

## 2002 Schedule/Results

	Opponent	Time/Result	Note
<b>February</b>			
12 (Tues.)	Tennessee Tech	W, 6-4	Nicolas walk-off 3-run HR
16 (Sat.)	West Virginia	W, 7-6	Mewbourne's 900th win
17 (Sun.)	West Virginia	W, 10-5	Kaye grand slam keys win
20 (Wed.)	Lipscomb	W, 6-3	Prothro homers 2x; 3-for-4
22 (Fri.)	at Louisville	2 p.m.	
23 (Sat.)	at Louisville	Noon	
24 (Sun.)	at Louisville	Noon	
27 (Wed.)	Memphis	3 p.m.	

### March

1 (Fri.)	Connecticut-#	3 p.m.	
2 (Sat.)	Iowa-#	1 p.m.	
3 (Sun.)	Saint Louis-#	1 p.m.	
5 (Tues.)	vs. Campbell-N1	1 p.m.	
7 (Thurs.)	at Central Fla.	5 p.m.	
8 (Fri.)	at Central Fla.	5 p.m.	
9 (Sat.)	vs. Temple-N2	6 p.m.	
13 (Wed.)	Belmont	3 p.m.	
15 (Fri.)	at LSU	6:30 p.m.	
16 (Sat.)	at LSU	2 p.m.	
17 (Sun.)	at LSU	12 p.m.	
20 (Wed.)	at Memphis	7 p.m.	
22 (Fri.)	Georgia	7 p.m.	
23 (Sat.)	Georgia	2 p.m.	
24 (Sun.)	Georgia	1 p.m.	
27 (Wed.)	at Tenn. Tech	4 p.m.	
29 (Fri.)	Arkansas (CSS)	7 p.m.	
30 (Sat.)	Arkansas (SEC-TV)	3 p.m.	
31 (Sun.)	Arkansas	1 p.m.	

### April

3 (Wed.)	at Western Ky.	6 p.m.	
5 (Fri.)	at Ole Miss	7 p.m.	
6 (Sat.)	at Ole Miss	1:30 p.m.	
7 (Sun.)	at Ole Miss	1:30 p.m.	
9 (Tues.)	at Austin Peay	6:30 p.m.	
12 (Fri.)	So. Carolina	7 p.m.	
13 (Sat.)	So. Carolina	2 p.m.	
14 (Sun.)	So. Carolina	1 p.m.	
16 (Tues.)	Evansville	7 p.m.	
17 (Wed.)	Evansville	3 p.m.	
19 (Fri.)	at Florida	5:30 p.m.	
20 (Sat.)	at Florida	3 p.m.	
21 (Sun.)	at Florida	11 a.m.	
23 (Tues.)	Middle Tenn.	7 p.m.	
26 (Fri.)	Miss. State	7 p.m.	
27 (Sat.)	Miss. State	7 p.m.	
28 (Sun.)	Miss. State	1 p.m.	

### May

1 (Wed.)	Austin Peay (CSS)	7 p.m.	
3 (Fri.)	at Auburn	6:30 p.m.	
4 (Sat.)	at Auburn	3:00 p.m.	
5 (Sun.)	at Auburn	1:30 p.m.	
7 (Tues.)	Western Ky.	7 p.m.	
10 (Fri.)	Kentucky	7 p.m.	
11 (Sat.)	Kentucky	7 p.m.	
12 (Sun.)	Kentucky	1 p.m.	
14 (Tues.)	at Middle Tenn.	7 p.m.	
17 (Fri.)	at Tennessee	6 p.m.	
18 (Sat.)	at Tennessee	3 p.m.	
19 (Sun.)	at Tennessee	1 p.m.	
22-26	SEC Tourney-N3	All Day	

### June

31-2	NCAA Regionals	TBA	
7-9	NCAA Super Regionals	TBA	
14-22	College World Series	TBA	

# — Music City Challenge; N1 — Jacksonville, Fla.;  
N2 — Orlando, Fla.; N3 — Hoover, Ala. All times Central  
and subject to change.



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### Game Nos. 5-7

**Vanderbilt (4-0, 0-0 SEC)**  
**at Louisville (0-0, 0-0 C-USA)**  
**February 22-24 • 2 p.m. CT • Noon CT • Noon CT**

**Television:** None; **Radio:** None  
**National Rankings:** Neither team is ranked in any poll.

### Head Coaches:

**Roy Mewbourne** is in his 30th season as a collegiate coach (902-654-9)  
and his 24th year at Vanderbilt (635-581-9).  
**Lelo Prado** is in his 14th season as a collegiate coach (436-301-2)  
and his seventh year at Louisville (158-177-1).

## Vanderbilt Takes Fast Start to River City For Three-Game Series at Louisville

The Vanderbilt Commodores (4-0), off to their best start since 1998, travel up I-65 to Louisville this weekend for a three-game series with the Cardinals. It marks the first road games of the season for the Commodores and their first three-game series.

