



2002-03

Vanderbilt Basketball

2002-03 Vanderbilt Schedule/Results
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Nov. 1	<i>Athletes in Action (Exh.)</i>	W, 79-73
Nov. 10	<i>Reebok Lady Stars (Exh.)</i>	W, 87-54
Nov. 23	at Boston University	W, 68-51
Nov. 26	at Syracuse	W, 73-65
Nov. 30	First Tennessee Tournament	
	Vanderbilt vs. Youngstown St.	W, 91-60
Dec. 1	First Tennessee Tournament	
	Vanderbilt vs. Harvard	W, 84-44
Dec. 7	Purdue (Tempe, Ariz.)	2:30 pm MT
Dec. 10	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	7 pm CT
Dec. 15	Austin Peay	2 pm CT
Dec. 22	at UT Martin	3 pm CT
Dec. 28	at Texas Christian	7 pm CT
Dec. 31	UNC-Charlotte	3 pm CT
Jan. 2	at Louisville	7 pm ET
Jan. 4	Holy Cross	Noon CT
Jan. 6	at Duquesne	7:05 pm ET
Jan. 12	at Mississippi State*	2 pm CT
Jan. 16	South Carolina*	7 pm CT
Jan. 19	Kentucky*	2 pm CT
Jan. 23	Arkansas*	7 pm CT
Jan. 26	at LSU*	2 pm CT
Jan. 30	at Auburn* (Comcast TV)	7 pm CT
Feb. 2	Tennessee* (ESPN TV)	6 pm CT
Feb. 6	Alabama*	7 pm CT
Feb. 9	at Kentucky*	2 pm ET
Feb. 13	at Mississippi*	7 pm CT
Feb. 16	Georgia* (Comcast TV)	4 pm CT
Feb. 23	at Florida* (SEC-TV)	3 pm ET
Feb. 27	at Tennessee* (FOX TV)	7 pm ET
Feb. 2	LSU* (SEC-TV)	2 pm CT

SEC Tournament • March 6-9 (Thursday-Sunday)
Little Rock, Ark. (Alltel Arena)

NCAA Tournament Selection Show • March 16

NCAA Tournament 1st/2nd Rounds • March 22 & 24

NCAA Tournament Regional • March 29 & 31

EAST: Dayton, Ohio

MIDEAST: Knoxville, Tenn.

MIDWEST: Albuquerque, New Mexico

WEST: Stanford, Calif. (Maples Pavilion)

NCAA Final Four • April 6 & 8
Atlanta, Ga. - The Georgia Dome (28,210)

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#6/#6 Purdue Boilermakers (5-0)

VS.

#8/#8 Vanderbilt Commodores (4-0)

Saturday, December 7 • 2:30 MT • Wells Fargo Arena • Tempe, Ariz.

Hoops For the Cure Classic II

Purdue Boilermakers

F	50	Shereka Wright	5-10	Jr.	18.4	7.6
F	4	Lindsey Hicks	6-1	Jr.	6.8	2.8
C	55	Mary Jo Noon	6-5	Sr.	13.2	5.2
G	30	Beth Jones	5-9	Jr.	12.4	4.0
G	33	Erika Valek	5-6	Jr.	12.4	2.8

Vanderbilt Commodores

F	42	Jenni Benningfield	6-3	Jr.	15.0	8.3
F	12	Tia Battle	6-0	So.	11.3	2.8
C	21	Chantelle Anderson	6-6	Sr.	14.8	6.5
G	24	Hillary Hager	5-11	Jr.	9.0	5.0
G	22	Ashley McElhiney	5-6	Sr.	10.8	4.0

General Information

Records:Vanderbilt 4-0, Purdue: 5-0
VU: #9 in both AP and USA Today/ESPN Coaches Polls
VU: #6 in both AP and USA Today/ESPN Coaches Polls
 Radio:WNSR 560 AM – Charlie Mattos calls the action
www.yahoo.com
 Television:None

Vanderbilt/Purdue
Game Facts

Vanderbilt	
Head Coach:	Melanie Balcomb Trenton State, 1984
VU Record:	4-0
Overall Record:	167-104 (10 years)
Purdue	
Head Coach:	Kristy Curry Northeast Louisiana, 1988
Purdue Record:	83-21 (4 years)
Overall Record:	83-21 (4 years)

Vanderbilt/Purdue
Statistical Comparison

VU	Category	Purdue
79.0	Scoring	86.8
55.0	Scoring Defense	53.6
+24.0	Scoring Margin	+33.2
53.3 (113-212)	FG%	48.4 (148-306)
32.3 (81-251)	FG% Defense	36.2 (102-282)
42.6 (26-61)	3Pt%	39.7 (29-73)
25.9 (21-81)	3Pt% Defense	32.1 (18-56)
71.1 (64-90)	FT%	75.2 (109-145)
74.0 (37-50)	FT% Defense	62.2 (46-74)
41.0	Rebounds	39.8
30.3	Rebounds Allowed	30.6
+10.8	Rebound Margin	+9.2
17.5	Assists	18.4
13.8	Assists Allowed	11.8
19.3	Turnovers	16.4
17.0	Turnovers Allowed	24.4
8.0	Steals	14.0
7.3	Steals Allowed	5.4
4.3	Blocked Shots	4.2
1.5	Blocked Shots Allowed	4.2

Vanderbilt/Purdue Series

Vanderbilt leads 4-2

H: 2-0, A: 2-1, N: 0-1

Date	Site	W/L	Score	Series
1990-91	West Lafayette, Ind. !	W	69-63	1-0
1993-94	Nashville, Tenn. ^	W	96-91	2-0
1994-95	West Lafayette, Ind.	W	72-52	3-0
	Los Angeles, Calif. !!	L	66-67	3-1
1995-96	Nashville, Tenn.	W	ot80-77	4-1
1999-00	West Lafayette, Ind.	L	51-63	4-2

! NCAA Second round

^ First American/MCI Classic, Vanderbilt-host

!! NCAA Regional Semifinals

NATIONAL POLLS
DECEMBER 2, 2002

AP Top 25

Rank	Team	Record	Pts.
1.	Duke (42)	5-0	1,098
2.	LSU (1)	5-0	1,018
3.	Connecticut (1)	5-0	963
4.	Tennessee	5-1	959
5.	Stanford	4-0	932
6.	Purdue	5-0	884
7.	Kansas State	6-1	840
8.	Vanderbilt	4-0	789
9.	Notre Dame	2-0	753
10.	Texas Tech	2-1	635
11.	Penn State	4-1	599
12.	Minnesota	5-0	576
13.	Arkansas	4-1	544
14.	Georgia	2-1	490
15.	Louisiana Tech	2-1	482
16.	North Carolina	4-1	407
17.	Texas	1-1	359
18.	Oklahoma	5-2	340
19.	BYU	3-0	280
20.	Mississippi State	4-1	269
21.	Arizona	2-1	213
22.	Boston College	3-1	170
23.	South Carolina	4-0	167
24.	George Washington	2-1	109
25.	Cincinnati	2-1	81

Other SEC teams receiving votes:

Auburn 3, Florida 3.

