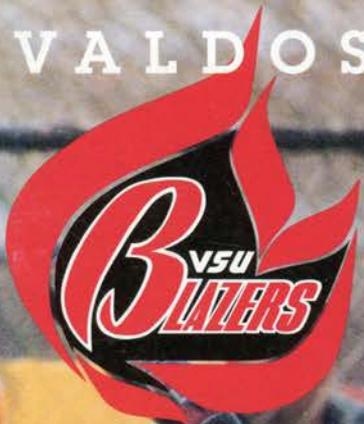
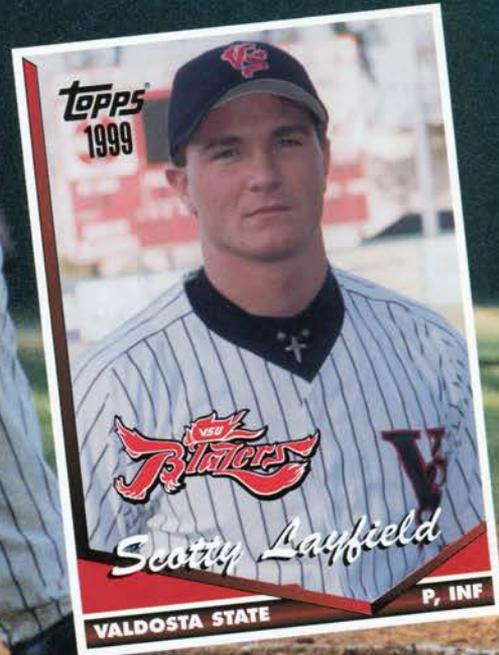
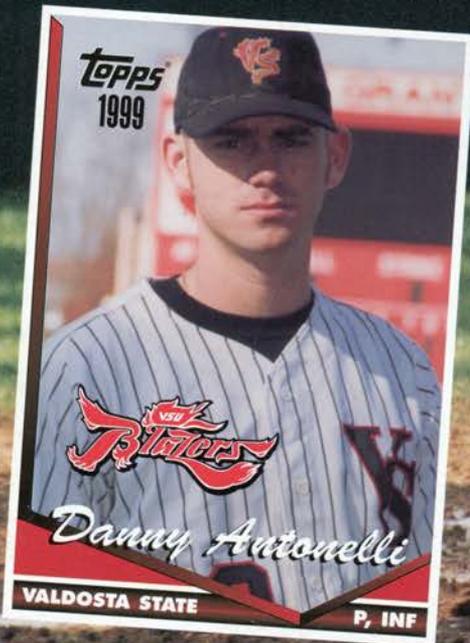
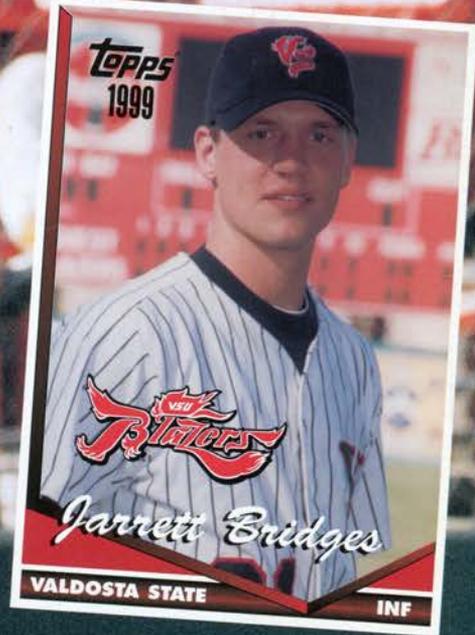
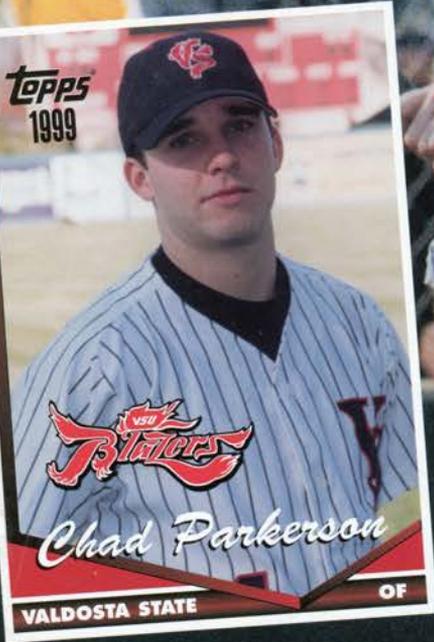


VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY



Blazer Baseball



Bobby McDonald...chasing a record

Head Coach Tommy Thomas

Entering his 32nd season as the outstanding head coach of Valdosta State's Blazer baseball team, Tommy Thomas has enjoyed success gained by very few. In 31 seasons, Thomas-led teams have compiled an overall record of 1037-601, a .633 winning percentage. In 1997, he became only the second NCAA Division II coach to win 1000 games, and his 1037 wins are the most among active Division II coaches.

