



Game 2 -- September 14, 2002, 7:00 EDT Kickoff
Furman Paladins (0-1, 0-0 SoCon) vs. Elon Phoenix (1-0)
Greenville, South Carolina, Paladin Stadium (16,000) — Natural Grass
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2002 FURMAN RESULTS/SCHEDULE

| Date | Opponent | Score/Time | Result |
|----------|---------------------------------|------------|--------|
| Sept. 7 | @ Vanderbilt (Charter TV) | 18-49 | L |
| Sept. 14 | ELON | 7:00 | |
| Sept. 21 | @ Richmond | 6:00 | |
| Sept. 28 | @ VMI | 1:00 | |
| Oct. 5 | WESTERN CAROLINA | 2:00 | |
| 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 | |

2001 FINAL SOCON STANDINGS

| Team | SoCon | | | Overall | | |
|----------------------|-------|---|------|---------|----|------|
| | 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 | 1 | 7 | .125 | 3 | 8 | .273 |
| VMI | 1 | 7 | .125 | 1 | 10 | .091 |

2002 SOCON STANDINGS

| Team | SoCon | | | Overall | | |
|----------------------|-------|---|------|---------|---|-------|
| | W | L | .Pct | W | L | .Pct |
| Appalachian State | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 1 | .000 |
| Chattanooga | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 2 | .000 |
| The Citadel | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 1 | .000 |
| East Tennessee State | 0 | 0 | .000 | 1 | 1 | .500 |
| Furman | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 1 | .000 |
| Georgia Southern | 0 | 0 | .000 | 1 | 1 | .500 |
| VMI | 0 | 0 | .000 | 2 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Western Carolina | 0 | 0 | .000 | 1 | 1 | .500 |
| Wofford | 0 | 0 | .000 | 1 | 0 | 1.000 |

THE GAME

NCAA I-AA seventh-ranked Furman opens its 2002 home season and puts its eight-game home winning streak on the line this Saturday when it entertains Elon at Paladin Stadium. The Phoenix, who will join the Southern Conference beginning next year, claimed a 23-22 victory over Florida International on Saturday while Furman opened its campaign with a 49-18 setback at Vanderbilt.

PROMOTIONS

The Furman-Elon game will highlight Hall-of-Fame/Magnetic Schedule Night at Furman University. In ceremonies prior to the game, All-Southern Conference end **Ray Siminski '59**, All-America guard **Eric Walter '91**, two-time conference cross country champion **Cate Pichon '93**, and softball catcher **Julie Glasser-Stebbins '97** will be enshrined into the hall-of-fame, along with honorary inductee and longtime athletics benefactor **Lucius Weeks '54**. In addition, magnetic season schedules will be given away to the first 2,000 fans to enter the stadium gates.

THE COACHES

Furman: Bobby Lamb (Furman '86)
 0-1 (.000), 1st Year at Furman
 0-1 (.000), 1st Year Overall
 Lamb vs. Elon (0-0)

Elon: Al Seagraves (Shippensburg '75)
 35-32 (.522), 7th Year at Elon
 35-32 (.522), 7th Year Overall
 Seagraves vs. Furman (1-3)

THE SERIES

Furman owns a 4-1 series record versus Elon, having faced the Phoenix in four of the last five seasons — all in Greenville. Last year the

September 7

Vanderbilt 49, Furman 18
 VMI 41, Davidson 16
 Alabama State 41, Chattanooga 23
 Auburn 56, Western Carolina 0
 East Tennessee State 20, Mars Hill 10
 LSU 35, The Citadel 10
 Georgia Southern 56, Gardner-Webb 0



September 14

VMI @ William & Mary, 1:00
 Delaware @ The Citadel, 2:00
 East Tennessee State @ Gardner-Webb, 6:00
 West Virginia Tech @ Western Carolina, 6:00
 Wofford @ South Carolina State, 6:00
 Elon @ Furman, 7:00
 Eastern Kentucky @ Appalachian State, 7:00
 Chattanooga @ Tennessee Tech, 8:00



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) | QB Billy Napier (2nd Team) |
| OT Steven Cain (1st Team) | WR Bear Rinehart (2nd Team) |
| TE Willis Sudderth (1st Team) | DT LeBryan Sperling (2nd Team) |
| CB Rodney Johnson (1st Team) | PK Danny Marshall (2nd Team) |
| RS Brian Bratton (1st Team) | |

FURMAN RADIO/TELEVISION BROADCAST TEAM

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



Paladins rolled to a 46-7 win behind tailback Louis Ivory, who rushed for 126 yards and two touchdowns. Two years ago Furman edged Elon, 16-3, to avenge a 24-22 upset loss to the Phoenix in 1999. The two schools first squared off in 1920, with Furman taking a 33-0 win, also in Greenville.

| Year | Result | Score | Site | Furman Coach |
|------|--------|-------|------------|---------------|
| 1920 | W | 33-0 | GREENVILLE | W.L. Laval |
| 1997 | W | 38-20 | GREENVILLE | Bobby Johnson |
| 1999 | L | 22-24 | GREENVILLE | Bobby Johnson |
| 2000 | W | 16-3 | GREENVILLE | Bobby Johnson |
| 2001 | W | 46-7 | GREENVILLE | Bobby Johnson |

THE OFFENSES

| Furman: Multiple | | Elon: Multiple | |
|------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
| '02 Points/Game | — 18.0 | '02 Points/Game | — 23.0 |
| '02 Yards/Game | — 353.0 | '02 Yards/Game | — 405.0 |
| Rushing | — 100.0 | Rushing | — 377.0 |
| Passing | — 253.0 | Passing | — 28.0 |

THE DEFENSES

| Furman: Multiple | | Elon: Multiple | |
|------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
| '02 Points/Game | — 49.0 | '02 Points/Game | — 22.0 |
| '02 Yards/Game | — 557.0 | '02 Yards/Game | — 335.0 |
| Rushing | — 344.0 | Rushing | — 46.0 |
| Passing | — 213.0 | Passing | — 289.0 |

LAST MEETING

GREENVILLE, S.C. (Sept. 8, 2001) -- Louis Ivory rushed for 126 yards and two scores to lead the NCAA I-AA nationally sixth-ranked Furman Paladins to a 46-7 win over the visiting Elon Phoenix at Paladin Stadium.

Ivory rushed 19 times and scored on runs of 2 and 8 yards while recording the eighth straight 100-yard performance and 22nd 100-yard outing of his career.

The win gave Furman its 99th victory in Paladin Stadium since moving into the facility in 1981. It also marked the Paladins' second straight decision over Elon, which committed six turnovers.

Furman outgained Elon 452-180 and got a strong performance from junior quarterback Billy Napier, who connected on 12-of-19 passes for 192 yards and two touchdowns. Tight end Trent Sansbury led all Paladin receivers with five catches for 86 yards and a score.

Furman took advantage of a pair of Elon turnovers in the first quarter to race to a 21-0 lead.

An interception and 23-yard return by Shelvis Smith gave the Paladins the ball at Elon 19, and four plays later Napier hit Bear Rinehart on an 8-yard strike to put Furman up 7-0 only three minutes into the game.

On its next possession, Furman moved 58 yards in nine plays to extend its lead to 14-0 following a 2-yard run by Ivory at the 4:53 mark.

A fumble recovery by Paladin defensive tackle LeBryan Sperling at the Elon 42 on the Phoenix's next possession set up another Furman score, which came on the next play when Napier connected with Sansbury on a 42-yard touchdown at the 1:53 juncture.

Elon trimmed Furman's lead to 21-7 on an 11-yard touchdown run by Martin Swindell with 10:38 left in the first half, but the Paladins answered with three Danny Marshall field goals covering 22, 33, and 28 yards to extend the lead to 30-7 by halftime.

Furman upped its margin to 37-7 on its first possession of the second half with an 8-yard scoring run by Ivory before benching its first team offense and defense in favor of reserves.

Tailback Hindley Brigham tallied the Paladins' last score on a 65-yard touchdown run on the first rushing attempt of his career.