USA Today/ESPN/Coaches Top 25

Rank	Team	Record	Pts.
1.	Duke (37)	5-0	996
2.	Connecticut	5-0	903
3.	LSU	5-0	901
4.	Stanford	4-0	820
5.	Tennessee	5-1	810
6.	Purdue	5-0	789
7.	Kansas State	6-1	781
8.	Vanderbilt	4-0	737
9.	Notre Dame	2-0	657
10.	Texas Tech	2-1	575
11.	Arkansas	4-1	553
12.	Penn State	4-1	524
13.	Louisiana Tech	2-1	429
14.	Minnesota	5-0	424
15.	North Carolina	4-1	374
16.	Texas	1-1	338
17.	Georgia	2-2	318
18.	Oklahoma	5-2	306
19.	Mississippi State	4-1	301
20.	Boston College	3-1	176
21.	George Washington	2-1	151
22.	Brigham Young	3-0	135
22.	South Carolina	4-0	135
24.	Iowa State	1-1	110
25.	TCU	2-2	92

Other SEC teams receiving votes:

Alabama, 8; Mississippi 6; Florida 3; Auburn 1

THE PRESEASON POLLS

AP:	12
USA Today/ESPN/WBCA Coaches Poll:	10
.....(with one first-place vote)	
Lindy's:	11
Basketball News:	9
Women's Basketball News Service:	16
Athlon's:	4
Gballmag.com:	8

Commodore Calendar

Thursday, December 5Practice, 3 - 6 pm - (Practice Gym)
 Friday, December 6Depart for Tempe, Ariz. - Noon
 Saturday, December 7vs. Purdue (Tempe, Ariz.). 2:30 MT
 Sunday, December 8Return to Nashville 2:35 pm CT

ASTRAZENECAHOOPS FOR THE CURE CLASSIC II

Vanderbilt joins Purdue, Notre Dame and host Arizona State for the AstraZeneca Hoops for the Cure Classic II. Proceeds from the games will benefit breast cancer research, treatment and education in the Valley of the Sun and the donation going to the Phoenix affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Arizona State and Notre Dame tip off at Noon MT, followed by Vanderbilt and Purdue at 2:30 MT (3:30 CT)
 Last season, Arizona State and Tennessee drew 16,728 fans at Bank One Ballpark in the inaugural event which raised \$10,000 for breast cancer research.

FIRST TENNESSEE TOURNAMENT

Vanderbilt captured the First Tennessee Tournament championship for the 12th consecutive season defeating Harvard, 73-65, in the title game. Vanderbilt shot 60.4 percent from the field, while allowing the Crimson only a 25.8 shooting percentage from the field, including 4-33 from 3-point range.
 The Commodores defeated Youngstown State, 91-60 in first round action. Central Michigan defeated Youngstown State in the Consolation Game, 56-51.
 The Commodores own a 25-1 record in their own tournament, including 24 consecutive wins.
 Overall in in-season tournaments, the Commodores own a 68-16 mark.
 VU's Ashley McElhiney earned MVP honors, while Chantelle Anderson and Jenni Benningfield were named to the All-Tournament team.

HOME OPENER

With a 91-60 win over Youngstown State, the Commodores are now 24-2 in home openers. Vanderbilt owns a 17-game win streak in home openers. The last time the Commodores lost a home opener was Nov. 24, 1985, when Texas Tech defeated Vanderbilt 74-69.

40-MINUTES

Ashley McElhiney played in the entire Boston University game and now totals 24 40-minute games in her career. She is one game shy of tying Wendy Scholtens (1988-91) for second place with 25 career 40-minute games. Donna Atkinson (1983-86) is the career leader with 34.

JENNI ON THE OFFENSIVE

Junior forward Jenni Benningfield led the Commodores in the first two games of the seasons in points and rebounds. She recorded her fifth double-double of her career at Boston totaling 16 points and 13 rebounds. She totaled four double-doubles her freshman season and none last season. She led all scorers at Syracuse with 19 points and numbered eight rebounds.
 She also picked up where she left off last season in drawing offensive fouls. She took three offensive charges vs. Boston, one at Syracuse and one vs. Youngstown State.

COMMODORE CHARGE

The Commodores have taken eight charges so far this season. The breakdown follows:
 Jenni Benningfield 5
 Ashley Earley 1
 Jutta Korkko 1
 Erica Grimaldi 1

HAGER BACK IN STARTING LINEUP

After playing in 32 games while starting in 18 as a freshman, junior Hillary Hager did not start any games last season. This season, she has started in all four games and is the Commodore's third leading rebounder with 5.0 rebounds a game. She averages 30.5 minutes a game and is 12-21 from the field (57.1), including 6-11 from 3-point range (.545) and 100 percent from the line (6-6). She also averages 9.0 points a game and totals nine assists and 10 steals.

BATTLE GETS COLLEGIATE START

Sophomore Tia Battle earned her first four starts of her career. She played in 21 games last season and averaged 8.0 minutes a game. In VU's first four games, Battle averages 27.8 minutes and 11.3 points a game.

FRESHMEN SEE ACTION

Both Commodore freshmen Nicole Jules and Erica Grimaldi have seen action this season. Jules has played in every game, averages 9.5 minutes and totals 11 points and nine rebounds. Grimaldi saw limited action at Syracuse, but averaged 15 minutes in the First Tennessee Classic. Jules totaled five points vs. Youngstown State in 10 minutes of play and was 3-6 from the field vs. Harvard with three rebounds. Grimaldi numbered four assists in 14 minutes of play vs. YSU and was 1-1 from the field with two assists and one steal vs. Harvard.

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

PRESEASON MEDIA POLL

1	Tennessee (27)	37
2	LSU (5)	110
3	VANDERBILT	130
4	Georgia	135
5	Mississippi State	194
6	Arkansas	196
7	South Carolina	228
8	Florida	233
9	Alabama	285
10	Auburn	290
11	Kentucky	333
12	Mississippi	351

All-SEC Preseason First Team

Chantelle Anderson, Vanderbilt
LaToya Thomas, Mississippi State
Kara Lawson, Tennessee
Temeka Johnson, LSU
Kara Braxton, Georgia
Jocelyn Penn, South Carolina

All-SEC Preseason Second Team

Tan White, Mississippi State
Vanessa Hayden, Florida
Gwen Jackson, Tennessee
Shameka Christon, Arkansas
Aiysha Smith, LSU

PRESEASON PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Chantelle Anderson, Vanderbilt	14
LaToya Thomas, Mississippi State	10
Vanessa Hayden, Florida	3
Kara Lawson, Tennessee	3
Temeka Johnson, LSU	1
Shameka Christon, Arkansas	1

WORLDSPAN AND THE SEC

Last year, in an unprecedented move, Worldspan® became the official presenting television sponsor of SEC women's athletic events on FOX Sports Net South. This marked the first-ever, conference-wide women's sports television sponsorship in the history of intercollegiate athletics. Worldspan continues their commitment to women's athletics this year. The Worldspan identity will be featured on all women's events tele-cast as part of the SEC-TV package distributed by FOX Sports Net South, Sunshine Network and FOX Sports Net Southwest. The programming schedule includes both regular-season and conference championship events in soccer, volleyball, basketball, gymnastics, softball, golf, tennis, track and field and swimming and diving. Worldspan also will present a regular women's athletics feature on SEC-TV Weekly, seen Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. ET.

WBCA/Summerville RPI

The Commodores 2002-03 strength of schedule is ranked as the 11th toughest in the nation according to the preseason WBCA/Summerville RPI. Last season, the Commodores finished ranked fifth in the RPI with the sixth toughest schedule in the country.

As of Dec. 2, the Commodores own an 82 RPI, while Purdue is 84th.

LARGER THAN LIFE

A 50' x 40' billboard featuring Chantelle Anderson and men's basketball player Matt Freije was installed Nov. 11 on the Ramada Inn located at 920 Broadway facing westbound traffic. The billboard features the two players and the men's and women's home schedules. A second billboard featuring Ashley McElhiney and Russell Lakey has also been installed on the Baker Building off West End Avenue.

