-the-Of



The Lambs: Sallie, Bobby, Allyson, and Taylor

COLLEGIATE PLAYING CAREER

Year	School	Position Over	rall S	SoCon	Finish	Highlights
1982	Furman	Backup Quarterback	9-3	6-1	1st	SoCon Champ, NCAA I-AA Quarterfinalist,
		·				d. South Carolina 28-23
1983	Furman	Backup Quarterback	2-1	6-0-1	1st	SoCon Champ, NCAA-I-AA Semifinalist, d. Ga. Tech 17-14
1984	Furman	Starting Quarterback	8-3	3-3	4th	d. N.C. State 34-30, All-SoCon
1985	Furman	Starting Quarterback	2-2	6-0	1st	SoCon Champ, NCAA I-AA Runner-Up, d. N.C. State 42-20
						SoCon Player-of-the-Year NCAA I-AA Pass Efficiency Leader

COLLEGIATE PLAYING RECORD

Furman — 39-10-1, 4 Years (.790)

COLLEGIATE COACHING CAREER

Year	School	Responsibility Overall	SoCon	Finish	Highlights
1986	Furman	Student Assistant/Quarterbacks	4-2-1	3rd	NCAA I-AA Quarterfinalist, t. Ga. Tech 17-17
1987	Furman	Defensive Ends7-4	4-3	3rd	
1988	Furman	Defensive Ends	6-1	1st	SoCon Champ, NCAA I-AA National Champion
1989	Furman	Quarterbacks	7-0	1st	SoCon Champ, NCAA I-AA Semifinalist
1990	Furman	Quarterbacks	6-1	1st	SoCon Champ, NCAA I-AA Quarterfinalist
1991	Furman	Quarterbacks	4-3	4th	
1992	Furman	Quarterbacks 6-5	4-3	5th	
1993	Furman	Quarterbacks/Receivers, Passing Game Coord 5-5-1	4-4	4th	
1994	Furman	Quarterbacks/Receivers, Passing Game Coord 3-8	2-6	6th	
1995	Furman	Quarterbacks/Receivers, Passing Game Coord 6-5	5-3	3rd	
1996	Furman	Quarterbacks/Receivers, Passing Game Coord 9-4	6-2	3rd	NCAA I-AA Quarterfinalist
1997	Furman	Quarterbacks/Receivers, Passing Game Coord	5-3	3rd	
1998	Furman	Quarterbacks/Receivers, Passing Game Coord 5-6	3-5	6th	
1999	Furman	Quarterbacks, Passing Game Coord 9-3	7-1	1st	SoCon Champ, NCAA I-AA Playoffs, d. UNC 28-3
2000	Furman	Quarterbacks, Passing Game Coord	6-2	2nd	NCAA I-AA Playoffs
2001	Furman	Quarterbacks, Passing Game Coord 12-3	7-1	1st	SoCon Champ, NCAA I-AA National Runner-up
2002	Furman	Head Coach 3-1			

HEAD COACHING RECORD

Furman — 4-1, 1st Year (.800)

ASSISTANT COACHING RECORD

Furman — 126-65-3, 16 Years, (.657)

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1995 — Furman Athletic Hall-of-Fame

