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| Sept. 8 | Clark | Valdosta | 8:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 15 | Savannah State | Savannah | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 22 | Tennessee-Martin* | Martin, Tenn. | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 29 | Jacksonville State* | Valdosta | 8:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 6 | Troy State* | Dothan, Ala. | 7:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 13 | Livingston* | Valdosta | 7:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 20 | West Georgia* | Columbus | 1:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 27 | Georgia Southern | Statesboro | 1:30 p.m. |
| Nov. 3 | Mississippi College* | Valdosta | 7:00 p.m. |
| Nov. 10 | Delta State* | Cleveland, Miss. | 2:00 p.m. |
| Nov. 17 | North Alabama* | Valdosta | 7:00 p.m. |

* Gulf South Conference Games

All Times Local

Valdosta State at a Glance

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| Location | Valdosta, Ga. |
| Enrollment | 6000 |
| President | Dr. Hugh C. Bailey |
| Athletic Director | Tom H. Wonderling |
| Football Coach | Jim Goodman |
| Athletic Affiliation | Gulf South Conference, NCAA Division II |
| Nickname | Blazers |
| Colors | Red and Black |
| Stadium | Cleveland Field (11,798, natural turf) |

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| Kenneth Hand | Offensive Backs |
| Eric Schumann | Defensive Backs |
| Ted Suttle | Offensive Line |
| Dick Russell | Wide Receivers |
| Calvin Rackley | Defensive Line |
| Norman Sims | Defensive Ends |
| Gary Hughes | Tight Ends |
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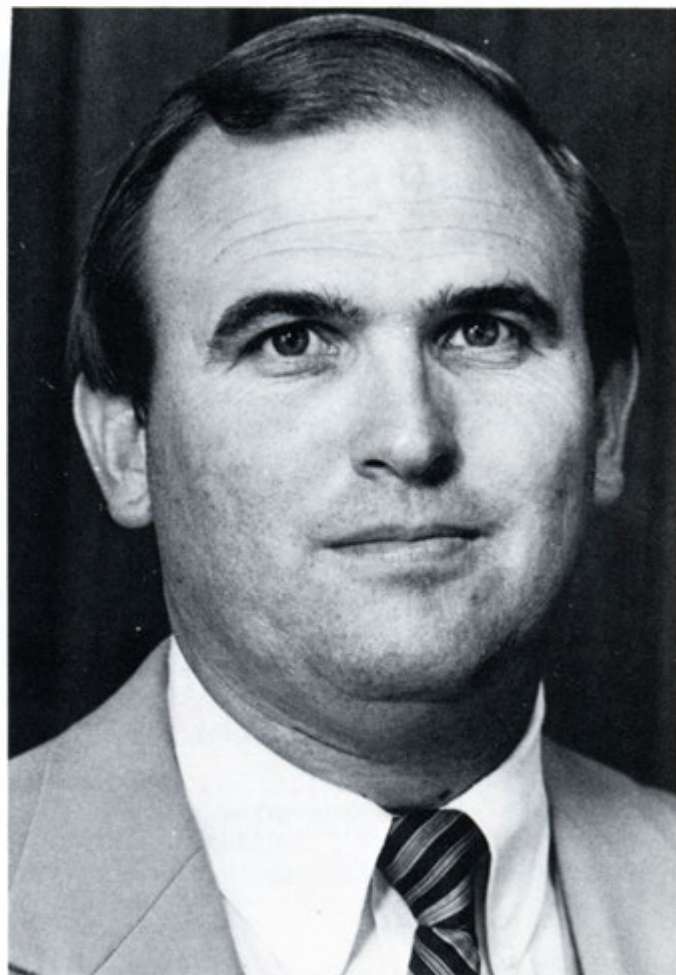
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Head Coach

**JIM
GOODMAN**



Jim Goodman has been on the Valdosta State scene less than three years, but in many ways it seems much longer.

So much has happened since the then 29-year-old Goodman arrived in Valdosta on Dec. 1, 1981. He had no office, no practice field, no equipment, no staff and most important of all no players. On that crisp December day when Goodman met the press for the first time, football at Valdosta State College was a reality, but it was also still very much a dream.

Looking back on the first two full seasons of football at Valdosta State, Goodman has every right to be proud of what has been accomplished. Ten games have been won with four of those wins coming against fellow members of the Gulf South Conference, the toughest NCAA Division II league in the country.

Three players have been selected first team all-conference and four others have been named to the all-Gulf South Conference second team. One player, offensive tackle Mark Catano, became VSC's first football all-American as well as the Blazers' first National Football League

selection when he was drafted by the Pittsburgh Steelers last spring.

The fact Valdosta State was able to win five games in each of the first two seasons is a tribute to Goodman's excellent recruiting and organizational ability. When he flew into Valdosta 33 months ago, he hit the ground running and he hasn't stopped since.

"I knew when I took the job it would be the greatest challenge of my life," Goodman said. "Starting a college football program literally from scratch can be a scary proposition, but I haven't been in this boat by myself. I've had tremendous cooperation all the way down the line.

"I'm not boasting when I say I'm proud of what we've accomplished in two seasons, but we still have only scratched the surface of where we want to go. Our most immediate goal is to finish in the top half of the Gulf South Conference race, then we want to challenge for the championship and a bid to the national playoffs."

Goodman is not ruling out reaching those goals this season. The solid recruiting has paid

off with some outstanding football players in camp, especially on defense. He has assembled an outstanding group of coaches, led by assistant head coach and defensive coordinator Jim Berryman and offensive coordinator Bobby Johns.

"We're bigger, faster and stronger. We have more depth. We're a better football team," Goodman said. "But we still have a long, long way to go. We are very thin in the offensive line, and we've got to get our new veer offense in gear. Defensively, we should be competitive, and I think in time we will be exciting offensively as well."

Goodman, who was 32 in May, has packed a bundle of experience in 11 years of coaching. He graduated from the University of Florida in 1973 and began his coaching career at Vanguard High School in Ocala, Fla., where he was an assistant for two years. He received his master's degree from the University of North Alabama and coached there from 1976-79, directing the junior varsity to two undefeated seasons.

He became head coach and athletic director at Marion Military Institute (an Alabama junior college) in 1979 and led his two teams to 8-3 and 8-2 records. His first team won the Wool Bowl in Roswell, N.M., and finished 14th in the final junior college national poll. His second team was ranked 12th in the last juco poll.

Goodman joined the Air Force Academy staff in the spring of 1981, coaching receivers and coordinating the passing game during spring drills. In the fall of 1981 he coached the outside linebackers before becoming the first Valdosta State football coach in December of that year.

Goodman and his wife Jennie, who is a registered pharmacist, are the parents of two children, Jeff, 6, and Nancy, 3.



Jim, Jennie, Jeff and Nancy.

Goodman Data

Born: May 2, 1952 (age 32)

Hometown: Blountstown, Fla.

Education: Blountstown High School;

University of Florida (BS);

University of North Alabama (MA).

Coaching Experience: Vanguard High School, Ocala, Fla., assistant 1974-76; North Alabama, assistant 1976-79; Marion Military Institute, athletic director and head football coach 1979-81; Air Force Academy, assistant 1981; Valdosta State, head coach 1982-84.

Family: Married to former Jennie Belcher; two children, Jeff, 6, Nancy, 3.

Record at VSC: 10-11-1 in 2 years, .477.

Jim Berryman,

Assistant Head Coach
Defensive Coordinator



Jim Berryman was given a very tough assignment when he arrived on the Valdosta State scene in the spring of 1983 — turn a defense which had been the whipping boy of the Gulf South Conference the previous fall into a competitive unit. He met the challenge head-on, and the results were most impressive.

The 1983 Blazer defensive unit was the most improved in the conference, finishing first in the league in pass defense and ending the year in the middle of the pack in total defense. The just over 300 yards a game total offense the 1983 defenders allowed was a vast improvement over the more than 400 yards a game the 1982 club surrendered.

The prospects for the 1984 defense are brighter still with 10 of 11 starters returning as well as most of the backup personnel.

Berryman, who will be 35 in October, came to Valdosta State from Troy State where he had worked with the offensive line for three years. He was a successful high school coach at McAdory High School in Birmingham, leading the 1979 team to the school's only undefeated regular season and its first trip to the state playoffs.

He was an all-state high school player and his team's most valuable player at Fairfield, Ala., before going to Livingston where he was a four-year letterman, playing on the 1971 national championship team and the 1972 runner-up. He was an all-conference offensive tackle in 1971 and 1972 and was named to the NAIA all-American team in 1971. He was further honored by his alma mater when he was named a member of the Livingston University Team of the Decade, 1970-79.

Berryman holds two undergraduate and one graduate degree from Livingston. He and his wife Patsy, an elementary teacher in Valdosta, have two children, Jill, 6, and Jay, 4.



Bobby Johns,

Offensive
Coordinator



When Jim Goodman decided to revamp Valdosta State's offense last spring, he turned to Bobby Johns, a highly successful high school coach in Birmingham and a former two-time all American at the University of Alabama.

Johns, 38, arrived last April in time to install the veer offensive formation during spring drills. The 20 days allotted for spring practice was not enough time to get everything done Johns and his offensive staff wanted, but he feels good about the offense and the Blazers' ability to run it.

A native of Birmingham, Johns was an outstanding high school player at Banks High before enrolling at Alabama in the fall of 1964. He was a three-year starter at defensive back for Bear Bryant's Tide, playing on the national championship team in 1965 and the undefeated 1966 team. He played in the Orange, Sugar and Cotton bowls during his three varsity seasons. He was an all-Southeastern Conference performer all three seasons and was an all-American in 1966 and 1967. He captained the 1967 team.

Johns played in the college all-star game following his senior season and is a member of the University of Alabama Team of the Decade, 1960-1969.

Johns turned the McAdory High program around in Birmingham before taking another Birmingham area high school job at Erwin High in 1978. His six teams compiled an overall record of 41-21, reaching the state playoffs in 1980 and 1981.

He graduated from Alabama with a B.S. in education in 1968 and received his M.Ed. in administration from the University of Montevallo in 1973.



Kenneth Hand,

Offensive
Backs



Kenneth Hand has been a member of the Blazer coaching staff since the program began in the spring of 1982, and he has coached on both sides of the ball during that time. After concentrating on defense his first two seasons, Hand was asked to join Johns' offensive staff last spring, taking charge of the running backs.

If he can do for VSC's offensive backfield what he did for last year's defensive secondary, the Blazers will be in excellent shape. The 1983 Valdosta State secondary led the Gulf South Conference in pass defense, allowing only 119 yards a game.

Hand will be working with a young but talented group of runners as he helps implement Johns' veer offensive formation.

A native of Griffin, Hand was a three-year starter as a running back and defensive back at Griffin High School. His senior season he was his team's most valuable defensive player, team captain and was named to the all-region team.

He was a four-year starting defensive back at Livingston University where he received his bachelor's degree in 1976 and his master's in 1978. After two years as a graduate assistant at Livingston, Hand was named an assistant coach at Enterprise (Ala.) High where in three seasons Enterprise won 32 of 36 games and one state championship.

Hand, 32, and his wife Phyllis, a sales representative, have one daughter, Laura Faye, 4.



Eric Schumann,

Secondary



Eric Schumann's value to the Valdosta State coaching staff became quickly apparent last year as he turned the Blazer cornerbacks into an outstanding group of players. Between Schumann and Kenneth Hand, who coached the safeties, Valdosta State's secondary made giant strides over the 1982 team.

Schumann can take pride in the fact last year's defenders led the Gulf South Conference in pass defense, giving up only 119 yards a game. One of his cornerbacks, then freshman Dallis Smith, was named to the league's second team at season's end.

This year Schumann is in charge of the entire secondary. A tough taskmaster, he expects even more improvement from his troops in 1984.

Schumann, who will be 30 in October, brought a solid background to VSC, having played four years as a defensive back at Alabama. During his stay the Tide won four Southeastern Conference championships and one national title.

The Blue Island, Ill., native began his coaching career at McAdory High School in Birmingham where he worked with receivers and the secondary for four years. He spent a year at Troy State before joining the Blazer staff in the spring of 1983.

Schumann, who is single, has received both his bachelor's and master's degrees from Alabama and has done additional graduate work at VSC.



Calvin Rackley,

Defensive
Line

Calvin Rackley is another member of the VSC coaching staff who has been with the program since its beginning. He has also kept the same coaching assignment all three years — the defensive line.

Rackley, 25, who recently completed work on his master's degree in physical education at Valdosta State, built a defensive line last season which improved every week. His down linemen have gotten bigger and stronger each season, plus they have gained invaluable experience and confidence as they have learned the Blazer defensive scheme.

Rackley personally sees to it that his troops improve their strength and quickness in his job as coordinator of the off-season strength and conditioning program. He also heads the Fellowship of Christian Athletes chapter at VSC and recruits the north-central Florida and southwest Georgia area.

A native of Camilla where he was a three-year starter at Ravenwood Academy, Rackley played his college football at Marion Military Institute where he was a junior college all-American at defensive tackle. He completed his college career at Jacksonville State where he was a member of two national playoff teams.

Rackley is married to the former Wendy Armistead, a manager-buyer in the retail marketplace.



Ted Suttle,

Offensive Line

Ted Suttle joined the Blazer staff last summer and coached the outside linebackers (defensive ends) in 1983. Last spring he was given the offensive line job, the area where he is much more experienced.

Suttle came to VSC from Jess Lanier High School in Bessemer, Ala., where he coached the offensive line for two seasons. His challenge in 1984 is one of the biggest on the staff as the Blazers look for much needed depth along the offensive front. Suttle has a good nucleus from which to work, but VSC will depend on its rookie class for help in this area.

An all-round athlete, Suttle played football, basketball and baseball at Foley (Ala.) High School, making all-county and all-region teams in all three sports. He lettered three years at Troy State University at tight end, playing on the 1976 Gulf South Conference championship team.

Suttle, 27, holds a business education degree from Troy State and is working on his master's degree at VSC. He is married to the former Theresa Jerkins of Atmore, Ala., also a Troy State graduate.



Dick Russell,

Wide Receivers

Dick Russell came to Valdosta State last summer to begin work on his master's degree in physical education following two years of student coaching at Troy State University.

Last season he helped coach the offensive line, but during spring practice his assignment was changed to receivers coach (including tight ends.). This fall he will be responsible for only the wide receivers, an area the Blazers want to improve in 1984.

Russell has a sound base from which to build a solid receiving corps, especially if some expected help comes from the incoming freshman class. Several Blazer wide receivers had outstanding springs, and it will be this group Russell will be pushing to improve.

A native of Eustis, Fla., Russell played offensive tackle for Eustis in the mid-70s and was named an all-conference player in 1975. He was also a basketball player and a track and field participant during his high school days.

At Troy he assisted Jim Berryman with the offensive line in 1980 and coached the tight ends in 1981. During the 1982 school year he was the offensive line coach and head wrestling coach at Bradford County High School in Starke, Fla.

Russell, who will be 28 in October, is married and his wife Betty Ann is a nurse.



Norman Sims,

Outside
Linebackers

One of the newest members of the Valdosta State coaching staff is Norman Sims, who arrived in time for spring practice last April.

Sims, 30, is a native of Phenix City, Ala., and played high school football at Pacelli in Columbus where he was an all-state performer. He was an all-conference defensive end at the University of North Alabama, having been coached at UNA by Blazer head coach Jim Goodman. He was also a team captain for the Lions.

Sims, who is single, has high school coaching experience earned at Suwannee in Live Oak, Fla., Madison, Fla., and Albany Westover, where he was defensive coordinator and head baseball coach.

His responsibility at Valdosta State will be the outside linebackers (defensive ends).

A 1977 graduate of North Alabama, Sims is working toward his master's degree in physical education at Valdosta State.



Gary Hughes,

Tight Ends



Gary Hughes, one of the two newest coaches to join the Blazer staff, has crammed a lot of playing and coaching experience in his 25 years. A native of Ocala, Fla., he was an outstanding high school player at Ocala Vanguard where he was an all-conference player and his team's most valuable lineman in 1976.

At Sterling College in Kansas he was all-conference offensive lineman for two years, his team's most valuable offensive lineman for two years and the team captain in both his junior and senior seasons.

He was an assistant offensive line coach at Sterling for two years before going to Emporia State (Kansas) as offensive line coach, a position he held for two seasons before coming to Valdosta State last summer.

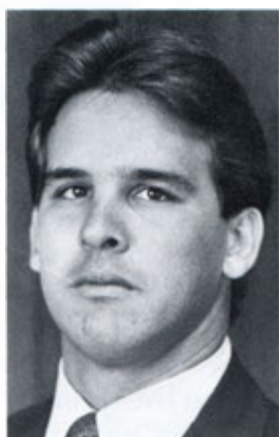
He holds an undergraduate degree from Sterling and a master's degree from Emporia State.

Hughes will take charge of the Blazer tight ends this season.

He is married and his wife Lyn is a special education teacher.

Danny Hayes,

Assistant Secondary



Danny Hayes, 29, is the other newest member of the Valdosta State staff, coming here from Albany Westover where he coached the offensive backs in football, was head wrestling coach and assisted Norman Sims with the baseball team.

At Valdosta State he will assist Eric Schumann with the Blazer secondary.

