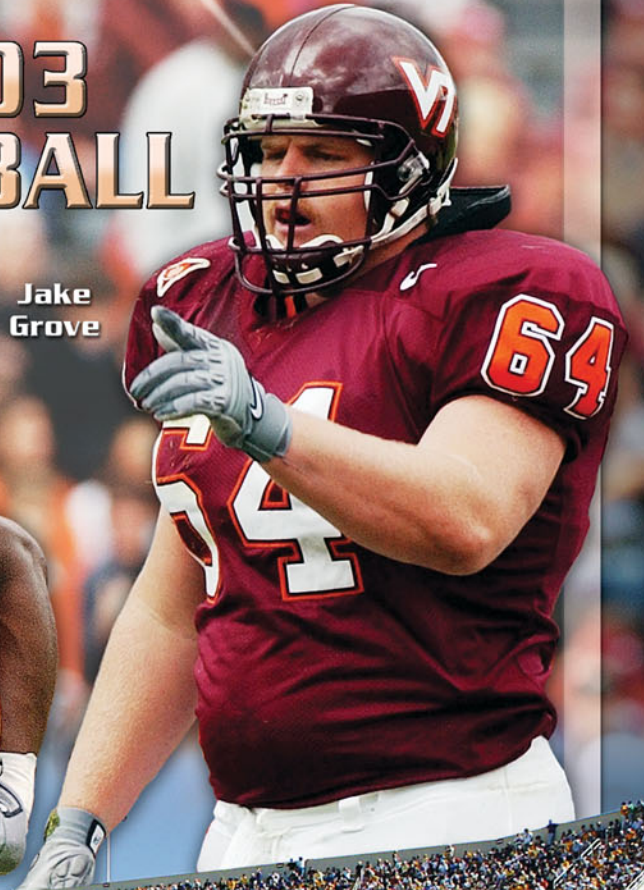


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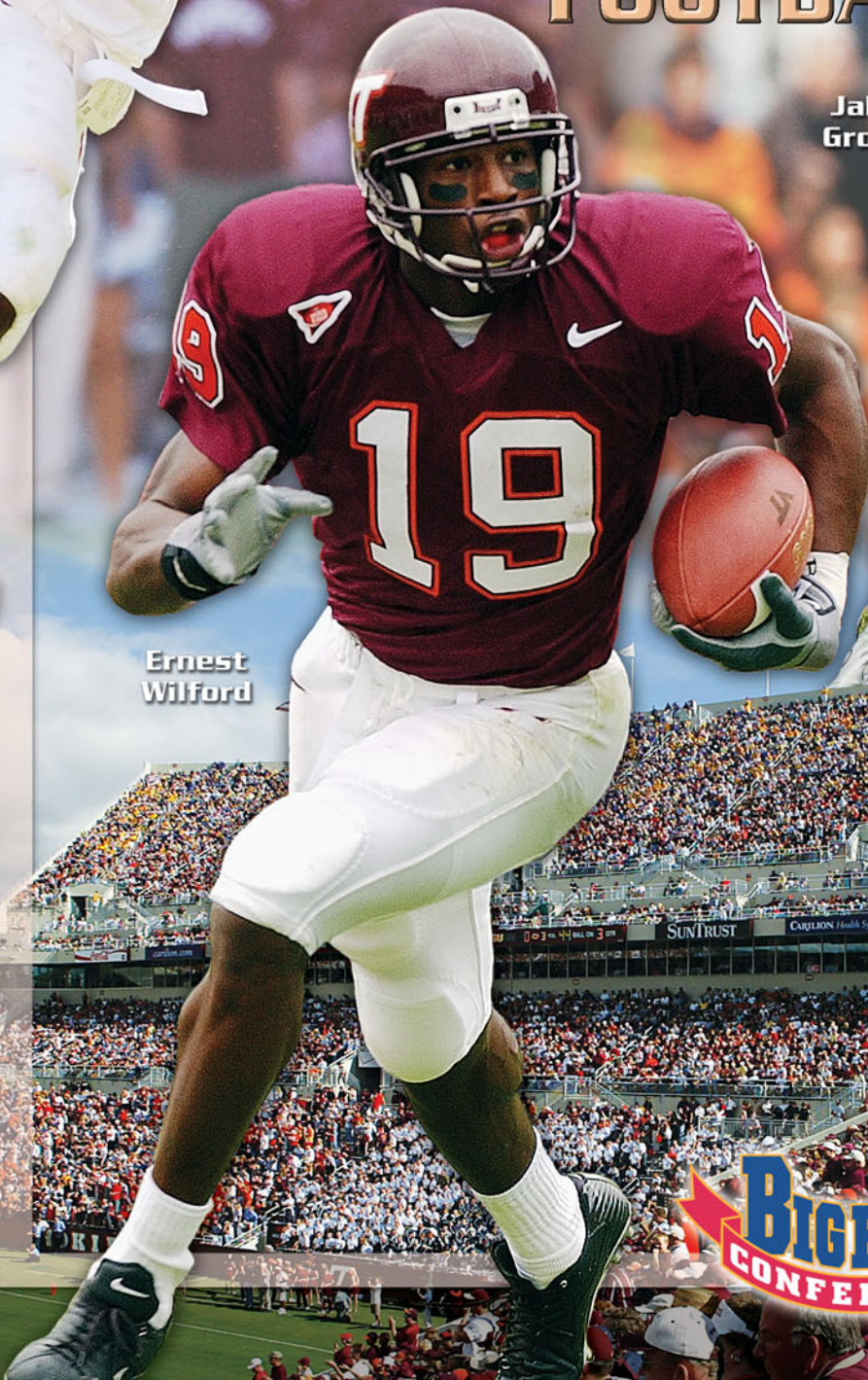
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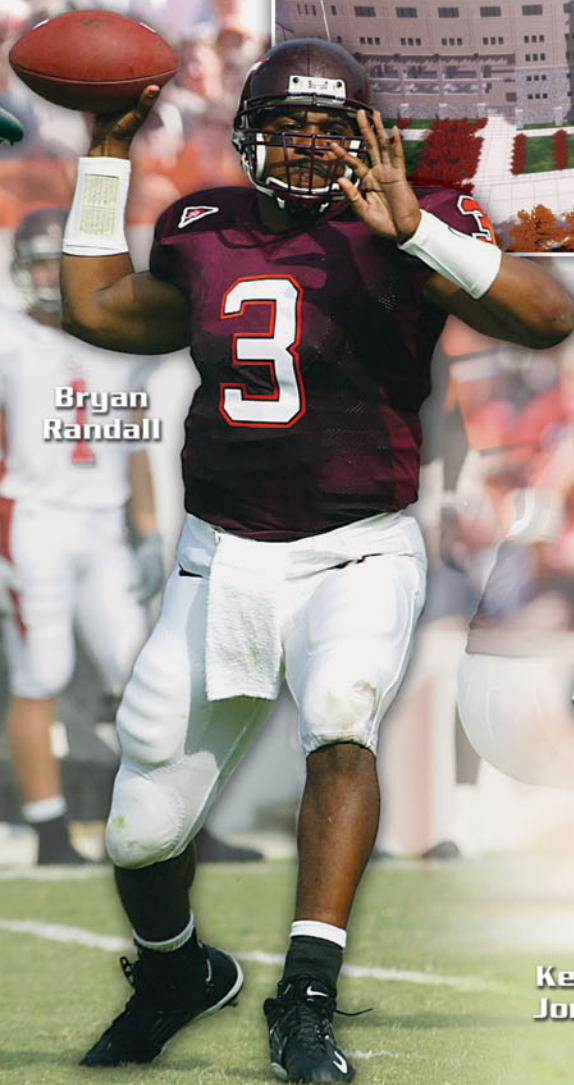




DeAngelo Hall



Vinnie Burns



Bryan Randall



Kevin Jones



VIRGINIA TECH

2003 FOOTBALL



THE
LUNCH
PAIL



THE LINK

QUICK FACTS

Location: Blacksburg, Va.

Founded: 1872

Enrollment: 26,000

President: Dr. Charles W. Steger

Athletic Director: Jim Weaver

Office Phone: (540) 231-3977

Faculty Chairman of Athletics:

Dr. Larry Killough

Ticket Manager: Sandy Smith

Office Phone: (540) 231-6731

Nickname: Hokies

Colors: Chicago maroon and burnt orange

Conference: BIG EAST

Football Began: 1892

All-Time Football Record:

598-405-46 (109 seasons)

Stadium: Lane Stadium/Worsham Field

Capacity: 65,115

Turf: GreenTech ITM natural grass

Head Coach: Frank Beamer (Virginia Tech, '69)

Best Time To Contact: Through SID Office

Record at VT: 117-69-2 (16 years)

Overall Record: 159-92-4 (22 years)

2002 Record: 10-4

(including San Francisco Bowl victory)

Final Ranking: 18 AP, 14 USA Today/ESPN

Conference Record (Finish): 3-4 (tied for fourth)

Offensive System: Multiple

Defensive System: 4-3

Lettermen Returning: 43 (17 off., 23 def., 3 spec.)

Lettermen Lost: 17 (7 off., 8 def., 2 spec.)

Starters Returning: 18 (7 off., 9 def., 2 spec.)

Starters Lost: 8 (4 off., 2 def., 2 spec.)

These two Virginia Tech Football traditions symbolize the toughness and togetherness that have enabled the Hokies to achieve at the highest level. The defense rallies around the lunch pail, a reminder of the blue-collar work ethic that each player is expected to put forth in every workout and game. A single link from a chain, carried by each member of the offense, is a symbol of the teamwork the Hokies exhibit on and off the field and serves as a reminder of the responsibility each player has to assure the success of the team.

2003 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Opponent	Location	Television
Sun.	Aug. 31	UCF	Blacksburg, Va.	ESPN
Sat.	Sept. 6	James Madison	Blacksburg, Va.	
Thurs.	Sept. 18	Texas A&M	Blacksburg, Va.	ESPN
Sat.	Sept. 27	Connecticut	Blacksburg, Va.	
Sat.	Oct. 4	at Rutgers*	Piscataway, N.J.	
Sat.	Oct. 11	Syracuse*	Blacksburg, Va.	
Wed.	Oct. 22	at West Virginia*	Morgantown, W.Va.	ESPN/ESPN2
Sat.	Nov. 1	Miami*	Blacksburg, Va.	ESPN
Sat.	Nov. 8	at Pittsburgh*	Pittsburgh, Pa.	
Sat.	Nov. 15	at Temple*	Philadelphia, Pa.	
Sat.	Nov. 22	Boston College*	Blacksburg, Va.	
Sat.	Nov. 29	at Virginia	Charlottesville, Va.	

**denotes BIG EAST Conference game
Times and television to be announced*

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BUILDING ON A DECADE OF EXCELLENCE



VIRGINIA TECH FOOTBALL

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF COACH FRANK BEAMER, THE HOKIES HAVE ACHIEVED TREMENDOUS SUCCESS OVER THE PAST DECADE.

TECH IS ONE OF ONLY SEVEN TEAMS IN THE COUNTRY TO GO TO A BOWL GAME IN EACH OF THE PAST 10 SEASONS. THE HOKIES HAVE THE SECOND-LONGEST RUN IN THE AP POLL.

TECH PLAYERS GRADUATE AT A HIGHER RATE THAN THE NATIONAL AVERAGE. THE HOKIES NOW HAVE THEIR SIGHTS SET ON BUILDING UPON THIS DECADE OF EXCELLENCE.

A GREAT PLACE



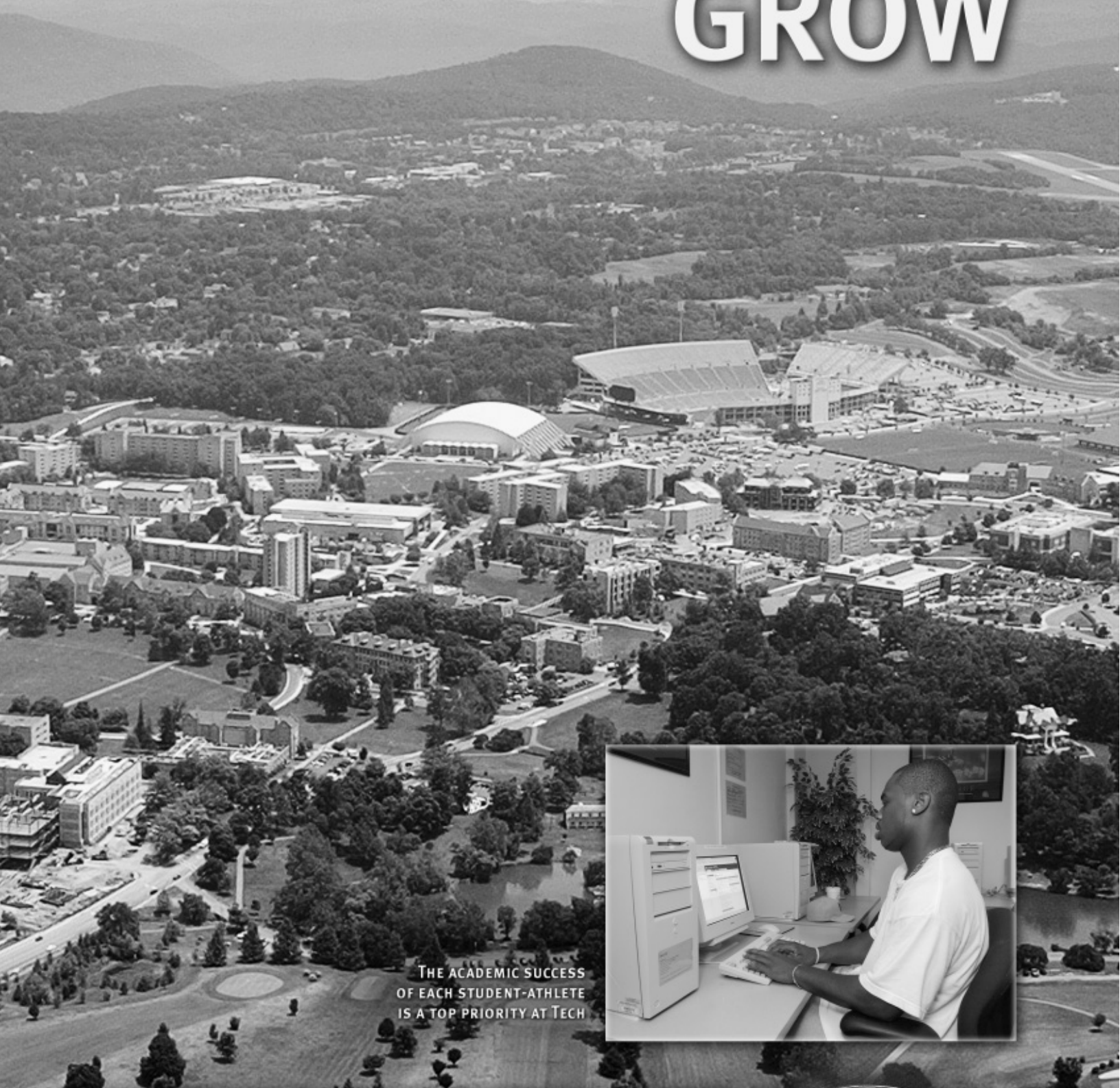
FOURTEEN OF THE HOKIES ON COACH BEAMER'S
2003 SQUAD HAVE ALREADY GRADUATED OR ARE
ON SCHEDULE TO DO SO AFTER THE FALL SEMESTER

A DECADE OF
EXCELLENCE
1993



A year after posting a 2-8-1 record, head coach Frank Beamer and his Hokies turned things around with a 9-3 mark and rang in both the New Year and a new era in Tech football with a 45-20 win over Indiana in the Independence Bowl. In addition, center Jim Pyne became Tech's first unanimous football All-American.

