

# VANDERBILT COMMODORES

## Notes for Home Game Versus Alabama

### BROADCAST NOTES

#### Vanderbilt Radio Broadcast Team

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**Television:** None in Middle Tennessee. Pay-for-View is available in Alabama market.



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### COMMODORE SCHEDULE

| DATE     | OPPONENT              | (W/L)  | SCORE |
|----------|-----------------------|--------|-------|
| Aug. 31  | Georgia Tech          | (L)    | 3-45  |
| Sept. 7  | <b>FURMAN</b>         | (W)    | 49-18 |
| Sept. 14 | Auburn (JP)           | (L)    | 6-31  |
| Sept. 21 | Mississippi (JP)      | (L)    | 38-45 |
| Sept. 28 | <b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b> | (L)    | 14-20 |
| Oct. 12  | <b>MTSU</b>           | (L)    | 20-21 |
| Oct. 19  | Georgia               | (L)    | 17-48 |
| Oct. 26  | <b>UCONN</b>          | (W)    | 27-24 |
| Nov. 2   | <b>ALABAMA</b>        |        | 1:00  |
| Nov. 9   | <b>FLORIDA</b>        |        | 1:00  |
| Nov. 16  | Kentucky              | *12:00 |       |
| Nov. 23  | <b>TENNESSEE#</b>     | *1:00  |       |

Note: All Kickoff Times - CST

\* could change due to television

# To be played at Nashville Coliseum

### VANDERBILT (2-6, 0-4) HOSTS ALABAMA (6-2, 3-1)

Saturday, November 2, 2002 • Kickoff - 1:07 p.m. CST

Vanderbilt Stadium, Nashville, Tennessee

TELEVISION: Not Available in Middle Tennessee. Pay-for-View in Alabama

RADIO: Vanderbilt Radio Network (WSM-FM 95.5 flagship)

LIVE ON THE 'NET: <http://www.vucommodores.com/football/football.html>

### VANDERBILT-ALABAMA

#### SERIES HISTORY

- ★ Meeting Between Schools: 80th
- ★ Record: VU trails 19-56-4
- ★ Last Meeting: VU 9, UA. 12 (2001)
- ★ Last VU Win in Series: 30-21 (1984) excluding 1993 UA. forfeit
- ★ VU Record in Nashville: 13-26-2
- ★ VU Record on road: 6-30-2
- ★ Biggest VU Winning Margin: 78-0 (1906)
- ★ Worst VU Defeat: 71-0 (1945)

#### VU-ALABAMA SERIES NOTES

Vanderbilt has played only one squad, the University of Tennessee, more often than the Crimson Tide. In a series that dates to 1903, the Commodores ruled to the early days, winning eight of the first 10 games played. The Commodores have struggled since 1960s, winning just twice (excluding

the 1993 forfeit). Legendary Alabama Head Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant served as a Vanderbilt assistant under Red Sanders in the early 1940s before accepting the head coaching job at Kentucky.

#### TEAM SUPERLATIVES

##### ENTERING ALABAMA GAME

★ The Commodore victory against Connecticut was the first against a 1-A opponent since Oct. 27, 2001 when Vanderbilt scored a 42-28 win at Duke. It was Vanderbilt's first fourth quarter comeback win since Nov. 19, 1999 when the Commodores rallied late to defeat Kentucky, 24-20, in Lexington.

★ Nine freshmen started for the Commodores against Connecticut – QB **Jay Cutler**, FB **Matthew Tant** and TB **Kwane Doster** on offense; DE **Jovan Haye**, DT **Ralph McKenzie**, WLB **Marty Morgan**,

### QUICK FACTS ON THE TWO UNIVERSITIES

|                             | VANDERBILT   | ALABAMA  |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| <b>LOCATION</b>             | Nashville, Tenn.   | Tuscaloosa, Ala.                                       |
| <b>FOUNDED</b>              | 1873   | 1831   |
| <b>ENROLLMENT</b>           | 6,241  | 19,400   |
| <b>CONFERENCE AFFILIATE</b> | Southeastern   | Southeastern   |
| <b>NICKNAME</b>             | Commodores   | Crimson Tide   |
| <b>MASCOT</b>               | Mr. Commodore  | Big Al   |
| <b>COLORS</b>               | Black & Gold   | Crimson & White  |
| <b>HOME FIELD</b>           | Vanderbilt Stadium<br>(41,221)                                 | Denny-Bryant Stadium<br>(83,818)                       |
|                             | natural grass  | natural grass  |
| <b>Head Coach</b>           | Bobby Johnson (1st year)                                       | Dennis Franchione (2nd year)                           |
| <b>Alma Mater</b>           | Clemson, 1973  | Pittsburgh State (Kansas) 1973                         |
| <b>Head Coaching Record</b> | 2-6 (62-42 overall)  | 13-7 (158-72-2 overall)                                |
| <b>Website</b>              | <a href="http://www.vucommodores.com">www.vucommodores.com</a> | <a href="http://www.rolltide.com">www.rolltide.com</a> |

# Game Notes

SLB Herdley Harrison and CB **Dominique Morris** on defense; and kicker/punter **Greg Johnson** on special teams. Eleven others saw action in the game.