Solid pitching and timely hitting have the Commodores perfect to date in the 2002 campaign after topping Lipscomb 6-3 Wednesday at the new Hawkins Field in Nashville. Senior pitchers Steven Faulkner (1-0, 8.0 IP, 4 H, 1 ER, 1 SO, 1.12 ERA) and Jeff Little (1-0, 8.1 IP, 10 H, 3 ER, 6 SO, 3.24 ERA) have made steady contributions as have freshmen pitchers LHP John Scott (1-0, 3.0 IP, 2H, 1 SO, 0.00 ERA) and RHP Scott Shapiro (0-0, 6.0 IP, 5 H, 2 ER, 4 SO, 3.00 ERA).

Another highly touted freshman hurler, LHP Jeremy Sowers, could take the mound in his first collegiate start as early as Sunday. The Louisville native was a first-round pick (19th overall) of the Cincinnati Reds who declined a professional contract. (More details on Sowers on page 3 of these notes.)

At the plate, it's been a different hero every game for the Commodores. Sophomore third baseman Cesar Nicolas smashed a walk-off three-run homer to left field in the season opener. Senior outfielder Karl Nonemaker (3-for-5) and sophomore catcher Jonathan Douillard (3-for-4) keyed VU's 7-6 win over West Virginia in the second game of the year. Junior outfielder John Kaye's grand slam propelled the Commodores to a two-game sweep of the Mountaineers the following day. And this Wednesday, senior third baseman John Prothro hit two home runs to help key a 6-3 victory.

## The Louisville Series

Vanderbilt holds a 10-0 lead in the all-time series which dates back to a 3-0 Commodore win in 1971. The Commodores and Cardinals last met in 2000, in a three-game series in Nashville. Vanderbilt won 18-5, 6-5 (10 innings) and 9-5. Current Commodore senior outfielder Karl Nonemaker posted a spectacular series, going 10-for-17 at the plate with eight RBI, four runs scored two home runs and a stolen base.

## Probable Starting Pitchers For The Weekend

### Louisville's Starters (Statistics from 2001)

Day	No.	Name	Yr.	L/R	APP-GS	IP	W-L-Sv	BB	SO	ERA
Fri.	23	Mike Tisdale	Jr.	RHP	17-15	94.2	7-6-0	15	73	5.13
Sat.	29	Scott Barber	Jr.	RHP	— TRANSFER —					
Sun.		TBA								

### Vanderbilt's Starters (Statistics from 2002)

Day	No.	Name	Yr.	L/R	APP-GS	IP	W-L-Sv	BB	SO	ERA
Fri.	22	Steven Faulkner	Sr.	RHP	2-1	8.0	1-0-0	5	3	1.12
Sat.	32	Jeff Little	Sr.	RHP	2-2	8.1	1-0-0	1	6	3.24
Sun.	10	Jeremy Sowers	Fr.	LHP	0-0	0.0	0-0-0	0	0	0.00

### Notes:

Faulkner was 2-1 with two no decisions as a starter against non-conference foes in 2000... Little posted a 3-0 record against non-SEC opponents a year ago. Louisville native Jeremy Sowers will make his collegiate debut Sunday unless Friday's or Saturday's game is postponed.

## 2002 Vanderbilt Numerical Roster

No.	Name	Position	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.-Exp.	Hometown (High School/Prev. School)
2	Worth Scott	OF/LHP	L/L	6-0	195	So.-1L	Hendersonville, Tenn. (Hendersonville)
3	Cesar Nicolas	SS/3B	R/R	6-4	220	So.-1L	Miami, Fla. (Westminster Christian)
5	Karl Nonemaker	CF/OF	L/L	6-1	190	Sr.-3L	Roxbury, N.J. (Roxbury)
6	Jay Smith	LHP	R/L	5-11	185	Jr.-2L	Clarksville, Tenn. (Clarksville Academy)
7	Zach Simpson	2B/SS	R/R	6-0	176	Fr.-HS	Fayetteville, Ark. (Fayetteville HS)
8	Scott Vanderhoff	2B/SS	R/R	5-8	170	Sr.-3L	Cumming, Ga. (Forsyth Central)
9	Tony Mansolino	SS/2B/3B	R/R	6-0	185	Fr.-HS	Clovis, Calif. (Buchanan)
10	Jeremy Sowers	LHP	L/L	6-0	165	Fr.-HS	Louisville, Ky. (Ballard)
11	John Prothro	3B/1B/OF	R/R	6-1	210	Sr.-2L	Woodstock, Ga. (Mobile Christian/Southern Union JC)
12	Chris Broadus	2B/3B	R/R	5-11	195	Sr.-1L	Saucier, Miss. (Haughton/Mississippi Gulf Coast)
14	Robert Ransom	RHP	R/R	6-3	225	So.-1L	Atlanta, Ga. (Westminster)
15	Jonathan Douillard	C	L/R	6-0	185	So.-1L	Acworth, Ga. (Harrison)
17	Paul Stempel	OF/1B	R/R	6-3	195	Fr.-RS	Lakewood, Colo. (Green Mountain)
18	Justin Elliott	OF	R/R	6-0	180	Fr.-HS	Nashville, Tenn. (Montgomery Bell Academy)
19	Eric Billings	SS/3B	R/R	6-1	180	Fr.-RS	Potomac, Md. (Georgetown Prep)
21	Ronald Hatcher	OF	R/R	5-10	180	So.-1L	Birmingham, Ala. (Shades Valley)
22	Steven Faulkner	RHP	R/R	6-3	200	Sr.-1L	Hendersonville, Tenn. (Beech/Volunteer State JC)
23	Chris Maulsby	RHP	R/R	6-2	210	Sr.-2L	Smyrna, Tenn. (Smyrna)
24	John Kaye	OF/1B	L/R	6-2	210	Jr.-2L	Granite Bay, Calif. (Granite Bay/Rice)
25	Sean Luellwitz	1B/C	R/R	6-5	230	Sr.-3L	Brookfield, Wis. (Marquette Univ. HS)
26	Matt Zeller	OF/1B	L/R	6-3	185	Fr.-HS	Kansas City, Mo. (Shawnee Mission East)
27	Jeff Sues	RHP	R/R	6-4	215	Fr.-HS	Middletown, N.J. (Red Bank Catholic)
32	Jeff Little	RHP	R/R	6-3	205	Sr.-3L	Palm Harbor, Fla. (Valparaiso [Ind.])
34	Mike McClure	OF	R/R	6-0	175	Fr.-HS	New Orleans, La. (Newman)
35	John Scott	LHP	L/L	6-3	235	Fr.-HS	Raleigh, N.C. (Woodberry Forest School)
36	Dean Bennett	RHP	R/R	6-2	210	Sr.-1L	Boise, Idaho (Hazel Green/Blue Mountain CC)
45	Scott Shapiro	RHP/1B	R/R	6-6	230	Fr.-HS	Oceanside, Calif. (St. Augustine)