Backup linebackers Andrew Knight and Keito Whetstone led Furman's defense with eight and seven-tackle performances, respectively, and tackle LeBryan Sperling notched six stops, a sack, a forced fumble, and a fumble recovery.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

| | | | | | | |
|--------|----|---|---|---|---|----|
| Elon | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | — | 7 |
| Furman | 21 | 9 | 7 | 9 | — | 46 |

SCORING SUMMARY

| | | |
|--|------------------------------|------|
| F — Bear Rinehart 8 pass from Billy Napier (Danny Marshall kick) 11:47-1Q | 4 plays, 19 yards, TOP 1:41 | 0-7 |
| F — Louis Ivory 2 run (Danny Marshall kick) 4:53-1Q | 9 plays, 58 yards, TOP 4:43 | 0-14 |
| F — Trent Sansbury 42 pass from Billy Napier (Danny Marshall kick) 1:53-1Q | 1 play, 42 yards, TOP 0:08 | 0-21 |
| E — Martin Swindell 11 run (Beau Wegmann kick) 10:38-2Q | 8 plays, 35 yards, TOP 4:01 | 7-21 |
| F — Danny Marshall 22 FG 7:29-2Q | 7 plays, 60 yards, TOP 3:09 | 7-24 |
| F — Danny Marshall 33 FG 1:03-2Q | 12 plays, 44 yards, TOP 3:59 | 7-27 |
| F — Danny Marshall 28 FG 0:00-2Q | 4 plays, 25 yards, TOP 0:18 | 7-30 |
| F — Team Safety 13:34-4Q | | 7-39 |
| F — Hindley Brigham 65 run (Danny Marshall kick) 6:04-4Q | 1 play, 65 yards, TOP 0:14 | 7-46 |

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: F — Ivory 19-126, Brigham 1-65, Means 2-20, O'Neal 5-17, Tant 3-11, Napier 5-3, Emerson 2-2, Moore 4-1, Rembert 4-1. E — Singletary 19-76, Swindell 10-63, Palmer 8-31, Mitchell 5-10, Buie 2-4, Dargan 1-0, Team 1-(-22).

Passing: F — Napier 12-19-0-192, Moore 1-3-0-14. E — Singletary 3-8-4-18.

SPORTS NETWORK NCAA I-AA FOOTBALL POLL (September 9, 2002)

| Rnk. | Team | 2002 Record | Points | Previous |
|------|--------------------|-------------|--------------|----------|
| 1) | Montana (106) | 2-0 | 2,696 | 1 |
| 2) | Lehigh (3) | 2-0 | 2,441 | 3 |
| 3) | McNeese State | 2-0 | 2,427 | 6 |
| 4) | Northern Iowa | 1-1 | 2,224 | 2 |
| 5) | Appalachian State | 0-1 | 2,120 | 5 |
| 6) | Maine | 2-0 | 2,059 | 11 |
| 7) | Furman | 0-1 | 1,926 | 4 |
| 8) | Eastern Illinois | 0-1 | 1,859 | 7 |
| 9) | Georgia Southern | 1-1 | 1,675 | 12 |
| 10) | Portland State | 1-0 | 1,539 | 13 |
| 11) | Villanova | 2-0 | 1,535 | 15 |
| 12) | Youngstown State | 1-1 | 1,399 | 8 |
| 13) | Northwestern State | 2-0 | 1,358 | 16 |
| 14) | Sam Houston State | 1-1 | 1,056 | 14 |
| 15) | Delaware | 1-1 | 1,020 | 9 |
| 16) | Eastern Kentucky | 1-1 | 946 | 17 |
| 17) | Hofstra | 1-1 | 779 | 20 |
| 18) | William & Mary | 0-2 | 776 | 10 |
| 19) | Florida A&M | 1-1 | 756 | 21 |
| 20) | Grambling State | 1-1 | 752 | 18 |
| 21) | Western Kentucky | 1-1 | 564 | 22 |
| 22) | Northeastern | 2-0 | 554 | NR |
| 23) | Richmond | 1-1 | 371 | NR |
| 24) | Jacksonville State | 1-0 | 311 | 24 |
| 25) | Holy Cross | 1-0 | 256 | NR |

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 | | Nov. 4 | |
| Sept. 23 | | Nov. 11 | |
| Sept. 30 | | Nov. 18 | |
| Oct. 7 | | Final | |

Receiving: F — Sansbury 5-86, West 3-42, Rinehart 2-52, Ditto 1-14, Thomas 1-8, Ivory 1-4. E — Johnson 1-9, DeBusk 1-6, Mitchell 1-3.

Field Goals: F — Marshall 3-3 (22G, 33G, 28G). Elon — None.

Defense: F — Knight 8 (7 solo, 1 ast.), Whetstone 7 (4 solo, 3 ast.), Bouton 6 (6 solo, 1 FF), Sperling 6 (4 solo, 2 ast., 1 TFL, 1 FF, 1 FR, 1 Sack), Johnson 4 (4 solo, 1 Int.). E — Cox 9 (2 solo, 7 ast., 1 Sack), Geter 8 (4 solo, 4 ast.), Rickenbacker 7 (6 solo, 1 ast.), Wheeler 7 (4 solo, 3 ast., 2 TFL), Scott 7 (3 solo, 4 ast., 1 TFL).

TEAM STATISTICS

| | FUR | ELON |
|-------------------------------|---------|--------|
| First Downs | 21 | 11 |
| Rushing | 45-246 | 46-162 |
| Passing | 206 | 18 |
| C/A/I | 13-22-0 | 3-8-4 |
| Total Offense | 452 | 180 |
| Fumbles-Lost | 0-0 | 3-2 |
| Penalties | 3-25 | 9-85 |
| Punts | 3-35.7 | 3-38.7 |
| Punt Returns | 2-22 | 2-51 |
| Kickoff Returns | 2-26 | 6-138 |
| Possession Time | 29:38 | 30:22 |
| Third Down Conversions | 7-14 | 5-12 |
| Fourth Down Conversions | 1-1 | 1-2 |
| Sacks By | 1-5 | 1-2 |

NOTING THE PALADINS

SEASON OPENING STRUGGLES CONTINUE...In dropping a 49-18 verdict to Vanderbilt on Saturday, Furman lost its second straight season opener and slipped to 3-7 in its last 10 outings. A 26-7 win over Connecticut in 1993; a 29-10 win over Samford in 1997; and 16-3 triumph over Elon in 2000 mark the Paladins' only season opening victories since 1994.

FURMAN IN SEASON OPENERS SINCE 1994 (3-7)

| Year | Opponent (Rank) | Score | Result |
|------|----------------------|-------|--------|
| 1993 | CONNECTICUT | 26-7 | W |
| 1994 | @ Clemson | 6-27 | L |
| 1995 | @ Georgia Tech | 7-51 | L |
| 1996 | @ Clemson | 3-19 | L |
| 1997 | @ Samford | 29-10 | W |
| 1998 | @ Clemson | 0-33 | L |
| 1999 | ELON | 22-24 | L |
| 2000 | ELON | 16-3 | W |
| 2001 | @ Wyoming | 14-20 | L |
| 2002 | @ Vanderbilt | 18-49 | L |

BOUNCING BACK IN WEEK TWO...While Furman has gone 3-7 in season openers since 1993, week two has proven to be much more productive for the Paladins, who have posted a 6-3 mark during that span.

FURMAN IN WEEK TWO SINCE 1994 (6-3)

| Year | Opponent (Rank) | Score | Result |
|------|------------------------------|-------|--------|
| 1993 | @ Georgia Tech | 3-37 | L |
| 1994 | SOUTH CAROLINA STATE | 26-21 | W |
| 1995 | @ South Carolina State | 21-27 | L |
| 1996 | SOUTH CAROLINA STATE | 27-13 | W |
| 1997 | @ South Carolina State | 6-17 | L |
| 1998 | SOUTH CAROLINA STATE | 27-19 | W |
| 1999 | @ William & Mary | 52-6 | W |
| 2000 | NEWBERRY | 44-10 | W |
| 2001 | ELON | 46-7 | W |

STREAKING AT HOME...Furman heads into Saturday's clash against Elon riding an eight-game home winning streak, having gone a perfect 8-0 in Paladin Stadium last year on the way to a 12-3 campaign. The undefeated 2001 home season, which included Furman's 100th victory in the facility (a 65-7 victory over VMI), marked the program's second undefeated home campaign (1988) since Furman moved into Paladin Stadium in 1981. Furman, which sports a 106-28-1 record (.789) in 21 seasons of play in the beautiful facility, also owns a school record, 13-game

home winning streak against Southern Conference opposition.

