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Location.....	Valdosta, Ga.
Enrollment.....	11,000
President.....	Dr. Ronald M. Zaccari
Athletic Director	Herb Reinhard
Football Coach	Chris Hatcher
Athletic Affiliation	Gulf South Conference, NCAA Division II
Nickname	Blazers
Colors	Red and Black
Stadium.....	Bazemore-Hyder (10,100, field turf)

Valdosta State University...Pathway To Success



Valdosta State University is just the right size...big enough to offer outstanding faculty, extensive academic programs and social opportunities of a major university and small enough to provide the personal attention you would expect of a selective private college.

The campus is noted for its natural beauty and award-winning design. About the campus...pines, palms, dogwoods, camellias, lots of azaleas, and vast green lawns...well, you get the idea. It's a beautiful campus. When you arrive, you will feel good – the way you should feel about a university.

It is ideally located...look at a map, you'll see the university is just above the Florida line on Interstate 75 within easy driving distance of the beaches, resorts and recreational areas of Georgia and Florida.

Valdosta State is a true learning community where professors and students learn from one another in a friendly and supportive academic environment. The university recognizes it is simply not enough to relay information; the mission focuses on the long-term, total educational experience of every student. Its success is measured by your success.

Valdosta State's greatest strength is its faculty, whose



Pound Hall on North Campus houses the Harley Langdale Jr. College of Business Administration.



West Hall, located in the center of Valdosta State University's main campus, houses the offices of the president and vice president for academic affairs as well as several academic departments.

primary focus is on teaching. They care about their students and challenge them to fulfill their academic potential. Every course is taught by experienced professors with world-class credentials, not by graduate assistants. There are more than 400 men and women on the university's faculty and more than 78 percent of them hold the terminal degree in their field. They're not here by accident. They choose to teach at Valdosta State because it's the kind of place where they can make a difference. And faculty members are approachable. They welcome the opportunity to talk to you about career opportunities, give advice, engage you in research, or even help you find a tutor if you need assistance.

As Valdosta State passes an enrollment of 11,000 this fall, it is just the right size. The university is large enough to offer more than 90 degree programs of study, yet small enough to offer the individualized attention you deserve. The average undergraduate class size is 24, with a student-to-faculty ratio of 18-to-1. This ratio allows meaningful interaction between faculty and students, which is important.

The strength of Valdosta State's student body lies in its diversity. The university currently has students from 46 states and more than 50 foreign countries. The students are exactly like you – and yet totally different. All students are around people who make them feel right at home here but also challenge them with different perspectives on life.

In addition to offering a broad range of academic majors, Valdosta State offers the kind of curriculum that will prepare you for today's constantly changing work environment. There are programs that you would expect to find at almost any college, but there are also a number of programs found only at larger universities.

The intercollegiate athletics program at Valdosta State consists of six men's (football, basketball, baseball, tennis, golf and



Dr. Ronald M. Zaccari, VSU President

New Year's Eve 2001 will be remembered as the day Dr. Ronald M. Zaccari, a sculptor, artist, administrator and veteran educator, was named the new president of Valdosta State University. The effective date was January 7, 2002, making Zaccari the seventh president in the history of VSU. He succeeded Dr. Hugh C. Bailey, who served the institution with distinction for 23 years.

Zaccari, president emeritus of West Liberty State College in West Liberty, WV, is a professor of art and an accomplished sculptor. He served as president of West Liberty State, a four-year public institution, from 1996 until he retired in August of 2001 to work on commissioned sculptures. He soon found retirement, even with his art work, left him with too much time on his hands, and he pursued and was rewarded with the VSU presidency.

Once on board, the new president hit the ground running. He is actively involved in productive partnerships with city and county governments, city and county school systems, medical community, chamber of commerce and other local and regional organizations committed to enhancing the educational, cultural and economic development of the region.

He is an active participant in the recently formed Partnership for Metropolitan Development, a group which will serve as a catalyst for creative thinking to promote a strategic vision for the region and which will build partnerships to enhance economic development.

"I really don't understand how VSU can adapt to the next five to ten years of dynamic challenges without a well-defined plan," Zaccari said. "The campus must demonstrate a system of measuring its goals and action steps. The planning process will evolve to an annual planning retreat, an annual celebration of accomplishments and an annual cycle where new priorities take the place of those that have been completed. The process can be described as constant."

Prior to the West Liberty State appointment, Zaccari was provost and vice president for academic affairs at Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond, La., an institution of about 13,000 students, from 1994-96. Zaccari joined

Southeastern Louisiana in 1977 as head of the Visual Arts Department, serving in that post until 1982.

He held a wide variety of administrative posts at the university, while simultaneously serving as a professor of art, including serving as dean of the College of Education, assistant vice president for academic affairs, acting provost, and associate provost for academic and student affairs. Zaccari began his career as a faculty member in 1967, as an assistant professor of art at Edinboro State College, in Edinboro, Pa.

He also was as an associate professor of art at the University of Colorado, from 1973-77. Zaccari holds a B.S. from the State University at Slippery Rock, in Slippery Rock, Pa, a M.Ed. from the University of Pittsburgh (Pa.), and an Ed.D. from The Pennsylvania State University. He has been active with statewide and national professional and higher education associations and is the recipient of numerous federal, state and private sector grants for his work.

He is married, and he and his wife Nancy, a very active player in the university's many activities, have two grown sons, Rahn and Rick.



The Mall Area in front of Odum Library is the center of Main Campus.

cross country) and five women's (volleyball, basketball, softball, tennis and cross country) sports. The university is a member of the 17-school Gulf South Conference. The football Blazers have won four of the last five league championships and advanced to the national title game in 2002 and 2004, winning the national championship last December.



Herb Reinhard - Director Of Athletics



The positive reputation of Valdosta State University athletics has grown by leaps and bounds in the 12-plus years Herb Reinhard has been in charge of the 11-sport Division II program. Reinhard joined the Valdosta State athletic family in December 1991, coming from Florida A&M University where he was assistant athletic director in charge of marketing and promotions.

The personable Winter Park, Fla., native has directed a superbly well-balanced program which has won Gulf South Conference all-sports trophies in both men's and women's sports a total of six times during his tenure.

"I am pleased with many of our accomplishments over the past dozen or so years, especially the all-sports trophies

because they validate the emphasis we put on the overall program," Reinhard said. "We want to continue to give all our coaches every possible chance to be successful, and that takes a lot of commitment not only from our staff but from this and surrounding communities."

"I am very thankful that the community involvement has continued to grow. We have a lot of plans in the works which will need that involvement. For our part, we pledge to continue putting exciting and winning teams on the fields and courts."

Reinhard, 47, spent much of his early years on the job turning potential supporters of VSU athletics into active supporters of the program. The list of corporate sponsorships has grown to more than 100, and his aggressive season ticket campaign for football, basketball, baseball, softball and volleyball has paid dividends. He has also expanded the VSU sports package, adding women's volleyball which began play in 1995, as well as its athletic facilities. A fieldhouse and indoor hitting facility for baseball opened in 1998, a \$525,000 softball stadium was completed in July 1999 and new seating and new pressbox were added at the baseball facility in time for the 2005 season. A new outfield fence will be built before the start of the 2006 campaign.

The next major project is funding and building an on-campus football stadium.

"We have made some inroads, but we still have much to do. We must continue to present an exciting, appealing product which people want to come out to see. We have so much to offer the south Georgia-north Florida area in the way of entertainment and education. I feel very fortunate to be a part of this institution, which is making an even larger impact on the quality of life for this region."

Reinhard has an undergraduate degree in business from Florida A&M, where he was a two-time all-conference placekicker, and a master's degree in sports administration from Florida State. He began his career at Florida A&M in 1979 where he was women's sports information director for six years before taking over athletic marketing and development in 1986. He was promoted to assistant athletic director in 1990. He was elected to the Florida A&M Sports Hall of Fame in 1993.

Reinhard is married, and he and his wife Linda have a son, Herb IV, 15, and a daughter, Rebecca Joy, 11.



The Reinhard's: L-R, Herb, Linda, Herb IV, Rebecca



THE COACHES



Chris Hatcher - Head Coach



For Chris Hatcher, it's time to put all the hoopla associated with last year's magical run to the national championship in his, the staff's and the returning players' memory banks. It's time to go back to work.

Hatcher, who rewrote the Valdosta State record book as the starting quarterback from 1991 to 1994, is set to enter his sixth season as the Blazers' head man, again shouldering extremely high expectations for the program he has elevated to the very top of the national stage.

"We've been pretty successful, and winning it all last year was icing on the cake," Hatcher said. "That's always been the goal, and that's the goal again this year. But it's a long hard road. You not only must be good, you must be lucky. Again this year, everybody will be shooting for the Blazers, and it will be interesting to see if this new group can meet that challenge."

Hatcher became the university's winningest football coach when he won his 41st game during the 2003 season. His five-year record of 59-7 is a remarkable .894 winning percentage, the highest in the nation at any level. His second and third teams posted back-to-back undefeated



regular seasons, and the Blazers pushed the winning streak to a conference record 35 in a row before it ended. Hatcher has been flooded with coach of the year honors at conference, regional and national levels, and his teams have won national statistical awards.

Great stuff. And despite reaching the ultimate goal last season, Hatcher will take himself, his staff and his players back to square one when summer camp gets under way in August. The goal will always be to play 11 regular season and four or five playoff games each year. The ultimate goal will always be to win the national title.

"The goals won't change," Hatcher said. "We want to win one game a week, win the conference championship, get in the playoffs, play on Thanksgiving and play in December. If you can get to

December, anything can happen."

Hatcher, whose organizational skills and attention to detail belie his relatively young age (32), has thrived in his dream job as a collegiate head coach.

"The big thing is I've always wanted to be a head football coach at the college level somewhere," he added. "Being at Valdosta State is just an added bonus."

The personable Hatcher, a Macon native who was a standout in football and baseball at Mt. de Sales Academy, is back "home" following one year at Central Florida (where he coached Minnesota Viking quarterback Daunte Culpepper) and three years at Kentucky (where he coached both former Cleveland Brown quarterback Tim Couch and former VSU QB Dusty Bonner).

At Kentucky Hatcher worked for former VSU coach Hal Mumme (currently the head coach at New Mexico State), who won 40 games in five seasons at VSU and in whose offense he flourished as a player from 1992-94. It was from Mumme he adopted and adapted his potent Air Raid offensive attack. Mumme predicted Hatcher's success, citing his leadership skills and teaching ability and labeling him "a wonderful football coach".

Hatcher was also a wonderful football quarterback at VSU. He completed 1,047 of 1,529 passes for 11,363 yards and 121 touchdowns, setting 29 school passing and total offense records along the way (14 of which still stand). More would still be on the books if he hadn't had Bonner running his offense for two seasons.

Hatcher started 41 consecutive games (29-10-2) at Valdosta State and still holds 13 Gulf South Conference and 17 Division II national records in addition to his 14 school marks. In his senior season of 1994, he led the Blazers to their first playoff appearance, reaching the quarterfinals before losing in double overtime to eventual national champion and conference rival North Alabama. Among his more impressive national records are his 68.5 career completion percentage and his 20 straight completions against New Haven.

Hatcher was a two-time all-America (1993 and 1994) and a two-time winner of the GSC's Commissioner's Trophy,



The Hatchers: Lori, Chris, Tyler



The Chris Hatcher File



which goes to the league's most outstanding overall student-athlete. He capped his brilliant senior campaign by winning numerous national honors, including the prestigious NCAA Top Eight Award, the GTE Academic All-America National Player of the Year and an \$18,000 post-graduate scholarship from the National Football Foundation.

In addition, he won the 1994 Harlon Hill Trophy, which goes annually to Division II's best player, by the second largest vote margin in the award's 19-year history.

Hatcher followed his father Edgar into coaching, beginning as a student assistant at Valdosta State in 1995 and working with his quarterback successor Lance Funderburk, also an all-America who finished second in the 1996 Harlon Hill race. The coaching road then led to Central Florida in 1996 and on to Kentucky when Mumme was named head coach in 1997.

And now he's come full circle ... back to Valdosta State where the journey began as a walkon fifth string quarterback in the fall of 1991. After winning 59 of 66 games, four conference titles and one national championship in his first five seasons, Hatcher has not wavered from his initial perception of the job.

"We really expected to win, and we expected to win immediately," he said. "I left a great place at Kentucky to come to a place that has always been special to me. We're raising a family here, and hopefully we're raising the bar as to what is expected year-in and year-out from Blazer football. We want to be the best."

Hatcher and his wife Lori are both Valdosta State graduates, Chris in kinesiology and physical education and Lori in early childhood education. The couple's first child, Tyler Christopher, turned five in June.

Wife: Lori (VSU graduate in early childhood education)

Son: Tyler Christopher, 5

Record at VSU: 59-7 (.894); Conference Record: 43-2 (.956)

Coaching Experience

- 1995** - Student assistant (quarterbacks) coach at VSU (coached all-America and Harlon Hill Trophy runnerup Lance Funderburk)
- 1996** - Assistant coach (quarterbacks and tight ends) at Central Florida (coached all-America and first round NFL draft pick Daunte Culpepper)
- 1997-98** - Graduate assistant (quarterbacks) and head junior varsity coach at Kentucky (coached all-America and No. 1 NFL draft pick Tim Couch)
- 1999** - Assistant coach (quarterbacks and receivers) at Kentucky
- 2000** - Head coach, Valdosta State University First team finished 10-2, won school's second Gulf South Conference championship and advanced to the Division II national playoffs; Named Gulf South Conference coach of the year; Named Division II coach of the year by American Football Quarterly; Atlanta Touchdown Club coach of the year; Coached Harlon Hill Trophy winner Dusty Bonner.
- 2001** - Finished 12-1, won school's third Gulf South Conference championship and advanced to quarterfinals of Division II national playoffs; Ranked No. 1 in the country for a school record six consecutive weeks; Named Gulf South Conference coach of the year for second straight season; Named Division II regional coach of the year by American Football Coaches Association; Atlanta Touchdown Club coach of the year; Coached Harlon Hill winner Dusty Bonner.
- 2002** - Finished 14-1 and reached national championship game; won school's fourth Gulf South Conference championship (third in a row). Ranked No. 2 in the country all season. 14-game winning streak is the longest in school history; Named Gulf South Conference coach of the year for third straight season; Named Division II regional coach of the year by American Football Coaches Association for second straight year; 13 players named to all-conference team, including the offensive and defensive players of the year. Has won 27 consecutive regular season games and 23 consecutive conference games.
- 2003** - Finished 10-2 and second in the Gulf South Conference. Advanced to national playoffs for fourth straight year, losing in first round. Nine players named to all-conference team. Had consecutive regular season winning streak end at 35 games (29 consecutive conference games) during season. Became winningest coach in school history when VSU won fifth game of season.
- 2004** - Finished 13-1 and won school's first national championship in football; Won Gulf South Conference championship for fourth time in last five years. Advanced to national playoffs for fifth straight year. Eleven players named to all-conference team. Winning percentage (.894) is highest among active coaches who have coached for a minimum of five years. Named Division II national coach of the year by the American Football Coaches Association. Selected to coach in the Hula Bowl all-star game.

Playing Career

- ▶ Valdosta State, 1991-94 (41 consecutive starts, compiled 29-10-2 record)
- ▶ Holds 14 school, 13 Gulf South Conference and 17 Division II national records
- ▶ Two-time all-America (1993 and 1994)
- ▶ Harlon Hill Trophy (best player in Division II) winner by the second largest vote margin in the history of the award (1994)
- ▶ Two-time winner of the Gulf South Conference Commissioner's Trophy (1993 and 1994)
- ▶ Member of Gulf South Conference Team of the 1990s
- ▶ NCAA Top Eight Award Winner (1994)
- ▶ Awarded one of the 16 post-graduate scholarships from the National Football Foundation (1994)
- ▶ CoSIDA Academic All-America National Player of the Year (1994)
- ▶ Elected in his first year of eligibility to Valdosta State University Athletic Hall of Fame's Class of 2001
- ▶ Elected to Macon Sports Hall of Fame Class of 2001 (last class was elected in 1978)

Assistant Coaches



SHAWN BOSTICK

Assistant Head Coach
Offensive Line

Shawn Bostick, beginning his eighth season in charge of the offensive line, knows he was a major beneficiary when Valdosta State hired his college roommate as the school's sixth head coach in December 1999. The first thing Chris Hatcher did after taking charge of the football program was name Bostick his assistant head coach.

"Boss was my center when I played quarterback here, and we've been close friends for a long time," Hatcher said. "Just as important as far as the football program is concerned is the fact he's a very good offensive line coach with a tremendous work ethic. I kid him that naming him my top assistant only means he gets to do the things I don't want to do."

Bostick, who received an education degree in health and physical education from VSU in 1996, was a three-year letterman on Blazer teams in 1991, 1992 and 1993. He started at center for the 1993 team which compiled an 8-3 record. That offensive line protected Hatcher like a baby, surrendering only 10 sacks in 471 passing attempts.

The 35-year-old Bostick has now been in charge of the offensive line longer than any other coach in the 23-year history of the program, and has produced three all-America and eight all-conference players. A mainstay of this year's O-line is senior tackle Will Shelton, one of three all-conference selections from last year's team.

"I'm very proud of the players I've had the privilege to coach," Bostick said. "I think the group last year really improved and was a big key in the run to the national championship. It's that kind of consistency we'll be pushing a much younger group to achieve this year."

Bostick and the former Sheila Hammock celebrated their eighth wedding anniversary in June. Their first child, Emma, was born in November 2002.



The Bosticks: Shawn, Emma, Sheila



DAVID DEAN

Offensive Coordinator
Receivers
Special Teams

David Dean, who coordinated arch rival West Georgia's highly successful passing game in the 1990s, returned to Valdosta State in January 2000 when Hatcher hired him to coach receivers and special teams. His results impressed his boss to the point Hatcher promoted Dean to offensive coordinator following that first year success.

"I told him when I hired him he'd be the 'dean' of the new coaching staff," Hatcher remembers. Dean, 41, is in fact the veteran of a young Valdosta State staff.

"We communicate very well, and I think it was a natural progression to make him the coordinator," Hatcher said. "I have great respect for David's opinion and depend on him greatly for advice as we continue to implement our version of the Air Raid offense. He's been around the Gulf South Conference for a long time and brings a wealth of information which benefits our program tremendously."

Dean is on his second tour of duty at VSU, where he coached wide receivers under Mike Cavan from 1988-91. He joined arch rival West Georgia's staff as running backs coach in 1992. In his eight seasons, the Braves compiled a record of 59-28, won two GSC championships (1997-98) and beat Valdosta State seven times. Since his return, VSU is 5-0 against its old rival.

Dean was a versatile high school football player at Avondale in metro Atlanta, playing both defensive back and quarterback. He was selected to the all-county team as a defensive back and was the second ranked quarterback in passing efficiency.

After walking on as a freshman at Georgia Tech in 1982, Dean earned a scholarship and played for the Yellow Jackets for three seasons, winning the Guts Award in 1984 and 1985. He was a graduate assistant at Tech in 1986 and coached wide receivers at Avondale in the spring of 1987 before beginning his first tour at Valdosta State.

Dean is married to the former Stacie Stott, a VSU alumnus, and the couple has three daughters, Caroline, 8, Allison, 6, and Natalie Rae, born in June.



The Deans: Allison, Stacie, Natalie Rae, Caroline, David



Assistant Coaches



ASHLEY ANDERS

**Defensive Coordinator
Linebackers**

Ashley Anders enters his fourth season at Valdosta State and his third as the man in charge of the Blazers' highly-regarded defense. Since his promotion to coordinator, VSU hasn't missed a beat defensively as Anders and his staff have consistently put one of the league's top units on the field.

Anders came to VSU as linebackers coach in 2002 and will continue that responsibility again this season. Last year he rebuilt his linebacker corps almost from scratch, starting a couple of freshmen and a sophomore who by year's end had become a formidable force. This year the position could be the Black Swarm's major strength.

"I do expect us to be very solid at linebacker because we return most everybody, and everybody we return is experienced," Anders said. "And I think we recruited very well in that area as well, which hopefully will give us a lot of options."

Anders joined the Blazer football family after coaching linebackers, the secondary and special teams at Holmes Community College in Goodman, Mississippi for two seasons.

He was a three-sport letterman in high school in Hampton, Arkansas, being named an all-district and all-conference defensive back in football and an all-district and all-conference pitcher in baseball, sports in which he lettered all four years. He also lettered two years in basketball. He played baseball at GSC rival Arkansas-Monticello, graduating with a health and physical education degree in 1996.

He began his coaching career at Star City (Arkansas) High School in 1996 as head basketball coach and assistant football coach (three years), assistant baseball coach and assistant strength coach (one year each) and head strength coach one year. His last year at Star City (1998-99), he was defensive coordinator.

He moved to Auburn to work on his master's degree in sports administration in 1999 and coached defensive backs and special teams as a graduate assistant for the Tigers. He earned his master's degree in 2000 before moving to Holmes CC.

Anders, 33, is married, and he and his wife Sheri have a daughter, Mary Alex, 5, and a son, Cade, 2 1/2. Sheri is a special education teacher in the Lowndes County School System.



The Anders: Ashley, Cade, Mary Alex, Sheri



EARL CHAMBERS

**Defensive Line
Recruiting Coordinator**

Earl Chambers is the latest addition to VSU's full-time staff, joining the Blazer camp in late July as a replacement for defensive line coach and recruiting coordinator Maurea Crain, who returned to his native Texas. Chambers, who will assume both of Crain's roles, comes to Valdosta State from the University of Georgia, where he has been a graduate assistant on the last four Bulldog staffs.

A native of College Park, Chambers, 28, was a four-year letterman at strong safety for Georgia from 1995-99. He started as a senior, finishing the year with 41 combined tackles and four pass breakups.

Chambers filled a variety of duties after joining the Bulldog support staff, including breaking down the opponents' offense, organizing scouting report information, assisting with the implementation of the off-season workout program and coordinating official visits with student-athletes and their parents.

He also served as a recruiting graduate assistant and helped coach defensive backs. Last season he assisted defensive line coach and recruiting coordinator Rodney Garner at Georgia.

Chambers graduated from UGA with a degree in psychology in 1999. He served two years on the Student-Athlete Council Committee while an undergraduate. His graduate degree will be in sports management.



Earl Chambers

Assistant Coaches



**KEITH
HATCHER**

**Secondary
Director of Football Operations**

A newcomer to this year's full-time staff is Keith Hatcher, who takes charge of the secondary. Hatcher, who was a graduate assistant on VSU's 2003 coaching staff, returns to Valdosta State from Alabama-Birmingham where he was a graduate assistant for that band of Blazers last season. He replaces Ryan Shirley.

Defensive coordinator Ashley Anders believes Hatcher will be an excellent addition to his staff. "Keith worked for us two years ago and learned our system, then went to UAB which runs a very similar system," Anders said. "He is a tireless worker, and I expect him to fit right in and do a great job for us back there."

Hatcher, like his cousin (head coach Chris), was a standout prep athlete at Mount de Sales Academy in Macon where he earned all-state honors in football, basketball and baseball. He went to Mars Hill College where he was a four-year letterman in baseball and a two-year letterman in football for the Lions. He graduated in 2000 with a B.S. in business administration and a B.S. in sports management.

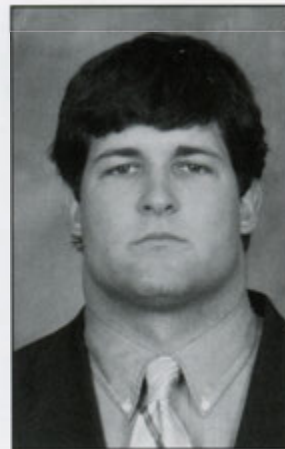
After three years in private business as an investment advisor specialist, the lure of coaching at the collegiate level brought him to Valdosta State. He followed former Blazer defensive coordinator and secondary coach Kevin Shirley to Alabama-Birmingham where he continued his graduate work last season.

In addition to his coaching duties, Hatcher will serve as director of football operations and take charge of coordinating the very successful summer camp program in June.

Hatcher, 27, is married, and his wife Ashley is a pharmaceutical representative.



The Hatchers: Ashley and Keith



**LEE
TARPLEY**
Runningbacks

Support Staff



**BUBBA
WALKER**
Defensive Assistant



**REIDEL
ANTHONY**
Offensive Assistant



**TONY
HAYNES**
Defensive Assistant



**BUSTER
FAULKNER**
Offensive Assistant



**KERRY
WEBB**
Defensive Assistant



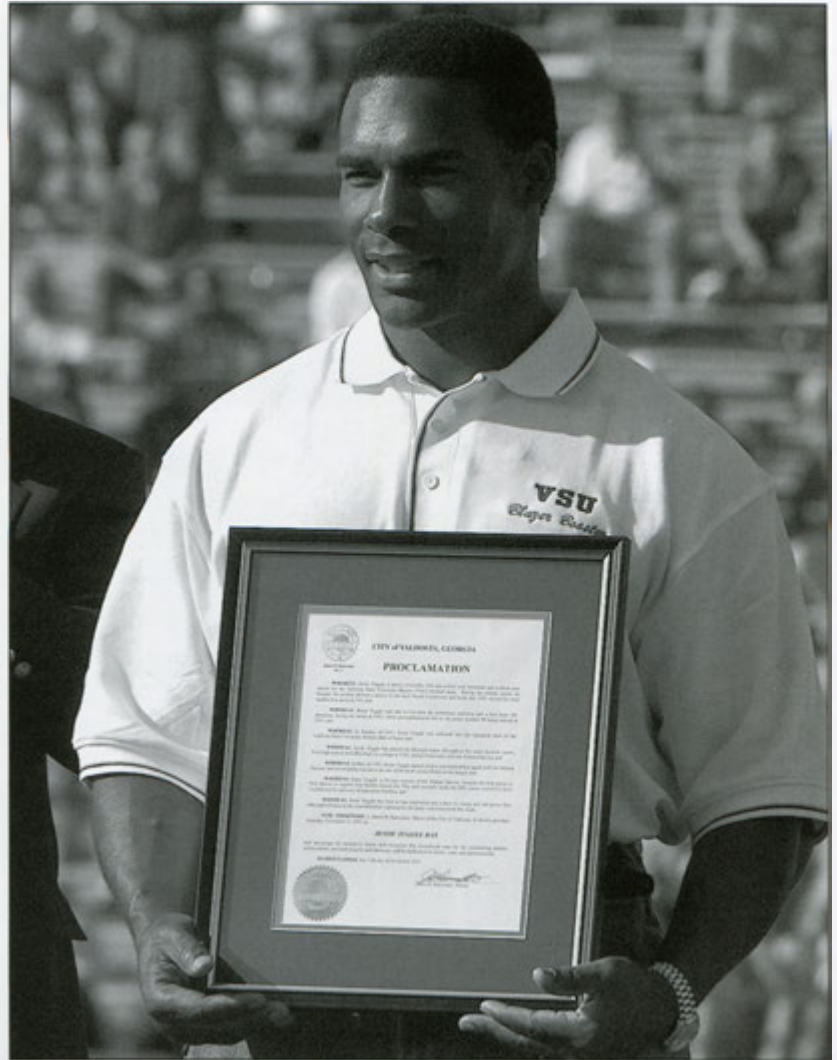
The Jessie Tuggle Strength & Fitness Complex

The Jessie Tuggle Strength and Fitness Complex is an important part of the total athletic program at Valdosta State, but it is especially critical to the football program.

Named for former VSU all-America and former Atlanta Falcon all-pro linebacker Jessie Tuggle, whose \$25,000 gift in 1992 endowed a football scholarship, the complex is a busy place year-round as various teams are put through a vigorous off-season program by strength and conditioning coaches.

The Blazer football off-season program provides a great opportunity for players to make progress in many athletic areas. The primary goal is to develop foot speed and quickness, along with focusing on explosive power, which is achieved through weight training four days a week.

Strength gains have been impressive across the board, and what the young Blazers have accomplished under the watchful eye of speed/strength and conditioning coach Michael Doscher in the weight room and on the practice field will stand them in good stead when they report for fall practice in August.



Doscher, honored this summer as the national strength and conditioning coach of the year, is a key player in the total athletic program, and nobody is more aware of his value than Hatcher and the rest of the football staff. "Mike is simply invaluable. The importance of a well-rounded speed and strength and conditioning program can't be overstated," Hatcher said.

The weight training complex has been improved in recent years both cosmetically and with the most up-to-date equipment which has transformed it into a state of the art facility for Doscher to work his magic with VSU's more than 200 student-athletes.

Doscher, who joined the Blazer athletic family in 1996, received his undergraduate degree from Springfield College and his master's degree from Mississippi State University. He gained experience as an intern at Boston College and an assistant at Nevada-Las Vegas and Mississippi State. He stays on the cutting edge of strength and conditioning techniques, attending clinics throughout the country both as a presenter and participant and has been honored by the National Strength and Conditioning Association for his efforts and dedication.

Doscher is married, and he and his wife Teresa have two children, Dustin, 6, and Cassie, 3.



The Doschers: Cassie, Dustin (front), Teresa, Michael

AIR Blazers



RADIO

WWRQ 107.9 FM
Valdosta, GA
Dick Rockey,
play-by-play voice of the Blazers
Tom Odom, color commentary

The
Chris Hatcher Show
WWRQ 107.9 FM
Mondays at 7 p.m.
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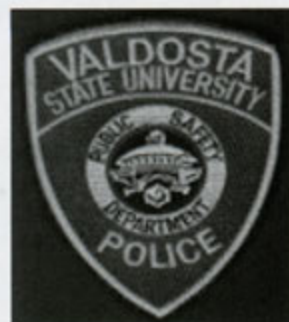
The Chris Hatcher Show
WALB, Channel 10, Albany
Each Sunday (times vary)

WALB, Channel 3, Valdosta
Each Sunday, 11:30 p.m.

WCTV UPN, Channel 24, Tallahassee
Each Sunday (times vary)

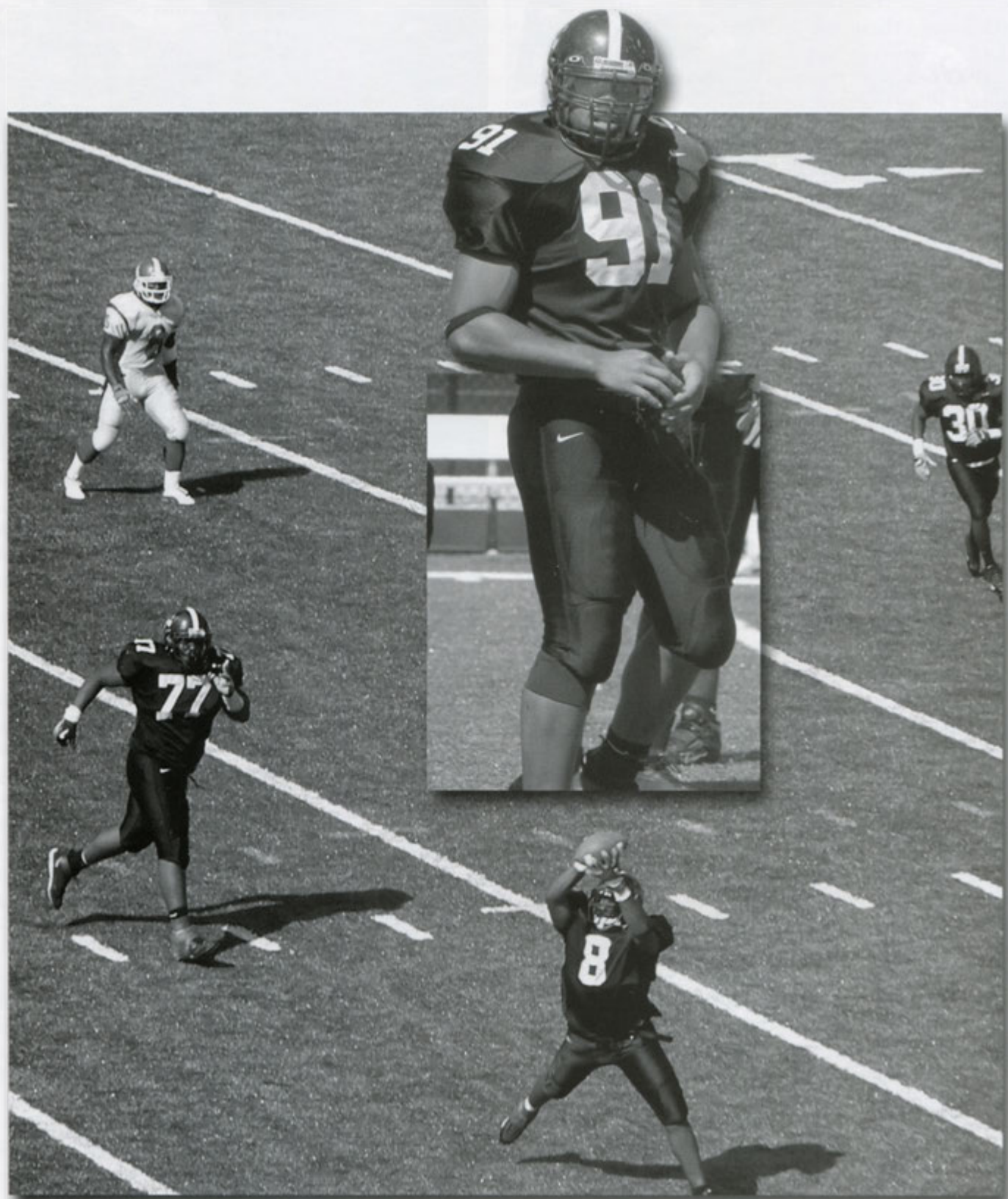
Oct. 1 Game at Delta State and Oct. 20
Game vs. North Alabama televised live.

Blazers on the Road



When the Blazers hit the road, which they do six times this season, they are escorted by law enforcement officers from Valdosta State's Department of Public Safety and the Lowndes County Sheriff's Office. Helping make VSU road trips smooth sailing are Chad May (LCSO), Jason Jones (VSU), Scott Doner (VSU), Trey Wetherington (LCSO) and Bob Bolton (LCSO).

2005 OUTLOOK/ THE PLAYERS





GOAL REMAINS THE SAME FOR DEFENDING NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

News Flash! Valdosta State won the Division II national football championship in 2004. That was the ultimate goal laid out by head coach Chris Hatcher when his troops reported for summer camp. The mission was accomplished. Now it's time to defend.

"We'd been pretty successful the previous four years, and winning it all last year was icing on the cake," said Hatcher, whose teams have won 59 of 66 games in five years. "That's always been the goal, and that's the goal again this year."

Hatcher began laying the foundation for a premier football program the day he reported on the job in December 1999. Building the tradition of Blazer football to the highest level will always be a work in progress.

"One of the many challenges this year will be to continue building the tradition. We must continue to look forward. It's going to be a long hard road. You not only must be good, you must be lucky. Again this year, everybody will be shooting for the Blazers."

Four of the last five years the road to the Gulf South Conference championship has gone through Valdosta, and Hatcher expects the 2005 Blazer edition to again be in the hunt for the league title.

"We're certainly excited about the new team," Hatcher said. "Every team is different, and that's what makes the game so much fun to coach. There will be many challenges, and one of the big keys to success is overcoming all the challenges that arise throughout the season."

But the goal doesn't change. In a nutshell, Hatcher wants to win one game a week, win the conference championship, get in the playoffs, play on Thanksgiving weekend and play in December.

"If we can get to December, anything is possible. But we have a long, long way to go before any of that happens."

THE OFFENSE

Five starters (six counting quarterback Barrett Wilkes who started in 2003) return from a unit which finished third in the conference in scoring (34.9 ppg), fifth in rushing offense (193.3 ypg), fifth in passing offense (222.8 ypg) and fourth in total offense (415.8 ypg). New school records were set for yards rushing (2,706), best rushing average per game (193.3) and rushing touchdowns (32).

Hatcher explains the impressive rushing numbers coming out of an offense which has a feared reputation for its aerial attack.

"Last year with a veteran offensive line and two great backs, coupled with inexperience at quarterback and in the receiver corps, we ran it more than in previous years," he said. "The



offense was no different. It's where we chose to put the emphasis...mixing the short passing game with the run.

"We'll have to see what this group of Blazers does best, and that's what we'll hang our hat on. In summary, we'll do what we do best. That's what we've always done."

QUARTERBACKS

The 2003 starter, an impressive junior college recruit, two other lettermen and a couple of redshirts are on the depth chart, giving Hatcher and coordinator David Dean a wealth of options when the competition begins in August.

Junior Barrett Wilkes, who took his redshirt year last season after starting in 2003 and throwing for 3,269 yards and 26 touchdowns, ended spring work at the top of the chart. He was very

closely followed by junior Lewis Kuffuor, who rolled up 2,043 yards of total offense at Northwest Mississippi Junior College last season, and sophomore Clay Callaway, who returned to QB in the spring after a solid season at wide receiver last year. Senior Mitch Stewart and freshmen Tucker Pruitt and Jeremy Privett will get work as well.

"Wilkes emerged out of spring as No. 1, and a lot of that had to do with his knowledge of the offense," Hatcher said. "But Kuffuor and Callaway are right there. They bring a dimension to the game we haven't had in a while. It will be interesting to see how it plays out."