Hayes was a superlative high school athlete at Riverview Academy in Albany, being named to the all-state football team in 1973 and 1974 and to the all-state baseball team in 1974. He was a member of the state championship 440 relay team in 1973 and 1974.

He played college football at Troy State University before transferring to Georgia Southwestern College in Americus where he graduated in 1979.

He coached football, basketball and baseball at Lee County for one year and football and basketball at Dougherty (Albany) for one year before going to Westover in 1981.

Hayes is married and his wife Rhonda is a teacher.

Jim Madaleno,

Athletic Trainer



The entire Valdosta State athletic program benefitted when the College inaugurated football in 1982 because it brought a full time athletic trainer on board for the first time. Before football, the various sports had to rely on students or coaches to handle the important training chores. Now Valdosta State has Jim Madaleno, a fully certified athletic trainer who has proven himself invaluable to the total athletic program.

Madaleno came to VSC in time for spring practice in 1982 and has since instituted an excellent training program. He maintains and staffs two fully equipped training rooms, one in the football fieldhouse and another in the physical education complex. He has recruited a very capable staff of student trainers and teaches a course in athletic training as part of the physical education curriculum.

Last year he wrote a proposal to add the athletic training major to the PE curriculum which was approved and will be implemented.

Before coming to VSC, Madaleno was an assistant trainer at Florida State University, working primarily with football. The Dearborn, Michigan native graduated from Michigan State University where he was a student trainer for four years.

He received a graduate assistantship to Florida State and earned his master's degree in movement science in 1981. Madaleno, 26, is single.



1984 Outlook

As Valdosta State prepares to enter its third season of football, head coach Jim Goodman sees a defense that has reached the point of competitiveness in the Gulf South Conference and an offense which is still young and inexperienced.

The Blazers return all but one defensive player and were bolstered by junior college transfers and redshirts in the off season. Valdosta State's offense will be behind the defense when fall drills get underway as offensive coordinator Bobby Johns works to fine tune the veer formation he installed during spring practice.

"Our defense is the strongest area we've got right now," Goodman said. "I've said time and again when you start a program from scratch, especially playing in the Gulf South Conference you've got to play strong defense.

"We've done a good job here in recruiting. We've got some young people who have learned to fight and fight back and take the fight to people and that's the name of the game.

"In assessing the offense, I'd say we're in better shape only because of our mental approach to the game. Our offensive coaches have done an outstanding job of conveying a real hard-nosed attitude to the players, an attitude of going toe-to-toe with the opposition instead of playing a finesse game.

"But we're still so very young and inexperienced that offense is a scary part of our game. We don't have the experience and size yet there to compete in this league. I think we'll see an offense that will improve with each game, but we can't say we have an outstanding offensive football team.

"Our coaches are going to work hard and they'll see that our players work hard to improve. I expect our offense to get better and better as the season progresses."

freshman Terry Mallory (6-1, 182) took charge in the fifth game of the season and led the Blazers to four victories down the stretch. He finished the spring as No. 1 but was pushed hard by junior Dog Hunter (6-1, 193). Neither has a lock on the starting job, and the coaches will be looking for depth at the position. One of VSC's prized recruits is Mark Dace (5-11, 195), who operated the veer for Lake City/Columbia.

Goodman says: "Mallory at times showed signs of having the ability to lead a team to a conference championship, which is our goal. He's not there yet by any means. Hunter had an outstanding spring and matured a great deal. Dace was highly recruited by Division I schools, and we look for him to challenge everyone on the board at quarterback."

Wide Receiver



Drew Sauls
Wide Receiver



Kevin Gray
Wide Receiver



Cary Cody
Wide Receiver



Darryl Mason
Wide Receiver

The receiver corps looks improved with the addition of junior college transfer Kevin Gray (6-1, 200) and the return of redshirt Cary Cody (5-11, 193). Gray has excellent speed and Cody has great hands and runs precise routes. Freshman redshirt Drew Sauls (5-7, 165) had an outstanding spring, and junior Ken Fasnacht (5-9, 185) brings experience to the position. Several recruits were added who will get a hard look in the fall.

Goodman says: "We haven't had the stability at wide receiver that I would like. I would rate the position in better shape than last year mainly because of the addition of Gray, who we expect to be a pro prospect as well as a vital asset to our program. Sauls had an outstanding spring as did Cody. Among the freshmen we look for Cedric Campbell (5-9, 170) of Colum-

Quarterback



Terry Mallory
Quarterback



Dody Hunter
Quarterback

The position was in limbo in 1983 until

bus/Hardaway who runs a 9.7 100 and Greg Hovan (6-4, 210) of Birmingham/Oak Grove to push for playing time."

Running Back



Cliff Montgomery
Running Back



Max Vickers
Running Back



Jerome Jackson
Running Back



Michael Williams
Running Back

Graduation claimed the two leading rushers from a team which had become very proficient with its ground game in 1983. Junior Jerome Jackson (5-11, 201) and sophomore Max Vickers had solid springs and junior college transfers Clifton Montgomery and Mike Williams (5-10, 197) showed signs of being able to do the job. A couple of incoming freshmen will also get strong consideration.

Goodman says: "This is another position that hasn't reached the point we'd like. Jackson has gained the experience but still needs to become tougher. Vickers showed a lot of improvement in the spring and was our most consistent runner. Williams at 6-2, 220 with 4.6 speed has all the credentials but must get tougher and learn to hold onto the ball. The same holds true for Montgomery (5-7, 171), a scatback with 4.5 speed who needs more mental toughness and maturity. Virgil Scippio (5-9, 170) from Lake City/Columbia and Albert Smith (6-0, 195) from Tampa/Jefferson are two running back recruits we feel can come in and help this season."

Tight End



Wayne Hamm
Tight End



Ben Reaves
Tight End

Junior Wayne Hamm at 6-2, 225 has solidified the position with his excellent play. He is an outstanding blocker with good hands and has

improved by leaps and bounds. Sophomore Ben Reaves provides adequate reserve help and freshman recruit Mike Zipperer should add more depth.

Goodman says: "We feel good about the tight end position. Hamm improved more from the fall to the spring than any player I've ever coached. He looks like a major college tight end and is playing like one with outstanding maturity and outstanding dedication to get better. Reaves is a winner, coming out of the great Valdosta program. He doesn't have the great size (6-1, 200), but he outworks everybody else. We expect Zipperer (6-3, 215) to contribute early."

Offensive Line



Ray Lloyd
Center



Bill Wilhelm
Offensive Guard



Chuck Dunmon
Offensive Guard



Andy Sharpless
Offensive Guard



R. D. Swain
Offensive Guard



Keith Bonnell
Offensive Tackle



Don Pumphrey
Offensive Tackle



Bryan Banks
Offensive Tackle



Buddy Ratledge
Offensive Tackle

This is the biggest code red spot on the team because of a tremendous lack of experience and depth. Graduation and attrition left huge holes to be filled along the offensive front. The front line players are solid although mostly inexperienced. Don Pumphrey (6-3, 235), a junior college transfer, missed most of the spring but came back in time to nail down one tackle spot. Sophomore Keith Bonnell (6-1, 272) looks strong on the other side. Junior Andy Sharpless (6-2,

225) at guard is the only returning full-time starter from 1983. The other guard spot is adequately held by sophomore R. D. Swain (6-2, 245). Sophomore Ray Lloyd (6-2, 251), the backup center last year, has moved up to the starting job. Depth is desperately needed.

Goodman says: "Depth is just not there in the offensive line right now. We're looking for 10 people who can play in the Gulf South Conference, and we've really got to look hard at our recruits for help in this critical area. We signed 15 freshmen offensive linemen, and I hope we can find three or four who can step in and play this year as freshmen, which is scary in this conference."

Defensive Ends



Dean Siegel
Defensive End



Jerry Randall
Defensive End



Keith Reddings
Defensive End



Jessie Tuggle
Defensive End

Like almost all of the defense, the end position is solid with the return of sophomores Keith Reddings (6-1, 204) and Jessie Tuggle (5-11, 200), who each started all 11 games as freshmen. Depth was added with the addition of junior college transfer Dean Seigel (6-2, 216) and redshirt Jerry Randall (6-4, 230).

Goodman says: "I feel good about the defensive end position because I know we have at least four people who can play in the Gulf South Conference. Reddings and Tuggle have already proved their ability, and I think Siegel, who had a fine spring, and Randall will add depth and stability."



Defensive Line



Elson Bolar
Nose Guard



James Gibson
Nose Guard



Robert Renfro
Defensive Tackle



Frank Scantling
Defensive Tackle



Jay Wells
Defensive Tackle

The defensive front could be a little shy on depth, but the front line people are solid and experienced. Senior Robert Renfro (6-3, 247) and junior Jay Wells (6-3, 241) anchor the tackle spots, and senior Elson Bolar (6-0, 235) is an outstanding nose guard. Sophomore redshirt Frank Scantling (6-3, 286) and sophomore Dan Strickland (6-1, 225) back up Renfro and Wells while sophomore James Gibson (6-1, 243) will spell Bolar.

Goodman says: "I'm very proud of our defensive front. They've done an outstanding job. I'm a little concerned about the depth here. We can't afford to have too many injuries."

Linebacker



Lenny Parker
Linebacker



Freddy Thomas
Linebacker



Vince Capece
Linebacker



Mark Lawson
Linebacker

The Blazers are blessed with a lot of outstanding athletes at the linebacker position. All-conference performer Lenny Parker, a 5-11, 234 senior, anchors the strong side with excellent backup from junior Vince Capece (6-1, 225). Freshman redshirt Freddy Thomas (6-0, 223) came on strong late in the spring to win the starting job on the weak side. Two-year letterman

Mark Lawson (6-1, 198) is a solid reserve as is sophomore Anthony Smith (5-9, 200).

Goodman says: "The linebacker corps had a good spring. They improved in their tackling and they learned our scheme. They have a chance to be an excellent group, which should be a challenge to them to have enough pride to obtain that excellence."

Defensive Secondary



Quinton Reed
Free Safety



Dennis Smith
Free Safety



Timmy Massey
Strong Safety



Emmitt Watkins
Strong Safety



Derrick Harris
Cornerback



Dallis Smith
Cornerback



Vic Crawford
Cornerback



Jimmy Francis
Cornerback

The group which led the conference in pass defense returns intact which obviously makes the secondary a solid area. All-conference selection Dallis Smith, a 5-11, 158 sophomore, anchors one cornerback spot with senior Derrick Harris (5-8, 178) at the other. The strong safety is junior Timmy Massey (5-11, 174) a two year starter who has developed into one of the league's premier players. Sophomore Dennis Smith, Dallis' twin brother, took over the free safety job late last season and held onto it during the spring. Depth in the secondary is outstanding with two-year letterman Jimmy Francis and freshman redshirt Vic Crawford at the corners, sophomore Emmitt Watkins at strong safety and junior Quinton Reed at free safety.

Goodman says: "I'm very proud of the progress we've made from one year to the next in the defensive secondary. We have some quality football players in this area, and we recruited more quality. I feel very good about our secondary."



Kicking Game



Keith Moore
Place Kicker



Brad Bauer
Kicker/Punter








The kicking game should be a strength because of the return of sophomore Keith Moore, who had a good placekicking year as a freshman, and punter Terry Mallory, who averaged almost 38 yards a punt in 1983. Junior Brad Bauer backs up both Moore and Mallory.

Goodman says: "We've made progress here and I look for the kicking game to be improved because of the experience and maturity gained by Moore, Mallory and Bauer. We spend a lot of time on the kicking game because it is so very important. So many times it determines the outcome of a game, and I believe our kicking game will be an asset to us this season."

Valdosta State Depth Chart

(End of Spring Practice)












OFFENSE

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | |  | RUNNING BACK 33 Max Vickers, So. 23 Mike Williams, Jr. |  | RUNNING BACK 34 Jerome Jackson, Jr. 28 Clifton Montgomery, Jr. | | |
| | | | | | | | PLACEKICKER *31 Keith Moore, So. 24 Brad Bauer, Jr. | |
| FLANKER 87 Cary Cody, So. 23 Darryl Mason, So. |  | | QUARTERBACK *14 Terry Mallory, So. 12 Doug Hunter, Jr. | | | | HOLDER *Terry Mallory, So. 12 Doug Hunter, Jr. | |
| | | |  | | | | | |
| SPLIT END 82 Kevin Gray, Jr. 22 Drew Sauls, Fr. |  | RIGHT TACKLE 60 Keith Bonnell, So. 74 Buddy Ratledge, So. |  | RIGHT GUARD *71 R. D. Swain, So. 62 Chuck Dunmon, Jr. |  | LEFT GUARD *58 Andy Sharpless, Jr. 55 Bill Wilhelm, So. | LEFT TACKLE 73 Don Pumphrey, Jr. 72 Bryan Banks, Fr. | TIGHT END *85 Wayne Hamm, Jr. 80 Ben Reaves, So. |
| | | | CENTER 50 Ray Lloyd, So. 62 Chuck Dunmon, Jr. | | | | | |

*1983 Starter

LETTERMEN RETURNING (20) — RB Pernel Bee, OT Keith Bonnell, WR Cary Cody, OG Chuck Dunmon, WR Ken Fasnacht, TE Wayne Hamm, C Mike Henry, QB Doug Hunter, RB Jerome Jackson, C Ray Lloyd, QB Terry Mallory, WR Darryl Mason, RB Alex McKinnie, OT Don Pumphrey, OT Buddy Ratledge, TE Ben Reaves, OG Andy Sharpless, OT R. D. Swain, RB Max Vickers, OG Bill Wilhelm.

DEFENSE

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|
| |  |  | |  |  |  |
| LEFT END *93 Keith Reddings, So. 79 Dean Siegel, Jr. | LEFT TACKLE *75 Robert Renfro, Sr. 76 Frank Scantling, So. | NOSE GUARD *56 Elson Bolar, Sr. 70 James Gibson, So. | RIGHT TACKLE *99 Jay Walls, Jr. 66 Dan Strickland, So. | RIGHT END *88 Jessie Tuggle, So. 78 Jerry Randall, Jr. | | |
|  | WEAK LINEBACKER 47 Freddy Thomas, Fr. 63 Mark Lawson, Jr. | | STRONG LINEBACKER *51 Lenny Parker, Sr. 44 Vince Capece, Jr. |  | | |
| |  | STRONG SAFETY *35 Timmy Massey, Jr. 36 Emmitt Watkins, So. |  | FREE SAFETY *6 Dennis Smith, So. 1 Quinton Reed, Jr. | | |
|  | LEFT CORNERBACK *21 Dallis Smith, So. 13 Jimmy Francis, Jr. | PUNTER *Terry Mallory, So. 24 Brad Bauer, Jr. | SNAPPER *69 Mike Henry, So. | RIGHT CORNERBACK *4 Derrick Harris, Sr. 7 Vic Crawford, Fr. |  | |

*1983 Starter

LETTERMEN RETURNING (21) — NG Elson Bolar, LB Vince Capece, CB Jimmy Francis, NG James Gibson, CB Jeff Hanton, CB Derrick Harris, SS Kenny Jennings, LB Mark Lawson, SS Timmy Massey, LB Lenny Parker, DE Keith Reddings, FS Quinton Reed, DT Robert Renfro, CB Homer Sanders, LB Anthony Smith, CB Dallis Smith, FS Dennis Smith, DE Jerome Smith, DT Dan Strickland, DE Jessie Tuggle, DT Jay Walls.