FURMAN CONSECUTIVE HOME VICTORIES (8-0)

| Date | Opponent | Score | Result |
|----------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------|
| 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 |

FURMAN CONSECUTIVE SOCON HOME VICTORIES (13-0)

| Date | Opponent | Score | Result |
|----------------------|----------------------------|------------|--------|
| Nov. 21, 1998 | Chattanooga | 31-28 | W |
| Sept. 25, 1999 | VMI | 58-0 | W |
| Oct. 9, 1999 | Appalachian State | 35-21 | W |
| Oct. 23, 1999 | East Tennessee State | 48-21 | W |
| Nov. 13, 1999 | Wofford | 30-3 | W |
| Sept. 20, 2000 | Western Carolina | 38-14 | W |
| Oct. 14, 2000 | The Citadel | 33-7 | W |
| Nov. 4, 2000 | Georgia Southern | 45-10 | W |
| Nov. 18, 2000 | Chattanooga | (ot) 45-44 | 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 |

TEAM NOTES: VANDERBILT...The 49-18 loss to Vanderbilt marked the Paladins' most decisive setback since a 33-0 defeat to Clemson in the 1998 season opener. Prior to Saturday, Furman's worst loss, points-wise since the 1998 opener against Clemson had been a 20-10 setback at the hands of Georgia Southern in the regular season last year. The 49 points allowed were the most since the Paladins yielded 58 in a 58-28 loss to East Tennessee State in 1997 and the most points scored by a Paladin opening game opponent since 1919, when Georgia Tech rolled to a 74-0 win over Furman. The 557 yards surrendered to Vanderbilt were the most yielded by a Paladin squad since 1999, when the Paladins gave up 613 in a 41-38 loss at Georgia Southern. Vanderbilt's 344 rushing yards also represented the most ground yards given up by the Paladins since the 1999 campaign, when Georgia Southern ran for 471. Furman is now 1-13 in its last 14 games against NCAA I-A competition and 5-14-1 versus I-A foes since 1982. Furman's 253 passing yards against Vanderbilt were the most by the Paladins since Furman tallied 301 passing yards in a 51-14 win over VMI in Lexington in 1998. Two of Vanderbilt's first three touchdowns were set up by Furman fumbles. The first miscue occurred at the Paladin 39 on the Paladins' first possession of the game, and the second fumble gave the Commodores the football at the Furman 39 early in the second quarter. The Paladins' third fumble of the contest was recovered by Vanderbilt in the end zone, thereby ending a Furman touchdown bid and a five-play, 80-yard drive. In 15 games a year ago the Paladins surrendered only 64 plays to the opposition that went for over 10 rushing yards or 20 passing yards. In the 2002 season opener against Vanderbilt, Furman's defense yielded 14 such plays to the Commodores.

PLAYER NOTES: VANDERBILT...Senior quarterback **Billy Napier (Chatsworth, Ga.)** threw for a career high 241 yards against Vanderbilt, thereby surpassing his previous best of 218 yards in a 42-10 win over Chattanooga last year. Napier matched a career high with 31 attempts and set a new career high with 21 completions against the Commodores. Senior flanker **Bear Rinehart (Seneca, S.C.)** tallied a career high seven receptions for another career high 127 yards against Vanderbilt. Sophomore split end **Isaac West (Augusta, Ga.)** also collected a career high seven receptions (for 82 yards) against the Commodores. Ten Paladins earned the first starts of their respective careers Saturday against Vanderbilt. Offensively they included sophomore tackle **Ben Bainbridge (Acworth, Ga.)**, senior guard **Justin Price (Mauldin, S.C.)**, center **Craig Morgan (Huntington, W.Va.)**, tight end **Willis Sudderth (Lilburn, Ga.)**, and sophomore split end **Isaac West (Augusta, Ga.)**. Defensively, the six Paladins who earned their career inaugural start included sophomore defensive end **Travis Jones (Greenville, S.C.)**, redshirt freshman **Justin**

Porter (Bowman, Ga.), sophomore linebacker **Cedrick Ritter (Fairfax, S.C.)**, sophomore cornerback **T.J. Wilson (Rome, Ga.)**, and sophomore free safety **Cam Newton (Bennettsville, S.C.)**.

✎ **THE FIRST TIME OUT**...Including Bobby Lamb's 2002 Furman head coaching debut against Vanderbilt, Furman's 21 head coaches have combined to go 9-11-1 in their school inaugurals:

| Year | Head Coach | Opponent | Score | Result |
|------|-------------------|----------------------|-------|--------|
| 1889 | William Beattie | Wofford | 1-5 | L |
| 1890 | H.C. Granger | Wofford | 12-0 | W |
| 1891 | H.P. Young | Trinity | 0-96 | L |
| 1896 | Sims | Bingham | 0-12 | L |
| 1900 | Frank Spencer | Wofford | 0-0 | T |
| 1901 | C.S. Roller | Georgia Tech | 0-17 | L |
| 1913 | W.C. Farmer | Clemson | 7-2 | W |
| 1914 | W.B. Bible | Wofford | 19-12 | W |
| 1915 | W.L. Laval | Erskine | 60-0 | W |
| 1928 | T.B. Amis | Duke | 6-0 | W |
| 1932 | A.P. McLeod | Newberry | 25-6 | W |
| 1946 | R.W. Smith | Alabama | 7-26 | L |
| 1948 | H.E. Smith | Washington & Lee | 10-8 | W |
| 1950 | Bill Young | Presbyterian | 12-13 | L |
| 1955 | Homer Hobbs | Newberry | 0-14 | L |
| 1958 | Bob King | Florida State | 6-42 | L |
| 1973 | Art Baker | Presbyterian | 13-6 | W |
| 1978 | Dick Sheridan | South Carolina | 10-45 | L |
| 1986 | Jimmy Satterfield | South Carolina State | 34-7 | W |
| 1994 | Bobby Johnson | Clemson | 6-27 | L |
| 2002 | Bobby Lamb | Vanderbilt | 18-49 | L |

✎ **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

| Place | Team (1st place votes) | Points |
|-------|------------------------|--------|
| 1) | Appalachian State (35) | 346 |
| 2) | Georgia Southern (2) | 278 |
| 3) | Furman (2) | 260 |
| 4) | Western Carolina | 218 |
| 5) | East Tennessee State | 217 |
| 6) | The Citadel | 157 |
| 7) | Wofford | 126 |
| 8) | Chattanooga | 105 |
| 9) | VMI | 48 |

2002 SOCON FOOTBALL PRESEASON COACHES POLL

| Place | Team | Points |
|-------|-----------------------|--------|
| 1) | 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) | 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.).