SHARP SHOOTERS

Even though the Commodores are sporting a new up-tempo style offense, they are still leading the Southeastern Conference in field goal percentage with a 53.3 mark (113-212). Vanderbilt has shot at least 50 percent in three games, including 60.4 percent vs. Harvard. For the last two seasons, the Commodores led the nation - men or women - in field goal percentage. Last season, VU owned a 52.1 percentage (988-1897) and in 2000-01 the Commodores shot 54.5 percent from the field (984-1806). Below is the first four game field goal percentages:

at Syracuse	46.2 (24-52)
at Boston	51.1 (23-45)
Youngstown State	54.8 (34-62)
Harvard	60.4 (32-53)

In the latest SEC Statistics (through games of Dec. 1), the Commodores have three players in the Top 10 in field goal percentage, led by Ashley Earley in first place (70.6). Tia Battle is in eighth place (61.3) and Jenni Benningfield is in tenth place (60.0).

CHANTELLE AND MAC

In games when seniors Chantelle Anderson and Ashley McElhiney were both in the lineup, the Commodores own a 79-26 record for a 73.7 win percentage. McElhiney missed four games during the 2001-02 season due to a foot injury. During their three-year career, the Commodores have made three NCAA Tournament appearances, including two Regional final games and two trips to the SEC Tournament Championship game, winning the title in 2002.

AFTER A SLOW START....

Anderson and McElhiney both had slow starts to the season, but turned that around in the First Tennessee Tournament.

In the first two games of the season, Anderson averaged 24.5 minutes a game, shot an uncharacteristic 47.1 percent from the field (8-17) and averaged 4.5 rebounds, 8.5 turnovers and 12.0 points. She also collected nine fouls, while fouling out of the Syracuse contest. Against Youngstown, the senior All-American answered with a double-double with 16 points and 10 rebounds. She also matched a career-high six blocked shots. For the tournament, Anderson averaged 17.5 points and 8.5 rebounds.

McElhiney started the first two games 3-15 from the field and totaled 16 turnovers. Against YSU, McElhiney hit 5-10 from the field, including 4-7 from 3-point range and totaled 11 assists for the second consecutive game with just two turnovers in 35 minutes of play. She was named MVP of the First Tennessee Tournament averaging 14 points, 5.0 rebounds, 7.5 assists and shot 72.7 from 3-point range hitting 8-11 from beyond the arc.

Senior CLASS Award Candidates Released - Anderson and McElhiney Among Candidates

Chantelle Anderson and Ashley McElhiney have been listed as candidates for the second annual Senior CLASS Award. The award is presented annually to the nation's senior player-of-the-year for NCAA Division I men's and women's basketball. The inaugural award winners were Juan Dixon of Maryland and Sue Bird of Connecticut. The list of women's "Players to Watch" include representatives from 15 conferences, eight of which have multiple players on the list. The SEC also has the most women's players, with six nominations. There are five players on the women's list that were AP All-Americans last season, including two first-team selections.

The formation of the Senior CLASS Award - an acronym for Celebrating Loyalty and Achievement for Staying in School - was announced during last season's college basketball season. The CLASS Award was developed in response to the recent trend of college basketball players leaving college early to turn professional.

Selection criteria is based on a number of factors, the most important being that the recipient must have exhausted their four years of eligibility and have fulfilled their commitment to their respective university.

VU RECORD BOOK WATCH

Career Points	
Current Leader: Wendy Scholtens	2602
Chantelle Anderson - Began Season	2023
Total Through Four Games	2082
Amount to Record	-521
Career Minutes Played	
Current Leader: Zuzi Klimesova	4249
Ashley McElhiney - Began Season	3083
Total Through Four Games	3227
Amount to Record	-1023
Chantelle Anderson - Began Season	3,075
Total Through Four Games	3227
Amount to Record	-1023
Career Points Per Game	
Current Leader: Wendy Scholtens	21.3
Chantelle Anderson	19.2
Career Field Goals Made	
Current Leader: Wendy Scholtens	959
Chantelle Anderson - Began Season	803
Total Through Four Games	825
Amount to Record	-135
Career Field Goal Percentage	
Current Leader: Heidi Gillingham	58.7
Chantelle Anderson	65.4
Free Throws Attempted	
Current Leader: Wendy Scholtens	785
Chantelle Anderson – Began Season	555
Total Through Four Games	573
Amount to Record	-213
Career Assists	
Current Leader: Ginger Jared	516
Ashley McElhiney - Began Season	454
Total Through Four Games	485
Amount to Record	-32
1000 Point Club	
Ashley McElhiney - Began Season	803
Total Through Four Games	846
Amount to 1000	-154

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE STATS

Scoring Offense:	4. 79.0
Scoring Defense:	6. 55.0
Scoring Margin:	4. +24.0
FG Pct.	1. 53.3 (113-212)
FG Pct. Defense:	3. 32.3 (81-251)
3-pt Pct.	2. 42.6 (26-61)
3-pt Pct. Defense:	4. 25.9 (21-81)
FT Pct.	5. 71.1 (64-90)
Rebounding Offense:	9. 41.0
Rebounding Defense:	2. 30.2
Reboundng Margin:	5. +10.8
Blocked Shots:	5. 4.25
Assists:	5t. 17.75
Steals:	11t. 8.0
Turnover Margin:	10. -2.25
Assist/Turnover Ratio:	6. 0.92
Offensive Rebounds:	11. 11.75
Defensive Rebounds:	5. 29.25
3-point Field Goals Made:	4. 6.50

CHANTELLE ANDERSON

Scoring:	9. 14.8
Rebounds:	15. 6.5
Blocked Shots:	2.25

JENNI BENNINGFIELD

Scoring:	8. 15.0
Field Goal Pct.	10. 60.0 (24-40)
Rebounds:	7. 8.2
Defensive Rebounds:	3. 7.0

ASHLEY MCELHINEY

3-point FG Pct.	7. 45.5 (10-22)
Assists:	1. 8.00
Assist/TO Ratio:	8. 2.29

ASHLEY EARLEY

Field Goal Pct.	1. 70.6 (12-17)
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HILLARY HAGER

Steals:	9. 2.50
3-Point Pct.:	3. 54.5 (6-11)

TIA BATTLE

Field Goal Pct.:	8. 61.3 (19-31)
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ABI RAMSEY

3-Point FG Pct.	7. 45.5 (5-11)
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Vanderbilt's Pre-Season Honors

Chantelle Anderson

- Naismith Top Three
- Honda Award Nominee
- Associated Press Preseason All-America Team
- Street & Smith's Preseason All-America Team
- Women's Basketball News Service All-America Team
- Lindy's All-America Team
- Basketball News All-America Team
- Athlon's All-America Team
- Womenscolleg hoops.com All-America Team
- Gballmag.com All-America Team
- Southeastern Conference Preseason Player of the Year
- Southeastern Conference Preseason First Team
- ESPN.com Preseason Player of the Year Top 5 List
- ESPN.com Center Top 5 List

Ashley McElhiney

- ESPN.com Point Guard Top 5 List

2003-04 Vanderbilt Signees

- Katie Antony, 5-10, G, Anacoco, La. (Anacoco HS)
- Rachel Brockman, 6-3, F/C, Noblesville, Ind. (Noblesville HS)
- Dee Davis, 5-7, PG, Cincinnati, Ohio (Princeton HS)
- Jennifer Hall, 6-1, F, Folsom, Calif. (Folsom HS)
- Cherish Stringfield, 5-7, G Wakefield, Va. (Sussex Central HS)
- Carla Thomas, 6-3, F, Mechanicsburg, Penn. (Cumberland Valley HS)

Melanie Balcomb

Head Coach

Melanie Balcomb is not one to sit around and wait for things to happen. That much was evident during her days as a high school and college player in New Jersey, and nothing has changed in a coaching career that has been on the fast track from the start.

Balcomb became the fourth head women's basketball coach in Vanderbilt history when she was hired May 28, following a successful seven-year run at Xavier University. She was the winningest women's basketball coach in Xavier history with an overall record of 135-78 with two Atlantic 10 Conference championships, three NCAA Tournament appearances and a pair of Atlantic 10 Conference tournament crowns. During her tenure she increased the number of winning seasons in the program's history by 50 percent.