1984 Incoming Freshmen

| Name | Ht. | Wt. | Pos. | High School | Hometown |
|----------------------|------|-----|-------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Zaret Allen | 5-11 | 230 | LB | Jeff Davis | Hazlehurst, GA |
| David Andrews | 5-10 | 160 | WR | Dobson | Chandler, AZ |
| Jack Barnes | 6-3 | 215 | OL | Palatka | Palatka, FL |
| Mike Battle | 5-10 | 165 | DB | Lyman | Longwood, FL |
| Joey Bogolin | 6-3 | 220 | OL | Jonesboro | Jonesboro, GA |
| Jimmy Brookins | 6-2 | 175 | DB | Jefferson Co. | Monticello, FL |
| Cedric Campbell | 5-9 | 170 | WR | Hardaway | Columbus, GA |
| Eric Clark | 6-0 | 205 | RB | Glynn Academy | Brunswick, GA |
| Steve Collins | 6-1 | 245 | OL | Norcross | Norcross, GA |
| Martin Connors | 6-5 | 235 | OL | Sandalwood | Jacksonville, FL |
| Mark Dace | 5-11 | 195 | QB | Columbia | Lake City, FL |
| Hal Diggs | 5-10 | 180 | QB/DB | Buchholz | Gainesville, FL |
| Eric Faulkner | 6-2 | 200 | DE | East Hall | Gainesville, GA |
| Paul Finch | 6-0 | 195 | DE | Berry (Birmingham) | Waycross, GA |
| Bert Gelis | 6-3 | 210 | OL | Palatka | Palatka, FL |
| Eddie Gosier | 5-10 | 195 | DE | Lowndes | Hahira, GA |
| Jimmy Holmes | 6-1 | 260 | OL | Harris Co. | Waverly Hall, GA |
| Greg Hovan | 6-4 | 210 | WR/DB | Oak Grove | Birmingham, AL |
| Steve Hughes | 6-3 | 225 | OL | John I. Leonard | West Palm Beach, FL |
| Barry Johnson | 5-10 | 170 | WR | Camden Co. | Woodbine, Ga |
| Mike Johnson | 6-2 | 205 | DE | Columbus | Columbus, Ga |
| Thomas Pokie Johnson | 5-9 | 170 | RB | Hardaway | Columbus, GA |
| Lorenzo Jordan | 6-4 | 190 | DB | Fulton | Atlanta, GA |
| David Keeter | 6-0 | 205 | OL | Buchholz | Gainesville, FL |
| Gary King | 5-10 | 185 | RB | Troup Co. | LaGrange, GA |
| Kelly Large | 6-1 | 175 | P | Palatka | Palatka, FL |
| Alvoid Mays | 5-11 | 175 | DB | Manatee | Bradenton, FL |
| Jimmy McBride | 6-0 | 205 | RB | Pierce Co. | Blackshear, GA |
| Aldocious McDuffie | 5-9 | 170 | WR | North Miami | Miami, FL |
| Mike Mincy | 6-2 | 238 | OL | Taylor Co. | Perry, FL |
| Charles Mitchell | 6-2 | 200 | DE | Jeff Davis | Hazlehurst, GA |
| Scott Mowry | 6-2 | 215 | LB | Walton | Marietta, GA |
| Brian Norflee | 6-2 | 215 | LB | Eustis | Eustis, FL |
| Jay Palmer | 6-4 | 220 | OL | Statesboro | Statesboro, GA |
| Virgil Scippio | 5-9 | 170 | RB | Columbia | Lake City, FL |
| Jimmy Scott | 5-11 | 175 | DB | Westside | Augusta, GA |
| Steve Sellers | 6-5 | 210 | C | Florida High | Tallahassee, FL |
| Dewayne Simmons | 6-5 | 255 | OL | Warrior | Warrior, AL |
| Albert Smith | 6-0 | 195 | RB | Jefferson | Tampa, FL |
| Gerald Smothers | 6-4 | 300 | OL | Chipley | Chipley, FL |
| Todd Strickland | 6-3 | 250 | OL | Cairo | Cairo, GA |
| Chris Swartz | 5-11 | 170 | WR | Walton | Marietta, GA |
| Al Talbert | 6-1 | 240 | C | Monroe Academy | Forsyth, GA |
| Larry Tatum | 6-3 | 210 | OL | Erwin | Birmingham, AL |
| Marty Vedas | 6-3 | 230 | DL | Open Bible | Valdosta, GA |
| Arthur Webb | 5-10 | 180 | WR | Ribault | Jacksonville, FL |
| Jason Wilson | 6-2 | 250 | OL | Clinch Co. | Homerville, GA |
| David Wright | 6-2 | 210 | OL | Santa Fe | Alachua, FL |
| Mike Zipperer | 6-3 | 215 | TE | Brandon | Brandon, FL |

The Gulf South Conference



Valdosta State is entering its third season in the Gulf South Conference football wars, and for the second year in a row the Blazers have moved up a notch in the pre-season ranking by the league's coaches.

Last year VSC was picked to finish eighth in the nine-team league, and this season the Blazers were ranked in the seventh spot. The coaches again gave the nod for the top spot to defending champion North Alabama, which reached the semifinals in the national playoffs last year.

Coach Wayne Grubb's Lions were picked to finish first by five coaches (you couldn't vote for your own team) and tallied 60 points for a comfortable No. 1 ranking. Troy State, one of the surprise teams in the league in 1983, picked up one first place vote to come in second while Mississippi College finished third in the voting even though the Choctaws got two first place votes.

Livingston, with one first place vote, came in fourth in the ranking, Delta State edged Jacksonville State for the fifth spot, Tennessee-Martin was eighth and West Georgia was picked for the cellar.

The Gulf South Conference was formed in 1971, and in those 13 years seven teams have

won the football championship. Jacksonville State has enjoyed the most success, winning five league titles. Troy State has won three crowns, North Alabama has won two while Nicholls State, Northwestern State (La.), Mississippi College and Livingston own one championship. Livingston won the first title on the way to the NAIA national championship in 1971. (Troy State and Livingston tied for the regular season crown in 1971.)

Ralph McFillen became the league's fourth commissioner in August. Paul South is the information director. The president of the conference, beginning a two-year term, is Dr. Theron Montgomery, president of Jacksonville State. VSC president Dr. Hugh C. Bailey is president-elect.

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Ralph McFillen
Commissioner



Paul South
Sports Information Director

1983 All-Conference Team

OFFENSE

| Position | Player | School |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Tight End | Rusty Fuller* | Jacksonville State |
| Tackles | Mark Catano* | Valdosta State |
| | Dexter Rutherford | North Alabama |
| Guards | Mike Rollins* | North Alabama |
| | Chris Ray* | Jacksonville State |
| Center | Wayne Frazier* | Mississippi College |
| Quarterback | Scott Butler | Delta State |
| Running Backs | Walter Broughton | Jacksonville State |
| | Clarence Johnson* | North Alabama |
| | Alvin Kidd | Mississippi College |
| Wide Receivers | Carl Smith* | Troy State |
| | Roy Matthews | Delta State |
| Kicker | Keith Kasnic | Tennessee-Martin |

DEFENSE

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Ends | Gary Bradshaw* | Troy State |
| | Kyle McGovern | Jacksonville State |
| Tackles | Dean Sanders* | North Alabama |
| | Alvin Wright* | Jacksonville State |
| Nose Guard | Leonard Jackson* | Livingston |
| Linebackers | Lenny Parker* | Valdosta State |
| | Greg Magee | Tennessee-Martin |
| Backs | Paul Meyerchick* | Mississippi College |
| | Rod Brooks* | North Alabama |
| | Ralph Battle* | Jacksonville State |
| | Thomas Clark | Troy State |
| Punter | Bryan Watts | West Georgia |

* - A 1983 pre-season pick as well

Final 1983 Standings

| Team | GSC | Pct. | PF | PA | O'all | Pct. | PF | PA |
|---------------------|-----|-------|-----|-----|--------|------|-----|-----|
| North Alabama | 8-0 | 1.000 | 273 | 101 | 11-1-1 | .885 | 418 | 182 |
| Mississippi College | 4-3 | .571 | 136 | 104 | 8-3-0 | .727 | 241 | 157 |
| Troy State | 4-3 | .571 | 210 | 112 | 7-4-0 | .636 | 263 | 222 |
| Jacksonville State | 4-4 | .500 | 182 | 163 | 6-5-0 | .545 | 239 | 191 |
| Livingston | 4-4 | .500 | 179 | 146 | 6-4-0 | .600 | 242 | 165 |
| Tennessee-Martin | 3-4 | .428 | 112 | 160 | 4-7-0 | .365 | 143 | 282 |
| Delta State | 3-5 | .375 | 199 | 234 | 5-5-0 | .500 | 242 | 273 |
| VALDOSTA STATE | 2-5 | .286 | 95 | 149 | 5-6-0 | .455 | 171 | 233 |
| West Georgia | 1-5 | .166 | 73 | 174 | 4-6-0 | .400 | 163 | 249 |

Pre-Season Coaches Poll

1. North Alabama, 60 (5)
2. Troy State, 54 (1)
3. Mississippi College, 46 (2)
4. Livingston, 42 (1)
5. Delta State, 37
6. Jacksonville State, 36
7. VALDOSTA STATE, 23
8. Tennessee-Martin, 15
9. West Georgia, 11

Pre-Season All-Conference Team

OFFENSE

| Position | Player | School |
|--------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Tight End | Harold Stanfield | Mississippi College |
| Tackles | Scott Shirley | North Alabama |
| | Drew Blackburn | Mississippi College |
| Guards | Mike Rozier | Livingston |
| Mitch Geier | Troy State | |
| Center | Mike Shackelford | West Georgia |
| Quarterback | Scott Butler | Delta State |
| Running Backs | Trevon Daniels | West Georgia |
| | Stanley Gill | North Alabama |
| Wide Receivers | Andrew Fields | Livingston |
| | Kyle Finney | Delta State |
| Kicker | Keith Kasnic | Tennessee-Martin |

DEFENSE

| | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Ends | Kyle McGovern | Jacksonville State |
| | Angelo Snipes | West Georgia |
| Tackles | Earl Conway | Mississippi College |
| | Dean Sanders | North Alabama |
| Nose Guard | Alvin Wright | Jacksonville State |
| Linebackers | Lenny Parker | Valdosta State |
| | Alonzo Blackmon | Jacksonville State |
| | Robert Bradley | Troy State |
| Backs | Dallis Smith | Valdosta State |
| | Richard Groover | Livingston |
| | Daryl Smith | North Alabama |
| | Thomas Clark | Troy State |
| Punter | Bryan Watts | West Georgia |

1984 Valdosta State

| No. | Name | Pos. | Ht. | Wt. | Class | Exp. | Hometown/High School |
|-----|--------------------|------|------|-----|-------|------|---------------------------------|
| | Tom Annexstad | QB | 6-1 | 192 | Fr. | RS | Norcross, GA/Carmel, IL |
| | Greg Anson | DT | 5-9 | 225 | Fr. | RS | Atlanta, GA/ |
| 72 | Bryan Banks | OT | 6-2 | 237 | Fr. | RS | Albany, GA/Dougherty |
| 24 | Brad Bauer | K | 6-0 | 185 | Jr. | 2L | Ft. Lauderdale, FL/Northeast |
| | Pernell Bee | RB | 5-9 | 186 | So. | 1L | Valdosta, GA/Valdosta |
| 77 | Thaddeus Bell | DT | 6-2 | 270 | Jr. | JC | Rochester, NY/ |
| 52 | Andy Blanchard | LB | 6-1 | 215 | Jr. | JC | Seminole, FL/ |
| 56 | Elson Bolar | NG | 6-0 | 235 | Sr. | 1L | Daphne, AL/Fairhope |
| 60 | Keith Bonnell | OT | 6-1 | 272 | So. | 1L | Dalton, GA/Dalton |
| 30 | Terrence Brisbon | RB | 5-7 | 167 | Fr. | RS | Jacksonville, FL/Bishop Kenny |
| 44 | Vince Capece | LB | 6-1 | 220 | Jr. | 2L | Tallahassee, FL/Leon |
| | Davy Carter | QB | 6-1 | 170 | Fr. | RS | Nashville, GA/Berrien Co. |
| | Ed Carter | LB | 6-0 | 211 | Jr. | JC | Atlanta, GA/Tucker |
| 87 | Cary Cody | WR | 5-11 | 193 | So. | 1L | Pelham, GA/Pelham |
| 68 | Kevin Cotton | OG | 6-0 | 225 | Fr. | RS | Leesburg, GA/Lee Co. |
| 7 | Vic Crawford | CB | 5-10 | 175 | Fr. | RS | St. Petersburg, FL/ |
| | Glenn Creech | WR | 6-0 | 187 | Fr. | RS | Albany, GA/Albany |
| | David Duncan | S | 5-11 | 178 | Fr. | RS | Haddock, GA/ |
| 62 | Chuck Dunmon | OG | 6-4 | 237 | Jr. | 2L | Americus, GA/Southland |
| 13 | Jimmy Francis | CB | 5-8 | 155 | Jr. | 2L | Thomasville, GA/Thomasville |
| 70 | James Gibson | NG | 6-1 | 243 | So. | 1L | Brunswick, GA/Brunswick |
| | Tracy Giddens | WR | 5-9 | 162 | Fr. | RS | Sandersville, GA/Washington Co. |
| 83 | Terry Graham | WR | 6-1 | 188 | Jr. | RS | Mt. Olive, NC/ |
| 82 | Kevin Gray | WR | 6-1 | 200 | Jr. | JC | Fairhope, AL/Fairhope |
| 54 | Ryan Grubb | LB | 6-1 | 214 | Fr. | RS | |
| 85 | Wayne Hamm | TE | 6-2 | 216 | Jr. | 2L | Gray, GA/Jones Co. |
| 5 | Jeff Hanton | CB | 5-9 | 168 | Jr. | 2L | Brunswick, GA/Brunswick |
| 4 | Derrick Harris | CB | 5-8 | 178 | Sr. | 1L | Warren, OH/Warren Reserve |
| | Mike Henry | OG | 6-0 | 215 | So. | 1L | Winter Park, FL/Winter Park |
| | Jeff Hooks | S | 5-9 | 183 | Fr. | RS | Gainesville, FL/Gainesville |
| 12 | Doug Hunter | QB | 6-1 | 193 | Jr. | 1L | Gainesville, FL/Gainesville |
| 34 | Jerome Jackson | RB | 5-11 | 201 | Jr. | 2L | Quitman, GA/Brooks Co. |
| 45 | Kenny Jennings | S | 6-0 | 185 | Jr. | 1L | Keystone Hts., FL/Keystone Hts. |
| 63 | Mark Lawson | LB | 6-1 | 198 | Jr. | 2L | Sneads, FL/Sneads |
| 50 | Ray Lloyd | C | 6-2 | 251 | So. | 1L | Cordele, GA/Brunswick |
| 14 | Terry Mallory | QB | 6-1 | 182 | So. | 1L | Tampa, FL/Chamberlain |
| 84 | Derryl Mason | WR | 5-10 | 198 | So. | 1L | Yulee, FL/Fernandina Beach |
| 35 | Timmy Massey | S | 5-11 | 174 | Jr. | 2L | Woodbine, GA/Camden Co. |
| 26 | Alex McKinnie | RB | 5-9 | 180 | Jr. | 2L | Campbellton, FL/Graceville |
| 28 | Clifton Montgomery | RB | 5-7 | 171 | Jr. | JC | Fairhope, AL/Fairhope |

NUMERICAL

| No. | Name | Pos. | No. | Name | Pos. |
|-----|--------------------|------|-----|---------------------|------|
| 1 | Quinton Reed | S | 30 | Terrence Brisbon | RB |
| 4 | Derrick Harris | CB | 31 | Keith Moore | K |
| 5 | Jeff Hanton | CB | 32 | Mike Williams | RB |
| 6 | Dennis Smith | S | 33 | Max Vickers | RB |
| 7 | Vic Crawford | CB | 34 | Jerome Jackson | RB |
| | | | 35 | Timmy Massey | S |
| 12 | Doug Hunter | QB | 36 | Emmitt Watkins | S |
| 13 | Jimmy Francis | CB | | | |
| 14 | Terry Mallory | QB | 40 | Fitzgerald Williams | S |
| 18 | Geoff Walters | QB | 43 | Anthony Smith | LB |
| | | | 44 | Vince Capece | LB |
| 21 | Dallis Smith | CB | 45 | Kenny Jennings | S |
| 22 | Drew Sauls | WR | 47 | Freddy Thomas | LB |
| 23 | Homer Sanders | CB | 49 | Cedric Williams | NG |
| 24 | Brad Bauer | K | | | |
| 25 | Wilbur Williams | RB | 50 | Ray Lloyd | C |
| 26 | Alex McKinnie | RB | 51 | Lenny Parker | LB |
| 28 | Clifton Montgomery | RB | 52 | Andy Blanchard | LB |