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RUNNINGBACKS

Even though all-American Tyran Robinson (3,029 career yards) is gone, the position should continue to be an integral part of the offense. Senior Vincent Brown, who shared duty with Robinson last year (856 yards, 12 touchdowns), returns along with senior William Milton, a most reliable blocking back and receiver out of the backfield.

One of the brightest spots of spring practice was the performance of redshirt freshman Thomas Arnold, an exciting runner who will come into camp behind Brown on the depth chart. Sophomore Scott Palmer, a superb special teams player last season, is expected to play a much larger role behind Milton while other halfback depth will be supplied by senior Latray Walker and junior Tyler Pruitt.

"We have the potential to be solid again," Hatcher said. "We know what Brown and Milton can do...they're battle-tested. Arnold showed signs in the spring of being an impact player, and Palmer should be ready to take the next step."

RECEIVERS

The Hatch Attack's four receiver spots are much more experienced and settled than this time a year ago. Three sophomores – Jeffery Felton at the X, Zach Parker at the Y and Travis Taylor in the slot – all played important minutes as rookies, combining for 68 catches (Felton was hurt in the fourth game and missed the rest of the season). Junior Derrick Tharpe, a transfer from Wake Forest, was impressive in the spring and will go into camp No. 1 at the Z.

Depth is solid with junior Tyler Aurandt (19 catches), junior Cedric Haywood and junior Brian Melton. Redshirt freshman Dedric Smith along with several recruits will be in the mix as well.

The staff can also call on sophomore Clay Callaway, who caught 20 passes a year ago before moving to quarterback in the spring, "in a pinch".

OFFENSIVE LINE

Although the middle of a very productive offensive line graduated, the nucleus of another solid group returns for veteran coach Shawn Bostick. The bookends – senior tackles Will Shelton (three-year starter) and Richard Collier – are seasoned veterans who are expected to be the bell cows up front.

Going into camp, three sophomores – Gerald Davis and C.A. Sanders at the guards and Paul Streacker at center – are at the top of the depth chart. Davis started some at tackle as a true freshman, and Sanders played more and more down the stretch last season.

Two-year letterman Jos Edison will be an important player because of his versatility. He has some starts in his career and can move up and down the line as needed. Junior Tim Watkins and



sophomore Davis Russell at the guards and redshirt freshman Davis Nall will supply depth, and Bostick, as always, will take a hard look at the recruiting class.

"We're excited about the potential of this group," Bostick said, "but that potential must be turned into production."

THE DEFENSE

Coordinator Ashley Anders is quick to tell you a lot of work has to be done, but he and his staff will welcome back more starters and much more experience than this time a year ago.

That group was transformed into a dominating unit which led the nation in turnover margin (plus 22) and led the conference in total defense and ranked second in the major categories of scoring, rushing and passing defense.

Seven starters, led by all-America end Tim Thompson and the entire linebacker corps, will form the nucleus

of a Black Swarm which should continue the tradition of hard-nosed defense, especially prevalent in the Hatcher-Anders era.

"We'd certainly like to build on last year's success, but this is a new team with new goals," Anders said. "As always, there are a lot of questions to be answered in camp and beyond, but I know we've got good players. Our biggest challenge as a staff is to get them in the right place at the right time, which will give us all a chance to be successful."

"We'll have to see what this group of Blazers does best, and that's what we'll hang our hat on."



DEFENSIVE LINE

New defensive line coach Earl Chambers faces the unenviable task of replacing three starters who played a major role in last year's highly productive takeaway numbers, but he does return experienced and talented players.

Thompson, a bona fide player of the year candidate, will again anchor the front four. Senior Dedrick Morrison, who has played important minutes throughout his career, will play the other end. In the middle, seniors Calvin English and Willie Johnson are solid, and both are expected to push their games to a higher level.

Depth must be cultivated. Senior James Hutley and junior Dustin DeHaven at the ends have experience, and junior Marcellus Washington began making the transition from offense to defensive tackle late last season. Other depth will be built from the recruiting class, which is most impressive. Kelvin Roberts, a Lowndes High product, brings solid credentials from national juco champion Reedley (CA) College, and Derrick Dugger, Chris Lewis, Patrick Bradley and Aaron Wheeler were prep standouts.

LINEBACKERS

With all the starters, five experienced lettermen and a most impressive recruiting class on hand, Anders expects his linebacker corps to be a definite strength of this year's Black Swarm.

"We had several guys grow up faster than we expected last year, and that experience should pay huge dividends this season," Anders said. True freshmen Maurice Leggett on the strong side and William Montford in the middle were forced into early action because of injuries and thrived in the college game.

"Leggett is a great talent who could develop into one of the best we've ever had around here," Anders said.

Junior Gio Blalock, now a veteran who "you can't get off the field", finished spring work No. 1 on the weak side just ahead of sophomore Donnie Daniels, who made the move from the strong side (where he started last year) in the spring. Redshirt freshman Steve Betros and junior Cody Thomas (coming off an injury-plagued season) back up Montford, and Jason McNeill turned in impressive spring work behind Leggett after moving from strong safety.

Anders is most excited about the potential of a superb recruiting class which includes Bryan Belvin, a transfer from Georgia Military, and Lavarus Dollar, an all-state prep standout from Dublin.

"We've never carried nine linebackers on the travel squad, but with this group we have a chance to be three-deep across the board," Anders said.

THE SECONDARY

Despite losing three veterans who started most of the time, the secondary this year should be very solid. Senior Scott Foss, coming off

a most productive season, is the undisputed leader of the group from his free safety position, from which he made 80 tackles in 2004. The rover or strong safety spot will be manned by junior Kevin Adkins and redshirt freshman Everette Kitchens.

Anders and new secondary coach Keith Hatcher are particularly excited about the potential of this year's corners. Senior Michael Flood, who has started much of the time throughout his career, and sophomore Shawn Harris came out of spring practice with the starting jobs. But the staff sees using an effective rotation on the islands with senior Antwan Harris (a starter before getting hurt last year) and JC transfers Dale Smith, Bernard George and Waymon Ford as well as junior returnee Oscar Patterson in the mix.

Senior Calvin Roberts will push Foss, and redshirt freshmen Eric Williams and Kip Burdette also will be in the picture.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Senior Michael Green, who has handled the kickoff job the last two seasons, is primed to add all the placement duties after the departure of all-American Will Rhody, who led the team in scoring with 121 points (22-23 field goals, 55-56 PATs). Senior punter Travis Tidwell, who averaged 38.7 yards on 58 punts (fourth in the conference) returns and could also be a candidate

for the all-important holder's job.

Sophomore Matt Tanner and redshirt freshman Patrick Brantley among others will battle for the long snapper job, and auditions will be held for a new punt return man. Senior Vincent Brown was the primary kickoff returner last year.

Sophomore Steven Wright backs up Tidwell, and sophomore Chad Callahan and redshirt freshman Jared Guberman will challenge Green.

THE SCHEDULE

The 2005 schedule is much more attractive, primarily because six games will be played at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium. The Blazers added an 11th regular season game with the return of Fort Valley State (season opener in Macon) to the schedule. Hatcher is ready to get it underway.

"The addition of Fort Valley State, another quality in-state arch rival, as the season opener on the road makes this a much more demanding schedule," he said. "We then come home the next week to face an Albany State team that we knocked out of the playoffs last year with a miraculous comeback. That's two very tough non-conference games before we begin nine straight weeks against our Gulf South foes.

"It's going to be very difficult to repeat, but that's our goal and we plan to go out and have a lot of fun and see what we can do."

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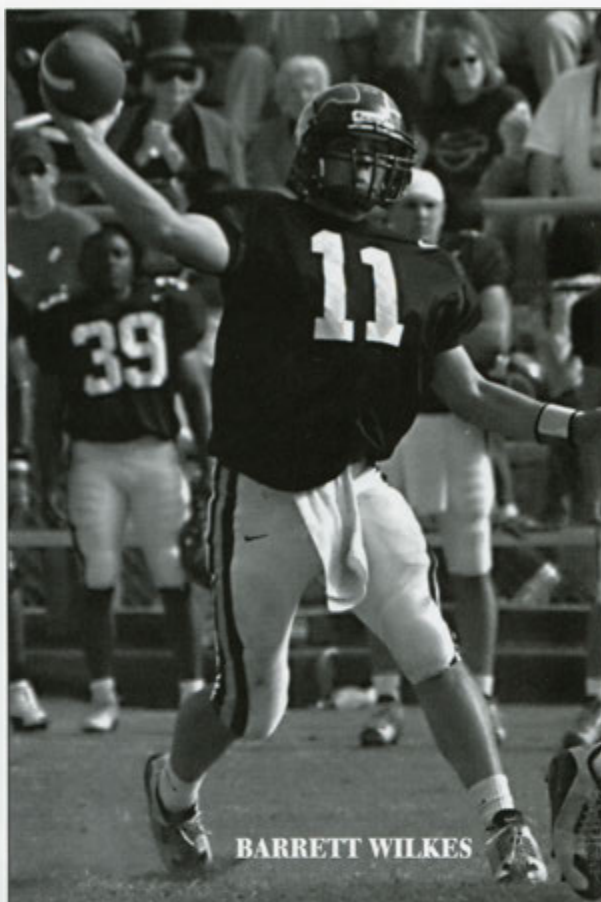
Quarterbacks

Junior Barrett Wilkes, who is coming off a redshirt year, was particularly impressive toward the end of spring practice and will enter camp at the top of the depth chart. Wilkes started every game in 2003, throwing for 3269 yards and 26 touchdowns. He completed 63 percent of his passes and finished third in the conference in passing yards per game (272.4).

A close second to Wilkes when the spring practice dust cleared was junior Lewis Kuffuor, who transferred from Northwest Mississippi Junior College in January. Kuffuor possesses cat-like quickness and a strong arm and averaged more than 103 rushing yards a game last season. He also threw for more than 1100 yards, accounting for 227 yards a game in total offense.

Also impressive in the spring was sophomore Clay Callaway, a high school quarterback who was part of last season's receiving corps (20 catches for 150 yards). He finished ahead of returnees Mitch Stewart (senior) and redshirt freshmen Tucker Pruitt and Jeremy Privett

"Wilkes emerged out of spring as No. 1, and a lot of that had to do with his knowledge of the offense," Hatcher said. "But Kuffuor and Callaway are right there. They bring a dimension to the game we haven't had in a while. It will be interesting to see how it plays out. Quarterback is like every other position. We're going to let them battle it out, and whoever rises to the top will play on Saturday."



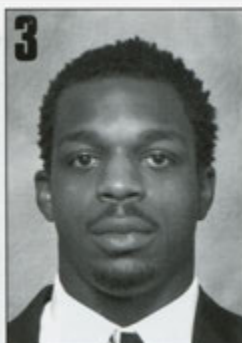
BARRETT WILKES

BARRETT WILKES IN 2003

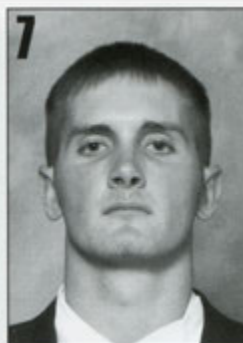
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Albany State	35-21-0	231	3
Florida Atlantic	49-35-1	381	4
Delta State	39-25-1	280	2
Southern Arkansas	40-20-1	237	1
Ouachita Baptist	34-23-0	306	4
Arkansas-Monticello	38-23-3	216	0
Central Arkansas	35-24-1	207	1
West Alabama	42-25-0	456	5
North Alabama	24-13-0	109	0
Arkansas Tech	25-17-0	207	1
West Georgia	29-22-0	328	3
Carson-Newman	41-24-2	311	2
TOTALS	431-272-9	3269	26



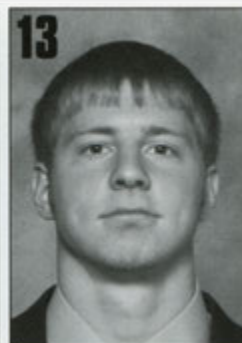
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CLAY CALLAWAY
6-2, 175, Sophomore
Watkinsville, GA



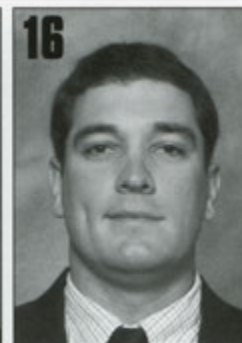
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LEWIS KUFFUOR
6-0, 185, Junior
Atlanta, GA



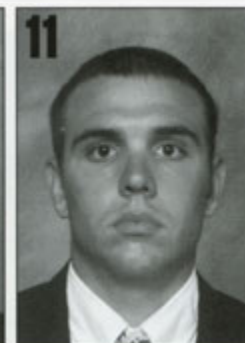
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JEREMY PRIVETT
6-0, 180, Freshman
Folkston, GA



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TUCKER PRUITT
6-0, 180, Freshman
Fitzgerald, GA



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MITCH STEWART
6-1, 206, Senior
Newnan, GA



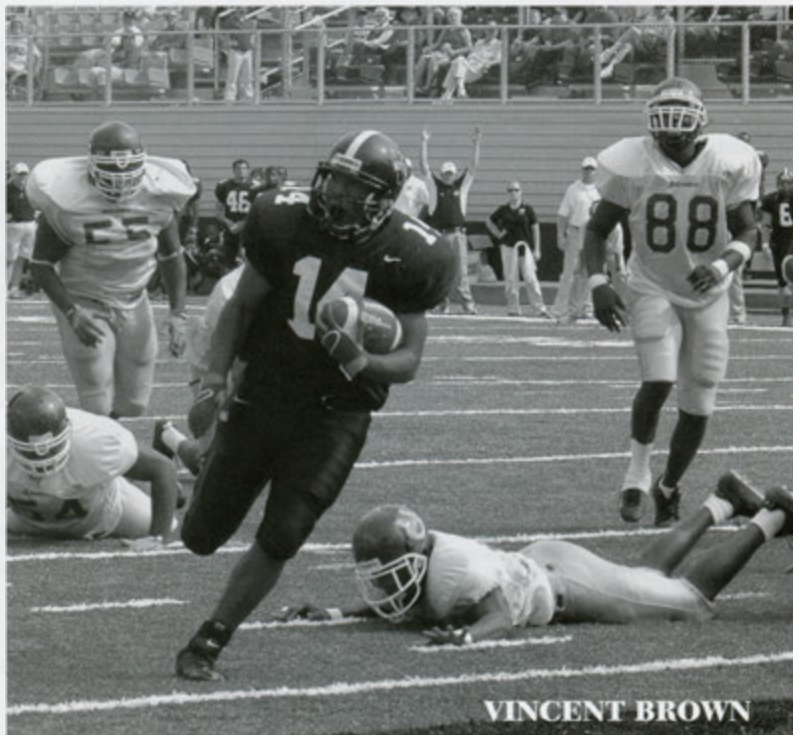
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BARRETT WILKES
5-11, 184, Junior
Valdosta, GA

Runningbacks



VINCENT BROWN IN 2004

	No	Net	TDs
Albany State	0	0	0
Ouachita Baptist	6	72	1
Harding	17	99	0
Central Arkansas	9	24	0
Delta State	8	46	2
Henderson State	7	21	0
West Alabama	10	47	1
North Alabama	6	93	0
Southern Arkansas	8	34	2
West Georgia	8	57	1
Carson-Newman	8	110	2
Albany State	13	66	1
West Chester	16	115	2
Pittsburg State	13	72	0
TOTALS	129	856	12



VINCENT BROWN

The runningback position should again be a major strength of the offense with the return of seniors Vincent Brown and William Milton along with several other lettermen and a couple of highly-regarded recruits.

Thomas Arnold, like Brown a product of Cook High School in nearby Adel, is coming off a redshirt year and ended spring work second on the depth chart at halfback. Chad Bryant, another redshirt freshman, and senior Latray Walker add quality depth. Milton, a three-year letterman, is most reliable as a blocker and receiver at fullback. Sophomore Scott Palmer is a top-notch reserve, and junior Tyler Pruitt adds experience and depth.

"We know what Brown can do, and Arnold was a great high school player who had a really good spring," Hatcher said. "He's got a lot to learn back there, but he's got a bright future and should play a lot behind Vince, who of course had a tremendous year (856 yards, 12 TDs) and is one of the better backs in the league.

"We're looking forward to Milton stepping up in his senior season and being a leader on and off the field. Palmer had a good spring for us, and he'll get a lot of playing time. He's already a great special teams player, but he'll get more reps at fullback this year."



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THOMAS ARNOLD

5-11, 175, Freshman
Adel, GA



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VINCENT BROWN

5-10, 180, Senior
Adel, GA



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CHAD BRYANT

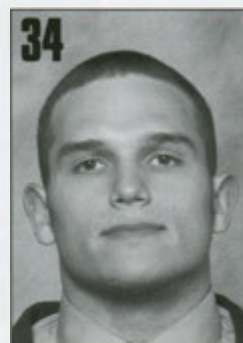
6-1, 175, Freshman
Vienna, GA



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WILLIAM MILTON

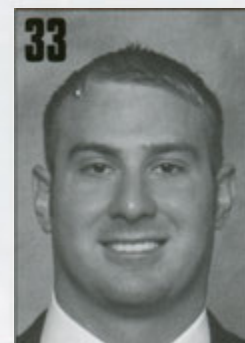
5-11, 205, Senior
Thomasville, GA



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SCOTT PALMER

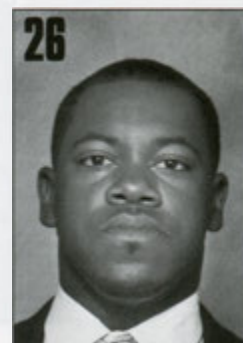
5-11, 238, Sophomore
Dacula, GA



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TYLER PRUITT

5-8, 182, Junior
Fitzgerald, GA



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LATRAY WALKER

5-7, 168, Senior
Augusta, GA



Offensive Line

A definite strength of the Blazers' run to the national championship last year was a veteran offensive line which dominated the trenches, especially in the playoffs. Much of that group is gone, but veteran O-line coach Shawn Bostick is by no means starting over.

"The big concern is we lost three guys in the middle who took a lot of snaps for us for three years," Bostick said. "But we've got William Shelton and Richard Collier coming back at the tackles, and both of them are seasoned veterans entering their senior season. We look for them to be the bell cows up front."

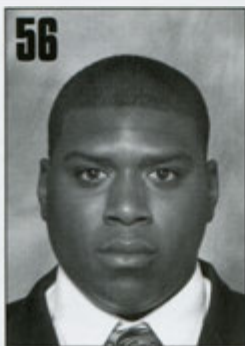
Bostick is also excited because he expects some good young players to assume primary roles in the middle. Sophomores Paul Streaker at center and C.A. Sanders at one guard gained experience in backup roles last year, and sophomore Gerald Davis started several games at tackle as a true freshman. He moved to right guard in the spring.

"We're excited about that trio, but they're still green, have a lot to learn and must grow up in a hurry for us to be successful," Hatcher said.

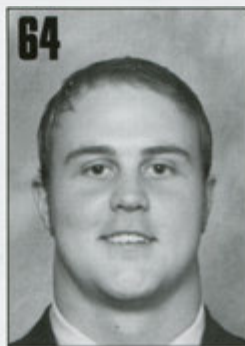
An important wild card is two-year letterman Jos Edison, who has started on occasion and can play guard or tackle. Sophomore Davis Russell and junior Tim Watkins will back up the guards, and redshirt freshman Davis Nall will play behind Collier.



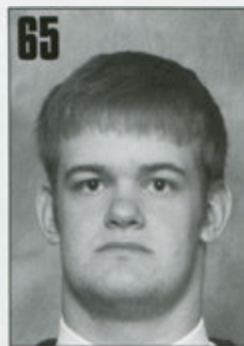
RICHARD COLLIER
6-7, 325, Senior
Shreveport, LA



GERALD DAVIS
6-4, 300, Sophomore
Greensboro, GA



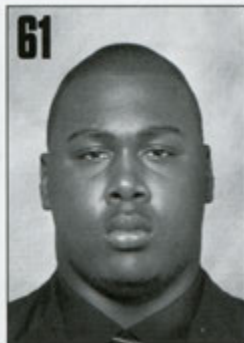
JOS EDISON
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Blakely, GA



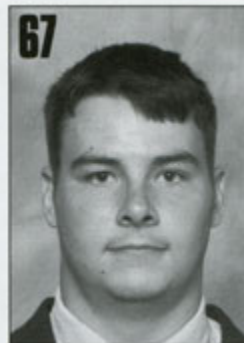
DAVIS NALL
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Duluth, GA



DAVIS RUSSELL
5-11, 240, Sophomore
Jacksonville, FL



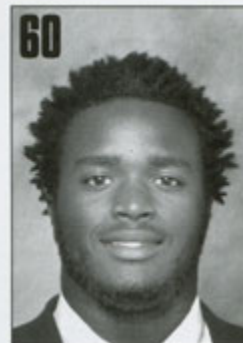
C.A. SANDERS
6-0, 275, Sophomore
Moultrie, GA



WILL SHELTON
6-3, 255, Senior
Snellville, GA



PAUL STREACKER
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Destin, FL



TIM WATKINS
5-10, 250, Sophomore
Boston, GA

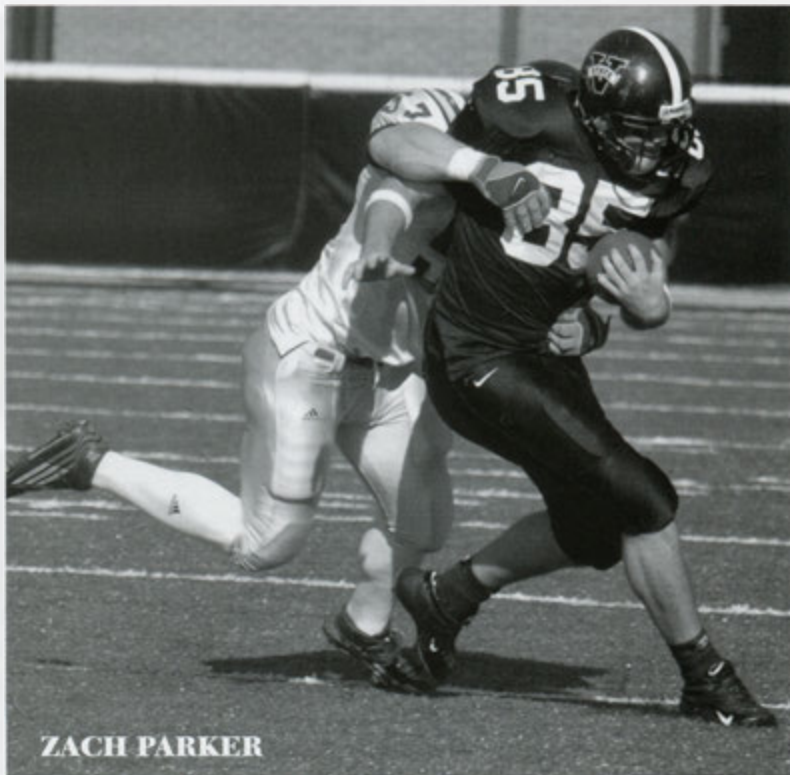
Receivers



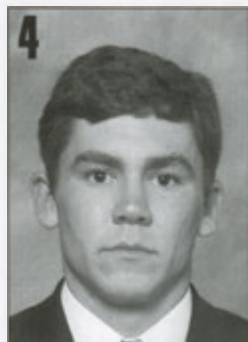
Eight of the 14 players who caught balls last season return, and several highly-regarded newcomers have joined the fleet which will keep the passing game a prominent part of the Hatch Attack. Inexperience at quarterback and receiver last year prompted the offensive staff to employ a very controlled air game which averaged a five-year low of 10.3 yards per catch. With more experienced weapons available across the board, expect this year's Air Raid to again stretch the field.

Among the returnees, three sophomores - Zach Parker, Jeffery Felton and Travis Taylor - have the most experience and are at the top of the depth chart at their positions. Junior Derrick Tharpe, who transferred from Wake Forest in January, was impressive in the spring and will go into camp No. 1 at the fourth receiver spot. Junior Tyler Aurandt will get plenty of reps behind Felton, sophomore Brian Melton will line up behind Parker, senior Tommy Parker is behind Tharpe and redshirt freshman Dedric Smith is No. 2 behind Taylor.

A wild card is Clay Callaway, who moved to quarterback in the spring but can play several of the wideout spots. And Cedric Haywood, a transfer from Georgia, could be in the mix if eligible.



ZACH PARKER



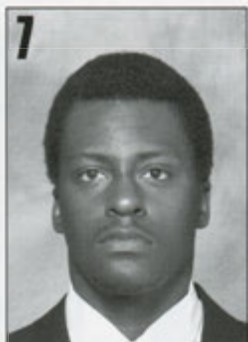
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TYLER AURANDT
5-10, 163, Junior
Atlanta, GA



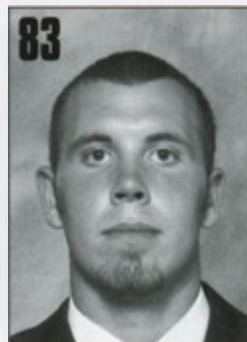
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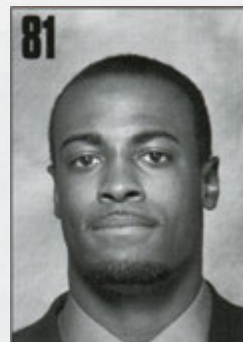
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CEDRIC HAYWOOD
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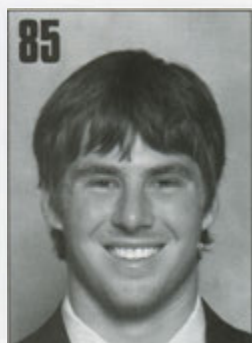
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BRIAN MELTON
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Stockbridge, GA



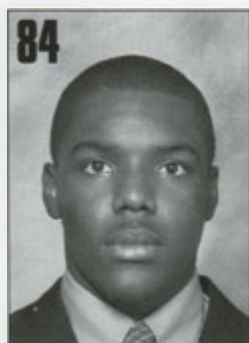
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TOMMY PARKER
6-0, 178, Senior
Sylvester, GA



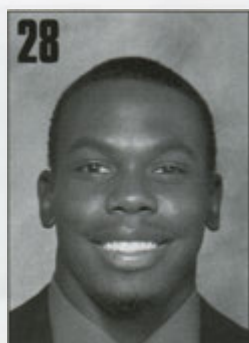
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ZACH PARKER
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Valdosta, GA



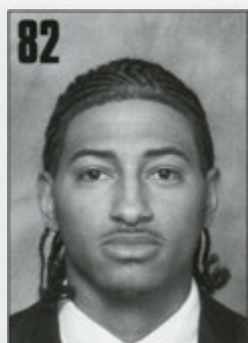
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DEDRIC SMITH
5-11, 185, Freshman
Hawkinsville, GA



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TRAVIS TAYLOR
5-11, 170, Sophomore
Vienna, GA



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DERRICK THARPE
6-3, 190, Junior
Warner Robins, GA



Receivers

TRAVIS TAYLOR

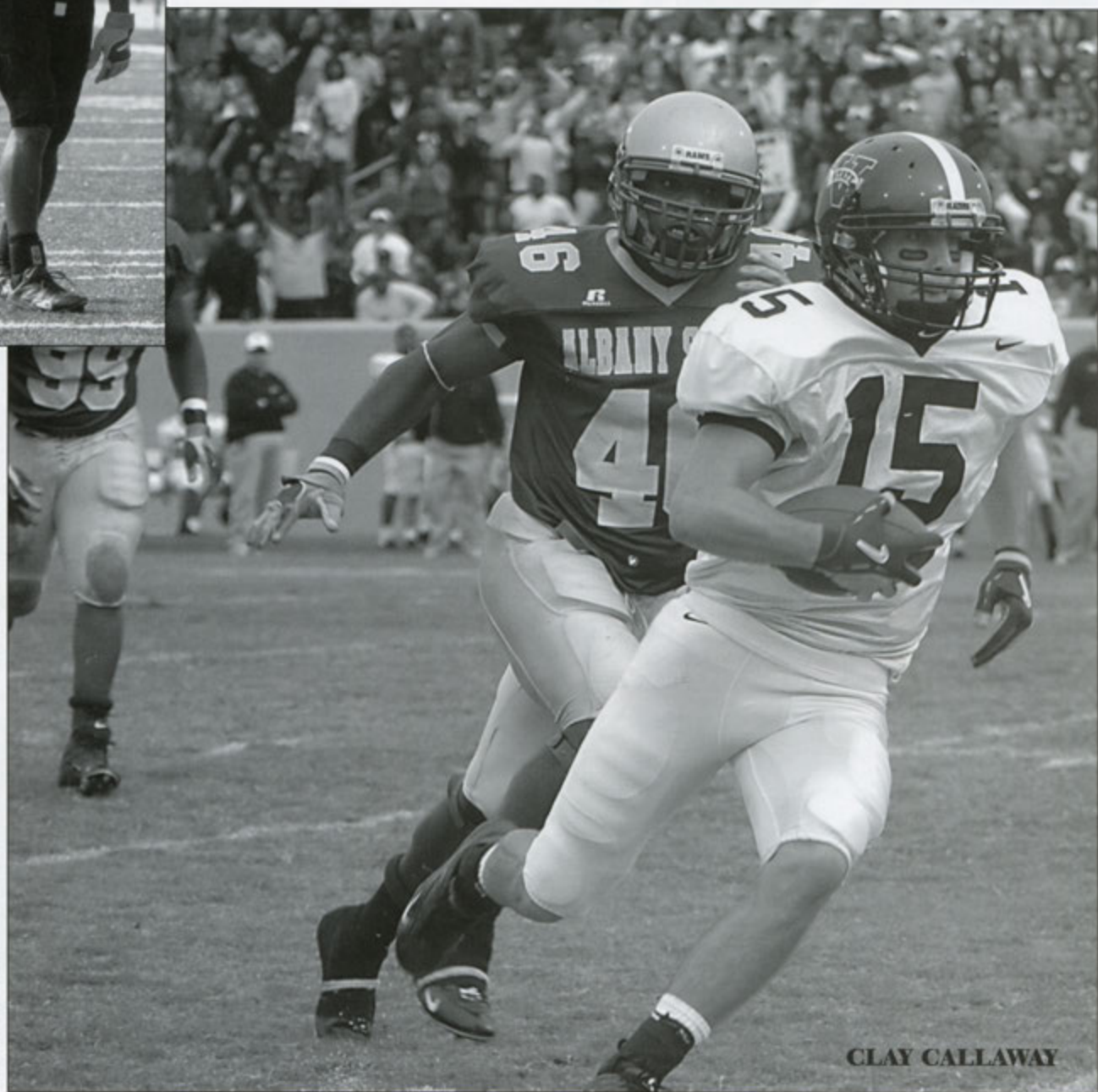


TRAVIS TAYLOR IN 2004

	No.	Yds	TDs
Albany State	3	56	0
Ouachita Baptist	0	0	0
Harding	2	23	0
Central Arkansas	5	25	1
Delta State	5	25	0
Henderson State	6	54	0
West Alabama	2	20	0
North Alabama	0	0	0
Southern Arkansas	3	23	0
West Georgia	1	20	0
Carson-Newman	2	26	0
Albany State	1	4	0
West Chester	2	9	0
Pittsburg State	2	12	1
TOTALS	34	297	2

ZACH PARKER IN 2004

	No.	Yds	TDs
Albany State	2	6	0
Ouachita Baptist	3	27	0
Harding	0	0	0
Central Arkansas	2	9	0
Delta State	5	95	1
Henderson State	1	32	0
West Alabama	2	36	0
North Alabama	2	-2	0
Southern Arkansas	0	0	0
West Georgia	2	34	0
Carson-Newman	1	5	0
Albany State	2	22	0
West Chester	1	18	1
Pittsburg State	1	14	0
TOTALS	24	296	2



CLAY CALLAWAY

Defensive Line



TIM THOMPSON

The defensive line was expected to be the cornerstone of last year's Black Swarm, and it more than lived up to that lofty billing as the Blazers led the nation in turnover margin at plus 22.

This year, however, a new defensive line coach (Earl Chambers) faces a major rebuilding project which includes replacing three starters. That job will be made easier because all-America end Tim Thompson returns for his senior season. Seniors Dedrick Morrison at the other end and Willie Johnson and Calvin English inside, who played vital backup roles a year ago, will go into camp No. 1 at their respective positions.

Other depth available in the spring was provided by senior James Hutley (end) and juniors Dustin DeHaven (end) and Marcellus Washington (tackle).

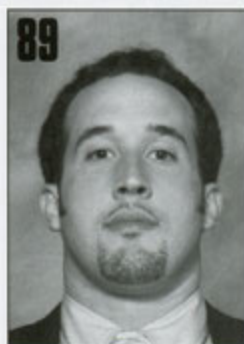
"We're going to count on a few freshmen coming in and hopefully we'll pick up a couple of transfers to help pick up the slack," Hatcher said. "Building some depth is key because last year we felt like we had eight guys up front who could really play. The main reason we won it all was our lines of scrimmage knew how to dominate a football game."

TIM THOMPSON IN 2004

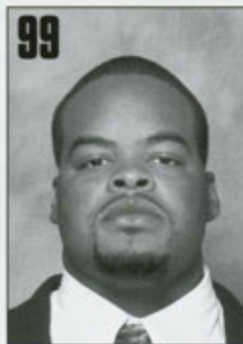
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Ouachita Baptist	2	1	3
Harding	3	1	4
Central Arkansas	1	0	1
Delta State	0	3	3
Henderson State	6	1	7
West Alabama	2	3	5
North Alabama	2	2	4
Southern Arkansas	3	3	6
West Georgia	2	2	4
Carson-Newman	1	4	5
Albany State	2	1	3
West Chester	1	2	3
Pittsburg State	1	3	4
TOTALS	29	27	56

CALVIN ENGLISH IN 2004

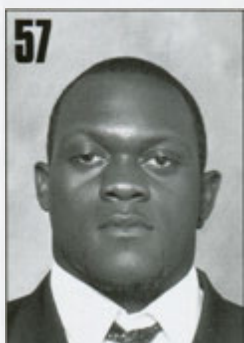
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Ouachita Baptist	1	0	1
Harding	1	0	1
Central Arkansas	3	0	3
Delta State	1	2	3
Henderson State	0	2	2
West Alabama	1	1	2
North Alabama	2	4	6
Southern Arkansas	0	1	1
West Georgia	1	1	2
Carson-Newman	1	3	4
Albany State	2	1	3
West Chester	1	1	2
Pittsburg State	0	1	1
TOTALS	17	17	34



DUSTIN DeHAVEN
6-1, 230, Junior
Covington, GA



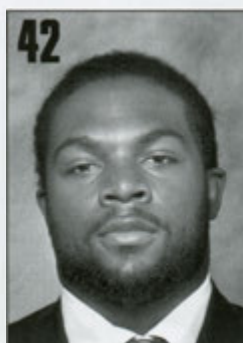
CALVIN ENGLISH
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Covington, GA



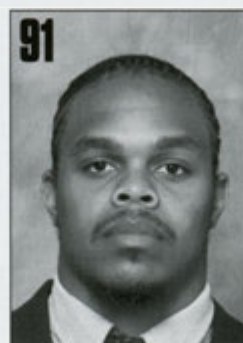
JAMES HUTLEY
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Delray Beach, FL



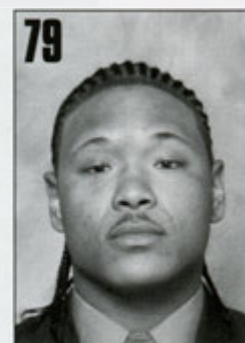
WILLIE JOHNSON
6-3, 300, Senior
Watkinsville, GA



DEDRICK MORRISON
5-11, 240, Senior
Ocoee, FL



TIM THOMPSON
6-4, 240, Senior
Sparta, GA



MARCELLUS WASHINGTON
6-2, 285, Junior
Columbus, GA



Defensive Backs

Even though last year's starting corners are gone, Coach Keith Hatcher, the only full-time newcomer to the staff, welcomes seven lettermen including senior Scott Foss, the team's No. 2 tackler (80) from his free safety position in 2004.

Senior Michael Flood, a three-year letterman, and sophomore Shawn Harris, both of whom picked up extensive playing time last season, were the starting corners in the spring. Backups include JC transfer Dale Smith, a two-way player at New Mexico Military Institute, senior Antwan Harris, junior Oscar Patterson and junior Waymon Ford, a transfer from Georgia Military who possesses tremendous speed.



MICHAEL FLOOD

MICHAEL FLOOD 2004

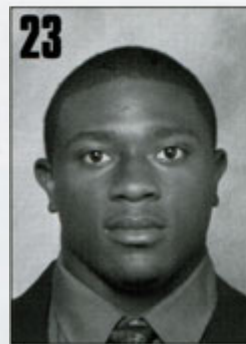
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Ouachita Baptist	2	1	3
Harding	1	0	1
Central Arkansas	5	1	6
Delta State	4	1	5
Henderson State	3	0	3
West Alabama	0	1	1
North Alabama	2	0	2
Southern Arkansas	2	1	3
West Georgia	1	1	2
Carson-Newman	0	2	2
Albany State	0	1	1
West Chester	2	2	4
Pittsburg State	0	1	1
TOTALS	24	12	36

Senior Calvin Roberts backs up Foss at safety while junior Kevin Adkins and redshirt freshman Everette Kitchens works at strong safety. Eric Williams and Kip Burdette, two more redshirt freshmen, are in the mix as well.