### Coaching Staff

Head Coach: 1 Roy Mewbourne

Assistant Coach: 40 John Barlowe, 16 Derek Johnson

Volunteer Assistant Coach: 30 Mike Holder

### Pronunciation Guide

Chris BROADUS — BRAH-dus  
Jonathan DOUILLARD — DOO-lard  
Sean LUELLWITZ — LU-el-witz  
Karl NONEMAKER — NONE-ah-maker  
John PROTHRO — PRO-throw  
Tony MANSOLINO — MAN-so-lin-o

### Commodores By Class

#### Freshmen (11)

Eric Billings, Justin Elliott, Tony Mansolino,  
Mike McClure, John Scott, Scott Shapiro,  
Zach Simpson, Jeremy Sowers,  
Paul Stempel, Jeff Sues, Matt Zeller

#### Sophomores (5)

Jonathan Douillard, Ronald Hatcher,  
Cesar Nicolas, Robert Ransom,  
Worth Scott

#### Juniors (2)

John Kaye, Jay Smith

#### Seniors (9)

Dean Bennett, Chris Broadus,  
Steven Faulkner, Jeff Little, Sean Luellwitz,  
Chris Maulsby, Karl Nonemaker,  
John Prothro, Scott Vanderhoff

### Media Information

#### Interview Policy

All Vanderbilt coaches and players will be available throughout the season for interviews with members of the media. Requests for interviews should be made through the Media Relations Office at (615) 322-4121. Post-game interviews with Coach Mewbourne and requested players will be available after a mandatory 10-minute cooling off period.

#### Media Team Link

Accredited media only can access Vanderbilt and SEC baseball information at [www.mediateamlink.com](http://www.mediateamlink.com). If you do not have internet access, you can obtain the information from Media Team Link via fax by calling (770) 399-3066 from the handset of your fax machine. You will be asked to enter your PIN number and follow the voice prompts. The SEC passcode is 732. Codes for Vanderbilt are as follows:

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## **Last Game: VU 6, LU 3**

Third baseman John Prothro hit two home runs and went 3-for-4 to lead Vanderbilt to a 6-3 win over Lipscomb Wednesday, Feb. 20, at Hawkins Field. The win kept the Commodores undefeated in the early season at 4-0. Lipscomb fell to 0-7.

Trailing 1-0 in the bottom of the fourth, Vanderbilt rallied for three runs. After shortstop Tony Mansolino reached on a fielding error by Lipscomb third baseman Ryan Boyer, he scored on a double to center field by first baseman Sean Luellwitz. Left fielder John Kaye singled to right field to score Luellwitz. However, Kaye was caught stealing on the pitch before Prothro hit a solo homer to center field off Lipscomb starter Brian Passons (0-1).

Vanderbilt added a run in the seventh on an RBI-single to left field by Luellwitz that scored right fielder Worth Scott.

The Commodores added two insurance runs in the eighth on Prothro's solo home run to left field and center fielder Karl Nonemaker's RBI single to right field.

Five Vanderbilt pitchers saw action against the Bisons. Right-hander Chris Maultsby started the game and threw three innings, allowing two hits, an earned run and a walk to go along with a strikeout. Left-hander John Scott (1-0) pitched two innings and earned the win. He surrendered only one hit while striking out one.