2002 FURMAN PALADINS NUMERICAL ROSTER

No	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/High School
110	Brian Bratton					
ż	Maurice Duncan	CB	5-8	178	R-Fr	Aiken, S.C./Silver Bluff
3	lames Thomas	SE	5-10	206	Sr	Marianna. Fla./Marianna
4	T.J. Wilson	CB	5-10	180	Şo	Rome, Ga./Pepperell
5	Cam Newton	FS	6-1	190	<u>.</u> So	Bennettsville, S.C./Marlboro County North Augusta, S.C./North Augusta Seneca, S.C./Seneca
6	Keith Johnson	CB	5-9	179	R- <u>F</u> r	North Augusta, S.C./North Augusta
7	Bear Rinehart	FLK	6-0	195	<u>S</u> r	Seneca, S.C./Seneca
8	David Latimer	55	6-0	200	K-Fr	Nashville, Tenn./Christ Presbyterian Academy Fuquay-Varina, N.C./Southeast Raleigh
9 10						
ii	losh Stepp	F3 OB	6-0 5-11	200	30 Fr	Palion S C /Palion
iż	Bo Moore	OB	6-I	176	So	Snellville, Ga./Brookwood Pelion, S.C./Pelion Madison, Ga./Morgan County Easley, S.C./Easley College Park, Ga./Woodward Academy Hartwell, Ga./Hart County Augusta, Ga./Butler Knoyville, Tenn (Austin-Fast
iã	Matt Cain	OB	6-2	194	R-Fr	Easley, S.C./Easley
14	Paul Billingsly	ŠS	6-2	208	r	College Park, Ga./Woodward Academy
15	Jeremiah Van Dora	QB	6-0	196	So	Hartwell, Ga./Hart County
16	Isaac West	ŠE	6-0	184	So	Augusta, Ga./Butler
17						
18	Casey Baxter	SE	6-0	197	Fr	Calhoun, Ga./Calhoun
19	Billy Napier	ĞB	6-3	218	5r	Chatsworth, Ga./Murray County Jacksonville, Fla./Bolles Orangeburg, S.C./Orangeburg-Wilkinson
20 21	Lockwood Holmes	CB	5-9	1/9	K-Fr	Jacksonville, Fla./Bolles
22	Lamar Rembert	LD TR	6-U	220	Jr Ir	Ocala Fla /Bolloviow
23	Cedrick Ritter	I D I B	3-0 6-2	222	Ji	Fairfax S C / Allendale-Fairfax
24	Toreico O'Neal	LD TR	5-2 5-8	184	30 Ir	Rarnesville Ga /l amar County
25	Rodney Johnson	CB	5-9	174	Sr	Barnesville, Ga./Lamar County Marion, N.C./McDowell
26	Hindley Brigham	TB	5-9	203	Ir	Birmingham, Ala./Mountain Brook Hendersonville, N.C./East Henderson Hodges, S.C./Greenwood
28	Brandon Berry	FLK	6-0	203	So	Hendersonville, N.C./East Henderson
29	Jeremy Blockér	FS	5-11	177	Fr	Hodges, S.C./Greenwood
30	John Mark Shiflet	PK	5-10	172	R-Fr	McCormick S.C./McCormick
31	Brandon Mays	<u>TB</u>	5-!!	189	R- <u>F</u> r	Arden, N.C./T.C. Roberson
32	Al Means	FB	5-11	222	<u>S</u> o	Charlotte, N.C./Butler
33	Tristian Owusu-Yaw	ČB	6-0	1/2	Fr	Watkinsville, Ga./Oconee County
35 36	Corey lant	FB	5-11	200	30	Easley, S.C./Easley Ormond Beach, Fla./Seabreeze
36 37	lon MacDonald	FLN	5-0	137	N-Fr D Er	Groom S C /Pivorsido
38	Jon MacDonald Justin Stepp	CB FI K	5-7 5-11	100 178	IX-I I Fr	Pelion S C /Pelion
39	Nick Dean	SS	5-7	157	R-Fr	Decatur, Ga./Towers
40	Ken Yuhas	DF	6-2	234	So	Marietta, Ga./Pope
41	Andrew Knight	LB	6-0	214	Sr	Snellville. Ga./Brookwood
42	Elton Daniels	FI K	6-0	180	R_Fr	Leland N.C./North Brunswick
43	Nick Marra	FB	5-9	187	R-Fr	Conyers, Ga./Heritage
44	Mike Killian	LB	6-2	226	So	Atlanta. Ga./Chamblee
45	Eric Emerson	FB	5-11	229	So	Newnan, Ga./East Coweta
46	Rory O'Day	F5	5-10	202	K-Fr	Dallas, Ga./Lovett
47 48	Eddie Overdyke	DE	6-2 4 E	23 4	3r	Lilburn, Ga./Brookwood Newnan, Ga./Woodward Academy
49	William Freeman	LD I R	6-3 6-1	222	N-Fr R_Fr	Newhan, Ga./vvoodward Academy
5í	Brent Blankenshin	LD I R	6-1 6-0	220	R-11 R-Fr	Memphis Tenn/Memphis University School
52	Craig Morgan	<u>-</u> D	6-0	283	So	Memphis, Tenn./Memphis University School Huntington, W.Va./Huntington Arden, N.C./T.C. Roberson
54	losh Slagle	LB	5-9	196	R-Fr	Arden, N.C./T.C. Roberson
55	Corev Stewart	()	6-7	269	Fr	Lilburn (12 /Brookwood
56	Trevor Kruger	OG	6-2	275	Sr	Moultrie, Ga./Colquitt County
57	Travis JonesRoy Ravenell	DE	6-1	252	So	Greenville, S.C./Southside
58	Roy Ravenell	L <u>B</u>	6-2	226	Fṛr	Goose Creek, S.C./Stratford
60	Josh McWhorter	<u>og</u>	6-2	284	Jr	Cartersville, Ga./Cartersville
62	Justin Price	<u>Q</u> Ğ	6-5	282	<u>Ş</u> r	Mauldin, S.C./Mauldin
64 65	Patrick CovingtonStephen Schroeder	01	6-3	2/0	Fr	Charlotte, N.C./Myers Park
66	Brant Glover	OI	6- 4	262	30 D Er	Mauidin, S.C./Mauidin Gainesville, Ga/Gainesville
67	Nick Stavrakis	NG	6-0 5-10	246	۱۸ - ۱۱	Garden City Beach, S.C./Socastee
71	Ty Sellers	DT	6-3	261	50 Fr	Dalton Ga /Dalton
72	Brian Laggis	OT	6-3	265	R-Fr	Stockbridge, Ga./Heritage
73	Clayton Dyson	OG/C	6-1	279	R-Fr	North Augusta, S.C./North Augusta
74	Steven Cain	OT	6-5	310	Sr	Anderson, S.C./Westside
76	Tony Palazzo	DE	6-5	245	Fr	Grayson, Ga./South Gwinnett
78	Ben Bainbridge	<u>OT</u>	6-6	281	Şo	Acworth, Ga./Harrison
79	John Marks	OG	6-0	272	So	Fort Mill, S.C./Fort Mill
80	Justin_Perdue	<u>TE</u>	6-2	220	R- <u>F</u> r	Arden, N.C./T.C. Roberson
81	John Rust	<u>T</u> E	6-3	220	R-Fr	Burlington, N.C./Williams
82	Glenn Smith	DE	6-3	203	So	Mobile, Ala./St. Paul's Episcopal
83	Danny Marshall	PK	5-11	191	Jr	Atlanta, Ga./Marist
84 85	Willis' Sudderth	1 E	6-3	∠ 111	30 R_E⊬	Columbia, S.C./Richland Northeast
87	Andy Rump	DL SF	6-3 6-1	189	IX-I I Sr	Sherborn, Mass./Dover-Sherborn
88	Brian Kovach	PK	6-I	176	Sr	Flowery Branch, Ga /Johnson
89	Will Keller	TÈ	6-1 6-1	224	So	Clayton, Ga./Rabun County
90	Michael Burant	NG	6-3	282	So	Lexington, Va./Rockbridge County
93	Brandon Poole	DE	6-0	259	lr	Columbia, S.C./Irmo
94	Wesley Bray	DT	6-2	262	Fr	Cave Spring, Ga./Coosa
95	Justin Porter	DT	6-2	258	R-Fr	Bowman, Ga./Elbert County
97	Ken Striggles N	IG/DT	6-1	262	R-Fr	Stockbridge, Ga./Riverdale
98	LeBryan Sperling	ที่ไ	6-2	303	<u>S</u> r	Decatur, Ga./Southwest DeKalb
99	John Shields	DE	6-8	236	K-Fr	Nashville, Tenn./Christ Presbyterian Academy

FURMAN PALADINS TWO DEEP VS. APPALACHIAN STATE MOUNTAINEERS

ELIDM	AN 0	FFENSE (Multiple)	
FLK	7	BEAR RINEHART	(6-0 195 Sr)
FLK	, I	Brian Bratton	` ,
	78		,
LT		BEN BAINBRDIGE	` ,
LG	72 (2	Brian Laggis	•
LG	62	JUSTIN PRICE	` '
_	73	Clayton Dyson	•
С	52	CRAIG MORGAN	,
20	55	Corey Stewart	` ,
RG	56	TREVOR KRUGER	` '
	64	Patrick Covington	` ,
RT	74	STEVEN CAIN	` '
	65	Stephen Schroeder	` ,
TE	84	WILLIS SUDDERTH	• •
	80	Justin Perdue	, ,
SE	I	BRIAN BRATTON	` ,
	3	James Thomas	,
QB	19	BILLY NAPIER	` ,
	12	Bo Moore	, ,
FB	45	ERIC EMERSON	` ,
	32	Al Means	` ,
ТВ	26	HINDLEY BRIGHAM (or)	• ,
	24	Toreico O'Neal	(5-8, 184, Jr.)
		EFENSE (43)	(4.2.224.C.)
DE	47	EDDIE OVERDYKE	` ,
	57	Travis Jones	
DT	98	LEBRYAN SPERLING	` '
	95	Justin Porter	
NG	95	JUSTIN PORTER	
5.5	90	Michael Burant	,
DE	93	BRANDON POOLE	, ,
a	47	Eddie Overdyke	• •
SLB	21	KEITO WHETSTONE	• •
	48	Andrew Carson	,
MLB	44	MIKE KILLIAN	,
	41	Andrew Knight	` '
WLB	23	CEDRICK RITTER	` ,
	49	William Freeman	•
LCB	4	T.J. WILSON	
	2	Maurice Duncan	,
RCB	25	RODNEY JOHNSON	• •
	6	Keith Johnson	
SS	14	PAUL BILLINGSLY	
	8	David Latimer	` '
FS	5	CAM NEWTON	•
	10	Daniel South	(6-0, 206, So.)
FIIRM	AN S	PECIALISTS	
PK	83	DANNY MARSHALL	(5-11 191 lr)
КО	88	BRIAN KOVACH	• •
P	12	BO MOORE	` ,
SSN	64	PATRICK COVINGTON	
LSN	82	GLENN SMITH	
HO	15	JEREMIAH VAN DORA	•
PR	7	BEAR RINEHART	
KOR	, I	BRIAN BRATTON	` '
NON	ı	BRIAN BRATTON	(3-10, 177, 30.)