Alphabetical Roster

(Incoming Freshmen Not Included)

| No. | Name | Pos. | Ht. | Wt. | Class | Exp. | Hometown/High School |
|-----|---------------------|------|------|-----|-------|------|---|
| 31 | Keith Moore | K | 6-2 | 176 | So. | 1L | Augusta, GA/Aquinas |
| | Mike Moscrip | WR | 5-10 | 160 | Fr. | RS | Melbourne, FL/Eau Gallie |
| 94 | John Norris | DT | 6-2 | 232 | Fr. | RS | Moultrie, GA/Pineland |
| 51 | Lenny Parker | LB | 5-11 | 234 | Sr. | 1L | Berwyn Heights, MD/Parkdale |
| 73 | Don Pumphrey | OT | 6-3 | 232 | Jr. | JC | Tallahassee, FL/ |
| 78 | Jerry Randall | DE | 6-4 | 230 | Jr. | RS | Birmingham, AL/ |
| 74 | Buddy Ratledge | OT | 6-3 | 283 | So. | 1L | Sweetwater, TN/Sweetwater |
| 80 | Ben Reaves | TE | 6-1 | 199 | So. | 1L | Valdosta, GA/Valdosta |
| 93 | Keith Reddings | DE | 6-1 | 204 | So. | 1L | Brunswick, GA/Brunswick |
| 1 | Quinton Reed | S | 5-11 | 174 | Jr. | 1L | Panama City, FL/Mosley |
| 75 | Robert Renfro | DT | 6-3 | 247 | Sr. | 1L | Marietta, GA/Wheeler |
| | Rusty Rivers | OG | 6-1 | 215 | So. | RS | Ft. Myers, FL/Riverdale |
| 23 | Homer Sanders | CB | 5-10 | 183 | So. | 1L | Tampa, FL/King |
| 22 | Drew Sauls | WR | 5-7 | 165 | Fr. | RS | Callahan, FL/West Nassau |
| 76 | Frank Scantling | DT | 6-3 | 286 | So. | RS | Jacksonville, FL/Wolfson |
| 58 | Andy Sharpless | OG | 6-2 | 220 | Jr. | 2L | Atlanta, GA/Peachtree |
| | Pat Sharpton | CB | 5-11 | 164 | Fr. | RS | Jacksonville, FL/Ribault |
| 79 | Dean Siegel | DE | 6-2 | 216 | Jr. | JC | Miami, FL/ |
| 43 | Anthony Smith | LB | 5-9 | 200 | So. | 1L | Douglas, GA/Coffee |
| 21 | Dallis Smith | CB | 5-11 | 158 | So. | 1L | Albany, GA/Westover |
| 6 | Dennis Smith | S | 5-11 | 158 | So. | 1L | Albany, GA/Westover |
| 53 | Jerome Smith | DE | 6-2 | 200 | So. | 1L | Hinesville, GA/Bradwell Institute |
| | Mike Smolchek | TE | 5-10 | 200 | So. | RS | Sarasota, FL/Riverview |
| | Joey Spresser | RB | 5-8 | 174 | Fr. | RS | Tampa, FL/Chamberlain |
| | Ed Stevenson | RB | 6-0 | 205 | Fr. | RS | Leesburg, GA/Lee Co. |
| 66 | Dan Strickland | DT | 6-1 | 225 | So. | 1L | Patterson, GA/Pierce Co. |
| | Bobby Sumner | S | 6-0 | 185 | Fr. | RS | Jesup, GA/Wayne Co. |
| 71 | R. D. Swain | OG | 6-2 | 240 | So. | 1L | Cairo, GA/Cario |
| 47 | Freddy Thomas | LB | 6-0 | 223 | Fr. | RS | Albany, GA/Dougherty |
| | Joel Thomas | WR | 5-10 | 188 | Fr. | RS | Atlanta, GA/ |
| 88 | Jessie Tuggle | DE | 5-11 | 200 | So. | 1L | Griffin, GA/Griffin |
| 64 | John Turley | DE | 5-11 | 195 | Jr. | JC | Morristown, TN/Morristown East |
| 33 | Max Vickers | RB | 5-10 | 197 | So. | 1L | Douglas, GA/Coffee |
| | Richard Walewski | QB | 6-2 | 187 | Fr. | RS | Miami, FL/Sunset |
| 99 | Jay Walls | DT | 6-3 | 241 | Jr. | 1L | Panama City, FL/Rutherford |
| 18 | Geoff Walters | QB | 6-1 | 187 | Fr. | RS | Birmingham, AL/Banks |
| 36 | Emmitt Watkins | S | 5-11 | 196 | So. | RS | Starke, FL/Bradford Co. |
| | Al White | CB | 5-10 | 175 | Fr. | RS | Atlanta, GA/Chamblee |
| 55 | Bill Wilhelm | OG | 6-1 | 200 | Fr. | 1L | Umatilla, FL/Umatilla |
| 49 | Cedric Williams | NG | 5-10 | 247 | Fr. | RS | Ft. Walton Beach, FL/ Choctawhatchee |
| 40 | Fitzgerald Williams | S | 5-10 | 182 | Fr. | RS | Blackshear, GA/Pierce Co. |
| 25 | Mike Williams | RB | 6-0 | 215 | Jr. | JC | Fairhope, AL/Fairhope |
| 11 | Wilbur Williams | RB | 5-7 | 181 | Fr. | RS | Woodbine, GA/Camden Co. |

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| No. | Name | Pos. | No. | Name | Pos. |
|-----|----------------|------|-----|-----------------|------|
| 53 | Jerome Smith | DE | 76 | Frank Scantling | DT |
| 54 | Ryan Grubb | LB | 77 | Thaddeus Bell | DT |
| 55 | Bill Wilhelm | OG | 78 | Jerry Randall | DE |
| 56 | Elson Bolar | NG | 79 | Dean Siegel | DE |
| 58 | Andy Sharpless | OG | | | |
| 60 | Keith Bonnell | OG | 80 | Ben Reaves | TE |
| 62 | Chuck Dunmon | OG | 81 | Ken Fasnacht | WR |
| 63 | Mark Lawson | LB | 82 | Kevin Gray | WR |
| 64 | John Turley | DE | 83 | Terry Graham | WR |
| 66 | Dan Strickland | DT | 84 | Derryl Mason | WR |
| 68 | Kevin Cotton | OB | 85 | Wayne Hamm | TE |
| | | | 87 | Cary Cody | WR |
| | | | 88 | Jessie Tuggle | DE |
| 70 | James Gibson | NG | | | |
| 71 | R. D. Swain | OT | 92 | Robert Renfro | DT |
| 73 | Don Pumphrey | OT | 93 | Keith Reddings | DE |
| 74 | Buddy Ratledge | OT | 94 | John Norris | DT |
| 75 | Bryan Banks | OT | 99 | Jay Walls | DT |

Strong Finish Makes '83 Season 'Respectable'



Valdosta State shook off a mid-season slump during which the Blazers lost three straight games and finished very strong, winning the final three outings to end the year with a respectable 5-6 record in its second season of football.

The Blazers again faced rugged Gulf South Conference rival Mississippi College in their opener, and even the home field advantage was little help as the Choctaws pulled away in the second half for a 26-3 win.

Another conference game at Troy State followed and a missed extra point attempt proved fatal as Valdosta State fell 13-12. The Blazers returned home for game 3 and picked up their first win of the year, escaping with a 14-10 victory over Savannah State by scoring on a 58-yard bomb with less than two minutes left in the game.

Then came the slump. Valdosta State was blanked by Central Florida 20-0 in the Tangerine Bowl before returning home for Homecoming and a GSC game against Delta State. The Blazers jumped to a 13-0 lead, were up 16-7 at halftime but could muster no offense after intermission and lost 24-16. GSC foe Jacksonville State came to town for game 6 and manhandled VSC 37-11.

Then came the recovery. Playing arch rival

and conference opponent West Georgia in the first Riverbend Classic in Columbus, Valdosta State rallied from a 10-3 halftime deficit, putting 17 second half points on the board to win 20-13. After a 27-0 loss to eventual conference champion North Alabama the next week on the road, the Blazers hit their stride down the stretch, ringing up three wins, all in impressive fashion.

VSC built a comfortable lead at home against Kentucky State before settling for a 32-20 win. Traveling to Livingston the next week for their final league game, the underdog Blazers surprised the Tigers with an excellent ground game that wiped out an early 7-0 Livingston lead and produced a 29-14 victory.

In the season finale at home against intrastate rival Georgia Southern, Valdosta State exploded in the first half for 31 points on the way to a big 34-29 win in front of 8000 happy fans.

The Blazers' secondary led the conference in pass defense, allowing only 119 air yards a game. Kickoff returner Derrick Harris set a new league record for total return yards, bringing back 21 kicks 610 yards.

1983 Game-by-Game

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE 3-26

| | VSC | MC |
|---------------|---------|--------|
| First Downs | 15 | 16 |
| Yards Rushing | 89 | 242 |
| Yards Passing | 212 | 93 |
| Passes | 35-15-2 | 12-4-0 |
| Punting | 8-40.4 | 7-44.1 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 2-1 | 2-0 |
| Return Yards | 17 | 94 |
| Penalties | 7-58 | 9-73 |

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|-----|----|---|---|----|---|----|
| VSC | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | - | 3 |
| MC | 10 | 0 | 6 | 10 | - | 26 |

VSC Leaders — Rushing: Henry Chubb 13-52; Passing: Steve Griffin 24-9-1-139; Receiving: Kelvin Sheppard 7-122; Tackles: Cliff Fouty 0-15 = 15.

TROY STATE 12-13

| | VSC | TSU |
|---------------|---------|--------|
| First Downs | 12 | 19 |
| Yards Rushing | 119 | 232 |
| Yards Passing | 78 | 69 |
| Passes | 20-11-1 | 11-5-0 |
| Punting | 7-42.7 | 7-37.1 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 2-1 | 4-2 |
| Return Yards | 5 | 0 |
| Penalties | 6-54 | 4-30 |

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|-----|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| VSC | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | - | 12 |
| TSU | 7 | 0 | 0 | 6 | - | 13 |

VSC Leaders — Rushing: Tracy Soles 19-60; Passing: Steve Griffin 20-11-1-78; Receiving: Kelvin Sheppard 3-37; Tackles: Lenny Parker 9-3 = 12.

SAVANNAH STATE 14-10

| | VSC | SSC |
|---------------|--------|---------|
| First Downs | 8 | 21 |
| Yards Rushing | 68 | 138 |
| Yards Passing | 80 | 147 |
| Passes | 18-5-1 | 34-18-2 |
| Punting | 8-36.3 | 4-31.0 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 4-2 | 4-3 |
| Return Yards | 53 | 3 |
| Penalties | 8-100 | 4-38 |

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|-----|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| VSC | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | - | 14 |
| SSC | 0 | 3 | 0 | 7 | - | 10 |

VSC Leaders — Rushing: Alton Battle 11-44; Passing: Doug Hunter 7-1-1-58; Receiving: Tracy Soles 2-73; Tackles: Lenny Parker 3-15 = 18.

CENTRAL FLORIDA 0-20

| | VSC | UCF |
|---------------|--------|---------|
| First Downs | 10 | 21 |
| Yards Rushing | 122 | 270 |
| Yards Passing | 73 | 139 |
| First Downs | 10 | 21 |
| Passes | 22-5-1 | 21-13-0 |
| Punting | 9-35.0 | 6-36.7 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 4-2 | 3-0 |
| Return Yards | 110 | 32 |
| Penalties | 7-46 | 5-40 |

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|-----|---|----|---|---|---|----|
| VSC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 0 |
| UCF | 0 | 10 | 3 | 7 | - | 20 |

VSC Leaders — Rushing: Henry Chubb 5-59; Passing: Doug Hunter 18-4-1-70;

CENTRAL FLORIDA (Cont'd.)

Receiving: Kelvin Sheppard 2-33; Tackles: Lenny Parker 7-7 = 14.

DELTA STATE 16-24

| | VSC | DSU |
|---------------|--------|---------|
| First Downs | 10 | 20 |
| Yards Rushing | 50 | 161 |
| Yards Passing | 120 | 189 |
| Passes | 31-9-2 | 31-13-2 |
| Punting | 9-35.8 | 4-36.8 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 6-4 | 8-5 |
| Return Yards | 19 | 53 |
| Penalties | 9-78 | 6-50 |

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|-----|----|---|---|----|---|----|
| VSC | 13 | 3 | 0 | 0 | - | 16 |
| DSU | 0 | 7 | 7 | 10 | - | 24 |

VSC Leaders — Rushing: Tracy Soles 9-16; Passing: Terry Mallory 31-9-2-120; Receiving: Brad Martin 3-45; Tackles: Lenny Parker 6-10 = 16.

JACKSONVILLE STATE 11-37

| | VSC | JSU |
|---------------|--------|---------|
| First Downs | 13 | 24 |
| Yards Rushing | 191 | 254 |
| Yards Passing | 118 | 177 |
| Passes | 13-6-2 | 23-13-2 |
| Punting | 6-35.8 | 3-38.0 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 2-1 | 3-3 |
| Return Yards | 54 | 149 |
| Penalties | 2-20 | 4-40 |

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|-----|---|----|----|---|---|----|
| VSC | 0 | 3 | 0 | 8 | - | 11 |
| JSU | 7 | 16 | 14 | 0 | - | 37 |

VSC Leaders - Rushing: Tracy Soles 10-52; Passing: Terry Mallory 12-6-1-118; Receiving: Jerome Jackson 3-56; Tackles: Lenny Parker 3-9 = 12.

WEST GEORGIA 20-13

| | VSC | WGC |
|---------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs | 12 | 12 |
| Yards Rushing | 181 | 137 |
| Yards Passing | 121 | 28 |
| Passes | 10-7-1 | 16-4-1 |
| Punting | 6-37.6 | 8-42.3 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 3-1 | 0-0 |
| Return Yards | 36 | 11 |
| Penalties | 7-60 | 1-5 |

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|-----|---|----|---|----|---|----|
| VSC | 0 | 3 | 7 | 10 | - | 20 |
| WGC | 0 | 10 | 0 | 3 | - | 13 |

VSC Leaders — Rushing: Henry Chubb 18-80; Passing: Terry Mallory 10-7-1-121; Receiving: Henry Chubb 1-52; Tackles: Robert Renfro 1-8 = 9.

NORTH ALABAMA 0-27

| | VSC | UNA |
|---------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs | 11 | 12 |
| Yards Rushing | 87 | 149 |
| Yards Passing | 113 | 20 |
| Passes | 23-8-1 | 14-2-1 |
| Punting | 9-36.5 | 8-28.8 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 7-5 | 0-0 |
| Return Yards | 6 | 55 |
| Penalties | 4-30 | 9-50 |

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|-----|---|---|---|----|---|----|
| VSC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 0 |
| UNA | 0 | 0 | 6 | 21 | - | 27 |

VSC Leaders — Rushing: Pernell Bee

NORTH ALABAMA (Cont'd.)

4-58; Passing: Terry Mallory 16-5-1-58; Receiving: Mike Scantling 1-30; Tackles: Lenny Parker 9-2 = 11.

KENTUCKY STATE 32-20

| | VSC | KSU |
|---------------|--------|---------|
| First Downs | 21 | 18 |
| Yards Rushing | 327 | 165 |
| Yards Passing | 68 | 181 |
| Passes | 10-5-1 | 23-12-2 |
| Punting | 6-41.3 | 7-38.3 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 3-2 | 5-3 |
| Return Yards | 35 | 41 |
| Penalties | 3-25 | 6-37 |

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|-----|---|---|----|----|---|----|
| VSC | 7 | 7 | 12 | 6 | - | 32 |
| KSU | 0 | 0 | 7 | 13 | - | 20 |

VSC Leaders — Rushing: Tracy Soles 21-162; Passing: Terry Mallory 9-5-1-68; Receiving: Tracy Soles 2-28; Tackles: Lenny Parker 5-7 = 12.

LIVINGSTON 29-14

| | VSC | LU |
|---------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs | 19 | 12 |
| Yards Rushing | 273 | 155 |
| Yards Passing | 27 | 74 |
| Passes | 5-2-0 | 27-7-1 |
| Punting | 6-30.2 | 9-31.8 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 4-2 | 4-2 |
| Return Yards | 79 | 7 |
| Penalties | 10-83 | 12-123 |

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|-----|---|----|---|----|---|----|
| VSC | 0 | 19 | 0 | 10 | - | 29 |
| LU | 0 | 7 | 7 | 0 | - | 14 |

VSC Leaders — Rushing: Henry Chubb 30-159; Passing: Terry Mallory 5-2-0-27; Receiving: Mike Scantling 1-15; Tackles: Cliff Fouty 5-2 = 7.

GEORGIA SOUTHERN 34-29

| | VSC | GSC |
|---------------|--------|---------|
| First Downs | 12 | 21 |
| Yards Rushing | 159 | 176 |
| Yards Passing | 166 | 202 |
| Passes | 10-6-1 | 25-13-3 |
| Punting | 5-38.0 | 4-29.8 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 2-0 | 4-2 |
| Return Yards | 24 | 59 |
| Penalties | 8-63 | 7-65 |

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|-----|----|----|---|----|---|----|
| VSC | 14 | 17 | 0 | 3 | - | 34 |
| GSC | 9 | 3 | 7 | 10 | - | 29 |

VSC Leaders — Rushing: Tracy Soles 21-78; Passing: Terry Mallory 10-6-1-166; Receiving: Kelvin Sheppard 4-109; Tackles: Timmy Massey 4-5 = 9.