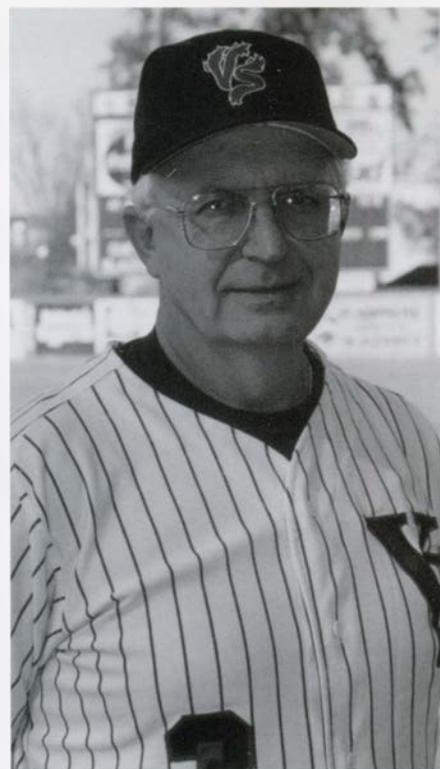
Twenty-one of his 31 teams have reached post-season play, and eight teams, including the 1995 club, have made it to the national tournament with the 1979 team winning the national championship. As a result, Thomas has been the recipient of numerous individual awards and honors. Following the national title year, he was named National Coach of the Year for NCAA Division II by the American Baseball Coaches Association. On seven occasions he has been named regional coach of the year, once in the NAIA Area V (1969) and five times in the NCAA South Atlantic region (1974, 1977, 1979, 1983

and 1985) and once in the South Central region (1995).

The 58-year-old Valdosta native received the BS degree from Valdosta State, where he was a four-year letterman in baseball from 1959-62, ending his career with a .316 batting average. Thomas, who is single, earned the MST degree from Georgia Southern in 1967.

Division II's Winningest Coaches

	Years	Wins
1. Tommy Thomas, VSU	31	1037
2. Frank Vieira, New Haven	36	929
3. Jack Smitheran, UC Riverside	29	915
4. Bob Riesener, Montevallo	29	892
5. Gary Grob, Winona State	31	877
6. Irish O'Reilly, Lewis	20	807
7. Joe Roberts, Armstrong Atl. St.	20	794
8. Phil Swimley, UC Davis	33	785
9. Bill Aker, Northern Kentucky	27	754
10. Ron Davies, Adelphi	34	744



General Information

Name Valdosta State University
 Location Valdosta, Georgia
 Founded 1906
 Enrollment 9650
 President Dr. Hugh C. Bailey
 Colors Red and Black
 Nickname Blazers
 Home Facility Billy Grant Field (1100)
 Conference Gulf South
 National Affiliation NCAA, Division II
 1997 Record 31-19 overall, 6-14 in GSC East

Athletic Staff

Athletic Director Herb Reinhard
 Secretary Debbie Wisenbaker
 Faculty Athletic Representative . . . Bobby Tucker
 Sports Information Director Steve Roberts
 Trainer Russ Hoff

Baseball Staff

Head Coach Tommy Thomas
 Assistant Coach Shannon Jernigan
 Student Assistant Mike McGurk
 Baseball Trainer Lori Howard
 Student Trainers Cindy Brantley, Jay Thompson
 Public Address Greg McIlvain, Bill Postel

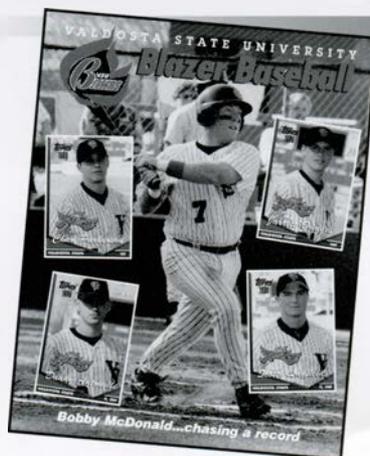
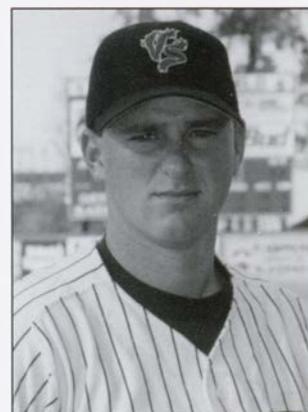
Assistant Coach Shannon Jernigan

Shannon Jernigan, a two-year starting catcher for Valdosta State's 1994 and 1995 clubs who spent the last two seasons in student and graduate assistant roles, was elevated to the top assistant's position last summer. The 24-year-old Live Oak, Fla., native received his master's degree last year and is a member of VSU's health and physical education faculty.

Jernigan earned all-conference honors his junior season, hitting .267 and helping the Blazers qualify for the conference tournament. His senior season, he commanded a solid pitching staff which turned in an excellent 3.43 ERA as the Blazers won their first Gulf South Conference championship. That team also won the South Central Regional and returned to the Division II World Series for the first time since 1985, finishing third.

As Thomas's top assistant, Jernigan, who is single, has assumed the lion's share of recruiting duties in addition to the everyday operation of the baseball program. Thomas considers his new aide a great addition to his program and predicts a bright future in the sport.

"Shannon has grown up in this program and will continue to be a tremendous asset," Thomas said. "I have great confidence in his coaching, teaching and recruiting ability. He has unbelievable patience, which makes him a valuable teacher and mentor."



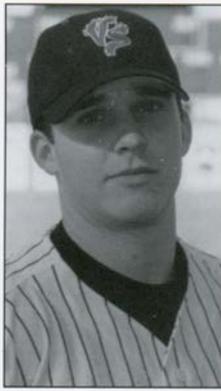
On the Cover

Bobby McDonald, who put together a triple crown season in 1997 and led the Blazers in hitting again last year, was captured just after launching an early season home run by Valdosta Daily Times' photographer Mike Tanner. McDonald is one of five returning seniors being counted on to lead Valdosta State to post-season play. The others, also pictured on the cover, are Chad Parkerson, Jarrett Bridges, Scotty Layfield and Danny Antonelli.