2002 Furman Football Furman Combined Team Statistics (as of Oct 05, 2002) All games

RECORD: ALL GAMES CONFERENCE NON-CONFERENCE	(2	VERALL 4-1-0) 2-0-0) 2-1-0)		HOME (2-0-) (1-0-) (1-0-)	0) 0)	AWA (2-1 (1-0 (1-1	-0)	NEUTRAL (0-0-0) (0-0-0)
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TEAM STATISTICS FIRST DOWNS Rushing Passing Penalty RUSHING YARDAGE Yards gained rus Yards lost rushi Rushing Attempts Average Per Rush Average Per Game TDs Rushing PASSING YARDAGE Att-Comp-Int Average Per Pass Average Per Catc Average Per Game TDs Passing TOTAL OFFENSE Total Plays Average Per Game KICKOFF RETURNS: #-YAR PUNT RETURNS: #-YAR FUMBLES-LOST PENALTIES-YARDS PUNTS-AVG TIME OF POSSESSION 3RD-DOWN CONVERSION	hing ng hing ng		1 1 1 117-8 1 1 25 2 47 19- 8 8 1 18- 19-3 31 34	13 294 1-3 1.1 6.0 8.8 9 364 36.9 2.8 396 -70 4-7 146 7.3		OPP 94 50 41 3 989 1050 61 204 4.8 197.8 11.9 164.8 18.3 322 5.6 362.6 26-466 10-36 3-95 22-184 4-41.8 28:12 27/63 2/7		
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Bear Rinehart
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Brian Bratton
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Isaac West
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Toreico O'Neal
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Willis Sudderth
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James Thomas
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Andy Rump
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J. Van Dora
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Team..... 77
                    37
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Opponents...
INTERCEPTIONS
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                 No.
                            Avg TD Long
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Rodney Johnson
Cam Newton
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T.J. Wilson
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David Latimer
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J. Van Dora
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Bear Rinehart
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Brian Bratton
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KICK RETURNS
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                      Yds
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                 15
Brian Bratton
                      324
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Brandon Mays
Toreico O'Neal
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Total.....
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Opponents.....
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Brian Bratton
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Bear Rinehart
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Isaac West
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Opponents..... 5 989 824
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TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
Billy Napier	5	127	49	1171	1220	244.0
Hindley Brigham	5	43	276	0	276	55.2
Toreico O'Neal	5	31	219	0	219	43.8
Lamar Rembert	5	38	198	0	198	39.6
Bo Moore	5	25	-13	123	110	22.0
Total	5	343	1070	1294	2364	472.8
Opponents	5	322	989	824	1813	362.6

			Ta	ckles		-Sacks-	Pass	Def-		-Fumbl	es-	Blkd
DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	UT	AΤ	Total	ForLoss	No-Yards	Int-Yds	PD	QBH	Rcv-Yds	FF	Kick
23 Cedrick Ritter	5	29	21	50	3/3			1		2-0	1	
21 Keito Whetstone	5	25	18	43	2/2							
44 Mike Killian	5	18	18	36	•		•	•			1	•
41 Andrew Knight	5	14	16	30	4/8	0.5-4						
14 Paul Billingsly	5	16	13	29	3/11	0.5-2		3				
5 Cam Newton	5	21	7	28	•		3-21	6				
4 T.J. Wilson	5	15	6	21	•		1-0	3		1-0		
98 L. Sperling	5	10	10	20	•							
25 Rodney Johnson	5	8	5	13	1/1		3-44	5		1-0	•	•
47 Eddie Overdyke	5	6	5	11	4/9	1.0-3	•	1		1-14	•	•
95 Justin Porter	5	6	5	11	1/1	1.0-1	•				•	•
49 William Freeman	5	6	5	11	•							
93 Brandon Poole	5	6	5	11	2/5							
57 Travis Jones	5	5	5	10	1/0			1				
54 Josh Slagle	4	5	5	10	•							
8 David Latimer	4	5	5	10	1/0		1-5	1				
82 Glenn Smith	5	2	7	9	1/1		•				1	•
6 Keith Johnson	5	7	2	9	•		•					
90 Michael Burant	4	3	6	9	•		•				•	•
2 Maurice Duncan	5	4	4	8	•		•	1			•	•
10 Daniel South	3	5	3	8	•							
48 Andrew Carson	5	5	2	7	•		•					
40 Ken Yuhas	5	3	2	5	2/4							
37 Jon MacDonald	5	1	3	4	•							
66 Brant Glover	4	3	1	4	•		•				•	•
Total	5	239	185	424	25/45	3-10	8-70	22		5-14	3	•
Opponents	5	219	147	366	39/136	7-54	3-95	11		7-13	4	1

2002 FURMAN STARTING LINEUPS

V	/AN	ELON	RICH	VMI	WCU	ASU	CIT	ETSU	GSU	WOF	UTC
SE	Bainbridge Price Morgan Kruger Cain Sudderth Rinehart Napier Emerson	West Bainbridge Price Morgan Kruger Cain Sudderth Rinehart Napier Emerson Brigham	West Bainbridge Price Morgan Kruger Cain Sudderth Rinehart Napier Emerson Brigham	Bratton Bainbridge Price Morgan Kruger Cain Sudderth Rinehart Napier Emerson O'Neal	Bratton Bainbridge Price Morgan Kruger Cain Sudderth Rinehart Napier Emerson O'Neal						
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^{*} Furman employed a 3-5 defensive alignment against VMI, featuring only three down linemen and an extra defensive back (David Latimer).