TO LEARN AND GROW



THE ACADEMIC SUCCESS
OF EACH STUDENT-ATHLETE
IS A TOP PRIORITY AT TECH

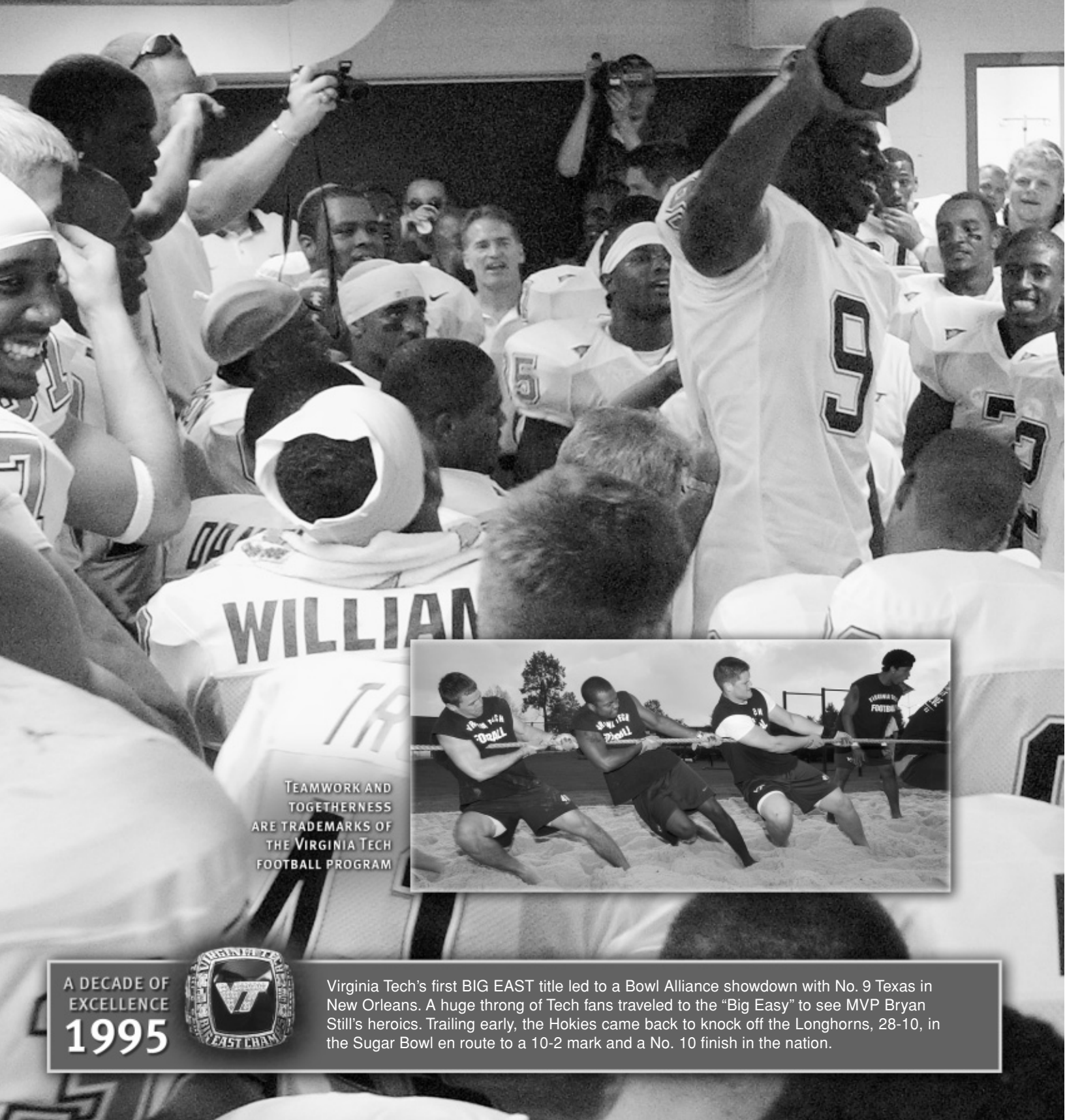


Building on the momentum from the previous season, a team led by quarterback Maurice DeShazo and record-breaking receiver Antonio Freeman went 9-4 and earned a final ranking of 24th in the Coaches' poll. The Hokies capped off the season with their first appearance in the Gator Bowl against SEC-powerhouse Tennessee.



A DECADE OF
EXCELLENCE
1994

TECH'S FAMILY ATMOSPHERE



TEAMWORK AND
TOGETHERNESS
ARE TRADEMARKS OF
THE VIRGINIA TECH
FOOTBALL PROGRAM



A DECADE OF
EXCELLENCE
1995



Virginia Tech's first BIG EAST title led to a Bowl Alliance showdown with No. 9 Texas in New Orleans. A huge throng of Tech fans traveled to the "Big Easy" to see MVP Bryan Still's heroics. Trailing early, the Hokies came back to knock off the Longhorns, 28-10, in the Sugar Bowl en route to a 10-2 mark and a No. 10 finish in the nation.

The Virginia Tech football program prides itself on the family atmosphere it instills. That atmosphere hasn't gone unnoticed as several sets of brothers and sons of former Hokies have followed in their footsteps and decided to play for head coach Frank Beamer and his staff. Below are some of the players who have followed in the footsteps of their relatives.

Michael Vick (lettered 1999-00)
Brother: Marcus Vick (a redshirt freshman)

Kevin Lewis (a redshirt junior)
Brother: Jonathan Lewis (a sophomore)

Nathaniel Adibi (a redshirt senior)
Brother: Xavier Adibi (an incoming freshman)

Blake Warren (a redshirt junior)
Brother: Brett Warren (a 2003 signee)

Tom Cooper (lettered 1974-76)
Son: Chad Cooper (a redshirt junior)

Anthony Thibodeau (lettered in 2000)
Brother: John Thibodeau (a redshirt freshman)

Billy Leeson (lettered 1982-84)
Son: Nick Leeson (a redshirt freshman)

Billy Hardee, Jr. (lettered 1973-75)
Son: Billy Hardee III (lettered 2000-02)

Mike Burnop (lettered 1970-72)
Son: Greg Burnop (played in 2002)

Tom Beasley (lettered 1973-76)
Son: Chad Beasley (lettered 1998-01)

Bill Houseright (lettered 1973-77)
Sons: Bill Houseright, Jr. (lettered 1995)
and Jake Houseright (lettered 1998-01)

Scott Hawkins (lettered 1969 & 1971)
Son: Cullen Hawkins (lettered 1996-97, 1999-00)

Frank Beamer (lettered 1966-68)
(head coach 1986 to present)
Son: Shane Beamer (lettered 1996-99)

Lenny Smith (lettered 1968-70)
Son: Ryan Smith (lettered 1997-98)

T.J. Washington (lettered 1994-96)
Brother: Todd Washington (lettered 1995-97)

Dennis Semones (lettered in 1966)
Son: Brandon Semones (lettered 1993-96)

Ken Edwards (lettered 1967-69)
Son: Tommy Edwards (lettered 1993-94)

Rich Williams (lettered 1987-88)
Brother: Ryan Williams (1991-94)

Billy Swarm (lettered 1991-92)
Brother: Joe Swarm (1992-93)

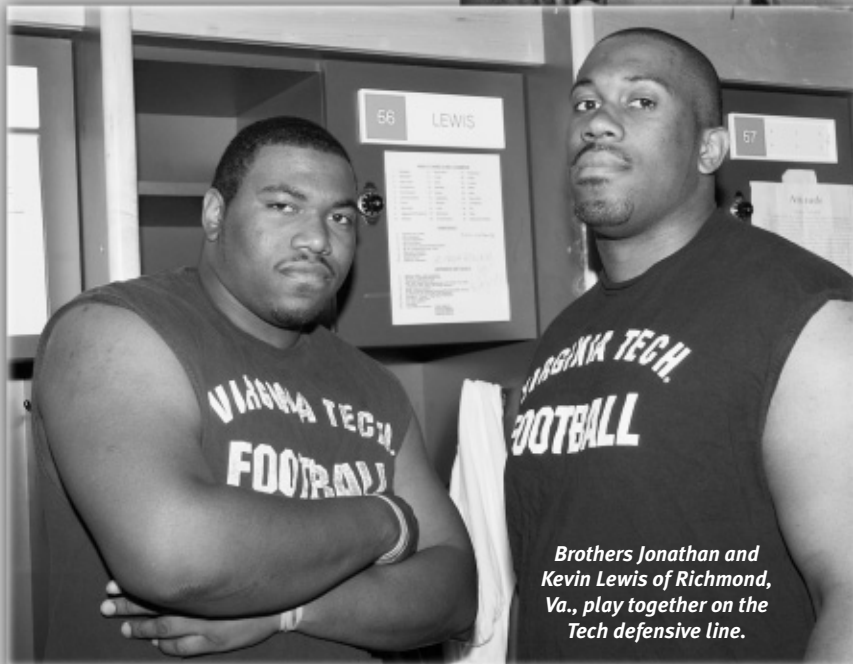
Joe Moss (lettered 1958-59 & 1961)
Sons: Andrew Moss (lettered in 1990)
and Billy Moss (lettered in 1992)

Terry Smith (lettered in 1990)
Brother: Eric Smith (lettered in 1992)

Danny Hill (lettered 1976-79)
Brother: Scott Hill (lettered 1986-89)

Ken Barefoot (lettered 1965-67)
Sons: Ken Barefoot, Jr. (lettered 1987-88)
and Jason Barefoot (on the 1988-90 teams)

Ron Davidson (lettered 1966-68)
Son: Ron Davidson, Jr. (on the 1987-90 teams)



Brothers Jonathan and Kevin Lewis of Richmond, Va., play together on the Tech defensive line.

After finishing as the Co-BIG EAST champs, the Hokies earned their second-consecutive Bowl Alliance bid and an Orange Bowl matchup against No. 6 Nebraska. Ken Oxendine rushed for a Tech bowl-record 150 yards and Jim Druckenmiller threw for three touchdowns. Tech finished its season 10-2 and ranked 13th in the nation.



A DECADE OF
EXCELLENCE
1996

FEEL THE NOISE!

"If people believe that fans do not help out, they didn't see that game. It was so loud down there at certain points, it was kind of unreal. There wasn't any use trying to change a play. It was just that loud."

— Byron Leftwich, Marshall QB

A DECADE OF
EXCELLENCE
1997



Tech defeated conference foe Miami for the third straight season as the Hokies earned their fifth-consecutive bowl bid. In its first New Year's Day bowl under Frank Beamer, Tech took on No. 5 North Carolina in the Gator Bowl and for the fifth-straight year took more fans than its bowl opponent. The Hokies finished the season with a 7-5 mark.

“Blacksburg is a place that has an absolute love affair with its football program. It’s a 100 percent crazy, loud stadium environment. You can go to places with 100,000 people and Tech’s stadium is just as loud, or louder, especially for night games.”

— ESPN’s Kirk Herbstreit



A young Tech team posted a 9-3 mark, including a big 38-7 win over SEC-power Alabama in the inaugural Music City Bowl. Tech blocked two punts in the freezing conditions en route to the program’s first win ever against the Crimson Tide. Defensive end Corey Moore won the first of his two BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Year honors.



A DECADE OF
EXCELLENCE
1998

A SUCCESS STORY

VIRGINIA TECH FOOTBALL IS RIDING THE MOST SUCCESSFUL FOUR-YEAR PERIOD IN ITS HISTORY.

THE HOKIES HAVE A 40-10 RECORD SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE 1999 SEASON, HIGHLIGHTED BY CONSECUTIVE 11-1 CAMPAIGNS LED BY QUARTERBACK MICHAEL VICK. THE 40 WINS ARE THE MOST FOR THE HOKIE FOOTBALL PROGRAM OVER ANY FOUR-YEAR SPAN SINCE THE SPORT STARTED IN 1892. ADDITIONALLY, TECH IS ONE OF ONLY SIX TEAMS TO HAVE POSTED AT LEAST 10 CONSECUTIVE WINNING SEASONS ON THE DIVISION I-A LEVEL. THE OTHERS ARE FLORIDA, FLORIDA STATE, KANSAS STATE, MICHIGAN AND TENNESSEE.



IN ADDITION TO WINNING THREE BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIPS IN THE PAST EIGHT YEARS, VIRGINIA TECH HAS TWICE WON THE LAMBERT TROPHY, SYMBOLIZING EASTERN FOOTBALL SUPREMACY

A DECADE OF
EXCELLENCE
1999



A redshirt freshman named Michael Vick stormed onto the college football scene in 1999, leading the Hokies to an undefeated regular season, a BIG EAST title and a berth in the national championship game against Florida State. Tech finished 11-1 and ranked No. 2 in the nation in an unforgettable season.

EXCELLENCE ... ON AND OFF THE FIELD

Though honored as an All-BIG EAST wide receiver and All-America punt returner, André Davis collected most of his accolades for his academic achievements. He accepted the 2002 Socrates Award given to the college athlete who best embodies the Socrates Creed "mens sana in corpore sano" or "a strong mind in a strong body."

Davis' top honor, though, came from the NCAA Honors Committee when he was named one of the NCAA's Top VIII Award winners. That award recognizes the student-athlete for athletics, academic achievement, character and leadership. Davis went to the NCAA Honors Dinner held in Indianapolis (right, with receiver coach Tony Ball) and was chosen by the other seven winners to speak to the audience on their behalf.