✎ **COMPETITIVE, EVEN IN DEFEAT**...Although Furman owns a solid 31-10 record (.756) in its last 41 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) | Score | Margin | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------|------|
| Appalachian State (2000) | I-AA Semifinalist | 17-18 | - 1 |
| 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-AA 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-AA Opponent | 18-49 | - 31 |

✎ **THE EXPERIENCE FACTOR**...With only 11 starters returning 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 has a number of holes to fill — 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) are gone — 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

| 2001 | Career Starts | 2002 | Career Starts | |
|----------------------|-------------------|------|----------------------|-----|
| TE | Trent Sansbury | 39 | Willis Sudderth | 1 |
| LT | Donnie Littlejohn | 48 | Ben Bainbridge | 1 |
| LG | Marty Priore | 47 | Justin Price | 1 |
| C | Chris Stewart | 40 | Craig Morgan | 1 |
| RG | Trevor Kruger | 27 | Trevor Kruger | 28 |
| RT | Steven Cain | 15 | Steven Cain | 16 |
| SE | James Thomas | 18 | Isaac West | 1 |
| FLK | Bear Rinehart | 15 | Bear Rinehart | 16 |
| QB | Billy Napier | 15 | Billy Napier | 16 |
| FB | Eric Emerson | 15 | Eric Emerson | 16 |
| TB | Louis Ivory | 42 | Hindley Brigham | 1 |
| Offense Totals | | 321 | Offense Totals | 98 |
| DE | Brandon Poole | 20 | Brandon Poole | 21 |
| DT | LeBryan Sperling | 32 | LeBryan Sperling | 33 |
| NG | Ryan Spencer | 29 | Justin Porter | 1 |
| DE | Eddie Overdyke | 13 | Travis Jones | 1 |
| WLB | Sterling Frierson | 15 | Cedrick Ritter | 1 |
| MLB | Will Bouton | 50 | Mike Killian | 10 |
| SLB | John Thrift | 40 | Keito Whetstone | 2 |
| LCB | Richie Jackson | 50 | T.J. Wilson | 1 |
| RCB | Rodney Johnson | 29 | Rodney Johnson | 30 |
| SS | Shelvis Smith | 27 | Paul Billingsly | 2 |
| ES | Josh Cooper | 27 | Cam Newton | 1 |
| Defense Totals | | 332 | Defense Totals | 103 |
| 2001 Combined Totals | | 653 | 2002 Combined Totals | 201 |

✎ **NAPIER AT THE CONTROLS**...A year ago senior quarterback **Billy Napier (Chatsworth, Ga.)** was labeled as the only significant question mark on an otherwise veteran team. Twelve wins, a league title, and a national runnerup finish later, questions about Napier's abilities have faded. A consensus second team All-Southern Conference choice in 2001 and the son of high school coach, Napier delivered solid play, completing 62.3 percent of his passes (129x207) for 1,772 yards and 10 TDs a year ago. 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.

✎ **IMPRESSIVE DEPTH IN RECEIVING CORPS**...Furman sports its best depth at wide receiver. Senior All-Southern Conference flanker **Bear Rinehart (Seneca, S.C.)**, who had seven catches for 127 yards in the season opener against Vanderbilt, is the leader after catching 34 passes for 519 yards and six touchdowns a year ago. Backing him up is sophomore **Brian Bratton (Evans, Ga.)**, one of the team's fastest players and All-American return specialist from a year ago. At split end sophomore **Isaac West (Augusta, Ga.)**, an immensely talented athlete who also had seven receptions against Vanderbilt, and veteran **James Thomas (Marianna, Fla.)** return. West caught 20 passes for 277 yards and a TD last year while Thomas tallied 27 receptions for 402 yards and a TD during the regular season.

CAREER RECEPTIONS

| Rank | Player | Years | Rec. | Yards | Avg. | TD |
|------|----------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|----------|
| 1) | 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) | Brette Simmons | 1974-78 | 82 | 1,197 | 14.6 | 5 |
| | Damon Bradley | 1989-93 | 82 | 1,204 | 14.7 | 7 |
| 11) | Billy Risher | 1979-83 | 81 | 1,447 | 17.9 | 18 |
| 12) | Donald Lipscomb | 1988-91 | 80 | 1,827 | 22.8 | 8 |
| 13) | Robbie Hahn | 1966-67 | 79 | 1,375 | 17.4 | 16 |
| 14) | Stanford Jennings | 1980-83 | 76 | 865 | 11.4 | 4 |
| 15) | Paul Siffri | 1988-91 | 71 | 1,101 | 15.5 | 9 |
| 16) | Kirk Burnett | 1983-86 | 70 | 1,259 | 18.0 | 6 |
| | Bear Rinehart | 1999- | 63 | 1,069 | 17.0 | 8 |

CAREER RECEIVING YARDS

| Rank | Player | Years | Rec. | Yards | Avg. | TD |
|------|----------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|----------|
| 1) | Chas Fox | 1982-85 | 106 | 2,045 | 19.3 | 26 |
| 2) | Donald Lipscomb | 1988-91 | 80 | 1,827 | 22.8 | 8 |
| 3) | Des Kitchings | 1996-99 | 112 | 1,808 | 16.1 | 11 |
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| 12) | Brette Simmons | 1974-78 | 82 | 1,197 | 14.6 | 5 |
| 13) | Jimmy Jordan | 1966-68 | 85 | 1,188 | 14.0 | 4 |
| 14) | Byron Trotter | 1968-70 | 98 | 1,112 | 11.3 | 3 |
| 15) | Jody Wade | 1994-97 | 66 | 1,106 | 16.7 | 11 |
| 16) | Paul Siffri | 1988-91 | 71 | 1,101 | 15.5 | 9 |
| | Bear Rinehart | 1999- | 63 | 1,069 | 17.0 | 8 |

CAREER TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS

| Rank | Player | Years | TD |
|------|-----------------|---------|----|
| 1) | 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 | 1996-99 | 11 |
| 8) | Paul Siffri | 1988-91 | 9 |

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|--------------|----------|
| 9) | Bear Rinehart | 1999- | 8 |
| | Tommy Southard | 1974-77 | 8 |
| | Donald Lipscomb | 1988-91 | 8 |

✎ **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 fills its high profile backfield slot with three juniors in 2002: **Hindley Brigham (Birmingham, Ala.)**, **Lamar Rembert (Ocala, Fla.)**, and **Toreico O'Neal (Barnesville, Ga.)**. 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.

✎ **THE CONTRAST IS CLEAR**...Last year no fullback in the Furman program could claim one play of experience at the collegiate level heading into the season. This year, the Paladins have three experienced sophomore fullbacks in **Eric Emerson (Newnan, Ga.)**, **Al Means (Charlotte, N.C.)**, and **Corey Tant (Easley, S.C.)**. Emerson started in all 15 games last year and rushed for 218 yards and six touchdowns in the regular season. Means, meanwhile, ran for 129 yards and three scores, including a game winning 19-yard, fourth quarter touchdown burst in a 24-20 triumph over Western Kentucky in NCAA I-AA first round playoff action.

✎ **KRUGER, CAIN TO 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 being counted on heavily this year. 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 NFL scouts and checks in as Furman's biggest player at 6-foot-5, 310 pounds. Cain 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 spring testing).

✎ **ONE RECEPTION**...A year ago Furman tight ends **Trent Sansbury** and **Willis Sudderth (Lilburn, Ga.)** combined to register 37 receptions for 489 yards, and a pair of touchdowns between them. The only problem is Sansbury, a graduated two-time All-Southern Conference performer, accounted for 36 of the 37 receptions and both touchdowns. That left Furman with only one career reception (and no career starts) in its returning tight end corps, which now sports Sudderth, a sophomore, and redshirt freshman **John Rust (Burlington, N.C.)**. Sudderth, a solid blocker who fashioned an impressive preseason, got the starting nod against Vanderbilt, but Rust, considered the better receiver of the two, will also play a significant role this year, especially with the increased emphasis on the passing game.

✎ **FRESHMAN IMPACT**...Furman's projected starting lineup against Vanderbilt didn't include any true freshmen, although a pair of first year players provided backup duty along the offensive line. **Corey Stewart (Lilburn, Ga.)** is the backup to starting center **Craig Morgan (Huntington, W.Va.)**, and **Patrick Covington (Charlotte, N.C.)** is the backup to starting right tackle **Steven Cain (Anderson, S.C.)**. Among the program's redshirt freshmen, nose guards **Justin Porter (Bowman, Ga.)** and **Brant Glover (Gainesville, Ga.)** have moved into prominent roles following an injury (sprained knee) to sophomore **Micheal Burant (Lexington, Va.)** in the preseason.

✎ **KICK 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 in 2001 that many opponents simply chose to pooch kick it short or out of bounds, often giving the

Paladins excellent field position. 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.

✎ **SPERLING IS STERLING**...Although not blessed with the experienced depth like last year, Furman's defensive front, which returns three of four starters, should be solid in 2002, and the unquestioned leader will be senior tackle **LeBryan Sperling** (Decatur, Ga.), who serves as a team co-captain. Sperling earned second team All-Southern Conference honors last year, and he's been tabbed by league head coaches to the 2002 pre-season 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 defensive unit that paced the league in rushing defense (124.8 ypg) and finished second in scoring defense (14.0 ppg).