Final 1983 Football Statistics

Overall Record: 5-6

GSC: 2-5

| | VSC | OPP |
|----------------------|-------|-------|
| TOTAL FIRST DOWNS | 144 | 195 |
| Rushing | 88 | 121 |
| Passing | 47 | 57 |
| Penalty | 9 | 17 |
| RUSHING ATTEMPTS | 492 | 553 |
| Yards Gained | 2046 | 2358 |
| Yards Lost | 384 | 243 |
| Net Yards | 1662 | 2115 |
| Avg. Per Game | 151.0 | 192.3 |
| PASSING ATTEMPTS | 197 | 237 |
| Completions | 79 | 104 |
| Net Yards | 1176 | 1319 |
| Avg. Per Game | 106.9 | 119.9 |
| OFFENSIVE PLAYS | 689 | 786 |
| Total Offense | 2838 | 3434 |
| Avg. Per Game | 257.9 | 312.2 |
| NUMBER OF PUNTS | 79 | 67 |
| Avg. Per Punt | 37.2 | 36.1 |
| PUNT RETURNS | 33 | 31 |
| Yards | 224 | 227 |
| Avg. Per Return | 6.8 | 7.3 |
| KICKOFF RETURNS | 34 | 32 |
| Yards | 802 | 658 |
| Avg. Per Return | 23.6 | 20.6 |
| INTERCEPTION RETURNS | 14 | 13 |
| Yards | 127 | 203 |
| Avg. Per Return | 9.1 | 15.6 |
| PENALTIES | 71 | 67 |
| Yards | 617 | 551 |
| FUMBLES/LOST | 39/21 | 37/20 |
| TOUCHDOWNS | 22 | 27 |
| Rushing | 13 | 19 |
| Passing | 8 | 6 |
| Other | 1 | 2 |
| EXTRA POINTS | 14-22 | 23-27 |
| By Kicking | 13-18 | 23-25 |
| Other | 1-4 | 0-2 |
| FIELD GOALS | 8-13 | 16-22 |
| TOTAL POINTS | 171 | 233 |
| Avg. Per Game | 15.5 | 21.2 |

| SCORE BY QUARTERS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | TP |
|-------------------|----|----|----|----|-----|
| Opponents | 33 | 56 | 57 | 87 | 233 |
| Valdosta State | 47 | 55 | 25 | 44 | 171 |

| SCHEDULE AND ATTENDANCE | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 3. Mississippi College | 26 4500 |
| 12. at Troy State | 13 4000 |
| 14. Savannah State | 10 5000 |
| 0. at Central Florida | 20 12,777 |
| 16. Delta State | 24 4000 |
| 11. Jacksonville State | 37 3000 |
| 20. West Georgia | 13 (Columbus) 6500 |
| 0. at North Alabama | 27 8000 |
| 32. Kentucky State | 20 4000 |
| 29. at Livingston | 14 3000 |
| 34. Georgia Southern | 29 8000 |

| SCORING | TD | PAT | 2-PT | FG | TP |
|-----------------|----|-----|------|----|----|
| Tracy Soles | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 54 |
| Keith Moore | 0 | 13 | 0 | 7 | 34 |
| Kelvin Sheppard | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Jerome Jackson | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Henry Chubb | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Brad Martin | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |

| RUSHING | G | ATT | GAIN | LOSS | NET | AVG | TD |
|-----------------|----|-----|------|------|------|-----|----|
| Henry Chubb | 11 | 121 | 680 | 12 | 668 | 5.5 | 2 |
| Tracy Soles | 9 | 112 | 527 | 37 | 490 | 4.4 | 7 |
| Jerome Jackson | 10 | 57 | 199 | 19 | 180 | 3.1 | 2 |
| Alton Battle | 8 | 43 | 119 | 12 | 107 | 2.5 | 1 |
| Pernell Bee | 6 | 24 | 114 | 16 | 98 | 4.1 | 0 |
| Max Vickers | 5 | 12 | 60 | 2 | 58 | 4.8 | 0 |
| Terry Mallory | 8 | 75 | 240 | 189 | 51 | 0.7 | 0 |
| Steve Griffin | 3 | 11 | 38 | 18 | 20 | 1.6 | 0 |
| Alex McKinnie | 1 | 3 | 15 | 0 | 15 | 5.0 | 1 |
| Kelvin Sheppard | 11 | 3 | 3 | 5 | -2 | 0 | 0 |
| Doug Hunter | 6 | 31 | 51 | 74 | -23 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 11 | 492 | 2046 | 384 | 1662 | 3.4 | 13 |

| PASSING | ATT | COMP | INT | PCT | YDS | TD |
|---------------|-----|------|-----|------|------|----|
| Terry Mallory | 98 | 41 | 7 | .418 | 681 | 6 |
| Doug Hunter | 43 | 14 | 3 | .326 | 256 | 1 |
| Steve Griffin | 55 | 24 | 2 | .436 | 239 | 1 |
| Pernell Bee | 1 | 0 | 1 | .000 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 197 | 79 | 13 | .401 | 1176 | 8 |

| RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AvgPC | CPG | TD |
|-----------------|----|------|-------|-----|----|
| Kelvin Sheppard | 22 | 388 | 17.6 | 2.0 | 3 |
| Brad Martin | 13 | 177 | 13.6 | 1.2 | 1 |
| Tracy Soles | 7 | 160 | 22.9 | 0.8 | 2 |
| Jerome Jackson | 8 | 125 | 15.6 | 0.8 | 1 |
| Henry Chubb | 8 | 79 | 9.9 | 0.7 | 0 |
| Deryll Mason | 6 | 76 | 12.7 | 0.9 | 0 |
| Wayne Hamm | 5 | 64 | 12.8 | 0.4 | 1 |
| Ken Fasnacht | 6 | 59 | 9.8 | 0.5 | 0 |
| Mike Scantling | 2 | 45 | 22.5 | 0.2 | 0 |
| Alton Battle | 2 | 3 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 79 | 1176 | 14.8 | 7.2 | 8 |

| PUNT RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | TD |
|----------------|----|-----|-----|----|
| Derrick Harris | 24 | 155 | 6.5 | 1 |
| Jimmy Francis | 9 | 69 | 7.7 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 33 | 224 | 6.8 | 1 |

| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | TD |
|-----------------|----|-----|------|----|
| Derrick Harris | 21 | 610 | 29.0 | 0 |
| Kelvin Sheppard | 8 | 134 | 16.8 | 0 |
| Tracy Soles | 3 | 58 | 19.3 | 0 |
| Others | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 34 | 802 | 23.6 | 0 |

| INTERCEPT. RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | TD |
|--------------------|----|-----|------|----|
| Dallis Smith | 5 | 91 | 18.2 | 0 |
| Lenny Parker | 1 | 14 | 14.0 | 0 |
| Quinton Reed | 3 | 11 | 3.7 | 0 |
| Derrick Harris | 1 | 7 | 7.0 | 0 |
| Cliff Fouty | 1 | 4 | 4.0 | 0 |
| Jimmy Francis | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 |
| Timmy Massey | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 14 | 127 | 9.1 | 0 |

| PUNTING | NO | YDS | AVG | LONG |
|---------------|----|------|------|------|
| Terry Mallory | 76 | 2859 | 37.6 | 56 |
| Brad Bauer | 2 | 80 | 40.0 | 46 |
| Team | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 79 | 2939 | 37.2 | 56 |

| SCORING | TD | PAT | 2-PT | FG | TP |
|----------------|----|-----|------|----|----|
| Alex McKinnie | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Alton Battle | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Derrick Harris | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Wayne Hamm | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Luis Reveiz | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Ben Reaves | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

| | UT | AT | TOTAL | FOR LOSS | FUMBLE RECOVERY | PASS INT. | PASS BRUP | PASS SACK |
|---------------------|----|----|-------|----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Lenny Parker, LB | 47 | 76 | 123 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Cliff Fouty, LB | 26 | 52 | 78 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Timmy Massey, FS/SS | 40 | 26 | 66 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 0 |
| Elson Bolar, NG | 25 | 36 | 61 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 1/2 |
| Keith Reddings, DE | 31 | 26 | 57 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Curtis Thompson, LB | 24 | 33 | 57 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Quinton Reed, SS | 25 | 20 | 45 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 0 |
| Dallis Smith, CB | 24 | 19 | 43 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 12 | 0 |
| Robert Renfro, DT | 19 | 24 | 43 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |

| | UT | AT | TOTAL | FOR LOSS | FUMBLE RECOVERY | PASS INT. | PASS BRUP | PASS SACK |
|---------------------|----|----|-------|----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Jessie Tuggle, DE | 22 | 18 | 40 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Anthony Newsome, DE | 18 | 21 | 39 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Jay Walls, DT | 18 | 20 | 38 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Derrick Harris, CB | 18 | 8 | 26 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 0 |
| Jimmy Francis, CB | 12 | 12 | 24 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| Pete Shutters, NG | 9 | 14 | 23 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Dennis Smith, FS | 12 | 11 | 23 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| John Gray, DT | 9 | 10 | 19 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jeff Hanton, CB | 9 | 9 | 18 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |

INDIVIDUAL IN A GAME

Most Points — 18, Tracy Soles vs. Kentucky State *
 Longest run from scrimmage for TD — 55, Henry Chubb vs. Livingston*
 Longest run from scrimmage, no score — 52, Pernell Bee vs. North Alabama*
 Longest pass for TD — 58, Doug Hunter to Soles vs. Savannah State
 Longest pass, no score — 52, Terry Mallory to Chubb vs. West Georgia
 Longest punt return for TD — 62, Derrick Harris vs. Livingston*
 Longest punt return, no score — 32, Harris vs. Jacksonville State*
 Longest kickoff return, no score — 73, Harris vs. Georgia Southern*
 Longest punt — 56, Mallory vs. Savannah State*
 Most passes attempted — 31, Mallory vs. Delta State
 Most passes completed — 11, Steve Griffin vs. Troy State

Most passes caught — 7, Kelvin Sheppard vs. Mississippi College
 Most yards passing — 139, Griffin vs. Mississippi College
 Most yardage by receiver — 122, Sheppard vs. Mississippi College
 Most rushing attempts — 30, Chubb vs. Livingston*
 Most yards rushing — 162, Soles vs. Kentucky State*
 Most total offense attempts — 42, Mallory vs. Delta State
 Most yards total offense — 162, Mallory vs. West Georgia; Soles vs. Kentucky State
 Most field goals attempted — 4, Keith Moore vs. Georgia Southern*
 Most field goals made — 2, Moore vs. West Georgia and Georgia Southern*
 Most PATs attempted — 4, Moore vs. Kentucky State and Georgia Southern
 Most PATs made — 4, Moore vs. Georgia Southern

* Ties record * New record

TEAM IN A GAME

Most rushing plays — 69 vs. Livingston*
 Most yards rushing — 327 vs. Kentucky St.*
 Most passes attempted — 35 vs. MC
 Most passes completed — 15 vs. MC

Most yards passing — 212 vs. MC
 Most yards total offense — 395 vs. KSU
 Most first downs — 21 vs. Kentucky St.*
 Most fumbles — 7 vs. North Alabama*

Most fumbles lost — 5 vs. North Ala.*
 Longest TD — 62-yard punt return vs. LU*
 Most yards penalized — 100 vs. SSC
 Most plays — 74 vs. Livingston

* New record



VSC Opponents



CLARK

Sept. 8, 8:00 p.m. (EDT),
Cleveland Field, Valdosta, Ga.

Location: Atlanta, Ga. Enrollment: 1800. Conference: Southern Intercollegiate Athletic. Nickname: Panthers. Colors: Red & Black. Stadium: Herndon (13,000). Athletic Director: Dr. Edward McLean. Head Coach: Jesse McClardy (Clark, 1957). Record: 40-60 (10 years). Assistants: Elmer Mixon, Curtis Crockett, Phillip McCrary. Lettermen Returning: 35. Starters Returning: 6 off., 4 def. Systems: Multiple, 4-3. Series Record: First meeting. Sports Information Director: Deric Gilliard, SID's Phone: (404) 681-3080, Ext. 828 (office). Top Players: OG Terrow Davis, RB Anthony Smith, C Anthony Reed, DB Jerome Young, DE Russell Sibert, DT Ronnie Millen.

1984 Schedule

S 8 at VALDOSTA STATE
S 22 Tuskegee Institute
S 29 Fort Valley State
O 6 at Lane
O 13 Savannah State
O 27 at Albany State
N 3 at Alabama A&M
N 10 Morehouse
N 22 Morris Brown

1983 Results (2-7)

26 Baptist 2
17 Tuskegee Institute 20
15 Fort Valley State 40
12 Savannah State 21
28 Kentucky State 22
9 Albany State 49
5 Alabama A&M 28
7 Morehouse 39
10 Morris Brown 19



SAVANNAH STATE

Sept. 15, 7:30 p.m. (EDT),
Tiger Stadium, Savannah, Ga.

Location: Savannah, Ga. Enrollment: 2300. Conference: Southern Intercollegiate Athletic. Nickname: Tigers. Colors: Orange & Blue. Stadium: Tiger (7500). Athletic Director: Russell Ellington. Head Coach: Frank Ellis (Savannah State, 1966). Record: 29-40-1 (7 years). Assistants: Joseph Turner, John Mason, Frankie Harper. Lettermen Returning: 37. Starters Returning: 7 off., 6 def. Systems: Pro I & Veer, 5-3. Series Record: VSC leads, 1-0. Sports Information Director: Lee Grant Pearson. SID's Phone: (912) 356-2199 (office). Top Players: SE Larry Strozier, TE Anthony Alvin, QB Dennis Savage, DT Luther Mayfield, LB Ernest Miller, DE Jimmy Mills.

1984 Schedule

S 8 at Tuskegee Institute
S 15 VALDOSTA STATE
S 22 North Alabama
S 29 at Morris Brown
O 13 at Clark
O 20 Morehouse
O 27 Mars Hill
N 3 Fort Valley State
N 10 at Albany State
N 17 at Alabama A&M

1983 Results (2-9)

0 Middle Tennessee State 51
21 Tuskegee Institute 26
10 VALDOSTA STATE 14
12 Morris Brown 29
21 Mars Hill 10
21 Clark 12
14 Morehouse 24
12 Fort Valley State 41
0 Albany State 17
7 Alabama A&M 26
0 Georgia Southern 15



TENNESSEE-MARTIN

Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m. (CDT),
Pacer Stadium, Martin, Tenn.

Location: Martin, Tenn. Enrollment: 5300. Conference: Gulf South. Nickname: Pacers. Colors: Orange & Blue. Stadium: Pacer (7000). Athletic Director: Ray Mears. Head Coach: Fred Pickard (Florida State, 1961). Record: 9-13 (2 years). Assistants: Jim Graves, Larry Shanks, Jim Hardegree, Mickey Marley, Bill Staehs. Lettermen Returning: 41. Starters Returning: 7 off., 7 def. Systems: Pro Set, 50. Series Record: First meeting. Sports Information Director: Lee Wilmot. SID's Phone (901) 587-7630 (office), (901) 587-9811 (home). Top Players: WR Tony Champion, RB Stanley Ladd, C David Hoffman, FS Jerry Reese, NG Glenn Harris, SS Rusty Gardner.

1984 Schedule

S 8 at Austin Peay
S 15 at Arkansas State
S 22 VALDOSTA STATE
S 29 at Mississippi College
O 6 Delta State
O 13 at North Alabama
O 20 Southeast Missouri State
N 3 at Troy State
N 10 Livingston
N 17 at West Georgia

1983 Results (4-7)

0 Arkansas State 31
6 Austin Peay 45
3 Middle Tennessee St. 39
17 Livingston 16
18 West Georgia 20
7 North Alabama 35
17 Troy State 14
19 Jacksonville, State 31
34 Delta State 16
22 Lane 7



JACKSONVILLE STATE

Sept. 29, 8:00 p.m. (EDT),
Cleveland Field, Valdosta, Ga.

Location: Jacksonville, Ala. Enrollment: 6800. Conference: Gulf South. Nickname: Gamecocks. Colors: Red & White. Stadium: Paul Snow Memorial (14,000). Athletic Director: Jerry Cole. Head Coach: Joe Hollis (Auburn, 1969). Record: First year. Assistants: Britt Williams, Tim Stowers, Bob Sandlin, Jim Collins, Bu ba Gibson, Eddie Garfinkle, Randy Ragsdale. Lettermen Returning: 32. Starters Returning: 4 off., 5 def. Systems: Veer, 50. Series Record: JSU leads, 2-0. Sports Information Director: Rudy Abbott. SID's Phone: (205) 435-9820, Ext. 367 (office); (205) 820-1650 (home). Top Players: LT Barrett Lloyd, RT Ron Domian, WR Fran Blanchard, NG Alvin Wright, LB Kyle McGovern, LB Alonzo Blackmon.

1984 Schedule

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| S 8 | at Alabama A&M |
| S 15 | at Middle Tennessee State |
| S 22 | at West Georgia |
| S 29 | at VALDOSTA STATE |
| O 6 | at Mississippi College |
| O 13 | at Delta State |
| O 20 | at North Alabama |
| O 27 | at Tennessee-Martin |
| N 10 | at Troy State |
| N 17 | at Livingston |

1983 Results (6-5)

| | | |
|----|---------------------|----|
| 6 | UT-Chattanooga | 13 |
| 14 | Alabama A&M | 12 |
| 38 | West Georgia | 0 |
| 7 | Livingston | 16 |
| 18 | Mississippi College | 30 |
| 37 | VALDOSTA STATE | 11 |
| 30 | Tuskegee Institute | 7 |
| 34 | Delta State | 14 |
| 31 | Tennessee-Martin | 19 |
| 3 | Troy State | 45 |
| 21 | North Alabama | 24 |



TROY STATE

Oct. 6, 7:00 p.m. (CDT),
Rip Hewes Stadium, Dothan, Ala.

Location: Troy, Ala. Enrollment: 4000. Conference: Gulf South. Nickname: Trojans. Colors: Red, Gray & Black. Stadium: Memorial (6800). Athletic Director: Robert E. Stewart. Head Coach: Chan Gailey (Florida, 1974). Record: 7-4 (1 year). Assistants: Jay Jefcoat, Robert Maddox, Rick Rhoades, Willie Slater, Kenny Jones, John Fulkerson, Jeff McInerney, David Wilson. Lettermen Returning: 42. Starters Returning: 9 off., 10 def. Systems: Wishbone, 50. Series Record: Tied, 1-1. Sports Information Director: Tom Ensey. SID's Phone: (205)566-3000, Ext. 482 (office); (205) 566-2038 (home). Top Players: QB Carey Christensen, RB Jimmie Haywood, OG Mitch Geier, DT Willie Collins, LB Robert Bradley, DB Thomas Clark.