Davis also spoke to the audience at the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame's Awards Dinner in New York on behalf of the 16 National College Scholar-Athletes. He earned an \$18,000 postgraduate scholarship which is handed out by the National Football Foundation to all 16 winners.

Davis, a four-time member of the All-BIG EAST football academic team, was drafted in the second round of the NFL Draft by the Cleveland Browns.



LONGEVITY

Virginia Tech has been ranked for 70 consecutive weeks in the Associated Press Top 25 Football Poll, marking the second-longest active consecutive appearance streak.

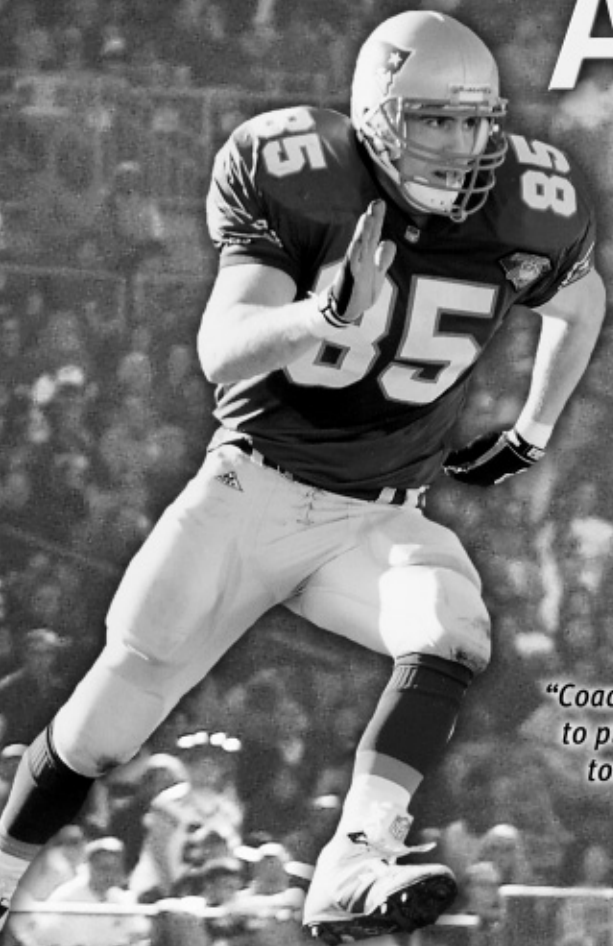
Team	Weeks
1. Michigan	80
2. Virginia Tech	70
3. Miami	55
4. Oklahoma	50
5. Texas	43

A second-consecutive 11-1 season was capped off by a convincing 41-20 win over Clemson in the Gator Bowl. Behind national scoring leader Lee Suggs, Tech's high-scoring offense led the nation in rushing touchdowns. Tech earned a No. 6 final ranking, and following the season, the top pick in the NFL Draft was the Hokies' Michael Vick.



A DECADE OF
EXCELLENCE
2000

A STEPPING STONE TO THE NFL



"Coach Beamer gave me an opportunity to play, and I wouldn't be where I am today if he was not a fair coach."

— John Burke, former Tech walk-on who played in the NFL for seven seasons



Carolina Panther Shayne Graham with Kevin McCadam, Keion Carpenter and Michael Vick of the Atlanta Falcons

IT'S A REGULAR OCCURRENCE
FOR FORMER TECH PLAYERS
TO MEET ON THE NFL GRIDIRON

A DECADE OF
EXCELLENCE
2001

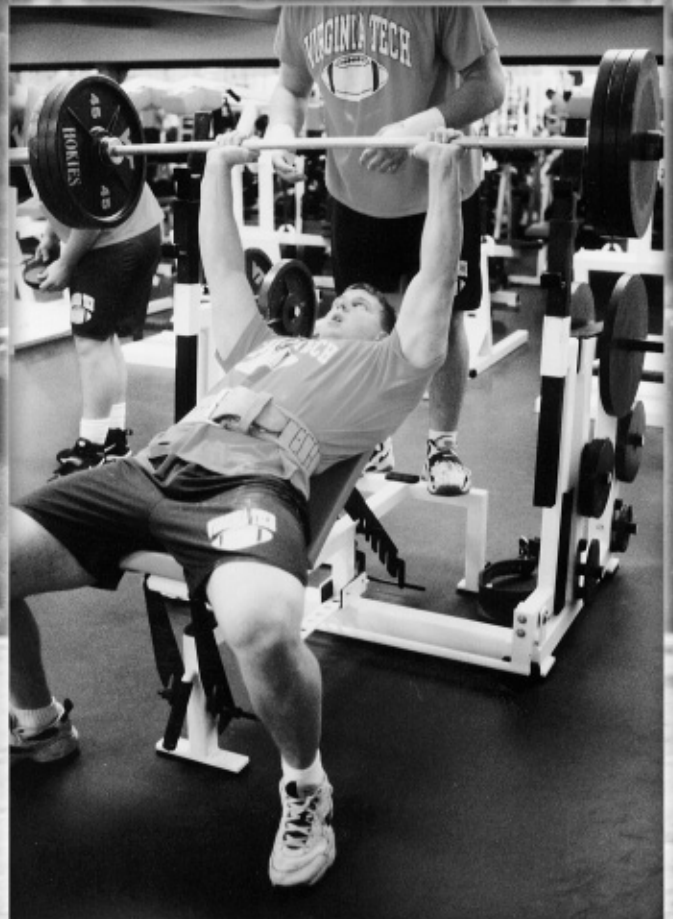


Led by the big plays of receiver/return man André Davis, the Hokies posted an 8-4 overall mark and went to a ninth-consecutive bowl. Davis proved to be one of Tech's best, both on the field and off, earning All-America honors for both his play and his academics. Tech finished ranked 18th in the nation and had eight players selected in the NFL Draft.



EVERY YEAR, NFL SCOUTS CONVERGE ON BLACKSBURG FOR PRO TIMING DAY

TECH'S COACHING STAFF AND STRENGTH & CONDITIONING PROGRAM HELP PREPARE PLAYERS, SUCH AS THE 49ERS' JOHN ENGELBERGER, FOR SUCCESSFUL PRO FOOTBALL CAREERS



A last-second goal-line stand sent the Hokies into a wild postgame celebration as Tech held off Air Force in the inaugural San Francisco Bowl. The 20-13 win completed a 10-4 season and gave Tech a final national ranking in both polls for the fifth-consecutive year. It also marked the Hokies' 10th-straight bowl appearance, capping a decade of excellence.



A DECADE OF
EXCELLENCE
2002

THE NEXT STEP...



WITH A STRONG FOUNDATION ALREADY LAID,
THE VIRGINIA TECH FOOTBALL PROGRAM IS
POISED TO CAPITALIZE ON MOMENTUM BUILT
OVER A DECADE OF EXCELLENCE TO REACH NEW
HEIGHTS IN THE COLLEGE FOOTBALL WORLD.

TO ACHIEVE THEIR GOALS,
THE HOKIES WILL RELY
ON THEIR TRADITIONS OF
A TREMENDOUS WORK
ETHIC AND STRONG
SENIOR LEADERSHIP.



2003
PRESEASON
RIMINGTON & LOMBARDI AWARDS
AND OUTLAND TROPHY
CANDIDATE
Jake Grove

2003 OUTLOOK



A SNEAK PREVIEW

Here's what a few publications think of the 2003 Hokies

THE SPORTING NEWS

Kevin Jones — Second-Team Preseason All-American; No. 3 RB in the nation
Jake Grove — First-Team Preseason All-American; No. 1 center in the nation
Nathaniel Adibi — First-Team Preseason All-American; No. 2 DE in the nation
Kevin Lewis — No. 9 DT in the nation
Vegas Robinson — No. 10 MLB in the nation
DeAngelo Hall — No. 6 CB in the nation; No. 14 return man in the nation
Virginia Tech — defensive line is ranked No. 5 in the nation
Virginia Tech — secondary is ranked No. 8 in the nation
Virginia Tech — special teams are ranked No. 1 in the nation

ATHLON MAGAZINE

Virginia Tech No. 14 nationally
Virginia Tech No. 3 in the BIG EAST
Nathaniel Adibi — Second-Team Preseason All-American at DL;
preseason All-BIG EAST first team
DeAngelo Hall — Second-Team Preseason All-American at DB;
preseason All-BIG EAST first team at DB;
preseason All-BIG EAST second team at punt returner
Kevin Jones — Third-Team Preseason All-American at RB;
preseason All-BIG EAST first team
Jake Grove — preseason All-BIG EAST first team at center
Ernest Wilford — preseason All-BIG EAST first team at WR
Jim Davis — preseason All-BIG EAST second team at DL
Mikal Baaqee — preseason All-BIG EAST second team at LB
Garnell Wilds — preseason All-BIG EAST second team at DB
Cols Colas — preseason All-BIG EAST second team at DL
Vinnie Burns — preseason All-BIG EAST second team at punter
Virginia Tech — best defensive line group in the conference
Virginia Tech — No. 2 quarterback group in the conference
Virginia Tech — No. 2 linebacker group in the conference
Virginia Tech — No. 2 defensive back group in the conference
Virginia Tech — No. 2 recruiting class in the conference

COLLEGEFOOTBALLNEWS.COM

Virginia Tech No. 6 nationally
Kevin Jones — Preseason honorable mention All-American at RB;
No. 5 RB in the country; Preseason First-Team All-BIG EAST;
No. 1 RB in the BIG EAST
Ernest Wilford — Watch List Preseason All-America;
Preseason First-Team All-BIG EAST
Jake Grove — Watch List Preseason All-America;
Preseason First-Team All-BIG EAST
Nathaniel Adibi — Honorable Mention Preseason All-America;
Preseason First-Team All-BIG EAST
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Virginia Tech — best defensive line group in the conference
Virginia Tech — best special teams group in the conference
Virginia Tech — No. 2 linebacker group in the conference

PLAYBOY MAGAZINE

Kevin Jones — Preseason All-America running back



"Don't expect much of a drop-off in overall production from the offense that scored 30.6 points and averaged 371.5 yards per game. The running game will be as good as ever with Kevin Jones running behind an experienced line. The new wrinkle will be an upgraded passing game with a speedy receiving corps and a more mature Bryan Randall at quarterback. If Randall isn't the leader of the show, that means the time has arrived for Marcus Vick."

— collegefootballnews.com

MOVING FORWARD

Hokies carry momentum into new campaign

The Virginia Tech football team, coming off perhaps the best spring practice of the Frank Beamer era, appears poised to make its mark on the 2003 football season.

With 43 lettermen, 16 starters and both kickers returning from a team that went 10-4 and defeated Air Force in the San Francisco Bowl last year, the Hokies will field a much more experienced team this season. And following their highly competitive spring, the Hokies should also have better overall depth than a year ago.

"The thing I liked about our spring practice is that there was good competition at just about every position," head coach Frank Beamer says. "When you've got good competition, nobody is taking a day off because they are competing for playing time. Everybody gets better."

"Then, if one guy gets hurt, you're not going to have much of a drop off when the next guy goes in to play — and that's big. In a long football season you have to have depth to stay at a high level each and every week."

Beamer expects the competition to continue when practice resumes in August. That should be especially true at the defensive tackle and linebacker positions where the Hokies could look to add some additional depth from their incoming recruiting class.

While the public's eye was focused on the Hokies' quarterback competition

between returning starter Bryan Randall and redshirt freshman Marcus Vick during the spring, Beamer was addressing the Hokies' most pressing need. That need was a play-making receiver who could draw some attention away from record-setting split end Ernest Wilford. The possible solution appeared right in front of Beamer's eyes.

"When I was watching DeAngelo Hall returning punts last season, I kept thinking, this guy has a great knack of making the first guy miss," Beamer recalls. "Then I thought, if he can get that done out there as a wide receiver, there is a pretty good chance he can pick up some valuable yardage."

Hall spent the majority of the spring working at receiver and heads into the season with the real possibility of being a three-way player. The speedy junior is the returning starter at the boundary cornerback position. He is also the Hokies' starting punt return man. Following Hall's showing at receiver during the spring, Beamer and his staff are hoping to get 25-30 offensive plays a game out of him, too.

"DeAngelo Hall is a gifted athlete," Beamer says. "When you put him in there with Ernest, you've got two playmakers. If you put two great receivers in there — one on each side — with a good running game, I think you have a level playing field."

Defensively, the Hokies lost just two starters and have 15 players back who started at least three games last fall. This

year's unit has all the makings of a traditional Tech defense — speed, aggressiveness and toughness. But Beamer and his coaches haven't forgotten that the defense was susceptible to the run during the second half of last season.

"As we evaluated our film, it came back to fundamentals," says defensive coordinator Bud Foster. "Guys not securing their gap, guys getting cut off — just inconsistent play."

"Our players grew up a lot last year. Every snap was a learning experience. That experience is going to help us this season."

One of the team's strong points will once again be the defensive end positions, even though the status of senior Jim Davis won't be determined until August. Davis suffered a torn pectoral muscle just days before the start of spring practice.

The Hokies will also have quality depth at tight end and in the secondary. Beamer also believes the offensive line will be one of the most athletic in his time at Tech.

Tech will miss record-setting tailback Lee Suggs and free safety Willie Pile, but their departure will open the door for future stars. Junior Kevin Jones, who has rushed for 1,828 yards over two seasons despite starting just three regular-season games, will become the main man at tailback. Sophomore Jimmy Williams, who has size, speed and unlimited potential, is prepared to take Pile's place. Both figure

to be exciting players to watch this fall.

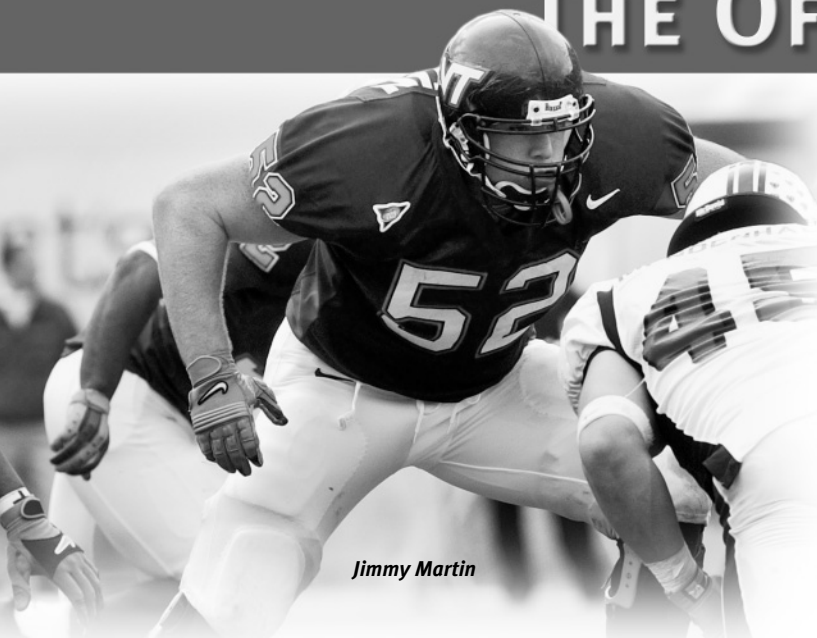
And what about the quarterback situation?