2002 Furman Football Furman Game Superlatives (as of Oct 08, 2002) All games

INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes Yards Rushing TD Rushes Long Rush Pass attempts Pass completions. Yards Passing TD Passes Long Pass Receptions Yards Receiving TD Receptions Long Reception Long Reception Field Goals Long Field Goal	15 133 2 63 31 252 4 78 9 160 3 78 2	Brandon Mays vs Elon (Sep 14, 2002) Lamar Rembert at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Al Means at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Hindley Brigham at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Billy Napier at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) Billy Napier at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) Billy Napier vs Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002) Billy Napier vs Elon (Sep 14, 2002) Billy Napier vs Elon (Sep 14, 2002) Bear Rinehart at Richmond (Sep 21, 2002) Isaac West vs Elon (Sep 14, 2002) Isaac West vs Elon (Sep 14, 2002) Isaac West vs Elon (Sep 14, 2002) Danny Marshall at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) Danny Marshall at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Bo Moore at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) Bo Moore at VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
Punting Avg Long Punt Long Punt Return Long Kickoff Return. Tackles Sacks Interceptions	44.3 52 26 31 14 1	Bo Moore vs Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002) Bo Moore at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Bo Moore at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Bear Rinehart at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) Brian Bratton at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) Cedrick Ritter at Richmond (Sep 21, 2002) Cedrick Ritter vs Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002) Eddie Overdyke vs Elon (Sep 14, 2002) Paul Billingsly at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Andrew Knight at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Justin Porter at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Rodney Johnson at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) Cam Newton vs Elon (Sep 14, 2002) Rodney Johnson vs Elon (Sep 14, 2002) Cam Newton at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) David Latimer at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Rodney Johnson at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) T.J. Wilson vs Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002) Cam Newton vs Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002)

2002 Furman Football Furman Game Superlatives (as of Oct 08, 2002) All games

TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes	50	vs	VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002)
Yards Rushing	397	at	VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
Yards Per Rush	7.9	at	VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
TD Rushes	5	at	VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
Pass attempts	32	at	Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
Pass completions	22	at	Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
Yards Passing	327	vs	Elon (Sep 14, 2002)
Yards Per Pass	19.2	vs	Elon (Sep 14, 2002)
TD Passes	5	vs	Elon (Sep 14, 2002)
Total Plays	72	at	Richmond (Sep 21, 2002)
_		vs	Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002)
Total Offense	640	at	VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
Yards Per Play	9.1		VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
Points	57	vs	Elon (Sep 14, 2002)
Sacks By	3		VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
First Downs	23	vs	Elon (Sep 14, 2002)
			Richmond (Sep 21, 2002)
Penalties	6		VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
			Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002)
Penalty Yards	51		Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002)
Turnovers	3		Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
	3		Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002)
Interceptions By	3		VMI (Sep 28, 2002)

2002 Furman Football Furman Game Superlatives (as of Oct 08, 2002) All games

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes Yards Rushing TD Rushes Long Rush Pass attempts Pass completions Yards Passing TD Passes Long Pass Receptions Yards Receiving TD Receptions Long Reception Field Goals	16 117 3 61 38 22 215 2 59 7 132 2 59	Fred Boateng, vs Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002) Jay Cutler, at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) Jay Cutler, at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) Joey Gibson, at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Joey Gibson, at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Jay Cutler, at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) T.J. Snelling, at VMI (Sep 28, 2002) Dan Stricker, at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) Dan Stricker, at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002) Dan Stricker, at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
Long Field Goal	32	
Punts	6	A. Turowski, vs Elon (Sep 14, 2002) Brent Barth, at VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
Punting Avg	47.2	
Long Punt	60	Chris Radford, at Richmond (Sep 21, 2002) Brent Barth, at VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
Long Punt Return	10	Dan McNair, at Richmond (Sep 21, 2002) Pedro Garcia, at VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
Long Kickoff Return. Tackles Sacks Interceptions Randy Thompson. vs We	30 14 2 1 stern	Xavier Godard, vs Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002) Mark Thompson, at Richmond (Sep 21, 2002)

2002 Furman Football Furman Game Superlatives (as of Oct 08, 2002) All games

OPPONENT TEAM GAME HIGHS

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44 vs Elon (Sep 14, 2002)
344 at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
Rushes.....
Yards Rushing.....
Yards Per Rush.....
                             8.2 at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
TD Rushes.....
                                  at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
                            39 at VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
23 at VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
213 at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
13.3 at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
Pass attempts.....
Pass completions....
Yards Passing.....
Yards Per Pass.....
                            2 at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
TD Passes.....
                              76 at VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
Total Plays.....
                           557 at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)

9.6 at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)

49 at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)

4 at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
Total Offense.....
Yards Per Play.....
Points.....
Sacks By.....
                                   at Richmond (Sep 21, 2002)
                              at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
7 at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
59 at Vanderbilt (Sep 07, 2002)
4 vs Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002)
First Downs.....
Penalties.....
Penalty Yards.....
Turnovers.....
                              1 at Richmond (Sep 21, 2002)
Interceptions By....
                                                at VMI (Sep 28, 2002)
                                                 vs Western Carolina (Oct 5, 2002)
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GAME I

Vanderbilt 49, Furman 18

September 7, 2002

Vanderbilt Stadium Attendance: 28,568

NASHVILLE, TENN. -- Quarterback Jay Cutler totaled 322 yards in offense and five touchdown responsibilities to lead the Vanderbilt Commodores to a 42-18 win over NCAA I-AA fourth-ranked Furman in front of 28,568 fans at Vanderbilt Stadium.

Cutler completed 11-of-14 passes for 215 yards and a pair of touchdowns to senior wide receiver Dan Stricker, and also rushed for 107 yards and three touchdowns, including a 61-yard third quarter sprint, to deliver to head coach Bobby Johnson his first victory at Vanderbilt after eight seasons as head coach at Furman.

The loss was the worst suffered by Furman since a 33-0 season opening setback in Clemson in 1998, and the 49 points were the most surrendered by a Paladin squad since a 58-28 loss to East Tennessee State in 1997. Furman committed three fumbles and yielded 557 yards to the Commodores, including 344 on the ground.

Vanderbilt wasted no time in taking the lead, capitalizing on a fumble recovery by Chuck Losey at the Furman 43 to set up a quick strike on the next play — the Commodores' first snap of the game. Cutler connected with Stricker behind the Paladin secondary for a 43-yard touchdown to put Vanderbilt up 7-0 at the 13:15 mark.

Following a 41-yard Bo Moore punt to the Vanderbilt 2, the Commodores' got a key 10-yard run on a third down draw play by Ronald Hatcher to the 15. From there Cutler hit Stricker for 14 yards to the 29 and two plays later zipped his second scoring strike to Stricker for 59 yards to make it 14-0 at the 5:51 juncture.

Furman answered on its next possession, moving 64 yards on 13 plays to the Vanderbilt 14, where Danny Marshall booted a 31-yard field goal on the first play of the second quarter to make it 14-3. Marshall's field goal, however, proved to be a mild solace for the Paladins, who failed to convert a first and goal situation at the Vanderbilt 4. Two straight losses backed Furman up to the 9, and a delay of game penalty pushed it back to the 14, where quarterback Billy Napier's fade pass in the end zone failed.

A second Paladin fumble led to the Commodores' third touchdown of the game. Fielding a punt at his own 13, Bear Rinehart raced up the middle and broke outside for a 26-yard return, but Jonathan Straub stripped the ball and it was recovered by Vanderbilt's Nick Getter at the Furman 39. From there, Vanderbilt covered the distance in eight plays before Cutler scored on a 1-yard dive for a 21-3 Vanderbilt advantage.

The Commodores finished off an impressive first half with a 6-play, 78-yard drive that Cutler completed on a 12-yard draw with only 11 seconds left in the half for a 28-3 margin.

The Paladins scored first in the second half, getting a 22-yard Marshall field goal to close the gap to 28-6, but Vanderbilt responded a little over a minute later with Cutler's 61-yard run to give the Commodores a 35-6 advantage.