★ Commodore offensive statistical categories are dominated by freshmen players. Except for senior **Dan Stricker** in receiving, a freshmen is leading the way in every offensive stat. Cutler leads in passing, rushing touchdowns and total offense. Doster has the team lead in rushing, all-purpose yardage and kickoff return yardage. **Erik Davis** has the team lead in punt return yardage.

★ The Commodores have rushed for at least 200 yards in four games, and have outrushed their opponents 1,644-1,389 yards on the year. The rushing success has contributed to Vanderbilt's overall edge in time of possession: 30:14-29:46.

In 2001, operating in a lone back set, the Commodores surpassed 200 yards rushing once (in 42-28 win over Duke).

★ After allowing Georgia to convert on nine of 14 third-down attempts, the Vanderbilt defense held Connecticut to one third-down conversion in 11 tries.

★ Vanderbilt continues to experience success scoring in the red zone. The Commodores scored touchdowns on all four possessions inside the Connecticut 20, making them 22 of 25 (88%) on the season.

## STRICKER CONTINUES UP SEC, VANDERBILT RECEIVING MARKS

Despite surpassing a pair of former SEC greats in two career receiving charts, senior WR **Dan Stricker** finds himself with new competitor for career yardage in Georgia's Terrence Edwards.

Stricker caught three passes for 54 yards against UConn, and passed former LSU receiver Wendell Davis into sixth place all-time with 2,716 receiving yards. Hours later, Edwards amassed 127 yards against Kentucky to pass Davis and Stricker.

Stricker did jump ahead of another former LSU standout, Josh Reed, on

the career receptions list. He has 168 catches, just four shy of the SEC all-time top ten.

Stricker and Edwards are chasing Reed's SEC mark of 3,001 career yards. Stricker needs 286 yards in the last four games to surpass the mark.

He also needs 251 yards receiving to grab the Vanderbilt record away from former Boo Mitchell (1985-88).

### ALL-TIME SEC - CAREER RECEIVING YARDS

| #   | PLAYER, SCHOOL                   | CAREER YARDS |
|-----|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 1.  | Josh Reed, LSU                   | 3,001        |
| 2.  | <b>Boo Mitchell, Vanderbilt</b>  | <b>2,964</b> |
| 3.  | Craig Yeast, Kentucky            | 2,899        |
| 4.  | Anthony Lucas, Arkansas          | 2,879        |
| 5.  | Joey Kent, Tennessee             | 2,814        |
| 6.  | *Terrence Edwards, Ga.           | 2,740        |
| 7.  | <b>*Dan Stricker, Vanderbilt</b> | <b>2,716</b> |
| 8.  | Wendell Davis, LSU               | 2,708        |
| 9.  | Eric Martin, LSU                 | 2,625        |
| 10. | Carlos Alvarez, Florida          | 2,563        |

\* Denotes Active Player

### ALL-TIME SEC LEADERS - CAREER RECEPTIONS

| #   | PLAYER, SCHOOL                   | CAREER RECEPTIONS |
|-----|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1.  | Craig Yeast, Kentucky            | 208               |
| 2.  | <b>Keith Edwards, Vanderbilt</b> | <b>200</b>        |
| 3.  | Anthony White, Kentucky          | 194               |
| 4.  | Boo Mitchell, Vanderbilt         | 188               |
| 5.  | *Terrence Edwards, Georgia       | 184               |
| 6.  | Wendell Davis, LSU               | 183               |
| 7.  | Joey Kent, Tennessee             | 183               |
| 8.  | Brice Hunter, Georgia            | 182               |
| 9.  | Marcus Nash, Tennessee           | 177               |
| 10. | Carlos Alvarez, Florida          | 172               |
| 11. | <b>*Dan Stricker, Vanderbilt</b> | <b>168</b>        |

\* Denotes Active Player

### ALL-TIME VANDERBILT TD RECEPTIONS LIST

| #  | PLAYER                          | TD RECEPTIONS |
|----|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. | Chuck Scott (1981-84)           | 20            |
| 2. | <b>Dan Stricker (1999-2002)</b> | <b>19</b>     |
| 3. | Allama Matthews (1981-82)       | 18            |