"We are fortunate to have two great quarterbacks," says Beamer. "Bryan Randall is going to be hard to beat out. He competes, he continues to get better and of course he has the advantage of having a year of experience. Marcus Vick is a gifted athlete who things just come natural to. He is coming on fast. They are going to compete hard and they know whoever gives us the best chance of winning is the guy who we are going to have in the ballgame."

The 2003 Hokies have a good mix of young talent like Williams and Jones to go with some key veterans like center Jake Grove and linebacker Vegas Robinson. Their work habits in the strength and conditioning program have been good and they are riding the momentum of a bowl win. As with every football team, there are some key personnel who absolutely need to stay healthy, but with the team's improved depth and the level of competition for positions, Beamer likes what he sees.

"I feel good about how things are going," Beamer says. "We want to make sure during the preseason that our chemistry is right, but generally speaking, I feel like there are a lot of talented kids on this team who have worked very hard to be a good football team. We'll see what happens."

THE OFFENSE



Jimmy Martin

The loss of four starters from last year's offense hasn't detracted from the excitement heading into the 2003 season. A core nucleus of players and coaches return, with the addition of several players who are expected to provide excitement and productivity for the Hokies. With this group Tech has to work with this season, the word around the Hokies' camp is "confidence".

Among the returning starters are versatile quarterback Bryan Randall, speedy Kevin Jones at tailback and the record-breaking Ernest Wilford at receiver.

Jake Grove and Jacob Gibson will lead an experienced line, one that returns five players who saw significant action in 2002.

Bryan Randall and Marcus Vick will give the Hokies two viable options at quarterback. Both had outstanding springs and the coaches feel confident with either running the offense.

The trial run of cornerback DeAngelo Hall at the wide receiver spot was deemed a success and the speedy triple threat will be an asset opposite Wilford.

"DeAngelo gives us additional play-making capabilities," Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line Coach Bryan Stinespring says. "There wasn't a practice or a scrimmage where DeAngelo didn't make a big play down the field or a bigger play with a

short play turned into a long run."

Stinespring now has a year of play-calling under his belt and the playmakers in the backfield and on the edges to open up the offense and turn the Hokies' offense into a high-powered attack.

"We're excited about the possibilities. We're excited about the opportunities. We're excited about the capabilities," Stinespring says. "There's a certain level of confidence. Our players have confidence. Our staff has confidence. We're confident with what we want to do and can do offensively. That excites me. We're not handcuffed and now we can go out there and be a little more dimensional than we were last year."

OFFENSIVE LINE

Line Coach Bryan Stinespring has the luxury of returning three starters on a line that helped spring running backs Lee Suggs and Kevin Jones to big games last year.

"It helps a lot having three starters back, but we still have a young group," Stinespring says. "During the off-season we really wanted to get these guys bigger and stronger so they can play with more confidence and intensity. We also want to develop and solidify depth in our two-deep lineup at each position."

Stinespring will sleep well knowing that he has senior Jake

Grove back at center this year. Last season, Grove started all 14 games and graded out at over 90 percent for the season, reaching the Winner's Circle every game. He was able to capitalize on a full season without injury and his play improved greatly. While he wasn't named all-conference, he was named fourth-team All-America by *The Sporting News*.

"Jake has all of the nuts and bolts that you want a center to have," Stinespring says. "He is tough, physical, aggressive and has the intangibles needed to play the position well. He's a great leader and he really sets the pace for the rest of the offensive line."

Robert Ramsey and Danny McGrath, who have both seen limited action, are candidates for the back-up spot at center.

At the guard positions, Stinespring has a talented and focused group returning this season. Jacob Gibson will return as a starter at the left guard spot, while James Miller goes into the season as No. 1 at right guard.

Gibson started 11 games for the Hokies in 2002 and graded out at 85 percent for the season. He has the versatility to play either tackle position but will go into his last season as a guard.

"Jacob has had a great off-season and is really working hard," Stinespring says. "He's a really tough guy and has experience that he brings to the table. He had a great spring and is becoming a leader for us on the line."

Former walk-on Will Montgomery will enter the fall as the No. 2 man at the left guard spot. Montgomery played in four games during the 2002 season, recording two knockdown blocks.

"Will is what Virginia Tech football is all about," Stinespring says. "He is aggressive, workmanlike, serious and overachieving. He had a really good spring."

Miller saw action at both

left and right guard in 2002. The 6-6, 304-pound junior has gained a good understanding of the Tech system and will be looked to for leadership on the line this season.

"James is a guy who is very determined," Stinespring says. "He's moving from a vital back-up role to where he has to be a vital starter for us. His lower body strength is outstanding, but we have to get his upper body strength caught up with his lower half."

Jason Murphy, who has moved to the offensive line from the defensive side of the ball, will work behind Miller at right guard along with redshirt-freshman Brandon Gore, who, at 6-5 and over 300 pounds will bring strength and size to the guard spot.

At the tackle positions, Stinespring returns several players with playing or starting experience. Jon Dunn and Jimmy Martin will head into spring practice at the No. 1 spots at left and right tackle, respectively.

Dunn started seven games last season and graded out at 80.3 percent for the year. The 6-7, 343-pound junior has worked on becoming more consistent and physical at the point of attack during spring practice.

"Jon had a really good spring," Stinespring says. "We held him to a greater standard than we've ever held him to before and he responded well. We just need to work on him becoming a consistently dominating player."

Backing up Dunn will be January enrollee Tripp Carroll and sophomore Reggie Butler. Butler saw limited action last season as a freshman. With a great off-season, he will be counted on to help a lot at the left tackle spot.

"One of them is going to play and one is going to redshirt," Stinespring says. "That makes for great competition. Reggie is maturing quickly and Tripp is a mature kid. One of those two has to carry it over to the

field and whoever gives us the best chance to win is going to be the one who will play."

Martin, who started several games at the right tackle position last season, brings athleticism and experience to the position.

"Jimmy is one of the best athletes we have on the offensive line," Stinespring says. "He struggled a little bit at the beginning of spring. We moved him to the left tackle and back to right tackle and forgot about his youthfulness. We don't want to slow him down and we're excited about his future."

Backing up Miller will be Chris Pannell, who has made the move from defensive tackle to the offense.

Stinespring feels the starting five linemen are solidified heading into the preseason, but is also confident about the reserves and the group as a whole.

"I'm really excited about this offensive line group," Stinespring says. "I just can't say enough about how hard they've worked so far in the off-season. I think if they continue to push themselves to get stronger and more confident then we will see a bigger, more intense group on the field going into the fall."

TIGHT ENDS

The Hokies will return all three tight ends from 2002, including Keith Willis and Jeff King, who split time as the starter last year, and Jared Mazzetta, who will also be battling for the starting job.

"We're in a good position in that all three got playing time last year," says tight ends coach Danny Pearman. "They each bring something slightly different to the table that we'll be able to use."

Willis, a redshirt senior, had the most impressive stats last year and started the first eight games. The Norfolk, Va., native had seven catches for 168 yards and a score. Against Syracuse, he hauled in two passes for 113 yards, including an 87-yarder.

"We expect Keith, as a senior, to step in and be a leader for us in both work ethic and on the field performance," Pearman says. "He's really

dedicated himself here in the off-season and I've seen some really positive results from him."

King will be right with Willis for the starting job ... when not at fullback. The Pulaski native is the biggest of the three at 6-5, 258 pounds and has excellent hands, but spent most of the spring working at the fullback position. He came in and started the last six games of the 2002 season, including the bowl game. The redshirt sophomore caught just one pass — a 19-yarder — but it went for a touchdown in Tech's opener against Arkansas State.

"Jeff left as the starter and if he comes back, he'll be right back in there as one of our starters," Pearman says. "Jeff is an unselfish guy who brings a lot to the table, both blocking and catching the ball. He's a very dependable person who will help us a lot at tight end."

Mazzetta, a redshirt junior, was competitive with Willis and King in the 2002 preseason before an ankle injury sidelined him for a couple of weeks. He was never able to catch up and was used mostly on special teams. He had one catch for 19 yards last season.

"Jeff moving to fullback did nothing but increase Jared's reps this spring," Pearman says. "He had surgery this spring to clean up a shoulder injury, but he should be back and will benefit from the extra work he got this spring."

The Hokies will also have the services of newcomer Matt Roan, a January enrollee from Hargrave Academy. He played behind King at Pulaski County High School and will bring more depth to the position. Two signees — John Kinzer and Duane Brown — will also battle for playing time, but could end up redshirting.

"We're going to make a conscious effort to throw them the ball more, but if you throw it to them, they have to catch it," Pearman says. "It's a two-way street. So they're going to have some chances. They have to

make some plays, but this group is going to get some opportunities."

QUARTERBACKS

All eyes will be on the quarterbacks this fall as coach Kevin Rogers has the luxury of having two talented players ready to battle it out.

The job is Bryan Randall's and he is considered the starting quarterback, but that doesn't mean he won't be pushed for the job. The junior came in last season and started the final 12 games. He threw for 2,134 yards and ran for 507 and finished ranked 10th in the nation in pass

efficiency. He showed leadership and maturity in guiding the Hokies to a 10-win season.

"Bryan had an excellent spring," Rogers says. "He ended the spring a much better player than he finished last season in the bowl game. He had an outstanding semester, academically, so I'm anticipating him continuing his improvement. He's developed a little bit of a swagger and I like that and I can see him becoming a leader for us."

In the other corner is redshirt freshman Marcus Vick, who has added nearly 20-pounds of muscle since arriving



in Blacksburg and spent last year soaking in the college game. Vick is an exciting player with a strong arm and a knack for the game. He passed his first true test in the college game this past spring and Rogers is looking forward to seeing how he progresses.

"Marcus is ahead of the learning curve right now," Rogers says. "The question isn't 'Is he a good football player?' I know he's a good football player. Can he be a great player is what we have to find out and I don't know if we'll know that until he's in a game.

"I'm going to watch both Bryan and Marcus compete, but I don't want to make any bones about it, Bryan Randall is our quarterback right now. It is incumbent on Marcus to take that job away from him. Bryan is going to be very competitive with that job and I expect good competition from both of them."

Chris Clifton, who has been working at wide receiver, will be the No. 3 man. He came in as a quarterback and will be moved over if necessary.

"We didn't get any work with him in the spring, but he came in as a quarterback so he is ahead of anyone else," Rogers says. "He is an excellent athlete who can throw the ball well."

RUNNING BACKS

Billy Hite has had a great tailback each of the last four years. This year should be no different. Despite losing Lee Suggs, who will go down as one of the greatest backs in Tech history, Hite will once again have the services of Kevin Jones.

"Kevin had an outstanding spring and continues to get better in all phases of the game," Hite says. "He was an outstanding running back who was great with the ball in his arms when he came in, but now he's doing the other things also. I'm expecting him to be a great player for us this year. He's been a role player for us the last two years and now it's his turn.

"That's the first thing I told him after the bowl game was that it was his turn and he got a big smile on his face and I think he's very excited about his opportunity. He has all the tools to be the best running back to ever play at Virginia Tech, but it's up to him."

Jones was having a great 2002 campaign before a hamstring pull against Pittsburgh slowed him for the year. Once back, Jones developed a fumbling habit, one that Hite promises he took care of this past spring.

"The fumbles are a mental thing and most of them come on second-effort," Hite says. "He needs to make better decisions on getting down and holding the ball close to his body. We took care of that problem this spring. But before his hamstring injury, he was having a great season for us and we're excited about what he can do for this program."

In all, he rushed for 871 yards and nine touchdowns while sharing the ball with Suggs. Jones, a rising junior, will be the feature back this fall and it's now his time to shine.

Cedric Humes emerged as the No. 2 man at tailback after finishing spring practice strong, but will be pushed by Mike Imoh for that spot.

"Cedric moved back to tailback and started slow, but his last few weeks of spring practice were outstanding," Hite says. "He did a great job running the ball and is a load to tackle. I was really pleased with the way he progressed through spring."

Humes, a redshirt sophomore, spent last season as a fullback. The Virginia Beach native served as the No. 2 man last year, but has the speed and skills to play tailback. He carried the ball 16 times for 68 yards last year and also caught seven passes for 76 yards.

Imoh, a sophomore from Fairfax, rushed just 10 times for 38 yards last season, but was the odd-man-out when it came to carries. He started the season at tailback, but was moved to wide receiver, where he caught a touchdown pass in the opener. He was eventually moved back to tailback and saw most of his action on special teams.

John Candelas, a walk-on from Blacksburg, will provide depth at the tailback position and is working hard to work his way into the rotation. The sophomore scored a touchdown last year against Marshall.

The fullback position appears to be in good hands as redshirt senior Doug Easlick returns. Deemed "one of the biggest surprises of last season" by Hite, Easlick came in and didn't miss a beat in filling in for four-year starter Jarrett Ferguson.

"For him to come in and play the way he did was outstanding and amazing," Hite says. "I'm tickled to death to have him back again. I didn't think anyone could come in and replace Jarrett, but Doug

Easlick did just that and had a great year."

The bruising back from Marlton, N.J., started all 14 games and opened most of the holes for one of the best rushing offenses last year. He also carried the ball 19 times for 92 yards and showed excellent hands, catching 16 passes for 168 yards and a touchdown.

Jeff King, who started the last six games of the season at tight end, made the move to fullback this spring and impressed the coaches. He has the size (6-5, 256) to give opposing defenses matchup problems, but will also still be used at the tight end position.

"He was a pleasant surprise this spring," Hite says. "I think



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we've helped ourselves out offensively with him back there because we can put him at fullback or tight end and teams won't know which offensive package we're running."

A pair of walk-ons, Jesse Allen and Steve Canter, will battle for reps in hopes of seeing action in the fall.

Overall, Hite is once again excited about his stable of Stallions. "I like this group. It's a group that has worked and has provided great competition amongst each other and I'm excited about getting them on the field this fall."

WIDE RECEIVERS

Receivers coach Tony Ball has the luxury of having record-setting split end Ernest Wilford back, but he also has to replace sure-handed Shawn Witten at flanker.