✎ **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-of-the-year **Will Bouton**. While no one expects Furman to be as strong at linebacker as they were a year ago, at least in the early going, the new crop of Paladin linebackers already possess 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.) will attempt to fill Bouton's shoes. 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. Expected to take 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 in line to take over for **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.

✎ **HE'S THE MAN NOW**...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 co-captain, 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 is also a two-time Verizon District III All-Academic selection.

✎ **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, converted both field goal opportunities on Saturday against Vanderbilt. He already ranks sixth on Furman's career kick scoring chart with 164 points, having knocked down 25-of-31 field goals (.806) and 89-of-95 PATs (.937).

CAREER KICK SCORING

| Rank | Player | Years | XP | FG | Points |
|------|---------------------------|---------|---------|-------|--------|
| 1) |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) |Keven Esva | 1982-85 | 135-141 | 17-34 | 186 |
| 5) |Tim Tanguay | 1980-82 | 105-111 | 24-41 | 177 |
| 6) | ... Danny Marshall | 2000- | 89-95 | 25-31 | 164 |
| 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 |
|------|-----------------|---------|----|-----|-----|--------|
| 1) |Louis Ivory | 1998-01 | 53 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 318 |

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|------|---------------------------|---------|----|---------|-------|-----|
| 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) |Mike Glenn | 1978-80 | 32 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 192 |
| 10) |Keven Esva | 1982-85 | 0 | 135-141 | 17-34 | 186 |
| | Chas Fox | 1982-85 | 30 | 3-3 | 0-0 | 186 |
| 12) |Tim Tanguay | 1980-82 | 0 | 105-111 | 24-41 | 177 |
| 13) | ... Danny Marshall | 2000- | 0 | 89-95 | 25-31 | 164 |
| 14) |Larry Robinson | 1973-76 | 25 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 152 |

✎ **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 three-year 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.

✎ **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 on Monday after being released by the team last week. 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. Recent 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 Ayers, 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)



The Lambs: Sallie, Bobby, Allyson, and Taylor

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
 ✎ All-Southern Conference, 1984 & '85
 ✎ Southern Conference Player-of-the-Year, 1985
 ✎ Southern Conference Champion/NCAA I-AA Runner-Up, 1985 (12-2)
 ✎ NCAA I-AA National Passing Efficiency Leader, 1985 (171.20)
 ✎ South Carolina Athletic Hall-of-Fame State Male Amateur Athlete-of-the-Year, 1985
 ✎ Charlotte Athletic Club Carolinas Male Amateur Athlete-of-the-Year, 1985

COLLEGIATE PLAYING CAREER

| Year | School | Position | Overall | 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 | 10-2-1 | 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 | 12-2 | 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 | 7-3-2 | 4-2-1 | 3rd | NCAA I-AA Quarterfinalist, t. Ga. Tech 17-17 |
| 1987 | Furman | Defensive Ends | 7-4 | 4-3 | 3rd | |
| 1988 | Furman | Defensive Ends | 13-2 | 6-1 | 1st | SoCon Champ, NCAA I-AA National Champion |
| 1989 | Furman | Quarterbacks | 12-2 | 7-0 | 1st | SoCon Champ, NCAA I-AA Semifinalist |
| 1990 | Furman | Quarterbacks | 9-4 | 6-1 | 1st | SoCon Champ, NCAA I-AA Quarterfinalist |
| 1991 | Furman | Quarterbacks | 7-4 | 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. | 7-4 | 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. | 9-3 | 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 | 0-1 | | | |

HEAD COACHING RECORD

Furman — 0-1, 1st Year (.000)

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 |
|----|--------------------|-------|------|-----|-------|--|
| 1 | Brian Bratton | FLK | 5-10 | 174 | So. | Evans, Ga./Lakeside |
| 2 | Maurice Duncan | CB | 5-8 | 178 | R-Fr. | Aiken, S.C./Silver Bluff |
| 3 | James Thomas | SE | 5-10 | 206 | Sr. | Marianna, Fla./Marianna |
| 4 | T.J. Wilson | CB | 5-10 | 180 | So. | Rome, Ga./Pepperell |
| 5 | Cam Newton | FS | 6-1 | 190 | So. | Bennettsville, S.C./Marlboro County |
| 6 | Keith Johnson | CB | 5-9 | 179 | R-Fr. | North Augusta, S.C./North Augusta |
| 7 | Bear Rinehart | FLK | 6-0 | 195 | Sr. | Seneca, S.C./Seneca |
| 8 | David Latimer | SS | 6-0 | 200 | R-Fr. | Nashville, Tenn./Christ Presbyterian Academy |
| 9 | Daric Carter | SE | 6-2 | 205 | R-Fr. | Fuquay-Varina, N.C./Southeast Raleigh |
| 10 | Daniel South | FS | 6-0 | 206 | So. | Snellville, Ga./Brookwood |
| 11 | Josh Stepp | QB | 5-11 | 169 | Fr. | Pelion, S.C./Pelion |
| 12 | Bo Moore | QB | 6-1 | 176 | So. | Madison, Ga./Morgan County |
| 13 | Matt Cain | QB | 6-2 | 194 | R-Fr. | Easley, S.C./Easley |
| 14 | Paul Billingsly | SS | 6-2 | 208 | Jr. | College Park, Ga./Woodward Academy |
| 15 | Jeremiah Van Dora | QB | 6-0 | 196 | So. | Hartwell, Ga./Hart County |
| 16 | Isaac West | SE | 6-0 | 184 | So. | Augusta, Ga./Butler |
| 17 | Chris Lowery | CB | 5-9 | 178 | Sr. | Knoxville, Tenn./Austin-East |
| 18 | Casey Baxter | SE | 6-0 | 197 | Fr. | Calhoun, Ga./Calhoun |
| 19 | Billy Napier | QB | 6-3 | 218 | Sr. | Chatsworth, Ga./Murray County |
| 20 | Lockwood Holmes | CB | 5-9 | 179 | R-Fr. | Jacksonville, Fla./Bolles |
| 21 | Keito Whetstone | LB | 6-0 | 228 | Jr. | Orangeburg, S.C./Orangeburg-Wilkinson |
| 22 | Lamar Rembert | TB | 5-8 | 182 | Jr. | Ocala, Fla./Bellevue |
| 23 | Cedrick Ritter | LB | 6-2 | 222 | So. | Fairfax, S.C./Allendale-Fairfax |
| 24 | Toreico O'Neal | TB | 5-8 | 184 | Jr. | Barnesville, Ga./Lamar County |
| 25 | Rodney Johnson | CB | 5-9 | 174 | Sr. | Marion, N.C./McDowell |
| 26 | Hindley Brigham | TB | 5-9 | 203 | Jr. | Birmingham, Ala./Mountain Brook |
| 28 | Brandon Berry | FLK | 6-0 | 203 | So. | Hendersonville, N.C./East Henderson |
| 29 | Jeremy Blocker | 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 | TB | 5-11 | 189 | R-Fr. | Arden, N.C./T.C. Roberson |
| 32 | Al Means | FB | 5-11 | 222 | So. | Charlotte, N.C./Butler |
| 33 | Tristian Owusu-Yaw | CB | 6-0 | 172 | Fr. | Watkinsville, Ga./Oconee County |
| 35 | Corey Tant | FB | 5-11 | 200 | So. | Easley, S.C./Easley |
| 36 | Brett Merrill | FLK | 5-8 | 157 | R-Fr. | Ormond Beach, Fla./Seabreeze |
| 37 | Jon MacDonald | CB | 5-9 | 180 | R-Fr. | Greer, S.C./Riverside |
| 38 | Justin Stepp | FLK | 5-11 | 178 | Fr. | Pelion, S.C./Pelion |
| 39 | Nick Dean | SS | 5-7 | 157 | R-Fr. | Decatur, Ga./Towers |
| 40 | Ken Yuhas | DE | 6-2 | 234 | So. | Marietta, Ga./Pope |
| 41 | Andrew Knight | LB | 6-0 | 214 | Sr. | Snellville, Ga./Brookwood |
| 42 | Elton Daniels | FLK | 6-0 | 180 | R-Fr. | Leland, N.C./North Brunswick |
| 43 | Nick Marra | LB | 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 | FS | 5-10 | 202 | R-Fr. | Dallas, Ga./Lovett |
| 47 | Eddie Overdyke | DE | 6-2 | 234 | Sr. | Lilburn, Ga./Brookwood |
| 48 | Andrew Carson | LB | 6-5 | 222 | R-Fr. | Newnan, Ga./Woodward Academy |
| 49 | William Freeman | LB | 6-1 | 216 | R-Fr. | Swansea, S.C./Swansea |
| 51 | Brent Blankenship | LB | 6-0 | 220 | R-Fr. | Memphis, Tenn./Memphis University School |
| 52 | Craig Morgan | C | 6-0 | 283 | So. | Huntington, W.Va./Huntington |
| 54 | Josh Slagle | LB | 5-9 | 196 | R-Fr. | Arden, N.C./T.C. Roberson |
| 55 | Corey Stewart | C | 6-2 | 269 | Fr. | Lilburn, Ga./Brookwood |
| 56 | Trevor Kruger | OG | 6-2 | 275 | Sr. | Moultrie, Ga./Colquitt County |
| 57 | Travis Jones | DE | 6-1 | 252 | So. | Greenville, S.C./Southside |
| 58 | Roy Ravenell | LB | 6-2 | 226 | Fr. | Goose Creek, S.C./Stratford |
| 60 | Josh McWhorter | OG | 6-2 | 284 | Jr. | Cartersville, Ga./Cartersville |
| 62 | Justin Price | OG | 6-5 | 282 | Sr. | Mauldin, S.C./Mauldin |
| 64 | Patrick Covington | OT | 6-3 | 270 | Fr. | Charlotte, N.C./Myers Park |
| 65 | Stephen Schroeder | OT | 6-4 | 262 | So. | Mauldin, S.C./Mauldin |
| 66 | Brant Glover | NG | 6-0 | 264 | R-Fr. | Gainesville, Ga./Gainesville |
| 67 | Nick Stavakis | OG | 5-10 | 246 | So. | Garden City Beach, S.C./Socastee |
| 71 | Ty Sellers | DT | 6-3 | 261 | 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 | OT | 6-6 | 281 | So. | Acworth, Ga./Harrison |
| 79 | John Marks | OG | 6-0 | 272 | So. | Fort Mill, S.C./Fort Mill |
| 80 | Justin Perdue | TE | 6-2 | 220 | R-Fr. | Arden, N.C./T.C. Roberson |
| 81 | John Rust | TE | 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 | Willis Sudderth | TE | 6-3 | 244 | So. | Lilburn, Ga./Parkview |
| 85 | Keenan Adams | DE | 6-3 | 224 | R-Fr. | Columbia, S.C./Richland Northeast |
| 87 | Andy Rump | SE | 6-1 | 189 | Sr. | Sherborn, Mass./Dover-Sherborn |
| 88 | Brian Kovach | PK | 6-1 | 176 | Sr. | Flowery Branch, Ga./Johnson |
| 89 | Will Keller | TE | 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 | Jr. | 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 | NG/DT | 6-1 | 262 | R-Fr. | Stockbridge, Ga./Riverdale |
| 98 | LeBryan Sperleng | DT | 6-2 | 303 | Sr. | Decatur, Ga./Southwest DeKalb |
| 99 | John Shields | DE | 6-8 | 236 | R-Fr. | Nashville, Tenn./Christ Presbyterian Academy |