Leading 3-1 in the sixth inning, right-hander Scott Shapiro bailed the Commodores out of a jam after right-hander Jeff Sues allowed a single and back-to-back walks. The first batter Shapiro faced, first baseman Michael Bailey, grounded into a double play as right fielder Kyle Jackson scored from third base. Catcher Matt Candler then flew out to right field to end the threat.

Right-hander Dean Bennett came on in the ninth and picked up his second save of the season, allowing one hit while striking out one.

## **Notes from Week 1**

• Head Coach Roy Mewbourne registered his 900th career coaching win Saturday when Vanderbilt edged West Virginia 7-6. He is the 35th coach in history to reach the 900-win plateau and ranks 19th among active coaches in victories. Heading into this week, he holds a career mark of 901-654-9.

• Senior outfielder Karl Nonemaker went 6-for-11 (.545) during the opening week of the season with a double, a triple, four runs scored and three RBI. Nonemaker moved into a three-way tie for sixth place on the VU all-time hits list with 220.

• Sophomore Cesar Nicolas hit a walk-off three-run home run to rally VU past Tennessee Tech, 6-4, on opening night, Feb. 12. It marked the first home run and Commodore win in the newly completed \$5.8 million Hawkins Field.

• Junior John Kaye hit a grand-slam home run Sunday against West Virginia, helping to spark VU to a 10-5 win. It was Vanderbilt's first grand slam since Andy Kropf accomplished the feat against Ole Miss (4/4/99). For the week he went 4-for-10 with three doubles, three runs scored, four RBI and four walks.

• Steven Faulkner pitched 8.0 innings during the week, allowing four hits, an earned run, and five walks to go along with his three strikeouts. His 1.12 ERA ranks first on the team among pitchers who threw three or more innings during the first week of the season.

• The Commodores left 34 runners on base in the first three games of 2002.

## **Ransom Out Until SEC Play**

Vanderbilt sophomore right hander Robert Ransom will not see action until at least the start of the Southeastern Conference schedule after surgery on his throwing arm during the summer.

Named a 2001 Louisville Slugger/Collegiate Baseball Honorable Mention Freshman All-American last season, Ransom

made 24 appearances on the mound with five starts. He led all Vanderbilt pitchers in appearances (24), ERA (4.92) and saves (two), while his 4.95 ERA against the SEC was a team-low among pitchers with 10 or more appearances. He tied for fourth in the conference with 24 appearances and finished fifth in the league with 14 games finished. Ransom's strongest outing as a starter came against Tennessee (5/13/01) when he came within a strike of a complete game victory, ending the day with career-highs in innings pitched (8.2) and strikeouts (six).

## **Sowers to Miss Six Games**

Freshman pitcher Jeremy Sowers must sit out Vanderbilt's first six games of the 2002 season due to an inadvertent minor NCAA rules violation.

Sowers and his family had sought advice regarding a proposed contract last summer after the Major League draft, where he was a first round selection of the Cincinnati Reds. According to NCAA policy, advisors and professional sports teams are not permitted to have contact on behalf of a student-athlete. In this instance, such contact did occur and it was ruled a secondary (minor) violation of NCAA rules.

Vanderbilt appealed the NCAA decision to no avail, saying that Sowers did nothing wrong, received no material benefit and had been saying all along he planned to play collegiately. The decision means that Sowers will miss what amounts to two starting opportunities.

"We were very disappointed with the NCAA's position," Commodore Head Coach Roy Mewbourne says. "The Sowers family took great pains to handle everything properly so any penalty seems extremely harsh to us. We've known about this for some time so it does not upset our season's plans as much as we think it's unfair to an honest student-athlete."

"My family and I thought the ruling was

## **Vanderbilt Baseball's New Home — Hawkins Field**



The 2002 season begins with great anticipation as the newly completed Hawkins Field takes centerstage, showcasing Vanderbilt's commitment to Commodore baseball.

Still nestled alongside Vanderbilt Stadium and Memorial Gymnasium on the west end of campus, Hawkins Field features a modern design with a classic baseball park atmosphere, including brick and iron features, more than 1,500 chair-back seats and a 35-foot-tall left field wall.

Vanderbilt's first home since McGugin Field was introduced 76 years ago, Hawkins Field will officially be dedicated April 27, 2002, honoring the Hawkins family. A long-time contributor to the Vanderbilt community, Charles Hawkins III played both football and baseball at Vanderbilt from 1952-54 and became the first Commodore pitcher to earn All-Southeastern Conference honors. He donated more than \$2 million toward the construction of the stadium. His father, Charles Hawkins II, lettered in both football and baseball at Vanderbilt in the mid-1920s.