### ALL-TIME VANDERBILT RECEPTIONS LIST

| #  | PLAYER                          | RECEPTIONS |
|----|---------------------------------|------------|
| 1. | Keith Edwards, (1980,82-83)     | 200        |
| 2. | Boo Mitchell (1985-88)          | 188        |
| 3. | <b>Dan Stricker (1999-2002)</b> | <b>168</b> |

## ALABAMA 12, VANDERBILT 9

VANDERBILT STADIUM, NASHVILLE

SEPTEMBER 8, 2001

The Commodores went toe-to-toe with Alabama before falling 12-9 in front of 37,318 spectators and a regional television audience. In the closing seconds, Vanderbilt missed an opportunity to send the game into overtime. The Commodore defense played superb, holding the Tide to 357 total yards and the first SEC opponent without a touchdown since Nov. 6, 1993 (vs. Kentucky).

Chuck Folino kicked three field goals and punter Joe Webb had a career day, averaging 57 yards on three attempts, including a career-long, 78-yarder. Besides Webb's performance, the Commodores received career highs from running back Lew Thomas (89 yards on 10 carries), Brandon Smith (73 yards on three receptions) and Jason Mathenia (three catches for 41 yards). Zolman completed passes to eight different receivers. Defensively, linebacker Antuan Bradford had 12 tackles while end Chuck Losey added a forced fumble.

### SCORING SUMMARY

|            | ALABAMA | 0 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 12 |
|------------|---------|---|---|---|---|----|
| VANDERBILT | 3       | 3 | 0 | 3 | 9 |    |

FIRST QUARTER: VU - Folino, 20-yard FG, 3:09.

SECOND QUARTER: UA - Thomas 35-yard FG, 11:35. UA - Thomas, 26-yard FG, 4:50. VU - Folino, 25-yard FG, :20.

THIRD QUARTER: UA - Thomas, 31-yard FG, 1:32.

FOURTH QUARTER: VU - Folino, 38-yard FGI, 7:50. UA - Thomas, 27-yard FG, 5:01.

### GAME STATISTICS

|                               | UA      | VU      |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|
| First Downs                   | 17      | 20      |
| Rushes-Yards (net)            | 43-229  | 35-143  |
| Passing Yards (net)           | 128     | 253     |
| Passes Att-Comp-Int           | 17-10-0 | 35-17-0 |
| Total Offense - Plays/Yardage | 60-357  | 70-396  |
| Fumble Returns-Yards          | 0-0     | 0-0     |
| Punt Returns-Yards            | 1-12    | 0-0     |
| Kickoff Returns-Yards         | 4-126   | 2-48    |
| Interception Returns-Yards    | 0-0     | 0-0     |
| Punts (Number-Avg)            | 3-28.3  | 3-57.0  |
| Fumbles-Lost                  | 1-0     | 4-1     |
| Penalties-Yards               | 4-30    | 6-33    |
| Possession Time               | 30:19   | 29:41   |
| Sacks By: Number-Yards        | 1-7     | 2-12    |

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**Rushing:** UA - Galloway, 24-144; Hudson, 11-69; Watts, 8-16. VU - Thomas, 10-89; Williams, 14-32; Stricker, 3-16; Mathenia, 1-7; Greg Zolman, 6-5;

Team 1-minus 6.

**Passing:** UA - Watts 10-17-0-128. VU - Zolman, 17-34-0-253; Stricker 0-1-0-0.

**Receiving:** UA - Carter, 3-30; Luke, 2-28; Jones, 2-28; Sanders, 1-26; Collins, 1-8; Milons, 1-8. VU - Stricker, 3-75; Smith, 3-73; Mathenia, 3-41; Williams, 3-23; Hatcher, 2-27; Garrett, 1-9; Thomas, 1-5; N. Hasanoglu, 1-0.

# Game Notes

## TOP INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

### FOLLOWING CONNECTICUT GAME

Freshman TB **Kwane Doster** moved to third all-time among Vanderbilt freshmen rushers with his third 100-yard performance against UConn.

Doster gained 109 yards on a career-high 24 carries.

Doster enters the Alabama contest with 582 rushing yards. He trails only Rodney Williams (608 yards in 1998) and Carl Woods (644 yards in 1983) in single-season rushing yardage among former Vanderbilt freshmen rushers. Williams is also the only VU freshman to post more than three 100-yard rushing performances. He accomplished the feat four times in 1998.

Doster also compiled 170 all-purpose yards in the victory – 109 yards rushing, 51 yards on kickoff returns and 10 yards receiving. He is third in the SEC in all-purpose yardage.