Jeff Gillis
Pitcher
5-11 Junior
Acworth, GA

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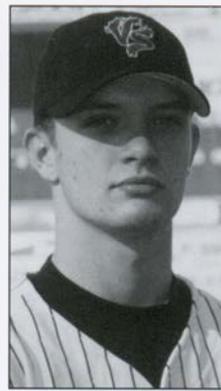
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Valdosta, GA

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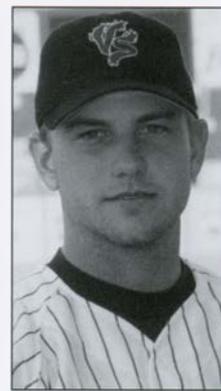
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Outfield
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Andy Boutwell
Pitcher
6-1 Sophomore
Valdosta, GA

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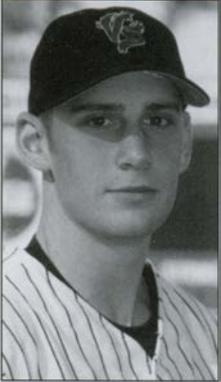
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Outfield
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West Palm Beach, FL

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Greg Olsen
Pitcher
6-0 Freshman
Clearwater, FL

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Jason Bulger
Third Base
6-4 Sophomore
Snellville, GA

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Robbie Camp
Second Base
6-0 Senior
Macon, GA

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Jarrett Bridges
First Base
6-0 Senior
Valdosta, GA

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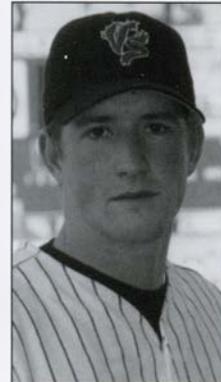
William Whitaker
Pitcher
6-0 Junior
Jacksonville, FL

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Jamie Thomas
Shortstop
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Valdosta, GA

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Utility
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Brunswick, GA

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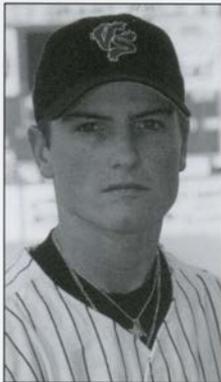
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Fitzgerald, GA

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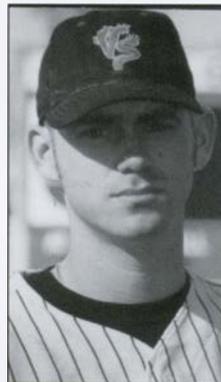
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Valdosta, GA

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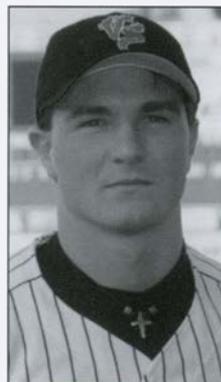
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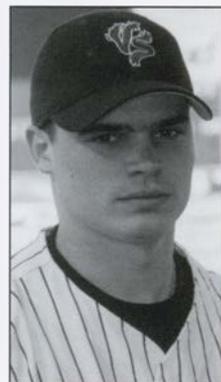
Danny Antonelli
First Base
6-3 Senior
Winter Springs, FL

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Scotty Layfield
Pitcher
6-2 Senior
Montezuma, GA

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Lance Walker
Outfield
5-11 Sophomore
Valdosta, GA

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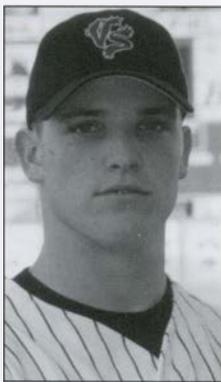
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Catcher
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Augusta, GA

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Pitcher
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Richmond Hill, Ontario

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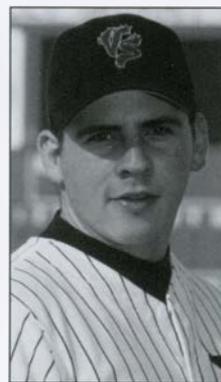
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Catcher
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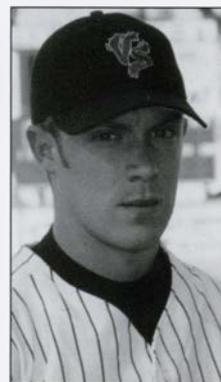
Ben Jackson
Pitcher
6-1 Junior
Thomasville, GA

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Rick Rutiaga
Pitcher
6-0 Sophomore
Kingsland, GA

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Brent Bailey
Pitcher
6-0 Junior
St. Simons Island, GA

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Scouting Report...

Tommy Thomas, set to begin his 32nd season as Valdosta State's baseball boss, believes he has a group capable of competing in the Gulf South Conference's tough eastern division. He admits there are many unknowns heading into the new year, especially offensively where seven new position players likely will be in the starting lineup.

"We think we've improved in several areas, but pitching will be vital to this team's success," the veteran mentor said. "We bring back solid pitching and we think we recruited well in that department. As always, time will tell."

It's defense where Thomas's crystal ball is the cloudiest. The entire middle defense must be replaced, a situation that was further complicated by the untimely fall injury of shortstop Mark Westberry, a top recruit. "We'll really have to experiment in the early going, and hopefully we'll find a solid group by the time we begin conference play. We have capable players, it's just a matter of finding the right chemistry."

For the first time in many years, the Blazers enter the 1999 campaign unranked, a fact which concerns Thomas not in the least. "The poll is a good conversation piece, but it doesn't mean much, especially early in the season. We need to concern ourselves with improving every game. If we do that, I think we'll have something to say before it's all over this year."

Looking further at his own club, Thomas remains upbeat. "This makes 32 (years) for me, and I still feel enthusiastic. I like the depth on this team. There's a good mix of veterans and newcomers, and I think we'll get solid contributions from several areas. I think we'll be productive on offense, and I think our pitching could be very good. We'll have to work very hard to become a solid defensive club."