Her fast-paced philosophy is apparent in her coaching style, which features an up-tempo approach and a lot of points. Of the 15 Xavier players who have scored at least 1,000 points in a career, 40 percent played at least one season under Balcomb with two others poised to join that club when she left. The highest scoring team in program history was her 2000-01 squad, which averaged 79.4 points per game.

It took just three years for her to turn Xavier into, first, a postseason participant and, then, a national title contender. In 1997-98 she guided the Musketeers beyond the regular season for the first time ever with an appearance in Women's National Invitational Tournament. Each of the next three seasons Xavier competed in the NCAA Tournament, capped in 2001 by a run to the regional final which featured a victory over perennial power Tennessee. Every season from 1995-96 through 2000-01, the program rose through the Ratings Power Index (RPI) from 94 through 15.

Prior to Xavier she spent two years as head coach at Ashland (Ohio) University. Her first season there (1993-94) she led the team to an 18-9 overall record, which matched the best in school history, and an 11-7 mark in the Great Lakes Valley Conference, the first winning season in that program's history in that league.

She also served three years as an assistant at Providence College (1990-93), during which the Lady Friars went 62-30, made two NCAA Tournament appearances and once (1990-91) led the nation in scoring while they amassed 26-6 record. In 1989-90, Balcomb was as assistant at Ohio University and she began her coaching career with a four-year stint (1985-89) on the staff at Niagara University.

Her playing career featured similar rush to success. At both Trenton State College and Highstown (N.J.) High School, she set career records for scoring, assists and steals. In other words, not only did she score a lot of points, she quickly got the ball to others who could score and then often took it away from the opposition to make sure her team could score once more.

In high school, rather than wait for someone else to do it, she became the first female athlete to score 1,000 points in a career. She finished with 1,581 points, two All-State selections and three All-County honors. She also excelled on both the varsity tennis and softball teams.

Her basketball education even began earlier than most and is based in some of the most fundamental aspects of the sport. She learned the game at an early age as the daughter of Alan Balcomb, a varsity boy's coach for 30 years at South Brunswick (N.J.) High School and then an assistant for four years at Princeton University under Pete Carril, the master of the half-court game.

With a long-running history of achievement as a player and a coach, it is no rush to judgment to say Melanie Balcomb is more than just a quick fix for Vanderbilt.

2002-03 Vanderbilt Numerical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht	Cl/Exp	Hometown (High School)
00	Jutta Korkko	F	6-1	So./1L	Helsinki, Finland (Holy Cross)
11	Erica Grimaldi	PG	5-5	Fr./HS	Kansas City, Mo. (Notre Dame deSion)
12	Tia Battle	G/F	6-0	So./1L	Plymouth, Minn. (Maple Grove)
15	Venessa Ferragamo	G/F	5-10	Jr./2L	Orange, California (Santa Margarita)
20	Abi Ramsey	G	5-10	So./1L	Shelbyville, Tenn. (Shelbyville)
21	Chantelle Anderson	C	6-6	Sr./3L	Vancouver, Wash. (Hudson Bay)
22	Ashley McElhiney	PG	5-6	Sr./3L	Gleason, Tenn. (Gleason)
24	Hillary Hager	G/F	5-11	Jr./2L	Franklin, Penn. (Franklin)
31	Nicole Jules	C/F	6-3	Fr./HS	Washington DC (St. John's College)
32	Ashley Earley	G/F	5-11	So./1L	Memphis, Tenn. (Briarcrest)
42	Jenni Benningfield	F	6-3	Jr./2L	Louisville, Ky. (Assumption)

Head Coach: Melanie Balcomb (First Season)

Assistant Coaches: Kristin Schneider, Vicky Picott, Stephanie Norman

Director of Basketball Operations: Nikki Kremer

Trainer: Kris Mack

PRONUNCIATIONS:

Jutta Korkko	YOU tah KORE koe
Tia Battle	TEE uh
Venessa Ferragamo	fair uh GAH moe
Chantelle Anderson	shawn TELL
Hillary Hager	HAY ger
Melanie Balcomb	BALL come
Vicky Picott	PIE cut

Fast Break with Melanie Balcomb

Join Charlie Mattos and Head Coach Melanie Balcomb each Wednesday morning throughout the season on WNSR radio.

The Commodore Connection

The Commodore Connection featuring Melanie Balcomb and the women's basketball team will be televised on Tuesday evenings on Comcast on the following dates - Nov. 26, Dec. 31, Jan. 28 and Feb. 11.

Commodore Insider

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The Commodores on Television

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Jan. 30	at Auburn	Comcast	7 pm CT
Feb. 2	Tennessee	ESPN	6 pm CT
Feb. 16	Georgia	Comcast	4 pm CT
Feb. 23	at Florida	SEC TV	2 pm CT
Feb. 27	at Tennessee	FOX	6 pm CT
March 2	LSU	SEC TV	2 pm CT

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Melanie Balcomb's Yearly Records

Year	University	W	L	Postseason
1993-94	Ashland	18	9	
1994-95	Ashland	10	17	
1995-96	Xavier	15	13	
1996-97	Xavier	10	17	
1997-98	Xavier	17	12	WNIT
1998-99	Xavier	24	9	NCAA
1999-00	Xavier	26	5	NCAA
2000-01	Xavier	31	3	Final 8
2001-02	Xavier	12	19	
2002-03	Vanderbilt	4	0	
Overall (10 years)		167	104	.616
Ashland (2 years)		28	26	.538
Xavier (7 years)		135	78	.634

Balcomb's Accolades

- 2001 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year
- 2001 Greater Cincinnati Women's Sports Foundation Coach of the Year
- 2001 Columbus Dispatch Ohio Coach of the Year
- 2001 New Jersey Sports Writers Association Coach of the Year
- 2001 Associated Press National Coach of the Year Candidate
- 2001 ESPN The Magazine Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2001 Naismith Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2001 Greater Cincinnati Basketball Hall of Fame Inductee
- 2001 March of Dimes Greater Cincinnati Coach of the Year
- Three NCAA Tournament Appearances
- One NCAA Regional Final Appearance

Vanderbilt's Record Is:

Overall	.4-0
Home Games	.2-0
Road Games	.2-0
Neutral Games	.0-0
Tournament Games (Non-SEC)	.2-0
SEC Tournament	.0-0
Streak	.W4
SEC Games	.0-0
Home	.0-0
Road	.0-0
Non-Conference Games	.4-0
Home	.2-0
Road	.2-0
Neutral	.0-0
Day Games	.3-0
Night Games	.1-0
November	.3-0
December	.1-0
January	.0-0
February	.0-0
March	.0-0
Monday	.0-0
Tuesday	.1-0
Wednesday	.0-0
Thursday	.0-0
Friday	.0-0
Saturday	.2-0
Sunday	.1-0
Overtime	.0-0
Television	.1-0
vs. Ranked Teams	.0-0
vs. Unranked Teams	.4-0
Leading at Halftime	.3-0
Home	.2-0
Road	.1-0
Neutral	.0-0
Trailing at Halftime	.1-0
Home	.0-0
Road	.1-0
Neutral	.0-0
Leading with 10 Minutes	.4-0
Tied with 10 Minutes	.0-0
Trailing with 10 Minutes	.0-0
Leading with 5 Minutes	.4-0
Tied with 5 Minutes	.0-0
Trailing with 5 Minutes	.0-0
VU Shoots 50% or Better	.3-0
Opponent Shoots 50% or Better	.0-0
VU Outrebounds/ties Opponent	.4-0
Opponent Outrebounds VU	.0-0
VU has fewer (or equal) turnovers	.1-0
Opponent has fewer turnovers	.3-0