Chris Hatcher looks for Foss to be the catalyst of what he expects to be a competent group. "Foss is the main guy back there. He lines everybody up and runs the show."

SCOTT FOSS IN 2004

	UT	AT	Total
Albany State	6	6	12
Ouachita Baptist	3	2	5
Harding	1	0	1
Central Arkansas	2	0	2
Delta State	8	3	11
Henderson State	2	2	4
West Alabama	1	1	2
North Alabama	0	1	1
Southern Arkansas	3	5	8
West Georgia	3	4	7
Carson-Newman	2	3	5
Albany State	5	2	7
West Chester	2	2	4
Pittsburg State	9	2	11
TOTALS	47	33	80



23

KEVIN ADKINS
5-9, 185, Junior
Montezuma, GA



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KIP BURDETTE
5-10, 180, Freshman
Forsyth, GA



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SCOTT FOSS
5-10, 178, Senior
Rome, GA



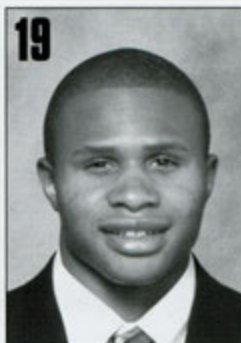
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MICHAEL FLOOD
5-9, 175, Senior
Douglasville, GA



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ANTWAN HARRIS
5-10, 170, Senior
Senoia, GA



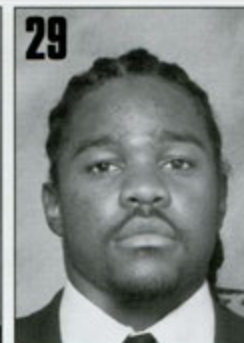
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SHAWN HARRIS
5-8, 157, Sophomore
Blakely, GA



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EVERETTE KITCHENS
6-0, 175, Freshman
Powder Springs, GA



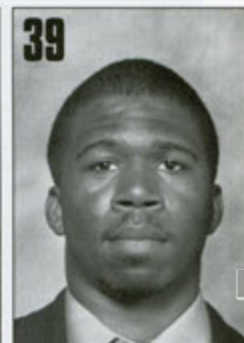
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OSCAR PATTERSON
5-9, 172, Junior
Kingsland, GA



38

CALVIN ROBERTS
6-2, 210, Senior
Valdosta, GA



39

DALE SMITH
6-2, 200, Junior
Bainbridge, GA

Linebackers



It's the area that has been the strength of most Valdosta State defenses in the Blazers' 23-year football history. Last year was an exception because of a veteran defensive line and a very young corps of linebackers. This year, it's business as usual with the return of all three starters and five lettermen, plus a most impressive recruiting class.

Defensive coordinator Ashley Anders, who coaches the backers, believes the group can be solid by the time the 2005 bell rings in late August.

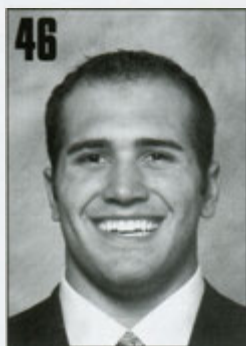
"We hope to be as deep as we've been in a while," he said. "It was our thinnest area going into last season which forced us to play a lot of young players. The up side of that is they gained a ton of experience and are now seasoned veterans."

Sophomores William Montford in the middle and Maurice Leggett and Donnie Daniels on the outside all played important minutes last season and followed it up with impressive springs. Junior Gio Blalock started much of the time last year and ended spring work No. 1 ahead of Daniels on the weak side. Cody Thomas, another junior, was hampered by injuries but still managed a productive season in the middle. And junior Jason McNeill, was moved from safety to linebacker (his natural position) in the spring where he was most impressive.

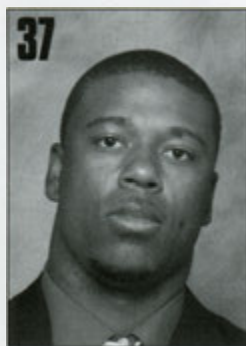
Also in the mix is junior Michael Cullen, a transfer from East Tennessee State's disbanded program who made a move before getting hurt in the spring, as well as redshirt freshman Steve Betros. And Anders believes at least a couple of players from the recruiting class will push the veterans.



WILLIAM MONTFORD



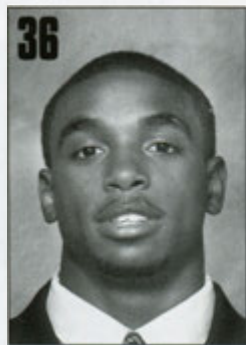
STEVE BETROS
5-11, 215, Freshman
Jacksonville, FL



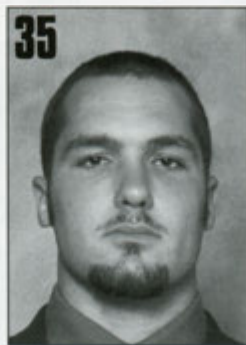
GIO BLALOCK
5-9, 198, Junior
Fort Valley, GA



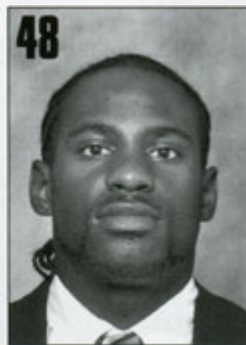
DONNIE DANIELS
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Fort Valley, GA



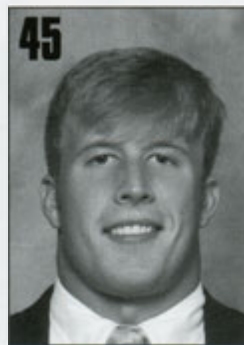
MAURICE LEGGETT
6-0, 208, Sophomore
Jonesboro, GA



JASON McNEILL
6-0, 190, Junior
Jonesboro, GA



WILLIAM MONTFORD
5-11, 215, Sophomore
Cordele, GA



CODY THOMAS
6-1, 208, Junior
Savannah, GA



FABIAN WHYLLY
5-11, 215, Sophomore
Orlando, FL



Linebackers

WILLIAM MONTFORD IN 2004

	UT	AT	Total
Albany State	0	1	1
Ouachita Baptist	0	1	1
Harding	0	1	1
Central Arkansas	1	2	3
Delta State	3	0	3
Henderson State	1	3	4
West Alabama	1	2	3
North Alabama	2	6	8
Southern Arkansas	3	2	5
West Georgia	1	0	1
Carson-Newman	1	3	4
Albany State	1	3	4
West Chester	0	2	2
Pittsburg State	0	2	2
TOTALS	14	28	42

DONNIE DANIELS IN 2004

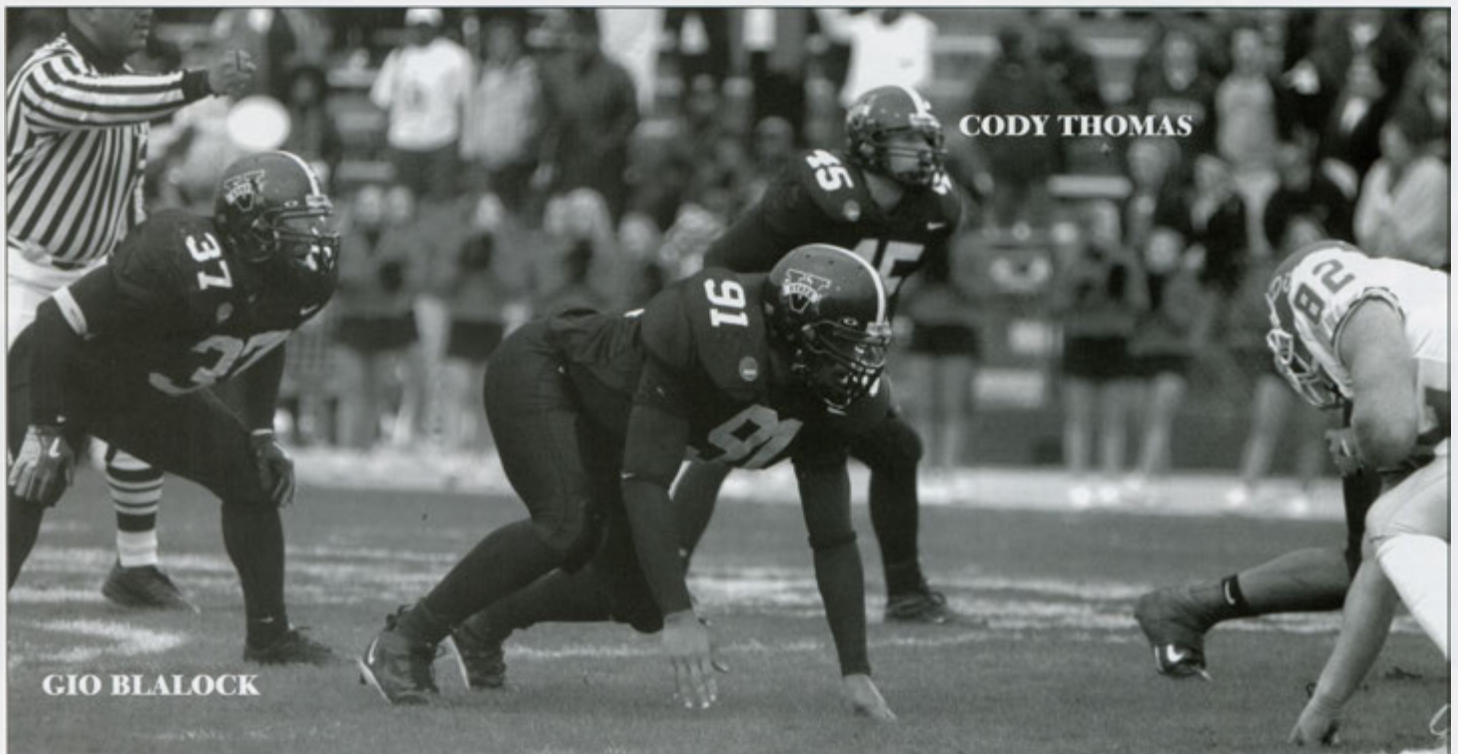
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Ouachita Baptist	3	4	7
Harding	0	0	0
Central Arkansas	3	3	6
Delta State	3	0	3
Henderson State	0	2	2
West Alabama	2	1	3
North Alabama	1	2	3
Southern Arkansas	1	4	5
West Georgia	0	4	4
Carson-Newman	1	1	2
Albany State	1	2	3
West Chester	1	4	5
Pittsburg State	1	1	2
TOTALS	19	30	49

GIO BLALOCK IN 2004

	UT	AT	Total
Albany State	2	0	2
Ouachita Baptist	2	1	3
Harding	2	1	3
Central Arkansas	2	3	5
Delta State	3	2	5
Henderson State	0	2	2
West Alabama	3	0	3
North Alabama	1	2	3
Southern Arkansas	0	5	5
West Georgia	2	0	2
Carson-Newman	2	6	8
Albany State	3	0	3
West Chester	1	0	1
Pittsburg State	1	1	2
TOTALS	24	23	47

CODY THOMAS IN 2004

	UT	AT	Total
Albany State	5	0	5
Delta State	5	1	6
Henderson State	3	2	5
West Alabama	3	1	4
North Alabama	3	1	4
Southern Arkansas	2	4	6
West Georgia	2	2	4
Carson-Newman	2	2	4
Albany State	4	3	7
West Chester	0	2	2
Pittsburg State	4	3	7
TOTALS	33	21	54



CODY THOMAS

GIO BLALOCK

Special Teams

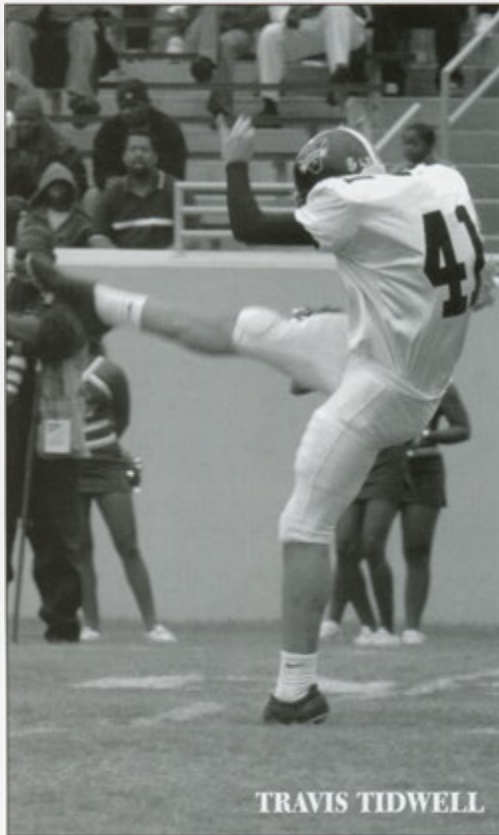


The all-important special teams area will get major attention when summer camp gets underway because the majority of last year's cast is gone. That includes scoring leader Will Rhody (121 points), who earned all-America honors by knocking home 22 of 23 field goals, including a national record 20 in a row. A new long snapper and holder must be found as well along with a new punt return specialist.

Punting is in good hands with the return of senior Travis Tidwell, who averaged almost 39 yards on 58 punts last year, including 19 inside the opponents' 20-yard-line.

Senior Michael Green, who has been a superb kickoff specialist the last two seasons, is expected to add the placekicking duties to his resume this fall, and Vincent Brown turned in a solid season returning kickoffs, averaging almost 23 yards on 34 returns.

"The good news is we've got competition at all the spots," Hatcher said.



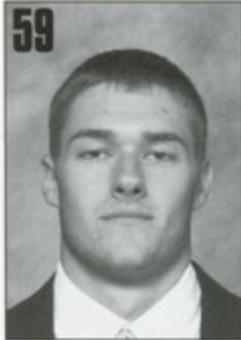
TRAVIS TIDWELL

TRAVIS TIDWELL IN 2004

	NO.	AVG.	Long	I20
Albany State	4	40.5	50	1
Ouachita Baptist	8	37.0	53	3
Harding	5	39.8	54	0
Central Arkansas	4	42.8	48	1
Delta State	4	43.2	50	1
Henderson State	3	34.3	40	2
West Alabama	5	44.4	54	1
North Alabama	4	39.0	45	2
Southern Arkansas	3	34.7	35	2
West Georgia	3	37.7	46	1
Carson-Newman	3	42.3	53	0
Albany State	4	39.0	47	1
West Chester	4	31.8	39	2
Pittsburg State	4	33.5	44	2
TOTALS	58	38.7	54	19

VINCENT BROWN IN 2004

	NO.	YDS.	Long
Albany State	0	0	0
Ouachita Baptist	5	66	23
Harding	2	40	20
Central Arkansas	0	0	0
Delta State	4	124	40
Henderson State	1	23	23
West Alabama	0	0	0
North Alabama	5	136	97
Southern Arkansas	3	60	28
West Georgia	4	90	29
Carson-Newman	0	0	0
Albany State	4	92	36
West Chester	1	24	24
Pittsburg State	5	119	45
TOTALS	34	774	97



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PATRICK BRANTLEY
5-11, 170, Freshman
Sandersville, GA



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VINCENT BROWN
5-10, 180, Senior
Adel, GA



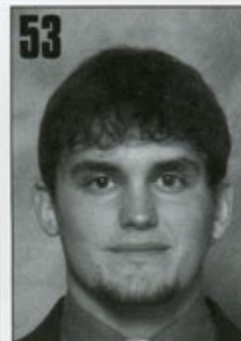
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MICHAEL GREEN
6-0, 165, Senior
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CHAD GALLAHAN
6-2, 175, Sophomore
Valdosta, GA



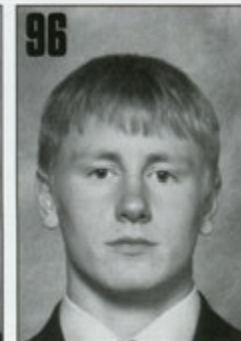
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JARED GUBERMAN
5-10, 190, Freshman
Boca Raton, FL



53
MATT TANNER
6-0, 220, Freshman
Rome, GA



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TRAVIS TIDWELL
6-0, 175, Senior
Naples, FL



96
STEVEN WRIGHT
6-0, 175, Freshman
Lawrenceville, GA



2005 Football Signees

Name	Pos	Ht.	Wt.	High School/JUCO/SR	Hometown
Bryan Belvin	LB	6-3	215	Georgia Military	Palmetto, FL
John Boatright	WR	6-2	180	Charlton County HS	Folkston, GA
Patrick Bradley	DT	6-0	240	Lowndes HS	Valdosta, GA
Michael Cullen	LB	6-0	240	East Tennessee State	Atlanta, GA
Jermel Daniels	DL	6-3	310	Thomas Co. Central HS	Thomasville, GA
Lavarus Dollar	LB	6-2	226	Dublin HS	Dublin, GA
Darnell Dugger	LB	6-0	215	Shaw HS	Columbus, GA
Dezric Dugger	DL	6-0	240	Shaw HS	Columbus, GA
Waymon Ford	DB	5-11	180	Georgia Military	Suwanee, GA
George Gaston	K	6-1	175	Arnold HS	Panama City Beach, FL
Bernard George	DB	6-0	185	East Mississippi JC	Blakely, GA
Jerrell Griffin	TE	6-5	220	Morgan County HS	Madison, GA
Cedric Haywood	WR	6-2	200	Georgia	Warner Robins, GA
Kenny Hooper	OL	6-3	300	Jackson HS	Jackson, GA
Calvin Huggins	OL	6-2	270	Georgia Military	Warner Robins, GA
Lewis Kuffour	QB	6-0	185	Northwest Mississippi CC	Atlanta, GA
Decaris Leeks	OL	6-3	285	Cairo HS	Cairo, GA
Chris Lewis	LB	6-3	235	Pike County HS	Zebulon, GA
Monterious Moore	LB	6-2	205	Cairo HS	Cairo, GA
Teddy Morris	OL	6-1	250	Sandy Creek HS	Fairburn, GA
Dustin Nobles	LB	5-11	210	Charlton County HS	Folkston, GA
Jeremy Privett	QB	6-1	180	Charlton County HS	Folkston, GA
Sherard Reynolds	WR	5-10	175	Colquitt County HS	Moultrie, GA
Kelvin Roberts	DL	6-2	240	Reedly (CA) JC	Valdosta, GA
Brandon Robinson	QB	6-2	180	Cairo HS	Cairo, GA
Brian Sermons	WR	6-3	195	Lowndes HS	Valdosta, GA
Dale Smith	DB	6-2	200	New Mexico Military	Bainbridge, GA
Gordon Steele	OL	6-1	260	North Florida Christian HS	Tallahassee, FL
DerrickTharpe	WR	6-3	190	Wake Forest	Warner Robins, GA
Aaron Wheeler	DL	6-3	320	Hancock Central HS	Sparta, GA

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Coach



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Representative



SETH BOYETT
Videographer



MARK PERSCHEL
Videographer

2005 Valdosta State Football Numerical Roster



No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown/Last School
1	Jeffery Felton	WR	5-9	161	Sophomore	Cordele, GA/Crisp County
2	Wilbe Johnson	DT	6-3	300	Senior	Watkinsville, GA/East Central CC
3	Lewis Kuffuor	QB	6-0	185	Junior	Atlanta, GA/Northwest Mississippi JC
4	Tyler Aurandt	WR	5-10	163	Junior	Atlanta, GA/Greater Atl. Christian
5	Chad Gallahan	K	6-2	175	Sophomore	Valdosta, GA/Valwood
6	Eric Williams	ROV	5-11	200	Freshman	Valdosta, GA/Valdosta
7	Jeremy Privett	QB	6-1	190	Freshman	Folkston, GA/Charlton County
8	Donnie Daniels	LB	6-2	205	Sophomore	Fort Valley, GA/Peach County
9	Waymon Ford	CB	5-11	190	Junior	Suzannee, GA/Georgia Military JC
10	Sherrard Reynolds	WR	5-10	175	Freshman	Moultrie, GA/Colquitt County
11	Barrett Wilkes	QB	5-11	184	Junior	Valdosta, GA/Lowndes
12	Jared Guberman	K	5-10	190	Freshman	Boca Raton, FL/Spanish River
13	Tucker Pruitt	QB	6-0	190	Freshman	Fitzgerald, GA/Fitzgerald
14	Vincent Brown	RB	5-10	190	Senior	Adel, GA/Tyler JC
15	Clay Callaway	QB/WR	6-2	175	Sophomore	Watkinsville, GA/Oconee County
16	Mitch Stewart	QB	6-1	206	Senior	Newman, GA/Northgate
19	Shawn Harris	CB	5-8	157	Sophomore	Blakely, GA/Early County
20	Chad Bryant	RB	6-1	175	Freshman	Vienna, GA/Doody County
21	Thomas Arnold	RB	5-11	175	Freshman	Adel, GA/Cook
22	Scott Foss	FS	5-10	178	Senior	Rome, GA/Darlington
23	Kevin Adkins	ROV	5-9	185	Junior	Montezuma, GA/Macon County
24	Michael Flood	CB	5-9	175	Senior	Douglasville, GA/Mays
25	William Milton	RB	5-11	205	Senior	Thomasville, GA/Thomas Co. Central
26	Latray Walker	RB	5-7	168	Senior	Augusta, GA/Lucy Laney
27	Kip Burdette	FS	5-10	180	Freshman	Forsyth, GA/Mary Persons
28	Travis Taylor	WR	5-11	170	Sophomore	Vienna, GA/Doody County
29	Oscar Patterson	CB	5-9	172	Junior	Kingsland, GA/Camden County
30	Monterious Moore	LB	6-2	205	Freshman	Cairo, GA/Cairo
31	Everette Kitchens	ROV	6-0	175	Freshman	Powder Springs, GA/McEachern
32	Antwan Harris	CB	5-10	170	Senior	Senoia, GA/East Coweta
33	Tyler Pruitt	RB	5-8	182	Junior	Fitzgerald, GA/Fitzgerald
34	Scott Palmer	RB	5-11	238	Sophomore	Dacula, GA/Central Gwinnett
35	Jason McNeill	LB	6-0	190	Junior	Jonesboro, GA/Mesabi Range JC
36	Maurice Leggett	LB	6-0	189	Sophomore	Jonesboro, GA/Mt. Zion
37	Gio Blalock	LB	5-9	196	Junior	Fort Valley, GA/Peach County
38	Calvin Roberts	FS	6-2	210	Senior	Valdosta, GA/Valdosta
39	Dale Smith	CB	6-2	200	Junior	Bainbridge, GA/New Mexico Military
40	Chris Lewis	LB	6-3	235	Freshman	Zebulon, GA/Pike County
41	Travis Tidwell	P	6-0	175	Senior	Naples, FL/Tennessee
42	Dedrick Morrison	DE	5-11	240	Senior	Ocoee, FL/West Orange
43	Michael Green	K	6-0	165	Senior	Orange Park, FL/Catawba
44	Lavarus Dollar	LB	6-2	226	Freshman	Dublin, GA/Dublin
45	Cody Thomas	LB	6-1	208	Junior	Savannah, GA/Benedictine
46	Steve Betros	LB	5-11	215	Freshman	Jacksonville, FL/Bartram Trail
47	Bernard George	CB	6-0	185	Junior	Blakely, GA/East Mississippi JC
48	William Montford	LB	5-11	215	Sophomore	Cordele, GA/Crisp County
49	Fabian Whyly	LB	6-1	230	Sophomore	Orlando, FL/Edgewater
50	Davis Russell	OG	5-11	240	Sophomore	Jacksonville, FL/Mandarin
51	Bryan Bevin	LB	6-3	215	Junior	Palmetto, FL/Georgia Military JC
52	Michael Cullen	LB	6-0	240	Junior	Atlanta, GA/East Tennessee State
53	Matt Tanner	DS	6-0	220	Freshman	Rome, GA/Rome
54	Patrick Bradley	DT	6-0	240	Freshman	Valdosta, GA/Lowndes
55	Gordon Steele	OL	6-1	290	Freshman	Tallahassee, FL/North Florida Christian
56	Gerald Davis	OT	6-4	300	Sophomore	Greensboro, GA/Greene County
57	James Hutley	DT	6-3	275	Senior	Delray Beach, FL/Hibbing JC
58	Paul Streaker	C	6-2	250	Sophomore	Destin, FL/Fort Walton Beach
59	Patrick Brantley	DS	5-11	170	Freshman	Sandersville, GA/Washington County
60	Tim Watkins	OG	5-10	250	Sophomore	Boston, GA/Thomas County Central
61	C.A. Sanders	OG	6-0	275	Sophomore	Moultrie, GA/Colquitt County
62	Decaris Leeks	OG	6-3	285	Freshman	Cairo, GA/Cairo
63	Calvin Huggins	OT	6-2	270	Junior	Warner Robins, GA/Georgia Military JC
64	Jos Edison	OT	6-3	250	Junior	Blakely, GA/Early County
65	Davis Nall	OT	6-3	270	Freshman	Duluth, GA/Buford
67	Will Shelton	OT	6-3	255	Senior	Snellville, GA/South Gwinnett
70	Aaron Wheeler	DL	6-3	320	Freshman	Sparta, GA/Hancock Central
75	Richard Collier	OG	6-7	325	Senior	Shreveport, LA/Tyler JC
76	Kenny Hooper	OL	6-3	300	Freshman	Jackson, GA/Jackson
77	Teddy Gregory	OL	6-1	250	Freshman	Fairburn, GA/Sandy Creek
79	Marcellus Washington	DT	6-2	285	Junior	Columbus, GA/Shaw
80	Jerrell Griffin	WR	6-5	220	Freshman	Madison, GA/Morgan County
81	Tommy Parker	WR	6-0	178	Senior	Sylvester, GA/Worth County
82	Derrick Tharpe	WR	6-3	190	Junior	Warner Robins, GA/Wake Forest
83	Brian Melton	WR	6-1	185	Junior	Stockbridge, GA/Stockbridge
84	Dedric Smith	WR	5-11	185	Freshman	Hawkinsville, GA/Hawkinsville
85	Zach Parker	WR	6-4	230	Sophomore	Valdosta, GA/Lowndes
86	Cedric Haywood	WR	6-1	190	Junior	Warner Robins, GA/Georgia
87	Brian Semons	WR	6-3	195	Freshman	Valdosta, GA/Lowndes
89	Dustin DeHaven	DE	6-1	230	Junior	Covington, GA/Georgia Military
90	Jermel Daniels	DL	6-3	310	Freshman	Thomasville, GA/Thomas County Central
91	Tim Thompson	DE	6-4	240	Senior	Sparta, GA/Hancock Central
92	Kevin Roberts	DE	6-2	240	Junior	Valdosta, GA/Beechley (CA) JC
93	Darnell Daggger	LB	6-0	215	Freshman	Columbus, GA/Shaw
94	Dezire Daggger	DL	6-0	240	Freshman	Columbus, GA/Shaw
96	Steven Wright	P	6-0	175	Freshman	Lawrenceville, GA/Dacula
99	Calvin English	DT	6-4	270	Senior	Covington, GA/Newton

2005 BLAZERS BY POSITION

(Returnees Only)

OFFENSE (alphabetical)

Quarterbacks

Clay Callaway, Lewis Kuffuor, Jeremy Privett, Tucker Pruitt, Mitch Stewart, Barrett Wilkes*

Runningbacks

Thomas Arnold, Vincent Brown, Chad Bryant, William Milton*, Scott Palmer, Tyler Pruitt, Latray Walker

Wide Receivers

Tyler Aurandt, Jeffery Felton*, Cedric Haywood, Brian Melton, Tommy Parker, Zach Parker*, Dedric Smith, Travis Taylor, Derrick Tharpe

Offensive Line

Richard Collier*, Gerald Davis*, Jos Edison, Davis Nall, Davis Russell, C.A. Sanders, Will Shelton*, Paul Streaker, Tim Watkins

Kickers

Chad Gallahan, Michael Green*, Gerald Guberman

DEFENSE (alphabetical)

Defensive Line

Dustin DeHaven, Calvin English, James Hutley, Willie Johnson, Dedrick Morrison, Tim Thompson*, Marcellus Washington

Linebackers

Steve Betros, Gio Blalock*, Donnie Daniels*, Maurice Leggett, Jason McNeill, William Montford*, Cody Thomas, Fabian Whyly

Defensive Backs

Kevin Adkins, Kip Burdette, Scott Foss*, Michael Flood, Antwan Harris, Shawn Harris, Everette Kitchens, Oscar Patterson, Calvin Roberts, Dale Smith

Punters

Travis Tidwell, Steven Wright

Long Snappers

Patrick Brantley, Matt Tanner

*Returning Starter



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Name	No.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown/Last school
Kevin Adkins	23	ROV	5-9	185	Junior	Montezuma, GA/Macon County
Thomas Arnold	21	RB	5-11	175	Freshman	Adel, GACook
Tyler Aurandt	4	WR	5-10	163	Junior	Atlanta, GA/Greater Atl. Christian
Bryan Bevin	51	LB	6-3	215	Junior	Palmetto, FL/Georgia Military JC
Steve Betros	46	LB	5-11	215	Freshman	Jacksonville, FL/Bartram Trail
Go Blalock	37	LB	5-9	198	Junior	Fort Valley, GA/Peach County
Patrick Bradley	54	DT	6-0	240	Freshman	Valdosta, GA/Lowndes
Patrick Brantley	59	DS	6-1	225	Freshman	Sandersville, GA/Washington County
Vincent Brown	14	RB	5-10	190	Junior	Adel, GA/Tyler JC
Chad Bryant	20	RB	6-1	175	Freshman	Vienna, GA/Dooly County
Kip Burdette	27	FS	5-10	190	Freshman	Forsyth, GA/Mary Persons
Clay Callaway	15	QB/WR	6-2	175	Sophomore	Watkinsville, GA/Oconee County
Richard Collier	75	OT	6-7	325	Senior	Shreveport, LA/Tyler JC
Michael Cullen	52	LB	6-0	240	Junior	Atlanta, GA/East Tennessee State
Donnie Daniels	8	LB	6-2	205	Sophomore	Fort Valley, GA/Peach County
Jermel Daniels	90	DL	6-3	310	Freshman	Thomasville, GA/Thomas Co. Central
Gerald Davis	56	OT	6-4	300	Sophomore	Greensboro, GA/Greene County
Dustin DeHaven	89	DE	6-1	230	Junior	Covington, GA/Georgia Military
Lavarus Dollar	44	LB	6-2	226	Freshman	Dublin, GA/Dublin
Darnell Dugger	93	LB	6-0	215	Freshman	Columbus, GA/Shaw
Dezzer Dugger	94	DL	6-0	240	Freshman	Columbus, GA/Shaw
Jos Edison	64	OG	6-3	250	Junior	Blakeley, GA/Early County
Calvin English	99	DT	6-4	270	Senior	Covington, GA/Newton
Jeffery Felton	1	WR	5-9	161	Sophomore	Cordele, GA/Crisp County
Michael Flood	24	CB	5-0	175	Senior	Douglasville, GA/Mays
Waymon Ford	9	CB	5-11	180	Junior	Suwanee, GA/Georgia Military JC
Scott Foss	22	FS	5-10	178	Senior	Rome, GA/Darlington
Chad Gallahan	5	K	6-2	175	Sophomore	Valdosta, GA/Valdwood
Bernard George	47	LB	6-0	185	Junior	Blakeley, GA/East Mississippi JC
Michael Green	43	K	6-0	165	Senior	Orange Park, FL/Catawba
Teddy Gregory	77	OL	6-1	250	Freshman	Fairburn, GA/Sandy Creek
Jerrell Griffin	80	WR	6-5	220	Freshman	Madison, GA/Morgan County
Jared Guberman	12	K	5-10	190	Freshman	Boca Raton, FL/Spanish River
Antwan Harris	32	CB	5-10	177	Senior	Senoia, GA/East Coweta
Shawn Harris	39	CB	5-5	157	Sophomore	Blakeley, GA/Early County
Cedric Haywood	86	WR	6-1	190	Junior	Warner Robins, GA/Georgia
Kenny Hooper	76	OL	6-3	300	Freshman	Jackson, GA/Jackson
Calvin Huggins	63	OT	6-2	270	Junior	Warner Robins, GA/Ga. Military JC
James Hutley	57	NG	6-3	275	Senior	Delray Beach, FL/Hibbing JC
Willie Johnson	2	DT	6-3	300	Senior	Watkinsville, GA/East Central CC
Everette Kitchens	31	ROV	6-0	175	Freshman	Powder Springs, GA/McEachern
Lewis Kuffour	3	QB	6-0	185	Junior	Atlanta, GA/Northwest Miss. JC

Name	No.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown/Last school
Decaris Leeks	62	OG	6-3	285	Freshman	Cairo, GA/Cairo
Maurice Leggett	36	LB	6-0	189	Sophomore	Jonesboro, GA/Mt. Zion
Chris Lewis	40	LB	6-3	235	Freshman	Zebulon, GA/Pike County
Jason McNeill	35	LB	6-0	190	Junior	Jonesboro, GA/Mesabi Range JC
Brian Melton	83	WR	6-1	185	Junior	Stockbridge, GA/Stockbridge
William Milton	25	RB	5-11	205	Senior	Thomasville, GA/Thomas Co. Central
William Montford	45	LB	5-11	215	Sophomore	Cordele, GA/Crisp County
Monterious Moore	30	LB	6-2	205	Freshman	Cairo, GA/Cairo
Dedrick Morrison	42	DE	5-11	240	Senior	Ocoee, FL/West Orange
Davis Nall	65	OT	6-3	270	Freshman	Duluth, GA/Buford
Scott Palmer	34	RB	5-11	238	Sophomore	Dacula, GA/Central Gwinnett
Tommy Parker	81	WR	6-0	178	Senior	Sylvester, GA/Worth County
Zach Parker	85	TE	6-4	230	Sophomore	Valdosta, GA/Lowndes
Oscar Patterson	29	CB	5-9	172	Junior	Kingsland, GA/Camden County
Jeremy Privett	7	QB	6-1	180	Freshman	Folkston, GA/Charlton County
Tucker Pruitt	13	QB	6-0	180	Freshman	Fitzgerald, GA/Fitzgerald
Tyler Pruitt	33	RB	5-8	182	Junior	Fitzgerald, GA/Fitzgerald
Sherrard Reynolds	10	WR	5-10	175	Freshman	Moultrie, GA/Colquitt County
Calvin Roberts	38	FS	6-2	205	Senior	Valdosta, GA/Valdosta
Kelvin Roberts	92	DE	6-2	240	Junior	Valdosta, GA/Reedley JC
Davis Russell	50	OG	5-11	240	Sophomore	Jacksonville, FL/Mandarin
C.A. Sanders	61	OG	6-0	275	Sophomore	Moultrie, GA/Colquitt County
Brian Sermons	87	WR	6-3	195	Freshman	Valdosta, GA/Lowndes
Will Shelton	67	OT	6-3	255	Senior	Snellville, GA/South Gwinnett
Dale Smith	39	CB	6-2	200	Junior	Bainbridge, GA/New Mexico Military
Dedric Smith	84	WR	5-11	185	Freshman	Hawkinsville, GA/Hawkinsville
Gordon Steele	55	OL	6-1	260	Freshman	Tallahassee, FL/N. Florida Christian
Mitch Stewart	16	QB	6-1	206	Senior	Newman, GA/Northgate
Paul Streacker	58	C	6-2	250	Sophomore	Destin, FL/Fort Walton Beach
Matt Tanner	53	DS	6-0	220	Freshman	Rome, GA/Rome
Travis Taylor	28	WR	5-11	170	Sophomore	Vienna, GA/Dooly County
Derrick Tharpe	82	WR	6-3	190	Junior	Warner Robins, GA/Wake Forest
Cody Thomas	45	LB	6-1	208	Junior	Savannah, GA/Benedictine
Tim Thompson	91	DE	6-4	240	Senior	Sparta, GA/Hancock Central
Travis Tidwell	41	P	6-2	185	Senior	Naples, FL/Tennessee
Latray Walker	26	RB	5-7	168	Senior	Augusta, GA/Lucy Laney
Marcellus Washington	79	DT	6-2	285	Junior	Columbus, GA/Shaw
Tim Watkins	60	OG	5-10	250	Sophomore	Boston, GA/Thomas County Central
Aaron Wheeler	70	DL	6-3	320	Freshman	Sparta, GA/Hancock Central
Fabian Whyly	49	LB	6-1	230	Sophomore	Orlando, FL/Edgewater
Barrett Wilkes	11	QB	5-11	184	Senior	Valdosta, GA/Lowndes
Eric Williams	6	ROV	5-11	200	Freshman	Valdosta, GA/Valdosta
Steven Wright	96	P	6-0	175	Freshman	Lawrenceville, GA/Dacula

The Gulf South Conference



Valdosta State, heading into its 24th season in the dangerous Gulf South Conference wars, returned to the top of the league last season, winning its fourth conference title in the last five years en route to the university's first football national championship.

VSU became a football force in the then nine-member league in 1986, finishing a surprising second and just missing a playoff spot. In 1994 the Blazers again challenged for their first ever conference championship but fell twice, once in the regular season and once in double overtime in the quarterfinals of the national playoffs, to eventual national champion North Alabama, finishing second in the league for the fourth straight year. The final overall record that year was a then school-best 11-2, 6-1 in the GSC.