Thomas knows it will take a complete package to take on the powers of the South, South Atlantic and South Central regions which dot the 1999 schedule. Valdosta State is again situated in the South Central, which houses all 15 Gulf South Conference schools. VSU and the seven other eastern division members, North Alabama, West Georgia, Lincoln Memorial, West Alabama, West Florida, Alabama-Huntsville and Montevallo, will play a three-game series in the regular

season. The top three teams will advance to a six-team double elimination tournament with the three best from the west. The east winner will host the four-day tourney the weekend of April 29.

"It's the East's turn to host the conference tournament," Thomas said. "Our goal is to bring it to Valdosta."

PITCHING

The nucleus of the staff will be returnees Ben Jackson (6-3, 3.73), a junior lefthander, and Scotty Layfield (3-3, 4.79) a senior righthander along with top recruit William Whitaker, a southpaw, who was 10-1 with a 2.20 ERA at Florida Community College in Jacksonville. Sophomore righthander Andy Boutwell (4-1, 7.26) and JC transfer Doug Dimma, a lefty, could be counted on to pitch important games.

Senior Danny Antonelli, an everyday player, will again be called on in relief as will junior Jeff Gillis. The closer could be junior lefthander Brent Bailey, who led the Georgia junior college league in earned run average last season. Sophomore Rick Rutiga and freshmen Greg Olsen and Blake Lynn will get opportunities as well.

CATCHING

Plans are for two JUCO recruits -- Dan Kerrigan (.332 at Manatee) and Dwight Pope (.320 at South Georgia) to platoon at the start of the season. Thomas thinks the position will be stronger, especially offensively. "We need to get more offensive production from the catching position, and I believe one or both of these recruits will provide it," Thomas said. "Both have impressed me with their defensive skills and ability to throw out base runners."

INFIELD

Antonelli (.333 in '98) is the only everyday starter that Thomas has penciled in, and he'll start the year at shortstop, where he played in high school, because of the Westberry injury. If that experiment fails, he'll return to first base and sophomore Jamie Thomas (.224 in limited freshman play) will get a shot. Thomas played short at Valdosta High and has a great arm.

Second base is a puzzle as well. Thomas is a

possibility as is senior transfer Robbie Camp (.300 at Columbus State where he played third). Sophomore Jason Bulger (.273) was impressive in the fall and early spring and should be the everyday third baseman.

If Antonelli remains at short, senior Jarrett Bridges (.269), Layfield (.313) and JUCO transfer Blake Wilson (.380 at South Georgia) will all see time at first base. Bridges, who bats lefthanded, and Layfield, who hits from the right side, are also designated hitter candidates. Transfer Ryan Ferrell (.301 at South Georgia) is perfect for the utility role.

OUTFIELD

Senior Bobby McDonald, who has put impressive back-to-back seasons in the book, is a fixture in right. He already holds the record for home runs in a season (23 two years ago) and needs 10 to tie the career mark of 43 set by JoJo Blaha from 1984-87. Senior Chad Parkerson (.261) enjoyed a productive fall and will likely open in center and in the leadoff spot. Transfer Chad Zaniewski (.349 at Santa Fe) is a top recruit who will start in left.

Depth will be provided by sophomore Lance Walker, a Valdosta High product who hit .250 at Georgia last season, Dimma, who can play left or center, and freshman Eric Stiefel, who made the team as a walkon after an impressive fall at the plate. Walker is blessed with great speed and also hits with power from the left side, making him a DH candidate as well.

THE SCHEDULE

Tampa, the defending national champion, opens the 52-game schedule, and that quality of opponent fills the slate. No less than 10 teams ranked in the preseason Top 30 are on the schedule, and the 21 conference games will be a tremendous challenge.

Other Top 30 clubs on the slate include Florida Southern, North Florida, Alabama-Huntsville, North Alabama, SIU-Edwardsville, Armstrong Atlantic State, Lincoln Memorial, St. Leo and Georgia College & State.

1999 Blazer Baseball Roster

Number and Name	Home Address and Phone	Bats/Throws	Birthday	Height	Weight	Class	Hometown and High School
PITCHERS							
54 Brent Bailey	125 Colonia Drive, St. Simons Island, GA 31522 / (912) 638-3653	L-L	6-16-78	6-0	200	Junior	St. Simons Isl., GA (Glynn Academy)
12 Andy Boutwell	2815 Kirkwood Circle, Valdosta, GA 31602 / (912) 245-8843	L-R	7-24-79	6-1	170	Sophomore	Valdosta, GA (Valdosta)
37 Doug Dimma	59 Marchwood Cres, Richmond Hill, Ontario L4C-8M5 / (905) 884-4574	R-L	7-3-78	5-11	185	Junior	Richmond Hill, Ontario (Bayview)
1 Jeff Gillis	6004 Fairlong Circle, Acworth, GA 30101 / (770) 499-0330	R-R	12-12-77	5-11	185	Junior	Acworth, GA (Harrison)
43 Ben Jackson	P.O. Box 1183, Thomasville, GA 31799 / (912) 226-8384	R-L	1-12-77	6-1	185	Junior	Thomasville, GA (Thomas Co. Cntrl)
33 Scotty Layfield	802 Christopher Drive, Montezuma, GA 31063 / (912) 472-7683	R-R	9-13-76	6-2	200	Senior	Montezuma, GA (Macon County)
27 Blake Lynn	332 Cypress Road, Venice, FL 34293 / (941) 493-3405	R-R	11-21-79	5-10	155	Freshman	Venice, FL (Venice)
16 Greg Olsen	3023 Tanglewood Drive, Clearwater, FL 33761 / (813) 786-4696	R-R	2-18-80	6-0	190	Freshman	Clearwater, FL (Countryside)
49 Rick Rutiga	101 Acorn Court E., Kingsland, GA 31548 / (912) 729-8563	R-R	5-15-78	6-0	195	Sophomore	Kingsland, GA (Camden County)
22 William Whitaker	10011 Alene Road, Jacksonville, FL 32219 / (904) 768-4755	L-L	4-24-78	6-0	190	Junior	Jacksonville, FL (First Coast)
CATCHERS							
39 Dan Kerrigan	6346 Pinestead Drive, Apt. 1023, Lantana, FL 33462 / (561) 963-0887	R-R	8-3-78	6-1	200	Junior	St. Petersburg, FL (Northeast)
35 Dwight Pope	3068 Westwood Road, Augusta, GA 30909 / (706) 736-1294	R-R	2-27-78	5-11	170	Junior	Augusta, GA (Westside)