Melanie Balcomb's Vanderbilt Record

Overall	.4-0	SEC Tournament	.0-0
Home	.2-0	Ranked Teams	.0-0
Road	.2-0	Unranked Teams	.4-0
Neutral	.0-0	NCAA Tournament	.0-0
SEC Games	.0-0	First/Second Round	.0-0
Home	.0-0	Regional Semifinals	.0-0
Road	.0-0	Regional Finals	.0-0
Non-Conference Games	.4-0	Final Four	.0-0

2002-03 Miscellaneous Statistics

Last 5 Games	.4-0
Last 10 Games	.4-0
Longest Win Streak	.W4
Longest Losing Streak	.N/A
Largest Margin of Victory	.40 (84-44)
	vs. Harvard, Dec. 1, 2002
Largest Margin of Defeat	.N/A

Starting Lineups:

100.0 4-0 . . . McElhiney, Hager, Anderson, Battle, Benningfield

2002-03 Double Figure Games

SCORING:

- 4 Chantelle Anderson (13 at BU; 11 at Syracuse; 16 vs. YSU; 19 vs. Harvard)
- 4 Jenni Benningfield (16 at BU; 19 at Syracuse; 13 vs. YSU; 12 vs. Harvard)
- 3 Hillary Hager (14 at BU; 10 at Syracuse; 12 vs. YSU)
- 3 Tia Battle (11 at BU; 12 vs. YSU; 13 vs. Harvard)
- 3 Ashley Earley (11 at Syracuse; 13 vs. YSU; 10 vs. Harvard)
- 2 Ashley McElhiney (14 vs. YSU; 14 vs. Harvard)

REBOUNDING:

- 1 Jenni Benningfield (13 at BU)
- 1 Chantelle Anderson (10 vs. YSU)

ASSISTS:

- 2 Ashley McElhiney (11 at Syracuse; 11 vs. YSU)

DOUBLE-DOUBLES:

- 1 Jenni Benningfield (16p, 13r at BU)
- 1 Chantelle Anderson (16p, 10r vs. YSU)
- 1 Ashley McElhiney (14p, 11a vs. YSU)

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AP Top 25

1. Duke (37)
2. **Tennessee (4)**
3. **LSU (1)**
4. Kansas State
5. Stanford
6. Connecticut
7. **Purdue**
8. **Georgia**
9. Notre Dame
10. Louisiana Tech
11. Vanderbilt
12. Texas
13. Texas Tech
14. Penn State
15. North Carolina
16. Minnesota
17. **Arkansas**
18. Cincinnati
19. Boston College
20. **Mississippi State**
21. George Washington
22. Iowa State
23. Oklahoma
24. Colorado State
25. Santa Barbara

1. Duke (42)
2. Kansas State
3. **LSU (1)**
4. **Tennessee**
5. Connecticut (1)
6. **Purdue**
7. Stanford
8. **Georgia**
9. Vanderbilt
10. Notre Dame
11. North Carolina
12. Texas Tech
13. Penn State
14. Minnesota
15. Louisiana Tech
16. Texas
17. **Arkansas**
18. Boston College
19. **Mississippi State**
20. Iowa State
21. George Washington
22. BYU
23. Oklahoma
24. Santa Barbara
25. Cincinnati

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1. Duke (25)
2. **Tennessee (11)**
3. Kansas State
4. **LSU**
5. Connecticut (4)
6. Stanford
7. Purdue
8. Vanderbilt
9. **Georgia**
10. Louisiana Tech
11. Texas
12. Notre Dame
13. Texas Tech
14. Penn State
15. North Carolina
16. **Arkansas**
17. Minnesota
18. Iowa State
19. **Texas Christian**
20. Boston College
21. Cincinnati
22. Old Dominion
23. **Mississippi State**
24. Colorado State
25. Oklahoma

1. Duke (36)
2. Kansas St. (1)
3. **LSU**
4. Connecticut (3)
5. **Tennessee**
6. **Purdue**
7. Stanford
8. Vanderbilt
9. **Georgia**
10. Notre Dame
11. Texas Tech
12. North Carolina
13. Penn State
14. Louisiana Tech
15. **Arkansas**
16. Texas
17. Minnesota
18. Iowa State
- t19. Boston College
- t19. **Mississippi State**
21. **TCU**
22. Oklahoma
23. Virginia
24. George Washington
25. Cincinnati

Vanderbilt opponents bolded

Vanderbilt opponents bolded

GAME 1

#11/#8 Vanderbilt vs. Boston
Nov. 23 • Boston, Mass.
Case Gym

VISITORS: Vanderbilt University 1-0

Player	FG	3P	FT	Reb	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
Battle	4-9	1-4	2-3	1	1	11	2	2	2	2	34
Anderson	3-10	0-0	7-9	5	4	13	0	10	2	1	33
McElhiney	2-7	1-5	3-3	4	1	8	5	8	0	3	40
Hager	5-6	2-3	2-2	6	5	14	2	1	0	1	29
Benningfield	7-9	1-2	1-2	13	2	16	2	3	0	0	37
Ramsey	0-1	0-1	0-0	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	15
Jules	0-1	0-0	0-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Earley	2-2	0-0	2-3	2	0	6	0	0	0	1	7
TEAM	6										
Totals	23-45	5-15	17-24	42	13	68	11	26	4	8	200

FG% 1st: 8-23 34.8% 2nd: 15-22 68.2% Game: 51.1%
3-Pt. % 1st: 1-9 11.1% 2nd: 4-6 66.7% Game: 33.3%
F T % 1st: 5-9 55.6% 2nd: 12-15 80.0% Game: 70.8%

HOME TEAM: Boston 0-1

Player	FG	3P	FT	Reb	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
Lopez	2-4	0-0	0-0	2	2	4	1	1	2	1	15
Moseley	4-9	0-0	1-3	7	3	9	2	2	2	2	32
Terhune	6-16	4-8	4-5	5	4	20	1	2	0	4	40
Vanderwal	2-8	1-4	0-0	2	3	5	4	4	0	1	35
Norris	1-9	0-3	2-2	4	4	4	2	3	0	1	23
Jones	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	5
Argentieri	0-3	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	22
Parr	3-12	1-1	2-2	5	5	9	0	3	0	1	27
Werner	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TEAM	4										
Totals	18-61	6-17	9-12	30	21	51	12	18	4	10	200

FG% 1st: 10-27 37.0% 2nd: 8-34 23.5% Game: 29.5%
3-Pt. % 1st: 2-8 25.0% 2nd: 4-9 44.4% Game: 35.3%
F T % 1st : 1-3 33.3% 2nd: 8-9 88.9% Game: 75.0%

Officials: Pamela Wine, Sonya Lewis, Kevin Chapman
Technical fouls: Vanderbilt University-None. Boston-None.
Attendance: 829

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Vanderbilt	22	46	68
Boston	23	28	51

GAME NOTES:

- VU overcame a 23-22 halftime deficit
- BU led by as many as four points in the first half on two different occasions
- BU led 23-19 with 1:23 remaining in the first half before Tia Battle hit one of two free throws and Jenni Benningfield hit a shot with 16 seconds remaining for the 23-22 score
- VU opened the second half on an 8-0 run, including five points from Hillary Hager
- After VU forced a 30-second shot clock violation, Benningfield hit a hook shot at the 14:38 mark to extend VU's lead to eight, 38-30. In that three-minute stretch, Benningfield totaled nine of her team-high 16 points.
- VU owned as much a 19-point lead (68-49)
- VU's defense held BU to 29.5 percent from the field, including 23.5 percent in the second half (8-34).
- VU committed 26 turnovers in the game, including career highs from seniors Chantelle Anderson (10) and Ashley McElhiney (8).
- McElhiney played the entire 40 minutes
- Tia Battle earned her first collegiate start
- Nicole Jules played in her first collegiate game and answered with a rebound in five minutes of play.
- Benningfield recorded her fifth double-double of her career, first of the season. She also took three offensive charges.
- VU is now 21-5 in season openers