### **Hawkins Field Construction Phases**

**Phase I** — Began immediately following the 2000 season and consisted of demolishing McGugin Field and erecting a new playing surface. This included:

- moving the field 45 feet along the first base line
- installing a drainage system that can percolate 13 inches of rain an hour
- laying TiffSport Grass
- constructing a unique 35-foot wall in left field along Memorial Gym
- installing brick along the backstop
- adding additional lighting

**Phase II** — Began immediately following the 2001 season and consisted of building a new grandstand and press box. This included:

- demolishing the old press box
- constructing the main entrance and external facade with brick and iron
- building the grandstand area and installing 1,598 chair-back seats
- adding a fully operational press box
- upgrading the stadium sound system

## Vanderbilt Head Coach Roy Mewbourne

The 30th season as a collegiate head coach promises to be special for Vanderbilt's Roy Mewbourne. In a season that has already seen him earn his 900th career win (2/16-West Virginia) the 56-year-old skipper has seen his dream of a new stadium come to fruition with the unveiling of Hawkins Field.

A catalyst in the stadium's construction, Mewbourne has played a vital role in fundraising, planning and oversight, and now has his Commodores charting a new future in Vanderbilt baseball.

Over the years the personable Mewbourne has earned the respect of his peers and players alike by combining a strong desire for success with his warm, friendly personality.

Amassing a **902-655-9** overall record and a **635-581-9** mark in 24 seasons at Vanderbilt, Mewbourne is the winningest coach in school history. He is the 35th coach in college baseball history to reach the 900-win plateau. His career victories total ranks third in the Southeastern Conference and among the 25 best in the nation for active coaches.

A nine-time "Coach of the Year" selection, Mewbourne has mentored several future stars while directing numerous squads to championships and appearances in both the NCAA and the NAIA tournaments. Hunter Bledsoe, the 1999 SEC Player of the Year, is one of 10 All-Americans and 19 All-SEC honorees to play for Mewbourne. Along with Bledsoe, 55 other Commodore players have inked professional baseball contracts after collegiate careers under Mewbourne.

Mewbourne has fielded some outstanding teams in his Vanderbilt tenure, highlighted by his 1980 squad that captured the SEC championship and earned him SEC Coach of the Year honors. At the same time, Mewbourne stresses excellence in the classroom. Ninety-five Commodores have earned Academic All-SEC honors since his arrival, including a school-record and league-best 13 last season.

Mewbourne came to Vanderbilt in 1979 from Birmingham-Southern College, a school which inducted him into its Hall of Fame in 2000. Mewbourne compiled a 267-74 record in six years, while being named NAIA District 27 Coach of the Year in 1973, 1974, 1975 and 1978. The Birmingham native was honored as the NAIA Area 5 Coach of the Year in 1974 and 1975 and the Southern States Conference Coach of the Year in 1978.

### (All records entering the 2002 season) SEC's Winningest Active Coaches

Coach	Wins
1. Norm DeBriyn, Arkansas .....	1,126
2. Ron Polk, Mississippi State .....	1,122
<b>3. Roy Mewbourne, Vanderbilt .....</b>	<b>898</b>
4. Keith Madison, Kentucky.....	697
5. Ray Tanner, South Carolina .....	612

### NCAA's Winningest Active Coaches

Coach (yrs.)	Wins
1. Augie Garrido, Texas (33) .....	1,323
2. Gene Stephenson, Wichita St. (24) ..	1,310
3. Chuck Hartman, Virginia Tech (42) ..	1,305
4. Larry Hays, Texas Tech (31) .....	1,278
5. Bob Bennett, Fresno St. (33) .....	1,268
<b>19. Roy Mewbourne, VU (29) .....</b>	<b>898</b>

### NCAA's Winningest Coaches All-Time

Coach (yrs.)	Wins
1. Cliff Gustafson, Texas (29) .....	1,427
2. Rod Dedeaux, So. Calif. (45) .....	1,332
3. *Augie Garrido, Texas (33) .....	1,323
4. *Gene Stephenson, Wichita St. (24) ..	1,310
5. *Chuck Hartman, Virginia Tech (42) ..	1,305
<b>35. Roy Mewbourne, VU (29) .....</b>	<b>898</b>

unjust," Sowers says, "but in the big picture I understand that we have no recourse but to move ahead."

## — SEASON NOTES —

### Honoring a Former Commodore

The Commodores will wear a #41 stitched into their caps this season to honor former Vanderbilt alum and relief pitcher Mark Hindy who died in the tragic events at the World Trade Center, Sept. 11, 2001. A native of the Bronx, N.Y., Hindy played for Vanderbilt from 1992-95 and worked for Cantor Fitzgerald.

The Vanderbilt Athletic Department has established the "Mark Hindy Memorial Fund" to honor the former Commodore. A plaque will be hung in the new stadium, the annual alumni-athlete golf will be renamed "The Mark Hindy Memorial" and an endowed baseball scholarship will be named in his honor.

For more information on Mark Hindy, please visit [www.vucommodores.com/baseball/mult/hindy](http://www.vucommodores.com/baseball/mult/hindy) or call the VU Athletics Department at 615-343-3109.

### A Closer Look at 2002 Schedule

Another challenging baseball schedule awaits the 2002 Vanderbilt Commodores with contests against 12 teams that appeared in the 2001 NCAA Tournament and six squads ranked in the Collegiate Baseball Preseason Poll.