#### ALL-TIME VANDERBILT FRESHMEN RUSHERS

| #  | PLAYER                     | RUSHING YARDS |
|----|----------------------------|---------------|
| 1. | Carl Woods(1983)           | 644           |
| 2. | Rodney Williams (1998)     | 608           |
| 3. | <b>Kwane Doster (2002)</b> | <b>582</b>    |
| 4. | Jimmy Williams (1997)      | 527           |
| 5. | Jared McGrath (1997)       | 491           |

## TOP INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

### FOLLOWING CONNECTICUT GAME

★ Senior **Jim May** earned his 37th consecutive career start at offensive guard against Connecticut. He has started the most consecutive games as a Commodore. May is followed by center **Jamie Byrum** (30 starts) and Stricker (29 starts)

★ Redshirt freshman **Ralph McKenzie** earned his first career start at defensive tackle, and became the seventh defensive line starter for the Commodores this season.

★ Freshman **Erik Davis** of Nashville had a superb game returning punts. He averaged 14.3 yards on four returns. His 31-yarder in the second quarter was both a career high and team high for the season.

Another freshman WR, **Grant Brigham**, had an important 11-yard return late in the fourth quarter to give Vanderbilt outstanding field possession of its game-winning drive.

★ Middle linebacker **Hunter Hillenmeyer** reached double digits in tackles for the eighth consecutive game with a 12-tackle effort against Connecticut.

He is on target to rack up the most tackles since 1989 when Demond Winston achieved 169 in a 11-game season. The school record is Chris Gaines' staggering total of 214 tackles in 1987.

★ Redshirt freshman quarterback **Jay Cutler** amassed 225 total yards – 171 yards passing and 54 yards rushing. He also accounted for three TDs – two rushing and one passing. He leads all Southeastern Conference quarterbacks with seven rushing touchdowns.

Cutler's 1,049 passing yards is now second all-time among VU freshman quarterbacks. He passed Greg Zolman with his performance versus Connecticut. He needs 435 yards to surpass John Gromos (1,483 passing yards in 1985).

After completing just two of five first half attempts against Connecticut, Cutler hit on nine of 13 passes in the second half. He has not thrown an interception in his last 38 attempts.

★ After missing three games with a foot ailment, **Dominique Morris** was back in the starting secondary against Connecticut. Playing nearly every snap, Morris contributed a career-high eight tackles in the win.

★ Another redshirt freshman, FB **Matthew Tant**, had his best game as a Commodore, rushing for 65 yards on just eight carries. He set a career high with a 40-yard carry in the second quarter.

★ CB **Rushen Jones** had six tackles against UConn, enabling the four-year starter to post a new single-season high of 49 total stops. He and three other veteran defenders - safety **Justin Giboney**, **Hillenmeyer** and safety **Jonathan Shaub** - have eclipsed previous single-season highs for tackles.

★ WR **Brandon Smith** made three important receptions for the Commodores. His first – a sensational 15-yard catch over the middle – helped Vanderbilt convert a third-and-long possession. The Commodores scored two plays later to go ahead, 14-10. His second catch also resulted in a first