GAME 2

#9/#8 Vanderbilt vs. Syracuse
Nov. 26 • Syracuse, NY
Manley Field House

VISITORS: #9/#8 Vanderbilt 2-0

Player	FG	3P	FT	Reb	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
Hager	3-5	2-3	2-2	4	3	10	1	3	0	5	37
Benningfield	7-16	0-1	5-6	8	1	19	2	4	2	2	38
Anderson	5-7	0-0	1-1	4	5	11	1	7	1	2	16
Battle	4-7	1-3	0-0	1	1	9	3	0	1	2	31
McElhiney	1-8	1-6	4-5	2	1	7	11	2	0	3	38
Grimaldi	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Ramsey	2-4	2-4	0-0	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	11
Jules	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	10
Earley	2-3	0-0	7-11	6	3	11	0	2	0	0	17
TEAM	7										
Totals	24-52	6-18	19-25	34	16	73	19	20	4	14	200

FG% 1st: 13-26 50.0% 2nd: 11-26 42.3% Game: 46.2%
3-Pt. 1st : 2-7 28.6% 2nd: 4-11 36.4% Game: 33.3%
FT % 1st: 9-13 69.2% 2nd: 10-12 83.3% Game: 76.0%

HOME TEAM: Syracuse 0-3

Player	FG	3P	FT	Reb	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
Coleman	5-13	2-6	0-0	1	3	12	0	3	0	0	40
Jean	3-8	0-0	2-2	4	3	8	5	0	2	4	40
Norton	0-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	12
Perry	3-5	0-0	4-4	7	5	10	2	5	0	0	25
McBride	4-11	2-8	5-6	0	4	15	6	6	0	2	40
Ellerbe	2-6	0-0	0-0	2	1	4	2	2	0	2	15
Jackson	5-14	0-0	6-8	11	2	16	0	0	0	1	28
TEAM	7										
Totals	22-59	4-14	17-20	34	19	65	15	19	0	7	200

FG% 1st: 13-26 50.0% 2nd: 9-33 27.3% Game: 37.3%
3-Pt. 1st: 3-6 50.0% 2nd: 1-8 12.5% Game: 28.6%
F T % 1st: 5-6 83.3% 2nd: 12-14 85.7% Game: 85.0%

Officials: Dennis DeMayo, Bryan Enterline, Jennifer Rezac
Technical fouls: Vanderbilt-Chantelle Anderson; TEAM.
Syracuse-None.
Attendance: 510

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Vanderbilt	37	36	73
Syracuse	34	31	65

GAME NOTES:

- Syracuse hit a 3-pointer to start the game, its only lead of the game.
- VU owned an 11-point lead, 28-17, at the 7:25 mark, before Syracuse tied the game at 30 at the 2:11 mark on two free throws after the Vanderbilt bench received a technical foul.
- VU led 37-34 at halftime
- The Commodores held the Orangewomen scoreless for the first 5:31 in the first half when Shannon Perry hit two free throws. Syracuse hit its first field goal of the second half at the 14:00 mark. VU opened the second half on an 11-0 run
- VU led by as many as 14-points four different times in the second half.
- After Chantelle Anderson received her fifth foul (four offensive fouls) and a technical foul, Julie McBride hit two free throws and Shannon Perry hit a layup to cut VU's lead to three, 66-63, with 1:59 remaining in the game.
- With 57 seconds remaining, Ashley Earley grabbed an offensive rebound and was fouled as she hit the putback for a 3-point play and 69-63 VU lead.
- Ashley McElhiney hit 4-5 from the line in the final 34 seconds to seal the win.
- Freshman Erica Grimaldi saw her first collegiate action playing two minutes.
- Benningfield took another offensive charge in the game.

GAME 3

#9/#8 Vanderbilt vs. Youngstown State
Nov. 30 • Nashville, Tenn.
Memorial Gym

VISITORS: Youngstown State 1-2

Player	FG	3P	FT	Reb	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
Perugini	2-6	0-0	0-0	0	1	4	4	1	0	1	25
Forsythe	1-6	1-1	0-0	3	2	3	0	0	0	0	17
Fleming	6-14	0-0	0-0	9	2	12	0	3	0	0	34
Johnston	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	4	0	3	4	0	0	17
Fabianova	7-13	6-9	0-0	2	2	20	4	1	0	0	31
Sabree	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	10
Olmstead	3-8	0-3	2-3	4	3	8	3	1	0	1	28
Novak	1-4	0-1	0-0	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	10
Russo	0-3	0-2	0-0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	9
Neila	2-2	0-0	1-2	1	3	5	0	0	0	0	5
Holmes	2-6	0-0	2-2	1	2	6	1	2	0	0	14
TEAM	4										
Totals	24-65	7-17	5-7	25	20	60	17	15	1	2	200

FG% 1st: 11-29 37.9% 2nd: 13-36 36.1% Game: 36.9%
3-Pt. % 1st : 3-7 42.9% 2nd: 4-10 40.0% Game: 41.2%
F T % 1st : 1-2 50.0% 2nd: 4-5 80.0% Game: 71.4%

HOME TEAM: #9/#8 Vanderbilt 3-0

Player	FG	3P	FT	Reb	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
Battle	5-7	1-2	1-2	7	2	12	2	1	0	0	27
Benningfield	5-8	0-1	3-4	6	1	13	0	2	1	1	20
Anderson	7-15	0-0	2-2	10	1	16	0	2	6	0	27
McElhiney	5-10	4-7	0-0	6	1	14	11	2	0	0	35
Hager	4-6	2-4	2-2	2	1	12	3	1	0	2	29
Korkko	0-1	0-0	2-2	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	6
Grimaldi	0-1	0-1	1-2	0	2	1	4	1	0	0	14
Ferragamo	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Ramsey	1-4	1-4	0-0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	8
Jules	2-2	0-0	1-2	3	1	5	0	2	0	0	10
Earley	5-8	0-0	3-3	5	0	13	0	0	0	0	17
TEAM	2										
Totals	34-62	8-19	15-19	43	10	91	21	14	7	3	200

FG% 1st: 18-35 51.4% 2nd: 16-27 59.3% Game: 54.8%
3-Pt. 1st : 5-14 35.7% 2nd: 3-5 60.0% Game: 42.1%
F T % 1st f: 11-14 78.6% 2nd: 4-5 80.0% Game: 78.9%

Officials: Bryan Enterline, Eddie Novak, Erica Bradley
Technical fouls: Youngstown State-None. Vanderbilt -None.
Attendance: 2832

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Youngstown State	26	34	60
Vanderbilt	52	39	91

GAME NOTES:

- Six Commodores scored in double figures, including all five starters and Ashley Earley. Chantelle Anderson led VU scorers with 16 points.
- VU advances to the championship game of the First Tennessee Classic
- VU led 52-26 at halftime totaling 18 points in the paint
- Vanderbilt never trailed in the contest
- Chantelle Anderson recorded her third double-double of the season with 16 points and 10 rebounds.
- All 11 Commodores played in the contest at least six minutes
- VU shot 54.8 percent from the field, including 59.3 percent in the second half.
- VU advances to the championship game of the First Tennessee Classic and will play Harvard.