#### Highlights

\* Thirty-one games against 12 teams that appeared in the 2001 NCAA Tournament. (Temple, Mississippi State, Ole Miss, LSU, Central Florida, South Carolina, Florida, Tennessee Tech, Middle Tennessee, Tennessee, Georgia, and Auburn.)

\*Seventeen games against six squads ranked in the 2002 Preseason Collegiate Baseball Poll. (No. 5 LSU, No. 8 South Carolina, No. 14 Ole Miss, No. 21 Florida, No. 23 Mississippi State and No. 40 Central Florida.)

\*Home slate features 29 dates; Visits from conference foes Georgia, Arkansas, South Carolina, Mississippi State and Kentucky;

In-state matchups with Tennessee Tech, Lipscomb, Memphis, Belmont, Middle Tennessee and Austin Peay.

\* The inaugural Music City Challenge at Hawkins Field, March 1-3, features Connecticut, Iowa and Saint Louis.

### Tentative Radio Schedule

International Sports Properties (ISP), a sports marketing partner of Vanderbilt Athletics, has announced the Commodore baseball radio schedule for 2002.

Joe Fisher, "The Voice of the Commodores," who has called play-by-play action for Vanderbilt football and men's basketball games since 1999, will call 12 Commodore baseball games on WNSR-560 AM in Nashville.

#### Radio Schedule

Date	Opponent	Start Time
3/23	Georgia	2 p.m. CT
3/24	Georgia	1 p.m. CT
3/30	Arkansas	3 p.m. CT
3/31	Arkansas	1 p.m. CT
4/13	So. Carolina	2 p.m. CT
4/14	So. Carolina	1 p.m. CT

### Mewbourne Through the Years

Year	University	W	L	T	Postseason
1973	Birmingham-So.	41	8	0	NAIA Champion
1974	Birmingham-So.	41	10	0	
1975	Birmingham-So.	49	9	0	NAIA, Area 5 Champion
1976	Birmingham-So.	43	12	0	NAIA Champion
1977	Birmingham-So.	47	21	0	NAIA, Southern States Conference Champs
1978	Birmingham-So.	46	14	0	Southern States Conference Champs
1979	Vanderbilt	21	25	0	
1980	Vanderbilt	34	21	1	SEC Champion
1981	Vanderbilt	26	25	1	
1982	Vanderbilt	28	17	2	
1983	Vanderbilt	22	23	1	
1984	Vanderbilt	28	17	0	
1985	Vanderbilt	35	16	0	
1986	Vanderbilt	25	29	0	
1987	Vanderbilt	27	25	0	
1988	Vanderbilt	30	23	0	
1989	Vanderbilt	31	21	2	
1990	Vanderbilt	28	30	0	
1991	Vanderbilt	29	27	0	
1992	Vanderbilt	29	24	1	
1993	Vanderbilt	32	23	1	
1994	Vanderbilt	28	30	0	
1995	Vanderbilt	26	30	0	
1996	Vanderbilt	29	25	0	
1997	Vanderbilt	31	24	0	
1998	Vanderbilt	25	28	0	
1999	Vanderbilt	22	33	0	
2000	Vanderbilt	21	33	0	
2001	Vanderbilt	24	31	0	
2002	Vanderbilt	4	0	0	
<b>OVERALL (29 yrs.)</b>		<b>902</b>	<b>654</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>(.578)</b>
<b>Vanderbilt (23 yrs.)</b>		<b>635</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>(.520)</b>
<b>Birmingham-So. (6 yrs.)</b>		<b>267</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(.783)</b>

4/27	Mississippi State	7 p.m. CT
4/27	Mississippi State	1 p.m. CT
5/11	Kentucky	7 p.m. CT
5/12	Kentucky	1 p.m. CT
5/18	at Tennessee	3 p.m. CT
5/19	at Tennessee	1 p.m. CT

### Tentative Television Schedule

The Commodores are tentatively schedule to appear on television three times in 2002. Other road contests at LSU (March 15-17) and at Florida (April 19-20) may be televised within the opponent's state, pending announcement from the school.

Television Schedule			
Date Time	Opponent	TV	Start
3/29 CT	Arkansas	CSS	7 p.m.
3/30 CT	Arkansas	SEC-TV	3 p.m.
5/1 CT	Austin Peay	CSS	7 p.m.

CSS- Comcast Sports Southeast;  
Channel 27 on Nashville Comcast cable system.  
SEC-TV- Appears on FoxSports South;  
Channel 28 on Nashville Comcast cable system.