1984 Schedule

| | |
|------|------------------------|
| S 8 | Nicholls State |
| S 15 | at Florida A&M |
| S 22 | Livingston |
| S 29 | at West Georgia |
| O 6 | VALDOSTA STATE |
| O 13 | at Mississippi College |
| O 20 | Delta State |
| O 27 | at North Alabama |
| N 3 | Tennessee-Martin |
| N 10 | at Jacksonville State |

1983 Results (7-4)

| | | |
|----|------------------------|----|
| 33 | Tuskegee Institute | 6 |
| 33 | Nicholls State | 25 |
| 13 | VALDOSTA STATE | 12 |
| 28 | Georgia Southern | 27 |
| 0 | Mississippi College | 17 |
| 15 | Southeastern Louisiana | 34 |
| 26 | Delta State | 21 |
| 21 | North Alabama | 42 |
| 14 | Tennessee-Martin | 17 |
| 35 | Livingston | 22 |
| 45 | Jacksonville | 3 |



LIVINGSTON

Oct. 13, 7:00 p.m. (EDT),
Cleveland Field, Valdosta, Ga.

Location: Livingston, Ala. Enrollment: 1600. Conference: Gulf South. Nickname: Tigers. Colors: Red & White. Stadium: Tiger (8500). Athletic Director: Dr. Jim Pate. Head Coach: Frank North (Tennessee Tech, 1950). Record: 26-24 (5 years). Assistants: Don Jacobs, Chris Kincaid, Charlie Coles, Randall Owens, Bob Moran. Lettermen Returning: 40. Starters Returning: 11 off., 6 def. Systems: Pro Set, 5-2. Series Record: VSC leads, 2-0. Sports Information Director: Dee Outlaw. SID's Phone: (205) 652-9661, Ext. 374 (office); (205) 652-2221 (home). Top Players: QB Larry Stephenson, WR Andrew Fields, OG Mike Rozier, DT Robert Glanton, FS Richard Groover, LB Leon Carlyle.

1984 Schedule

| | |
|------|------------------------|
| S 1 | at Morris Brown |
| S 8 | Miles |
| S 22 | at Troy State |
| O 6 | West Georgia |
| O 13 | at VALDOSTA STATE |
| O 20 | at Mississippi College |
| O 27 | at Delta State |
| N 3 | North Alabama |
| N 10 | at Tennessee-Martin |
| N 17 | Jacksonville State |

1983 Results (6-4)

| | | |
|----|---------------------|----|
| 47 | Miles | 6 |
| 16 | Arkansas Tech | 13 |
| 12 | North Alabama | 15 |
| 16 | Tennessee-Martin | 17 |
| 16 | Jacksonville State | 7 |
| 28 | West Georgia | 14 |
| 47 | Delta State | 15 |
| 24 | Mississippi College | 14 |
| 22 | Troy State | 35 |
| 14 | VALDOSTA STATE | 29 |



WEST GEORGIA

Oct. 20, 1:30 p.m. (EDT),
Memorial Stadium, Columbus, Ga.

Location: Carrollton, Ga. Enrollment: 6500. Conference: Gulf South. Nickname: Braves. Colors: Red & Blue. Stadium: Grisham (6500). Athletic Director: Roger Kaiser. Head Coach: Bobby Pate (Georgia, 1963). Record: 25-7 (3 years). Assistants: Frank Vohun, Chuck Taylor, Mike Earwood, Jack Brinkley, Glenn Griffin, Jeff Dean. Lettermen Returning: 26. Starters Returning: 5 off., 8 def. Systems: I, 50. Series Record: VSC leads, 1-0. Sports Information Director: Dan Minish. SID's Phone: (404) 834-1565 (office), (404) 834-4375 (home). Top Players: RB Trevon Daniels, SE Al Sheppard, C Mike Shackelford, DE Angelo Snipes, LB Ken Terry, CB Ken Revels.

1984 Schedule

| | |
|------|------------------------|
| S 8 | at Gardner Webb |
| S 15 | Samford |
| S 22 | at Jacksonville State |
| S 29 | Troy State |
| O 6 | at Livingston |
| O 13 | Liberty Baptist |
| O 20 | VALDOSTA STATE |
| O 27 | at Mississippi College |
| N 3 | Delta State |
| N 10 | at North Alabama |
| N 17 | Tennessee-Martin |

1983 Results (4-6)

| | | |
|----|--------------------|----|
| 23 | Gardner Webb | 8 |
| 3 | Delta State | 35 |
| 0 | Jacksonville State | 38 |
| 20 | Tennessee-Martin | 18 |
| 14 | Livingston | 28 |
| 13 | VALDOSTA STATE | 20 |
| 45 | Newberry | 33 |
| 10 | Morehouse | 13 |
| 7 | North Alabama | 49 |
| 28 | Liberty Baptist | 7 |



GEORGIA SOUTHERN

Oct. 27, 1:30 p.m. (EDT),
Paulson Stadium, Statesboro, Ga.

Location: Statesboro, Ga.. Enrollment: 7000. Conference: Independent. Nickname: Eagles. Colors: Blue & White. Stadium: Paulson (18,000). Athletic Director: Dr. David Wagner. Head Coach: Erk Russell (Auburn, 1954). Record: 13-8-1 (2 years). Assistants: Ben Griffith, Mike Healey, Tommy Brackett, Paul Cates, Danny Daniels, Pat Douglas, Paul Johnson, Hugh Nall, Pat Spurgeon. Lettermen Returning: 37. Starters Returning: 8 off., 6 def. Systems: I, 60. Series Record: Tied, 1-1-1. Sports Information Director: Mark McClellan. SID's Phone: (912) 681-5500 (office); (912) 489-1062 (home). Top Players: QB Tracy Ham, WR Delano Little, RB Melvin Bell, DG Jessie Jenkins, DE John Richardson, S Kevin Hutchinson.



1984 Schedule

| | | |
|------|-------|---------------------------|
| S 1 | ..... | Florida A&M |
| S 8 | ..... | at Presbyterian |
| S 15 | ..... | at Central Florida |
| S 22 | ..... | at East Carolina |
| S 29 | ..... | Liberty Baptist |
| O 6 | .... | at Bethune-Cookman |
| O 13 | ..... | UT-Chattanooga |
| O 20 | ..... | Newberry |
| O 27 | ..... | VALDOSTA STATE |
| N 3 | .... | at East Tennessee State |
| N 10 | .... | at Middle Tennessee State |

1983 Results (6-5)

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|-------|----|
| 29 | Central Florida | ..... | 33 |
| 35 | Presbyterian | ..... | 21 |
| 27 | Troy State | ..... | 28 |
| 25 | Gardner Webb | ..... | 11 |
| 7 | East Tennessee State | .. | 24 |
| 24 | Newberry | ..... | 27 |
| 10 | Catawba | ..... | 3 |
| 27 | Wofford | ..... | 16 |
| 35 | Mars Hill | ..... | 9 |
| 29 | VALDOSTA STATE | ..... | 34 |
| 15 | Savannah State | ..... | 0 |

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

Nov. 3, 7:00 p.m. (EST),
Cleveland Field, Valdosta, Ga.

Location: Clinton, Miss. Enrollment: 3600. Conference: Gulf South. Nickname: Choctaws. Colors: Blue & Gold. Stadium: Robinson Field (6000). Athletic Director: John Williams. Head Coach: John Williams (Mississippi College, 1957). Record: 66-57-2 (12 years). Assistants: Terry McMillan, Don Skelton, Ricky Herzog, Hap Hudson, Tom Gladney. Lettermen Returning: 31. Starters Returning: 7 off., 9 def. Systems: Multiple, 50. Series Record: MC leads, 2-0. Sports Information Director: Norman Gough. SID's Phone: (601) 924-5131, Ext. 239 (office); (601) 924-5115 (home). Top Players: TE Harold Stanfield, OT Drew Blackburn, WR Kenny Hudson, DT Earl Conway, S Reginald Hawthorne, LB Jerome Hemphill.



1984 Schedule

| | | |
|------|-------|---------------------------|
| S 8 | ..... | at North Alabama |
| S 15 | ..... | at Southeastern Louisiana |
| S 29 | ..... | Tennessee-Martin |
| O 6 | .... | at Jacksonville State |
| O 13 | ..... | Troy State |
| O 20 | ..... | at Livingston |
| O 27 | ..... | West Georgia |
| N 3 | .... | at VALDOSTA STATE |
| N 17 | ..... | Delta State |

1983 Results (8-3)

| | | | |
|----|------------------------|-------|----|
| 16 | Southeastern Louisiana | 10 | |
| 26 | VALDOSTA STATE | ..... | 3 |
| 36 | Stephen F. Austin | ..... | 29 |
| 23 | Southern Arkansas | ..... | 7 |
| 17 | Troy State | ..... | 0 |
| 30 | Jacksonville State | ..... | 18 |
| 30 | Ouachita Baptist | ..... | 7 |
| 28 | Tennessee-Martin | ..... | 0 |
| 14 | Livingston | ..... | 24 |
| 0 | North Alabama | ..... | 28 |
| 21 | Delta State | ..... | 31 |

DELTA STATE

Nov. 10, 2:00 p.m. (CST),
Parker Field, Cleveland, Miss.

Location: Cleveland, Miss. Enrollment: 3600. Conference: Gulf South. Nickname: Statesmen. Colors: Green & White. Stadium: Parker Field (8000). Athletic Director: Dr. Brad Hovious. Head Coach: Jim Parker (Arkansas A&M, 1953). Record: 11-9 (3 years). Assistants: Jim Jordan, Larry Dorsey, Jim Holland, Joe Wickline. Lettermen Returning: 33. Starters Returning: 6 off., 6 def. Systems: Veer, 5-2. Series Record: DSU leads, 2-0. Sports Information Director: Jody Corroero. SID's Phone: (601) 843-4226 (office); (601) 843-4217 (home). Top Players: QB Scott Butler, RB Manuel Grays, WR Kyle Finney, LB Steve Belcher, NG Bob Yarbrough, DT Ray Ivory.



1984 Schedule

| | | |
|------|-------|------------------------|
| S 1 | .... | at Stephen F. Austin |
| S 8 | ..... | Ouachita Baptist |
| S 22 | .... | at S.E. Missouri State |
| S 29 | ..... | North Alabama |
| O 6 | .... | at Tennessee-Martin |
| O 13 | ..... | Jacksonville State |
| O 20 | ..... | Troy State |
| O 27 | ..... | Livingston |
| N 3 | ..... | at West Georgia |
| N 10 | ..... | VALDOSTA STATE |
| N 17 | .... | at Mississippi College |

1983 Results (5-5)

| | | | |
|----|---------------------|-------|----|
| 21 | Ouachita Baptist | ..... | 17 |
| 35 | West Georgia | ..... | 3 |
| 32 | S.E. Missouri State | ..... | 22 |
| 33 | North Alabama | ..... | 53 |
| 24 | VALDOSTA STATE | ..... | 16 |
| 21 | Troy State | ..... | 26 |
| 15 | Livingston | ..... | 47 |
| 14 | Jacksonville State | ..... | 34 |
| 16 | Tennessee-Martin | ..... | 34 |
| 31 | Mississippi College | ..... | 21 |

NORTH ALABAMA

Nov. 17, 7:00 p.m. (EST),
Cleveland Field, Valdosta, Ga.

Location: Florence, Ala.. Enrollment: 5300. Conference: Gulf South. Nickname: Lions. Colors: Purple & Gold. Stadium: Braly Municipal (14,500). Athletic Directors: Wayne Grubb, Bill Jones. Head Coach: Wayne Grubb (Tennessee, 1961). Record: 54-20-2 (7 years). Assistants: Bill Hyde, Steve Carter, Steve Davis, Mike McGowan, Kendall Keith, Gerald Goodman. Lettermen Returning: 39. Starters Returning: 5 off., 5 def. Systems: I, 5-2. Series Record: UNA leads, 2-0. Sports Information Director: Jeff Hodges. SID's Phone: (205) 766-4100, Ext. 595 (office); (205) 766-7572 (home). Top Players: RB Clarence Johnson, RB Stanley Gill, WR Germaine Young, DT Dean Sanders, DE Billy Witt, CB Daryl Smith.

1984 Schedule

| | | |
|------|-------|-----------------------|
| S 1 | ..... | Miles |
| S 8 | ..... | Mississippi College |
| S 22 | ..... | at Savannah State |
| S 29 | ..... | at Delta State |
| O 6 | ..... | Alabama A&M |
| O 13 | ..... | Tennessee-Martin |
| O 20 | .... | at Jacksonville State |
| O 27 | ..... | Troy State |
| N 3 | ..... | at Livingston |
| N 10 | ..... | West Georgia |
| N 17 | .... | at VALDOSTA STATE |

1983 Results (11-1-1)

| | | | |
|----|---------------------|-------|----|
| 38 | Miles | ..... | 0 |
| 15 | Livingston | ..... | 12 |
| 47 | Central Florida | ..... | 20 |
| 53 | Delta State | ..... | 33 |
| 20 | Alabama A&M | ..... | 20 |
| 35 | Tennessee-Martin | ..... | 7 |
| 42 | Troy State | ..... | 21 |
| 27 | VALDOSTA STATE | ..... | 0 |
| 28 | Mississippi College | ..... | 0 |
| 49 | West Georgia | | 7 |
| 24 | Jacksonville State | | 21 |
| 16 | Virginia Union | | 14 |
| 24 | Central State | | 27 |

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INDIVIDUAL — GAME

RUSHING:

Most Rushes — 30, Henry Chubb vs. Livingston, 1983
Most Yards — 162, Tracy Soles vs. Kentucky State, 1983
Most Yards Lost — 77, James Owens vs. Jacksonville State, 1982
Best Average — 7.7, Tracy Soles vs. Kentucky State (21-162), 1983
Longest Run From Scrimmage — 55, Henry Chubb vs. Livingston, 1983
Most Touchdowns — 3, Tracy Soles vs. Kentucky State, 1982-1983

PASSING:

Most Attempted — 48, James Owens vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
Most Completed — 27, James Owens vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
Most Consecutive Completions — 6, James Owens vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
Most Yards — 406, James Owens vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
Most Touchdowns — 4, James Owens vs. Georgia Southern, 1982*
Best Percentage — .688, James Owens vs. Georgia Southern (first game, 22-32), 1982
Longest Reception — 63, James Owens to Kelvin Sheppard vs. Troy State, 1982
Most Had Intercepted — 4, James Owens vs. Troy State, 1982

TOTAL OFFENSE:

Most Plays — 55, James Owens vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
Most Yards — 363 (-43R, 406P), James Owens vs. Georgia Southern, 1982

SCORING:

Most Points — 18, Tracy Soles vs. Kentucky State, 1982-1983, vs. Livingston, 1982; Carl Armstrong vs. GA Southern, 1982
Most Touchdowns — 3, Tracy Soles vs. Kentucky State, 1982-1983, vs. Livingston, 1982; Carl Armstrong vs. GA Southern, 1982
Most TDs Responsible For — 4, James Owens vs. Georgia Southern, 1982 (4 TD passes)
Most PATs Attempted — 6, Brad Bauer vs. Kentucky State, 1982
Most PATs Made — 6, Brad Bauer vs. Kentucky State, 1982
Most FGs Attempted — 4, Keith Moore vs. Georgia Southern, 1983
Most FGs Made — 2, Brad Bauer vs. Mississippi College, Central Florida, Kentucky State, 1982; Keith Moore vs. West Georgia, Georgia Southern, 1983
Most Points Kicking — 12, Brad Bauer vs. Kentucky State, 1982

RECEIVING:

Most Caught — 10, Carl Armstrong vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
Most Yards — 186, Carl Armstrong vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
Most Touchdowns — 3, Carl Armstrong vs. Georgia Southern, 1982

PUNTING:

Most Punts — 9, Brad Bauer vs. Delta State, 1982; Terry Mallory vs. Central Florida, Delta State, North Alabama, 1983
Longest Punt — 56, Terry Mallory vs. Savannah State, 1983
Best Average — (min. 4 punts) Terry Mallory 7-42.7 vs. Troy State, 1983

PUNT RETURNS:

Most Returns — 6, Jimmy Francis vs. Troy State, 1982
Most Yards — 67, Derrick Harris vs. Livingston, 1983

KICKOFF RETURNS:

Most Returns — 5, Kelvin Sheppard vs. North Alabama, 1982; Derrick Harris vs. Georgia Southern, 1983
Most Yards — 147, Derrick Harris vs. Georgia Southern, 1983

DEFENSE:

Most Interceptions — 1, several players
Most Yards — 42, Dallis Smith vs. West Georgia, 1983
Most Total Tackles — 20, Cliff Fouty vs. Livingston, 1982
Most Solo Tackles — 9, Cliff Fouty vs. Livingston, 1982; Lenny Parker vs. Troy State, North Alabama, 1983
Most Assists — 18, Harvey Carter vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
Most Fumble Recoveries — 3, Anthony Newsome vs. Delta State, 1983

* — Conference Record

INDIVIDUAL — SEASON

RUSHING:

Most Rushes — 121, Henry Chubb, 1983
Most Yards — 668, Henry Chubb, 1983
Most Yards Lost — 307, James Owens, 1982
Best Average — 5.5, Henry Chubb, 1983 (121-668)
Best Game Average — 60.7, Henry Chubb, 1983 (668, 11 games)
Most Touchdowns — 7, Tracy Soles, 1983

PASSING:

Most Attempted — 359, James Owens, 1982
Most Completed — 169, James Owens, 1982
Best Percentage — .449, James Owens, 1982
Most Completions Per Game — 16.9, James Owens, 1982
Most Yards — 2258, James Owens, 1982
Most Yards Per Game — 225.8, James Owens, 1982*
Most Touchdowns — 15, James Owens, 1982
Most Had Intercepted — 14, James Owens, 1982