## PLAYER PARTICIPATION

| PLAYER                   | GAMES PLAYED | STARTS |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------|
| Mike Adam                | 1            | 0      |
| Kenan Arkan              | 8            | 7      |
| Brett Beard              | 7            | 0      |
| Chris Booker             | 6            | 1      |
| Jason Bourque            | 7            | 0      |
| Curtis Brancheau         | 8            | 0      |
| Zeke Brandon             | 7            | 0      |
| Steven Brent             | 2            | 0      |
| Grant Brigham            | 7            | 0      |
| Ray Brown                | 2            | 0      |
| Pat Brunner              | 8            | 0      |
| Eric Byrum               | 7            | 4      |
| Jamie Byrum              | 8            | 8      |
| Jason Caldwell           | 2            | 0      |
| Aaron Carter             | 8            | 8      |
| Matt Clay                | 8            | 7      |
| Bara Cola                | 8            | 2      |
| Ryan Cuffee              | 8            | 0      |
| Jay Cutler               | 7            | 7      |
| Jason Daniels            | 8            | 0      |
| Erik Davis               | 6            | 0      |
| Robert Dinwiddie         | 7            | 1      |
| Kwane Doster             | 8            | 2      |
| Dustin Dunning           | 8            | 0      |
| M.J. Garrett             | 8            | 8      |
| Justin Geisinger         | 8            | 8      |
| Nick Getter              | 8            | 2      |
| Justin Giboney           | 8            | 8      |
| Herdley Harrison         | 8            | 2      |
| Ronald Hatcher (injured) | 2            | 1      |
| Jovan Hays               | 8            | 6      |
| Hunter Hillenmeyer       | 8            | 8      |
| Trey Holloway            | 6            | 0      |
| Markessus House          | 2            | 0      |
| Abtin Iranmanesh         | 2            | 2      |
| Greg Johnson             | 8            | 8      |
| Rushen Jones             | 8            | 8      |
| Ryan King                | 4            | 0      |
| Brian Kovalisky          | 7            | 7      |
| Clark Lea                | 7            | 0      |
| Chuck Losey              | 8            | 8      |
| Nick Lyle                | 7            | 0      |
| Howdy MacPherson         | 8            | 0      |
| Mike Martin              | 8            | 0      |
| Jim May                  | 8            | 8      |
| Norval McKenzie          | 5            | 4      |
| Ralph McKenzie           | 8            | 1      |
| Aaron McWhorter          | 8            | 2      |
| Antoine Morgan           | 2            | 0      |
| Marty Morgan             | 7            | 3      |
| Dominique Morris         | 5            | 5      |
| Kelechi Ohanaja          | 8            | 0      |
| Moses Osemwegie          | 7            | 2      |
| Andrew Pace              | 8            | 0      |
| Lorenzo Parker           | 8            | 0      |
| Jordan Pettit (injured)  | 1            | 1      |
| Mac Pyle                 | 6            | 2      |
| Greg Robson              | 4            | 0      |
| Juan Rojas               | 1            | 0      |
| Nigel Seaman             | 4            | 0      |
| Jonathan Shaub           | 8            | 8      |
| Tom Simone               | 8            | 5      |
| Brandon Smith            | 8            | 1      |
| Dan Stricker             | 8            | 8      |
| Ronnie Swoopes           | 2            | 0      |
| Matthew Tant             | 8            | 6      |
| Libnir Telusca           | 8            | 0      |
| Cheron Thompson          | 8            | 3      |
| Benji Walker             | 6            | 1      |
| Brandon Walthour         | 6            | 3      |
| Keith Williams           | 8            | 1      |

# Game Notes

down.

★ **Shaub's** interception in the closing minutes to seal the Vanderbilt win was his second of the season. The total is a career high for Shaub and team high for the Commodores this year.

★ Outside linebacker **Brandon Walthour** had his first career interception early in the second quarter against Connecticut.

★ **Greg Johnson** missed his only field goal attempt from 46 yards, but averaged 41.4 yards on five punts. His best effort, a 53-yarder, pinned Connecticut at its own 5-yard-line late in the fourth quarter. The Commodores eventually held the Husky offense without a first down, then won the game on a short 29-yard touchdown drive.

## HILLENMEYER RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS ACADEMIC HONOR

Linebacker **Hunter Hillenmeyer** was selected last week as a 2002 "National Scholar-Athlete" by the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame.

Hillenmeyer, who enters the Alabama game

as the SEC's top tackler, was one of just six I-A football players to be honored. He is the first from Vanderbilt player recognized since linebacker Andy McCarroll in 1989 and just the fourth Commodore to receive the award.

The Nashville native maintains a 3.79 GPA as a double-major in Economics and Human and Organizational Development.

The award carries an \$18,000 post-graduate scholarship - the largest of its kind - and is presented to players excelling in scholarship, citizenship and athletic performance. Hillenmeyer will be recognized Dec. 10 at a special banquet at Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City.

## Ten Commodores Are Residents of Alabama

The Vanderbilt roster includes ten residents of Alabama, including several key contributors from the Birmingham area.

Three residents of the Birmingham suburbs - junior defensive tackle Brett Beard of Vestavia, freshman receiver Grant Brigham of Mountain Brook and freshman safety Andrew Pace of Mountain Brook - have earned the

most playing time of the 10-person Commodore contingent from the state. A fourth player, junior tailback Ronald Hatcher of Birmingham, was an early season starter before being lost for the season with a leg injury.

Other Commodores from Alabama include redshirt freshmen wide receiver Jason Caldwell, tight end Dustin Dunning and linebacker Paul Meadows, all of Hoover; junior receiver Markessus House, Birmingham; junior kicker Abtin Iranmanesh, Madison; and freshman kicker Patrick Johnson, Athens.

## VU ON ESPN GAMEDAY TODAY

The Vanderbilt football team was featured last Saturday on ESPN *College GameDay* for the first time in the show's nine-year run.

The segment, authored by reporter Curry Kirkpatrick, looked at Vanderbilt's ban of profanity on the football field. The policy was initiated by Coach Johnson when he arrived on campus last spring from Furman.