After knocking on the conference championship door often, VSU finally kicked it down in 1996, winning the school's first league title and again advancing to the national playoffs. Once again the Blazers lost in the quarterfinal round to finish 10-3. VSU added its second league title in 2000, finishing in a three-way tie at 8-1 with West Georgia and Delta State. All three teams advanced to the national playoffs with Delta State claiming its first national championship. The Blazers made it two in a row in 2001, recording their first ever undefeated regular season and winning their third conference title by two games. VSU was ranked No. 1 in the country for a school record six weeks, advancing to the quarterfinals of the national playoffs. The phenomenal run continued in 2002 as the Blazers again ran the table to win their third straight GSC crown. They won 14 straight games to reach the national championship finals before falling to Grand Valley State, 31-24. The 14-1 record is the best ever. In 2003 VSU finished 10-2, 8-1 and second in the league, and again reached the playoffs, losing in the first round. Last year after losing the season opener, the Blazers reeled off 13 consecutive wins, securing the school's fifth GSC title and claiming the ultimate prize with a thrilling 36-31 victory over then top-ranked Pittsburg State.

The largest all-sports conference in Division II, the GSC enters its 35th year of excellence, continuing a tradition of growth and success that has brought it distinction as one of the elite NCAA Division II conference. The 17 universities in six southeastern states offer a broad and diverse membership committed to being the best in all aspects of the university experience. As an all-sports conference, the GSC is dedicated to the promotion and practice of honor,



NATHAN SALANT
Gulf South Commissioner

integrity and sportsmanship. With 39 national team championships in 12 sports, the GSC fosters success and encourages excellence in all of its coaches and student-athletes. Three national titles were added last season: North Alabama won women's volleyball, West Florida won men's tennis (VSU was national runnerup) and Delta State claimed the baseball championship.

Originally known as the Mid-South Conference, the GSC was formed by six universities in the summer of 1970: Delta State, Florence State (now North Alabama), Jacksonville State, Livingston (now West Alabama), UT Martin and Troy State. Due to scheduling problems during the 1970-71 academic year, the only league sport was football. Jacksonville State won the league's first championship.

In 1971, the league changed its name to the Gulf South Conference when Southeastern Louisiana and Nicholls State joined and opened an office in Hammond, La. The following year Mississippi College and Northwestern Louisiana were admitted. Northwestern Louisiana withdrew two years later, followed by Southeastern Louisiana and Nicholls State in 1979.

The conference continued with seven teams until 1981 when the presidents admitted Valdosta State. West Georgia joined in 1983. UT Martin and Troy State moved to Division I in 1991, again reducing the league to seven members before it embarked on a major expansion which resulted in the addition of 10 new members: Lincoln Memorial in 1992; Alabama-Huntsville, Henderson State, Central Arkansas and Mississippi University for Women in 1993; West Florida in 1994; and Arkansas-Monticello, Arkansas Tech and Southern Arkansas in 1995. Jacksonville State left for D-I in 1992 and Mississippi College dropped to D-III in 1996. In July 1996, Christian Brothers joined the league, keeping the membership at 16 schools.

In 2000, the conference announced the addition of Harding and Ouachita Baptist, bringing its membership to 18. It dropped to 17 in May 2003 when Mississippi University for Women dropped its intercollegiate athletics program.

Former commissioner Jim McCullough moved the GSC office to its current location in Birmingham. Nate Salant became the league's sixth commissioner in 1992 and is assisted in the conference office by information director Mike Anderson and his assistant Tim Andrzejewski as well as office manager Mary Jean Box. The GSC president is Dr. Robert McChesney, who is completing a two-year term.

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The Gulf South Conference Final 2004 Standings

Team	GSC	Pct.	PF	PA	Overall	Pct.	PF	PA
Valdosta State	9-0	1.000	310	193	13-1	.929	489	305
Arkansas Tech	8-1	.889	287	182	10-2	.833	387	272
Central Arkansas	6-3	.667	325	296	8-3	.727	419	307
Delta State	6-3	.667	424	268	6-4	.600	443	296
Arkansas-Monticello	5-4	.556	274	323	6-5	.546	350	382
Harding	4-5	.444	217	247	6-5	.546	266	284
North Alabama	4-5	.444	284	206	5-5	.500	312	213
Southern Arkansas	3-6	.333	265	331	5-6	.455	324	371
West Georgia	2-6	.250	209	236	2-7	.222	233	274
Ouachita Baptist	2-6	.250	186	247	2-7	.222	193	307
Henderson State	2-7	.222	197	327	2-8	.200	211	357
West Alabama	2-7	.222	188	337	2-9	.182	208	391

GSC National Championships 1971-2005 (40)

Baseball (5)

Troy State (1986, 87)
Jacksonville State (1990, 1991)
Delta State (2004)

Men's Basketball (3)

North Alabama (1979, 91)
Jacksonville State (1985)

Women's Basketball (7)

Delta State (1975, 76, 77, 89, 90, 92)
Southeastern Louisiana (1977)

Women's Soccer (1)

Christian Brothers (2002)

Women's Volleyball (1)

North Alabama (2003)

Men's Tennis (2)

West Florida (2004, 05)

Men's Golf (4)

Troy State (1976, 77, 84)
West Florida (2001)

Women's Golf (3)

Troy State (1984, 86, 89)

Women's Gymnastics (2)

Jacksonville State (1984, 85)

Hockey (2)

Alabama-Huntsville (1996, 98)

Men's Track (1)

Southeastern Louisiana (1975)

Football (9)

Valdosta State (2004)
North Alabama (1993, 94, 95)
Troy State (1984, 87)
West Alabama (1971)
Jacksonville State (1992)
Delta State (2000)

Athletic Training At Valdosta State



The athletic training program at Valdosta State, under the direction of head athletic trainer Russ Hoff who was honored last summer as Division II's athletic trainer of the year, provides the athletic training personnel and expertise for the 11 intercollegiate sports. Hoff, who came on board in August 1997 after serving in a similar capacity at Capital (Ohio) University for 10 years, oversees a staff which includes four other certified athletic trainers (Lori Howard, Stacey Walters, Bobby Tucker and Chuck Conner), three graduate assistants and a host of athletic training students who work the various sports during their seasons.

The Sports Medicine/Athletic Training major is offered by the Department of Kinesiology and Physical Education within the College of Education, and admission is based on academic achievement, course work, related experiences and recommendations. The first two years consist of coursework in the college core curriculum along with background courses appropriate to the major. The second two years incorporate the professional sequence of coursework in the areas of injury assessment, therapeutic exercise, advanced anatomy, biomechanics, kinesiology and sport physiology.

It is during the second two years that the student becomes actively involved in the laboratory experiences in the athletic training room and on the athletic fields and courts. All of these experiences are under the direct supervision of Hoff or one of the other certified trainers.

In addition to the athletic training staff, Valdosta State athletics is "taken care of" by Dr. Ben Hogan, a local physician specializing in sports medicine, and by team physician Dr. Kurt Jacobson and members of his staff from the world famous Hughston Sports Medicine Clinic in Columbus, which has a full service clinic in Valdosta located between VSU's two campuses.



The Hoff's: L-R, Russ, Henry, Margaret, Sam and Julie

STUDENT ATHLETIC TRAINERS WORKING FOOTBALL

Brooks Bentley
Jenna Geary
Andrew Johnson
Jay Johnson

Travis Blankenship
Kim Fender
Laura Shelton



DR. KURT JACOBSON
*Hughston Sports
Medicine Clinic*



LORI HOWARD
*Athletic
Trainer*



CHUCK CONNER
*Athletic
Trainer*



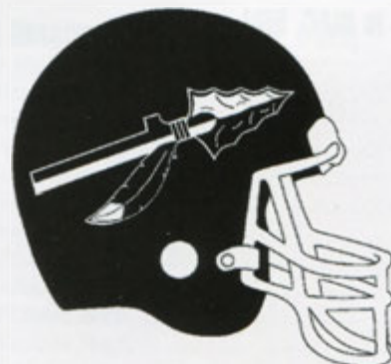
STACEY WALTERS
*Athletic
Trainer*



BOBBY TUCKER
*Athletic
Trainer*



THE OPPONENTS



Football Opponents



FORT VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

August 27, 6 p.m. (EDT)
Henderson Stadium, Macon, GA

Location: Fort Valley, GA
Enrollment: 2,500
President: Dr. Kofi Lomotey
Athletic Director: Gwen Reeves
Nickname: Wildcats
Colors: Royal Blue, Old Gold
Conference: Southern Intercollegiate Athletic
National Affiliation: NCAA II
Stadium: Wildcat (8,500)
Press Box Phone: TBA
Head Coach: John Morgan
 Alma Mater: Bowie State
 Record at FVSU: 7-4 (1 year)
 Phone: (478) 827-3054
Assistants: Otis Covington, Raymond Bellamy, Derrick Arnold, Marcus Graham
2004 Record: 7-4, 4-4 in SIAC (5th)
Series Record: VSU leads, 12-3
Basic Offense: Pro Set
Basic Defense: 4-3
Lettermen Returning: 40 (19 offense, 21 defense)
Sports Information Director: Russell Boone
 Office: (478) 825-6347; Home: (478) 825-8436
 Fax: (478) 825-6106
 Email: booner@fvsu.edu

2005 Schedule

A 27	VALDOSTA STATE (Macon)
S 3	at Morehouse
S 10	Lane
S 17	Clark Atlanta (Brunswick)
S 24	at Benedict
O 1	Miles
O 8	at Kentucky State
O 15	at Tuskegee
O 22	Stillman
N 5	Albany State (Columbus)

2004 Results (7-4, 4-4 in SIAC, 5th)

57	Morehouse	12
21	Winston-Salem State	19
30	Lane	8
38	Benedict	14
58	Clark Atlanta	23
3	Miles	21
24	Kentucky State	30
19	Tuskegee	22
40	Elizabeth City State	10
53	Stillman	11
19	Albany State	20



ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY

September 3, 7 p.m. (EDT)
Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta, GA

Location: Albany, GA
Enrollment: 3,300
President: TBA
Athletic Director: John I. Davis
Nickname: Golden Rams
Colors: Blue, Old Gold
Conference: Southern Intercollegiate Athletic
National Affiliation: NCAA II
Stadium: Albany Municipal Coliseum (10,000)
Press Box Phone: TBA
Head Coach: Mike White
 Alma Mater: Albany State
 Record at ASU: 36-19 (5 years)
 Phone: (229) 430-4768
Assistants: Rickey Alexander, Donald Pittman, Kenyan Conner, Keith DeGrate, Dan Land, Lawrence Brown
2004 Record: 11-1, 8-0 in SIAC (1st)
Series Record: VSU leads, 10-1
Basic Offense: Pro Set
Basic Defense: 3-4
Lettermen Returning: 39 (19 offense, 20 defense)
Sports Information Director: Edythe Bradley
 Office: (229) 430-4673; Home: (229) 336-5194
 Fax: (229) 430-1774
 Email: ebradley@asurams.edu

2005 Schedule

A 27	at Miles
S 3	at VALDOSTA STATE
S 10	Kentucky State
S 17	at Lane
S 24	at Southern
O 1	Tuskegee
O 15	at Clark Atlanta
O 22	Benedict
O 29	Morehouse
N 5	Fort Valley State (Columbus)

2004 Results (11-1, 8-0 in SIAC, 1st)

17	Miles	13
24	VALDOSTA STATE	22
42	Kentucky State	7
55	Lane	6
33	Tuskegee	29
37	Savannah State	19
58	Clark Atlanta	0
47	Benedict	7
50	Morehouse	15
20	Fort Valley State	19
42	Arkansas Tech	24
24	VALDOSTA STATE	38



OUACHITA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

September 10, 7 p.m. (EDT)
Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta, GA

Location: Arkadelphia, AR
Enrollment: 1,600
President: Dr. Andrew Westmoreland
Athletic Director: David Sharp
Nickname: Tigers
Colors: Purple, Gold
Conference: Gulf South
National Affiliation: NCAA II
Stadium: A.U. Williams (5,200)
Press Box Phone: (870) 245-5306
Head Coach: Todd Knight
Alma Mater: Ouachita Baptist
Record at OBU: 20-39 (6 years)
Phone: (870) 245-5304

Assistants: Deke Adams, Jay Derby, Josh Eargle, Rustin Gortmaker, Greg Rudolph, J.R. Eldridge
2004 Record: 2-7, 2-6 in GSC (T-9th)
Series Record: VSU leads, 5-0
Basic Offense: Multiple
Basic Defense: Multiple
Lettermen Returning: 33 (17 offense, 16 defense)
Sports Information Director: Chris Babb
Office: (870) 245-5186; Home: (870) 230-1475
Fax: (870) 245-5084
Email: babbc@obu.edu

2005 Schedule

A 27	Missouri Southern
S 10	at VALDOSTA STATE
S 17	West Georgia
S 24	Southern Arkansas
O 1	at West Alabama
O 8	Arkansas-Monticello
O 15	at Arkansas Tech
O 22	Central Arkansas
O 29	at Delta State
N 5	at Harding

2004 Results (2-7, 2-6 in GSC, T-9th)

7	Sam Houston State	60
19	VALDOSTA STATE	40
28	Southern Arkansas	27
53	West Alabama	22
23	Arkansas-Monticello	30
10	Arkansas Tech	31
26	Central Arkansas	35
10	Delta State	42
17	Harding	20

Football Opponents



HARDING UNIVERSITY

Sept. 17, 6 p.m. (CDT)
First Security Stadium, Searcy, AR

Location: Searcy, AR
Enrollment: 5,600
President: Dr. David B. Burks
Athletic Director: Greg Hamden
Nickname: Bisons
Colors: Black, Gold
Conference: Gulf South
National Affiliation: NCAA II
Stadium: First Security (5,000)
Press Box Phone: (501) 279-4071
Head Coach: Randy Tribble
Alma Mater: Harding
Record at HU: 61-52-1 (11 years)
Phone: (501) 279-4755

Assistants: Ronnie Huckeba, Scott Ragsdale, James Frank, Clay Beason, Klay Bartee
2004 Record: 6-5, 4-5 in GSC (T-6th)
Series Record: VSU leads, 3-0
Basic Offense: Multiple
Basic Defense: 4-3
Lettermen Returning: 48 (22 offense, 26 defense)
Sports Information Director: Scott Goode
Office: (501) 279-4760; Home: (501) 268-1208
Fax: (501) 279-4020
Email: sgoode@harding.edu

2005 Schedule

A 27	at Southwest Baptist
S 3	Missouri Southern
S 10	at West Georgia
S 17	VALDOSTA STATE
S 24	at North Alabama
O 1	at Henderson State
O 8	Central Arkansas
O 15	at Arkansas-Monticello
O 22	at Delta State
O 29	Arkansas Tech
N 5	Ouachita Baptist

2004 Results (6-5, 4-5 in GSC, T-6th)

17	Southwest Baptist	10
32	Missouri Southern	27
28	West Georgia	21
19	VALDOSTA STATE	32
30	North Alabama	27
44	Henderson State	20
20	Central Arkansas	28
28	Arkansas-Monticello	37
14	Delta State	48
14	Arkansas Tech	17
20	Ouachita Baptist	17

Football Opponents



UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS

September 24, 7 p.m. (EDT)
Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta, GA

Location: Conway, AR
Enrollment: 10,045
President: Lu Hardin
Athletic Director: Vance Strange
Nickname: Bears
Colors: Purple, Gray
Conference: Gulf South
National Affiliation: NCAA II
Stadium: Estes (8,500)
Press Box Phone: (501) 450-5743
Head Coach: Clint Conque
 Alma Mater: Nicholls State
 Record at UCA: 33-23 (5 years)
 Phone: (501) 450-3153
Assistants: Brooks Hollingsworth, Denzil Cox, Keith Wagner, Todd Cooley, Ricky Matt, Bobby Rhoades
2004 Record: 8-3, 6-3 in GSC (T-3rd)
Series Record: VSU leads, 8-2
Basic Offense: Multiple
Basic Defense: Multiple
Lettermen Returning: 41 (20 offense, 21 defense)
Sports Information Director: Steve East
 Office: (501) 450-5743; Home: (501) 450-0013
 Fax: (501) 450-5740
 Email: seast@mail.uca.edu

2005 Schedule

A 25	..... Eastern New Mexico (Little Rock)
S 1	..... at UT Martin
S 10	..... Southern Arkansas
S 17	..... Henderson State
S 24	..... at VALDOSTA STATE
O 1	..... North Alabama
O 8	..... at Harding
O 15	..... Delta State
O 22	..... at Ouachita Baptist
O 29	..... Arkansas-Monticello
N 5	..... at Arkansas Tech

2004 Results (8-3, 6-3 in GSC, T-3rd)

28 Belhaven	.....44
38 Eastern New Mexico	.....31
56 Iowa Wesleyan	.....7
58 Southern Arkansas	.....31
55 Henderson State	.....12
12 VALDOSTA STATE	.....22
3 North Alabama	.....31
28 Harding	.....20
55 Delta State	.....52
35 Ouachita Baptist	.....26
41 Arkansas-Monticello	.....44
38 Arkansas Tech	.....31



DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

October 1, 6 p.m. (CDT)
Travis E. Parker Field, Cleveland, MS

Location: Cleveland, MS
Enrollment: 4,125
President: Dr. John M. Hilpert
Athletic Director: Dr. Brad Teague
Nickname: Statesmen
Colors: Forest Green, White
Conference: Gulf South
National Affiliation: NCAA II
Stadium: Travis E. Parker Field (8,125)
Press Box Phone: (662) 846-4593
Head Coach: Rick Rhoades
 Alma Mater: Central Missouri State
 Record at DSU: 19-13 (3 years)
 Phone: (662) 846-4300
Assistants: Ron Roberts, Mike Bloomgren, Mike Kerhsaw, J.D. Davis, Randy Grierson, Jerry Mack
2004 Record: 6-4, 6-3 in GSC (T-3rd)
Series Record: DSU leads, 12-11-1
Basic Offense: Multiple
Basic Defense: 4-3
Lettermen Returning: 40 (20 offense, 20 defense)
Sports Information Director: Matt Jones
 Office: (662) 846-4284; Home: (662) 846-3750
 Fax: (662) 846-4297
 Email: mjones@deltastate.edu

2005 Schedule

A 27	..... at Pittsburg State
S 3	..... at Texas State
S 10	..... West Alabama
S 17	..... at North Alabama
S 24	..... at Henderson State
O 1	..... VALDOSTA STATE
O 8	..... Arkansas Tech
O 15	..... at Central Arkansas
O 22	..... Harding
O 29	..... Ouachita Baptist
N 5	..... at Arkansas-Monticello

2004 Results (6-4, 6-3 in GSC, T-3rd)

48 Cumberland	.....7
19 North Dakota	.....28
59 West Alabama	.....7
28 North Alabama	.....21
56 Henderson State	.....34
48 VALDOSTA STATE	.....51
29 Arkansas Tech	.....35
52 Central Arkansas	.....55
48 Harding	.....14
42 Ouachita Baptist	.....10
62 Arkansas-Monticello	.....41



HENDERSON STATE UNIVERSITY

October 8, 1 p.m. (EDT)
Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta, GA

Location: Arkadelphia, AR
Enrollment: 3,500
President: Dr. Charles Dunn
Athletic Director: Sam Goodwin
Nickname: Reddies
Colors: Red, Gray
Conference: Gulf South
National Affiliation: NCAA II
Stadium: Carpenter-Haygood (9,600)
Press Box Phone: (870) 230-5035
Head Coach: Scott Maxfield
Alma Mater: Louisiana Tech
Record at HSU: First Year
Phone: (870) 230-5201

Assistants: Robert Henry, John Wells, Matt Gordon, Clint Smith, Coy Campbell, Vernon Hutchins

2004 Record: 2-8, 2-7 in GSC (T-11th)

Series Record: VSU leads, 7-0

Basic Offense: Multiple

Basic Defense: Multiple

Lettermen Returning: 35 (16 offense, 20 defense)

Sports Information Director: Troy Mitchell

Office: (870) 230-5197; Home: (870) 366-4630

Fax: (870) 230-5408

Email: mitchet@hsu.edu

2005 Schedule

A 27	Arkansas-Monticello
S 1	at Stephen F. Austin
S 10	at Arkansas Tech
S 17	at Central Arkansas
S 24	Delta State
O 1	Harding
O 8	at VALDOSTA STATE
O 15	at North Alabama
O 22	West Georgia
O 29	West Alabama
N 5	at Southern Arkansas

2004 Results (2-8, 2-7 in GSC, T-11th)

14	Stephen F. Austin	30
14	Arkansas Tech	40
12	Central Arkansas	55
34	Delta State	56
20	Harding	44
18	VALDOSTA STATE	27
10	North Alabama	33
28	West Georgia	21
34	West Alabama	20
27	Southern Arkansas	31

Football Opponents



UNIVERSITY OF WEST ALABAMA

October 15, 1 p.m. (CDT)
Tiger Stadium, Livingston, AL

Location: Livingston, AL
Enrollment: 2,660
President: Dr. Richard Holland
Athletic Director: Dee Outlaw
Nickname: Tigers
Colors: Red, White, Black
Conference: Gulf South
National Affiliation: NCAA II
Stadium: Tiger (7,000)
Press Box Phone: (205) 652-6999
Head Coach: Sam McCorkle
Alma Mater: West Alabama
Record at UWA: 22-53-2 (7 years)
Phone: (205) 652-3483

Assistants: Sam Graham, Tony Oglesby, Jason Underwood, Craig Hall, Doug Greene, Lee Johnson

2004 Record: 2-9, 2-7 in GSC (T-11th)

Series Record: VSU leads, 22-1

Basic Offense: Multiple

Basic Defense: Multiple

Lettermen Returning: 26 (13 offense, 13 defense)

Sports Information Director: Jason Hughes

Office: (205) 652-3596; Home: (205) 652-4269

Fax: (205) 652-3600

Email: jhughes@uwa.edu

2005 Schedule

A 25	Confordia
S 1	Lambuth
S 10	at Delta State
S 17	Arkansas-Monticello
S 24	at Arkansas Tech
O 1	Ouachita Baptist
O 8	at West Georgia
O 15	VALDOSTA STATE
O 22	Southern Arkansas
O 29	at Henderson State
N 5	at North Alabama

2004 Results (2-9, 2-7 in GSC, T-11th)

20	Samford	34
0	Tuskegee	20
7	Delta State	59
24	Arkansas-Monticello	23
28	Arkansas Tech	42
22	Ouachita Baptist	53
20	West Georgia	38
17	VALDOSTA STATE	34
22	Southern Arkansas	27
20	Henderson State	34
28	North Alabama	27

Football Opponents



UNIVERSITY OF NORTH ALABAMA

October 20, 8 p.m. (EDT)
Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta, GA

Location: Florence, AL
Enrollment: 5,800
President: Dr. William Cale
Athletic Director: Dr. Joel Erdmann
Nickname: Lions
Colors: Purple, Gold
Conference: Gulf South
National Affiliation: NCAA II
Stadium: Braly Municipal (14,215)
Press Box Phone: (256) 760-6372
Head Coach: Mark Hudspeth
 Alma Mater: Delta State
 Record at UNA: 22-13 (3 years)
 Phone: (256) 765-4397
Assistants: Kenny Edenfield, Karl Morgan, Terry Tilghman, Keith Boone, Chris Willis, Lamar James
2004 Record: 5-5, 4-5 in GSC (T-6th)
Basic Offense: Multiple
Basic Defense: Multiple
Lettermen Returning: 44 (21 offense, 23 defense)
Sports Information Director: Jeff Hodges
 Office: (256) 765-4595; Home: (256) 766-7572
 Fax: (256) 765-4659
 Email: sportsinformation@una.edu

2005 Schedule

S 3	..... Tusculum
S 10	..... at Arkansas-Monticello
S 17	..... Delta State
S 24	..... Harding
O 1	..... at Central Arkansas
O 8	..... at Southern Arkansas
O 15	..... Henderson State
O 22	..... at VALDOSTA STATE
O 29	..... at West Georgia
N 5	..... West Alabama

2004 Results (5-5, 4-5 in GSC, T-6th)

28	Tusculum	.....7
59	Arkansas-Monticello	.....21
21	Delta State	.....28
27	Harding	.....30
31	Central Arkansas	.....3
45	Southern Arkansas	.....24
33	Henderson State	.....10
20	VALDOSTA STATE	.....24
21	West Georgia	.....38
27	West Alabama	.....28



SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY

October 29, 2 p.m. (CDT)
Wilkins Stadium, Magnolia, AR

Location: Magnolia, AR
Enrollment: 3,059
President: Dr. David F. Rankin
Athletic Director: Jay Adcox
Nickname: Muleriders
Colors: Royal Blue, Old Gold
Conference: Gulf South
National Affiliation: NCAA II
Stadium: Wilkins (6,000)
Press Box Phone: (870) 235-4117
Head Coach: Steve Quinn
 Alma Mater: Ouachita Baptist
 Record at SAU: 26-18 (4 years)
 Phone: (870) 235-4110
Assistants: Tommy Laurendine, Jeff Byrd, Joe Carter, Trey Lavalle
2004 Record: 5-6, 3-6 in GSC (8th)
Basic Offense: Flexbone
Basic Defense: Multiple
Sports Information Director: Houston Taylor
 Office: (870) 235-4104; Home: (870) 234-5950
 Fax: (870) 901-7219
 Email: sausid@saumag.edu

2005 Schedule

A 27	..... Texas A&M-Commerce
S 3	..... at East Texas Baptist
S 10	..... at Central Arkansas
S 17	..... Arkansas Tech
S 24	..... at Ouachita Baptist
O 1	..... at Arkansas-Monticello
O 8	..... North Alabama
O 15	..... at West Georgia
O 22	..... at West Alabama
O 29	..... VALDOSTA STATE
N 5	..... Henderson State

2004 Results (5-6, 3-6 in GSC, 8th)

21	Texas A&M-Commerce	.....19
38	East Texas Baptist	.....21
31	Central Arkansas	.....58
21	Arkansas Tech	.....35
27	Ouachita Baptist	.....28
31	Arkansas-Monticello	.....33
24	North Alabama	.....45
45	West Georgia	.....38
27	West Alabama	.....22
28	VALDOSTA STATE	.....45
31	Henderson State	.....27



UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA

November 5, 1 p.m. (EST)
Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta, GA

Location: Carrollton, GA
Enrollment: 10,250
President: Dr. Beheruz N. Sethna
Athletic Director: Ed Murphy
Nickname: Braves
Colors: Blue, Red
Conference: Gulf South
National Affiliation: NCAA II
Stadium: Grisham (6,500)
Press Box Phone: (678) 796-2222
Head Coach: Mike Ledford
Alma Mater: Tennessee Tech
Record at UWG: 8-23 (3 years)
Phone: (678) 839-6539
Assistants: Bert Browne, Charles Anthony, Mike Adams,
Spencer Riley, Rocky Hunts, Justin DeShon
2004 Record: 2-7, 2-6 in GSC (10th)
Series Record: VSU leads, 15-7
Basic Offense: Multiple
Basic Defense: Multiple
Lettermen Returning: 31 (16 offense, 15 defense)
Sports Information Director: Mitch Gray
Office: (678) 839-6542; Home: (770) 574-9248
Fax: (678) 839-6543
Email: mgray@westga.edu

2005 Schedule

A 27	.....	at Presbyterian
S 3	.....	Carson-Newman (Rome)
S 10	.....	Harding
S 17	.....	at Ouachita Baptist
S 24	.....	Arkansas-Monticello
O 1	.....	at Arkansas Tech
O 8	.....	West Alabama
O 15	.....	Southern Arkansas
O 22	.....	at Henderson State
O 29	.....	North Alabama
N 5	.....	at VALDOSTA STATE

2004 Results (2-7, 2-6 in GSC, 10th)

21 Presbyterian	.....	14
24 Carson-Newman	.....	38
21 Harding	.....	28
27 Arkansas-Monticello	.....	31
14 Arkansas Tech	.....	28
38 West Alabama	.....	20
38 Southern Arkansas	.....	45
21 Henderson State	.....	28
38 North Alabama	.....	21
12 VALDOSTA STATE	.....	35

Football Opponents



BLAZERS ON THE ROAD

GAME 1

FORT VALLEY STATE • AUGUST 27, 6 PM
Depart: 1:15 pm, Saturday, August 27, Chartered Buses
Pre-Game Headquarters: Henderson Stadium, Macon
Return: Saturday after game
Driving Time: Approximately 2 1/2 hours
Arrive Valdosta: 1 am, Sunday, August 28

GAME 4

HARDING • SEPTEMBER 17, 7 PM
Depart: 12:30 pm, Saturday, September 17,
Jet Charter to Little Rock, AR
Pre-Game Headquarters: First Security Stadium, Searcy, AR
Return: Saturday after game, Jet Charter to Valdosta
Flight Time: 1 1/2 hours
Arrive Valdosta: 2:30 am, Sunday, September 18

GAME 6

DELTA STATE • OCTOBER 1, 7 PM
Depart: 1 pm, Saturday, October 1, Jet Charter to Greenville, MS
Pre-Game Headquarters: Travis E. Parker Field, Cleveland, MS
Return: Saturday after game, Jet Charter to Valdosta
Flight Time: 1 1/2 hours
Arrive Valdosta: 2:30 am, Sunday, October 2

GAME 8

WEST ALABAMA • OCTOBER 15, 2 PM
Depart: 8 am, Friday, October 14, Chartered Buses
Pre-Game Headquarters: Holiday Inn Express, Demopolis, AL
(334) 289-9570
Return: Saturday after game
Driving Time: Approximately 7 hours
Arrive Valdosta: 3 am, Sunday, October 16

GAME 10

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS • OCTOBER 29, 3 PM
Depart: 8:30 am, Saturday, October 29, Jet Charter
to Texarkana, TX
Pre-Game Headquarters: Wilkins Stadium, Magnolia, AR
Return: Saturday after game, Jet Charter to Valdosta
Flight Time: 1 hour, 45 minutes
Arrive Valdosta: 11 pm, Saturday, October 29

All-Time Valdosta State Football Record



Conference Games

181 118-60-3 .660

Non-Conference Games

81 53-27-1 .660

Overall

262 171-87-4 .660

Cleveland Field

115 86-28-1 .752

Martin Stadium

17 11-6 .647

Overall

132 96-35-1 .731

Road

130 74-53-3 .581

GSC Home

88 60-27-1 .688

GSC Road

93 58-33-2 .634

GSC Overall

181 118-60-3 .660

Non-Conference Home

43 36-7 .837

Non-Conference Road

38 17-20-1 .461

Overall

81 53-27-1 .660

Season Openers

23 14-9 .609

Home

11 8-3 .727

Road

12 6-6 .500

GSC Openers

23 18-5 .783

Home

10-2 .833

Road

8-3 .727

August

8 7-1 .875

September

82 54-27-1 .665

October

98 69-29 .704

November

70 38-29-3 .564

December

4 3-1 .750

Playoffs

16 10-6 .625

Home

8-2 .800

Road

2-4 .333

Overtime Games

1-3 .250

Shutouts

- 1984 Clark, 49-0
- 1985 Kentucky State, 27-0
- 1986 Fort Valley State, 17-0
- 1991 Fort Valley State, 7-0
- 1993 Mount Senario, 65-0
- 1994 Knoxville, 36-0
- 1994 West Alabama, 63-0
- 1995 Arkansas Tech, 28-0
- 1995 St. Ambrose, 41-0
- 1996 Southern Arkansas, 42-0
- 1997 Fort Valley State, 10-0
- 1997 North Alabama, 21-0
- 2000 Fort Valley State, 46-0
- 2002 Albany State, 26-0
- 2002 Delta State, 42-0
- 2003 Arkansas Tech, 30-0

Shut Out

- 1982 Delta State, 27-0
- 1983 Central Florida, 20-0
- 1983 North Alabama, 27-0
- 1985 North Alabama, 45-0
- 1991 Central Florida, 12-0

Future Schedules

2006

- 9/2 Fort Valley State
- 9/9 at Albany State
- 9/16 at Central Arkansas
- 9/23 Arkansas Tech
- 9/30 at Ouachita Baptist
- 10/7 Southern Arkansas
- 10/14 at Delta State
- 10/21 West Alabama
- 10/28 at North Alabama
- 11/4 Arkansas-Monticello
- 11/11 at West Georgia

2007

- 9/1 at Fort Valley State
- 9/8 Albany State
- 9/15 Central Arkansas
- 9/22 at Arkansas Tech
- 9/29 Ouachita Baptist
- 10/6 at Southern Arkansas
- 10/13 Delta State
- 10/20 at West Alabama
- 10/27 North Alabama
- 11/3 at Arkansas-Monticello
- 11/10 West Georgia





A LOOK BACK



2004 Football...This Time It's The BIG Ring



Valdosta State would not have received a lot of votes last September 4 if a poll had been taken on the Blazers' chances of returning to Florence for the national championship game. VSU had just absorbed a last-minute 24-22 loss at Albany State in its season opener, the first regular season road loss in head coach Chris Hatcher's now five-year tenure at his alma mater.

But this Valdosta State team immediately turned the season in the right direction, reeling off nine straight Gulf South Conference wins to claim its fourth league title in the last five years and advancing to the playoffs for the fifth year in a row. Three straight wins followed a first round bye, and the Blazers were back for another shot at the national title which eluded them in 2002.

The title game started badly. VSU quickly trailed 14-0 against top-ranked Pittsburg State, a formidable offensive foe which came in averaging more than 57 points and 600 yards a game. But the resilient Blazers, as they had done for 12 straight weeks after that season-opening loss, found a way to get the job done. A pass interception turned the momentum, and at halftime VSU had tied the Gorillas at 17. The momentum carried over to the second half, and the Blazers built 26-17 and 36-24 leads before nailing down the university's first football national championship with a 36-31 victory.

It wasn't always pretty in 2004, but it was almost always effective. In coach-speak, this band of Blazers got better each week and ended up playing its best football of the season at the best possible time.



Statistically, all of Hatcher's other four teams were more productive. But this team was more efficient and effective. A huge factor was turnover margin where Valdosta State led the nation with 22 more takeaways than giveaways. Another major factor was the offensive balance this team achieved. The Blazers averaged 193 yards a game rushing, 223 passing, a big departure from the Air Raid attack of recent years.

A third strength of this team was outstanding special teams play. Placekicker Will Rhody (22-23 field goals), punter Travis Tidwell, kickoff specialist Michael Green, holder Kenn Barnett and long snapper John Harrison were crucial weapons in the Blazer arsenal.

Senior quarterback Fabian Walker, working behind a veteran offensive line, quietly and effectively directed his troops, completing 72 percent of his

passes for more than 3000 yards and 23 touchdowns. Running backs Tyran Robinson and Vincent Brown rushed for more than 2000 yards between them, and Walker threw to 14 different receivers during the year.

Defensively, the Black Swarm yielded about three scores a game, but it was opportunistic, creating the nation's best 38 turnovers (22 interceptions and 16 fumble recoveries), and time after time came up with the big play at a big moment in the game.

All in all, this Valdosta State team proved without a doubt to be one of championship...national championship...quality.

Last-Minute Field Goal Lifts Albany State Over Blazers, 24-22

Albany State found a way. The Golden Rams borrowed that page from Valdosta State's script Saturday (Sept. 4), kicking a 35-yard field goal with 1:23 remaining to stun the Blazers 24-22 in front of a standing room only crowd of almost 12,000 at Albany Municipal Coliseum.

One of VSU's mottos is "Find A Way" and the Blazers came close in this see-saw affair which took over three hours and was marred by over 200 yards in penalties. Valdosta State led 14-7 at intermission and took a 14-13 lead into the final quarter before the Golden Rams (2-0) grabbed their first lead, 21-14, at the 7:56 mark.

The Blazers had the answer, bolting 76 yards in eight plays and scoring on a beautiful 22-yard run by freshman **Clay Callaway** on an end-around. After an illegal participation penalty against ASU moved the ball to the 1 1/2-yard-line, VSU regained the lead at 22-21 on **Vincent Brown's** two-point conversion run.

But Albany State, seeking its first ever win over VSU in 10 meetings, put together the winning drive after returning the

ensuing kickoff to its 47. The game's biggest play was the Golden Rams' conversion of a fourth-and-19 from the Blazer 44.

Escaping an all-out blitz, ASU quarterback **Uyl Joyner** found **Edward Harper** wide open for a 25-yard gain to the 19. Three plays later, **Adrian Arango**, who had missed two field goals, drilled the 35-yarder for the winning points.

The Blazers took an early lead, scoring on their second possession when **Tyran Robinson** converted a swing pass from **Fabian Walker** into a 44-yard touchdown. Albany State tied it a 7, taking advantage of the first of two blocked punts and driving 36 yards to score on Joyner's 1-yard sneak. VSU regained the lead late in the first quarter when Robinson bolted 60 yards to complete a 3-play, 69-yard drive.

The Golden Rams pulled to within one in the third quarter, driving 80 yards in nine plays. The PAT attempt was blocked. But ASU would not be denied, putting together a 71-yard drive which was extended by a roughing the punter penalty to take its first lead and set up the frantice finish.

Albany State rolled up 353 yards of offense and ran 23 more plays on the strength of a 10-plus minute advantage in time of



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possession. The Blazers finished with 304 total yards, getting 172 through the air as Walker completed 16 of 30 in his first start. Robinson gained 98 yards on 12 carries. ASU's **Antonio Atkins** was the game's leading rusher with 123 yards on 29 carries. He had scoring runs of 10 and 12 yards.