Number and Name	Home Address and Phone	Bats/Throws	Birthday	Height	Weight	Class	Hometown and High School
INFELDERS							
29 Danny Antonelli	903 Glen Abbey Circle, Winter Springs, FL 32708 / (407) 366-3802	R-R	3-29-77	6-3	200	Senior	Winter Springs, FL (Bishop Moore)
21 Jarrett Bridges	2904 Bud Mackey Circle, Valdosta, GA 31602 / (912) 245-1115	L-L	2-16-77	6-0	180	Senior	Valdosta, GA (Valdosta)
17 Jason Bulger	1898 Harbour Oaks Drive, Snellville, GA 30078 / (770) 972-4532	R-R	12-6-78	6-4	200	Sophomore	Snellville, GA (Brookwood)
19 Robbie Camp	420 Carrington Circle, Macon, GA 31210 / (912) 477-1194	L-R	10-18-76	6-0	210	Senior	Macon, GA (Stratford Academy)
24 Ryan Ferrell	300 River Ridge Road, Brunswick, GA 31525 / (912) 265-1248	R-R	7-5-78	6-2	170	Junior	Brunswick, GA (Brunswick)
23 Jamie Thomas	1911 Seminole Drive, Valdosta, GA 31601 / (912) 242-2119	R-R	10-24-78	5-8	185	Sophomore	Valdosta, GA (Valdosta)
25 Blake Wilson	128 Gettysburg Road, Fitzgerald, GA 31750 / (912) 423-0923	L-L	11-24-76	6-2	195	Junior	Fitzgerald, GA (Fitzgerald)
OUTFIELDERS							
7 Bobby McDonald	4642 Hancock Way, Lilburn, GA 30047 / (770) 921-8908	L-R	9-23-76	5-10	210	Senior	Lilburn, GA (Parkview)
4 Chad Parkerson	5072 Cypress Lake Drive, Lake Park, GA 31636 / (912) 559-1998	R-L	12-5-76	5-10	180	Senior	Valdosta, GA (Valdosta)
26 Eric Stiefel	2105 Northwood Circle, Valdosta, GA 31602 / (912) 244-8164	R-R	3-16-80	6-0	190	Freshman	Valdosta, GA (Valdosta)
34 Lance Walker	1913 Lloyd Jackson Road, Valdosta, GA 31601 / (912) 247-5274	L-L	5-19-79	5-11	175	Sophomore	Valdosta, GA (Valdosta)
13 Chad Zaniewski	970 Whipoorwill Trail, West Palm Beach, FL 33411 / (561) 790-1256	R-R	10-6-77	5-11	180	Junior	W. Palm Beach, FL (John I. Leonard)

The Record Book

Individual - Game

Most ABs	7, 14 players tied
Most Runs	5, Steve Crawford, '68 David DeMersseman, '77; June Munford, '83 Mike White, '85
Most Hits	6, Mike Jones, '85
Most 2Bs	3, Sam Bowen, '74 Seo Torres, '80; June Munford, '83 Mike Cassala, '88; Darrien Teals, '88 Tom White, '91
Most 3Bs	2, 9 players tied
Most HRs	3, Gene Felts, '72 Bobby McDonald, '97
Most HRs: Inning	2, Billy Tyler, '76 Sal Amadeo, '78
Most TBs	13, Gene Felts, '72 Bobby McDonald, '97
Most RBIs	9, Rob Busch, '85
Most SBs	6, Claude Speck, '67
Most Put Outs	20, Kevin Spooner, '85
Most Assists	10, John Gordon, '86
Most Errors	4, 5 players tied
Most IP	15, Danny Chadwick, '73
Most Ks	18, Kelly Scott, '80
Perfect Game	Leroy Purdy, '70
No Hitters	Eddie Fisher, '69 Steve Sorgious, '70; Dan Darden, '74 Dwayne Cushman, '94

Individual - Season

Best B.A.	433, Chuck Devane, '83
Best Slugging %	839, Cecil Whitehead, '78
Most AB	271, Mike Jones, '85
Most Runs	96, Andy Anthony, '85
Most Hits	114, Mike Jones, '85
Most 2Bs	23, JoJo Blaha, '86
Most 3Bs	8, Dan Darden, '75
Most HRs	23, Bobby McDonald, '97
Most Consecutive Hits	9, Rob Bush, '85
Longest Hitting Streak	25, Rusty Brown, '90
Most Extra Base Hits	39, JoJo Blaha, '86 Kevin Spooner, '85
Most Total Bases	166, Mike Jones, '85
Most RBIs	76, JoJo Blaha, '85
Most BBs (drawn)	91, Richie Johnson, '82
Most SBs	46, Mike White, '85
Most Appearances	25, Mike Lee, '92
Most IP	127.1, Jeff Agerter, '83
Most Consecutive Shutout Innings	28.2, Jimmy Wall, '77
Most Ks	112, Bryan Shover, '93
Most Ks per 9 innings	12.7, Sam Bowen, '73
Most Wins	13, Jeff Agerter, '82
Most Decisions	17, Jeff Agerter, '82
Most Saves	8, Chuck Beale, '77
Best ERA	0.78, Mike Perry, '64
Most Shutouts	3, 9 players tied