GAME 4

#9/#8 Vanderbilt vs. Harvard
Dec. 1 • Nashville, Tenn.
Memorial Gym

VISITORS: Harvard 3-1

Player	FG	3P	FT	Reb	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
Tubridy	1-7	1-6	1-2	6	2	4	0	1	0	1	22
Peljto	6-18	1-3	2-2	8	2	15	1	3	0	1	28
Cserry	4-9	1-2	3-4	7	2	12	4	0	1	2	27
Bell	0-3	0-3	0-0	0	4	0	3	2	0	1	21
Dunham	2-8	0-4	0-0	2	1	4	1	2	0	2	31
Moore	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	12
Robinson	0-2	0-2	0-2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	7
Ides	1-3	0-1	0-0	1	5	2	0	1	0	0	14
Holsey	1-5	0-3	0-0	4	4	2	1	2	0	1	14
Murphy	0-1	0-1	0-1	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	9
Franklin	2-5	1-3	0-0	1	0	5	0	2	0	0	4
McCaffery	0-3	0-3	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	11
TEAM				2							
Totals.	17-66	4-33	6-11	32	21	44	11	16	110	200	

FG%1st: 6-29 20.7% 2nd: 11-37 29.7% Game: 25.8%
3-Pt. 1st : 2-19 10.5% 2nd: 2-14 14.3% Game: 12.1%
F T% 1st : 1-1 100% 2nd: 5-10 50.0% Game: 54.5%

HOME TEAM: #9/#8 Vanderbilt 4-0

Player	FG	3P	FT	Reb	F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
Hager	0-4	0-1	0-0	8	1	0	3	0	0	2	27
Benningfield	5-7	0-0	2-4	6	2	12	3	3	1	0	24
Anderson	7-10	0-0	5-6	7	0	19	3	2	0	0	24
Battle	6-8	0-1	1-1	2	3	13	0	0	0	1	19
McElhiney	5-8	4-4	0-2	4	0	14	4	2	0	2	31
Korkko	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	5
Grimaldi	1-1	1-1	1-2	1	0	4	2	7	0	1	16
Ferragamo	0-0	0-0	0-0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	9
Ramsey	2-4	2-2	0-1	0	0	6	1	1	0	1	18
Jules	3-6	0-0	0-0	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	13
Earley	3-4	0-0	4-6	6	0	10	1	1	0	0	14
TEAM				5							
Totals.	32-53	7-9	13-22	45	13	84	19	17	2	7	200

FG% 1st : 15-27 55.6% 2nd : 17-26 65.4% Game: 60.4%
3-Pt 1st: 3-5 60.0% 2nd : 4-4 100% Game: 77.8%
F T% 1st: 9-15 60.0% 2nd : 4-7 57.1% Game: 59.1%

Officials: Bryan Enterline, Tina Napier, Robin Denise Orr
Technical fouls: Harvard-None. Vanderbilt University-None.
Attendance: 2984

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Harvard	15	29	44
Vanderbilt	42	42	84

GAME NOTES:

- The Commodores captured the First Tennessee Tournament championship for the 12th consecutive season.
- VU shot 60.4 percent from the field, while allowing the Crimson only a 25.8 shooting percentage, including a 4-33 performance from 3-point range (12.1%)
- Every Commodore played in double digits except two who played five (Korkko) and nine (Ferragamo) minutes.
- VU led 42-15 at halftime. Last season, Vanderbilt held Georgia to 14 first half points, (39-14), on Jan. 20, 2002, in a 64-47 Commodore win.
- The Commodores totaled 42 of their 84 points in the paint.
- Ashley McElhiney was named MVP of the tournament, while Chantelle Anderson and Jenni Benningfield earned all-tournament honors.

Vanderbilt Player Career/Season Highs

00 • JUTTA KORKKO
6-1 • So. • F • Helsinki, Finland

CAREER HIGHS

Points10 vs. Boston, 11-25-00
FG Made4 vs. Boston and UNC-Asheville, 2000-01
3Pt MadeNone
Rebounds2, four times, 2000-01
Steals2 vs. UNC-Asheville, 12-17-00
Assists3 vs. UNC-Asheville and Portland State, 2000-01
Blocked Shots1 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02

SEASON HIGHS

Points2 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
FG MadeNone
3Pt MadeNone
Rebounds1 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
StealsNone
Assists2 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02
Blocked Shots1 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02

11 • ERICA GRIMALDI
5-5 • Fr. • PG • Kansas City, Mo.

CAREER HIGHS

Points4 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02
FG Made1 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02
3Pt Made1 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02
Rebounds1 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02
Steals1 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02
Assists4 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
Blocked ShotsNone

SEASON HIGHS

Points4 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02
FG Made1 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02
3Pt Made1 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02
Rebounds1 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02
Steals1 vs. Harvard, 12-2-02
Assists4 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
Blocked ShotsNone

12 • TIA BATTLE
6-0 • So. • G/F • Plymouth, Minn.

CAREER HIGHS

Points13 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
FG Made6 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
3Pt Made1, three times, 2001-02
Rebounds7 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
Steals2 at Boston and Syracuse, 2001-02
Assists3 at Boston, 11-23-02
Blocked Shots2 at Boston, 11-23-02

SEASON HIGHS

Points13 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
FG Made6 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
3Pt Made1, three times
Rebounds7 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
Steals2 at Boston and Syracuse
Assists3 at Syracuse, 11-26-02
Blocked Shots2 at Boston, 11-23-02

15 • VENESSA FERRAGAMO
5-10 • Jr. • G/F • Orange, Calif.

CAREER HIGHS

Points6 vs. UNC-Asheville, 12-17-00
FG Made3 vs. UNC-Asheville, 12-17-00
3Pt MadeNone
Rebounds3 Harvard, 12-1-02
Steals1, three times, 2000-01
Assists1 vs. Howard, 2000-01
Blocked ShotsNone

SEASON HIGHS

PointsNone
FG MadeNone
3Pt MadeNone
Rebounds3 Harvard, 12-1-02
StealsNone
AssistsNone
Blocked ShotsNone

20 • ABI RAMSEY
5-10 • So. • G • Shelbyville, Tenn.

CAREER HIGHS

Points12 at Vermont, 12-22-01
FG Made4 at Vermont/vs. Mississippi, 2001-02
3Pt Made4 at Vermont, 12-22-01
Rebounds4 vs. Mississippi, 2001-02/4 at Boston, 11-23-02
Steals2 vs. Louisville, 1-7-02
Assists4 vs. Xavier, 11-28-01
Blocked Shots1 vs. Canisius/at Alabama, 2001-02

SEASON HIGHS

Points6 at Syracuse, 11-26-02/Harvard, 12-1-02
FG Made2 at Syracuse, 11-26-02/Harvard, 12-1-02
3Pt Made2 at Syracuse, 11-26-02/Harvard, 12-1-02
Rebounds4 at Boston, 11-23-02
Steals1 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
Assists1 at Syracuse, 11-26-02/Harvard, 12-1-02
Blocked ShotsNone

21 • CHANTELE ANDERSON
6-6 • Sr. • C • Vancouver, Wash.

CAREER HIGHS

Points41 at Mississippi State, 2000-01
FG Made19 at Portland State, 2000-01
3Pt Made2 vs. Kentucky, 1-10, 02
Rebounds14 at Santa Barbara, 1999-00
Steals3, four times
Assists5 vs. Mississippi State, 2-10-02
Blocked Shots6 vs. YSU, 11-30-02/Toledo, 11-28-99

SEASON HIGHS

Points16 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
FG Made7 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02/Harvard, 12-1-02
3Pt MadeNone
Rebounds10 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
Steals2 at Syracuse, 11-26-02
Assists3 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
Blocked Shots6 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02

22 • ASHLEY McELHINEY
5-6 • Sr. • PG • Gleason, Tenn.

CAREER HIGHS

Points29 vs. LSU, 2-15-02
FG Made8 vs. James Madison, 12-2-01
3Pt Made5 vs. Iowa State (2001) and at Alabama (2000)
Rebounds8 vs. Tennessee, 3-3-01
Steals3, nine times
Assists12 vs. Howard (2001) and Western Kentucky (2002)
Blocked Shots

SEASON HIGHS

Points14 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
FG Made5 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02/Harvard, 12-1-02
3Pt Made4 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02/Harvard, 12-1-02
Rebounds6 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
Steals3 at Boston and Syracuse
Assists11 vs. YSU, 11-30-02/at Syracuse, 11-26-02
Blocked ShotsNone

24 • HILLARY HAGER
5-11 • Jr. • G/F • Franklin, Penn.