FURMAN PALADINS TWO DEEP VS. ELON PHOENIX

FURMAN OFFENSE (Multiple)

| | | | |
|-----|----|-------------------|-------------------|
| FLK | 7 | BEAR RINEHART | (6-0, 195, Sr.) |
| | 1 | Brian Bratton | (5-10, 174, So.) |
| LT | 78 | BEN BAINBRIDGE | (6-6, 281, So.) |
| | 72 | Brian Laggis | (6-3, 275, R-Fr.) |
| LG | 62 | JUSTIN PRICE | (6-5, 282, Sr.) |
| | 52 | Craig Morgan | (6-0, 283, So.) |
| C | 52 | CRAIG MORGAN | (6-0, 283, So.) |
| | 55 | Corey Stewart | (6-2, 269, Fr.) |
| RG | 56 | TREVOR KRUGER | (6-2, 275, Sr.) |
| | 73 | Clayton Dyson | (6-1, 279, R-Fr.) |
| RT | 74 | STEVEN CAIN | (6-5, 310, Sr.) |
| | 64 | Patrick Covington | (6-3, 270, Fr.) |
| TE | 84 | WILLIS SUDDERTH | (6-3, 244, So.) |
| | 81 | John Rust | (6-3, 220, R-Fr.) |
| SE | 16 | ISAAC WEST | (6-0, 184, So.) |
| | 3 | James Thomas | (5-10, 206, Sr.) |
| QB | 19 | BILLY NAPIER | (6-3, 218, Sr.) |
| | 12 | Bo Moore | (6-1, 176, So.) |
| FB | 45 | ERIC EMERSON | (5-11, 229, So.) |
| | 32 | Al Means | (5-11, 222, So.) |
| TB | 26 | HINDLEY BRIGHAM | (5-9, 203, Jr.) |
| | 24 | TORIEICO O'NEAL | (5-8, 184, Jr.) |

FURMAN DEFENSE (43)

| | | | |
|-----|----|------------------|-------------------|
| DE | 57 | TRAVIS JONES | (6-1, 252, So.) |
| | 47 | Eddie Overdyke | (6-2, 234, Sr.) |
| DT | 98 | LEBRYAN SPERLING | (6-2, 303, Sr.) |
| | 95 | Justin Porter | (6-2, 258, R-Fr.) |
| NG | 95 | JUSTIN PORTER | (6-2, 256, R-Fr.) |
| | 66 | Brant Glover | (6-0, 264, R-Fr.) |
| DE | 93 | BRANDON POOLE | (6-0, 259, Jr.) |
| | 47 | Eddie Overdyke | (6-2, 234, Sr.) |
| SLB | 21 | KEITO WHETSTONE | (6-0, 228, Jr.) |
| | 48 | Andrew Carson | (6-5, 222, R-Fr.) |
| MLB | 44 | MIKE KILLIAN | (6-2, 226, So.) |
| | 41 | Andrew Knight | (6-0, 214, Sr.) |
| WLB | 23 | CEDRICK RITTER | (6-2, 222, So.) |
| | 49 | William Freeman | (6-1, 216, R-Fr.) |
| LCB | 4 | T.J. WILSON | (5-10, 180, So.) |
| | 2 | Maurice Duncan | (5-8, 178, R-Fr.) |
| RCB | 25 | RODNEY JOHNSON | (5-9, 174, Sr.) |
| | 6 | Keith Johnson | (5-9, 179, R-Fr.) |
| SS | 14 | PAUL BILLINGSLEY | (6-2, 208, Jr.) |
| | 8 | David Latimer | (6-0, 200, R-Fr.) |
| FS | 5 | CAM NEWTON | (6-1, 190, So.) |
| | 10 | Daniel South | (6-0, 206, So.) |

FURMAN SPECIALISTS

| | | | |
|-----|----|-------------------|------------------|
| PK | 83 | DANNY MARSHALL | (5-11, 191, Jr.) |
| KO | 88 | BRIAN KOVACH | (6-1, 176, Sr.) |
| P | 12 | BO MOORE | (6-1, 176, So.) |
| SSN | 64 | PATRICK COVINGTON | (6-3, 270, Fr.) |
| LSN | 82 | GLENN SMITH | (6-3, 203, So.) |
| HO | 15 | JEREMIAH VAN DORA | (6-0, 196, So.) |
| PR | 7 | BEAR RINEHART | (6-0, 195, Sr.) |
| KOR | 1 | BRIAN BRATTON | (5-10, 174, So.) |