Furman used a 1-yard touchdown plunge by fullback Al Means and a 2-yard scoring run from Napier to close the gap to 35-18, but Vanderbilt effectively ended any Paladin comeback bid when Noval McKenzie eluded a host of defenders with a 57-yard touchdown run at the 10:49 juncture of the fourth quarter to make it 42-18.

Napier paced Furman offensively, completing 21-of-31 passes for 241 yards. His favorite target was senior flanker Bear Rinehart, who nabbed seven receptions for 127 yards, and sophomore split end Isaac West, who had seven catches for 82 yards. Junior tailback Hindley Brigham headed up Furman's ground game with 70 yards on seven carries.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Furman 0	3	9	6	_	18
Vanderbilt 14	14	7	14	_	49

SCORING SUMMARY

V — Dan Stricker 43 pass from Jay Cutler (Greg Johnson kick) 13:15-1Q
I play, 43 yards, TOP 0:08 0- 7
V — Dan Stricker 59 pass from Jay Cutler (Greg Johnson kick) 5:51-1Q
7 plays, 97 yards, TOP 3:15 0-14
F — Danny Marshall 31 FG 14:55-2Q
13 plays, 64 yards, TOP 5:56 3-14
V — Jay Cutler I run (Greg Johnson kick) 9:21-2Q
8 plays, 39 yards, TOP 3:41 3-21
V — Jay Cutler 12 run (Greg Johnson kick) 0:11
6 plays, 78 yards, TOP 1:02 3-28
F — Danny Marshall 22 FG 9:58-3Q
7 plays, 37 yards, TOP 3:02 6-28
V — Jay Cutler 61 run (Greg Johnson kick)
3 plays, 72 yards, TOP 1:25 6-35
F — Al Means I run (Billy Napier rush fumbled) 2:00-3Q
12 plays, 73 yards, TOP 6:33 12-35
F — Billy Napier 2 run (Billy Napier pass failed) 12:00-4Q
6 plays, 46 yards, TOP 3:00 18-35
V — Norval McKenzie 57 run (Greg Johnson kick) 10:49-4Q
3 plays, 65 yards, TOP 1:11
V — Bara Cola 3 run (Greg Johnson kick) 5:09-4Q
9 plays, 80 yads, TOP 4:22 18-49
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INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: F — Brigham 7-70, Emerson 5-24, O'Neal 3-17, Rembert 11-2, Means 3-1, Napier 6-(-1), Team 1-(-1), Moore 1-(-12). V — Cutler 6-107, McKenzie 11-99, Doster 12-75, Tant 3-21, Bourque 2-16, Hatcher 3-15, Cola 3-8, Brandon 1-3, Rojas 1-0.

Passing: F — Napier 21-31-0-241, Moore 1-1-0-12. V — Cutler 11-14-1-215. Walker 1-2-0-(-2).

Receiving: F — Rinehart 7-127, West 7-82, Rembert 2-12, O'Neal 2-11, Carter 1-12, Emerson 1-6, Bratton 1-3, Brigham 1-(-1). V — Stricker 4-132, McKenzie 2-34, Smith 2-11, Brancheau 1-16, Simone 1-14, Getter 1-8, Williams 1-(-2).

Field Goals: F — Marshall 2-2 (31G, 22G). V — None.

Defense: F — Newton 9 (6 solo, 3 ast.), Whetstone 9 (5 solo, 4 ast.), Ritter 8 (4 solo, 4 ast., 1 TFL, 1 FR), Billingsly 6 (5 solo, 1 ast., 2 TFL), Wilson 5 (4 solo, 1 ast., 1 PBU). V — Hillenmeyer I I (8 solo, 3 ast., 1 TFL, 1 PBU), Shaub 7 (6 solo, 1 ast., 1 FF), Osemwegie 7 (4 solo, 3 ast., 3 TFL, 1 Sack), Morris 6 (6 solo).

TEAM STATISTICS		
	FUR	VAN
First Downs	22	26
Rushing	37-100	42-344
Passing		
C/A/I	22-32-0	12-16-1
Total Offense	353	557
Fumbles-Lost		
Penalties	4-30	7-59
Punts	4-39.8	2-45.0
Punt Returns	2-33	3-9
Kickoff Returns	8-178	3-58
Possession Time	30:12	29:48
Third Down Conversions	7-13	3-6
Fourth Down Conversions	0-0	1-1
Sacks By	0-0	3-29

Furman 57, Elon 7



September 14, 2002

Paladin Stadium Attendance: 4,680

GREENVILLE -- A two-hour lightning delay didn't faze NCAA I-AA seventh-ranked Furman as quarterback Billy Napier threw for 237 yards and four touchdowns to lead the Paladins to a 57-7 romp over Elon and hand head coach Bobby Lamb his first collegiate victory.

Napier, a senior from Chatsworth, Ga., connected with split end Issac West on three of his four touchdown strikes, including a 78-yarder on the Paladins' first offensive play to give Furman a quick 7-0 lead. The duo later hooked up on scoring tosses covering 71 and 11 yards to help put the Paladins ahead 35-0 after the first quarter.

"I told the guys in the locker room that we should start every game at 9:00 p.m.," said Lamb after his team was forced to wait two hours before kickoff due to lightning and heavy rains. "I was really proud of the defense after what happened last week (Furman's 49-18 loss to Vanderbilt). Offensively our plan was to go up top. When Billy hit Isaac striding, that really got us going and jump started us for a big first half."

"It was bang, bang, bang so quickly in the first quarter that we really didn't have much of a chance to get in the game," said Elon coach Al Seagraves. "They gashed us and took us to the wood shed early."

Furman's 35-point first quarter matched the highest scoring quarter in school history, and West's three touchdown receptions tied a school record held by two others. Napier, who completed 8-of-10 passes, exited the game along with many of Furman's offensive starters early in the second quarter after fullback Al Means' I-yard touchdown plunge put the Paladins ahead 42-0 at the 12:11 mark.

The Paladins, who found the end zone on their first six possessions, closed out the first half scoring outburst when backup quarterback Bo Moore connected with Brian Bratton on a 9-yard touchdown pass with 0:36 left to make it 49-0.

Elon avoided the shutout when James Murdaugh hit Kyle Belkoski on a 23-yard touchdown pass with 1:32 left in the game.