CAREER HIGHS

Points18 vs. Vermont, 12-31-00
FG Made7 vs. Vermont, 12-31-00
3Pt Made4 vs. Murray State, 11-29-00
Rebounds9 vs. Murray State, 11-29-00
Steals5 at Syracuse, 11-26-02
Assists6 at Penn State, 12-10-00
Blocked Shots1, nine times

SEASON HIGHS

Points14 at Boston, 11-23-02
FG Made5 at Boston, 11-23-02
3Pt Made2, three times
Rebounds8 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
Steals5 at Syracuse, 11-26-02
Assists3 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02/Harvard, 12-1-02
Blocked ShotsNone

31 • NICOLE JULES
6-3 • Fr. • C/F • Washington DC

CAREER HIGHS

Points6 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
FG Made3 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
3Pt MadeNone
Rebounds3 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02/Harvard, 12-1-02
StealsNone
AssistsNone
Blocked ShotsNone

SEASON HIGHS

Points6 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
FG Made3 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
3Pt MadeNone
Rebounds3 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02/Harvard, 12-1-02
StealsNone
AssistsNone
Blocked ShotsNone

32 • ASHLEY EARLEY
5-11 • So. • G/F • Memphis, Tenn.

CAREER HIGHS

Points16 at Kentucky, 2-21-02
FG Made6 vs. Eastern Kentucky and Canisius, 2001-02
3Pt Made1, three times
Rebounds13 vs. Louisville, 1-7-02
Steals3 vs. Oregon State and Canisius, 2001-02
Assists7 at South Carolina, 1-3-02
Blocked Shots1, four times

SEASON HIGHS

Points13 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
FG Made5 vs. Youngstown, 11-30-02
3Pt MadeNone
Rebounds6 at Syracuse, 11-26-02/Harvard, 12-1-02
Steals1 at Boston, 11-23-02
Assists1 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
Blocked ShotsNone

42 • JENNI BENNINGFIELD
6-3 • Jr. • F • Louisville, Ky.

CAREER HIGHS

Points21 at South Carolina, 1-18-01
FG Made7, seven times
3Pt Made4 vs. UNC-Asheville and Howard, 2000-01
Rebounds15 vs. Mississippi, 1-7-01
Steals3 at Mississippi, 2-11-01
Assists7 vs. Iowa State, 3-24-01
Blocked Shots2, three times

SEASON HIGHS

Points19 at Syracuse, 11-26-02
FG Made7 at Boston and Syracuse
3Pt Made1 vs. YSU, 11-30-02/at Boston, 11-23-02
Rebounds13 at Boston, 11-23-02
Steals2 at Syracuse, 11-23-02
Assists3 vs. Harvard, 12-1-02
Blocked Shots2 at Syracuse, 11-26-02

2002-03 Vanderbilt /Opponent Team Highs and Lows

Vanderbilt Team Game Highs

POINTS	.91 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
FIELD GOALS MADE	.34 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	.62 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.604 (32-53) vs Harvard (12/1/02)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	.8 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	.19 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.778 (7-9) vs Harvard (12/1/02)
FREE THROWS MADE	.19 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	.25 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.789 (15-19) vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
REBOUNDS	.45 vs Harvard (12/1/02)
ASSISTS	.21 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
STEALS	.14 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
BLOCKED SHOTS	.7 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
TURNOVERS	.26 at Boston (11/23/02)
FOULS	.16 at Syracuse (11/26/02)

Vanderbilt Team Game Lows

POINTS	.68 at Boston (11/23/02)
FIELD GOALS MADE	.23 at Boston (11/23/02)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	.45 at Boston (11/23/02)
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.462 (24-52) at Syracuse (11/26/02)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	.5 at Boston (11/23/02)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	.9 vs Harvard (12/1/02)
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.333 (5-15) at Boston (11/23/02)
FREE THROWS MADE	.13 vs Harvard (12/1/02)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	.19 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.591 (13-22) vs Harvard (12/1/02)
REBOUNDS	.34 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
ASSISTS	.11 at Boston (11/23/02)
STEALS	.3 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
BLOCKED SHOTS	.2 vs Harvard (12/1/02)
TURNOVERS	.14 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
FOULS	.10 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)

Vanderbilt Individual Game Highs

POINTS	.19 Chantelle Anderson vs Harvard (12/1/02)
	.19 Jenni Benningfield at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FIELD GOALS MADE	.7 Chantelle Anderson vs Harvard (12/1/02)
	.7 Chantelle Anderson vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
	.7 Jenni Benningfield at Boston (11/23/02)
	.7 Jenni Benningfield at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FIELD GOAL ATT	.16 Jenni Benningfield at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FG PCT (min 5 made)	.833 (5-6) Hillary Hager at Boston (11/23/02)
3 PT FG MADE	.4 Ashley McElhiney vs Harvard (12/1/02)
	.4 Ashley McElhiney vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	.7 Ashley McElhiney vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
3-PT FG PCT (min 2 made)	1.000 (4-4) Ashley McElhiney vs Harvard (12/1/02)
	1.000 (2-2) Abi Ramsey vs Harvard (12/1/02)
FREE THROWS MADE	.7 Chantelle Anderson at Boston (11/23/02)
	.7 Ashley Earley at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FREE THROW ATT	.11 Ashley Earley at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FT PCT (min 3 made)	1.000 (3-3) Ashley Earley vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
	1.000 (3-3) Ashley McElhiney at Boston (11/23/02)
REBOUNDS	.13 Jenni Benningfield at Boston (11/23/02)
ASSISTS	.11 Ashley McElhiney vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
	.11 Ashley McElhiney at Syracuse (11/26/02)
STEALS	.5 Hillary Hager at Syracuse (11/26/02)
BLOCKED SHOTS	.6 Chantelle Anderson vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
	.2 Chantelle Anderson at Boston (11/23/02)
	.2 Tia Battle at Boston (11/23/02)
	.2 Jenni Benningfield at Syracuse (11/26/02)
TURNOVERS	.10 Chantelle Anderson at Boston (11/23/02)
FOULS	.5 Hillary Hager at Boston (11/23/02)
	.5 Chantelle Anderson at Syracuse (11/26/02)

Opponent Team Game Highs

POINTS	.65 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FIELD GOALS MADE	.24 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	.66 vs Harvard (12/1/02)
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.373 (22-59) at Syracuse (11/26/02)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	.7 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	.33 vs Harvard (12/1/02)
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.412 (7-17) vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
FREE THROWS MADE	.17 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	.20 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.850 (17-20) at Syracuse (11/26/02)
REBOUNDS	.34 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
ASSISTS	.17 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
STEALS	.10 vs Harvard (12/1/02)
	.10 at Boston (11/23/02)
BLOCKED SHOTS	.4 at Boston (11/23/02)
TURNOVERS	.19 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FOULS	.21 vs Harvard (12/1/02)
	.21 at Boston (11/23/02)

Opponent Team Game Lows

POINTS	.44 vs Harvard (12/1/02)
FIELD GOALS MADE	.17 vs Harvard (12/1/02)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	.59 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.258 (17-66) vs Harvard (12/1/02)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	.4 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	.14 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.121 (4-33) vs Harvard (12/1/02)
FREE THROWS MADE	.5 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	.7 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.545 (6-11) vs Harvard (12/1/02)
REBOUNDS	.25 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
ASSISTS	.11 vs Harvard (12/1/02)
STEALS	.2 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
BLOCKED SHOTS	.0 at Syracuse (11/26/02)
TURNOVERS	.15 vs Youngstown State (11/30/02)
FOULS	.19 at Syracuse (11/26/02)