Albany State 24, VSU 22

Albany Municipal Coliseum, Albany • Sept. 4, 2004

Attendance: 11,855 Wind S at 12 83 degrees Partly Sunny

Valdosta State	14	0	0	8	—	22
Albany State	7	0	6	11	—	24

- 1st 9:52 VSU — **Tyran Robinson** 44 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Will Rhody kick)
 1st 3:15 ASU — Uyl Joyner 1 yd run (Adrian Arango kick)
 1st :09 VSU — Robinson 60 yd run (Rhody kick)
 3rd 9:21 ASU — Antonio Atkins 10 yd run (Arango kick blocked)
 4th 7:56 ASU — Atkins 12 yd run (Zontavi Johnson pass from Joyner)
 4th 5:27 VSU — Clay Callaway 22 yd run (Vincent Brown run)
 4th 1:23 ASU — Arango 35 yd field goal

	VSU	ASU
FIRST DOWNS	15	24
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	22-132	51-191
PASSING YDS (NET)	172	162
Passes Att-Comp-Int	30-16-0	24-11-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	52-304	75-353
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	6-23
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-52	2-38
Interception Returns-Yards	1-10	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	8-28.3	2-22.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	11-100	13-123
Possession Time	24:40	35:20
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	4-22

RUSHING: VSU — Tyran Robinson 12-98. ASU - Antonio Atkins 29-123; Uyl Joyner 14-66.

PASSING: VSU — Fabian Walker 16-30-0-172. ASU - Uyl Joyner 11-24-1-162.

RECEIVING: VSU — Zach Parker 3-56; Jeffery Felton 3-41; Bama Adams 3-16; Tyran Robinson 2-41. ASU - Alvin Jackson 4-32; Romeo Montez 2-50; Edward Harper 2-41.

INTERCEPTIONS: VSU — Sam Reynolds 1-minus 10.

Blazers Pull Away From Stubborn Ouachita Baptist, Win Big, 40-19

Valdosta State (1-1, 1-0) scored 16 unanswered fourth quarter points to finally pull away from Ouachita Baptist and post a 40-19 win over the Tigers in the Gulf South Conference opener for both teams Saturday (Sept. 11) in Arkadelphia, AR.

Fabian Walker threw for 250 yards and one touchdown, and **Tyran Robinson** and **Vincent Brown** gained 153 yards rushing between them as the Blazers handled OBU for the fifth time in as many meetings. But the outcome was in doubt until **Alphonso Hopkins** turned an interception into a 26-yard touchdown which gave VSU a 31-19 lead with 12:28 left in the



game. The Blazers added a safety and a 55-yard scoring gallop by Brown later in the period to complete the scoring.

Poor special teams play put the Blazers in an early hole as the Tigers returned the opening kickoff 92 yards to the VSU 7 and scored three plays later to take a quick 7-0 lead. VSU responded with an 8-play, 86-yard drive, highlighted by a 52-yard end around pass from **Clay Callaway** to **Tyler Aurandt** and culminated by a 6-yard touchdown run by **William Milton**. After an OBU field goal, the Blazers took the lead for good later in the opening period when Walker found a wide open **Jeffery Felton** for a 68-yard scoring play. The teams exchanged field goals and touchdown in the second quarter, VSU getting a 37-yard field goal by **Will Rhody** and a 39-yard TD gallop by Robinson (7 plays, 71 yards). That's how it stayed until the Blazers took total command in the final frame.

The **Black Swarm** was especially effective against the run all night long, limiting OBU to 15 yards rushing and picking up 8 tackles for losses of 25 yards. The Tigers did manage 245 yards through the air, completing 21 of 41. Walker was 21-38 and threw one interception.

After having two punts blocked in the season opener, VSU shored up its punting game, getting off eight kicks with no problem. But kick coverage was another matter. In addition to the opening kickoff, a 51-yard punt return set up a Tiger field goal. In all, Ouachita Baptist rolled up 283 yards in return yardage.

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VSU 40, Ouachita Baptist 19

A.U. Williams Field, Arkadelphia, AR • Sept. 11, 2004
Attendance: 3,687 Wind Calm 84 degrees Partly Sunny

Valdosta State	14	10	0	16	—	40
Ouachita Baptist	10	9	0	0	—	19

1st 12:51 OBU — Joshua Holcomb 1 yd run (Neal Skelton kick)
1st 9:13 VSU — William Milton 6 yd run (Will Rhody kick)
1st 6:03 OBU — Skelton 42 yd field goal
1st 5:25 VSU — Jeffery Felton 68 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Rhody kick)
2nd 14:45 VSU — Rhody 37 yd field goal
2nd 8:57 OBU — Skelton 47 yd field goal
2nd 5:20 VSU — Tyran Robinson 39 yd run (Rhody kick)
2nd 1:46 OBU — Chris Lammers 1 yd run (Skelton kick failed)
4th 12:28 VSU — Al Hopkins 26 yd interception return (Rhody kick)
4th 5:10 VSU — Safety
4th 4:38 VSU — Vincent Brown 55 yd run (Rhody kick)

	VSU	OBU
FIRST DOWNS	17	15
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	25-186	30-30
PASSING YDS (NET)	302	245
Passes Att-Comp-Int	39-22-1	41-21-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	64-488	71-275
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	4-60	5-106
Kickoff Returns-Yards	6-66	5-177
Interception Returns-Yards	1-26	1-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	8-37.0	5-42.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	4-2
Penalties-Yards	13-116	6-47
Possession Time	27:55	32:05
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-9	0-0

RUSHING: VSU — Tyran Robinson 13-81; Vincent Brown 6-72. OBU — Don Rich 10-21.

PASSING: VSU — Fabian Walker 21-38-1-250. OBU — Chris Lammers 14-31-1-178; Taylor Carter 6-9-0-40.

RECEIVING: VSU — Tyler Aurandt 5-91; Jeffery Felton 3-87; Tyran Robinson 3-29; Travis Taylor 3-27; Raymond Thomas 3-18. OBU — Curtis Clark 6-84; Slade Camp 4-71; Drew Denny 4-59.

INTERCEPTIONS: VSU — Al Hopkins 1-26. OBU — Chris Porter 1-0.

Blazers Stop Harding Rally, Post 32-19 Win In Home Opener

Senior halfback **Tyran Robinson** rushed for 99 yards and caught seven passes for 101 yards and two touchdowns to lead Valdosta State (2-1, 2-0) to a 32-19 Gulf South Conference victory over stubborn Harding (3-1, 1-1) in the Blazers' home opener Saturday (Sept. 18).

Robinson's 1-yard touchdown catch from **Fabian Walker** early in the second quarter gave VSU a 10-0 lead, and his 45-yard catch and run pushed the Blazers to a 29-19 lead early in the final period. That score came after the Bisons had trimmed a 19-3 VSU lead to 22-19 at the end of three quarters.

After Robinson's first TD, the Blazers added a safety and a 23-yard Walker to **Jeffery Felton** pass play to build a 19-0 lead



before Harding rallied. Ben Davis kicked a 29-yard field goal on the first half's final play, and Darrick Ware caught an 8-yard touchdown pass from Adam Lybrand midway the third quarter to cut the lead to 19-11 after a two-point conversion.

Will Rhody's 27-yard field goal, his second of the game, pushed the lead to 22-11 before Lybrand hit David Feliciano on a 24-yard scoring play. Another two-point conversion cut the gap to 22-19. After Robinson's second TD reception, a beautiful 45-yard scamper after taking a swing pass from Walker, Rhody ended the scoring with a 37-yard field goal.

Valdosta State rolled up 438 yards of total offense and had the ball over 42 minutes, running 91 plays to Harding's 48. The Bisons managed 159 total yards. Walker completed 24 of 38 passes for 257 yards and the three TDs. Junior **Vincent Brown**, Robinson's backup, also ran for 99 yards and had a 55-yard touchdown run negated by a holding penalty.

VSU 32, Harding 19

Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta • Sept. 18, 2004
Attendance: 5,386 Wind Calm 86 degrees Sunny

Harding	0	3	16	0	—	19
Valdosta State	3	16	3	10	—	32

1st 9:48 VSU — Will Rhody 40 yd field goal
2nd 9:23 VSU — Tyran Robinson 1 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Rhody kick)
2nd 8:36 VSU — Fabian Whyly safety
2nd 7:37 VSU — Jeffery Felton 23 yd pass from Walker (Rhody kick)
2nd :00 HU — Ben Davis 29 yd field goal
3rd 8:34 HU — Darrick Ware 8 yd pass from Adam Lybrand (Joe Price pass from Lybrand)
3rd 3:41 VSU — Rhody 27 yd field goal
3rd :05 HU — David Feliciano 24 yd pass from Lybrand (Price pass from Lybrand)
4th 12:23 VSU — Robinson 45 yd pass from Walker (Rhody kick)
4th 2:19 VSU — Rhody 37 yd field goal



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	VSU	HU
FIRST DOWNS	9	26
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	19-57	53-181
PASSING YDS (NET)	102	257
Passes Att-Comp-Int	29-10-2	38-24-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	48-159	91-438
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-51	3-26
Kickoff Returns-Yards	7-123	4-82
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	2-15
Punts (Number-Avg)	8-40.6	5-39.8
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	3-2
Penalties-Yards	3-15	7-70
Possession Time	17:48	42:12
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-25	2-17

RUSHING: HU — DeJuan Patton 5-39. VSU — Vincent Brown 17-99; Tyran Robinson 19-99.

PASSING: HU — Adam Lybrand 10-27-1-102. VSU — Fabian Walker 24-38-0-257.

RECEIVING: HU — David Feliciano 3-27; Joe Price 2-26; Tobias Brown 2-20. VSU — Tyran Robinson 7-101; Jeffery Felton 4-43; Vincent Brown 2-27; Zach Parker 2-23; Raymond Thomas 2-20.

INTERCEPTIONS: VSU — Sam Reynolds 1-0; Scott Foss 1-15.

Blazer Defense, Special Teams Play Key 22-12 Win Over Bears

Senior kicker **Will Rhody** kicked a school record five field goals and Valdosta State's Black Swarm forced six turnovers to lead the Blazers (3-1, 3-0) to a 22-12 victory over previously undefeated Central Arkansas Saturday (Sept. 25) in Conway.

Rhody banged home field goals from 42, 32, 38, 34, and 36 yards out, and the six turnovers created by the tenacious Blazer defense either stopped Central Arkansas drives deep in VSU territory or led to Blazer points. The turnovers included four interceptions and two fumbles recoveries (not counting a botched kickoff return which UCA failed to field and VSU recovered at the Bears' 21). That crucial misque led to the Blazers' only touchdown of the game, a 1-yard pass from **Fabian Walker** to **Zach Parker** which gave Valdosta State a 10-0 first quarter lead. That score was sandwiched between three Rhody field goals which pushed the Blazers to a 16-7 halftime advantage.

Rhody's last two field goals put the game out of reach after Central Arkansas had cut the lead to 16-10 early in the fourth quarter.

But the story of the game was the Black Swarm. The first interception (**Sam Reynolds** at midfield) led to Rhody's third field goal, a 38-yarder 16 seconds before intermission. The first fumble recovery (**Spencer Fortson**) came at the end of a 40-yard run to the Blazer 1-yard-line (**Fortson** forced and recovered the fumble before sliding out of bounds). The second interception (**Fortson**) in the end zone stopped an 11-play, 73-yard UCA drive. The second fumble recovery (forced by **Derrick Hill** and recovered by **Calvin English** at the Bear 20) led to Rhody's final field goal and a 22-10 lead with 4:04 left in the game. The third interception (**Fortson** again) stopped a UCA drive which had reached the VSU 5. The final interception (**Reynolds** again) came on the game's final play at the VSU 12 and was just icing on the cake.



Walker enjoyed his best game as a Blazer, completing 26 of 32 for 195 yards. Senior **Tyran Robinson** was the rushing workhorse with 22 carries for 96 yards. He was also the receiving leader, catching six passes for 37 yards.

The win was the sixth straight over Central Arkansas and was the fifth consecutive victory in Conway. VSU now leads the series 8-2.

VSU 22, Central Arkansas 12

Estes Stadium, Conway, AR • Sept. 25, 2004

	Attendance: 7,117	Wind N at 3	82 degrees	Cloudy	
Valdosta State	10	6	0	6	— 22
Central Arkansas	0	7	0	5	— 12

- 1st 3:27 VSU — Will Rhody 42 yd field goal
- 1st :02 VSU — Zach Parker 1 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Rhody kick)
- 2nd 8:15 VSU — Rhody 32 yd field goal
- 2nd 4:57 UCA — Kentrel Rogers 2 yd run (Garrett Morgan kick)
- 2nd :16 VSU — Rhody 38 yd field goal
- 4th 11:35 UCA — Morgan 52 yd field goal
- 4th 5:58 VSU — Rhody 34 yd field goal
- 4th 4:04 VSU — Rhody 36 yd field goal
- 4th 1:04 UCA — Safety

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	VSU	UCA
FIRST DOWNS	17	21
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	41-134	27-190
PASSING YDS (NET)	195	189
Passes Att-Comp-Int	32-26-1	42-22-4
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	73-329	69-379
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-4	2-3
Kickoff Returns-Yards	0-0	6-76
Interception Returns-Yards	4-4	1-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-42.8	1-37.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-2
Penalties-Yards	10-106	8-52
Possession Time	36:21	23:39
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-8	2-6

RUSHING: VSU — Tyran Robinson 22-96; Vincent Brown 9-24. UCA — Kentrel Rogers 19-178

PASSING: VSU — Fabian Walker 26-32-1-195. UCA — Zak Clark 22-41-4-189.

RECEIVING: VSU — Tyran Robinson 6-37; Zach Parker 5-25; Raymond Thomas 3-42. UCA — Michael Norvell 7-46; Ben Faires 5-38; Aaron Fairouz 4-58.

INTERCEPTIONS: VSU — Spencer Fortson 2-4; Sam Reynolds 2-0. UCA — Cory Cangelosi 1-0.

Dramatic Goal Line Stand Preserves Thrilling 51-48 Win Over Delta State

Valdosta State, which had stopped Delta State only one time all game, held the Statesmen on back-to-back rushes from inside the Blazer 1-yard line as time expired to preserve a 51-48 Gulf South Conference victory Saturday (Oct. 2) at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium.



VSU (4-1, 4-0) had taken a 48-44 lead with 2:06 left in the game on **Fabian Walker's** 5-yard run, but Delta State drove from its 18 to inside the Blazer one with 20 seconds remaining. When the first down rush was stopped, the Statesmen used their final timeout. DSU decided against a game-tying field goal try, instead going with the run which was again stopped.

The game, which was tied at 27 at halftime, was a track meet from beginning to end and featured almost 1200 yards of total offense, 674 by Delta State (3-2, 3-1). The Statesmen twice built 11-point leads, 17-6 in the first half and 41-30 in the second, but the resilient Blazers answered each time, converting four DSU turnovers into 20 points. Walker was 19-24 for 300 yards and two touchdowns. Delta State's Scott Eyster was 25-40 for 483 yards and four scores, but he threw two interceptions and lost two fumbles. The Blazers, led by Walker (74) and **Tyran Robinson** (71) and ran for 222 yards and scored four rushing touchdowns (one each by Robinson and Walker and two by **Vincent Brown**). The Statesmen rushed for 191 yards, led by Radale Pearson with 101.

Chris Parks (7 catches, 157 yards), Robert Davis, Ellis Debrow and Chad Ridley had TD receptions for Delta State while **Travis Taylor** (5 catches, 95 yards) and **Bama Adams** had scoring catches for VSU. Walker found Taylor wide open over the middle for a 68-yard scoring strike and hit Adams in the back of the end zone on a beautiful 34-yard completion.

VSU's **Will Rhody**, who is 12-12 on field goal attempts this season, kicked three (42, 37 and 42 yards). Trey Crum was good from 35 and 22 yards for the Statesmen.

The combined score of 99 points is the largest in Valdosta State's 23-year football history. Delta State's 483 yards passing and 674 yards of total offense are also new records. The win was No. 50 for Blazer coach **Chris Hatcher**, already the winningest coach in VSU history, and it pushed his mark against conference foes to an incredible 38-2. It was also the fourth straight decision over the Statesmen and closed the DSU lead in the long series to 12-11-1.

VSU 51, Delta State 48

Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta • Oct. 2, 2004

Attendance: 3,204 Wind E at 5 83 degrees Sunny

Delta State	3	24	14	7	—	48
Valdosta State	6	21	10	14	—	51

- 1st 12:48 VSU — Will Rhody 42 yd field goal
- 1st 7:53 DSU — Trey Crum 35 yd field goal
- 1st 3:05 VSU — Rhody 37 yd field goal
- 2nd 14:35 DSU — Radale Pearson 1 yd run (Crum kick)
- 2nd 12:57 DSU — Jason Snell 18 yd run (Crum kick)
- 2nd 9:42 VSU — Tyran Robinson 1 yd run (Rhody kick)
- 2nd 4:45 VSU — Vincent Brown 7 yd run (Rhody kick)
- 2nd 1:55 DSU — Robert Davis 39 yd pass from Scott Eyster (Crum kick)
- 2nd 1:37 VSU — Travis Taylor 68 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Rhody kick)
- 2nd :03 DSU — Crum 22 yd field goal, 8 plays, 66 yards
- 3rd 9:50 VSU — Rhody 42 yd field goal
- 3rd 7:51 DSU — Chad Ridley 29 yd pass from Eyster (Crum kick)
- 3rd 4:28 DSU — Chris Parks 78 yd pass from Eyster (Crum kick)



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3rd 1:55 VSU — Brown 10 yd run (Rhody kick)
 4th 12:54 VSU — Bama Adams 34 yd pass from Walker (Rhody kick)
 4th 11:19 DSU — Ellis Debrow 50 yd pass from Eyster (Crum kick)
 4th 2:06 VSU — Walker 5 yd run (Rhody kick)

	DSU	VSU
FIRST DOWNS	34	19
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	47-191	38-222
PASSING YDS (NET)	483	300
Passes Att-Comp-Int	40-25-2	24-19-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	87-674	62-522
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-33	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	9-194	7-199
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	2-30
Punts (Number-Avg)	1-44.0	4-43.3
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-61	7-70
Possession Time	30:32	29:28
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-17	2-3

RUSHING: DSU — Radale Pearson 21-101; Jason Snell 13-46; Scott Eyster 9-25. VSU — Fabian Walker 11-74; Tyran Robinson 18-71; Vincent Brown 8-46.

PASSING: DSU — Scott Eyster 25-40-2-483. VSU — Fabian Walker 19-24-0-300.

RECEIVING: DSU — Chris Parks 7-157; Robert Davis 6-75; Ellis Debrow 5-131; Chad Ridley 4-81. VSU — Travis Taylor 5-95; Zach Parker 5-25; Bama Adams 3-58; Raymond Thomas 2-38.

INTERCEPTIONS: VSU — Spencer Fortson 1-11; Donnie Daniels 1-19.

Walker-Led Blazers Push Past Stubborn Henderson State On The Road, 27-18

Valdosta State built a 17-0 first half lead and held on to beat Henderson State 27-18 on a rainy Saturday (Oct. 9) in Arkadelphia, AR. The Blazers improved to 5-1 overall, 5-0 in the Gulf South Conference, and remained tied with Arkansas Tech, a 35-29 winner over Delta State, for the league lead.

Senior quarterback **Fabian Walker** completed his first 21 passes, breaking his head coach's record of 20 in a row set against New Haven in 1994. He finished 31-34 for 248 yards with one touchdown toss and one interception.

The Blazers took control early, getting a 37-yard **Will Rhody** field goal on their first possession and driving 78 yards in eight plays to score on Walker's 6-yard pass to **Rod Dalton** on their second. The lead grew to 17-0 when Walker took his team 69 yards in eight plays, completing four passes for 43 yards before **William Milton** finished the drive with a 7-yard run.

The Reddies cut the lead to 17-6 just before halftime, driving 93 yards in 10 plays and scoring on quarterback **Blake Christenson's** 1-yard plunge five seconds before intermission.

The Blazers extended the lead to 24-6 early in the third quarter on **Bama Adams'** 43-yard punt return, but then Henderson State took control of the game, completing long back-to-back scoring drives (14 plays, 73 yards and 10 plays, 72 yards) to pull within six points at 24-18 with 10:29 remaining.



After the second Reddies' touchdown, the Blazers used more than six minutes to drive 76 yards to the Henderson State 12, setting up Rhody's 29-yard field goal (his 14th without a miss this season) for the game's final points.

Valdosta State finished with 366 yards of total offense and gave up 297, all on the ground. **Tyran Robinson** led the Blazers' ground attack with 66 yards on 11 carries. He also caught a game high nine passes for 43 yards. The win was the seventh over Henderson State in as many meetings.

VSU 27, Henderson State 18

Carpenter-Haygood Stadium, Arkadelphia, AR • Oct. 9, 2004
 Attendance: 2,912 Wind SE at 12 73 degrees Light Rain

Valdosta State	10	7	7	3	—	27
Henderson State	0	6	6	6	—	18

1st 8:21 VSU — Will Rhody 37 yd field goal
 1st 1:46 VSU — Rod Dalton 6 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Rhody kick)
 2nd 12:25 VSU — William Milton 7 yd run (Rhody kick)
 2nd :05 HSU — Blake Christenson 1 yd run (Arthur Burnett rush failed) 6
 3rd 10:32 VSU — Bama Adams 43 yd punt return (Rhody kick)
 3rd 3:33 HSU — Christenson 17 yd run (Christenson rush failed)
 4th 10:29 HSU — Rodney Stewart 7 yd run (Jace Garrison rush failed)
 4th 4:14 VSU — Rhody 29 yd field goal

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	VSU	HSU
FIRST DOWNS.	21	16
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	27-118	56-297
PASSING YDS (NET)	248	0
Passes Att-Comp-Int	34-31-1	5-0-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	61-366	61-297
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-55	1-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-55	6-105
Interception Returns-Yards	1-0	1-18
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-34.3	6-28.3
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-0
Penalties-Yards	5-65	2-15
Possession Time	29:56	30:04
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-8	2-5

RUSHING: VSU — Tyran Robinson 11-66; Fabian Walker 8-24. HSU — Blake Christenson 25-132; Rodney Stewart 6-102; Arthur Burnett 16-50.

PASSING: VSU — Fabian Walker 31-34-1-248. HSU - Blake Christenson 0-4-1-0.

RECEIVING: VSU — Tyran Robinson 9-43; Zach Parker 6-54; Raymond Thomas 4-22; Vincent Brown 3-35; Rod Dalton 3-28; Clay Callaway 3-21.

INTERCEPTIONS: VSU — Michael Flood 1-0. HSU — Lance Smith 1-18.

Blazers Score 24 Unanswered Points To Pull Away From West Alabama, 34-17

Valdosta State scored 24 unanswered points in the second half to rally past stubborn West Alabama and post a 34-17 Gulf South Conference victory on Homecoming Saturday (Oct. 16) at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium.

The seventh-ranked Blazers trailed 17-10 midway the third quarter before taking control of the game and pulling away down the stretch. Senior runningback **Tyran Robinson** was



instrumental in the comeback, scoring twice on runs of 14 and 17 yards. The 14-yarder pulled VSU within 17-16, but the extra point was blocked, stopping **Will Rhody's** consecutive string at 21.

After VSU linebacker **Donnie Daniels'** interception stopped a West Alabama drive at the VSU 37, the Blazers drove 63 yards in nine plays, taking the lead on **Fabian Walker's** 3-yard pass to **Raymond Thomas**. A successful two-point conversion (Walker to **Bama Adams**) pushed the lead to 24-17. Rhody kicked a 32-yard field goal (his 16th without a miss this season) before Robinson ended the scoring with the 17-yard run, capping a two-play, 32-yard drive set up by **Spencer Fortson's** interception.

The Tigers bolted out of the gate, driving 80 yards in four plays to take a 7-0 lead on Laramie Cook's 10-yard run. Rhody kicked a 39-yard field goal midway the second quarter before **Vincent Brown** gave the Blazers a 10-7 halftime lead, scoring on a 4-yard run which ended an eight-play, 58-yard drive.

West Alabama turned a 34-yard interception return into a 22-yard field goal to tie the game early in the third quarter before taking a 17-10 lead on Marcus Ross' 14-yard run midway the period. But the Tigers gained only 12 yards and made no more first downs the remainder of the game.

Robinson finished with 131 yards on 16 carries while Walker was 17 of 26 for 155 yards. The Blazers rolled up 369 total yards to 256 for the Tigers. Valdosta State has beaten West Alabama 22 times in 23 meetings, including the last 19 in a row.

VSU 34, West Alabama 17

Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta • Oct. 16, 2004
Attendance: 6,843 Wind SW at 14 75 degrees Sunny

West Alabama	7	0	10	0	—	17
Valdosta State	0	10	6	18	—	34

- 1st 12:32 UWA — Laramie Cook 10 yd run (Tonya Butler kick)
- 2nd 5:59 VSU — Will Rhody 39 yd field goal
- 2nd :19 VSU — Vincent Brown 4 yd run (Rhody kick)
- 3rd 12:04 UWA — Butler 22 yd field goal
- 3rd 7:22 UWA — Marcus Ross 14 yd run (Butler kick)
- 3rd 4:09 VSU — Tyran Robinson 14 yd run (Rhody kick blocked)
- 4th 11:43 VSU — Raymond Thomas 3 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Bama Adams pass from Walker)
- 4th 6:09 VSU — Rhody 32 yd field goal
- 4th 4:38 VSU — Robinson 17 yd run (Rhody kick)

	UWA	VSU
FIRST DOWNS	10	21
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	37-198	41-209
PASSING YDS (NET)	58	160
Passes Att-Comp-Int	9-2-2	28-19-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	46-256	69-369
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-2	2-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-41	4-32
Interception Returns-Yards	1-34	2-13
Punts (Number-Avg)	7-31.1	5-44.4
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-0
Penalties-Yards	8-39	7-62
Possession Time	27:06	32:54
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-11	0-0



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RUSHING: UWA — Jerin Wright 11-113; Laramie Cook 12-55; Marcus Ross 13-29. VSU — Tyran Robinson 16-131; Vincent Brown 10-47.

PASSING: UWA — Laramie Cook 1-4-1-48. VSU — Fabian Walker 17-26-1-155; Sean Calhoun 2-2-0-5.

RECEIVING: UWA — Will Harter 1-48. VSU — Bama Adams 4-23; Rod Dalton 3-23; Tyran Robinson 3-19; Travis Taylor 2-36; Zach Parker 2-20.

INTERCEPTIONS: UWA — Donte Oden 1-34. VSU — Donnie Daniels 1-10; Spencer Fortson 1-3.

Blazers Score 21 Fourth Quarter Points To Rally Past North Alabama, 24-20

Valdosta State reached deep into the playbook to overcome three turnovers, rallying from a 10-point deficit to pull out a crucial 24-20 win over North Alabama on a rainy Saturday night (Oct. 23) in Florence.

The resilient Blazers (7-1, 7-0) fell behind 13-3 early in the final period before beginning the dramatic comeback. After a Lion field goal produced the 10-point cushion, junior **Vincent Brown** returned the ensuing kickoff 97 yards to cut the gap to 13-10. After the score, head coach **Chris Hatcher** rolled the dice and ordered an onside kick which VSU freshman **Shawn Harris** recovered at the Blazer 46. Valdosta State drove 54 yards in five plays to take the lead on a 22-yard pass from **Fabian Walker** to William Milton.

After an exchange of punts, the Lions regained the lead at 20-17, driving 66 yards in three plays and scoring on a 47-yard run by Demarcus Blount with 5:04 left in the game. That set up the drive of the season for the Blazers. Starting from the 22, Walker hit **Bama Adams** for 32 yards to the UNA 46. Two plays lost three yards before Walker turned a throwback lateral from Clay Callaway into a 15-yard gain to the Lion 33. Two **Tyran Robinson** runs of 10 yards were sandwiched around two Walker to **Raymond Thomas** completions for 22 yards, giving VSU a first and goal from the UNA 1. Walker was stopped for no gain before sweeping around left end for the winning points with 32 seconds remaining.

Valdosta State recorded 402 yards of total offense and held the Lions to 299. Robinson and Brown ran for 96 and 93 yards respectively, and Walker was 14-26 for 205 yards and one score. The win trimmed North Alabama's lead in the long series to 13-10-1 and cut the Lions' advantage in Florence to 7-6.

VSU 24, North Alabama 20

Braly Municipal Stadium, Florence, AL • Oct. 23, 2004
Attendance: 3,577 Wind S at 10 66 degrees Overcast

Valdosta State	0	3	0	21	--	24
North Alabama	0	3	7	10	--	20

2nd 1:43 UNA — Beau Tanner 31 yd field goal
2nd :04 VSU — Will Rhody 30 yd field goal
3rd 6:06 UNA — Vinnie Saylor 13 yd run (Tanner kick)
4th 13:28 UNA — Tanner 35 yd field goal
4th 13:03 VSU — Vincent Brown 97 yd kickoff return (Rhody kick)
4th 11:13 VSU — William Milton 22 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Rhody kick)
4th 5:04 UNA — DeMarcus Blount 47 yd run (Tanner kick)
4th :32 VSU — Walker 1 yd run (Rhody kick)



	VSU	UNA
FIRST DOWNS	16	15
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	37-197	27-145
PASSING YDS (NET)	205	154
Passes Att-Comp-Int	26-14-1	32-20-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	63-402	59-299
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	1-9
Punt Returns-Yards	1-0	2-17
Kickoff Returns-Yards	5-136	4-105
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	5-41.4	7-35.9
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	1-0
Penalties-Yards	4-35	4-20
Possession Time	32:13	27:47
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-17	1-4

RUSHING: VSU — Tyran Robinson 19-96; Vincent Brown 6-93. UNA — DeMarcus Blount 18-124.

PASSING: VSU — Fabian Walker 14-26-1-205. UNA — Vinnie Saylor 20-32-0-154.

RECEIVING: VSU — Bama Adams 3-65; Raymond Thomas 3-47; Tyran Robinson 3-46; William Milton 2-23. UNA — Marcus Lewis 6-53; Jaron Fountain 6-38; DeMarcus Blount 3-21; Maurice Calhoun 3-12.

INTERCEPTIONS: UNA — Evan Oglesby 1-0.

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Blazers Build Big Halftime Lead, Hold On For 45-28 Victory Over Southern Arkansas

Fourth-ranked Valdosta State (8-1, 8-0) bolted to a 38-14 halftime lead and held on for a 45-28 Gulf South Conference victory over Southern Arkansas (4-6, 2-6) Saturday (Oct. 30) at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium.

After exchanging scores throughout the first quarter, the Blazers scored three unanswered touchdowns in the second period to build the big lead. **Vincent Brown** got the last two scores on runs of 12 and 2 yards, capping drives of 72 and 45 yards.

The Muleriders struck first, turning an interception into a four-play, 53-yard drive and scoring on quarterback **Damian Melancon's** 1-yard run. VSU scored the next 17 points, tying the game on a 30-yard run by **Tyran Robinson** on a fake field goal. **Will Rhody** kicked a 37-yard field goal before **Fabian Walker** hit **Clay Callaway** on a 9-yard touchdown pass.

Southern Arkansas cut the gap to 17-14 on a 35-yard pass from Melancon to **Keundric Loucious** before the Blazers started their run, getting the first of the three scores on a 25-yard pass from Walker to **Bama Adams**.

After a scoreless third quarter, the Muleriders scored twice on short runs by Melancon to get within 38-24. But VSU put the game away after recovering a fumbled punt at the SAU 36 and scoring in four plays. Walker hit **Rod Dalton** from 5 yards out for the points.

The Blazers rolled up 473 total yards and gave up 411. Robinson led the VSU ground attack with 89 yards; Melancon had a game-high 121 for the Muleriders. Walker completed 26

of 34 for 239 yards; Melancon was 12-23 for 237. Both threw an interception.

The win was the eighth straight for Valdosta State after a season opening loss at undefeated Albany State. The Blazers can claim at least a share of the conference title with a win Nov. 6 at arch rival West Georgia.

VSU 45, Southern Arkansas 28

Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta • Oct. 30, 2004

Attendance: 2,711 Wind Calm 82 degrees Sunny

Southern Arkansas	7	7	0	14	--	28
Valdosta State	17	21	0	7	--	45

- 1st 13:33 SAU — Damian Melancon 1 yd run (David Korff kick)
 1st 7:17 VSU — Tyran Robinson 30 yd run (Will Rhody kick)
 1st 6:33 VSU — Rhody 37 yd field goal
 1st 2:56 VSU — Clay Callaway 9 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Rhody kick)
 2nd 14:22 SAU — Keundric Loucious 35 yd pass from Melancon (Korff kick)
 2nd 10:34 VSU — Bama Adams 25 yd pass from Walker (Rhody kick)
 2nd 5:14 VSU — Vincent Brown 12 yd run (Rhody kick)
 2nd :50 VSU — Brown 0 yd fumble recovery (Rhody kick)
 4th 13:19 SAU — Melancon 3 yd run (Corey Nelson kick)
 4th 7:52 SAU — Melancon 1 yd run (Nelson kick)
 4th 3:56 VSU — Rod Dalton 5 yd pass from Walker (Rhody kick)

	SAU	VSU
FIRST DOWNS	19	22
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	39-174	36-234
PASSING YDS (NET)	237	239
Passes Att-Comp-Int	24-12-1	34-26-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	63-411	70-473
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-3	2-32
Kickoff Returns-Yards	7-157	4-70
Interception Returns-Yards	1-0	1-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-39.0	3-34.7
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-1
Penalties-Yards	3-22	9-86
Possession Time	26:42	33:18
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	1-5

RUSHING: SAU — Damian Melancon 21-121; Torrence Jones 7-34. VSU — Tyran Robinson 14-89; Fabian Walker 7-68; Vincent Brown 8-34..

PASSING: SAU — Damian Melancon 12-23-1-237. VSU — Fabian Walker 26-34-1-239.

RECEIVING: SAU — Torrance Hoyer 3-54; Johnny Fields 3-44; Keundric Loucious 2-80. VSU — Tyran Robinson 6-69; Bama Adams 5-70; Zach Parker 3-23.

INTERCEPTIONS: SAU — Chad Carner 1-0. VSU — Donnie Daniels 1-0.



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Robinson, Black Swarm Lead Blazers Past West Georgia; VSU Claims GSC Championship

Senior running back **Tyran Robinson** shredded West Georgia's defense for 136 rushing and 91 receiving yards, scoring three touchdowns to lead Valdosta State (9-1, 9-0) to a convincing 35-12 win over the Braves Saturday (Nov. 6) in Carrollton. The win, coupled with Arkansas Tech's 38-31 loss at Central Arkansas, gave the Blazers sole possession of the Gulf South Conference championship, their fourth title in the last five years.

The victory also sends VSU into the Division II national playoffs for the fifth straight season. The Blazers, ranked second in the Southeast region, will have a first round bye before hosting the winner of a first round game between Carson-Newman and Fayetteville State at 1 o'clock Saturday (Nov. 20) at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium.

Against West Georgia, Robinson scored on Valdosta State's first two possessions, first turning a flat pass from **Fabian Walker** into a 53-yard score then breaking a run up the middle for 75 yards and another TD. The Braves hung around most of the first half, getting a field goal after Robinson's first touchdown and a touchdown after his second to get within 14-9. But the Blazers took control of the game late in the opening stanza, driving 66 yards in 10 plays and scoring on a 19-yard screen pass from Walker to **Vincent Brown** with 2:13 left in the half to take a 21-9 lead into intermission.

VSU stretched the lead to 28-9 on its first possession of the second half, converting defensive end **Tim Thompson's** fumble recovery into an eight-play, 40-yard drive. Robinson again got the points on a 3-yard run. West Georgia got another field goal late in the third period before the Blazers completed the scoring with a methodical fourth quarter drive of 86 yards in seven plays. Brown finished the march with a 2-yard run.

Valdosta State's Black Swarm defense turned in a solid performance, holding the Braves' potent ground game over 100 yards below their season average. West Georgia managed only 93 rushing yards and was held to 283 total yards as the Swarm picked up a season high five sacks. Meanwhile, the Blazers rolled up 506 balanced yards of offense, 260 rushing and 246 passing as Walker completed 25 of 30. Time of possession also favored VSU, which owned the ball more than seven minutes longer than West Georgia.

The Blazers have reeled off nine straight wins since a season opening loss at Albany State. The perfect conference record marks the third time VSU has run the league table. The win also pushed head coach **Chris Hatcher's** five-year GSC record to an amazing 43-2.



VSU 35, West Georgia 12

Grisham Stadium, Carrollton • Nov. 6, 2004

Attendance: 4,101 Wind Calm 54 degrees Clear

Valdosta State	14	7	7	7	—	35
West Georgia	3	6	3	0	—	12

1st 13:52 VSU — Tyran Robinson 53 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Will Rhody kick)

1st 8:47 UWG — Trevor Ramos 30 yd field goal

1st 7:40 VSU — Robinson 75 yd run (Rhody kick)

2nd 7:47 UWG — Michael Alexis 10 yd run (Ramos kick blocked)

2nd 2:13 VSU — Vincent Brown 19 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Rhody kick)

3rd 8:37 VSU — Robinson 3 yd run (Rhody kick)

3rd 4:26 UWG — Ramos 40 yd field goal

4th 5:05 VSU — Brown 2 yd run (Rhody kick)

	VSU	UWG
FIRST DOWNS	24	16
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	35-260	33-93
PASSING YDS (NET)	246	190
Passes Att-Comp-Int	30-25-1	28-15-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	65-506	61-283
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-24	1-12
Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-90	6-105
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-25
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-28.3	6-42.3
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	7-79	5-60
Possession Time	33:40	26:20
Sacks By: Number-Yards	5-32	1-11

RUSHING: VSU — Tyran Robinson 12-136; Fabian Walker 8-62; Vincent Brown 8-57. UWG West Georgia-Michael Alexis 24-134.