Furman, which turned to reserves for the entire second half, rolled up 542 yards in offense, including 327 through the air. West's three receptions went for touchdowns and accounted for 160 yards, and redshirt freshman tailback Brandon Mays paced all rushers with 88 yards on 15 carries

SCORING SUMMARY

F	—	Isaac West 78 pass from Billy Napier (Danny Marshall kick) 14:36-1Q
		I play, 78 yards, TOP 0:24 0- 7
F	—	Brian Bratton 9 run (Danny Marshall kick)
		7 plays, 54 yards, TOP 3:19 0-14
F	—	Isaac West 71 pass from Billy Napier (Danny Marshall kick) 8:19-1Q
		I play, 74 yards, TOP 0:12 0-21
F	_	Bear Rinehart 7 pass from Billy Napier (Danny Marshall kick) 6:24-1Q
		4 plays, 24 yards, TOP 1:36 0-28
F	_	Isaac West II pass from Billy Napier (Danny Marshall kick) 3:33-2Q
		4 plays, 27 yards, TOP 1:41 0-35
F	—	Al Means I run (Danny Marshall kick) 12:11-2Q
		6 plays, 50 yards, TOP 2:12 0-42
F	_	Brian Bratton 9 pass from Bo Moore (Danny Marshall kick) 0:36-2Q
		4 plays, 80 yards, TOP 1:52 0-49
F	_	Lamar Rembert 4 run (John Marks pass) 4:09-4Q
		8 plays, 57 yards, TOP 4:50 0-57
Ε	_	Kyle Belkoski 23 pass from James Murdaugh (A. Turowski kick) 1:32-4Q
		7 plays, 80 yards, TOP 2:37

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: F—Mays 15-88, Marra 5-30, Brigham 4-28, Emerson 4-18, West 1-12, Rembert 3-11, Bratton 1-9, Means 1-9, Moore 1-4, O'Neal 3-4, Tant 1-2, Cain 1-0. E—Fulmore 9-43, Palmer 12-36, Singeltary 9-35, Swindell 6-22, Murdaugh 3-13, Mitchell 2-8, Banks 1-3, Johnson 2-3.

Passing: F — Napier 8-10-0-237, Moore 5-7-0-90. E — Singletary 5-13-2-36, Murdaugh 5-5-0-63.

Receiving: F — Rinehart 4-58, West 3-160, Rust 2-23, Rump 2-9, Carter I-68, Bratton I-9. E — Belkoski 2-33, Smith 2-20, Mitchell 2-15, Utz I-21, Neal I-7, Banks I-2, Johnson I-1.

Field Goals: F — None. E — None.

Defense: F — Knight 7 (5 solo, 2 ast., I TFL), Latimer 5 (3 solo, 2 ast.), Slagle 5 (2 solo, 3 ast.), South 4 (4 solo), Whetstone 4 (4 solo, I TFL, I FR), Porter 3 (3 solo), Overdyke 3 (2 solo, I ast., 2 TFL, I Sack). E — Warren 7 (3 solo, 4 ast.), Conner 5 (4 solo, I ast.), Harris 4 (4 solo), Geter 4 (3 solo, I ast.).

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Furman	35	14	0	8	 57
Elon	0	0	0	7	 7

TEAM STATISTICS		
	FUR	ELON
First Downs	23	15
Rushing	43-215	44-163
Passing	327	99
C/A/I		
Total Offense	542	262
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	1-1
Penalties	2-15	4-35
Punts		
Punt Returns	1-11	1-(-1)
Kickoff Returns	2-43	8-115
Possession Time	28:42	31:18
Third Down Conversions	7-10	5-14
Fourth Down Conversions	1-1	0-2
Sacks By	1-3	0-0

GAME 3

Furman 17, Richmond 7

September 21, 2002

University of Richmond Stadium Attendance: 7,189

RICHMOND,VA. -- Billy Napier threw for 219 yards and rushed for 27 yards and a key fourth quarter touchdown to lead NCAA I-AA seventh-ranked Furman to a 17-7 win over 22nd-ranked Richmond at University of Richmond Stadium.

Napier, a senior from Chatsworth, Ga., and the Southern Conference's top rated passer, completed 19-of-26 passes to pace Furman's offense, but it was his 1-yard sneak into the end zone with 10:38 left in the game that broke open a 10-7 contest and gave the Paladins a 17-7 lead. Furman's decisive drive covered 69 yards in 10 plays and included a 32-yard run by tailback Toreico O'Neal to the Spiders 3-yard line.

The key fourth quarter score came two possessions after the Paladins stopped Richmond on downs as the Furman I. Trailing 10-7, the Spiders' Danny Young picked off a Billy Napier pass and returned it II yards to the Paladins 34. Three plays later quarterback D'Arcy Wills connected with Dan McNair for 20 yards to the Furman 8. Two rushes by Lee Williams and a run by Wills moved the ball at the I, but Wills was stopped a foot short of the goal line on fourth down.

In the first meeting between the Paladins and Spiders since 1977, Furman grabbed an early 7-0 after taking the opening kickoff and moving 71 yards in 11 plays for a 4-yard touchdown run by tailback Hindley Brigham.

Richmond answered on its first possession by marching 81 yards in 15 plays for a 1-yard touchdown plunge by Wills to knot the game at 7-7.

Late in the first quarter Furman suffered a big blow when sophomore split end Isaac West, the Southern Conference's leading receiver, sustained a fractured collarbone. West, who last week caught three touchdown passes in the Paladins' 57-7 win over Elon, will be out from three to six weeks.

With its speedy wide receiver out of the contest, the Paladins turned to senior All-Southern Conference flanker Bear Rinehart, and the Seneca, S.C., native responded with a career high nine receptions for 94 yards, including a pair of catches covering 25 yards to help set up a 39-yard Danny Marshall field goal midway through the second quarter to give Furman a 10-7 advantage.

Furman's goal line stand highlighted a scoreless third quarter that saw the Paladins' offense saddled with poor field position, starting a pair of drives at the 3 and 1 yard lines.

Not until its third possession of the second half was Furman able to grab good field position following a 10-yard punt return by Rinehart to the Paladin 31, which initiated the Paladins' decisive 69-yard touchdown drive.

Furman outgained Richmond 385-249 and displayed solid balance, rushing for 166 yards and passing for 219. Other than one interception, the Paladins played error free football and recorded their first penalty free game since the 1995 season in a 24-3 win over The Citadel in Charleston. Furman has been the least penalized team in the conference over the last three years.

Brigham paced all rushers with 60 yards on 14 carries, and sophomore Brian Bratton stepped in for the injured West to nab five catches for 60 yards. Sophomore linebackers Mike Killian and Cedrick Ritter paced Furman's defensive effort with 11 and 10 tackles respectively, with Ritter also adding a tackle-for-loss, a fumble recovery, and a pass deflection.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Furman 7	7	3	0	7	_	17
Richmond 7	7	0	0	0		7

SCORING SUMMARY

F —	Hindley Brigham 4 run (Danny Marshall kick) 10:20-1Q	
	11 play, 71 yards, TOP 4:40 7-	(
R -	D'Arcy Wills I run (Doug Kirchner kick) 2:35-IQ	
	15 plays, 81 yards, TOP 7:45 7-	7
F —	Danny Marshall kick 39 FG 7:43-2Q	
	11 plays, 70 yards, TOP 4:01 10-	7
F —	Billy Napier I run (Danny Marshall kick) 10:38-4Q	
	10 plays, 69 yards, TOP 4:22 17-	7

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: F — Brigham 14-60, O'Neal 4-40, Napier 10-27, Emerson 7-18, Means 5-15, Rembert 4-8, Team 2-(-2). R — Wills 14-38, Edwards 8-34, Dantzler 5-33, Williams 12-29.

Passing: F — Napier 19-26-1-219. R — Wills 11-19-0-115.