"We have a good group of young players coming back, but we lose a guy like Shawn Witten who knew the offense and it's hard to replace those kind of players who you can depend on," Ball says.

Leading the troops will be Wilford, who set a new Tech record with 51 catches a year ago. The redshirt senior has the size at 6-4 to be an outstanding receiver and will be counted on for bigger things this year. Last season, he had 925 yards and seven touchdowns.

"We have to look at Ernest and figure out what we can do to help him get better for this year," Ball says. "This past year, he was a guy going into the season where there was a lot of talk questioning him. Now he had a real good year.

"He was consistent, he worked hard and as a result, he had great success. He's going to play a big part of getting these young players on track."

While the starting split end position is solidified, Ball says the flanker position is wide open and any one of four players — Richard Johnson, Justin Hamilton, Chris Shreve or Chris Clifton — could fill the spot.

Richard Johnson, a speedy receiver from Baltimore, had ankle surgery during the spring, but is expected to be back in time for fall practice. The redshirt junior started two games last season and caught 14 passes for 147 yards.

"Richard did the little things I asked of him this spring," Ball says. "Richard is smart, has real good hands and catches the ball well, but I need him to become a blur."

Justin Hamilton saw his playing time increase last season and was pushed by Ball this past spring. He was moved from tailback to receiver in 2002 and made great strides every day. He brings size (6-3, 209) and athleticism to the position and steadily improved as a receiver in the spring before getting hurt.

"Justin still has a lot to learn," Ball says. "He wasn't a receiver, so he's still learning how to be a receiver. He's working on becoming more comfortable at the position, but now he has to develop that receiver mentality and work ethic. But Justin started looking like a receiver before he got hurt this past spring."

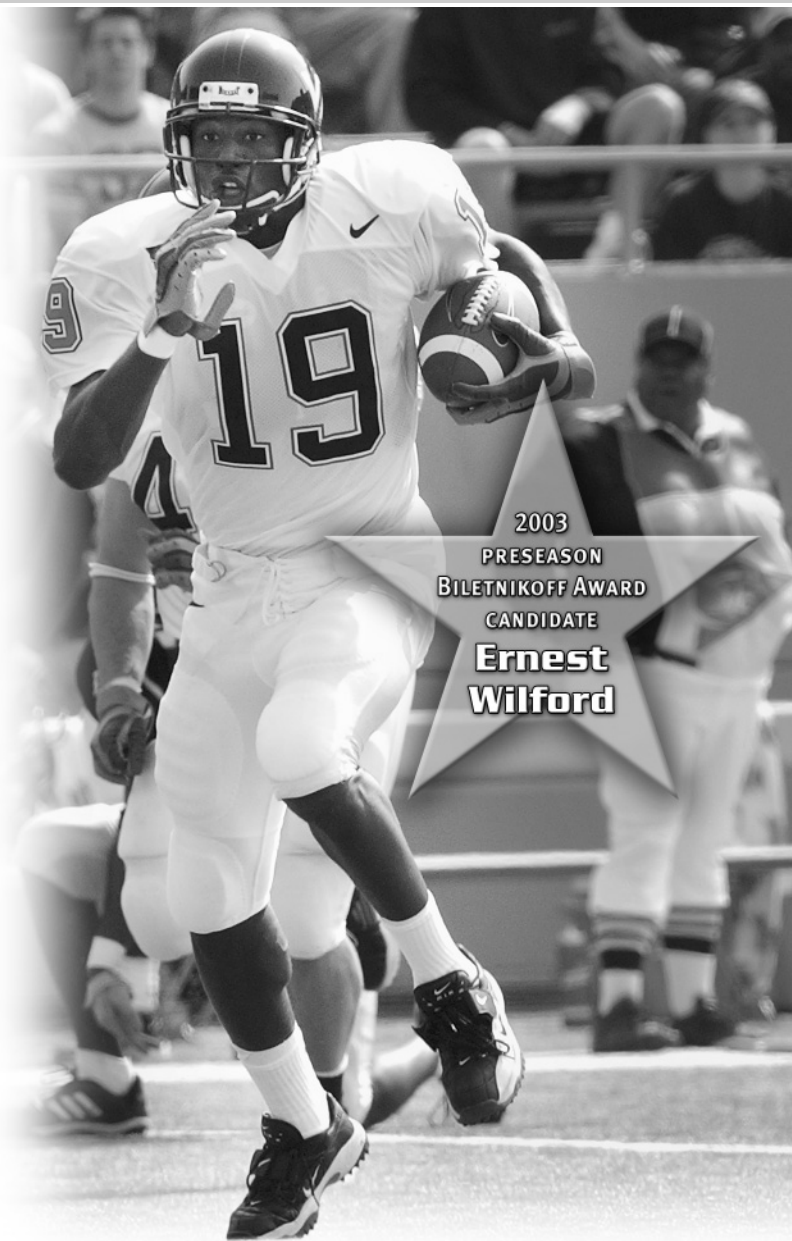
Clifton, a redshirt sophomore, and Shreve, a redshirt senior, will also get looks this preseason. Clifton has good size, at 6-4, and speed, but needs to learn the position. He came on late in the spring and is expected to be in the hunt for the job. Shreve is one of the fastest players on the team and is considered the most dependable of the four by Ball.

The wildcard in the mix is DeAngelo Hall, who spent the spring learning the offense in hopes of taking pressure off of Wilford. While he is still a defensive back, the coaches are expecting to get him 20-30 plays per game on the offensive side of the ball.

"We wanted to give him a solid foundation of the offense," Ball says. "Athletically, he's very talented and gifted. When he has the ball in his hands, he's very dangerous.

"I don't consider him a wide receiver. When he's over there, he's in the game, it's that simple. He's not a starter, but if we want to start the game in a four-wide set with him, he'll start in that set."

Two players who will report in the fall could also find their way into the mix if they pick up the college game quick enough. Josh Hyman and David Clowney are both big receivers who are expected to eventually be big-time players.



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"I'm looking forward to working with Josh and David," Ball says, "and seeing how much they can handle, mentally. I can handle teaching them fundamentally, but we'll have to see how things go with them. You never know with freshmen. But if they can demonstrate maturity, I wouldn't have a problem playing them."

Ball says Robert Parker, Fred Lee, Brenden Hill and Michael Malone all have the potential, but still have a ways to go before they're ready to play.

Parker has the coaches excited about his potential. He's another receiver with good size (6-1, 207) who has a good work ethic on the field and in the classroom.

Lee is a speedster who, although he doesn't have great

size, does run good routes and has good hands. He could be a big threat for the Hokies at either position because of his good speed and quickness.

Malone has the size (6-3, 202) and the pedigree (son of NBA Hall of Famer Moses Malone) to be a great player, but is lacking the experience. If he can get stronger and used to the college game, he could be a factor for the Hokies down the road.

"I went into the spring with the mind set that the flanker position was wide open and I came out of the spring with the same mind set," Ball says. "Right now, there is no starter at flanker; it's wide open. Right now, no position is solid except for one, and I'm going to push that one."

THE DEFENSE

Defensively, this will be a much different season than last year for coordinator Bud Foster. A year ago, Foster and his defensive staff had to replace their top five defensive tackles, their top three inside linebackers and two starters in the secondary.

This year, the Hokies return nine defensive starters and most of their backups. Only five players are gone from last year's unit — starting free safety Willie Pile, starting cornerback Ronyell Whitaker, end Lamar Cobb, rover Billy Hardee and linebacker Alex Markogiannakis.

The Hokies went through spring contact work without

four prominent defensive players who were recovering from injuries. Linebacker Vegas Robinson (ankle), end Cols Colas (knee) and tackle Kevin Lewis (torn pectoral muscle) will be ready when practice resumes. A decision on end Jim Davis, who tore a pectoral muscle just days before the start of spring practice, will be made in August.

"We had some veteran guys out this spring with injuries, but that allowed us to really get the younger players the reps they needed," Foster says. "Some key players who we are counting on to contribute were able to get



Tech returns 23 lettermen and nine starters on defense.

better thanks to the extra attention.

"I think this defense has the potential to be very good," adds Foster. "I like the experience we have. I like the depth that we have. I like the athletes that we have. We have a good mix right now of some experienced players and some hungry youth."

Despite the uncertainty surrounding Davis' status, one of the strong points of the defense should once again be the ends. With seniors Davis, Nathaniel Adibi and Cols Colas being joined by youngsters Darryl Tapp and Noland Burchette, the Hokies have one of their most talented group of ends.

Foster will be looking for the senior ends to be leaders for a group of tackles who are still young, but far more experienced than a year ago. Every player who saw extensive action at tackle for Tech last season is back and there is a big addition in transfer Isaac Montgomery. There may not be a position on the team with more competition.

Another strong point for the Hokies should be the secondary. The competition there was also stiff during the spring, especially at cornerback, where junior DeAngelo Hall figures to be one of the nation's best.

Several of the starting jobs may not be settled until the fall due to a good pool of talented candidates.

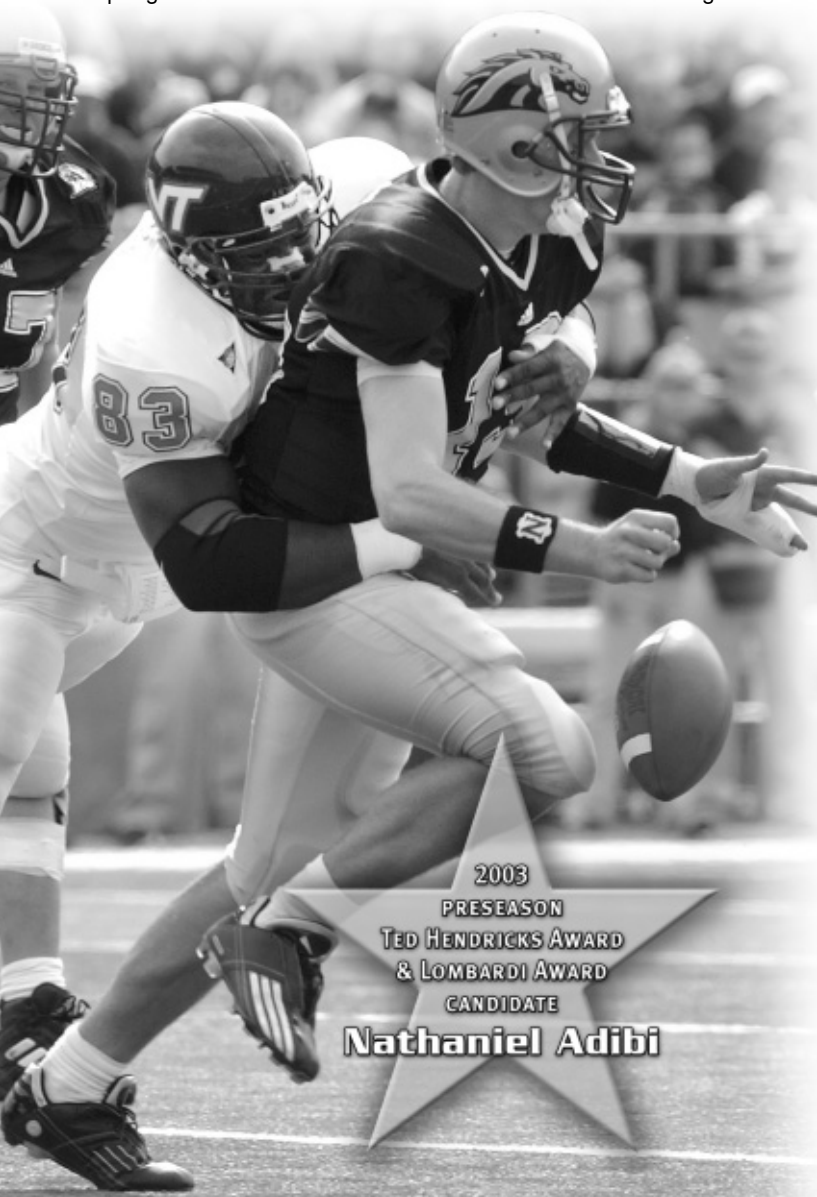
The defense also returns all three starting linebackers. Developing more depth at those positions was one of the focal points of the spring and will continue to be a key issue when practice resumes.

"We need some positions to step up for us," Foster says. "At defensive tackle, we need some of those younger players to mature and be ready for this year. We also need some young linebackers to step up in backup situations.

"I think the ability of our young players to become more consistent, to develop into every-down players is going to be the key for us," he adds. "I feel good about our first line guys. So now, being consistent and having some depth are extremely important. I think the spring allowed us to make progress in both areas and obviously, we need to continue that during the early weeks of preseason practice."

DEFENSIVE LINE

When assessing Tech's strong points for 2003, there is no better place to start than with the defensive ends. The senior trio of Nathaniel Adibi, Cols Colas and Jim Davis is as good as it gets, although Davis' status remains a



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question mark. The Hokies should also be improved at the tackle spots where a bevy of young players picked up some valuable experience in 2002.

"Overall, it was a very enjoyable spring," says defensive line coach Charley Wiles. "I think we did get better. We got down to where we had four defensive tackles and basically four ends, but I saw a lot of improvement. I saw a lot of enthusiasm. These players want to get better, want to win, want to do what is necessary to get it done."

There were certainly no signs of complacency at defensive end during the 2002 season when Adibi, Colas, Davis and senior Lamar Cobb combined for 24.5 quarterback sacks and 62 quarterback hurries.

Adibi was a standout on the Hokies' young defense, posting 55 tackles, nine sacks and 15 total tackles for loss. The 6-3, 255-pound performer added 16 hurries, three forced fumbles and two passes broken up on the way to second-team All-BIG EAST Conference honors. One of his forced fumbles was returned for a touchdown at Western Michigan. During his Tech career, Adibi has started 34 of the 38 games in which he has played, including three bowl games. He turned in a 575-pound back squat and ran a 4.5 forty during off-season testing.

Colas, who was held out of contact work during the spring after surgery to repair a patella tendon, was equally as effective in 2002. He contributed 51 tackles and, like Adibi, forced three fumbles. His team-leading 19 tackles for loss included nine sacks. He also topped the team with 24 quarterback hurries. At 6-0, 226, Colas has a combination of power (390 bench press) and explosive speed (4.41) that makes him hard to handle on the corner.

Davis, who is considered the Hokies' most talented end when healthy, has been

bothered by nagging injuries the past two seasons. During the 2002 season, he suffered an ankle injury against LSU that limited his effectiveness. The 6-3, 255-pound Davis finished the season with 37 tackles, including 5.5 sacks and nine total tackles for loss. He had 10 hurries and broke up three passes.