Individual - Career

Best B.A.	390, John Gordon, '86-87
Best Slugging %	643, Cecil Whitehead, '76-78
Most ABs	751, Craig Viers, '75-78
Most Runs	183, Sal Amadeo, '77-79
Most Hits	248, JoJo Blaha, '84-87
Most 2Bs	52, JoJo Blaha, '84-87
Most 3Bs	18, Gene Felts, '71-74 Craig Viers, '75-78

Most HRs	43, JoJo Blaha, '84-87
Most TBs	445, JoJo Blaha, '84-87
Most RBIs	209, JoJo Blaha, '84-87
Most SBs	91, Sal Amadeo, '77-79
Most Appearances	70, Ted West, '85-88
Most IP	353, Jimmy Wall, '77-80
Most Ks	261, Bryan Shover, '92-A
Most Wins	31, Bill Petty, '74-77 Jimmy Wall, '77-80
Best Winning Percentage	.950, Kelly Scott, '79-80
Most Saves	11, Chuck Beale, '76-77
Best ERA	1.48, Eddie Fisher, '66-69
Most Shutouts	7, Bill Petty, '74-77

Team - Game

Most Runs	26 vs. GA Southwestern, '96
Most Runs: Inning	13 vs. Jacksonville State, '79 Fort Valley State, '85
Most Hits	30 vs. Shippensburg, '85
Most RBIs	20 vs. 6 teams
Most 2Bs	8 vs. Columbus, '83 Wofford, '91; Columbus, '91
Most 3Bs	4 vs. Oglethorpe, '65 Ouachita Baptist, '70; Fort Valley State, '83
Most HRs	6 vs. Eckerd, '85
Most Runs Against	28 vs. Jacksonville State, '90
Most Runs: Both Teams	39 vs. N. Ala. (18-21), '95
Most Extra Base Hits	11 vs. Columbus, '83
Most TBs	39 vs. Fort Valley State, '83
Most Errors	9 vs. Florida Southern, '89
Most SBs	13 vs. Armstrong State, '68
Most DPs	5 vs. New Orleans, '74
Most Innings	17 vs. David Lipscomb, '68

Team - Season

Most Games	71, 1982
Most Wins	49, 1982
Most Consecutive Wins	22, 1983
Best Winning Percentage	.804 (45-11), 1980
Most Losses	31, 1989, 1990
Best Batting Average	343, 1985
Worst Batting Average	216, 1957
Best Slugging Percentage	566, 1985
Most ABs	2261, 1985
Most Runs	620, 1985
Most Runs Per Game	9.8, 1986
Most Times Shut Out	8, 1976
Fewest Runs Allowed Per Game	2.3, 1960
Most Hits	776, 1985
Most 2Bs	144, 1985
Most 3Bs	31, 1985
Most HRs	99, 1985
Most Extra Base Hits	274, 1985
Most Total Bases	1279, 1985
Most RBIs	545, 1985
Most Stolen Bases	179, 1985
Most Double Plays	67, 1985
Best Fielding Percentage	964, 1965
Most Innings Pitched	577.1, 1982
Most Strikeouts	488, 1995
Most Walks	404, 1981
Best ERA	1.45, 1964
Worst ERA	7.36, 1990
Most Shutouts	12, 1973
Most Consecutive Shutouts	4, 1971

1999 Blazer Schedule

FEBRUARY

8, Mon.	Tampa	Valdosta	3 pm
9, Tue.	Tampa	Valdosta	3 pm
11, Thu.	GA SW State	Valdosta	3 pm
13, Sat.	Florida Southern	Lakeland	4 pm
14, Sun.	Eckerd	St. Ptsburg, FL	1 pm
16, Tue.	Albany State	Valdosta	3 pm
19, Fri.	Eckerd	Mtgmry, AL	5:30 pm
20, Sat.	Lewis	Mtgmry, AL	5 pm
21, Sun.	North Alabama	Mtgmry, AL	3 pm
23, Tue.	Thomas College	Valdosta	5 pm
24, Wed.	Brewton-Parker	Valdosta	3 pm
26-28			
Fri.-Sun.	NIJEM JEWELERS CLASSIC		
26, Fri.	Presbyterian	Valdosta	4:30 pm
27, Sat.	Eckerd	Valdosta	4 pm
28, Sun.	Florida Southern	Valdosta	2 pm

MARCH

2, Tue.	GA College & St.	Milledgeville	5 pm
4, Thu.	GA SW State	Americus	3 pm
6, Sat.	SIU Edwardsville	Valdosta	1 pm
6, Sat.	IUP Fort Wayne	Valdosta	4 pm
7, Sun.	SIU Edwardsville	Valdosta	1 pm
8, Mon.	Florida A&M	Tallahassee	5 pm
9, Tue.	IUP Fort Wayne	Valdosta	5 pm
11, Thu.	St. Leo	St. Leo, FL	3 pm
13, Sat.	AL-Huntsville*(2)	Valdosta	1 pm
14, Sun.	AL-Huntsville*	Valdosta	2 pm
17, Wed.	Florida A&M	Valdosta	5 pm
18, Thu.	Columbus State	Valdosta	6 pm
20, Sat.	West GA*(2)	Carrollton	1 pm
21, Sun.	West GA*	Carrollton	1 pm
23, Tue.	Thomas College	Thomasville	5 pm
25, Thu.	North Florida	Jacksonville	6 pm
27, Sat.	Linc. Mem.*(2)	Valdosta	1 pm
28, Sun.	Linc. Memorial*	Valdosta	1:30 pm
30, Tue.	St. Leo	Valdosta	3 pm