ELON OFFENSE (Wishbone)

| | | | |
|-----|----|-----------------|-------------------|
| TE | 89 | PHILLIP JOHNSON | (6-2, 235, Sr.) |
| | 87 | Kyle Belkoski | (6-4, 230, Fr.) |
| LT | 78 | ZAK DEBUSK | (6-5, 220, Jr.) |
| | 69 | Trey King | (6-4, 250, Sr.) |
| LG | 65 | JOSH ROWAN | (6-1, 260, Sr.) |
| | 77 | Bob Cooke | (6-5, 265, R-Fr.) |
| C | 76 | BRANDON MASON | (6-4, 240, So.) |
| | 60 | Zach Jonas | (6-1, 240, Fr.) |
| RG | 75 | CRAIG PAGE | (6-1, 270, So.) |
| | 62 | Michael Patram | (6-6, 270, Fr.) |
| RT | 79 | ROSS GRAVELY | (6-4, 255, Sr.) |
| | 56 | Jerome Hodge | (6-3, 235, R-Fr.) |
| WR | 7 | ARKETA BANKS | (5-10, 180, Sr.) |
| | 27 | Stan Smith | (6-1, 190, So.) |
| LHB | 23 | RASHAUD PALMER | (5-9, 180, Jr.) |
| | 28 | Robert Downing | (5-8, 170, Sr.) |
| FB | 35 | MARTIN SWINDELL | (6-2, 230, Sr.) |
| | 9 | Raschard Buie | (5-10, 210, Sr.) |
| RHB | 19 | CECIL MITCHELL | (5-11, 180, Sr.) |
| | 30 | Marcus Johnson | (5-8, 182, R-Fr.) |
| QB | 11 | C.W. SINGLETARY | (6-0, 175, Jr.) |
| | 17 | James Murdaugh | (6-0, 190, So.) |

ELON DEFENSE (43)

| | | | |
|-----|----|-------------------|--------------------|
| LE | 53 | JAMALL SCOTT | (5-11, 230, Sr.) |
| | 38 | Maurice Locklin | (6-5, 210, So.) |
| T | 73 | EMERSON FAZEKAS | (6-3, 245, Fr.) |
| | 86 | Kahlil Brewster | (6-3, 270, Jr.) |
| NT | 96 | TRAVIS BELL | (6-4, 245, Jr.) |
| | 94 | Chris Bell | (6-2, 315, So.) |
| RE | 54 | WESLEY WHEELER | (6-4, 255, Jr.) |
| | 50 | Mark Hatch | (6-2, 230, Fr.) |
| SLB | 33 | QUINTON COX | (6-2, 205, Jr.) |
| | 47 | Mike Sheley | (5-11, 190, R-Fr.) |
| MLB | 31 | DERRICK COLLINS | (6-2, 210, Jr.) |
| | 16 | Mike Warren | (6-2, 230, So.) |
| WLB | 6 | CALVIN SUTTON | (6-1, 220, So.) |
| | 51 | Michael Herlocker | (6-0, 210, R-Fr.) |
| LCB | 45 | DWAYNE IJAMES | (5-10, 165, Fr.) |
| | 34 | Anthony Harris | (6-0, 185, Fr.) |
| SS | 42 | VINCENT GRAVES | (5-10, 170, So.) |
| | 13 | Gary Tillman | (5-11, 190, R-Fr.) |
| FS | 2 | CHRIS GETER | (5-8, 175, Sr.) |
| | 22 | Jamie Mitchell | (5-11, 185, Sr.) |
| RCB | 3 | STEPHEN MCCOY | (5-8, 160, Jr.) |
| | 36 | Jacobi Jones | (5-10, 180, Fr.) |

ELON SPECIALISTS

| | | | |
|-----|----|------------------|------------------|
| PK | 97 | Anthony Turowski | (6-3, 200, So.) |
| KO | 97 | Anthony Turowski | (6-3, 200, So.) |
| P | 97 | Anthony Turowski | (6-3, 200, So.) |
| SSN | 55 | Brandon Williams | (5-11, 205, So.) |
| LSN | 55 | Brandon Williams | (5-11, 205, So.) |
| HO | 15 | Scott Stevens | (5-10, 185, Sr.) |
| KOR | 23 | Rashaud Palmer | (5-9, 180, Jr.) |
| | 7 | Arketa Banks | (5-10, 180, Sr.) |
| PR | 7 | Arketa Banks | (5-10, 180, Sr.) |

2002 Furman Football
Furman Combined Team Statistics (as of Sep 09, 2002)
All games

| | | | | |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| RECORD: | OVERALL | HOME | AWAY | NEUTRAL |
| ALL GAMES..... | (0-1-0) | (0-0-0) | (0-1-0) | (0-0-0) |
| CONFERENCE..... | (0-0-0) | (0-0-0) | (0-0-0) | (0-0-0) |
| NON-CONFERENCE..... | (0-1-0) | (0-0-0) | (0-1-0) | (0-0-0) |

| | | | | |
|--------------|---------------|-----|-------|--------|
| DATE | OPPONENT | W/L | SCORE | ATTEND |
| Sep 07, 2002 | at Vanderbilt | L | 18-49 | 28568 |

* denotes conference game

| TEAM STATISTICS | FUR | OPP |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|
| FIRST DOWNS..... | 22 | 26 |
| Rushing..... | 7 | 16 |
| Passing..... | 13 | 9 |
| Penalty..... | 2 | 1 |
| RUSHING YARDAGE..... | 100 | 344 |
| Yards gained rushing... | 145 | 354 |
| Yards lost rushing..... | 45 | 10 |
| Rushing Attempts..... | 37 | 42 |
| Average Per Rush..... | 2.7 | 8.2 |
| Average Per Game..... | 100.0 | 344.0 |
| TDs Rushing..... | 2 | 5 |
| PASSING YARDAGE..... | 253 | 213 |
| Att-Comp-Int..... | 32-22-0 | 16-12-1 |
| Average Per Pass..... | 7.9 | 13.3 |
| Average Per Catch..... | 11.5 | 17.8 |
| Average Per Game..... | 253.0 | 213.0 |
| TDs Passing..... | 0 | 2 |
| TOTAL OFFENSE..... | 353 | 557 |
| Total Plays..... | 69 | 58 |
| Average Per Play..... | 5.1 | 9.6 |
| Average Per Game..... | 353.0 | 557.0 |
| KICKOFF RETURNS: #-YARDS. | 8-178 | 3-58 |
| PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS.... | 2-33 | 3-9 |
| INT RETURNS: #-YARDS..... | 1-0 | 0-0 |
| FUMBLES-LOST..... | 3-3 | 1-1 |
| PENALTIES-YARDS..... | 4-30 | 7-59 |
| PUNTS-AVG..... | 4-39.8 | 2-45.0 |
| TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME.. | 30:12 | 29:48 |
| 3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS..... | 7/13 | 3/6 |
| 4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS..... | 0/0 | 1/1 |

| BY QUARTER | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Total |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Team..... | 0 | 3 | 9 | 6 | - 18 |
| Opponents... | 14 | 14 | 7 | 14 | - 49 |

| RUSHING | G | Att | Gain | Loss | Net | Avg | TD | Long | Avg/G |
|-----------------|---|-----|------|------|-----|-------|----|------|-------|
| Hindley Brigham | 1 | 7 | 70 | 0 | 70 | 10.0 | 0 | 21 | 70.0 |
| Eric Emerson | 1 | 5 | 24 | 0 | 24 | 4.8 | 0 | 7 | 24.0 |
| Toreico O'Neal | 1 | 3 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 5.7 | 0 | 8 | 17.0 |
| Lamar Rembert | 1 | 11 | 15 | 13 | 2 | 0.2 | 0 | 9 | 2.0 |
| Al Means | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0.3 | 1 | 1 | 1.0 |
| Billy Napier | 1 | 6 | 18 | 19 | -1 | -0.2 | 1 | 11 | -1.0 |
| Team | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | -1 | -1.0 | 0 | 0 | -1.0 |
| Bo Moore | 1 | 1 | 0 | 12 | -12 | -12.0 | 0 | 0 | -12.0 |
| Total..... | 1 | 37 | 145 | 45 | 100 | 2.7 | 2 | 21 | 100.0 |
| Opponents..... | 1 | 42 | 354 | 10 | 344 | 8.2 | 5 | 61 | 344.0 |