PASSING: VSU — Fabian Walker 25-30-1-246. UWG — Lucas McMichen 15-28-0-190.

RECEIVING: VSU — Tyran Robinson 8-91; Raymond Thomas 5-44; Tyler Aurandt 3-17; Travis Taylor 2-34; Vincent Brown 2-23. UWG — Jesse Marinko 5-62; J. Holbrook 2-33; Hayes Mercure 2-24; Johnny Williams 2-22.

INTERCEPTIONS: UWG — Kevin Johnson 1-25.

VSU On Fire From Start To Finish In 38-12 Rout Of Carson-Newman In Playoffs' 2nd Round

What was expected to be a nail-biter turned into a laugher as Valdosta State jumped on Carson-Newman early and rolled to a convincing 38-12 victory over the Eagles in the second round of the Division II playoffs Saturday (Nov. 20) at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium.

The third-ranked Blazers (10-1) built a 17-0 halftime lead, taking advantage of three Carson-Newman turnovers, then shook off a long Eagle punt return that trimmed the lead to 17-6 midway the third quarter by scoring three unanswered touchdowns to put the game away. VSU scored on the second play of the game when **Tyran Robinson** turned a short pass from **Fabian Walker** into a 65-yard touchdown. The Blazers

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made it 10-0 late in the opening quarter, converting the second Eagle fumble into a 48-yard field goal by **Will Rhody**. The lead was stretched to 17-0 when Walker hit **Bama Adams** from 11 yards out on the second play of the second quarter.

Carson-Newman, which lost three fumbles and had a pass intercepted to short circuit scoring opportunities, missed a 34-yard field goal midway the second period but cut the lead to 17-6 when Donte Bolden returned a punt 86 yards for a touchdown with 8:21 left in the third quarter. After blocking the extra point, the Blazers took 7:13 to drive 78 yards in 13 plays, scoring on Walker's 6-yard run for a 24-6 cushion with 54 seconds left in the third period. VSU took over the game in the fourth quarter with two 7-play drives, one for 63 yards and the other for 75. Both took 4:09, and **Vincent Brown** scored both TDs on runs of 11 and 50 yards.

The Eagles, ranked second in the nation in total offense, scored their only offensive touchdown with 51 seconds remaining on J.J. Chatmon's 16-yard run which ended a 14-play, 83-yard drive against Black Swarm reserves.

Valdosta State, winning its 10th straight game, finished with 422 yards of total offense while the Swarm was holding Carson-Newman to 364, more than 140 yards below its average. Brown led the Blazer ground game with 110 yards on eight carries. Walker completed 21 of 30 passes for 215 yards and two scores. Eagle quarterback Shane Kelley struggled, completing only 7 of 21 for 121 yards and throwing an interception deep in VSU territory which **Terrence Bell** returned 55 yards. VSU did not turn the ball over and improved its turnover margin to +15.

The Blazers advance to Saturday's (Nov. 27) quarterfinal round and a rematch at second-ranked and undefeated Albany State, a 42-24 winner over Arkansas Tech. The Golden Rams handed VSU its only loss, 24-22, in the Blazers' season opener.

VSU 38, Carson-Newman 12

Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta • Nov. 19, 2004

Attendance: 3,001 Wind NW at 7 77 degrees Overcast

Carson-Newman	0	0	6	6	—	12
Valdosta State	10	7	7	14	—	38

- 1st 13:58 VSU — Tyran Robinson 65 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Will Rhody kick)
- 1st 3:48 VSU — Rhody 48 yd field goal
- 2nd 14:10 VSU — Bama Adams 11 yd pass from Walker (Rhody kick)
- 3rd 8:21 C-N — Deonte Bolden 86 yd punt return (Brandon Mott kick blocked)
- 3rd :54 VSU — Walker 6 yd run (Rhody kick)
- 4th 10:04 VSU — Vincent Brown 11 yd run (Rhody kick)
- 4th 5:16 VSU — Brown 50 yd run (Rhody kick)
- 4th :51 C-N — J.J. Chatmon 16 yd run (Mott kick blocked)

	C-N	VSU
FIRST DOWNS	19	21
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	40-243	36-207
PASSING YDS (NET)	121	215
Passes Att-Comp-Int	21-7-1	30-21-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	61-364	66-422
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-97	1-8
Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-70	2-25

Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-55
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-34.0	3-42.3
Fumbles-Lost	3-3	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-15	2-30
Possession Time	25:44	34:16
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-12	0-0

RUSHING: C-N — Rayvon Howard 15-88; Shane Kelley 12-69; J.J. Chatmon 11-51; Kiel Angry 2-35. VSU — Vincent Brown 8-110; Tyran Robinson 11-55; Fabian Walker 11-25.

PASSING: C-N — Shane Kelley 7-21-1-121. VSU — Fabian Walker 21-30-0-215.

RECEIVING: C-N — Mikkaïl Jenkins 3-59; Leonard Weaver 3-45. VSU — Tyran Robinson 6-76; Raymond Thomas 3-50; Bama Adams 3-24; Clay Callaway 3-10; Zach Parker 2-26; Vincent Brown 2-15.

INTERCEPTIONS: VSU — Terrence Bell 1-55.

Amazing Second Half Rally Swamps Albany State, 38-24, Sends Blazers To Semifinals

Oh my!

Valdosta State spotted Albany State a 24-0 halftime lead before totally dominating the game after intermission, scoring 38 unanswered points to advance to the semifinals of the national playoffs Saturday (Nov. 27) at Albany Municipal Stadium.

The first half was all Albany State as the Golden Rams rolled up 270 yards of offense while holding the Blazers to 106 yards and forcing a pair of fumbles. The second half was all Valdosta State as the Blazers put up 258 yards of offense while holding the Golden Rams to 76 yards and forcing two turnovers.

The Black Swarm, pushed around in the opening stanza by an Albany State offense that clicked on all cylinders, immediately set the tone in the second half, forcing a quick punt which put the Blazers in business at the Golden Ram 48. Five plays later **Tyran Robinson** swept the right side from 22 yards out to put VSU on the board. The Swarm struck again on ASU's next possession, forcing a safety on a pass out of the end zone which did not cross the line of scrimmage, cutting the deficit to 24-9. The Blazers started their next drive at the Golden Rams' 46, and eight plays later Robinson burst up the middle from 10 yards out to trim ASU's lead to 24-16.

After stopping a short Albany State drive at midfield, VSU began what culminated in a game-tying drive from its own 6. It took 13 plays and ended with a 1-yard run by **Vincent Brown**. The tying points came on a **Fabian Walker** to **Zach Parker** pass.

The Swarm again forced a three and out for Albany State, and after **Bama Adams'** 13-yard punt return, the Blazers began the game-winning drive from their 40. It took eight plays and ended when Walker hit Brown on a beautiful 26-yard strike at the flag. The score came with 3:24 remaining, but the Swarm had not finished its second half work. Forced to try and convert a fourth and four, ASU completed a short pass which the receiver fumbled when hit by **Terrence Bell**. **Sam Reynolds** scooped up the fumble at the Golden Ram 32 and raced into the end zone for an insurance score with only 1:36 left in the game.

Robinson and Brown led VSU's ground attack with 87 and 66 yards respectively, and Walker was 16-20 for 203 yards. Robinson was again his favorite target, catching 6 balls for 76 yards. The Blazer special teams were also outstanding. **Michael Green** consistently pinned Albany State deep with booming



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kickoffs, **Travis Tidwell** averaged 39 yards on four punts, Adams had the important punt return and Brown returned four kickoffs 92 yards.

The win was the first playoff victory on the road in five tries for the Blazers and improved VSU's overall playoff record to 8-6. VSU returns home for the semifinals, hosting Northeast Region champion West Chester, which won at East Stroudsburg 48-38 to advance to its first semifinal game. West Chester's nickname? Ironically, they're the Golden Rams.

VSU 38, Albany State 24

Albany Municipal Coliseum, Albany • Nov. 27, 2004
Attendance: 10,227 Wind NW at 8 64 degrees Rainy

Valdosta State	0	0	16	22	—	38
Albany State	14	10	0	0	—	24

- 1st 9:29 ASU — Edward Harper 15 yd pass from Uyl Joyner (Adrian Arango kick blocked)
- 1st 4:15 ASU — Antonio Ivey 38 yd pass from Joyner (Romeo Montez pass from Joyner)
- 2nd 6:42 ASU — Antonio Atkins 3 yd run (Arango kick)
- 2nd :00 ASU — Arango 20 yd field goal
- 3rd 12:02 VSU — Tyran Robinson 22 yd run (Will Rhody kick)
- 3rd 10:29 VSU — Safety
- 3rd 6:16 VSU — Robinson 10 yd run (Rhody kick)
- 4th 9:19 VSU — Vincent Brown 1 yd run (Zach Parker pass from Walker)
- 4th 3:24 VSU — Brown 26 yd pass from Walker (Rhody kick)
- 4th 1:41 VSU — Sam Reynolds 32 yd fumble recovery (Rhody kick)

	VSU	ASU
FIRST DOWNS	18	15
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	42-161	40-181
PASSING YDS (NET)	203	165
Passes Att-Comp-Int	20-16-0	21-13-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	62-364	61-346
Fumble Returns-Yards	1-32	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-13	2-23
Kickoff Returns-Yards	5-102	3-112
Interception Returns-Yards	2-0	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-39.0	4-42.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	3-35	9-118
Possession Time	34:55	25:05
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	3-15

RUSHING: VSU — Tyran Robinson 16-87; Vincent Brown 13-66. ASU — Antonio Atkins 14-74; Vaeontra Hughes 8-43; Uyl Joyner 13-38; Antwaun Andrews 5-26.
PASSING: VSU — Fabian Walker 16-20-0-203. ASU — Uyl Joyner 13-21-2-165.
RECEIVING: VSU — Tyran Robinson 6-76; Vincent Brown 3-47; Travis Taylor 2-22. ASU — Dontre Williams 5-34; Edward Harper 3-32; Antonio Ivey 2-53.
INTERCEPTIONS: VSU — Derrick Hill 1-0; Scott Foss 1-0.

Blazers Burn West Chester Early And Often, Advance to National Championship Game

Valdosta State (12-1) built a 31-7 halftime lead, answered a pair of third quarter West Chester touchdowns with two fourth quarter scores and posted a 45-21 victory over the Golden Rams in the semifinals of the Division II playoffs Saturday (Dec. 4) at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium.

The third-ranked Blazers, winning for the 12th straight week, scored on five of six first half possessions behind the pinpoint passing of **Fabian Walker** (17-20, 158 yards, 2 TDs) and the running of **Vincent Brown** (12 carries, 74 yards, 2 TDs). Brown ended a 10-play, 80-yard drive with an 8-yard run to give VSU a 7-0 lead with 4:47 left in the opening period. A 49-yard interception return by **Scott Foss** to the West Chester 15 set up Walker's 10-yard pass to **Bama Adams** for a 14-0 lead.

The Golden Rams (11-4) answered with a 5-play, 77-yard drive, scoring on a 10-yard pass from Bob Findora (13-25-3, 249 yards) to Cory DeForrest on the first play of the second quarter. The rest of the half was all Blazers. Senior **Will Rhody** kicked a 36-yard field goal. Brown capped a 75-yard drive with an 8-yard run and Walker hit **Travis Taylor** from 18 yards out to end a 64-yard march. That score came 15 seconds before halftime.

West Chester rallied in the third quarter with drives of 80 and 74 yards to pull within 31-21. Findora hit DeForrest on a 7-yarder for the first score and found Brandon Simmons (5 catches, 106 yards) from 24 yards out for the second. But the Blazers quickly regained control. **Tyran Robinson** returned the kickoff to the Golden Ram 44 after the second West Chester touchdown, and the Blazers took four plays to extend the lead with Walker sprinting 19 yards for the points. Another interception, this one by **Sam Reynolds**, put VSU in business at the Golden Ram 14, and Robinson scored on a 3-yard run five plays later.

Walker finished 24-28 for 212 yards, Brown had 120 yards on 16 carries and Robinson added 97 on 19 trips. Osagie Osunde led West Chester with 62 yards. The Blazers sacked Findora four times and held the Golden Rams to 67 yards rushing. Time of possession also heavily favored VSU, which controlled the ball more than 40 minutes.

The Blazers advance to the national title game for the second time in the last three years and will face top-ranked Pittsburg State, a 31-19 winner over North Dakota in the other semifinal. Kickoff from Braly Municipal Stadium in Florence, AL Saturday (Dec. 11) is 4 p.m. ET. ESPN will carry the championship game live.

VSU 45, West Chester 21

Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, Valdosta • Dec. 4, 2004
Attendance: 4,483 Wind NE at 5 62 degrees Partly Cloudy

West Chester	0	7	14	0	—	21
Valdosta State	14	17	0	14	—	45

- 1st 4:47 VSU — Vincent Brown 8 yd run (Will Rhody kick)
- 1st 1:41 VSU — Bama Adams 10 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Rhody kick)
- 2nd 14:54 WCU — Cory DeForrest 10 yd pass from Bob Findora (Cody Collins kick)

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2nd 9:03 VSU — Rhody 36 yd field goal
 2nd 2:02 VSU — Brown 8 yd run (Rhody kick)
 2nd :15 VSU — Travis Taylor 18 yd pass from Walker (Rhody kick)
 3rd 12:11 WCU — DeForrest 7 yd pass from Findora (Collins kick)
 3rd 1:15 WCU — Simmons 24 yd pass from Findora (Collins kick)
 4th 14:02 VSU — Walker 19 yd run (Rhody kick)
 4th 5:59 VSU — Tyran Robinson 3 yd run (Rhody kick)

	WCU	VSU
FIRST DOWNS	16	26
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	25-67	46-264
PASSING YDS (NET)	249	212
Passes Att-Comp-Int	25-13-3	28-24-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	50-316	74-476
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-6
Kickoff Returns-Yards	6-112	4-96
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	3-60
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-46.5	4-31.8
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	19:40	40:20
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-11	4-22

RUSHING: WCU — Osagie Osunde 11-62; Brent Steinmetz 6-18. VSU — Vincent Brown 16-115; Tyran Robinson 19-94; Fabian Walker 7-28.

PASSING: WCU — Bob Findora 13-25-3-249. VSU — Fabian Walker 24-28-0-212.

RECEIVING: WCU — Brandon Simmons 5-106; Cory DeForrest 4-76; Osagie Osunde 3-59. VSU — Bama Adams 5-40; Vincent Brown 4-19; Darrel Stephens 3-31; Tyran Robinson 3-21; Rod Dalton 2-35.

INTERCEPTIONS: VSU — Sam Reynolds 1-11; Michael Flood 1-0; Scott Foss 1-49.

Blazers Win! Blazers Win! VSU Whips Pittsburg State 36-31 To Claim National Championship

Valdosta State turned to its opportunistic defense and ball control offense to dig out of a 14-0 first quarter hole and went on to post a thrilling 36-31 victory over undefeated and top-ranked Pittsburg State for the Division II national championship Saturday (Dec. 11) at cold and windy Braly Municipal Stadium in Florence, AL.

The resilient Blazers, as they have done for 13 straight weeks after a season-opening loss, found a way to get the job done, this time against a formidable offensive foe which was averaging more than 600 offensive yards a game. The game began as if it would be business as usual for the Gorillas. An interception on the second play resulted in a 32-yard touchdown return for a quick 7-0 Pitt State lead. On their first offensive possession, the Gorillas covered 63 yards in 9 plays to build a 14-0 cushion with 7:37 left in the opening frame.

But the momentum shifted later in the quarter. VSU senior

cornerback **Terrence Bell** picked off a pass at the Blazer 48 and returned it 33 yards to the PSU 19, setting up a 4-play drive which ended with a 1-yard pass from senior **Fabian Walker** to freshman **Zach Parker**, cutting the lead to 14-7. The Gorillas drove again but had to settle for a field goal midway the second quarter, and Valdosta State immediately answered with a 9-play, 69-yard drive. Walker got the points on a 4-yard run to trim the lead to 17-14.

The Black Swarm again came up big two minutes later when junior end **Tim Thompson** sacked PSU quarterback Neal Philpot, forcing and recovering a fumble at the VSU 45 with 47 ticks left on the first half clock. Walker methodically directed his troops to the Gorilla 7, and senior **Will Rhody** banged home a 27-yard field goal to knot the game at 17 at intermission.

The Blazers took their first lead early in the third period when Pitt State punter (and backup quarterback) Andy Majors couldn't handle a low snap and was forced to take a safety. The lead was extended to 26-17 when VSU drove 72 yards in 7 plays on its next possession, scoring on senior running back **Tyran Robinson's** 23-yard scamper with 8:14 left in the third.

With Majors at quarterback, the Gorillas drove 80 yards in 11 plays to pull within two at 26-24, but the Blazers again took charge, driving 65 yards in 8 plays and scoring on a beautiful throw and catch from Walker to sophomore **Raymond Thomas** from 7 yards out to regain the 9-point advantage. The Black Swarm came up big again on PSU's next possession when senior nose guard **Terrel Toomer** forced a fumble which junior free safety **Scott Foss** recovered at the Gorilla 31. The drive stalled





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at the 11, and Rhody kicked his 22nd field goal (out of 23) of the season, a 28-yarder which extended the lead to 36-24 with 10:49 remaining.

The Gorillas wouldn't quit, driving 73 yards in 8 plays and scoring on Philpot's 1-yard plunge to trim the margin to 5 points with half a quarter left in the game. The Blazers then began their most important non-scoring drive of the season, taking 5:36 off the clock before punting. The biggest play of the 9-play drive was a fake punt on fourth and five from the PSU 44 which senior linebacker **Fred Dunn** turned into a 6-yard run for a first down. Three plays and almost two minutes later, sophomore **Travis Tidwell** killed a punt at the Gorilla 14 with 1:51 remaining.

Toomer sacked Majors for a 10-yard loss before a 25-yard completion to the Gorilla 29. Two plays netted a yard before Bell sealed the victory with his second interception, which he returned 32 yards to the PSU 19. Only 38 seconds remained, and after Walker took a knee the celebration began.

For this game, the final statistics indeed tell the story. The Black Swarm, as it has done all season, time and again came up with the big play. Two interceptions, two fumble recoveries and three sacks (PSU quarterbacks had been sacked only two times all season). The Blazers outgained the Gorillas on the ground 201-163 (PSU came in averaging 368 rushing yards a game) and held a two-minute edge in time of possession. Walker shook off the early interception (a tipped pass), completing 19 of 27 (to 10 different receivers) for 165 yards and the two TDs. The running tandem of Robinson and junior **Vincent Brown** combined for 140 yards rushing, and the Swarm held PSU tailback **Germaine Race**, who had rushed for more than 2100 yards, to only 39 yards. (Race missed the second quarter after being on the receiving end of a crushing block by junior defensive tackle **Calvin English** on Bell's first interception return.)

The national championship, the university's first since 1979 (baseball), came in game number 262, ending the 23rd season of football at Valdosta State. It also ends the fifth season for head coach **Chris Hatcher**, who has compiled an amazing 59-7 record over that span at his alma mater where he was an all-America quarterback from 1991-94. The mark includes four Gulf South Conference championships and another trip to the national title game (second in 2002). He has taken the Blazers to the playoffs every season, and the overall post-season record improved to 10-6 (Hatcher is 8-4).

VSU 36, Pittsburg State 31

Braly Municipal Stadium, Florence, AL • Dec. 11, 2004

Attendance: 8,604 Wind NW at 15 44 degrees Cloudy

Valdosta State	0	17	9	10	--	36
Pittsburg State	14	3	7	7	--	31

- 1st 14:04 PSU — Jimmie Taylor 32 yd interception return (Nathan Alleman kick)
- 1st 7:37 PSU — Jermaine Carpenter 10 yd pass from Neal Philpot (Alleman kick)
- 2nd 14:12 VSU — Zach Parker 1 yd pass from Fabian Walker (Will Rhody kick)



- 2nd 7:54 PSU — Alleman 30 yd field goal
- 2nd 2:45 VSU — Walker 4 yd run (Rhody kick)
- 2nd :03 VSU — Rhody 27 yd field goal
- 3rd 13:19 VSU — Safety
- 3rd 8:14 VSU — Tyran Robinson 23 yd run (Rhody kick)
- 3rd 2:58 PSU — Joe Taylor 1 yd run (Alleman kick)
- 4th 14:15 VSU — Raymond Thomas 7 yd pass from Walker (Rhody kick)
- 4th 10:49 VSU — Rhody 28 yd field goal
- 4th 7:27 PSU — Philpot 1 yd run (Alleman kick)

	VSU	PSU
FIRST DOWNS	21	22
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	37-201	40-163
PASSING YDS (NET)	165	208
Passes Att-Comp-Int .	27-19-1	25-16-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	64-366	65-371
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-23	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	6-119	5-76
Interception Returns-Yards	2-65	1-32
Punts (Number-Avg).	4-33.5	2-33.0
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	4-2
Penalties-Yards	3-43	5-37
Possession Time	31:09	28:51
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-20	0-0

RUSHING: VSU — Vincent Brown 13-72; Tyran Robinson 11-68; Fabian Walker 11-55. PSU — Neal Philpot 20-117; Germaine Race 8-39.

PASSING: VSU — Fabian Walker 19-27-1-165. PSU — Andy Majors 11-14-1-148; Neal Philpot 5-11-1-60.

RECEIVING: VSU — Rod Dalton 4-48; Tyran Robinson 4-22; Tyler Aurdant 2-18; Bama Adams 2-17; Zach Parker 2-12. PSU — Tim Austin 8-119; J. Carpenter 4-38; Mike Ward 2-31.

INTERCEPTIONS: VSU — Terrence Bell 2-65. PSU — Jimmie Taylor 1-32.

2004 Final Statistics



2004 FINAL STATISTICS

Record: 13-1, Home: 6-0, Away: 7-1, GSC: 9-0

RESULTS/ATTENDANCE

21	Albany State 3	(10,473)
22	at Albany State 24	(11,855)
40	at Ouachita Baptist 19*	(3,687)
32	Harding 19*	(5,386)
22	at Central Arkansas 12*	(7,117)
51	Delta State 48*	(3,204)
27	at Henderson State 18*	(2,912)
34	West Alabama 17*	(6,843)
24	at North Alabama 20*	(3,577)
45	Southern Arkansas 25*	(2,711)
35	at West Georgia 12*	(4,101)
38	Carson-Newman 12#	(3,001)
38	at Albany State 24#	(10,227)
45	West Chester 21#	(4,483)
36	vs. Pittsburg State 31# (Florence, AL)	(8,604)

* Gulf South Conference games # D-II Playoffs

TEAM STATISTICS

	VSU	Opp
First Downs	284	251
Rushing	156	111
Passing	118	114
Penalty	10	26
Rushing Attempts	516	512
Yards Gained	3016	2595
Yards Lost	310	390
Net Yards	2706	2205
Yards Per Rush	5.2	4.3
Avg. Per Game	193.3	157.5
Passing Attempts	420	366
Completions	302	187
Interceptions	8	22
Net Yards	3119	2563
Yds Per Attempt	7.4	7.0
Yds Per Completion	10.3	13.7
Avg. Per Game	222.8	183.1
Total Plays	936	878
Plays Per Game	66.9	62.7
Net Yards	5825	4768
Yds Per Play	6.2	5.4
Avg. Per Game	416.1	340.6
Punts/Yards	64-2358	60-2232
Avg. Per Punt	36.8	37.2
Punts Per Game	4.6	4.3
Punt Returns/Yards	22-243	27-324
Avg. Per Return	11.0	12.0
Returns Per Game	1.6	1.9
Kickoff Returns/Yards	58-1124	73-1491
Avg. Per Return	19.4	20.4
Returns Per Game	4.1	5.2
Int. Returns/Yards	22-258	8-109
Avg. Per Return	11.7	13.6
Returns Per Game	1.6	0.6
Fumbles/Lost	19-8	29-16
Penalties/Yards	97-989	76-634
Yds Per Penalty	10.2	8.3
Yds Per Game	70.6	45.3
Touchdowns	59	38
Rushing	32	23
Passing	23	13
Other	4	2
Extra Points	58	29
Kicks	55	25
Run/Pass	3	4
Field Goals	22-24	14-22
Safeties	4	1
Total Points	489	305
Avg. Per Game	34.9	21.8

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4	OT	TP
Valdosta State	112	142	65	170	0	489
Opponents	65	85	89	66	0	305
Third Down Conversions	VSU 73-180, .406; Opp 68-179, .380					
Fourth Down Conversions	VSU 13-16, .813; Opp 12-20, .600					

RUSHING

	G	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD
Tyran Robinson	14	213	1302	35	1267	5.9	12
Vincent Brown	14	129	885	29	856	6.6	12
Fabian Walker	14	117	591	188	403	3.4	5
William Milton	14	23	76	5	71	3.1	2
Bama Adams	12	2	46	0	6	23.0	0
Latray Walker	11	7	30	0	30	4.3	0
Sean Calhoun	14	5	27	0	27	5.4	0
Tyler Pruitt	1	1	19	0	9	19.0	0
Iay Callaway	14	3	28	11	17	5.7	1
Fred Dunn	14	1	6	0	6	6.0	0
Scott Palmer	14	3	6	0	6	2.0	0
Tyler Auranndt	14	1	0	4	-4	-0.6	0
TEAM	14	11	0	38	-38	-3.8	0
TOTALS	14	516	3016	310	2706	5.2	32
OPPONENTS	14	512	2595	390	2205	4.3	23

PASSING

	Att	Comp	Int	Pct.	Yds	TDs
Fabian Walker	417	299	8	.717	3062	23
Sean Calhoun	2	2	0	1.000	5	0
Clay Callaway	1	1	0	1.000	52	0
TOTALS	420	302	8	.719	3119	23
OPPONENTS	366	187	22	.511	2563	13

RECEIVING

	G	No.	Yds	Avg/PC	CPC	TDs
Tyran Robinson	14	67	672	10.0	48.0	5
Zach Parker	14	34	297	8.7	22.8	2
Raymond Thomas	13	31	353	11.4	27.2	2
Bama Adams	12	31	325	10.5	27.1	4
Vincent Brown	14	25	301	12.0	21.5	2
Travis Taylor	12	24	296	12.3	24.7	2
Rod Dalton	12	22	221	10.0	18.4	2
Clay Callaway	13	20	150	7.5	11.5	1
Tyler Auranndt	10	19	208	10.9	20.8	0
Jeffery Felton	4	10	171	17.1	42.8	2
William Milton	13	10	59	5.9	4.5	1
Darrell Stephens	6	7	61	8.7	10.2	0
Tommy Parker	2	1	5	5.0	2.5	0
Pat Wolfe	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0
TOTALS	14	302	3119	10.3	222.8	23
OPPONENTS	14	187	563	13.7	183.1	13

PUNTING

	No.	Yds	Avg.	Inside 20	Blk'd	Long
Travis Tidwell	58	2243	38.7	19	1	54
Kenn Barnett	3	115	38.3	1	2	51
TEAM	3	0	0.0	0	0	0
TOTALS	64	2358	36.8	20	3	54
OPPONENTS	60	2232	37.2	15	0	56

PUNT RETURNS

	No.	Yds	Avg.	TDs	Long
Bama Adams	13	174	13.4	1	43
Raymond Thomas	9	69	7.7	0	13
TOTALS	22	243	11.0	1	43
OPPONENTS	27	324	12.0	1	86

KICKOFF RETURNS

	No.	Yds	Avg.	TDs	Long
Vincent Brown	34	774	22.8	1	97
Tyran Robinson	16	217	13.6	0	40
William Milton	2	21	10.5	0	11
Raymond Thomas	2	52	26.0	0	41
Bama Adams	2	27	13.5	0	15
Jarius Rumph	1	1	1.0	0	1
Latray Walker	1	0	0.0	0	0
Maurice Leggett	0	32	0.0	0	32
TOTALS	58	1124	19.4	1	97
Opponents	73	1491	20.4	0	92

INTERCEPTION RETURNS

	No.	Yds	Avg.	TDs	Long
Sam Reynolds	5	1	0.2	0	11
Spencer Fortson	4	18	4.5	0	11
Terrence Bell	3	120	40.0	0	55
Donnie Daniels	3	29	9.7	0	19
Scott Foss	3	64	21.3	0	49
Michael Flood	2	0	0.0	0	0
Derrick Hill	1	0	0.0	0	0
Alphonso Hopkins	1	26	26.0	1	26
TOTALS	22	258	11.7	1	55
Opponents	8	109	13.6	1	34

SCORING

	TDs	PAT	2-PT	DEF	FG	S	TP
Will Rhody	0	55	0	0	22	0	121
Tyran Robinson	17	0	0	0	0	0	102
Vincent Brown	15	0	1	0	0	0	92
Bama Adams	5	0	1	0	0	0	32
Fabian Walker	5	0	0	0	0	0	30
William Milton	3	0	0	0	0	0	18
Zach Parker	2	0	1	0	0	0	14
Clay Callaway	2	0	0	0	0	0	12
Jeffery Felton	2	0	0	0	0	0	12
Rod Dalton	2	0	0	0	0	0	12
Raymond Thomas	2	0	0	0	0	0	12
Travis Taylor	2	0	0	0	0	0	12
Team	0	0	0	0	0	3	6
Alphonso Hopkins	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Sam Reynolds	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Fabian Whyly	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
TOTALS	59	55	3	0	22	4	489
Opponents	38	25	4	0	14	1	305

TOTAL OFFENSE

	Rushing Yards	TDs	Passing Yards	TDs	Total Yards	TDs
Fabian Walker	403	5	3062	23	3465	28
Tyran Robinson	1267	12	0	0	1267	12
Vincent Brown	856	12	0	0	856	12
William Milton	71	2	0	0	71	2
Clay Callaway	17	1	52	0	69	1
Bama Adams	46	0	0	0	46	0
Sean Calhoun	27	0	5	0	32	0
Latray Walker	30	0	0	0	30	0
Tyler Pruitt	19	0	0	0	19	0
Fred Dunn	6	0	0	0	6	0
Scott Palmer	6	0	0	0	6	0
Tyler Auranndt	-4	0	0	0	-4	0
TOTALS	2706	32	3119	23	5825	55
Opponents	2205	23	2563	13	4768	46

DEFENSE

	UT	AT	Total	Loss	FR	Int	Bup	Sack
Spencer Fortson	45	36	81	4.5	1	4	2	1
Scott Foss	47	33	80	1.5	2	3	6	0
Tim Thompson	29	27	56	17.0	4	0	0	4.5
Terel Toomer	27	28	55	10.0	1	0	0	3.0
Cody Thomas	33	21	54	5.5	1	0	1	0
Derrick Hill	29	22	51	7.0	1	1	3	3.0
Donnie Daniels	19	30	49	2.5	0	3	3	1.0
Terrence Bell	31	18	49	2.5	0	3	1	0
Gio Blalock	24	23	47	1.5	1	0	0	0
Sam Reynolds	31	14	45	3.5	1	5	7	0
William Montford	14	28	42	1.0	0	0	2	0
Tracy Flounoy	15	23	38	6.0	0	0	0	0.5
Michael Flood	24	12	36	2.0	1	2	2	0
Maurice Leggett	24	10	34	0	0	0	0	0
Calvin English	17	17	34	8.5	1	0	0	6.5
Fred Dunn	19	13	32	3.0	1	0	2	1.5
Alphonso Hopkins	14	11	25	0	0	1	0	0
Dedrick Morrison	4	17	21	1.0	0	0	1	0
Calvin Roberts	11	9	20	0	0	0	1	0
Shawn Harris	12	6						

THE RECORDS



VSU General Records & Information



JIM GOODMAN
15-17-1



JIM BERRYMAN
5-6



MIKE CAVAN
37-22-2



HAL MUMME
40-17-1



MIKE KELLY
15-16*



MARK NELSON
0-2



CHRIS HATCHER
59-7

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
1984	5-6-0	Jim Goodman	Lenny Parker, LB; Elson Bolar, DT
1985	5-6-0	Jim Berryman	Jimmy Francis, FS; Jay Walls, DT
1986	9-2-0	Mike Cavan	Jessie Tuggle, LB; R.D. Swain, OG; Dallis Smith, CB; Dennis Smith, CB
1987	6-4-0	Mike Cavan	Jimmy Brookins, LB; Scott Mowry, LB; Bryan Banks, OT; John Norris, OT
1988	6-3-1	Mike Cavan	Jimmy Brookins, LB; Scott Mowry, LB; Eric Clark, FB
1989	5-5-0	Mike Cavan	Randy Fisher, WR; Maurice Jordan, DT
1990	5-5-0	Mike Cavan	Tye Cottle, QB; Deon Searcy, FS
1991	6-3-1	Mike Cavan	Will O'Steen, C; Chris Dupree, SS
1992	5-4-1	Hal Mumme	Chris Hatcher, QB; Calvin Walker, WR; Antonio Edwards, DE; Chris Dupree, SS
1993	8-3-0	Hal Mumme	Chris Hatcher, QB; Calvin Walker, WR; Andre Hampton, DE; Tony Hill, SS
1994	11-2-0	Hal Mumme	Chris Hatcher, QB; Dominique Ross, FB; Andre Hampton, DE; Tony Hill, SS
1995	6-5-0	Hal Mumme	Lance Funderburk, QB; Drew McPhail, OT; Ryan Branch, LB; James Hubbard, NG
1996	10-3-0	Hal Mumme	Lance Funderburk, QB; Drew McPhail, OT; James Lockhart, LB; Jarmal Stevens, FS
1997	6-5-0	Mike Kelly	Vontrell Mitchell, RB; Kris Gingrow, C; Wayne DeVane, P; Terry Turner, NG; Antonio Speed, LB; Brad Trout, SS
1998	5-6-0	Mike Kelly	Donnie Johnston, QB; Vontrell Mitchell, RB; Jesse Sutton, LB; Antonio Speed, LB; James Lightfoot, K
1999	4-7-0	Mike Kelly*	Greg Cooper, FB; Tully Payne, C; Antonio Speed, LB; Michael Williams, LB
2000	10-2-0	Chris Hatcher	Dusty Bonner, QB; Tully Payne, C; Reggie Cockerm, LB; Ced Dickerson, FS
2001	12-1-0	Chris Hatcher	Dusty Bonner, QB; Tully Payne, C; Reggie Cockerm, LB; Ced Dickerson, FS; C.J. Lofton, TE
2002	14-1-0	Chris Hatcher	Reggie Mosley, WR; Tabious Carter, LB; Ced Dickerson, FS; C.J. Lofton, TE
2003	10-2-0	Chris Hatcher	Buster Faulkner, QB; Lee Tarpley, FB; Tyrone Jordan, WR; Wesley Brown, FS; Marlin Adams, LB
2004	13-1-0	Chris Hatcher	Fabian Walker, QB; Torrey Howard, OL; Leighton Cooley, OL; Tim Thompson, DL; Tyran Robinson, RB

*Mark Nelson was interim coach for final two games, both losses; Arkansas-Monticello later forfeited its 35-31 win. (Record remains 4-7 per NCAA rules)

Attendance Records

Year	Home Games	Total Attendance	Avg. Attendance
2004	6	25,628	4271
2003	6	40,466	6744
2002	9	48,826	5425
2001	8	50,382	6298
2000	5	37,569	7514
1999	6	27,126	4521
1998	5	23,741	4748
1997	4	19,910	4978
1996	7	49,251	7036
1995	5	24,602	4920
1994	8	59,212	7402
1993	6	35,559	5927
1992	4	16,064	4016
1991	7	32,762	4680
1990	4	20,330	5083
1989	4	18,286	4571
1988	5	20,500	4100
1987	5	27,000	5400
1986	5	25,000	5000
1985	6	37,100	6183
1984	5	25,468	5094
1983	6	28,500	4750
1982	5	36,800	7360

Top 5 Home Crowds

Attendance	Opponent and Score	Date
1. 11,473	Albany State (VSU, 41-6)	Aug. 25, 2001
2. 10,948	Albany State (VSU, 14-7)	Nov. 19, 1994
3. 10,473	Albany State (VSU, 21-3)	Aug. 30, 2003
4. 10,199	Albany State (VSU, 18-6)	Aug. 28, 1999
5. 10,100	Fort Valley State (FVSC, 17-3)	Sept. 14, 1985