### 2002 Leadoff Banquet

Former New York Yankees and Arizona Diamondbacks manager Buck Showalter was

## 2003 Vanderbilt Signees

Name	POS	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (High School)
Jeff Boutwell	OF	R/R	6-2	175	Panama City, Fla. (A. Crawford Mosley HS)
Matt Buschmann	RHP	R/R	6-2	175	Wildwood, Mo. (Lafayette HS)
Warner Jones	INF	R/R	5-10	165	Nashville, Tenn. (Montgomery Bell Academy)
Jensen Lewis	RHP	R/R	6-2	180	Cincinnati, Ohio (Anderson HS)
Matt McGraner	C	R/R	6-2	210	Germantown, Tenn. (Germantown HS)
Ryan Mullins	LHP	L/L	6-4	200	Nashville, Tenn. (Father Ryan HS)
Blake Owen	RHP	R/R	6-3	195	Cross Plains, Tenn. (East Robertson HS)
Jason Pridie	OF	L/R	6-1	175	Prescott, Ariz. (Prescott HS)

the keynote speaker at the second annual Vanderbilt Baseball Leadoff Banquet, Feb. 15, at the Nashville Marriott at Vanderbilt.

The annual fundraising event to highlight the upcoming season, also featured a silent auction, refreshments and an opportunity to dine with a Commodore baseball player. Items auctioned off included baseball memorabilia, golf outings and vacation trips.

### Stadium Catches Eye of Former Baseball Great

In town visiting a friend, former Los Angeles Dodger manager Tommy Lasorda saw a local newspaper feature story on Vanderbilt's newly completed Hawkins Field the day prior to the Commodores' season opener with Tennessee Tech (2/12/02). The curious Lasorda stopped by to get an up-close look at the progress and was impressed.

"This is a great stadium," said Lasorda to a local television crew at practice. "You have to have top-notch facilities to recruit the best athletes around the country. Those types of players will now take a closer look at Vanderbilt."

Lasorda visited with the Vanderbilt coaching staff and signed baseballs for the silent auction portion of the VU Leadoff Banquet (2/15).

### 2002 Captains

Senior outfielder Karl Nonemaker and senior first baseman and reserve catcher Sean Luellwitz were named captains of the 2002 Commodores.

### Accolades For Freshmen Class

Vanderbilt's freshmen class received high marks from two baseball publications in October. *Baseball America* ranked the class seventh in the nation while *Collegiate*

## Commodore Superlatives

### Team Highs

Batting	
At bats:	38 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Runs scored:	10 vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Hits:	16 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
RBI's:	9 vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Doubles:	4 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Triples:	2 vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Home runs:	2 vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Total bases:	20 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Walks:	7 vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Strikeouts:	10 vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Sac hits:	2 vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Sac flies:	1 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Stolen bases:	2 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Hit by pitch:	2 vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Caught stealing:	1 vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Runners LOB:	13 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Hit into DP:	2 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Fielding	
Putouts:	27 (4 games)
Assists:	15 vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Errors:	4 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Passed balls:	4 vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
DP's turned:	3 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Pitching	
Innings pitched:	9.0 (4 games)
Runs allowed:	3 vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Earned runs:	3 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Strikeouts:	3 vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Walks allowed:	3 vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Strikeouts:	6 vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Hits allowed:	5 vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Doubles allowed:	1 vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Triples:	1 vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Wild pitches:	1 vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Hit batters:	2 vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)

### Individual Highs

Batting	
At bats:	5 (6 games)
Runs scored:	2 (6 games)
Hits:	3 (4 games)
RBI's:	4 Cesar Nicolas vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Doubles:	4 John Kaye vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Triples:	2 John Kaye vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Home runs:	1 Karl Nonemaker vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Total bases:	1 Sean Luellwitz vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Walks:	2 John Prothro vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Strikeouts:	10 John Prothro vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Sac hits:	2 Karl Nonemaker vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Sac flies:	2 John Kaye vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Stolen bases:	2 Worth Scott vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Hit by pitch:	3 Sean Luellwitz vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Caught stealing:	3 Chris Broadus vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Runners LOB:	1 Scott Vanderhoff vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Hit into DP:	1 Cesar Nicolas vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Runners LOB:	1 Scott Vanderhoff vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Hit by pitch:	1 Tony Mansolino vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Caught stealing:	1 Karl Nonemaker vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Runners LOB:	1 (7 games)
Hit by pitch:	1 (5 games)
Caught stealing:	1 Karl Nonemaker vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Runners LOB:	1 Scott Vanderhoff vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Hit into DP:	1 John Kaye vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Runners LOB:	5 Chris Broadus vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Fielding	
Putouts:	11 Sean Luellwitz vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Assists:	5 (4 games)
Errors:	3 Cesar Nicolas vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Passed balls:	4 Sean Luellwitz vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Pitching	
Innings pitched:	6.0 Steven Faulkner vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Strikeouts:	3 Jeff Little vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Walks allowed:	3 Jeff Little vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Strikeouts:	3 Scott Shapiro vs Lipscomb (Feb 20, 2002)
Wild pitches:	1 Scott Shapiro vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)
Hit batters:	1 Jay Smith vs West Virginia (Feb 17, 2002)
Runners LOB:	1 Dean Bennett vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Hit batters:	1 Steven Faulkner vs Tennessee Tech (Feb 12, 2002)
Runners LOB:	1 Jeff Little vs West Virginia (Feb 16, 2002)