APRIL

2, Friday	North AL*(2)	Florence	5 pm
3, Sat.	North AL*	Florence	2 pm
5, Mon.	Albany State	Albany	4 pm
6, Tue.	GA College & St.	Valdosta	5 pm
8, Thur.	Columbus State	Columbus	6 pm
10, Sat.	Montevallo*(2)	Valdosta	1 pm
11, Sun.	Montevallo*	Valdosta	2 pm
13, Tue.	Brewton-Parker	Mt. Vernon	6 pm
15, Thu.	Armstrong Atl. St.	Valdosta	5:30 pm
17, Sat.	West Florida*(2)	Pensacola	5 pm
18, Sun.	West Florida*	Pensacola	3 pm
20, Tue.	North Florida	Valdosta	6 pm
22, Thu.	Armstrong Atl. St.	Savannah	3:30 pm
24, Sat.	West AL*(2)	Valdosta	1 pm
25, Sun.	West Alabama*	Valdosta	2 pm
29-May 2	Gulf South Conference Tournament		
Thu.-Sun.	Site of Eastern Division Winner		TBA

* Gulf South Conference games ALL TIMES EASTERN
Breakdown of Games: 31 Home Games; 24 Away Games
7 Doubleheaders; 2 NCAA I; 47 NCAA II; 6 NAIA

Blazer Baseball Support Personnel...



Lori Howard
Baseball Trainer



Cindy Brantley
Student Trainer



Jay Thompson
Student Trainer



Mike McGurk
Student Coach



Angela Cook
Game Operations



Stephanie Carter
Game Operations



Suzanne McCollum
Game Operations



Bill Postel
Game Operations



1998 Game Summary

Record: W-31 L-19 (H: 20-7 A: 11-12) Gulf South: 6-14

1998 Final Hitting Statistics

Name	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	2B	3B	HR	BB	K	Slug%	OB%	SB-A
Bobby McDonald	187	39	78	62	.417	12	1	9	14	13	.636	.455	3-3
Charan Girard	206	51	79	37	.383	22	4	4	14	15	.587	.422	13-14
Jermaine Jordan	165	48	63	44	.382	4	6	12	34	27	.697	.500	22-27
Danny Antonelli	174	28	58	40	.333	15	1	7	21	31	.552	.406	0-2
Jeff Gillis	18	6	6	4	.333	3	1	0	3	6	.611	.429	0-0
Jim Greer	144	33	46	23	.319	10	2	1	14	12	.438	.375	6-9
Scotty Layfield	32	5	10	4	.313	2	0	0	1	5	.375	.353	0-0
Billy Bone	156	37	48	31	.308	6	0	7	36	31	.481	.437	14-21
Jason Dorminy	161	26	46	23	.286	8	0	2	12	24	.373	.341	3-10
Aaron Voldness	96	17	27	10	.281	5	1	0	63	17	.354	.337	3-4
Jason Bulger	22	4	6	4	.273	2	1	0	2	3	.455	.333	0-0
Jarrett Bridges	78	11	21	11	.269	2	1	10	89	16	.359	.341	0-1
Chad Parkerson	92	22	24	9	.261	6	0	0	11	16	.326	.343	3-7
Mike McGurk	91	10	21	6	.231	5	0	1	4	15	.319	.258	1-1
Jamie Thomas	58	11	13	4	.224	3	0	1	7	10	.328	.313	4-5
VSU	1763	369	568	325	.322	110	18	47	193	262	.485	.392	77-111
Opponents	1665	313	429	265	.258	68	10	37	318	435	.377	.382	51-80

1998 Final Pitching Statistics

Name	G	W	L	S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	GS	CG
Jamie Thomas	12	1	1	0	22	18	11	7	17	24	2.86	0	0
Jeff Gillis	13	2	2	1	35	37	21	14	28	25	3.60	5	1
Ben Jackson	12	6	3	0	70	68	41	29	53	51	3.73	10	3
Danny Antonelli	15	2	1	3	41	32	28	19	35	55	4.17	2	1
Scotty Layfield	12	3	3	0	67.2	81	41	36	27	56	4.79	9	0
Israel Barnes	18	6	6	0	78	61	58	46	61	89	5.31	14	3
Howie Steinberg	11	4	1	0	28.2	33	25	19	14	28	5.97	4	1
Shane Hendrix	5	1	0	1	14.2	7	10	17	19	6.14	1	0	0
Andy Boutwell	19	4	1	3	39.2	40	38	32	39	58	7.26	2	0
Paul Revelia	11	2	2	0	20	36	29	24	18	18	10.80	3	0
VSU	50	31	19	9	430.2	429	313	245	318	435	5.12	50	9
Opponents	50	19	31	3	424	568	369	299	193	262	6.35	50	0

1998 Final Fielding Statistics

Name	C	PQ	A	E	PCT	DP	PB	SBA	CSB
Jarrett Bridges	130	124	6	0	1.000	13	0	1	2
Eric Cowart	33	29	4	0	1.000	0	0	2	1
Paul Revelia	8	1	7	0	1.000	1	0	6	2
Howie Steinberg	5	0	5	0	1.000	0	0	5	0
Aaron Voldness	238	209	27	2	.992	2	6	32	13
Danny Antonelli	273	249	21	3	.989	27	0	5	2
Bobby McDonald	81	75	5	1	.988	1	1	0	0
Mike McGurk	236	206	25	5	.979	2	0	16	11
Billy Bone	219	91	121	7	.968	33	0	0	0
Chad Parkerson	232	19	3	1	.657	0	0	0	0
Scotty Layfield	43	25	16	2	.953	6	0	7	2
Ben Jackson	14	1	12	1	.929	0	0	4	3
Jermaine Jordan	106	95	24	9	.915	0	0	0	0
Jason Bulger	9	1	7	1	.889	0	0	0	0
Charan Girard	222	61	135	36	.883	27	0	0	0
Jeff Gillis	24	10	11	3	.875	1	0	11	1
Jason Dorminy	114	27	72	15	.868	9	0	0	0
Jamie Thomas	39	15	18	6	.846	0	0	0	0
Jim Greer	43	30	4	9	.791	1	0	0	0
Israel Barnes	24	4	14	6	.750	1	0	6	9
Andy Boutwell	4	1	0	3	.250	0	0	3	3
VSU	1936	1292	533	111	.943	46	11	51	29
Opponents	1880	1272	523	85	.955	41	3	77	34