Valdosta State Versus All Opponents

Opponent	W	L	T
Albany State	10	1	0
American International	1	0	0
Arkansas-Monticello	5	1	0
Arkansas Tech	6	1	0
Bishop	1	0	0
Carson-Newman	2	3	0
Catawba	1	1	0
Central Arkansas	8	2	0
Central Florida	3	5	0
Clark Atlanta	3	0	0
Delta State	11	12	1
East Tennessee State	0	1	0
Florida Atlantic	1	0	0
Fort Valley State	12	3	0
Gardner-Webb	2	0	0
Georgia Southern	1	6	1
Grand Valley State	0	1	0
Harding	3	0	0
Henderson State	7	0	0
Jacksonville State	3	8	0
Kentucky State	3	0	0
Knoxville	1	0	0
Lees-McRae	1	0	0
Mississippi College	5	8	1
Mount Senario	1	0	0
New Haven	1	0	0
North Alabama	10	13	1
North Dakota State	0	1	0
Ouachita Baptist	5	0	0
Pittsburg State	1	0	0
Savannah State	5	0	0
St. Ambrose	1	0	0
Southern Arkansas	6	3	0
Tarleton State	1	3	0
Texas A&M Kingsville	1	0	0
Texas-El Paso	0	1	0
Troy State	4	7	0
Truman State	1	0	0
UT Martin	6	1	0
West Alabama	22	1	0
West Chester	1	0	0
West Georgia	15	7	0
TOTALS	171	87	4



Superlatives



All-Americans

- 1982 Mark Catano, offensive tackle
 1984 Lenny Parker, linebacker;
 Chris Dupree (HM),
 Keith Moore, kicker
 1986 Jessie Tuggle, linebacker
 1988 Robert Morris, defensive line
 Jimmy Brookins, linebacker (2nd)
 Mikeal Lovejoy, safety (2nd)
 Randy Fisher, flanker (HM)
 1989 Randy Fisher, flanker
 1990 Deon Searcy, free safety
 Jack McTyre, kicker
 1991 Antonio Edwards, defensive end*
 1993 Chris Hatcher, quarterback
 York Kurinsky, offensive tackle
 1994 Chris Hatcher, quarterback
 1996 Lance Funderburk, quarterback
 1997 Richard Freeman, defensive end
 1998 Antonio Speed, linebacker (HM)
 2000 Dusty Bonner, quarterback,
 C.J. Lofton, tightend
 2001 Dusty Bonner, quarterback; C.J. Lofton,
 tight end; Reggie Mosley, wide receiver; Tully Payne,
 center; Jason King, offensive tackle
 2002 Aaron Jenkins, runningback; C.J. Lofton, tight end;
 Reggie Mosley, wide receiver;
 Dewayne Smith, nose guard
 2004 Will Rhody, kicker; Torrey Howard, offensive
 line; Tim Thompson, defensive line; Spencer
 Fortson, defensive back; Tyran Robinson,
 runningback; Fabian Walker, quarterback
 *defensive lineman of the year



Three-time All America C.J. Lofton

All-Gulf South Conference Players

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| 1982 --- | Carl Armstrong, WR
Mark Catano, OT (2nd)
Cliff Fouty, LB (2nd)
Jimmy Francis, CB (2nd)
James Owens, QB (2nd) | Sean Pender, WR
Felise Mui, OL
Drew McPhail, OL
Artie Ulmer, DL
James Lockhart, LB | |
| 1983 --- | Lenny Parker, LB
Mark Catano, OT
Cliff Fouty, LB (2nd)
Dallis Smith, CB (2nd) | 1997 --- | Mike Bowman, WR
Richard Freeman, DE
Jesse Sutton, LB
Vontrell Mitchell, RB (2nd)
David Fox, DE (2nd)
Arto Vartanian, DT (2nd)
Brad Trout, SS (2nd)
James Lightfoot, K (2nd)
Eric Doggett, RS (2nd) |
| 1984 --- | Lenny Parker, LB
Dallis Smith, CB (2nd)
Jessie Tuggle, DE (2nd)
Timmy Massey, SS (2nd)
Chuck Dummon, OG (2nd) | 1998 --- | Arto Vartanian, DT
Antonio Speed, LB*
Jesse Sutton, LB
Dennis Fryzel, WR (2nd)
Vaughn Clark, CB (2nd) |
| 1985 --- | Jessie Tuggle, LB
Dallis Smith, CB
Terry Mallory, P
Freddie Thomas, LB (2nd)
Jimmy Francis, FS (2nd)
Mark Dace, QB (2nd)
R.D. Swain, OG (2nd)
Darrien Teals, WR (2nd) | 1999 --- | Antonio Speed, LB*
Michael Williams, LB
Vaughn Clark, CB
Jason King, OT (2nd)
Travis Francis, RB (2nd)
Bo Barzilauskas, DT (2nd)
Willie Caldwell, NG (2nd)
Eric Doggett, RS (2nd) |
| 1986 --- | Jessie Tuggle, LB*
Dallis Smith, CB
Randy Fisher, WR#
Terry Mallory, P
R.D. Swain, OG (2nd)
James Gibson, DT (2nd)
Keith Reddings, DE (2nd) | 2000 --- | Dusty Bonner, QB+
C.J. Lofton, TE
Tully Payne, C (2nd)
Mike Fowler, LB (2nd)
Reggie Cockerm, LB (2nd)
Ced Dickerson, FS (2nd)
Derrick Hill, DE (2nd) |
| 1987 --- | Randy Fisher, WR
Jimmy Brookins, LB (2nd) | 2001 --- | Dusty Bonner, QB+
Reggie Mosley, WR, ST
C. J. Lofton, TE
Aaron Jenkins, RB
Bill Epps, OG
Jason King, OT
Reggie Cockerm, LB
Mike Fowler, LB
Ced Dickerson, Rover
Shaunta Dismuke, ST
Keith Gosse, OG (2nd)
Anthony Poole, DT (2nd)
Reggie Rhodes, DT (2nd)
Derek Braxton, CB (2nd) |
| 1988 --- | Randy Fisher, WR
Jimmy Brookins, LB
Buddy Phillips, OT
Robert Morris, DT (2nd) | 2002 --- | Aaron Jenkins, RB+
Buster Faulkner, QB,
Reggie Mosley, WR,
C.J. Lofton, TE,
Torrey Howard, OG,
Chance Hutto, OT
Dewayne Smith, NG,
Tabious Carter, LB
Ced Dickerson, DB,
Reggie Rhodes, DT(2nd)
Marlin Adams, LB (2nd),
Jason Cost, LB (2nd) |
| 1989 --- | Randy Fisher, WR
Keith Jones, TE
Robert Morris, DE
Ramon Allen, RB (2nd)
Shaun Utley, LB (2nd)
Randy Williams, C (2nd) | 2003 | Torrey Howard, OG
Tim Thompson, DE
Jason Cost, LB
Andre Zellner, WR (2nd)
Derrick Hill, DE (2nd)
Dee Williford, LB (2nd)
Wesley Brown, FS (2nd)
Elliott Burkes, CB (2nd) |
| 1990 --- | Antonio Edwards, DE
Jack McTyre, K
Dexter Holiday, WR (2nd) | 2004 | Tyran Robinson, RB
Torrey Howard, OL
Tim Thompson, DE
Spencer Fortson, DB
Will Rhody, K
Derrick Hill, DE (2nd)
Terel Toomer, DL (2nd)
Leighton Cooley, OL (2nd)
Will Shelton, OL (2nd)
Sam Reynolds, DB (2nd)
Travis Tidwell, P (2nd) |
| 1991 --- | Antonio Edwards, DE
Chris Dupree, SS
Don Kelly, K
Will O'Steen, C
Marcus Walker, DL (2nd)
Dexter Holiday, WR (2nd)
Scott Long, TE (2nd) | | |
| 1992 --- | Antonio Edwards, DE*
Chris Dupree, SS
Calvin Walker, WR
York Kurinsky, OT
Chris Hatcher, QB (2nd)
Matt Moore, OG (2nd)
Andre Hampton, DE (2nd)
Erasmus Harvey, LB (2nd) | | |
| 1993 --- | Chris Hatcher, QB
Calvin Walker, WR
York Kurinsky, OL
Andre Hampton, DE
Erasmus Harvey, LB
Tony Hill, SS
Stanley Flanders, RS (2nd) | | |
| 1994 --- | Chris Hatcher, QB+
Dominique Ross, FB
Robert Williams, WR
Stanley Flanders, WR
Matt Moore, OG
Andre Hampton, DE
Marcus Johnson, FS
Erasmus Harvey, LB (2nd)
Shay Williams, DE (2nd)
Edward Mitchell, LB (2nd) | | |
| 1995 --- | Tauese Letuli, OG
Sean Pender, WR
Lance Funderburk, QB (2nd)
Ryan Branch, LB (2nd)
Drew McPhail, OT (2nd)
Wayne DeVane, P (2nd) | | |
| 1996 --- | Lance Funderburk, QB+
Rodney Brown, WR | | |

+ -- offensive player of the year
 * -- defensive player of the year
 # -- freshman of the year

Valdosta State Year-by-Year



1982 (5-5-1)

VSU	Opp
13	Mississippi College.....28
24	Troy State.....21
27	Georgia Southern.....27
13	Central Florida.....7
0	Delta State.....27
11	Jacksonville State.....43
36	Albany State.....13
7	North Alabama.....53
48	Kentucky State.....13
22	West Alabama.....21
29	Georgia Southern.....45
230	298

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

1983 (5-6-0)

VSU	Opp
3	Mississippi College.....26
12	Troy State.....13
14	Savannah State.....10
0	Central Florida.....20
16	Delta State.....24
11	Jacksonville State.....37
20	West Georgia.....13
0	North Alabama.....27
32	Kentucky State.....20
29	West Alabama.....14
34	Georgia Southern.....29
171	233

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

1984 (5-6-0)

VSU	Opp
49	Clark.....0
28	Savannah State.....7
38	UT Martin.....6
5	Jacksonville State.....12
12	Troy State.....27
17	West Alabama.....16
20	West Georgia.....13
8	Georgia Southern.....38
3	Mississippi College.....10
11	Delta State.....17
24	North Alabama.....35
215	181

Coach: Jim Goodman
GSC Record: 3-5 (6th)

1985 (5-6-0)

VSU	Opp
3	Fort Valley State.....17
27	Kentucky State.....0
31	UT Martin.....7
10	Jacksonville State.....12
3	Troy State.....10
5	West Alabama.....10
49	West Georgia.....12
19	Bishop.....2
7	Mississippi College.....28
39	Delta State.....20
0	North Alabama.....45
193	163

Coach: Jim Berryman
GSC Record: 3-5 (6th)

1986 (9-2)

VSU	Opp
17	Fort Valley State.....0
7	Central Florida.....10
49	UT Martin.....24
29	Jacksonville State.....25
10	Troy State.....45
17	West Alabama.....12
41	West Georgia.....26
21	Savannah State.....7
21	Mississippi College.....10
31	Delta State.....8
24	North Alabama.....7
267	174

Coach: Mike Cavan
GSC Record: 7-1 (2nd)

1987 (6-4)

VSU	Opp
21	Fort Valley State.....14
19	West Alabama.....9
24	UT Martin.....10
27	Jacksonville State.....10
7	Troy State.....44
49	West Georgia.....14
35	Savannah State.....16
12	Mississippi College.....20
21	Delta State.....24
16	North Alabama.....17
231	178

Coach: Mike Cavan
GSC Record: 4-4 (4th)

1988 (6-3-1)

VSU	Opp
14	Fort Valley State.....13
9	UT Martin.....13
21	Jacksonville State.....31
21	Troy State.....16
20	West Alabama.....7
17	West Georgia.....14
48	Central Florida.....19
21	Mississippi College.....31
28	Delta State.....28
35	North Alabama.....28
234	200

Coach: Mike Cavan
GSC Record: 4-3-1 (4th)

1989 (5-5)

VSU	Opp
10	Georgia Southern.....31
14	Central Florida.....35
35	UT Martin.....14
15	Jacksonville State.....17
20	Troy State.....14
17	West Alabama.....6
34	West Georgia.....16
3	Mississippi College.....32
16	Delta State.....24
24	North Alabama.....21
188	210

Coach: Mike Cavan
GSC Record: 5-3 (3rd)

1990 (5-5)

VSU	Opp
10	Georgia Southern.....17
28	UT Martin.....14
18	Jacksonville State.....17
22	Troy State.....20
46	West Alabama.....7
37	West Georgia.....2
22	East Tennessee State.....37
10	Mississippi College.....17
11	Delta State.....26
10	North Alabama.....26
214	183

Coach: Mike Cavan
GSC Record: 5-3 (4th)

1991 (6-3-1)

VSU	Opp
0	Central Florida.....12
7	Fort Valley State.....0
3	Jacksonville State.....24
14	Troy State.....20
20	West Alabama.....7
38	West Georgia.....37
59	Lees-McRae.....13
10	Mississippi College.....10
34	Delta State.....27
34	North Alabama.....17
219	167

Coach: Mike Cavan
GSC Record: 4-1-1 (2nd)

1992 (5-4-1)

VSU	Opp
13	Georgia Southern.....24
24	Fort Valley State.....17
6	Jacksonville State.....20
10	Troy State.....26
42	West Alabama.....15
28	West Georgia.....42
31	American International.....21
28	Mississippi College.....14
45	Delta State.....7
24	North Alabama.....24
251	210

Coach: Hal Mumme
GSC Record: 3-2-1 (2nd)

1993 (8-3)

VSU	Opp
65	Mount Senario.....0
30	Central Florida.....35
49	Fort Valley State.....24
41	Clark Atlanta.....12
42	West Alabama.....13
68	Tarleton State.....10
16	West Georgia.....23
42	Mississippi College.....21
33	Delta State.....8
21	North Alabama.....31
42	Henderson State.....20
449	197

Coach: Hal Mumme
GSC Record: 5-2 (2nd)



Valdosta State Year-by-Year

1994 (11-2)

VSU	Opp	
36	Knoxville	0
31	Central Florida	14
58	Fort Valley State	6
63	Clark Atlanta	6
63	West Alabama	0
38	New Haven	7
49	West Georgia	33
24	Mississippi College	7
57	Delta State	10
21	North Alabama	38
49	Henderson State	7
14	Albany State	7
24	North Alabama	27
527		162

Coach: Hal Mumme
GSC Record: 6-1 (2nd)

1995 (6-5)

VSU	Opp	
34	Gardner-Webb	21
14	North Dakota State	19
24	Texas-El Paso	34
25	Arkansas Tech	0
24	Central Arkansas	30
27	West Alabama	20
41	St. Ambrose	0
37	Delta State	19
9	North Alabama	26
42	Mississippi College	16
6	West Georgia	44
286		229

Coach: Hal Mumme
GSC Record: 4-3 (5th)

1996 (10-3)

VSU	Opp	
42	Gardner-Webb	16
49	Truman State	35
21	Savannah State	7
43	Arkansas Tech	26
34	North Alabama	31
52	Arkansas-Monticello	24
52	West Alabama	16
42	Southern Arkansas	0
28	Delta State	34
63	Central Arkansas	30
21	West Georgia	42
38	Albany State	28
19	Carson-Newman	24
504		313

Coach: Hal Mumme
GSC Record: 6-2 (1st)

1997 (6-5)

VSU	Opp	
26	Georgia Southern	45
7	Carson-Newman	28
10	Fort Valley State	0
31	Arkansas Tech	14
21	North Alabama	0
58	Arkansas-Monticello	14
33	West Alabama	20
7	Southern Arkansas	17
23	Delta State	27
31	Central Arkansas	22
21	West Georgia	35
288		222

Coach: Mike Kelly
GSC Record: 5-3 (T-4th)

1998 (5-6)

VSU	Opp	
20	Albany State	10
14	Fort Valley State	20
12	Henderson State	8
17	Delta State	20
31	Arkansas Tech	24
19	West Alabama	3
13	Southern Arkansas	40
10	Central Arkansas	17
50	Arkansas-Monticello	10
7	North Alabama	35
13	West Georgia	26
206		213

Coach: Mike Kelly
GSC Record: 4-5 (5th)

1999 (4-7)

VSU	Opp	
18	Albany State	6
13	Fort Valley State	24
39	Henderson State	3
6	Delta State	9
14	Arkansas Tech	21
21	West Alabama	19
14	Southern Arkansas	28
33	Central Arkansas	20
31	Arkansas-Monticello	35
28	North Alabama	31
16	West Georgia	23
233		219

Coach: Mike Kelly*
GSC Record: 3-6 (6th)
*Mark Nelson was interim coach for final two games.

2000 (10-2)

VSU	Opp	
42	Albany State	6
46	Fort Valley State	0
30	Southern Arkansas	29
53	Central Arkansas	20
56	Henderson State	21
35	Delta State	45
50	Harding	39
50	West Alabama	20
45	North Alabama	21
49	Ouachita Baptist	21
45	West Georgia	35
12	Delta State	49
513		310

Coach: Chris Hatcher
GSC Record: 8-1 (1st)

2001 (12-1)

VSU	Opp	
41	Albany State	6
42	Fort Valley State	6
41	Southern Arkansas	14
42	Central Arkansas	34
59	Henderson State	3
70	Delta State	12
51	Harding	17
56	West Alabama	8
54	North Alabama	7
56	Ouachita Baptist	14
31	West Georgia	6
40	Fort Valley State	24
34	Catawba	37
617		188

Coach: Chris Hatcher
GSC Record: 9-0 (1st)

2002 (14-1)

VSU	Opp	
26	Albany State	0
32	Fort Valley State	6
42	Delta State	0
31	Southern Arkansas	28
51	Ouachita Baptist	10
45	Arkansas-Monticello	17
35	Central Arkansas	11
43	West Alabama	31
45	North Alabama	28
31	Arkansas Tech	24
19	West Georgia	3
24	Catawba	7
31	Carson-Newman	28
21	Texas A&M-Kingsville	12
24	Grand Valley State	31
500		236

Coach: Chris Hatcher
GSC Record: 9-0 (1st)

2003 (10-2)

VSU	Opp	
21	Albany State	3
45	Florida Atlantic	17
28	Delta State	17
41	Southern Arkansas	17
42	Ouachita Baptist	21
31	Arkansas-Monticello	28
26	Central Arkansas	21
58	West Alabama	13
10	North Alabama	17
30	Arkansas Tech	0
30	West Georgia	17
29	Carson-Newman	35
391		206

Coach: Chris Hatcher
GSC Record: 8-1 (2nd)

2004 (13-1)

VSU	Opp	
22	Albany State	24
40	Ouachita Baptist	19
32	Harding	19
22	Central Arkansas	12
51	Delta State	48
27	Henderson State	18
34	West Alabama	17
24	North Alabama	20
45	Southern Arkansas	28
35	West Georgia	12
38	Carson-Newman	12
38	Albany State	24
45	West Chester	21
36	Pittsburg State	31
489		305

Coach: Chris Hatcher
GSC Record: 9-0 (1st)





INDIVIDUAL GAME

RUSHING

Most Rushes: 35, Ramon Allen vs. UT Martin, 1990
Most Yards: 263, Vontrell Mitchell vs. Central Arkansas, 1996
Most Yards Lost: 77, James Owens vs. Jacksonville State, 1982
Best Average: 22.5, Dominique Ross vs. West Alabama, 1994
Longest Run From Scrimmage: 93, Dominique Ross vs. West Alabama, 1994
Most Touchdowns: 4, Donnie Harrell vs. West Georgia, 1985; Michael Williams vs. West Georgia, 1986; Ramon Allen vs. UT Martin, 1990; Aaron Jenkins vs. Ouachita Baptist, 2001

PASSING

Most Attempted: 70, Lance Funderburk vs. West Georgia, 1995
Most Completed: 45, Chris Hatcher vs. West Georgia, Mississippi College, 1993
Most Consecutive Completions: 20, Chris Hatcher vs. New Haven, 1994*
Most Yards: 497, Dusty Bonner vs. Fort Valley State, 2001
Most Touchdowns: 7, Chris Hatcher vs. Clark Atlanta and Delta State, 1994; Dusty Bonner vs. Ouachita Baptist, 2000*
Best Percentage: .938, Lance Funderburk vs. Tarleton State (15-16), 1993*
Longest Reception: 90, Chris Hatcher to Calvin Walker vs. Central Florida, 1993
Most Had Intercepted: 5, Chris Hatcher vs. North Alabama, 1993
Most Without An Interception: 56, Chris Hatcher vs. Mississippi College, 1993

TOTAL OFFENSE

Most Plays: 74, Lance Funderburk vs. W. Georgia, 1995
Most Yards: 495, Dusty Bonner vs. Fort Valley State (-2R, 497P), 2001

SCORING

Most Points: 30, Aaron Jenkins vs. Ouachita Baptist, 2001
Most Touchdowns: 5, Aaron Jenkins vs. Ouachita Baptist, 2001
Most TDs Responsible For: 8, Dusty Bonner vs. Delta State (2 Rushing, 6 Passing), 2001
Most PATs Attempted: 10, Reid Bethea vs. Delta State, 2001
Most PATs Made: 10, Reid Bethea vs. Delta State, 2001
Most FGs Attempted: 5, Will Rhody vs. Central Arkansas, 2004
Most FGs Made: 5, Will Rhody vs. Central Arkansas, 2004
Longest FG: 54, Keith Moore vs. Kentucky St., 1985
Most Points Kicking: 16, Jack McTyre vs. West Alabama, 1990; Will Rhody vs. Central Arkansas, 2004

RECEIVING

Most Caught: 20, Sean Pender vs. Mississippi College, 1995*
Most Yards: 232, Reggie Mosley vs. W. Georgia, 2000
Most Touchdowns: 4, Darrien Teals vs. Central Florida, 1988; Stanley Flanders vs. Fort Valley State, Delta State, 1994

PUNTING

Most Punts: 11, Mike McCullough vs. Central Florida, 1989
Longest Punt: 72, Andy Gibbs vs. Delta State, 1998
Best Average: (min. 4 punts) 9-49.8, Terry Mallory vs. West Alabama, 1985

PUNT RETURNS

Most Returns: 7, Jimmy Francis vs. West Georgia, 1984; Tony Hill vs. Fort Valley State, 1991
Most Yards: 102, Eric Doggett vs. Henderson St., 1999
Longest for Touchdown: 59, Stanley Flanders vs. Clark Atlanta, 1994

KICKOFF RETURNS

Most Returns: 5, Kelvin Sheppard vs. N. Alabama, 1982; Derrick Harris vs. Georgia Southern, 1983
Most Yards: 147, Derrick Harris vs. Georgia Southern, 1983
Longest for Touchdown: 100, Aaron Jenkins vs. West Georgia, 2000

DEFENSE

Most Interceptions: 3, Jimmy Francis vs. Bishop, 1985
Most Yards Returned: 65, Terrence Bell vs. Pittsburg State, 2004
Most Total Tackles: 24, Ryan Branch vs. Texas-El Paso, 1995
Most Solo Tackles: 17, Jimmy Brookins vs. Mississippi College, 1988
Most Sacks: 4, Robert Morris vs. UT Martin, 1989; Richard Freeman vs. North Alabama, 1997
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: 256, Dominique Ross, 1994*
Most Yards: 1503, Aaron Jenkins, 2001
Most Yards Lost: 313, Buster Faulkner, 2002
Best Average: 7.6, Aaron Jenkins, 2001 (199-1503)
Best Game Average: 115.6, Aaron Jenkins, 2001 (1503, 13 games)
Most Touchdowns: 15, Aaron Jenkins, 2001

PASSING

Most Attempted: 544, Lance Funderburk, 1995*
Most Completed: 367, Chris Hatcher, 1994*
Most Without an Interception: 177, Chris Hatcher, 1993*
Best Percentage: .722, Chris Hatcher, 1994*
Most Completions Per Game: 32.4, Lance Funderburk, 1995*
Most Yards: 4226, Lance Funderburk, 1996*
Most Yards Per Game: 343.8, Dusty Bonner, 2000
Most Touchdowns: 55, Chris Hatcher, 1994*; Dusty Bonner, 2000*
Most Had Intercepted: 17, Buster Faulkner, 2002

TOTAL OFFENSE

Most Plays: 611, Buster Faulkner, 2002
Most Yards: 4167, Lance Funderburk, 1996*
Most Yards Per Game: 330.4, Dusty Bonner, 2000

SCORING

Most Points: 126, Robert Williams, Stanley Flanders, 1994, Aaron Jenkins, 2001*
Most Touchdowns: 21, Robert Williams, Stanley Flanders, 1994, Aaron Jenkins, 2001*
Most TDs Responsible For: 56, Dusty Bonner, 2000 (55 passing)*
Most PATs Attempted: 84, Reid Bethea, 2001*
Most PATs Made: 79, Reid Bethea, 2001*
Most Consecutive PATs: 50, Vernon Loree, 1994
Most FGs Attempted: 24, Will Rhody, 2002
Most FGs Made: 22, Will Rhody, 2004
Most Consecutive FGs: 20, Will Rhody, 2004* +
Most Points Kicking: 121, Will Rhody, 2004

RECEIVING

Most Caught: 111, Sean Pender, 1995*
Most Yards: 1295, Reggie Mosley, 2002
Most Touchdowns: 21, Robert Williams, 1994*

PUNTING

Most Punts: 80, Andy Gibbs, 1998
Best Average: 42.2, Terry Mallory, 1985

PUNT RETURNS

Most Returns: 33, Reggie Mosley, 2002; Bama Adams, 2003
Best Average: 13.4, Bama Adams, 2004
Most Yards: 372, Bama Adams, 2003

KICKOFF RETURNS

Most Returns: 34, Vincent Brown, 2004
Best Average: 29.0, Derrick Harris, 1983
Most Yards: 774, Vincent Brown, 2004

DEFENSE

Most Interceptions: 9, Dallis Smith, 1986
Most Yards Returned: 120, Terrence Bell, 2004
Most Total Tackles: 155, Cliff Fouty, 1982
Most Solo Tackles: 67, Ryan Branch, 1995
Most Assists: 135, Cliff Fouty, 1982
Most Sacks: 14, Antonio Edwards, 1990; Richard Freeman, 1997
Most Fumble Recoveries: 4, Erasmus Harvey, 1994; Tim Thompson, 2004
 *Conference Record +National Record

INDIVIDUAL IN A CAREER

RUSHING

	ATT	YARDS	AVG.	TDs
Aaron Jenkins, 2000-03	616	3859	6.3	34
Dominique Ross, 1992-94	576	3237	5.6	36
Ramon Allen, 1988-91	672	3071	4.6	26
Tyran Robinson, 2001-04	532	3029	5.7	24
Vontrell Mitchell, 1995-98	485	2655	5.5	11
Donnie Harrell, 1985-88	407	1904	4.7	10
Eric Clark, 1985-88	292	1301	4.5	3
David Glisson, 1993-96	195	1191	6.1	8
Chad Tanner, 1990-92	244	1156	4.7	4
Henry Chubb, 1982-83	221	1143	5.2	5

PASSING

	COMP	ATT	YARDS	INT	TDs
Chris Hatcher, 91-94	1047	1529	11,363	39	121
Lance Funderburk, 92-96	731	1127	8192	27	67
Dusty Bonner, 2000-01	649	913	8163	22	107
Tye Cottle, 87-90	427	774	5593	47	50
Buster Faulkner, 2001-03	381	593	4213	18	44
Barrett Wilkes, 2002-A	297	469	3540	11	27
Mark Duce, 84-87	241	477	3459	36	25
Fabian Walker, 2004	299	417	3062	8	23
James Owens, 82	169	339	2258	14	15
Terry Mallory, 83-86	77	186	1227	14	8

TOTAL OFFENSE

	PLAYS	RUSH	PASSTOTAL	TD	
Chris Hatcher, 91-94	1642	-339	11,363	11,024	125
Dusty Bonner, 2000-01	1003	-163	8163	8000	111
Lance Funderburk, 92-96	1206	-232	8192	7960	75
Tye Cottle, 87-90	1034	-44	5593	5549	57
Aaron Jenkins, 2000-A	485	3306	0	3306	31
Fabian Walker, 2004	534	403	3062	3465	28
Mark Duce, 84-87	850	606	3459	4065	35
Buster Faulkner, 2001-03	723	-404	4213	3809	48
Barrett Wilkes, 2002-A	533	-65	3540	3475	28
Dominique Ross, 92-94	576	3237	0	3237	36
Tyran Robinson, 2001-04	534	3093	64	3157	25
Ramon Allen, 88-91	675	3071	4	3075	27
Vontrell Mitchell, 95-98	487	2655	38	2693	12
James Owens, 82	402	-16	2258	2096	15

SCORING

	TD	FG	PAT	PTS
Aaron Jenkins, 2000-03	53	0	0	318
Will Rhody, 2002-04	0	50	158	308
Reggie Mosley, 1999-02	49	0	1	296
Dominique Ross, 1992-94	38	0	0	228
Keith Moore, 1983-86	0	32	76	202
Tyran Robinson, 2001-04	33	0	0	198
C. J. Lofton, 1999-02	32	0	2	196
Robert Williams, 1991-94	31	0	0	186
Vernon Loree, 1993-95	0	18	132	186
Stanley Flanders, 1993-94	30	0	0	180
Ramon Allen, 1988-91	28	0	1	170
Jack McTyre, 1988-90	0	34	57	159



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Randy Fisher, 1986-89	26	0	0	156
Vernon Loree, 1993-95	0	12	112	148
Rodney Brown, 1995-96	22	0	0	132
Don Kelly, 1990-92	0	22	61	127

RECEIVING	CATCHES	YARDS	TDs
Sean Pender, 1992-96	247*	2072	9
Reggie Mosley, 1999-02	235	3738	48
C.J. Lofton, 1999-02	228	2724	32
Randy Fisher, 1986-89	185	2892	26
Robert Williams, 1991-94	185	2726	31
Steve Greer, 1991-94	179	2025	13
Calvin Walker, 1990-93	167	2026	15
Aaron Jenkins, 2000-03	137	1385	17
Tyran Robinson, 2001-04	126	1201	8
Carlos Johnson, 2000-01	108	1519	13
Darrien Teals, 1985-88	105	1650	16
Stanley Flanders, 1993-94	101	1581	29

PUNTING	PUNTS	YARDS	AVG.
David Ashby, 1993-94	62	2476	39.9
Terry Mallory, 1983-86	272	10,732	39.5
Travis Tidwell, 2004	58	2243	38.7
Wayne DeVane, 1995-97	134	5119	38.2
Chad Mosley, 1991-92	72	2735	38.0
Kenn Barnett, 1999, 2002-04	210	7903	37.6
Brad Bauer, 1982-84	63	2341	37.2
Andy Gibbs, 1998, 2000	118	4331	36.7
Brian Chestnutt, 1989-1991	68	2442	35.9

PUNT RETURNS	RETURNS	YARDS	AVG.
Eric Doggett, 1997-99	84	1071	12.8
Bama Adams, 2002-04	46	546	11.9
Stanley Flanders, 1993-94	31	358	11.5
Reggie Mosley, 1999-02	63	532	8.4
Randy Fisher, 1986-89	56	473	8.4
Derrick Harris, 1983-84	42	353	8.4
Jimmy Francis, 1982-85	84	473	5.6

KICKOFF RETURNS	RETURNS	YARDS	AVG.
Reggie Mosley, 1999-02	82	1780	21.7
Derrick Harris, 1983-84	48	1144	23.8
Vincent Brown, 2004-A	34	774	22.8
Eric Doggett, 1997-99	27	612	22.7
Tyran Robinson, 2001-04	32	595	18.6
Donnie Harrell, 1985-88	27	566	21.0
Kelvin Sheppard, 1982-83	28	556	19.9
Wendell Olden, 1997	19	427	22.5

KICK SCORING	PAT A/M	FG A/M	PTS
Will Rhody, 2002-04	166-158	66-50	308
Keith Moore, 1983-86	83-76	65-42	202
Vernon Loree, 1993-95	141-132	24-18	186
Jack McTyre, 1985-90	58-57	45-34	159
Don Kelly, 1990-92	62-61	35-22	127
Reid Bethea 2001	84-79	10-5	94
James Lightfoot, 1997-98	55-49	20-11	82
Jason Guzzardo, 2000	68-57	8-5	72
Todd Douthit, 1996	45-37	6-4	49
Brad Bauer, 1982-84	27-24	14-8	48

INTERCEPTIONS	NO.	YARDS	TDs
Dallis Smith, 1983-86	21	209	0
Jimmy Francis, 1982-85	14	160	0
Calvin Orr, 1986-89	10	172	0
Deon Searcy, 1987-90	12	73	0

SACKS	NO.
Andre Hampton, 1992-94	36
Antonio Edwards, 1990-93	34

TEAM GAME

RUSHING

Most Rushes: 75 vs. Arkansas Tech, 1999
Most Yards: 391 vs. Arkansas Tech, 1999
Most Yards Lost: 103 vs. North Alabama, 1984
Best Average: 13.4 vs. West Alabama, 1994
Most Touchdowns: 6 vs. Lees-McRae, 1991

PASSING

Most Attempted: 70 vs. West Georgia, 1995
Most Completed: 52 vs. St. Ambrose, 1995
Most Yards: 508 vs. St. Ambrose, 1995
Most Touchdowns: 7 vs. Tarleton State, 1993; Clark Atlanta, Delta State, 1994
Best Percentage: .886 vs. New Haven (39-44), 1994
Most Had Intercepted: 7 vs. Fort Valley State, 1985
Most Without An Interception: 56 vs. Mississippi College, 1993

TOTAL OFFENSE

Most Plays: 97 vs. Arkansas Tech, 1999
Most Yards: 659 vs. North Alabama (315R, 344P), 2001

SCORING

Most Points: 70 vs. Delta State, 2001
Most Touchdowns: 10 vs. Tarleton State, 1993, Delta State, 2001
Most PATs Attempted: 10 vs. Tarleton State, 1993, Delta State, 2001
Most PATs Made: 10 vs. Delta State, 2001
Most FGs Attempted: 5 vs. Central Arkansas, 2004
Most FGs Made: 5 vs. Central Arkansas, 2004
Most Points Kicking: 16 vs. W. Alabama, 1990; vs. Central Arkansas, 2004

PUNTING

Most Punts: 11 vs. Central Florida, 1989
Best Average: (min. 4 punts) 9-49.8 vs. W. Alabama, 1985

PUNT RETURNS

Most Returns: 10 vs. W. Alabama, 1984
Most Yards: 117 vs. Henderson State, 1999
Longest for Touchdown: 59 vs. Clark Atlanta, 1994

KICKOFF RETURNS

Most Returns: 6 vs. North Alabama, 1982; vs. Troy State, Georgia Southern, 1984; West Georgia, 1995
Most Yards: 147 vs. Georgia Southern, 1983
Longest for Touchdown: 99 vs. West Alabama, 1994

FIRST DOWNS

Most Total: 39 vs. West Alabama, 1996
Most Rushing: 26 vs. Arkansas Tech, 1999
Most Passing: 26 vs. St. Ambrose, 1995
Most by Penalty: 6 vs. Delta State, 1994; West Alabama, 1996

PENALTIES

Most Penalties: 19 vs. Arkansas-Monticello, 1997
Fewest Penalties: 1 vs. Troy State, 1984; vs. North Alabama, 1985
Most Yards: 170 vs. Albany State, 1999
Fewest Yards: 5 vs. Troy State, 1984; vs. North Alabama, 1985

FUMBLES

Most: 7 vs. North Alabama, 1983
Most Lost: 5 vs. N. Alabama, 1983; vs. W. Georgia, 1985

DEFENSE

Most Interceptions: 6 vs. UT-Martin, 1986; vs. Arkansas-Monticello, 1998
Most Yards Returned: 117 vs. W. Alabama, 1990
Most Fumbles Recovered: 7 vs. Savannah State, 1984
Most Yards Rushing: 545 vs. North Alabama, 1982
Most Yards Passing: 437 vs. Central Florida, 1993
Fewest Yards Rushing: minus 29 vs. Central Florida, 1988
Fewest Yards Passing: 3 vs. West Alabama, 2000
Fewest Yards Total: 22 vs. Mount Senario, 1993
Most Sacks: 7 vs. Fort Valley State, Arkansas Tech, 1997, Arkansas Tech, 1998, Fort Valley State, 1999
Fewest First Downs: 3 vs. Fort Valley State, 2002

TEAM SEASON

RUSHING

Most Rushes: 548, 2002
Most Net Yards: 2706, 2004
Most Yards Lost: 674, 2002
Best Average Per Carry: 5.8, 2001
Best Average Per Game: 193.3, 2004
Most Touchdowns: 32, 2004

PASSING

Most Attempted: 594, 1994*
Most Completed: 409, 1994*
Most Yards: 4389, 1994*
Average Yards Gained Per Game: 363.4, 2000
Best Average Per Completion: 14.9, 1983
Most Had Intercepted: 23, 1984
Most Without An Interception: 177, 1993
Most Touchdowns: 56, 2001*

TOTAL OFFENSE

Most Plays: 1095, 2002
Most Yards: 6634, 2001
Best Average: 510.3, 2001

SCORING

Most Points: 617, 2001*
Most Touchdowns: 86, 2001*
Most PATs Attempted: 85, 2001*
Most PATs Made: 80, 2001*
Most FGs Attempted: 24, 2002, 2004
Most FGs Made: 22, 2004
Most 2-Point PATs Attempted: 7, 1995, 1996
Most 2-Point PATs Made: 5, 1984

PUNTING

Most Punts: 85, 1998
Best Average: 40.6, 1985

PUNT RETURNS

Most Returns: 48, 2002
Most Yards: 424, 2003
Best Average: 11.7, 1994

KICKOFF RETURNS

Most Returns: 50, 2000
Most Yards: 961, 2000
Best Average: 24.8, 1987

FIRST DOWNS

Most Total: 328, 2001
Most Rushing: 125, 2001
Most Passing: 191, 2000*
Most by Penalty: 48, 2002