When healthy, Davis is a playmaker who can disrupt a game. As a sophomore he intercepted a pass and returned it for a touchdown and forced two fumbles that were returned for TDs. The coaches were hoping he could avoid injuries this year and become an every-down player. With Davis having a redshirt year to burn, those hopes could be put off for another season.

Tech's talent at the end position doesn't stop with the seniors. Sophomore Darryl Tapp and redshirt freshman Noland Burchette, a pair of extremely promising newcomers, got the bulk of the

reps at the end positions during spring practice. Bob Ruff, a steady, dependable walk-on, also got his share of work.

Tapp started on five different special teams last year as a true freshman and saw some limited work at end. He increased his weight to 246 pounds during the winter and turned in a 380-pound bench press on the way to Super Iron Hokie honors. Burchette (6-2, 240) impressed Tech's coaches with his quickness, athletic ability and football instincts while redshirting during the fall. Both players were among the Hokies' most impressive performers during 2003 spring practice.

The incoming recruiting class will also provide Wiles with a couple of talented end candidates if he needs additional depth. Freshmen Chris Ellis and Michael Brown are likely to get a close look when practice opens.

"I'm really pleased with the way we have come along at

end," Wiles says. "During the spring, Darryl Tapp and Noland Burchette really played well. Colas didn't participate in drills, but he is a guy we know we can depend on. Nathaniel Adibi is certainly a player we can depend on and win with."

"The question is where Jim Davis stands in the mix," he adds, "and that is something we will talk about in August. If he is not in the mix for this year, it will probably open the door for a freshman to play."

The stability at end will allow Wiles some extra time to concentrate on the competition at tackle.

"We have a heavily competitive situation going on inside," Wiles says. "It's year-to-year, game-to-game. If you started last year, it doesn't mean you're going to start this year. And if you started last week, it doesn't mean you are going to start this week. The guys who are going to give us the best



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chance of winning are going to play.”

Every player who saw extensive action at tackle last season is back, led by starters Kevin Lewis (6-1, 292) and Jason Lallis (6-0, 250). Lewis was having an outstanding season until a torn pectoral muscle sidelined him for the final three games of the year. He contributed 49 tackles, including five behind the line of scrimmage, and registered six quarterback hurries. Lewis did not participate in spring contact drills, but will be ready to go when practice resumes. Lallis is an instinctive, tough player, who finds a way to get off blocks and make plays. He led the defensive tackles in quarterback hurries with seven, while contributing 48 tackles and two quarterback sacks. He also returned a fumble 59 yards for a touchdown against Arkansas State. Lallis suffered an injury in the same game as Lewis and missed two games, but

returned to participate in spring practice.

Sophomores Jonathan Lewis (6-1, 292) and Tim Sandidge (6-1, 283) are expected to be in the thick of the battle for playing time along with transfer Isaac Montgomery.

Lewis and Sandidge moved into the lineup last year in the absence of Kevin Lewis and Lallis. Jonathan Lewis, Kevin's younger brother, saw action in every game and ended up leading the defensive line in tackles with 56. The younger Lewis had seven tackles for loss, including two sacks, and five hurries. He still has some things to learn, but has an extremely bright future.

Sandidge, who has shown steady improvement during his time at Tech, led the tackles in sacks (4) and passes batted down (3) last season. He closed out the season with 30 total tackles. During winter workouts, Sandidge turned in

a personal-best 605-pound back squat and a 4.79 clocking in the forty.

The Tech coaches liked what they saw in Montgomery when he practiced with the team during the fall after transferring from the University of North Carolina. During winter workouts, Montgomery led the defensive line with a 415-pound bench press and posted a 600-pound back squat. Montgomery suffered a setback, however, when he was injured just seven practices into the spring. The 6-4, 297-pound junior will be ready for the start of practice. He still has some work to do, but he has the potential to give the defensive line a boost.

“I'm encouraged by where we are,” Wiles says. “I like our talent level and I like the group of freshmen we have coming in. We should have a chance to be pretty good as long as we stay away from injuries. During preseason practice, we need to continue to grow our depth at tackle.”

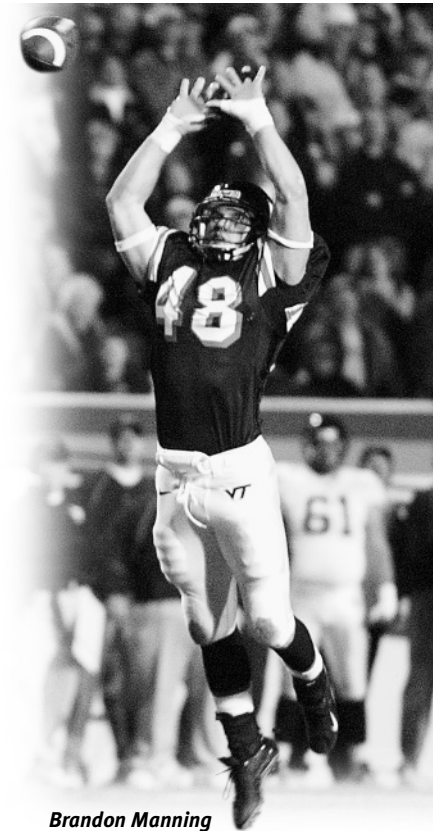
Growing that depth could lead back to the recruiting class, which includes three players — Kory Robertson, Carlton Powell and Barry Booker — who could play tackle.

LINEBACKERS

Unlike last season, the emphasis at the linebacker positions this year will be establishing depth rather than determining starters. After playing the 2002 season with newcomers handling the mike, backer and whip positions, the Hokies now have three tested starters.

Last season, mike linebacker Mikal Baaqee led the team in tackles with 112 in his first season as a regular. Backer Vegas Robinson finished fourth in tackles (71), despite missing three games. Brandon Manning, the starter at whip, finished third on the team in tackles with 75.

“The guy who really performed well was Mikal Baaqee,” says inside linebackers coach Bud Foster. “He was always around the football. Mikal has good speed and a good motor. During the off-season and spring, he really worked hard to get bigger so he is better at the point of attack



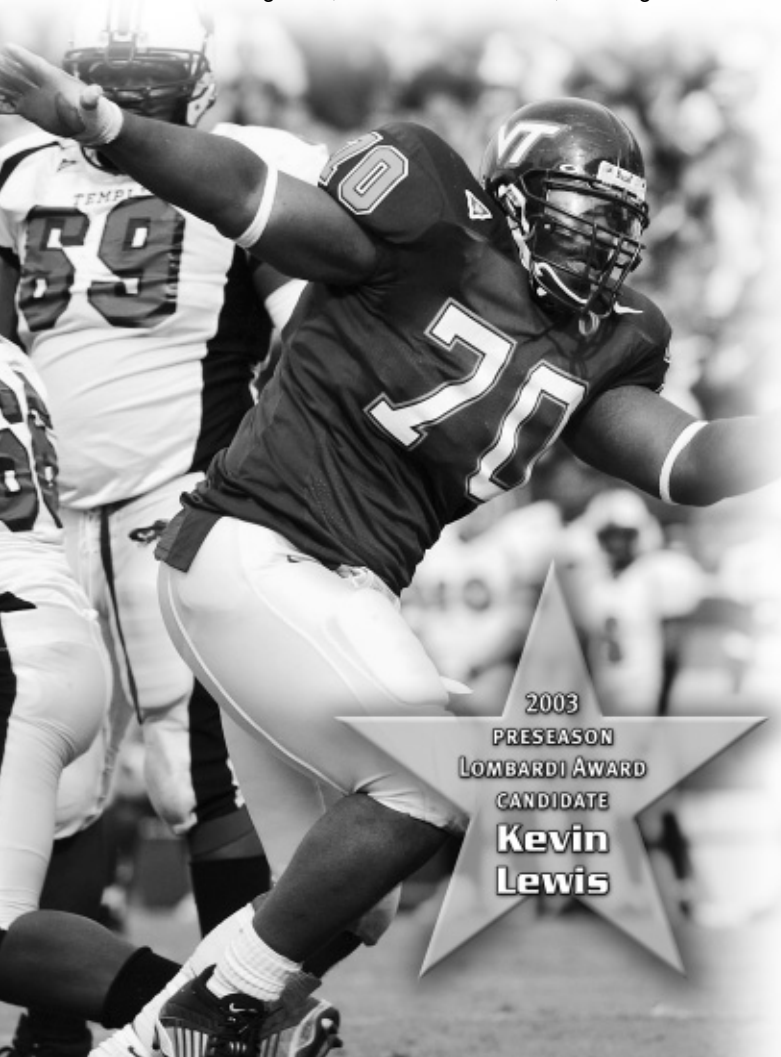
Brandon Manning

than he was a year ago. I really have high expectations for him.”

Baaqee, a redshirt junior, is up to 227 pounds from his playing weight of around 215 last season. He started every game but one during the 2002 season, edging out safety Willie Pile for the team lead in tackles and finishing third on the team in tackles for loss with 12. Baaqee had 3.5 quarterback sacks, eight quarterback hurries, five pass breakups and one interception. He earned Super Iron Hokie honors during preseason athletic performance testing.

At 6-0, 244, Robinson gives the Hokies a physical presence at backer. He had three pass interceptions to go with his 71 tackles. After playing just 78 defensive plays in 2001, Robinson was in on over 500 plays last fall. He was missed while sitting out three games with an ankle injury, especially in losses to Pittsburgh and Syracuse.

Robinson underwent surgery to alleviate his ankle problems after the season and sat out spring contact work. He will be ready to resume his starting duties when practice opens in



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August. As the lone senior in Tech's group of linebackers, Robinson will be counted on for leadership.

"Vegas is a solid football player," Foster says. "When he was out, it hurt us. He is a physical guy who can run. He's been in our defense for several years, so he understands it. When he is in there playing, we are a different football team. He should be at full speed in the fall. I have challenged him to come back in the best shape he can be in. I expect him to be a leader."

Manning is another successful product of Tech's walk-on program, having already earned a scholarship and a starting position. He had five tackles for loss last season, including a sack, and broke up two passes. The redshirt junior joined Baaqee and Robinson as a Super Iron Hokie during spring testing.

"Manning has really worked hard to get where he is," says whip linebackers coach Jim Cavanaugh. "He's tough, he's smart and he has played."

Manning's experience gives him a definite edge, but there will still be good competition at the position when practice resumes. Redshirt freshman Aaron Rouse is a talented young player who should become a factor at the whip position at some point during the upcoming season. Rouse, who is 6-3, 203, has all the skills to be an outstanding player for the Hokies, but must continue to become more accomplished at the position.

"Rouse will play, but I don't know how much yet," Cavanaugh says. "The carry-over from spring to fall will be very important for him."

Prior to the start of spring practice, the coaches moved redshirt sophomore James Anderson from inside linebacker to outside linebacker, which is always a big adjustment. He had a good spring for his first time at the position and could put himself in the mix for playing time if he has a good preseason. Anderson, another Super Iron Hokie, was pressed into starting duty for three games last season at the backer position replacing Robinson. He finished the season with 48

tackles and 1.5 sacks. The coaches are hopeful that his size (6-2, 217) and speed (4.43) can become a good fit for the new position.

Jordan Trott and Chad Cooper are competing for the No. 2 spot behind Baaqee at mike linebacker. Neither player has any appreciable game experience at linebacker, but they both have lots of potential.

Trott, a 6-4, 245-pound redshirt sophomore, was Tech's leading tackler on special teams. He has a good head on his shoulders, reads his keys well and has a good understanding of Tech's defensive scheme. He showed steady progress throughout the spring.

Cooper, a redshirt junior, returned to the team last summer following a bout with Guillain-Barré syndrome, a serious disorder of the nervous system. Like Trott, he played mostly on special teams during the 2002 season. A safety in high school, Cooper has good range and speed and can be an asset against both the running game and the passing game. Most of Cooper's previous experience at Tech has come at the backer position, but Foster is hoping he can become a swing player at both positions.

"They both bring something different to the table," Foster says. "Jordan is a bigger, more physical player at the point of attack. Chad is not as big as Jordan, but he is more athletic."

With Robinson sitting out the spring, redshirt sophomore Blake Warren worked with the first team at the backer position. Warren, a former high school safety, made a good transition to linebacker during spring 2002, but was slowed by nagging injuries during most of the 2002 season. He played in nine games and posted just 12 tackles. He intercepted a pass against West Virginia.

"It was disappointing last season that Blake was banged up," Foster says. "He was one of our award winners the spring before. He is really a very intelligent football player with good instincts. He's a rangy, athletic guy who is good

in coverage and is not bad in the run game. He just needs to be a little more physical."

At 6-3, 232, Warren is expected to see his share of action this fall. He benefited from getting a lot of reps this past spring and understands the position better. Cooper, who shared the spring reps with Warren at backer while also spending some time at the mike position, will be available for duty as well.

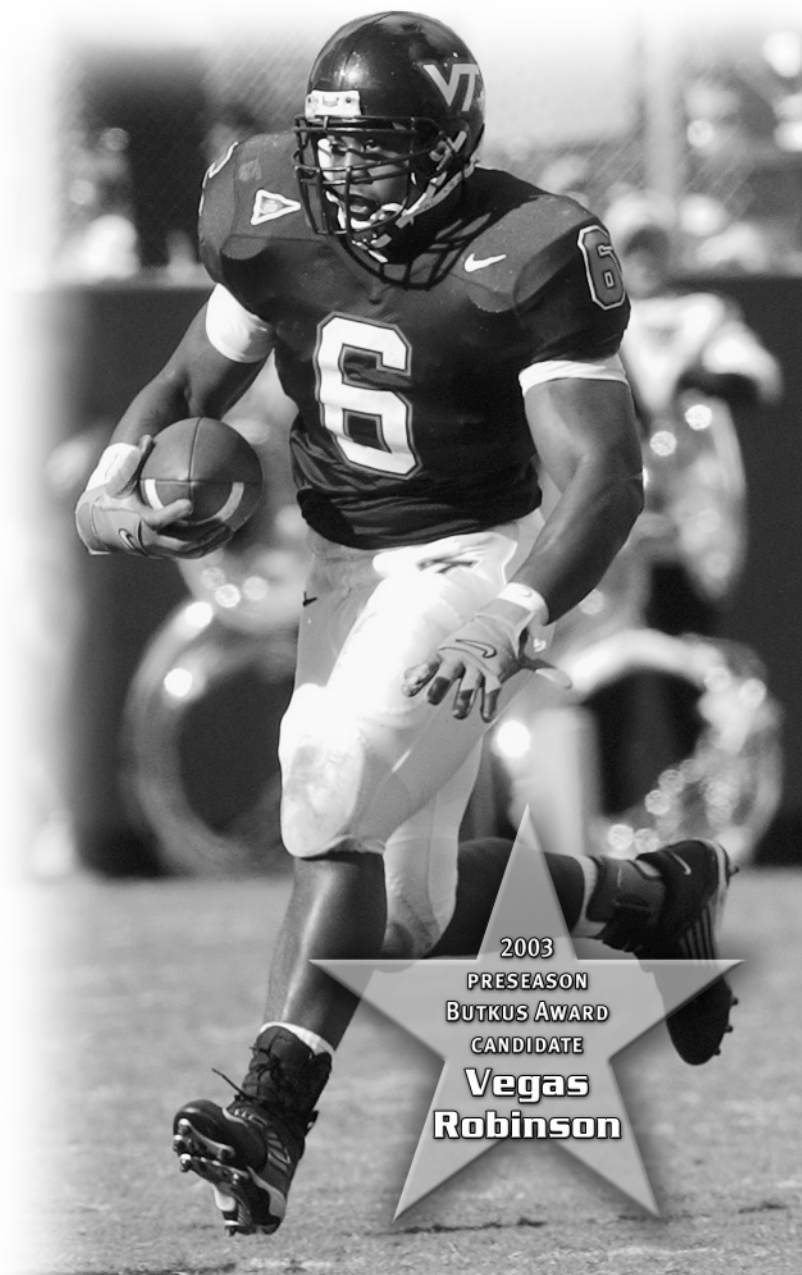
The search for depth at the linebacker spots will carry over to the opening of practice when Foster will welcome a recruiting class that features three of the nation's top 10 prep linebackers, including state Gatorade Player of the

Year Vince Hall and Xavier Adibi, the consensus No. 1 player in Virginia.