TOTAL OFFENSE:

Most Plays — 402, James Owens, 1982
Most Yards — 2096, James Owens, 1982
Most Yards Per Game — 209.6, James Owens, 1982

SCORING:

Most Points — 54, Tracy Soles, 1983
Most Touchdowns — 9, Tracy Soles, 1983
Most TDs Responsible For — 15, James Owens, 1982 (15 passing)
Most PATs Attempted — 26, Brad Bauer, 1982
Most PATs Made — 24, Brad Bauer, 1982
Most FGs Attempted — 13, Brad Bauer, 1982
Most FGs Made — 8, Brad Bauer, 1982
Most Points Kicking — 48, Brad Bauer, 1982

RECEIVING:

Most Caught — 61, Carl Armstrong, 1982*
Most Yards — 1028, Carl Armstrong, 1982*
Most Touchdowns — 8, Carl Armstrong, 1982

PUNTING:

Most Punts — 76, Terry Mallory, 1983
Best Average — 37.6, Terry Mallory, 1983

PUNT RETURNS:

Most Returns — 30, Jimmy Francis, 1982
Most Yards — 199, Jimmy Francis, 1982

KICKOFF RETURNS:

Most Returns — 21, Derrick Harris, 1983
Most Yards — 610, Derrick Harris, 1983*

DEFENSE:

Most Interceptions — 5, Dallis Smith, 1983
Most Yards — 91, Dallis Smith, 1983
Most Total Tackles — 155, Cliff Fouty, 1982
Most Solo Tackles — 47, Lenny Parker, 1983
Most Assists — 135, Cliff Fouty, 1982
Most Fumble Recoveries — 3, Cliff Fouty, Eric Jarvis, 1982; Elson Bolar, Anthony Newsome, 1983

* — Conference Record

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INDIVIDUAL IN A CAREER

| RUSHING | ATT | YARDS | AVG. | TDs |
|----------------------|-----|-------|------|-----|
| Henry Chubb, 1982-83 | 221 | 1143 | 5.2 | 5 |
| Tracy Soles, 1982-83 | 174 | 712 | 5.1 | 12 |

| PASSING | COMP | ATT | YARDS | INT | TDs |
|-----------------------|------|-----|-------|-----|-----|
| James Owens, 1982 | 169 | 359 | 2258 | 14 | 15 |
| Terry Mallory, 1983-A | 41 | 98 | 681 | 7 | 6 |

| TOTAL OFFENSE | PLAYS | RUSH | PASS | TOTAL | TDR |
|----------------------|-------|------|------|-------|-----|
| James Owens, 1982 | 402 | 162 | 2258 | 2096 | 15 |
| Henry Chubb, 1982-83 | 221 | 1143 | 0 | 1143 | 5 |

| SCORING | TD | FG | PAT | PTS |
|----------------------|----|----|-----|-----|
| Tracy Soles, 1982-83 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 96 |
| Brad Bauer, 1982-A | 0 | 8 | 24 | 48 |
| Carl Armstrong, 1982 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 48 |

| RECEIVING | CATCHES | YARDS | TDS |
|--------------------------|---------|-------|-----|
| Carl Armstrong, 1982 | 61 | 1028 | 8 |
| Kelvin Sheppard, 1982-83 | 53 | 879 | 7 |

| PUNTING | PUNTS | YARDS | AVG. |
|------------------------|-------|-------|------|
| Terry, Mallory, 1983-A | 76 | 2859 | 37.6 |
| Brad Bauer, 1982-A | 62 | 2308 | 37.2 |

| PUNT RETURNS | RETURNS | YARDS | AVG. |
|------------------------|---------|-------|------|
| Jimmy Francis, 1982-A | 39 | 268 | 6.9 |
| Derrick Harris, 1983-A | 24 | 155 | 6.5 |

| KICKOFF RETURNS | RETURNS | YARDS | AVG. |
|--------------------------|---------|-------|------|
| Derrick Harris, 1983-A | 21 | 610 | 29.0 |
| Kelvin Sheppard, 1982-83 | 28 | 556 | 19.9 |

| KICK SCORING | PAT A/M | FG A/M | PTS |
|---------------------|---------|--------|-----|
| Brad Bauer, 1982-A | 27-24 | 14-8 | 48 |
| Keith Moore, 1983-A | 17-13 | 11-7 | 34 |

| INTERCEPTIONS | NO. | YARDS | TDS |
|-----------------------|-----|-------|-----|
| Dallis Smith, 1983-A | 5 | 91 | 0 |
| Jimmy Francis, 1982-A | 5 | 20 | 0 |

TEAM — GAME

RUSHING:
 Most Rushes — 69 vs Livingston, 1983
 Most Yards — 327 vs. Kentucky State, 1983
 Most Yards Lost — 89 vs. Jacksonville state, 1982
 Best Average — 5.5 vs. Kentucky State, 1982
 Most Touchdowns — 5 vs. Kentucky State, 1983

PASSING:
 Most Attempted — 48 vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
 Most Completed — 27 vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
 Most Yards — 406 vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
 Most Touchdowns — 4 vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
 Best Percentage — .688 vs. Georgia Southern (1st game), 1982
 Most Had Intercepted — 4 vs. Troy State, 1982

TOTAL OFFENSE:
 Most Plays — 87 vs. Central Florida, 1982
 Most Yards — 477 (71R, 406P) vs. Georgia Southern, 1982

SCORING:
 Most Points — 48 vs. Kentucky State, 1982
 Most Touchdowns — 6 vs. Kentucky State, 1982
 Most PATs Attempted — 6 vs. Kentucky State, 1982
 Most PATs Made — 6 vs. Kentucky State, 1982
 Most FGs Attempted — 4 vs. Georgia Southern, 1983
 Most FGs Made — 2 vs. Mississippi College, Central Florida, Kentucky State, 1982; West Georgia, Georgia Southern, 1983
 Most Points Kicking — 12 vs. Kentucky State, 1982

PUNTING:
 Most Punts — 9 vs. Delta State, 1982; Central Florida, Delta State, North Alabama, 1983
 Best Average — (min. 4 punts) 7-42.7, 1983

PUNT RETURNS:
 Most Returns — 6 vs. Troy State, 1982
 Most Yards — 67 vs. Livingston, 1983

KICKOFF RETURNS:
 Most Returns — 6 vs. North Alabama, 1982
 Most Yards — 147 vs. Georgia Southern, 1983

FIRST DOWNS:
 Most Total — 25 vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
 Most Rushing — 17 vs. Kentucky State, 1983

Most Passing — 19 vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
 Most by Penalty — 3 vs. Livingston, 1983

PENALTIES:
 Most Penalties — 12 vs. Livingston, 1983
 Fewest Penalties — 2 vs. Georgia Southern, 1982; Jacksonville State, 1983

Most Yards — 118 vs. Kentucky State, 1982
 Fewest Yards — 10 vs. Georgia, 1982

FUMBLES
 Most — 7 vs. North Alabama, 1983
 Most Lost — 5 vs. North Alabama, 1983

DEFENSE:
 Most Interceptions — 3 vs. Troy State, Albany State, Livingston, 1982; Georgia Southern, 1983
 Most Yards — 57 vs. Troy State, 1982
 Most Fumbles Recovered — 5 vs. Delta State, 1983
 Fewest Yards Rushing — 137 vs. West Georgia, 1983
 Fewest Yards Passing — 20 vs. North Alabama, 1983
 Fewest Yards Total — 165 vs. West Georgia, 1983

TEAM — SEASON

RUSHING:
 Most Rushes — 492, 1983
 Most Yards — 1662, 1983
 Most Yards Lost — 517, 1982
 Best Average Per Carry — 3.4, 1983
 Best Average Per Game — 15.1, 1983
 Most Touchdowns — 13, 1983

PASSING:
 Most Attempted — 396, 1982
 Most Completed — 191, 1982
 Most Yards — 2635, 1982
 Best Average Per Completion — 14.9, 1983
 Most Had Intercepted — 18, 1982
 Most Touchdowns — 17, 1982

TOTAL OFFENSE:
 Most Plays — 763, 1982
 Most Yards — 3543, 1982
 Best Average — 322.1, 1982

SCORING:
 Most Points — 230, 1982
 Most Touchdowns — 29, 1982
 Most PATs Attempted — 26, 1982
 Most PATs Made — 24, 1982
 Most FGs Attempted — 13, 1982-1983
 Most FGs Made — 8, 1982-1983
 Most 2-Point PATs Attempted — 4, 1983
 Most 2-Point PATs Made — 3, 1982

PUNTING:
 Most Punts — 79, 1983
 Best Average — 37.2, 1983

PUNT RETURNS:
 Most Returns — 33, 1983
 Most Yards — 224, 1983

KICKOFF RETURNS:
 Most Returns — 38, 1982
 Most Yards — 802, 1983

FIRST DOWNS:
 Most Total — 193, 1982
 Most Rushing — 88, 1983
 Most Passing — 116, 1982
 Most by Penalty — 12, 1982-1983

PENALTIES:
 Most Penalties — 82, 1982
 Fewest Penalties — 71, 1983
 Most Yards — 699, 1982
 Fewest Yards — 617, 1983

FUMBLES:
 Most — 39, 1983
 Most Lost — 21, 1983

DEFENSE:
 Most Interceptions — 14, 1982-1983
 Most Yards — 164, 1982
 Most Fumbles Recovered — 20, 1983
 Fewest Yards Rushing — 2115, 1983
 Fewest Yards Passing — 1319, 1983
 Fewest Yards Total — 3434, 1983



Tracy Soles



Kelvin Sheppard



Lenny Parker

General Records and Information

Attendance Records

| Year | Home Games | Tot. Attendance | Avg. Attendance |
|------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1983 | 6 | 28,500 | 4750 |
| 1982 | 5 | 36,800 | 7360 |

Top 5 Home Crowds

| Attendance | Opponent and Score | Date |
|------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. 9500 | Central Florida (VSC, 13-7) | Oct. 2, 1982 |
| 2. 9300 | Troy State (VSC, 24-21) | Sept. 18, 1982 |
| 3. 9000 | Georgia Southern (GSC, 45-29) | Nov. 20, 1982 |
| 4. 8000 | Georgia Southern (VSC, 34-29) | Nov. 19, 1983 |
| 5. 5000 | Savannah State (VSC, 14-10) | Sept. 24, 1983 |

Valdosta State Versus All Opponents

| Opponent | W | L | T |
|---------------------|---|---|---|
| Albany State | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Central Florida | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Delta State | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Georgia Southern | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Jacksonville State | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Kentucky State | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Livingston | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Mississippi College | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| North Alabama | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Savannah State | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Troy State | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| West Georgia | 1 | 0 | 0 |

Year, Record, Coach and Captains

| Year | Record | Coach | Captains |
|------|--------|-------------|------------------------------------|
| 1982 | 5-5-1 | Jim Goodman | James Owens, QB; David Gilyard, LB |
| 1983 | 5-6-0 | Jim Goodman | Mark Catano, OT; Cliff Fouty, LB |

Valdosta State's All-American

1982 Mark Catano, offensive tackle, Kodak College Division

Valdosta State's All-Gulf South Conference Players

1982 — Carl Armstrong, WR
Mark Catano, OT (2nd)
Cliff Fouty, LB (2nd)

1983 — Lenny Parker, LB
Mark Catano, OT
Cliff Fouty, LB (2nd)
Dallis Smith, CB (2nd)



Mark Catano

Valdosta State Team Award Winners

Most Improved Offensive Player
1983 — Terry Mallory, QB; R. D. Swain, OT

Most Improved Defensive Player
1983 — Derrick Harris, CB; Jessie Tuggle, DE

Best Offensive Lineman
1982 — Mark Catano, OT
1983 — Mark Catano, OT

Best Defensive Lineman
1982 — Cliff Fouty, LB
1983 — Lenny Parker, LB; Cliff Fouty, LB

Best Offensive Back
1982 — James Owens, QB
1983 — Henry Chubb, RB

Best Defensive Back
1982 — Jimmy Francis, CB
1983 — Timmy Massey, SS

Scholastic Award
1982 — James Owens, QB
1983 — Geoff Walters, QB

Most Valuable Player
1982 — Carl Armstrong, WR
1983 — Henry Chubb, RB

Player of the Year
1982 — Carl Armstrong, WR
1983 — Kelvin Sheppard, WR; Tracy Soles, RB

Valdosta State Results

| 1982 (5-5-1) | | 1983 (5-6-0) | |
|------------------------|-----|-----------------------|-----|
| VSC | Opp | VSC | Opp |
| 13 Mississippi College | 28 | 3 Mississippi College | 26 |
| 24 Troy State | 21 | 12 Troy State | 13 |
| 27 Georgia Southern | 27 | 14 Savannah State | 10 |
| 13 Central Florida | 7 | 0 Central Florida | 20 |
| 0 Delta State | 27 | 16 Delta State | 24 |
| 11 Jacksonville State | 43 | 11 Jacksonville State | 37 |
| 36 Albany State | 13 | 20 West Georgia | 13 |
| 7 North Alabama | 53 | 0 North Alabama | 27 |
| 48 Kentucky State | 13 | 32 Kentucky State | 20 |
| 22 Livingston | 21 | 29 Livingston | 14 |
| 29 Georgia Southern | 45 | 34 Georgia Southern | 29 |
| 230 | 298 | 171 | 233 |

Coach: Jim Goodman
GSC Record: 2-4 (6th)

Coach: Jim Goodman
GSC Record: 2-5 (8th)

Game Offensive Highs

TOTAL OFFENSE — 477 (71R, 406P) vs. Georgia Southern, 1982
RUSHING OFFENSE — 327 vs. Kentucky State, 1983
PASSING OFFENSE — 406 vs. Georgia Southern, 1982

Game Defensive Lows

TOTAL DEFENSE — 165 (137R, 28P) vs. West Georgia, 1983
RUSHING DEFENSE — 137 vs. West Georgia, 1983
PASSING DEFENSE — 20 vs. North Alabama, 1983

Season Leaders

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|---|---|
| TOTAL OFFENSE 1982 — QB James Owens, 2096 1983 — QB Terry Mallory, 732 | PUNT RETURNS 1982 — Jimmy Francis, 30-199 (6.6) 1983 — Derrick Harris, 24-155 (6.5) |
| RUSHING 1982 — RB Henry Chubb, 475 1983 — RB Henry Chubb, 668 | KICKOFF RETURNS 1982 — Kelvin Sheppard, 20-422 (21.1) 1983 — Derrick Harris, 21-610 (29.0)* |
| PASSING 1982 — James Owens, 169-339-2258 1983 — Terry Mallory, 41-98-681 | INTERCEPTIONS 1982 — Timmy Massey, 3-30 Jimmy Francis, 3-20 1983 — Dallis Smith, 5-91 |
| RECEIVING 1982 — WR Carl Armstrong 61-1028* 1983 — WR Kelvin Sheppard, 22-388 | TACKLES-ASSISTS 1982 — Cliff Fouty, 20-135=155 1983 — Lenny Parker, 47-76=123 |
| SCORING 1982 — WR Carl Armstrong, 48 K Bad Bauer, 48 1983 — RB Tracy Soles, 54 | |
| PUNTING 1982 — Brad Bauer, 37.1 (L55) 1983 — Terry Mallory, 37.6 (L56) | * — Led Conference |



Henry Chubb

Valdosta State Football Lettermen

- A -

Ashley Abrams, DB 1982
 Jody Allen, DE 1982
 Steve Allen, OT 1982
 Greg Alley, OG 1982-83
 Carl Armstrong, WR 1982
 Cary Arneson, DB 1982

- B -

Alton Battle, RB 1983
 Brad Bauer, K 1982-83
 Pernell Bee, RB 1983
 Stacey Blake, OT 1982-83
 Elson Bolar, NG 1983
 Keith Bonnell, OT 1983
 Robert Boyette, NG 1982
 Tracy Burnett, C 1982

- C -

Bret Calzaretta, LB 1982
 Vince Capece, LB 1982-83
 Harvey Carter, NG 1982
 Mark Catano, OT 1982-83
 Henry Chubb, RB 1982-83
 Cary Cody, WR 1982
 Jay Coley, WR 1982
 Elkannah Crockett, DB 1982

- D -

J. D. Daniels, WR 1982
 Rick Davis, QB 1982
 Artie Dovers, OG 1982
 Chuck Dunmon, OG 1982-83

- E -

John Eaton, OG 1982

- F -

Ken Fasnacht, WR 1983
 Reggie Ford, WR 1982
 Cliff Fouty, LB 1982-83
 Jimmy Francis, DB 1982-83

- G -

Curt Garrett, RB 1982
 James Gibson, NG 1983
 David Gilyard, LB 1982
 John Gray, DT 1982-83
 Steve Griffin, QB 1982-83

- H -

Wayne Hamm, TE 1982-83
 Jeff Hanton, DB 1982-83
 Derrick Harris, DB 1983
 Mike Henry, C 1983
 Doug Hunter, QB 1983

- J -

Jerome Jackson, RB 1982-83
 Eric Jarvis, C 1982-83
 Willie Jefferson, LB 1983
 Kenny Jennings, DB 1983
 Bo Johnson, OB 1982