Receiving: F — Rinehart 9-94, BRatton 5-60, Sudderth 2-32, Thomas I-7, Emerson I-2, Rembert I-(-I), O'Neal 0-25. R — Ouden 5-55, Edwards 4-37, McNair 2-23.

Field Goals: F — Marshall 39G, 51NG. R — Kirchner 40NG.

Defense: F — Killian I I (5 solo, 6 ast.), Ritter I 0 (2 solo, 8 ast., I TFL, I FR, I PBU), Whetstone 9 (3 solo, 6 ast.), Newton 7 (2 solo, 5 ast.), Sperling 6 (1 solo, 5 ast.). R — Thompson I 4 (4 solo, 9 ast., 3 TFL), Goddard I 2 (9 solo, 3 ast., I TFL), Archie 9 (4 solo, 5 ast.), Slade 9 (3 solo, 6 ast., I TFL, 0.5 Sack).

TEAM STATISTICS		
	FUR	RICH
First Downs	23	14
Rushing	46-166	39-134
Passing	219	115
C/A/I		
Total Offense	385	249
Fumbles-Lost	I-0	2-I
Penalties	0-0	4-30
Punts		
Punt Returns	1-10	1-10
Kickoff Returns	2-40	4-81
Possession Time	32:46	27:14
Third Down Conversions	8-15	6-14
Fourth Down Conversions	1-1	1-2
Sacks By		
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Furman 55,VMI 28



September 28, 2002

Alumni Memorial Stadium Attendance: 6,235

LEXINGTON,VA. -- Billy Napier threw two touchdowns and ran for another in a 28-point first quarter scoring outburst to lead Furman to a 55-28 win over VMI Saturday afternoon at Alumni Memorial Stadium in the final meeting between the two longtime Southern Conference rivals.

The victory, Furman's school record 21st straight triumph over VMI since 1980, concludes the conference football series between the Paladins and Keydets, which began in 1946. VMI, a member of the league since 1923, is leaving the conference at the end of the 2002-03 academic year for the Big South Conference.

Napier, a senior from Chatsworth, Ga., and the conference's leading passer, completed all seven pass attempts for 159 yards in the first quarter, including a 2-yard toss to tight end Willis Sudderth and 76-yard strike to split end Brian Bratton to extend a 14-0 Paladin lead.

Tailback Toreico O'Neal gave Furman a quick 7-0 advantage with a 58-yard touchdown run on the game's second offensive play, and Napier later added a 1-yard sneak for a score at the 8:00 mark to push the Paladins' lead to 14-0.

Furman totaled 280 yards on 21 plays in game's first 15 minutes on the way to a 640-yard afternoon, the second most productive offensive performance in school history.

VMI cut Furman's lead to 28-14 in the second quarter with a 51-yard touchdown run by Sean Mizzer and 48-yard interception return by Musa Sarki, but the Paladins effectively quelled any Keydet comeback when Lamar Rembert reeled off a 52-yard scoring run with 3:29 left in the half to make it 35-14.

Then, just before intermission, Furman needed only 26 seconds to cover 63 yards for its final tally of the half. After safety Cam Newton intercepted a pass at the VMI 9, the Paladins used a 38-yard shovel pass from Napier from Toreico O'Neal to move to the Paladin 47. On the next play Napier hit Andy Rump for 25 yards to the VMI 28, where Danny Marshall booted a career long 46-yard field goal as time expired for a 38-14 advantage.

Playing reserves on both side of the football, the Paladins added a pair of scores in the third quarter, getting a 42-yard Marshall field goal and a 6-yard touchdown run by backup fullback Al Means to extend their lead to 48-21.

The two teams traded scores in the fourth quarter, with backup fullback Al Means scoring his second touchdown of the contest on a 38-yard run in the last minute of play.

Furman rushed for a season high 397 yards and passed for 243. Napier, who didn't play in the second half, finished with 222 yards through the air, completing 9-of-11 attempts. Junior tailback Lamar Rembert paced the Paladin ground attack with a career high 133 yards on 11 carries.

VMI quarterback Joey Gibson completed 22-of-38 passes for 200 yards and a touchdown for the Keydets, but the Keydet senior was picked off three times by Rodney Johnson, David Latimer, and Cam Newton.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Furman 28	8	10	10	7	_	55
VMI	0	14	7	7		28

SCORING SUMMARY

F — Toreico O'Neal 58 run (Danny Marshall kick) 14:22-1Q
2 plays, 74 yards, TOP 0:38 7- 0
F — Billy Napier I run (Danny Marshall kick) 8:00-1Q
10 plays, 65 yards, TOP 4:23 14- 0
F — Willis Sudderth 2 pass from Billy Napier (Danny Marshall kick) 4:23-1Q
5 plays, 46 yards, TOP 2:17
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F — Brian Bratton 76 pass from Billy Napier (Danny Marshall kick) 0:52-1Q
4 plays, 90 yards, TOP 1:53
V — Sean Mizzer 51 run (Matt Sharpe kick) 12:42-2Q
7 plays, 85 yards, TOP 3:10 28- 7
V — Musa Sarki 48 interception return (Matt Sharpe kick) 5:13-2Q
28-14
F — Lamar Rembert 52 run (Danny Marshall kick) 3:29-2Q
4 plays, 64 yards, TOP 1:44
F — Danny Marshall 46 FG 0:00-2Q
3 plays, 63 yards, TOP 0:26
F — Danny Marshall 42 FG 11:47-3Q
5 plays, 54 yards, TOP 1:42
V — Kevin Solomon I run (Matt Sharpe kick) 4:30-3Q
6 plays, 48 yards, TOP 2:12
F — Al Means 6 run (Danny Marshall kick) 0:45-3Q
7 plays, 66 yards, TOP 3:45 48-21
V — Pedro Garcia 7 pass from Joey Gibson (Matt Sharpe kick) 7:24-4Q
6 plays, 41 yards, TOP 1:12
F — Al Means 38 run (Danny Marshall kick) 0:58-4Q
8 plays, 59 yards, TOP 3:32 55-28
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INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: F— Rembert II-133, O'Neal II-96, Brigham 9-78, Means 3-46, Bratton 2-25, Emerson 3-II, Mays 3-8, Napier 2-5, Moore 6-(-5). V— Mizzer 8-69, Gibson I3-46, Bell 7-35, Snelling 5-24, Lyles 2-3, Solomon 2-2.

Passing: F — Napier 9-11-1-222, Moore 3-9-0-21. V — Gibson 22-38-3-200.

Receiving: F — Sudderth 4-35, Bratton 3-94, O'Neal 3-50, Rinehart I-39, Rump I-25. V — Snelling 7-41, Garcia 4-37, Carlson 3-44, Burden 2-31, Bell 2-5, Malave-Lopez I-17, Reel I-12, Barnes I-9, Solomon I-8, Johnston I-8.

Field Goals: F — Marshall 46G, 42G. V — None.