SECONDARY

Despite the loss of Pile, Whitaker and Hardee, Tech should still be solid in the secondary with a number of talented — and experienced — players returning.

Leading the way is DeAngelo Hall, who has all the tools to be a special player. The dynamic junior cornerback was a second-team All-BIG EAST pick last season as both a defensive back and a return man. He posted 55 tackles, four interceptions and a team-leading 12 pass break ups despite seeing only brief action



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in three of the Hokies' last four regular-season games due to a sore back. He was in on 16 tackles against Miami.

This season, some of Hall's downs will be spent at wide receiver, where he spent the majority of his time during the spring. His main job, however, will still be at the Hokies' boundary corner position.

"For the little time I had him in the spring, DeAngelo improved," says defensive backfield coach Lorenzo Ward. "I think playing receiver helped him understand the entire game and will make him a better player on defense. He's a defensive player first, but I'm sure we'll use him a lot on offense and he's willing to do what is best for the team."

Joining Hall at the boundary spot is senior Garnell Wilds, who has developed into one of Tech's most dependable players. Wilds was a spot starter in four games last season and led the team and the BIG EAST Conference in interceptions with five. He also contributed 44 tackles and broke up seven passes. His football savvy, knowledge of the Tech system and ability to play either cornerback spot makes him one of the most valuable members of the Hokies' secondary.

The battle for Whitaker's spot at the field corner produced some good competition between redshirt juniors Vincent Fuller and Eric Green during the spring, and it still isn't settled. Fuller was moved to corner from free safety last fall to help out when Whitaker was suspended for two games and Green was sidelined by a season-ending knee injury. Fuller played in every game, including four as a starter, and played extremely well at times. He intercepted four passes and posted 23 tackles. With a little added strength and discipline, Fuller has all the skills to be successful. He also provides

another backup at free safety if needed.

Green played in 23 of 24 games at corner during his first two seasons at Tech. He was running neck-and-neck with Whitaker for the starting duties at field corner before his injury. Green has worked hard to return to action and appears to be ready for the task physically. He is still polishing his technique and fundamentals, but will have every chance to win the position in the fall.

If neither Fuller nor Green steps to the front, Wilds could also be in line for some starting duty at field corner when Hall is handling the boundary duties. Additional depth at the position will be provided by redshirt freshman Brian McPherson.

Pile's safety position will go to impressive sophomore Jimmy Williams, who came on strong as his freshman year progressed and flourished during the spring. Williams saw most of his action on

special teams until near the end of the 2002 season when he saw extensive action at Miami and in the Hokies' San Francisco Bowl victory against Air Force. Williams finished the season with 46 tackles and one interception. He took full advantage of spring practice to gain an excellent grasp of the Tech defensive scheme.

"Jimmy has some big shoes to fill, but I feel he is capable of doing it," Ward says. "He is a big, physical safety with corner skills. He has no shyness about him. His ability to cover receivers and his confidence in that ability is going to improve our playing skills in one-on-one situations at the safety spot. I am excited about Jimmy and his promise for the future."

Williams could get a push at the free safety spot from Mike Daniels, especially in games against running teams. Daniels is a smart, physical player who moved over during the spring from whip linebacker where he

saw considerable action over the past two seasons. The junior started his Tech career working at free safety during a redshirt year. He started four games at whip in 2001 and one game last year.

Corey Gordon, who entered Tech in January after attending Hargrave Academy during the fall, gives Ward another talented player at free safety. Gordon is much like Williams — a big, physical player who can run. All he needs is to polish his cover skills and pick up a little more knowledge of the system.

Over at the rover position, 10-game starter Michael Crawford returns with a clean bill of health. The senior performer underwent a series of tests and biopsies late in the season for possible lymphoma, but missed just one game. He finished the season with 49 tackles, including two sacks and four total tackles for loss. He was found to be free of any form of cancer in January and had a good spring practice.

Crawford is joined at rover by JUCO All-American James Griffin, a member of Tech's recruiting class who entered school in January. Griffin had highly successful high school and junior college careers, but is still adjusting to the Tech system.

"Crawford's game experience from last season should make him a different player," says Jim Cavanaugh, who coaches the Hokies' rovers. "It should help him be more productive.

"Griffin had a very good spring," Cavanaugh says. "He has a good motor and good physical skills. He just has to learn what to do and play his spot."

Sophomore Cary Wade will get his first exposure to the rover position when practice opens. Wade, who played on special teams and saw limited action at cornerback last season, was moved to the position after spring practice.



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SPECIAL TEAMS

The one thing Coach Frank Beamer will be looking for from his special teams this season will be more consistency. Last year, the Hokies didn't quite live up to the reputation for special teams excellence that has been established during Beamer's tenure in Blacksburg.

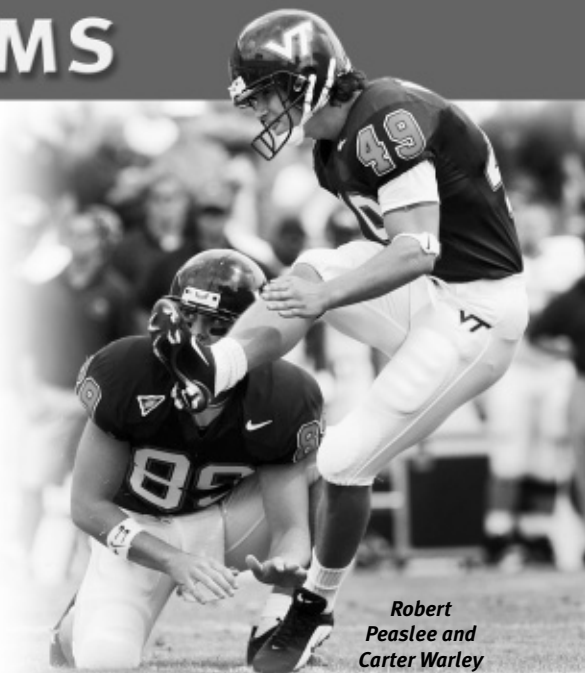
Even though the Hokies blocked seven kicks and finished among the national leaders in punt returns in 2002, Beamer was not satisfied with several phases of the special teams' operation, including kickoffs, coverage and field goal percentage.

A healthy Carter Warley could solve several of those shortcomings. Warley, who is entering his fourth season as the Hokies' starting place-kicker, is an extremely accurate kicker when he is healthy and can practice. His bouts with back problems, however, have had a major impact on his consistency as evidenced by last year's topsy-turvy season that saw the Hokies use three different kickers.

"Carter didn't have any trouble with his back during the spring," says Beamer, who coaches the kickers and punters. "If he can hang in there and practice, he has a

chance to have a great year for us."

Competition at the position is provided by a pair of talented young kickers — Nic Schmitt and Brandon Pace. Schmitt, a strong-legged sophomore, got a brief kicking stint last season, but also struggled with his accuracy on field goals. Pace competed



Robert Peaslee and Carter Warley

for the kicking duties during the fall, but ended up taking a redshirt year. Like Schmitt, he has a good leg, but is still striving for consistency. Both Schmitt and Pace will get another shot at Warley during the preseason. All three will battle for the kickoff duties.

Junior Vinnie Burns, who was named second-team All-BIG EAST Conference last season, returns as Tech's punter. Burns averaged 40.5 yards on 64 punts last season and placed 22 punts inside the 20-yard line. Burns, who performed well during the spring will be backed up by either Schmitt or senior Bobby Peaslee.

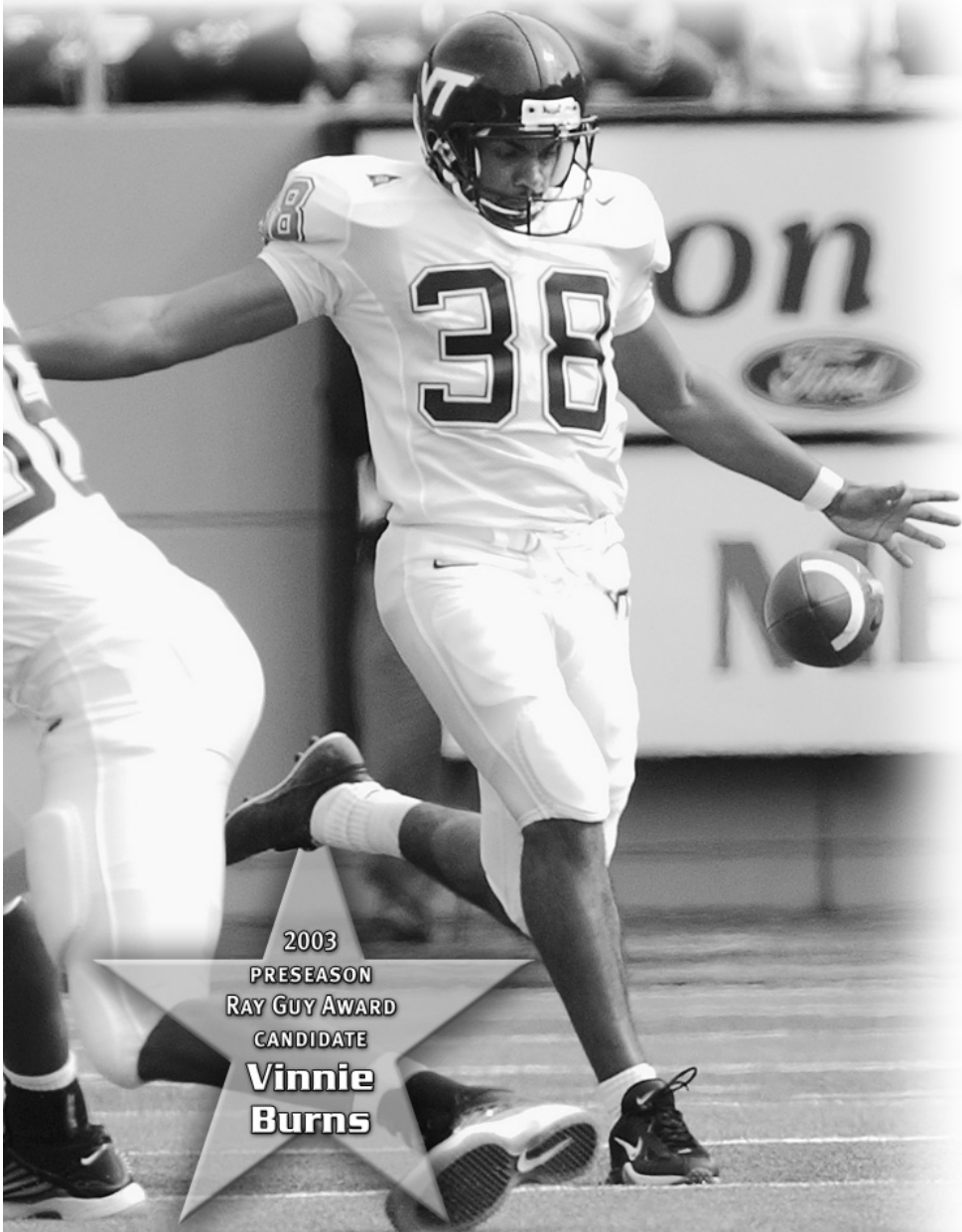
"We've changed a few little things in our punt protection and I think Vinnie

Burns is getting ready to have a great year," Beamer says.

Peaslee returns as the Hokies' holder, but the snapping duties will be wide open with the departure of three-year starter Ken Keister. Redshirt junior Travis Conway, redshirt freshman Nick Leeson and true freshman Tripp Carroll will be among the candidates for the snapping duties.

Punt return man DeAngelo Hall and kickoff returner Richard Johnson are both back. Hall finished seventh nationally in punt returns in 2002 and was named second-team All-BIG EAST as a return man. He averaged 16 yards per return and brought two returns back for touchdowns. Johnson, who had a 91-yard kickoff return against Miami, averaged 21.1 yards on 23 returns.

Tech continued its tradition for blocking kicks last season with seven blocks. Every player who had a block returns this season, including redshirt sophomore Justin Hamilton, who had two blocks. The return of Eric Green, who missed the 2002 season with a knee injury, should give Tech's kick block team an added boost. Green blocked three punts during his first two seasons.