- L -

Mark Lawson, LB 1983-83
 Ray Lloyd, C 1983
 Stan Long, OG 1983



Chuck Dunmon



Jimmy Francis



Wayne Hamm



Mark Lawson



Timmy Massey



Robert Renfro

- M -

George Mackey, DE 1982
 Terry Mallory, QB 1983
 Brad Martin, WR 1983
 Derryl Mason, WR 1983
 Timmy Massey, DB 1982-83
 Mike McBride, RB 1982
 Clint McCrory, NG 1982
 Alex McKinnie, RB 1982-83
 Rob Mitchell, WR 1983
 Donald Monts, OG 1982
 Keith Moore, K 1983
 Jackson Mosley, DB 1982

- N -

Anthony Nwsome, DE 1983
 David Niemeyer, DT 1982

- O -

James Owens, QB 1982

- P -

Lenny Parker, LB 1983
 Larry Pividal, TE 1982
 Alan Pohalski, NG 1982
 Don Pumphrey, OT 1982

- R -

Buddy Ratledge, OT 1983
 Ben Reaves, TE 1983
 Keith Reddings, DE 1983
 Quinton Reed, DB 1983
 Robert Renfro, DT 1983
 Luis Reveiz, K 1983

- R -

Lee Rourk, LB 1983

- S -

Homer Sanders, DB 1983
 Mike Scantling, TE 1983
 Richard Schilie, TE 1983
 Brock Sellers, C 1982
 Andy Sharpless, OG 1982-83
 Kelvin Sheppard, WR 1982-83
 Pete Shutters, NG 1982-83
 Anthony Smith, LB 1983
 Dallis Smith, DB 1983
 Dennis Smith, DB 1983
 Jerome Smith, DE 1983
 Tracy Soles, RB 1982-83
 Dan Strickland, DT 1983
 James Strickland, C 1982-83
 Mel Stripling, OT 1982
 Ricky Sutton, NG 1982
 R. D. Swain, OT 1983

- T -

Curtis Thompson, LB 1983
 Hugh Thompson, QB 1982
 Jessie Tuggle, DE 1983

- V -

Max Vickers, RB 1983

- W -

Jay Walls, DT 1983
 Bill Wilhelm, C 1983
 David Williams, TE 1982
 Rod Williams, OT 1982

Blazers on the Road

Game 2
 Savannah State
 Sept. 15, 7:30 p.m. EDT
 Leave: Saturday, Sept. 15, 1 p.m.
 Return: Saturday, Sept. 15 (after game)
 Travel Time: 3½ hours (175 miles)

Game 3
 Tennessee-Martin
 Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m. CDT
 Leave: Friday, Sept. 21, 7 a.m.
 Pre-Game Headquarters:
 Ramada Inn, Jackson, Tenn.
 (901) 668-4222
 Return: Sept. 22 (after game)
 Travel Time: 12 hours (600 miles)

Game 5
 Troy State in Dothan, Ala.
 Oct. 6, 7 p.m. CDT
 Leave: Saturday, Oct. 6, 1:30 p.m.
 Return: Saturday, Oct. 6 (after game)
 Travel Time: 3½ hours (170 miles)

Game 7
 West Georgia in Columbus
 Oct. 20, 1:30 p.m. EDT
 Leave: Friday, Oct. 19, 7:30 a.m.
 Pre-Game Headquarters: Martinique Quality Inn
 Columbus (404) 322-6641
 Return: Oct. 20 (after game)
 Travel Time: 3½ hours (170 miles)

Game 8
 Georgia Southern
 Oct. 27, 1:30 p.m. EDT
 Leave: Friday, Oct. 26, 10 a.m.
 Pre-Game Headquarters: Holiday Inn, Statesboro (912) 764-6121
 Return: Oct. 27 (after game)
 Travel Time: 3½ hours (175 miles)

Game 10
 Delta State
 Nov. 10, 2 p.m. CST
 Leave: Friday, Nov. 9, 6:30 a.m.
 Pre-Game Headquarters: Holiday Inn, Greenwood, Miss (601) 453-8101
 Return: Nov. 10 (after game) / Travel Time: 12 hours (600 miles)

The Halftime Show



1984 marks the second season for one of America's newest, fastest growing marching bands. In July 1983, Don McLaurin was appointed director of the VSC Marching Band. Working with Ed Barr, associate director and arranger, a supportive administration and an enthusiastic booster organization, preparation for the first season began. Incredibly, 10 weeks later the first ever VSC Marching Band assembled and began rehearsing. On Sept. 24, 1983, the 120-member band made its debut.

This year's plans include traveling to Columbus for the second annual Riverbend Classic, exhibition performances and providing a variety of entertaining halftime shows for Blazer football games.

As part of the total band program at Valdosta State, the band provides an added dimension for the well-established music department within Georgia's only School of the Arts.

Don M. McLaurin, Director of Bands at Valdosta State, is the founder and director of the VSC Marching Band, the Blazin' Brigade.

Before joining the faculty at VSC, he served as the assistant director of the Florida State University Marching Chiefs. During that time, he was involved in producing over 25 halftime shows, including several nationally televised performances, the 1981 Orange Bowl and the 1982 Gator Bowl.

An active member of the College Band Directors National Association, he has held office in the Florida Bandmasters Association and the Florida College Music Education Association. He will serve as the conductor of the 1985 Florida All-State Concert Band this January in Tampa.

McLaurin is married to the former Judy Cooper of Miami and they have two sons, Sean, 11, and Scott, 9.

Valdosta State Girls





Valdosta State College

Valdosta State College, which first opened its doors to students January 2, 1913 as the South Georgia State Normal College for young ladies, is a multi-purpose, senior unit of the University System of Georgia.

The beautiful, south Georgia college offers undergraduate degree work leading to the Associate in Applied Science, the Associate of Arts, the Bachelor of Arts in 13 major programs and the Bachelor of Science in six major programs. It offers the Bachelor of Science, in Criminal Justice, the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, the Bachelor of Science in Education in 10 major programs, the Bachelor of Business Administration in six major programs, the Bachelor of Fine Arts in six major programs, and the Bachelor of Music in two major programs.

Graduate degrees offered are the Master of Education in eight major programs, the Master of Arts with majors in English, history and

mathematics, the Master of Science with majors in psychology and sociology, the Master of Business Administration, the Master of Music Education and the Education Specialist in five major programs.

A special act of the Georgia Legislature established the institution of higher learning in 1906. It was not until 1911, however, that the state appropriated \$30,000 for one building and equipment. The city of Valdosta enthused over the idea of having a college in their ci

ty, gave a campus of 60 acres and \$50,000 in money. In 1912, the future of the institution was assured when the Legislature granted it adequate annual appropriation for maintenance. In 1922, the school's name was changed to Georgia State Womens College and a four-year program leading to the bachelor's degree was authorized. In 1950, the Board of Regents made the college coeducational and also changed the name to Valdosta State College.



VSC Athletic Director

Tom Wonderling

Tom H. Wonderling assumed the athletic director's duties September 1, just in time for the opening of Valdosta State's third football season. He brings an outstanding record in athletic administration, having served as athletic director at three other colleges.

Wonderling, 42, came to VSC from Western Michigan University, a Division I member of the Mid-American Conference, where the 19 varsity sports consistently finished in the top half of their respective league races in the three years he directed the program.

He has many plans for the Valdosta State athletic program, but he intends to "get a feel" for the college community as well as the community in general before implementing changes or new programs.

"Valdosta State's reputation as an outstanding academic and athletic institution was one of the main points that interested me in the athletic director's job," Wonderling said. "I plan to thoroughly assess the situation here, and then we'll all work together to make a good program better.

"Our ultimate goal is for the total program to be the best Division II program in the country."

During his three-year tenure at Western Michigan, Wonderling was instrumental in obtaining a synthetic turf for the football stadium and developing a community corporate ticket campaign utilizing coaches and athletic administrators.

Before taking the Western Michigan job, he was athletic director at California Poly-Pomona for a year and a half. During his stay the college won national championships in baseball (1980) and women's tennis (1980 and 1981).

While at Pomona Wonderling hired former pro quarterback Roman Gabriel as football coach and increased scholarship monies 41 percent through fund raising efforts. Pomona also hosted the Division II track championships and instituted a season ticket program

during his stay.

Wonderling's first AD job was at Florida International University, where he went as baseball coach in 1972. He assumed the athletic directorship in 1975 and continued to coach baseball until he took the Pomona job in January, 1980.

At FIU in 1972 he helped institute baseball and four other sports. The university's decision to have an intercollegiate program in its initial year of operation was a first in American higher education.

His 10-year baseball coaching record included 301 victories, 224 of them at Florida International. The other 77 came at Austin Peay State University where he coached three years. His 1971 team won the Ohio Valley Conference title and he won Coach of the Year honors.

Wonderling's last team at FIU compiled an outstanding 45-13 worksheet and No. 3 national ranking. He was rewarded with Division II regional Coach of the Year honors.

A 1967 graduate of Otterbein College, Wonderling holds a



master's degree from Xavier University and a specialist in education degree from Bowling Green State University.

He has authored articles dealing with athletic administration and coaching in professional publications including *Athletic Administration*, *Coach & Athlete* and *Athletic Journal*.

Wonderling and his wife Virginia have two children, Cindy Jo, 13, and Thomas Kyle, 10.

President

Hugh C. Bailey

Valdosta State athletics was the beneficiary of unparalleled support when Dr. Hugh C. Bailey became the college's sixth president on July 1, 1978.

The 55-year-old Berry, Ala., native has been instrumental in the tremendous advances VSC has made in the last four years in its total athletic program. His latest contribution has been the enthusiasm with which he has supported the introduction of football to the campus.

Dr. Bailey considers athletics to be an integral part of the overall picture of Valdosta State and stays completely informed concerning developments in the entire athletic program.

Dr. Bailey came to VSC from Francis Marion College in Florence, S.C., where he was vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college. He went to Francis Marion from Samford University in Birmingham where he joined the faculty of the Department of History and Political Science in 1953. He was at Samford for 22 years, the last five as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

He earned the A.B. degree from Samford in 1950 and his master's and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Alabama in 1951 and 1954 respectively.

He is a member of numerous civic and professional organizations and has published more than 25 articles in various professional journals. He is also the author of six books.

Dr. Bailey is married to the former Ahleida Joan Seever of Mobile, Ala., and has two daughters, Debra Jane and Laura Joan.



VSC Trainers and Team Managers



VSC Trainers are, left to right, James Gamber, John Lampert, Jim Madaleno and John Hay.



VSC Managers are, front, Jerry Hamlin and Larry Lampert. Back, Greg Torrence and Richard Lee.

Blazer Basketball 1984-85



James Dominey
MEN'S COACH



Charles Cooper
WOMEN'S COACH

Coach Charles Cooper's Lady Blazers, winners of the Gulf South Conference tournament the last two seasons, will again be one of the favorites for the league championship. For the first time in women's basketball a regular season schedule among conference teams will be played to determine the seeding for the annual tournament, which Valdosta State will host in late February.

Coach James Dominey's Blazers will be fighting to erase the memories of last year's disappointing 10-17 worksheet. Some solid recruits have been added to go with a strong returning cast.

Be a part of another exciting season of Valdosta State basketball by getting your season tickets now. Call Kathie Gardner at the athletic department (333-5890) for ticket information.

Blazer Schedule

| | |
|----------|----------------------------|
| November | |
| 18-19 | CYSTIC FIBROSIS TOURNAMENT |
| 22-24 | Albany Invitational |
| December | |
| 1 | at Flagler |
| 4 | at Georgia Southern |
| 8 | JACKSONVILLE STATE* |
| 10 | WEST GEORGIA* |
| 14 | at Florida International |
| January | |
| 5 | at Delta State* |
| 7 | at Livingston* |
| 10 | COLUMBUS |
| 12 | at Jacksonville State* |
| 14 | at West Georgia* |
| 19 | TENNESSEE-MARTIN* |
| 21 | LIVINGSTON* |
| 26 | at Tennessee-Martin* |
| 28 | at North Alabama* |
| 31 | at Columbus |
| February | |
| 2 | MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE* |
| 4 | NORTH ALABAMA* |
| 11 | at Troy State* |
| 16 | at Mississippi College* |
| 18 | DELTA STATE* |
| 21 | TROY STATE* |

* - Gulf South Conference Game

Lady Blazer Schedule

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|----------|------------------------------|
| November | |
| 20 | GEORGIA SOUTHERN |
| 26 | TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE |
| 30 | at Fort Valley State |
| December | |
| 7 | GEORGIA COLLEGE |
| 8 | JACKSONVILLE STATE* |
| 10 | WEST GEORGIA* |
| 12 | at Florida Southern |
| 17 | at Florida International |
| January | |
| 7 | at Livingston* |
| 12 | at Jacksonville State* |
| 14 | at West Georgia* |
| 18 | FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL |
| 21 | LIVINGSTON* |
| 25 | FORT VALLEY STATE |
| 26 | ROLLINS |
| 28 | at North Alabama* |
| February | |
| 1-2 | at UT-Chattanooga Tournament |
| 4 | NORTH ALABAMA* |
| 7 | at Georgia Southern |
| 9 | at Tuskegee Institute |
| 11 | at Troy State* |
| 16 | FLORIDA SOUTHERN |
| 21 | TROY STATE* |

* - Gulf South Conference Game

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Blazer Football Network

Valdosta State football will be heard over WAAC-FM, a 100,000 watt station in Valdosta, as well as over a network of stations in the South Georgia area. The Voice of the Blazers is Joe Williams, a 36-year-old Atlanta native who has lived in Valdosta seven years.

Williams, who broadcast Blazer baseball games last spring, has done daily radio sports commentary on several Valdosta radio stations since



Bill "Radar" Ryan



Joe Williams

his arrival on the Valdosta sports scene. He began his sportscasting career as the voice of the Georgia State Panthers in 1965.

Williams' color man will be Bill "Radar" Ryan, the sports director at WVGA-TV in Valdosta. Ryan, who also handled the color commentary last season, is a 1980 Valdosta State graduate who joined the WVGA staff three years ago.

Composite Football Schedule of 1984 Opponents

| | *Night Game (HC) Homecoming | Sept. 1 | Sept. 8 | Sept. 15 | Sept. 22 | Sept. 29 | Oct. 6 | Oct. 13 | Oct. 20 | Oct. 27 | Nov. 3 | Nov. 10 | Nov. 17 |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Valdosta State | Open | Clark* | at Savannah State* | at UT Martin* | Jacksonville State* | Troy State* In Dothan | Livingston* | West Georgia in Columbus | at Georgia Southern | Mississippi College* (HC) | at Delta State | at North Alabama* | North Alabama* |
| Clark | Open | at VSC* | Open | Tuskegee Institute* | Fort Valley St.* in Griffin | at Lane | Savannah State (HC) | Open | Morehouse* | at Albany State | at Alabama A & M | Morehouse | Morris Brown (Nov. 22) |
| Savannah State | Open | at Tuskegee Institute | VSC* | North Alabama* | at Morris Brown | Open | at Clark | at North Alabama | Jacksonville State (HC) | Mars Hill* | Fort Valley St. (HC) | at Albany State* | at Alabama A & M |
| Tennessee-Martin | Open | at Austin Peay* | at Arkansas State* | VSC* | at Mississippi College* | Delta State* | at North Alabama | Southwest Missouri State* | Jacksonville State (HC) | at UT Martin | at Troy State | Livingston | at West Georgia |
| Jacksonville State | Open | at Alabama A & M* | Middle Tennessee State* | West Georgia* | at VSC* | Mississippi College (HC) | at Delta State* | North Alabama* | at North Alabama* | Open | Open | Troy State | at Livingston |
| Troy State | Open | Nicholls State* | Florida A & M* in Jacksonville | Livingston* | at West Georgia* | VSC* | at Mississippi College | Delta State* | at North Alabama* | at North Alabama* | UT Martin (HC) | at Jacksonville State* | Open |
| Livingston | at Morris Brown | Miles* | Open | at Troy State* | Open | West Georgia (HC) | at VSC* | Mississippi College* | at Delta State | North Alabama | North Alabama | at UT Martin | Jacksonville State |
| West Georgia | Open | at Gardner Webb* | Samford* | at Jacksonville State* | Troy State* | at Livingston | Liberty Baptist | VSC | at Mississippi College | Delta State (HC) | at North Alabama | at North Alabama | UT Martin |
| Georgia Southern | Florida A & M | at Presbyterian* | at Central Florida* | at East Carolina | Liberty Baptist | Bethune-Cookman* in Jacksonville | UT Chattanooga | Newberry (HC) | VSC | at Tennessee State | at Middle Tennessee State | Open | Open |
| Mississippi College | Open | at North Alabama* | at Southeastern Louisiana* | Open | UT Martin* | at Jacksonville State | Troy State | at Livingston* | West Georgia (HC) | at VSC* | Open | Open | Delta State* |
| Delta State | at Stephen F. Austin* | Quachita Baptist* | Open | at Southeast Missouri State | North Alabama* | at UT Martin* | Jacksonville State* | at Troy State* | Livingston (HC) | at West Georgia | at Livingston | VSC | at Mississippi College* |
| North Alabama | Miles* | Mississippi College* | Open | at Savannah State* | at Delta State* | Alabama A & M* | UT Martin (HC) | at Jacksonville State* | Troy State* | at Livingston | at Livingston | West Georgia | at VSC* |