| PASSING | G | Effic | Att-Cmp-Int | Pct | Yds | TD | Lng | Avg/G |
|----------------|---|--------|-------------|-------|-----|----|-----|-------|
| Billy Napier | 1 | 133.05 | 31-21-0 | 67.7 | 241 | 0 | 38 | 241.0 |
| Bo Moore | 1 | 200.80 | 1-1-0 | 100.0 | 12 | 0 | 12 | 12.0 |
| Total..... | 1 | 135.16 | 32-22-0 | 68.8 | 253 | 0 | 38 | 253.0 |
| Opponents..... | 1 | 215.57 | 16-12-1 | 75.0 | 213 | 2 | 59 | 213.0 |

| RECEIVING | G | No. | Yds | Avg | TD | Long | Avg/G |
|-----------------|---|-----|-----|------|----|------|-------|
| Bear Rinehart | 1 | 7 | 127 | 18.1 | 0 | 38 | 127.0 |
| Isaac West | 1 | 7 | 82 | 11.7 | 0 | 22 | 82.0 |
| Lamar Rember | 1 | 2 | 13 | 6.5 | 0 | 7 | 13.0 |
| Toreico O'Neal | 1 | 2 | 11 | 5.5 | 0 | 6 | 11.0 |
| Daric Carter | 1 | 1 | 12 | 12.0 | 0 | 12 | 12.0 |
| Eric Emerson | 1 | 1 | 6 | 6.0 | 0 | 6 | 6.0 |
| Brian Bratton | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3.0 | 0 | 3 | 3.0 |
| Hindley Brigham | 1 | 1 | -1 | -1.0 | 0 | 0 | -1.0 |
| Total..... | 1 | 22 | 253 | 11.5 | 0 | 38 | 253.0 |
| Opponents..... | 1 | 12 | 213 | 17.8 | 2 | 59 | 213.0 |

| FIELD GOALS | FGM-FGA | Pct | 01-19 | 20-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 | 50-99 | Lg | Blk |
|----------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----|-----|
| Danny Marshall | 2-2 | 100.0 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 31 | 0 |

| SCORING | TD | FGs | PATs | | | | | Saf | Points |
|----------------|----|-----|------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|--------|
| | | | Kick | Rush | Rcv | Pass | DXP | | |
| Billy Napier | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0 | 0-1 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Al Means | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Danny Marshall | 0 | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Total..... | 2 | 2-2 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0 | 0-1 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Opponents..... | 7 | 0-0 | 7-7 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 49 |

| INTERCEPTIONS | No. | Yds | Avg | TD | Long |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|----|------|
| Rodney Johnson | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total..... | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Opponents..... | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |

| PUNTING | No. | Yds | Avg | Long | TB | FC | I20 | Blkd |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|------|----|----|-----|------|
| Bo Moore | 4 | 159 | 39.8 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Total..... | 4 | 159 | 39.8 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Opponents..... | 2 | 90 | 45.0 | 51 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| PUNT RETURNS | No. | Yds | Avg | TD | Long |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|----|------|
| Bear Rinehart | 2 | 33 | 16.5 | 0 | 26 |
| Total..... | 2 | 33 | 16.5 | 0 | 26 |
| Opponents..... | 3 | 9 | 3.0 | 0 | 5 |

| KICK RETURNS | No. | Yds | Avg | TD | Long |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|----|------|
| Brian Bratton | 6 | 137 | 22.8 | 0 | 31 |
| Brandon Mays | 2 | 41 | 20.5 | 0 | 22 |
| Total..... | 8 | 178 | 22.3 | 0 | 31 |
| Opponents..... | 3 | 58 | 19.3 | 0 | 27 |

| ALL PURPOSE | G | Rush | Rec | PR | KOR | IR | Tot | Avg/G |
|-----------------|---|------|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-------|
| Bear Rinehart | 1 | 0 | 127 | 33 | 0 | 0 | 160 | 160.0 |
| Brian Bratton | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 137 | 0 | 140 | 140.0 |
| Isaac West | 1 | 0 | 82 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 82 | 82.0 |
| Hindley Brigham | 1 | 70 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 69 | 69.0 |
| Brandon Mays | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 41 | 0 | 41 | 41.0 |
| Total..... | 1 | 100 | 253 | 33 | 178 | 0 | 564 | 564.0 |
| Opponents..... | 1 | 344 | 213 | 9 | 58 | 0 | 624 | 624.0 |

| TOTAL OFFENSE | G | Plays | Rush | Pass | Total | Avg/G |
|-----------------|---|-------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Billy Napier | 1 | 37 | -1 | 241 | 240 | 240.0 |
| Hindley Brigham | 1 | 7 | 70 | 0 | 70 | 70.0 |
| Eric Emerson | 1 | 5 | 24 | 0 | 24 | 24.0 |
| Toreico O'Neal | 1 | 3 | 17 | 0 | 17 | 17.0 |
| Lamar Rember | 1 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2.0 |
| Total..... | 1 | 69 | 100 | 253 | 353 | 353.0 |
| Opponents..... | 1 | 58 | 344 | 213 | 557 | 557.0 |

| DEFENSIVE LEADERS | GP | ---Tackles--- | | | -Sacks- | | -Pass Def- | | -Fumbles- | | Blkd | | | |
|--------------------|----|---------------|----|-------|---------|------|------------|---------|-----------|-----|---------|----|------|-----|
| | | UT | AT | Total | For | Loss | No-Yards | Int-Yds | PD | QBH | Rcv-Yds | FF | Kick | Saf |
| 21 Keito Whetstone | 1 | 5 | 4 | 9 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 5 Cam Newton | 1 | 6 | 3 | 9 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 23 Cedrick Ritter | 1 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 1/1 | . | . | . | . | 1-0 | . | . | . | . |
| 14 Paul Billingsly | 1 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 2/9 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 41 Andrew Knight | 1 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 1/1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 4 T.J. Wilson | 1 | 4 | 1 | 5 | . | . | . | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . |
| 44 Mike Killian | 1 | 3 | 1 | 4 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1 | . | . |
| 57 Travis Jones | 1 | . | 3 | 3 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 98 L. Sperling | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 95 Justin Porter | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 25 Rodney Johnson | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | . | . | 1-0 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . |
| 47 Eddie Overdyke | 1 | . | 2 | 2 | 1/1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 31 Brandon Mays | 1 | 1 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 82 Glenn Smith | 1 | 1 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 10 Daniel South | 1 | 1 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 40 Ken Yuhas | 1 | 1 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 6 Keith Johnson | 1 | 1 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 93 Brandon Poole | 1 | . | 1 | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 66 Brant Glover | 1 | . | 1 | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 49 William Freeman | 1 | . | 1 | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| Total..... | 1 | 37 | 30 | 67 | 5/12 | 0-0 | 1-0 | 2 | . | 1-0 | 1 | . | . | . |
| Opponents..... | 1 | 54 | 16 | 70 | 8/43 | 3-29 | . | 1 | . | 3-0 | 1 | . | . | . |

GAME 1

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 21-3. 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

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| Furman | 0 | 3 | 9 | 6 | — | 18 |
| Vanderbilt | 14 | 14 | 7 | 14 | — | 49 |

SCORING SUMMARY

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| V — Dan Stricker 43 pass from Jay Cutler (Greg Johnson kick) 13:15-1Q | 1 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 1 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 1 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 | 18-42 |
| V — Bara Cola 3 run (Greg Johnson kick) 5:09-4Q | 9 plays, 80 yads, TOP 4:22 | 18-49 |

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 (3IG, 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 11 (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 |
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| First Downs | 22 | 26 |
| Rushing | 37-100 | 42-344 |
| Passing | 253 | 213 |
| C/A/I | 22-32-0 | 12-16-1 |
| Total Offense | 353 | 557 |
| Fumbles-Lost | 3-3 | 1-1 |
| 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 |