## PLAYER PRONUNCIATIONS

Kenan (KENN-in) Arkan  
 Curtis Brancheau (Branch-0)  
 Kwane (Qa-nay) Doster  
 Justin Giboney (GIB-uh-knee)  
 Justin Geisinger (GUY-zinger)  
 Jovan Haye (Hay)  
 Markessus (Mar-KEY-sus) House  
 Abtin (Ab-ten) Iranmanesh (I-rah-ma-nesh)  
 Norval (Nor-VOL) McKenzie  
 Aaron McWhorter (Mc-WHERT-er)  
 Kelechi (KUH-lechi) Ohanaja (Oh-a-na-jay)  
 Moses Osemwegie (Oh-SEM-uh-gee)  
 Tom Simone (Si-MOAN)  
 Libnir Telusca (Tuh-LEW-scu)  
 Brandon Walthour (Walt-hour)

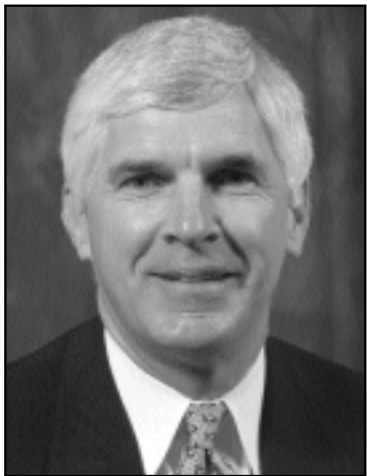
### COMMODORE CONSECUTIVE GAMES STARTED STREAK

| PLAYER                  | GAMES |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Jim May, OG             | 37    |
| Jamie Byrum, C          | 30    |
| Dan Stricker, WR        | 29    |
| Chuck Losey, DE         | 19    |
| Hunter Hillenmeyer, MLB | 19    |
| M.J. Garrett, WR        | 13    |
| Aaron Carter, DT        | 8     |
| Justin Geisinger, OT    | 8     |
| Justin Giboney, SS      | 8     |
| Greg Johnson, P/K       | 8     |
| Rushen Jones, CB        | 8     |
| Jonathan Shaub, FS      | 8     |
| Kenan Arkan, OT         | 7     |
| Matthew Tant, FB        | 4     |
| Brian Kovolisky, RG     | 3     |
| Marty Morgan, OLB       | 3     |
| Jay Cutler, QB          | 2     |
| Herdley Harrison, OLB   | 2     |
| Kwane Doster, TB        | 1     |
| Jovan Haye, DE          | 1     |
| Ralph McKenzie, DT      | 1     |
| Dominique Morris, CB    | 1     |
| Tom Simone, TE          | 1     |

### COMMODORES TO PLAY IN EVERY GAME OF CAREER

| PLAYER                  | GAMES |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Hunter Hillenmeyer, MLB | 41    |
| Mike Martin, SS         | 41    |
| Jim May, OG             | 41    |
| Aaron McWhorter, CB     | 41    |
| Tom Simone, TE          | 41    |
| Libnir Telusca, DE      | 30    |
| Curtis Brancheau, TE    | 19    |
| Pat Brunner, MLB        | 19    |
| Matt Clay, DT           | 19    |
| Lorenzo Parker, CB      | 19    |
| Kwane Doster, TB/KR     | 8     |
| Dustin Dunning, TE      | 8     |
| Herdley Harrison, OLB   | 8     |
| Jovan Haye, DE          | 8     |
| Greg Johnson, P/K       | 8     |
| Ralph McKenzie, DT      | 8     |
| Kelechi Ohanaja, CB/S   | 8     |
| Andrew Pace, SS         | 8     |
| Matthew Tant, FB        | 8     |
| Cheron Thompson, CB     | 8     |
| Keith Williams, WR      | 8     |

# Head Coach **Bobby Johnson**



**AGE:** 51  
**HIGH SCHOOL:** EAU CLAIRE (COLUMBIA, SC) '68  
**ALMA MATER:** CLEMSON  
**DEGREES:** BACHELOR'S IN MANAGEMENT, 1973, CLEMSON; MASTER'S IN EDUCATION, 1979, FURMAN  
**FAMILY:** WIFE, CATHERINE

## COACHING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ★ **58-38 REGULAR SEASON RECORD AS HEAD COACH**
  - ★ **4-4 NCAA PLAYOFF RECORD AS HEAD COACH**
  - ★ **I-AA NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR (2001)**
  - ★ **I-AA REGION II COACH OF THE YEAR (1996, 1999, 2001)**
  - ★ **THREE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE TITLES (1999, 2000, 2001)**
  - ★ **201-98-8 COMBINED RECORD (25+ YEARS OF COLLEGIATE COACHING)**
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- JOHNSON IS SEEKING HIS FIRST WIN OVER AN SEC OPPONENT.**
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- JOHNSON IS THE 25TH HEAD COACH IN VANDERBILT FOOTBALL HISTORY**