1998 Scoring by Inning

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	XInn	Total	AvPG
Valdosta State	61	33	19	53	32	51	44	41	30	5	369	7.4
Opponents	16	34	27	48	24	45	57	40	22	0	313	6.3

Date	Opponent	Score	R	H	E	R	H	E	W	L	Pitcher	Att
2/8	Eckerd	8-7	8	13	3	7	5	2	1	0	Steinberg 1-0	349
2/9	Eckerd	12-3	12	13	2	3	8	2	2	0	Layfield 1-0	177
2/10	at GA Southwestern St.	11-4	11	19	0	4	11	1	3	0	Jackson 1-0	100
2/13	Tampa	3-11	3	8	3	11	15	2	3	1	Barnes 0-1	202
2/14	Tampa	6-4	6	7	3	4	11	3	4	1	Layfield 2-0	296
2/15	Florida Southern	4-15	4	10	1	1	6	5	5	1	Jackson 2-0	261
2/17	Thomas College	19-5	19	18	3	5	6	6	6	1	Barnes 1-1	158
2/18	Albany State	14-1	14	19	1	1	4	0	7	1	Steinberg 2-0	188
2/20	vs Alabama-Huntsville	6-9	6	10	3	9	11	2	7	2	Barnes 1-2	175
2/21	vs Delta State	8-7	8	7	5	7	7	2	8	2	Boutwell 1-0	200
2/24	at Florida A&M	10-3	10	12	0	3	8	4	9	2	Jackson 3-0	117
2/25	Brewton-Parker	7-9	7	16	2	9	9	2	9	3	Steinberg 2-1	173
2/27	Houston Baptist	7-3	7	13	4	3	2	1	10	3	Barnes 2-2	238
2/28	Shippensburg	8-6	8	9	2	6	9	2	11	3	Boutwell 2-0	431
3/1	St. Leo	6-3	6	12	0	3	8	3	12	3	Jackson 4-0	461
3/3	at GA College & St.	10-3	10	13	1	3	4	2	13	3	Boutwell 3-0	257
3/10	GA Southwestern St.	6-3	6	10	0	3	3	1	14	3	Barnes 3-2	218
3/12	Columbus State	9-0	9	14	0	0	5	1	15	3	Gillis 1-0	264
3/14	at Alabama-Huntsville*	1-6	1	6	5	6	9	3	15	4	Layfield 2-1	200
3/14	at Alabama-Huntsville*	4-5	4	6	2	5	6	3	15	5	Barnes 3-3	200
3/15	at Alabama-Huntsville*	4-9	4	8	3	9	13	0	15	6	Jackson 4-1	200
3/17	at North Florida	4-5	4	6	3	5	6	3	15	7	Gillis 1-1	112
3/21	West Georgia*	2-9	2	7	1	9	9	0	15	8	Layfield 2-2	322
3/21	West Georgia*	11-15	11	15	2	15	12	2	15	9	Barnes 3-4	359
3/22	West Georgia*	5-4	5	13	1	4	7	3	16	9	Thomas 1-0	302
3/24	DePauw	8-5	8	10	1	5	4	1	17	9	Boutwell 4-0	254
3/25	DePauw	7-3	7	7	2	3	6	1	18	9	Revelia 1-0	229
3/26	Florida A&M	17-10	17	17	4	10	8	4	19	9	Bridges 1-0	209
3/28	at Lincoln Memorial*	4-8	4	5	3	8	8	2	19	10	Layfield 2-3	100
3/28	at Lincoln Memorial*	8-4	8	12	1	4	9	0	20	10	Jackson 5-1	100
3/29	at Lincoln Memorial*	4-8	4	7	2	8	11	3	20	11	Boutwell 4-1	100
3/31	at Albany State	10-6	10	15	4	6	10	1	21	11	Steinberg 3-1	100
4/2	at Columbus State	13-9	13	15	1	9	13	1	22	11	Revelia 2-0	101
4/4	North Alabama*	10-9	10	12	1	9	14	3	23	11	Gillis 2-1	428
4/4	North Alabama*	0-8	0	4	4	8	4	1	23	12	Jackson 5-2	477
4/5	North Alabama*	3-28	3	8	2	28	27	1	23	13	Barnes 3-5	317
4/7	North Florida	8-7	8	15	1	7	10	1	24	13	Barnes 4-5	328
4/10	at Montevallo*	7-8	7	16	4	8	15	1	24	14	Revelia 2-1	100
4/10	at Montevallo*	3-4	3	10	0	4	6	1	24	15	Jackson 5-3	100
4/11	at Montevallo*	9-7	9	13	6	7	5	0	25	15	Barnes 5-5	265
4/13	at Brewton-Parker	12-4	12	15	3	4	4	2	26	15	Antonelli 1-0	100
4/14	at Thomas College	14-1	14	18	2	1	5	3	27	15	Steinberg 4-1	70
4/16	Armstrong Atlantic St.	12-6	12	15	3	6	5	2	28	15	Hendrix 1-0	237
4/18	West Florida*	8-9	8	8	4	9	14	0	28	16	Thomas 1-1	310
4/18	West Florida*	2-1	2	8	1	1	4	0	29	16	Jackson 6-3	401
4/21	GA College & St.	8-2	8	14	0	2	5	0	30	16	Barnes 6-5	376