PENALTIES

Most Penalties: 130, 1994
Fewest Penalties: 48, 1987
Most Yards: 1160, 1994
Fewest Yards: 383, 1987

FUMBLES

Most: 40, 1984
Most Lost: 21, 1983
Fewest: 14, 1995
Fewest Lost: 8, 1993, 1995, 2003

DEFENSE

Fewest Points Allowed: 162, 1994
Most Points Allowed: 313, 1996
Most Interceptions: 32, 1986*
Most Yards Returned: 311, 1987
Most Fumbles Recovered: 24, 1984
Fewest Yards Rushing Allowed: 832, 2002
Most Yards Rushing Allowed: 2664, 1982
Fewest Yards Passing Allowed: 1100, 1998
Most Yards Passing Allowed: 3227, 2002
Fewest Yards Total Allowed: 2807, 1990
Most Yards Total Allowed: 4395, 1982
Takeaway-Giveaway: plus 22, 2004
Most Sacks: 58, 2002

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Ashley Abrams, DB 1982
 Bama Adams, WR 2002-04
 Marlin Adams, LB 2000-03
 Kevin Adkins, DB 2004
 Timi Aganga-Williams, DB 2002-03
 Howard Akers, WR 1987-88
 Matt Alexander, OT 1990-91
 Jody Allen, DE 1982
 Ramon Allen, RB 1988-91
 Steve Allen, OT 1982
 Tony Allen, RB 1985
 Greg Alley, OG 1982-83
 Kelvin Anderson, WR 1993
 Tirrell Andrews, WR 1994-96
 Carl Armstrong, WR 1982
 Cary Arneson, DB 1982
 David Ashby, P 1993-94
 Eddie Ashley, RB 1990
 Tyler Auranđt, WR 2003-04
 Eugene Autry, DB 1993-94



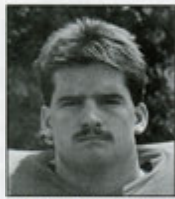
RAMON ALLEN, RB



TIRRELL ANDREWS, WR



DESMON BAKER, DE



BRYAN BANKS, OT



BRAD BAUER, K



KEITH BRADDOCK, DB



RYAN BRANCH, LB

Milon Brezjal, DB 2000-02
 Lardell Brinson, WR 1994, 1996
 Terrence Brisbon, RB 1984
 Jason Brock, OG 1989
 Charles Brooks, DT 1985
 Adam Brown, DL 1999, 2001-02
 Arthell Brown, DB 2000-01
 Carlos Brown, FB 1996
 Rodney Brown, WR 1995-96
 Vincent Brown, RB 2004
 Wesley Brown, DB 2000-03
 Elliott Burkes, CB 1999, 2002-03

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Shawn Calhoun, QB 2003-04
 Clay Callaway, WR 2004
 Rod Callaway, DT 1987-90
 Bret Calzaretta, LB 1982
 Cedric Campbell, RB 1984
 Vince Capece, LB 1983-85
 Xavier Carrington, DL 2000-03
 Harvey Carter, DL 1982
 Tabious Carter, DB 1999-02
 Mark Catano, OT 1982-83
 Dean Chandler, DT 1996
 Greg Chapman, OG 1999-00
 Darryl Cherry, OG 1994
 Brian Chestnutt, P 1989-91
 Mike Christopher, RB 1999-00
 Henry Chubb, RB 1982-83
 Eric Clark, RB 1985-88
 Josten Clark, C 1991-94
 Tommy Clark, C 1990-92, 1994
 Vaughn Clark, DB 1996-99
 Julanda Clayton, DB 1995-96
 Dantra Clements, WR 2002
 Reggie Cockerm, LB 1997, 1999-01
 Cary Cody, WR 1982, 1984-86
 Jay Coley, WR 1982
 Richard Collier, OT 2004
 Keith Cooksey, WR 1993, 1995-97
 Leighton Cooley, C 2002-04
 Greg Cooper, RB 1998-00
 Nikko Cooper, WR 1996, 1998
 Marcus Copeland, FB 1987-90
 Roger Copeland, LB 1987
 Jeff Corley, DS 1999-02
 Jason Cost, LB 2001-03
 Tye Cottle, QB 1987-90
 Vic Crawford, DB 1984
 Jeff Creveling, QB 2003
 Elkannah Crockett, DB 1982
 Nathan Cronic, QB 1997-99
 Kevin Crosby, FB 1992

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Mark Dace, QB 1984-87
 Rod Dalton, WR 2000, 2002-04
 Johnnie Daniels, LB 2004
 J.D. Daniels, WR 1982
 Chris Davenport, LB 1989-90
 Calvin Davis, LB 1990
 Gerald Davis, OG 2004
 Kelvin Davis, DT 1988
 Mike Davis, WR 1994-95
 Reginald Davis, WR 1988-91
 Rick Davis, QB 1982



JIMMY BROOKINS, LB



HENRY CHUBB, RB



CARY CODY, WR



TYE COTTLE, QB



REGINALD DAVIS, RB



WAYNE DEVANE, P



RANDY FISHER, WR

Shamonta Dean, DB 1999-02
 Dustin DeHaven, DE 2004
 Fran Delaney, DS 1988-89
 Stephen Delk, K 2002-04
 Jamie Deloach, QB 1992-95
 Wayne DeVane, P 1994-97
 Richard DeWees, LB 1989
 Ced Dickerson, DB 1999-02
 Jerry Dillard, K 1993
 Shaunta Dismuke, DB 1999, 2001
 Derek Dixon, DB 1997-98
 Dustin Dodson, C 2001-03
 Eric Doggett, WR 1997-99
 Artie Dovers, OG 1982
 Eddie Dowdell, WR 2002-03
 Derek Dragon, DB 1999
 Todd Douthit, K 1995-96
 Jody Dowda, OT 1990-91
 Blake Duncan, FB 1989-91, 1993
 Chuck Dunmon, OT 1982-85
 Fred Dunn, LB 2001-04
 Chris Dupree, DB 1989-91

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John Eaton, OG 1982
 Jos Edison, OT 2003-04
 Antonio Edwards, DE 1989-92
 Kewon Edwards, LB 1999
 Rodney Edwards, LB 2001-02
 Calvin English, DE 2002-04
 Bill Epps, OG 1997-98, 2000-01

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Albert Fanoga, DB 1995
 Leon Farmer, LB 1985
 Ken Fasnacht, WR 1983
 Buster Faulkner, QB 2001-03
 Eric Faulkner, DE 1984-87
 Jeffery Felton, WR 2004
 Matt Fiorelli, DE 1992-95
 Randy Fisher, WR 1986-89
 Mike Fitzpatrick, WR 1990
 Stanley Flanders, WR 1993-94
 Brad Fleming, OG 2002-03
 Tim Fleming, OG 1993
 Michael Flood, DB 2002-04
 Tracy Flounoy, DL 2003-04
 Steve Foote, C 1994-95
 Reggie Ford, WR 1982
 Spencer Fortson, DB 2002-04
 Scott Foss, DB 2002-04
 Cliff Fouty, LB 1982-83
 Chris Fowler, DB 2002-03
 Mike Fowler, LB 1999-01
 David Fox, DE 1996-98
 Walt Foy, DB 1991-94
 Jimmy Francis, DB 1982-85
 Travis Francis, RB 1999-00
 Richard Freeman, DE 1996-97
 Dennis Fryzel, WR 1997-98, 2000-01
 Rodney Fulk, K 1987
 J.T. Fuller, LB 1996-99
 Darrell Funderburk, QB 1985-88
 Lance Funderburk, QB 1992-93, 1995-96

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Cedric Gantt, DL 1986
 Doug Garrity, DL 2000-03



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Chris Gaston, LB 1997
 Bert Gelis, DL 1985-88
 Tommy George, DL 1999
 Andy Gibbs, P 1998-00
 Erik Gibson, WR 1997-98
 James Gibson, DL 1983-86
 Mike Gibson, DB 1993-95
 Dorian Gilliam, RB 2001-04
 David Gilyard, LB 1982
 Kris Gingrow, OL 1995-97
 John Gladden, LB 1990-92
 Jeff Glazer, DB 1998
 David Glisson, RB 1993, 1995
 Alex Godfrey, RB 2003
 Gary Goff, WR 1995-96
 Glen Gosier, DL 2002
 Keith Gosse, OG 1999-01
 Chad Grabowski, DE 1998-99
 Matt Grabowski, WR 1998
 John Gray, DL 1982-83
 Kevin Gray, WR 1984
 Michael Green, K 2003-04
 Leon Gray, LB 2002
 Shadrick Green, TE 1993
 Jeff Greer, DE 1995-96
 Michael Greer, WR 2001
 Steve Greer, WR 1991-94
 Lewis Grier, QB/WR 1999-00
 Steve Griffin, QB 1982-83
 Ryan Grubbs, LB 1984
 John Gulyas, OT 1997-99
 Jason Guzzardo, K 2000

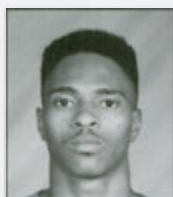
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Jack Hall, DE 1996
 Paul Hall, LB 1990-91
 Stanley Hall, RB 1989-90
 Todd Hall, C 1996
 Wayne Hamm, TE 1982-84
 Andre Hampton, DE 1992-94
 Dennis Hampton, DE 1993
 Roshod Hampton, DL 2001
 Jeff Hanton, DB 1982-83, 1985-86
 Rico Harley, OT 1999-00
 Austin Harmon, DB 1996-98
 Donnie Harrell, RB 1985-88
 Bryce Harrington, K 2001
 Antwan Harris, DB 2003-04
 Derrick Harris, DB 1983-84
 Jonathan Harris, TE 1992-94
 Shawn Harris, DB 2004
 John Harrison, DS 2002-04
 Dwayne Hart, DB 1987-90
 Erasmus Harvey, LB 1991-94
 Chris Hatcher, QB 1991-94
 Ross Hawthorne, LB 2000-01
 Ashley Henderson, OG 2000-01
 Mike Henry, C 1983-84
 Chester Hightower, LB 1986

Derrick Hill, DE 2000, 2002-04
 Tony Hill, DB 1991-94
 John Hinson, DL 1992-94
 John Hobdy, QB 2000
 Craig Hodge, DL 1999
 Rory Hogan, DL 1997-00
 Dexter Holiday, WR 1986, 1989-91
 Hobie Holiday, DE 2003



TONY HILL, DB



DEXTER HOLIDAY, WR



JEROME JACKSON, RB



KEITH JONES, TE



MAURICE JORDAN, DT



JAMES LOCKHART, LB



VERNON LORCE, K

Mendez Hollis, DB 1997-99
 Cedric Holton, DB 1998
 Jimmy Holton, OG 1987
 Jeff Hooks, LB 1985-86
 Carlos Hope, WR 1995, 1997-99
 Alphonso Hopkins, DB 2004
 Averil Houston, DB 1995
 Bo Houston, OG 1990-91
 Greg Hoven, WR 1984-85
 Torrey Howard, OG 2001-03
 James Hubbard, OG, NG 1992-95
 Doug Hunter, QB 1983-85
 James Hutley, DT 2004
 Chance Hutto, OT 2001-02

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Chris Jackson, CB 1995
 Edward Jackson, DB 1987-89
 Jerome Jackson, RB 1982-83, 1986
 Stonewall Jackson, RB 1985
 Eric Jarvis, C 1982-83
 Willie Jefferson, LB 1983
 Jason Jelks, DB 1993-95
 Aaron Jenkins, RB 2000-03
 Kenny Jennings, DB 1983-84
 Brandon Jernigan, OL 1996-97
 Carlos Johnson, WR 2000-01
 Casey Johnson, DE 1990
 Chris Johnson, DE 1998-01
 Emanuel Johnson, DL 1993-94
 Marcus Johnson, DB 1991-94
 Tommy Johnson, DE 1994-95
 Willy Johnson, NG 2004
 Donnie Johnston, QB 1995-98
 Barry Jones, FB 1992-93
 Keith Jones, TE 1986-89
 Maurice Jordan, DL 1986-89
 Tyrone Jordan, WR 2000, 2002-03
 Dominic June, LB 1997-98

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Don Kelly, K 1990-92
 John Kenny, OL, DL 1989-91
 Jason King, OT 1998-01
 Jimmy King, TE 1993-94
 Scott Klees, QB 1990
 York Kurinsky, OL 1992-93

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Trevor Lansford, RB 1994
 Lance Laskey, TE 1988
 Mike Laussen, DL 1995
 Mark Lawson, LB 1982-84
 Maurice Leggett, LB 2004
 Michael Leslie, RB 2001
 Tauese Letuli, OL 1994-95
 Archie Lewis, DB 1994
 James Lightfoot, K 1997-98
 Ray Lloyd, C 1983-86
 James Lockhart, LB 1993-96
 C.J. Lofton, TE 1999-02
 Greg Lofton, WR 2002-03
 Scott Long, TE 1989-91
 Scottie Long, LB 1986
 Stan Long, OG 1983
 Vernon Lorce, K 1993-95
 Mikeal Lovejoy, DB 1986-88
 Eric Luke, DB 1988-91
 Jeremy Lundy, OL 1994-96



HAROLD McCLAIN, DT



JAMES McCRAE, TE



JACK McTYRE, K



EDWARD MITCHELL, LB



SCOTT MOWRY, LB



MATT MOORE, OL



FELISE MUAI, OL

Marcellas Lyles, DE 1997, 1999
 Fatari Lyons, DE 2001-02

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George Mackey, DE 1982
 Kevin Maddox, P 1987
 Pat Magennis, OL 1995
 Terry Mallory, QB-P 1983-86
 Brad Martin, WR 1983
 Derryl Mason, WR 1983-84
 Timmy Massey, DB 1982-85
 William Massey, RB 1985
 Octavio Matamoros, OG 1992
 Alvoid Mays, DB 1984
 Mike McBride, RB 1982
 Paul McCall, K 1996-97
 Derick McCant, DB 1989-91
 Harold McClain, DL 1989-92
 Wade McCool, OG 1999
 Ryan McCormick, TE 1995
 Clint McCrory, DL 1982
 Mike McCullough, P 1988-89
 Kelvin McDavis, OG 2001-04
 Deon McGhee, DE 1999-01
 Alex McKinnie, RB 1982-83
 Drew McPhail, OL 1994-96
 James McRae, TE 1986-87
 Jack McTyre, K 1988-90
 Danny Metcalf, LB 1987-88, 1990
 Keith Miles, DE 1987
 Vic Miller, LB 1999-00
 Jerome Mills, DB 1996-97
 William Milton, RB 2002-04
 Herbert Mingo, RB 1991
 Charles Mitchell, LB 1984-86
 Edward Mitchell, LB 1993-94
 Rob Mitchell, WR 1983
 Vontrell Mitchell, RB 1995-98
 William Montford, LB 2004
 Clifton Montgomery, RB 1984
 Donald Monts, OG 1982
 Demetrick Moore, DB 2001
 Harvey Moore, OL 1996, 2000
 Keith Moore, K 1983-86
 Matt Moore, OL 1991-94
 Robert Morris, DE 1986-89
 Dedrick Morrison, DL 2002-04
 Gary Morton, DB 1992
 Chad Mosley, P 1991-92
 Jackson Mosley, DB 1982
 Reggie Mosley, WR 1999-02
 Scott Mowry, LB 1985-88
 Felise Muai, OL 1995-96
 Matt Mummie, QB 1994, 1996
 Tony Murphy, LB 1987
 Darrell Mydell, DB 1993-94

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J.R. Neal, OT 2000-01
 Tremaine Neal, LB 1997-98
 Carlton Nelson, RB 1996-97
 Clay NeSmith, DL 1986
 Anthony Newsome, DE 1983
 David Niemeyer, DL 1982
 John Norris, OT 1984-87
 Alberto Nurse, LB 1995-98

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Alex Oakes, LB 1988

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Sammy Ogletree, LB 1999
 Wendell Olden, RB 1997
 Calvin Orr, DB 1986-89
 Willie Osborn, WR 1989
 Will O'Steen, C 1988-91
 James Owens, QB 1982

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Don Page, DE 2003
 Brent Palma, P 2001
 Scott Palmer, RB 2004
 Ted Palmer, DS 1988-90
 Josh Parker, DL 1997
 Lenny Parker, LB 1983-84
 Michael Parker, OT 1987-90
 Tommy Parker, WR 2004
 Zach Parker, WR 2004
 George Parsons, LB 1992-93
 Oscar Patterson, DB 2004
 Tully Payne, C 1998-01
 Sean Pender, WR 1992-93, 1995-96
 Buddy Phillips, OT 1987-88
 Desmond Phillips, WR 1995
 Larry Pividal, TE 1982
 Alan Pohalski, DL 1982
 Anthony Poole, DT 2000-01
 Billy Poole, RB 1993-94
 Richard Popkin, OT 1992
 Eric Porter, LB 1988
 Patrick Prewitt, QB 1997
 Sammie Price, DL 1985
 Tyler Pruitt, RB 2004
 Don Pumphrey, OT 1984-85

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Ryan Rackley, DB 2000-01
 Todd Ragle, DE 2000-02
 Jerry Randall, DL 1984-85
 Andre Randle, DL 1993-94
 Jessie Randle, DB 1990
 Buddy Ratledge, OT 1983-85
 Jason Ray, OL 1997
 Marcus Ray, RB 1997-00
 Ben Reaves, TE 1983-86
 Charles Reddick, DL 1987-88
 Keith Reddings, DE 1983-86
 Quinton Reed, DB 1983-84
 Jack Reeves, DE 1992
 Robert Renfro, DL 1983-84
 Luis Reveiz, K 1983
 Sam Reynolds, DB 2004
 Jason Richards, OL 1990
 Freddie Richardson, LB 1990
 Rodney Rigdon, DE 1994
 Andrew Riley, TE 2000-01
 Rusty Rivers, OG 1984
 Reggie Rhodes, DT 2001-02
 Will Rhody, K 2002-04
 James Richards, OT 2003
 Barry Roberson, LB 1989-91
 Calvin Roberts, DB 2004
 Julian Roberts, DE 1996
 Joe Robinson, WR 1999
 Tyran Robinson, RB 2001-03
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 Dominique Ross, FB 1992-94
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 John Royal, LB 1987



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LENNY PARKER, LB



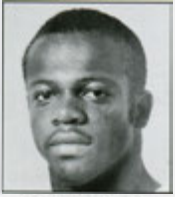
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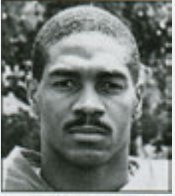
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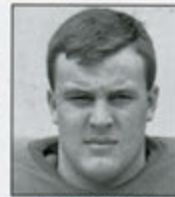
DARRIEN TEALS, WR

Davis Russell, OG 2004
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Kevin Sams, DB 1997
 Homer Sanders, WR 1983
 Shaun Sanders, DL 1999-00
 Drew Sauls, WR 1984-85
 Mike Scantling, TE 1983
 Richard Schlie, TE 1983
 Clifford Scott, DB 1987-90
 Deon Searcy, DB 1987-90
 Mike Sellars, C 1986-87
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 Cornelius Seymour, LB 1994-95
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 Will Shelton, OT 2002-04
 Kelvin Sheppard, WR 1982-83
 Jimbo Shubert, LB 1996-98
 Pete Shuttters, DL 1982-83
 Dean Siegel, DE 1984-85
 James Sirmans, LB 1993-94
 Steve Skeen, RB 2001-03
 Albert Smith, RB 1984, 1987
 Anthony Smith, LB 1983
 Dallis Smith, DB 1983-86
 Dennis Smith, DB 1983-86
 Dwayne Smith, DT 2001-02
 Jerome Smith, DE 1983
 Larry Smith, WR 2000
 Tavaris Smith, LB 1995-96
 Terry Smith, DB 1994-96
 Tracy Soles, RB 1982-83
 Antonio Speed, LB 1995, 1997-99
 Chuck Stamey, OT 1990-93
 Darrell Stephens, WR 2003-04
 Jarmal Stevens, DB 1994-97
 Mitch Stewart, QB 2002-04
 Paul Streaker, C 2004
 Dan Strickland, DT 1983-86
 James Strickland, C 1982
 Mel Stripling, OT 1982
 Ryan Sulkowski, C 1996-98
 Roger Sullivan, OL 1996
 Jesse Sutton, LB 1995-98
 Ricky Sutton, DL 1982
 R.D. Swain, OG 1983-86
 Ricky Swales, DE 1990

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Greg Talley, DE 1992
 Chad Tanner, RB 1990-92
 Lee Tarpley, RB 2000-03
 Darrell Tarver, DE 1986-89
 Brad Tate, LB 1992
 Larry Tatum, C 1984
 Hunter Taylor, DL 1997
 John Taylor, TE 1996-97
 Travis Taylor, WR 2004
 Darrien Teals, WR 1985-88
 Cody Thomas, LB 2003-04
 Freddie Thomas, LB 1984-85
 Raymond Thomas, WR 2003-04
 Curtis Thompson, LB 1983
 Hugh Thompson, QB 1982
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SHAWN UTLEY, LB



MAX VICKERS, FB



CALVIN WALKER, WR



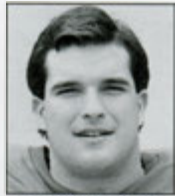
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RANDY WILLIAMS, C

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 Brad Trout, DB 1993-94, 1996-97
 Jason Troutman, OT 2002
 Tony Troutman, OG 2000-01
 Jessie Tuggle, LB 1983-86
 Mike Tuggle, OG 1991
 John Turley, DE 1984
 Darren Turner, DL 1991
 Marquis Turner, DB 2000-03
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Artie Ulmer, DL 1996
 Shawn Utley, LB 1989

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Arto Vartanian, DT 1997-98
 Jason Vaughan, QB 1997
 Max Vickers, FB 1983-86

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Calvin Walker, WR 1990-93
 Fabian Walker, QB 2004
 Latray Walker, RB 2002-04
 Marcus Walker, DL 1989-92
 Reggie Walker, RB 1992-94
 Jay Walls, DL 1983-85
 Charles Walsh, OT 1992-94
 Geoff Walters, TE 1984-85
 Marcellus Washington, DT 2003-04
 Emmett Watkins, LB 1984-87
 Zim Watters, DL 1986
 Arthur Webb, WR 1984
 Corey Weed, TE-DE 1995-96
 Kelly Wells, OT 1988-90
 Tony Wesley, RB 2000-01, 2003
 Regional West, DE 1992-93
 Javaris Weston, RB 2002-03
 Derwin Whatley, DB 1986
 Robert Wheeler, TE 1989
 Billy White, RB 1994
 David White, LB 1988
 Fabian Whilly, LB 2004
 Bill Wilhelm, TE 1983-86
 Barrett Wilkes, QB 2002-03
 Angelo Williams, WR 1992, 1994-95
 David Williams, TE 1982
 Demeakey Williams, DB 1997-00
 Fitzgerald Williams, DB 1985-86
 Lamar Williams, DE 1996
 Michael Williams, RB 1985-86
 Michael Williams, LB 1997-99
 Mike Williams, RB 1984
 Randy Williams, C 1988-89
 Robert Williams, WR 1991-94
 Rod Williams, OT 1982
 Shay Williams, DL 1992-94
 Wilbur Williams, RB 1984-85
 Winston Williams, WR 1997-99
 Dee Williford, LB 2003
 Drew Willis, TE 2003-04
 Hershel Wooten, DL 1985-86
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Andre Zellner, TE 2002-03



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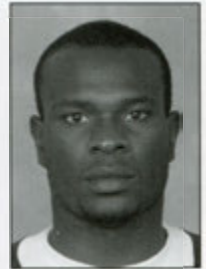
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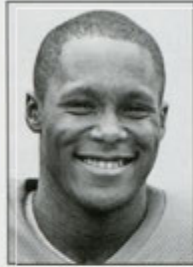
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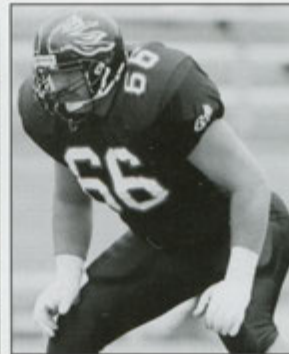
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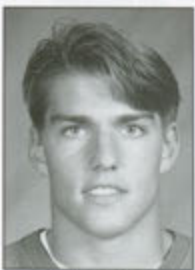
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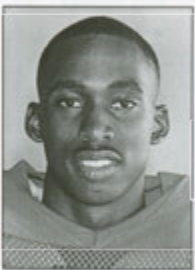
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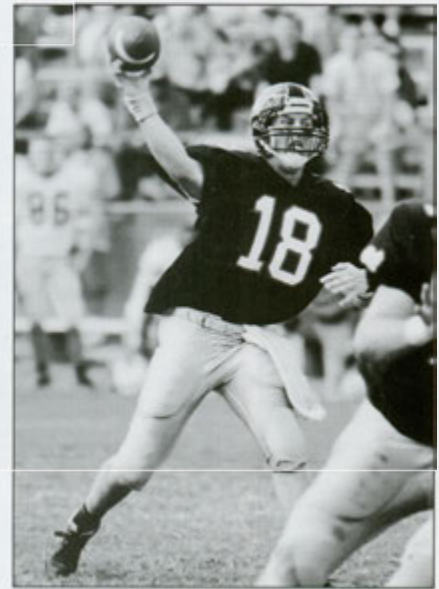
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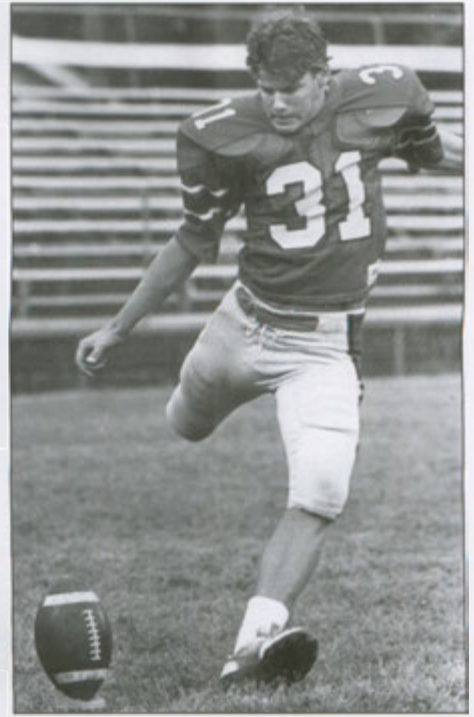
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TYRAN ROBINSON

Athletic Hall of Fame



Initiated in 1997, the Valdosta State University Athletic Hall of Fame is an honorary society begun six years ago to further enhance the sparkling reputation of VSU athletics. Seven former student-athletes and one former coach/administrator comprised the inaugural class, four more standouts were added in 1998, six more (including two alumni from Georgia State Womans College) entered in 1999, and four more joined the elite list each year from 2000 to 2005, bringing the membership to 42.

Five former football players are members of the Hall. Jessie Tuggle was a member of the inaugural class, Antonio Edwards entered in 1999, current VSU head coach Chris Hatcher came on board in 2001, Keith Moore was inducted in 2002 and Lance Funderburk was added in 2004.

The formal induction ceremony is held in January or February each year.



JESSIE TUGGLE



ANTONIO EDWARDS



CHRIS HATCHER



KEITH MOORE



LANCE FUNDERBURK

King Of The Hill

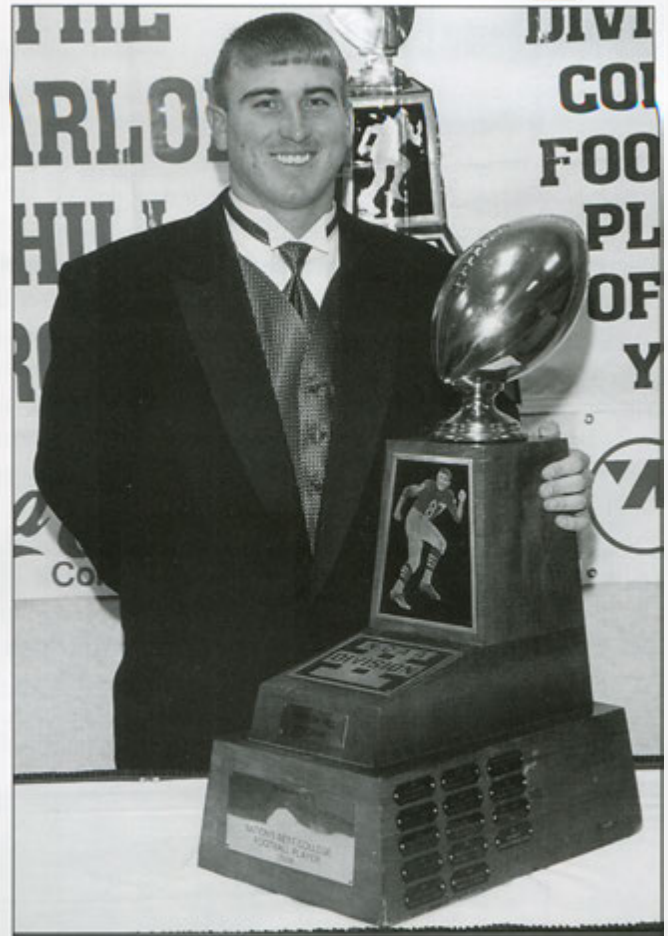


Valdosta State football has played a large role in the selection of the Division II player of the year, who receives the coveted Harlon Hill Trophy during festivities held in conjunction with the national championship game in early December each year.

In 1994 current Valdosta State head coach Chris Hatcher won the Hill trophy by the second largest vote margin in the 19-year history of the award.

Two years later, Lance Funderburk, his successor as Blazer quarterback, was runnerup for the prestigious honor.

In 2000, then junior quarterback Dusty Bonner was a landslide winner of the award, making Valdosta State one of only three schools to boast multiple winners. And in 2001, Bonner took home the gold once again, becoming only the second player in the history of the award to win it back-to-back.



Dusty Bonner - 2000 and 2001

Passing In Review

Year-by-Year Statistics of Valdosta State's
Three Most Prolific Quarterbacks

Chris Hatcher

1991-94 • 1994 Harlon Hill Trophy Winner

Year	Att	Comp	Int	Pct.	Yards	TDs
1991	150	81	4	.540	1088	8
1992	400	264	14	.660	2548	21
1993	471	335	11	.711	3651	37
1994	508	367	10	.722	4076	55
TOTALS	1529	1047	39	.685	11,363	121

Lance Funderburk

1992-96 • 1996 Harlon Hill Trophy Runnerup

Year	Att	Comp	Int	Pct.	Yards	TDs
1992	10	5	1	.500	40	0
1993	41	28	0	.683	220	3
1995	544	356	12	.654	3706	26
1996	532	342	14	.643	4226	38
TOTALS	1127	731	27	.649	8192	67

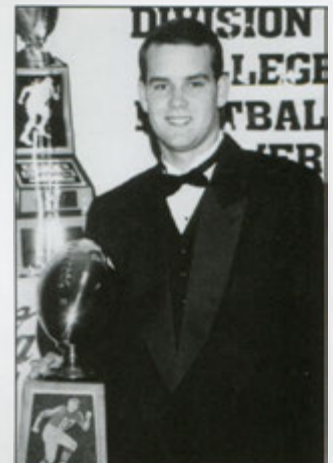
Dusty Bonner

2000-01 • 2000 & 2001 Harlon Hill Trophy Winner

Year	Att	Comp	Int	Pct.	Yards	TDs
2000	488	351	8	.719	4126	55
2001	425	298	14	.701	4037	52
TOTALS	913	649	22	.711	8163	107



Chris Hatcher
1994



Lance Funderburk
1996 Runner-up

Cleveland Field/Bazemore-Hyder Stadium



Football Home Of The Blazers

Valdosta State plays its home football games at Cleveland Field/Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, located across the street from University Center, a former shopping plaza acquired by the university which has been beautifully renovated to house additional classrooms and offices for the rapidly growing institution.

The stadium, built in 1922 and named for the late Dr. A.G. Cleveland, who was superintendent of Valdosta City Schools from 1919-1949, was leveled and rebuilt from the ground up following the 2003 season. The result is a state-of-the-art facility featuring a field turf playing surface, locker rooms and press boxes on each side of the stadium. Three prime sections of seating feature theatre-type seats with the remainder having back rests. The stadium seats 10,100 fans.

In the spring of 1996, two legendary Valdosta High School coaches were honored, and the stadium now bears the names of the late Wright Bazemore and the late Nick Hyder.

The Blazers played their first seven seasons at Cleveland Field and returned to the facility 13 years ago to take advantage of its convenient location adjacent VSU's main campus. Facilities in University Center will be available to accommodate Blazer Boosters, and parking is available for tailgate parties on game days.

Blazer football's goal in 2005 for the six regular season home dates will be to improve on the school's 86-28-1 record at Cleveland Field over the years. Since 1994, the Blazers have compiled an impressive 56-13 record at the historic facility.

CLEVELAND FIELD FACTS

Field Runs: East-West

Capacity: 10,100

Built in: 1922

Rebuilt in: 2004

Field Turf

Visitors Lockerroom at East End

Blazers Locker Room at West End

Visitors use North Sideline

Blazers Use South Sideline

Press Boxes Top Stands On Both Sides





Valdosta State 2005 Composite Schedule Of Opponents

* Night Games	Aug. 27	Sept. 3	Sept. 10	Sept. 17	Sept. 24	Oct. 1	Oct. 8	Oct. 15	Oct. 22	Oct. 29	Nov. 5
Valdosta State	at Fort Valley State* (Macon)	Albany State*	Ouachita Baptist*	at Harding*	Central Arkansas*	at Delta State	Henderson State	at West Alabama	North Alabama (10/20)	at Southern Arkansas	West Georgia
Fort Valley State	Valdosta State* (Macon)	at Morehouse*	Lane*	Clark Atlanta (Brunswick)	at Benedict	Miles*	at Kentucky State	at Tuskegee	Stillman	OPEN	Albany State (Columbus)
Albany State	at Miles*	at Valdosta State*	Kentucky State*	at Lane*	at Southern*	Tuskegee*	OPEN	at Clark Atlanta	Benedict	Morehouse*	Fort Valley State (Columbus)
Ouachita Baptist	Missouri Southern*	OPEN	at Valdosta State*	West Georgia*	Southern Arkansas* (9/22)	at West Alabama	Arkansas-Monticello	at Arkansas Tech	Central Arkansas	at Delta State	at Harding
Harding	at Southwest Baptist	Missouri Southern*	at West Georgia*	Valdosta State*	at North Alabama*	at Henderson State	Central Arkansas*	at Arkansas-Monticello* (10/13)	at Delta State*	Arkansas Tech	Ouachita Baptist
Central Arkansas	Eastern New Mexico* (Little Rock) (8/25)	at UT Martin* (9/1)	Southern Arkansas*	Henderson State*	at Valdosta State*	North Alabama* (9/29)	at Harding*	Delta State*	at Ouachita Baptist	Arkansas-Monticello*	at Arkansas Tech* (11/3)
Delta State	at Pittsburgh State*	at Texas State*	West Alabama*	at North Alabama*	at Henderson State*	Valdosta State*	Arkansas Tech* (10/6)	at Central Arkansas*	Harding*	Ouachita Baptist	at Arkansas-Monticello*
Henderson State	Arkansas-Monticello*	at Stephen F. Austin* (9/1)	at Arkansas Tech*	at Central Arkansas	Delta State*	Harding	at Valdosta State	at North Alabama	West Georgia	West Alabama*	at Southern Arkansas
West Alabama	Concordia* 8/25	Lambuth* (9/1)	at Delta State*	Arkansas-Monticello*	at Arkansas Tech*	Ouachita Baptist	at West Georgia	Valdosta State	Southern Arkansas*	at Henderson State*	at North Alabama*
North Alabama	OPEN	Tusculum*	at Arkansas-Monticello*	Delta State*	Harding*	at Central Arkansas* (9/29)	at Southern Arkansas	Henderson State*	at Valdosta State* (10/20)	at West Georgia*	West Alabama
Southern Arkansas	Texas A&M-Commerce*	at East Texas Baptist	at Central Arkansas*	Arkansas Tech*	at Ouachita Baptist* (9/22)	at Arkansas-Monticello*	North Alabama	at West Georgia*	at West Alabama*	Valdosta State	Henderson State
West Georgia	at Presbyterian	Carson-Newman (Rome)	Harding*	at Ouachita Baptist*	Arkansas-Monticello	at Arkansas Tech	West Alabama	Southern Arkansas*	at Henderson State	North Alabama*	at Valdosta State



Punter
Travis Tidwell

Defensive End
Tim Thompson

Cornerback
Michael Flood

Runningback
Vincent Brown

Free Safety
Scott Foss

2005 VSU BLAZER FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Aug. 27	Fort Valley State (Macon)	6 pm
Sept. 3	Albany State	7 pm
Sept. 10	Ouachita Baptist*	7 pm
Sept. 17	at Harding*	7 pm
Sept. 24	Central Arkansas*	7 pm
Oct. 1 (TV)	at Delta State*	7 pm
Oct. 8	Henderson State*+	1 pm
Oct. 15	at West Alabama*	2 pm
Oct. 20 (Thursday - TV)	North Alabama*	8 pm
Oct. 29	at Southern Arkansas*	3 pm
Nov. 5	West Georgia*	1 pm

* GSC Games +Homecoming