## A SUMMARY OF JOHNSON'S COACHING CAREER

| YEAR | SCHOOL     | POSITION                           | RECORD    | HIGHLIGHTS   |
|------|------------|------------------------------------|-----------|--|
| 2002 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach                         | 2-6 (0-4) |  |
| 2001 | Furman     | Head Coach                         | 12-3      | I-AA Finals;<br>Conference Co-Champion;<br>I-AA Coach of the Year;<br>I-AA Region II Coach of Year |
| 2000 | Furman     | Head Coach                         | 9-3       | I-AA Playoffs;<br>Conference Co-Champion   |
| 1999 | Furman     | Head Coach                         | 9-3       | I-AA Playoffs;<br>Conference Champions;<br>I-AA Region II Coach of Year                            |
| 1998 | Furman     | Head Coach                         | 5-6       |  |
| 1997 | Furman     | Head Coach                         | 7-4       |  |
| 1996 | Furman     | Head Coach                         | 9-4       | I-AA Playoffs;<br>I-AA Region II Coach of Year   |
| 1995 | Furman     | Head Coach                         | 6-5       |  |
| 1994 | Furman     | Head Coach                         | 3-8       |  |
| 1993 | Clemson    | Defensive Coordinator              | 8-3       |  |
| 1992 | Furman     | Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator | 6-5       |  |
| 1991 | Furman     | Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator | 7-4       |  |
| 1990 | Furman     | Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator | 9-4       | I-AA Playoffs;<br>Conference Champions   |
| 1989 | Furman     | Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator | 12-2      | I-AA Playoffs;<br>Conference Champions   |
| 1988 | Furman     | Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator | 13-2      | I-AA National Champions;<br>Conference Champions   |
| 1987 | Furman     | Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator | 7-4       |  |
| 1986 | Furman     | Asst. Head Coach, Def. Coordinator | 7-3-2     |  |
| 1985 | Furman     | Defensive Coordinator              | 12-2      | I-AA Finals;<br>Conference Champion  |
| 1984 | Furman     | Defensive Coordinator              | 8-3       |  |
| 1983 | Furman     | Defensive Coordinator              | 10-2-1    | Conference Champion  |
| 1982 | Furman     | Defensive Backs Coach              | 9-3       | Conference Champion  |
| 1981 | Furman     | Defensive Backs Coach              | 8-3       | Conference Champion  |
| 1980 | Clemson    | Athletic Academic Counselor        |           |  |
| 1979 | Furman     | Defensive Backs Coach              | 5-6       |  |
| 1978 | Furman     | Defensive Backs Coach              | 8-3       | Conference Champion  |
| 1977 | Furman     | Defensive Backs Coach              | 4-5-2     |  |
| 1976 | Furman     | Defensive Ends Coach               | 6-4-1     |  |

## COACH JOHNSON'S WEEKLY MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES

Coach Johnson is available to the media each week at his regular press conference on Mondays (12:00 noon, McCall Room, McGugin Center at Vanderbilt) or during the weekly SEC Head Coaches' Teleconference at 10:56 a.m. (CST) on Wednesdays.

Upon request, Coach Johnson also is available for a brief period before or after regular team practices on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

## THE BOBBY JOHNSON RADIO SHOW

The Bobby Johnson Radio Show features a new date, time and location from previous shows by Vanderbilt head coaches. Johnson's one-hour call-in show with host Joe Fisher is on Mondays, starting at 7:00 p.m. (CST), live from The Cooker Bar & Grill on West End Avenue in Nashville. WSM AM-650 will air the call-in show.