Defense: F — Billingsly (6 solo, 6 ast., 1 TFL, 1 Sack), Whetstone 9 (5 solo, 4 ast., 1 TFL), Ritter 8 (3 solo, 5 ast.), Killian 7 (3 solo, 4 ast.), Johnson 6, (4 solo, 2 ast.), Latimer 5 (2 solo, 3 ast., 1 TFL, 1 Int.). V — Foxx 9 (5 solo, 4 ast., 2 FTL), Mason 8 (5 solo, 3 ast.), Huggard 7 (4 solo, 3 ast., 2 TFL, 1 Blocked Punt).

	FUR	VMI
First Downs	21	22
Rushing		
Passing	243	212
C/A/I		
Total Offense		
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	I-0
Penalties	6-50	1-5
Punts	6-33.5	6-47.2
Punt Returns	3-30	2-18
Kickoff Returns	2-22	8-140
Possession Time	32:21	27:39
Third Down Conversions	4-13	5-14
Fourth Down Conversions		
Sacks By		

GAME 5

Furman 24, Western Carolina 23

October 5, 2002

Paladin Stadium Attendance: 13,125

GREENVILLE, S.C. -- Billy Napier passed for a career high 252 yards and two touchdowns as NCAA I-AA fifth-ranked Furman held off Western Carolina for a 24-23 win in Southern Conference action Saturday afternoon in front of 13,125 fans at Paladin Stadium.

Napier, the nation's leader in passing efficiency, completed 15-of-22 passes, including a 15-yard touchdown toss to Brian Bratton and 44-yard scoring strike to Bear Rinehart, who caught five passes for a career high 153 yards. The win was Furman's (4-1, 2-0 SoCon) fifth straight over Western Carolina (3-3, 1-2 SoCon) and the Paladins' 14th-straight home triumph over Southern Conference opposition.

Despite Napier's record setting performance, Furman only managed to escape Western Carolina's upset bid when Chris Vought missed an extra point attempt after Fred Boateng scored on a 4-yard run with 3:43 left to pull the Catamounts to within a point. Instead of attempting and onside kick, the Catamounts kicked deep, and Furman was able to burn most of the remaining time off the clock with a pair of first downs.

The Catamounts regained possession at their 44 with 19 seconds left following a poor 15-yard Furman punt, but a desperation pass by quarterback Brian Gaither was picked off by Furman's Cam Newton to end the game.

Both teams took advantage of miscues to open the scoring. An interception and 36-yard return by cornerback Randy Thompson to the Furman 39 led to a Vought 32-yard field goal that put Western Carolina ahead 3-0 at the 9:39 mark of the first quarter.

Later in the quarter Furman defensive end Eddie Overdyke scooped up a fumble a returned it 14 yards to the Western Carolina 13 to set up a 15-yard touchdown pass from Napier to Bratton to give the Paladins a 7-3 lead with 5:24 left in the first quarter.

Furman extended its lead to 14-3 in the second quarter, using a 33-yard run by tailback Toreico O'Neal and 23-yard option keeper by Napier to the Western 1 before fullback Eric Emerson ran off right tackle into the end zone for the score.

Leading 21-10 after three quarters, Furman watched Western Carolina pull to within four points at 21-17 after quarterback Pat Cilento connected with Lamont Seward on a 34-yard first down pass to the Furman I, where one play later Cilento scored with 12:45 left.

Furman answered with an 11-play,83-yard drive for a Danny Marshall 20-yard field goal and a 24-17 lead, but Western Carolina appeared poised to tie the game after covering 62 yards in eight plays for Boateng's 4-yard scoring run. On the PAT, however, the snap bounced to holder Stanton Horne and the bad timing led to Vought's kick missing wide right.

Furman outgained Western Carolina 444-354, rushing for 192 yards to go along with Napier's 252 passing yards. Western Carolina's Fred Boateng led all rushers with 117 yards on 16 carries and scored a pair of touchdowns.

CORE BY QUARTERS

Furman	7	7	7	3	_	24
Western Carolina	3	0	7	13	_	23

SCORING SUMMARY

W	_	Chris Vought 32 FG 9:39-1Q
		6 plays, 25 yards, TOP 2:24 3- 0
F	_	Brian Bratton 15 pass from Billy Napier (Danny Marshall kick) 5:24-1Q
		3 plays, 13 yards, TOP 0:54 3- 7
F	_	Eric Emerson I run (Danny Marshall kick)
		6 plays, 70 yards, TOP 2:19 3-14
W		Fred Boateng I run (Chris Vougt kick) 11:54-3Q
		4 plays, 12 yards, TOP 1:14 10-14
F	_	Bear Rinehart 44 pass from Billy Napier (Danny Marshall kick) 2:11-3Q
		5 plays, 82 yards, TOP 1:20 10-21
W	_	Pat Cilento I run (Chris Vought kick) 12:45-4Q
		12 plays, 66 yards, TOP 4:26 17-21
F	_	Danny Marshall 20 FG 6:29-4Q
		11 plays, 83 yards, TOP 6:16 17-24
F	_	Danny Marshall 46 FG 0:00-2Q
		3 plays, 63 yards, TOP 0:26
W		Fred Boateng 4 run (Chris Vought kick failed) 3:43-4Q
		8 plays, 62 yards, TOP 2:46

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: F — O'Neal 10-62, Rembert 9-44, Brigham 9-40, Napier 9-18, Emerson 9-16, Means 3-13, Rinehart I-(-1). W— Boateng 16-117, DeShauteurs 12-26, Cilento 8-13, Bush 3-5, Banks I-4, Gaither I-4, Philyaw I-0.

Passing: F — Napier 15-22-1-252. W — Gaither 5-14-2-68, Cilento 8-12-0-117.

Receiving: F — Rinehart 5-153, Bratton 5-49, Thomas 2-28, O'Neal I-12, Emerson I-6, Carter I-4. W — Banks 3-64, Seard 2-64, DeShauteurs 2-18, Godard 2-15, Roy I-10, Lane I-7, Reeder I-4 Bush I-3.

Field Goals: F — Marshall 40NG, 20G. W — Vought 32G.

Defense: F — Ritter 9 (3 solo, 6 ast., 1 TFL, 1 FF), Killian 9 (1 solo, 8 ast.), Wilson 7 (5 solo, 2 ast., 1 FR, 1 Int.), Sperling 7 (3 solo, 4 ast.), Johnson 6 (4 solo, 2 ast.). W — Burgis 10 (8 solo, 2 ast., 2 TFL), Leach 9 (5 solo, 4 ast., 1 TFL), Kendrick 5 (4 solo, 1 ast., 1 TFL), Dunlap 5 (4 solo, 1 ast., 1 TFL).

	FUR	WCU
First Downs	22	17
Rushing		
Passing	252	185
C/A/I		
Total Offense	444	354
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	3-2
Penalties	6-51	6-55
Punts	4-37.3	5-39.2
Punt Returns	I-4	3-0
Kickoff Returns	5-113	3-72
Possession Time	34:59	25:01
Third Down Conversions	8-14	8-15
Fourth Down Conversions		
Sacks By	0-0	1-7