## Vanderbilt's Record When...

Scoring 1-4 Runs.....	0-0
Scoring 5-9 Runs.....	3-0
Scoring 10+ Runs .....	1-0
Shutouts.....	0-0
Vanderbilt Scores First .....	2-0
Opponent Scores First.....	2-0
Leading After 6 innings .....	4-0
Trailing After 6 innings .....	0-0
Tied After 6 innings .....	0-0
Leading After 7 innings .....	4-0
Trailing After 7 innings .....	0-0
Tied After 7 innings .....	0-0
Leading After 8 innings .....	4-0
Trailing After 8 Innings.....	0-0
Tied After 8 Innings .....	0-0
Extra Innings .....	0-0
Collects 1-4 Hits .....	0-0
Collects 5-9 Hits .....	1-0
Collects 10-plus Hits .....	3-0
Out-Hit Opponent .....	3-0
Out-Hit By Opponent .....	0-0
Same Hits as Opponent .....	1-0
VU Starter Gets Decision .....	2-0
VU Bullpen Gets Decision.....	2-0
One-Run Games .....	1-0
Two-Run Games .....	1-0
VU Hits a Home Run .....	3-0
Opponent Hits a Home Run .....	0-0
Errorless .....	1-0
Committing One Error .....	1-0
Committing 2-plus Errors.....	2-0
Opponent is Errorless .....	1-0
Opponent Commits One Error.....	0-0
Opponent Commits 2-plus Errors .....	2-0
Day Games .....	4-0
Night Games .....	0-0
At Home.....	4-0
On the Road .....	0-0
At Neutral Site .....	0-0
SEC Home.....	0-0
SEC Away .....	0-0
Vs. SEC Opponents.....	0-0
Vs. SEC East.....	0-0
Vs. SEC West .....	0-0
Vs. Non-Conference .....	4-0
Vs. Ranked Opponents .....	0-0
Vs. In-State Opponents .....	2-0
On Tuesday .....	1-0
On Wednesday .....	1-0
On Friday .....	0-0
On Saturday.....	1-0
On Sunday.....	1-0
In February .....	4-0
In March.....	0-0
In April .....	0-0
In May .....	0-0
In White Jerseys .....	1-0
In White Pinstripe Jerseys.....	3-0
In Black Jerseys .....	0-0
In Gray Pinstripe Jerseys .....	0-0

*Baseball* tabbed the Commodore newcomers 19th overall.

In *Baseball America*, VU freshmen ranked second in the SEC behind only LSU at No. 5.

## The Last Time...

### A Vanderbilt Team...

Won 10 or more consecutive games .....	2/13/98-3/1/98 (10)
Won 15 or more consecutive games .....	not on record
Won 10 or more consecutive SEC games .....	not on record
Lost five or more consecutive games .....	3/30/01 vs Florida - 4/7/01 vs Auburn (six games)
Scored 20 or more runs in a game .....	22 vs. Yale, 3/14/00
Hit consecutive home runs .....	Ashley Freeman, Adam Blue vs. Tennessee, 5/12/01
Hit three consecutive home runs .....	not on record
Shut out consecutive opponents .....	vs. St. Joseph's (12-0), 3/11/94
.....	vs. Morehead State (9-0), 3/14/94
Was shut out .....	vs. Florida (1-0), 3/31/01
Was shut out in two consecutive games.....	vs. Kentucky (0-14), (0-4), 4/23/76
Swept a conference doubleheader .....	vs. Georgia, 5/15/94
Was swept in a conference doubleheader .....	at Mississippi State, 3/12/00
Swept a conference series at home .....	vs. Florida, 4/11/97-4/14/97
Was swept in a conference series at home.....	vs. Florida, 3/30/01-4/1/01
Swept a conference series on the road .....	at Georgia, 4/15/93-4/16/93
Was swept in a conference series on the road.....	at Georgia, 5/4/01-5/5/01

### A Vanderbilt Player....

Hit two home runs in a game .....	John Prothro vs Lipscomb, 2/20/02
Hit three home runs in a game .....	Jeff Martin vs. Valparaiso, 3/13/91
Hit a grand slam home run .....	John Kaye vs. West Virginia, 2/17/02
Hit for the cycle .....	Clinton Johnston vs. Kentucky, 4/28/96
Had six or more RBI in a game.....	Andy Kropf (6) vs. Evansville, 4/12/00
Had five or more hits in a game.....	Kevin Geshke (5) vs. W. Kentucky, 4/25/00
Had 10 or more total bases in a game.....	Aaron Fausett (10) vs. Ole Miss, 4/4/99
Stole three or more bases in a game .....	Karl Nonemaker (3) vs. UAB 2/21/01
Had 10 or more strikeouts in a game.....	Steven Faulkner (13) vs. Ole Miss 4/29/01
Had 15 or more strikeouts on a game.....	Jeff Peeples (15) vs. DePauw, 3/18/73
Pitched a complete game .....	Steven Faulkner vs. MSU, 3/16/01
Pitched a nine-inning, complete game shutout .....	Phil Haigler vs. Kentucky, 4/26/96
Pitched a no-hitter .....	Doug Wessel vs. Belmont, 4/19/71
Pitched a perfect game .....	not on record