# Commodore Depth Chart

## OFFENSE

|           |                     |                  |
|-----------|---------------------|------------------|
| <b>LT</b> | 71 JUSTIN GEISINGER | 6-4, 320 So.     |
|           | 62 Ryan King        | 6-7, 290, R-Fr.  |
| <b>LG</b> | 72 JIM MAY          | 6-4, 302, SR.    |
|           | 67 Greg Robson      | 6-4, 286, So.    |
| <b>C</b>  | 55 JAMIE BYRUM      | 6-4, 286, SR.    |
|           | 78 Steven Brent     | 6-3, 278, Fr.    |
| <b>RG</b> | 76 BRIAN KOVOLISKY  | 6-7, 272, So.    |
|           | 65 Mac Pyle         | 6-5, 310, Fr.    |
| <b>RT</b> | 70 KENAN ARKAN      | 6-7, 285, So.    |
|           | 63 Nigel Seaman     | 6-5, 300, R-Fr.  |
| <b>TE</b> | 84 TOM SIMONE       | 6-5, 245, SR.    |
|           | 81 Nick Getter      | 6-4, 250, Jr.    |
| <b>QB</b> | 6 JAY CUTLER        | 6-4, 208, Jr.    |
|           | 3 Benji Walker      | 6-4, 216, Jr.    |
| <b>TB</b> | 40 KWANE DOSTER     | 5-11, 175, Fr.   |
|           | 28 Matthew Tant     | 5-11, 218, R-Fr. |
| <b>FB</b> | 28 MATTHEW TANT     | 5-11, 218, R-Fr. |
|           | 41 Bara Cola        | 6-0, 242, Sr.    |
| <b>WR</b> | 85 DAN STRICKER     | 6-3, 201, Sr.    |
|           | 18 Keith Williams   | 6-1, 185, R-Fr.  |
| <b>WR</b> | 24 M.J. GARRETT     | 6-3, 202, SR.    |
|           | 80 Brandon Smith    | 6-1, 180, So.    |

## DEFENSE

|            |                       |                    |
|------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| <b>DE</b>  | 91 JOVAN HAYE         | 6-5, 265, R-Fr.    |
|            | 53 Antoine Morgan     | 6-5, 235, Fr.      |
| <b>DT</b>  | 69 AARON CARTER       | 6-3, 276, So.      |
|            | 92 Brett Beard        | 6-3, 290, Jr.      |
| <b>DT</b>  | 95 Ralph McKenzie     | 6-4, 297, R-Fr.    |
|            | 99 MATT CLAY          | 6-2, 292, So.      |
| <b>DE</b>  | 54 CHUCK LOSEY        | 6-4, 252, Sr.      |
|            | 96 Robert Dinwiddie   | 6-5, 288, So.      |
| <b>WLB</b> | 42 MARTY MORGAN       | 6-3, 218, R-Fr. OR |
|            | 30 MOSES OSEMWEGIE    | 6-0, 220, R-Fr.    |
| <b>MLB</b> | 47 HUNTER HILLENMEYER | 6-4, 241, SR.      |
|            | 44 Pat Brunner        | 6-3, 244, So.      |
| <b>SLB</b> | 27 ERIC BYRUM         | 6-4, 234, So. OR   |
|            | 43 HERDLEY HARRISON   | 6-3, 215, Fr.      |
|            | 22 Brandon Walthour   | 6-3, 225, Sr.      |
| <b>CB</b>  | 10 DOMINIQUE MORRIS   | 6-0, 195, R-Fr.    |
|            | 8 CHERON THOMPSON     | 5-11, 192, R-Fr.   |
| <b>FS</b>  | 13 JONATHAN SHAUB     | 6-1, 208, Jr.      |
|            | 7 Mike Martin         | 5-10, 196, Sr.     |
| <b>SS</b>  | 14 JUSTIN GIBONEY     | 6-0, 203, Sr.      |
|            | 36 Andrew Pace        | 6-1, 190, Fr.      |
| <b>CB</b>  | 11 RUSHEN JONES       | 6-1, 201, SR.      |
|            | 5 Aaron McWhorter     | 6-1, 195, Sr.      |

## SPECIAL TEAMS

|           |                     |                  |
|-----------|---------------------|------------------|
| <b>KO</b> | 97 GREG JOHNSON     | 6-1, 190, Fr.    |
|           | 88 Chuck Folino     | 6-1, 195, Sr.    |
| <b>PK</b> | 97 GREG JOHNSON     | 6-1, 190, Fr.    |
|           | 88 Chuck Folino     | 6-1, 195, Sr.    |
| <b>H</b>  | 45 HOWDY MACPHERSON | 6-0, 196, SR.    |
| <b>KR</b> | 85 DAN STRICKER     | 6-3, 201, SR. OR |
|           | 80 BRANDON SMITH    | 6-1, 180, So. OR |
|           | 40 KWANE DOSTER     | 5-11, 175, Fr.   |
| <b>P</b>  | 97 GREG JOHNSON     | 6-1, 190, Fr.    |
| <b>PR</b> | 82 ERIK DAVIS       | 6-2, 180, Fr. OR |
|           | 2 GRANT BRIGHAM     | 6-0, 170, Fr.    |
| <b>SN</b> | 39 JASON DANIELS    | 6-3, 240, Jr.    |
|           | 54 Chuck Losey      | 6-4, 252, Sr.    |