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**Vinnie
Burns**

HOKIE PRESEASON ROSTERS

No.	Name	vl	Pos	B'date	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown	High School	H.S. Coach
83	Nathaniel Adibi	3	DE	1/25/81	6-3	255	r-Sr.	Hampton, Va.	Phoebus	Bill Dee
	Jesse Allen	-	FB	10/22/83	6-0	241	r-Fr.	Monson, Mass.	Pathfinder Regional	Chris Pope
42	James Anderson	1	LB	9/26/83	6-2	217	r-So.	Chesapeake, Va.	Deep Creek	David Cox
45	Mikal Baaqee	2	LB	12/20/81	5-10	227	r-Jr.	Columbia, Md.	DeMatha	Bill McGregor
96	Noland Burchette	-	DE	3/23/83	6-2	240	r-Fr.	Richmond, Va.	Highland Springs	Scott Burton
38	Vinnie Burns	2	P	2/2/82	5-11	202	r-Jr.	New Orleans, La.	St. Augustine	Anthony Biagas
61	Reggie Butler	-	OT	8/21/82	6-5	333	So.	Keswick, Va.	Monticello	Brud Bicknell
44	John Candelas	-	TB	4/21/83	6-0	199	So.	Blacksburg, Va.	Blacksburg	Dave Crist
37	Steve Canter	-	FB	2/15/81	6-0	232	r-Sr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	Kempsville	John Bowles
57	Tripp Carroll	-	OT	9/18/84	6-4	306	Fr.	Charlotte, N.C.	Andrew Jackson (Fla.)	Gil Carroll
	Chris Ceasar	-	SE	12/20/82	5-10	165	r-Fr.	Delray Beach, Fla.	Spanish River	Bill Bretherick
16	Chris Clifton	1	SE	10/27/82	6-4	197	r-So.	Chesapeake, Va.	Deep Creek	David Cox
99	Cols Colas	3	DE	5/16/80	6-0	226	r-Sr.	Plantation, Fla.	South Plantation	Dan Margurit
62	Travis Conway	1	DS	6/3/82	6-5	240	r-Jr.	Richmond, Va.	J.R. Tucker	Rusty Curle
33	Chad Cooper	2	LB	6/10/81	6-2	211	r-Jr.	Herrndon, Va.	Oakton	Pete Bendorf
21	Michael Crawford	3	ROV	2/20/81	5-11	209	r-Sr.	Baltimore, Md.	Patterson	Roger Wrenn
31	Mike Daniels	2	FS	9/18/81	6-0	205	r-Jr.	Fairfax, Va.	Fairfax	Tom Verbanic
95	Jim Davis@	3	DE	10/4/81	6-3	255	Sr.	Highland Springs, Va.	Highland Springs	Randy Stokes
79	Jon Dunn	2	OT	12/12/81	6-7	343	r-Jr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	Tallwood	Thad Harold
43	Doug Easlick	2	FB	12/4/80	5-11	238	r-Sr.	Marlton, N.J.	Cherokee	John Scott
	Rashad Ferebee	-	OG	3/18/84	5-8	272	So.	Norfolk, Va.	Granby	Dave Hudak
63	Andrew Fleck	-	C	10/11/82	6-3	275	r-Fr.	Edmond, Okla.	Santa Fe	Brian Kelly
65	Brandon Frye	-	OT	1/23/83	6-4	268	r-Fr.	Myrtle Beach, S.C.	Myrtle Beach	Scott Early
8	Vincent Fuller	2	CB	8/3/82	6-1	181	r-Jr.	Baltimore, Md.	Woodlawn	Reggie White
60	Jacob Gibson	2	OG	1/29/81	6-4	306	r-Sr.	Rocky Mount, Va.	Franklin County	Jerry Little
82	Lance Goff	-	FL	3/29/82	5-11	202	r-Jr.	Wytheville, Va.	George Wythe	Larry Russell
28	Corey Gordon\$	-	FS	6/9/84	6-3	207	Fr.	Gainesville, Fla.	Gainesville	Rick Swain
77	Brandon Gore	-	OG	11/7/83	6-5	328	r-Fr.	Warrenton, Va.	Liberty	Joe Trabucco
1	Eric Green	2	CB	3/16/82	5-11	190	r-Jr.	Clewiston, Fla.	Clewiston	Al Morrell
22	James Griffin‡	-	ROV	12/28/81	6-1	193	Jr.	Memphis, Tenn.	East	Wayne Randall
64	Jake Grove	3	C	1/22/80	6-3	300	r-Sr.	Forest, Va.	Jefferson Forest	Ed Landis
4	DeAngelo Hall	2	CB/FL	11/19/83	5-11	198	Jr.	Chesapeake, Va.	Deep Creek	David Cox
27	Justin Hamilton	1	SE	9/17/82	6-3	209	r-So.	Clintwood, Va.	Clintwood	Bob Meade
82	Brenden Hill	-	SE	7/7/84	6-1	200	r-Fr.	Newport News, Va.	Warwick	Tommy Reamon
32	Cedric Humes	1	TB	8/7/83	6-1	223	r-So.	Virginia Beach, Va.	Princess Anne	Jeff Ballance
20	Mike Imoh	-	TB	7/21/84	5-7	185	So.	Fairfax, Va.	Robinson	Mark Bendorf
12	Richard Johnson	2	FL	6/17/82	5-10	189	r-Jr.	Baltimore, Md.	Milford Mill Academy	Reggie Brooks
25	Kevin Jones	2	TB	8/21/82	6-0	209	Jr.	Chester, Pa.	Cardinal O'Hara	George Stratts
	Greg Kezmarsky	-	DE	10/1/83	6-3	236	So.	Voorhees, N.J.	Eastern	Dan Spittal
90	Jeff King	1	TE/FB	2/19/83	6-5	258	r-So.	Pulaski, Va.	Pulaski County	Joel Hicks
91	Jason Lallis	2	DT	2/4/82	6-0	250	r-Jr.	Mitchellville, Md.	DeMatha	Bill McGregor
14	Fred Lee§	-	FL	3/10/83	5-8	186	r-Fr.	Harrisburg, Pa.	Bishop McDevitt	Jeff Weachter
53	Nick Leeson	-	LB/DS	10/29/82	6-1	235	r-Fr.	Abingdon, Va.	Abingdon	Scott Allen

2003 NUMERICAL ROSTER

Following are the preseason number assignments for 2003. Changes are expected to occur before the season opens.

1 Eric Green CB	28 Corey Gordon FS	52 Jimmy Martin OT	72 Jason Murphy OG
2 Jimmy Williams FS	29 Brian McPherson CB	53 Nick Leeson LB/DS	76 James Miller OG
3 Bryan Randall QB	30 Cary Wade ROV	54 Bob Ruff DE	77 Brandon Gore OG
4 DeAngelo Hall CB/FL	31 Mike Daniels FS	55 Darryl Tapp DE	79 Jon Dunn OT
5 Marcus Vick QB	32 Cedric Humes TB	56 Jonathan Lewis DT	80 Robert Parker FL
6 Vegas Robinson LB	33 Chad Cooper LB	57 Tripp Carroll OT	81 Chris Shreve SE
8 Vincent Fuller CB	36 Aaron Rouse LB	58 Chris Pannell OL	82 Brenden Hill SE
12 Richard Johnson FL	37 Steve Canter FB	60 Jacob Gibson OT/OG	82 Lance Goff FL
14 Fred Lee FL	38 Vinnie Burns P	61 Reggie Butler OT	83 Nathaniel Adibi DE
16 Chris Clifton SE	40 Blake Warren LB	62 Travis Conway DS	85 Jared Mazzetta TE
17 Garnell Wilds CB	41 Jordan Trott LB	63 Andrew Fleck C	86 Keith Willis TE
19 Ernest Wilford SE	42 James Anderson LB	64 Jake Grove C	88 Michael Malone SE
20 Mike Imoh TB	43 Doug Easlick FB	65 Brandon Frye OT	89 Robert Peaslee H/P
21 Michael Crawford ROV	44 John Candelas TB	66 Will Montgomery OG	90 Jeff King TE/FB
22 James Griffin ROV	45 Mikal Baaqee LB	68 Robert Ramsey C	91 Jason Lallis DT
23 Nic Schmitt PK/P	48 Brandon Manning LB	69 Danny McGrath C	95 Jim Davis DE
25 Kevin Jones TB	49 Carter Warley PK	70 Kevin Lewis DT	96 Noland Burchette DE
27 Justin Hamilton SE	50 Mike Parham C	71 Tim Sandidge DT	97 Isaac Montgomery DT
			99 Cols Colas DE

VIRGINIA TECH'S 2003 FOOTBALL RECRUITING CLASS

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Last School	Hometown
Xavier Adibi	Linebacker	6-3	215	Phoebus H.S.	Hampton, Va.
Barry Booker	Defensive End	6-5	270	Amherst H.S.	Amherst, Va.
Duane Brown	Tight End	6-6	248	Hermitage H.S.	Richmond, Va.
Michael Brown	Linebacker	6-3	218	Palm Beach Gardens H.S.	Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.
David Clowney	Wide Receiver	6-1	175	Atlantic H.S.	Delray Beach, Fla.
Chris Ellis	Defensive End	6-4	245	Bethel H.S.	Hampton, Va.
Vince Hall	Linebacker	6-1	240	Western Branch H.S.	Chesapeake, Va.
Michael Hinton	Athlete	6-3	200	Hargrave Academy (Va.)	Burlington, N.C.
Cory Holt	Quarterback	6-4	205	Lexington H.S.	Lexington, N.C.
Josh Hyman	Wide Receiver	6-0	180	Fork Union Military (Va.)	Chesapeake, Va.
John Kinzer	Tight End	6-5	255	Robinson H.S.	Fairfax, Va.
Kenny Lewis	Running Back	5-9	185	George Washington H.S.	Danville, Va.
Nick Marshman	Offensive Line	6-5	270	Turner Ashby H.S.	Harrisonburg, Va.
Roland Minor	Defensive Back	6-1	175	H.D. Woodson H.S.	Washington, D.C.
D.J. Parker	Defensive Back	6-0	180	Phoebus H.S.	Hampton, Va.
Carlton Powell	Defensive Tackle	6-3	290	Great Bridge H.S.	Chesapeake, Va.
Kory Robertson	Defensive Line	6-3	295	Magna Vista H.S.	Martinsville, Va.
Brett Warren	Linebacker	6-1	212	Centreville H.S.	Clifton, Va.
Matt Welsh	Offensive Line	6-5	280	Centreville H.S.	Clifton, Va.

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56	Jonathan Lewis	1	DT	7/12/84	6-1	292	So.	Richmond, Va.	Varina	Gary Chilcoat
70	Kevin Lewis	2	DT	4/26/80	6-1	292	r-Jr.	Richmond, Va.	Varina	Ed Bulheller
88	Michael Malone	-	SE	3/9/84	6-3	202	r-Fr.	Friendswood, Texas	Friendswood	Steve Vanmeter
48	Brandon Manning+	2	LB	5/12/81	6-0	216	r-Jr.	Harrisburg, Pa.	Central Dauphin	George Chaump
52	Jimmy Martin@	1	OT	10/19/82	6-5	283	So.	Fairfax, Va.	Chantilly	Bob Herb
85	Jared Mazzetta	2	TE	6/4/81	6-4	260	r-Jr.	Flemington, N.J.	Hunterdon Central	Jim Meert
69	Danny McGrath	-	C	3/19/83	6-2	297	So.	Herndon, Va.	Herndon	Tom Meier
29	Brian McPherson	-	CB	5/11/84	5-10	190	r-Fr.	Madison Heights, Va.	Amherst County	Mickey Crouch
76	James Miller	2	OG	8/13/81	6-6	304	Jr.	Pompano Beach, Fla.	Ft. Lauderdale	John Timmons
97	Isaac Montgomery†	-	DT	3/3/82	6-4	297	r-Jr.	Princeton, W. Va.	Princeton	Ted Spadaro
66	Will Montgomery	-	OG	2/13/83	6-3	298	r-So.	Clifton, Va.	Centreville	Mike Skinner
72	Jason Murphy	1	OG	8/7/82	6-2	296	r-So.	Baltimore, Md.	Edmondson Westside	Pete Pompey
	Brandon Pace	-	PK	11/11/83	5-10	193	r-Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	Kellam	Mike Dewitt
58	Chris Pannell	-	OT	12/27/82	6-4	274	r-So.	Staunton, Va.	Robert E. Lee	David Tibbs
50	Mike Parham	-	C	9/13/84	6-0	274	r-Fr.	Petersburg, Va.	Petersburg	Remus James
80	Robert Parker	-	FL	3/10/84	6-1	207	r-Fr.	Chesapeake, Va.	Oscar Smith	Bill Lyons
89	Robert Peaslee	3	H/P	6/28/81	6-1	210	r-Sr.	Pulaski, Va.	Pulaski County	Joel Hicks
68	Robert Ramsey	-	C	4/13/82	6-2	307	r-Jr.	Coraopolis, Pa.	Montour	Don Morgan
3	Bryan Randall	2	QB	8/16/83	6-0	222	Jr.	Williamsburg, Va.	Bruton	Kyle Neve
	Matt Roan\$	-	TE	3/13/84	6-4	243	Fr.	Dublin, Va.	Pulaski County	Joel Hicks
6	Vegas Robinson	2	LB	5/19/81	6-0	244	r-Sr.	Chesapeake, Va.	Deep Creek	David Cox
	Winston Roett	-	QB	3/30/84	6-2	200	So.	Vienna, Va.	O'Connell	Darrel Snyder
36	Aaron Rouse	-	LB	1/8/84	6-3	203	r-Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	First Colonial	Sam Scarborough
54	Bob Ruff	-	DE	9/23/82	6-1	231	Jr.	McMurray, Pa.	Peters Township	Garry Cathell
71	Tim Sandidge	1	DT	6/12/83	6-1	283	r-So.	Madison Heights, Va.	Amherst County	Mickey Crouch
23	Nic Schmitt	-	PK/P	1/5/84	6-1	242	So.	Salem, Va.	Salem	Willis White
81	Chris Shreve	1	FL	7/15/81	6-0	188	r-Sr.	Mouth of Wilson, Va.	Grayson County	Bill Strong
55	Darryl Tapp	1	DE	9/13/84	6-1	246	So.	Chesapeake, Va.	Deep Creek	David Cox
41	Jordan Trott	1	LB	6/26/83	6-4	245	r-So.	Torrance, Calif.	Loyola	Steve Grady
5	Marcus Vick	-	QB	3/20/84	6-0	203	r-Fr.	Newport News, Va.	Warwick	Tommy Reamon
30	Cary Wade	1	ROV	5/12/84	5-10	173	So.	Fairfax, Va.	Robinson	Mark Bendorf
49	Carter Warley	3	PK	2/14/80	5-11	198	r-Sr.	Richmond, Va.	Fork Union	Mickey Sullivan
40	Blake Warren	1	LB	10/10/82	6-3	232	r-So.	Clifton, Va.	Centreville	Mike Skinner
17	Garnell Wilds	3	CB	6/8/81	5-11	196	r-Sr.	Tampa, Fla.	Hillsborough	Earl Garcia, Jr.
19	Ernest Wilford@	3	SE	1/14/79	6-4	221	r-Sr.	Richmond, Va.	Armstrong/Franklin	Otis Brayboy
2	Jimmy Williams	1	FS	3/8/84	6-3	213	So.	Hampton, Va.	Bethel	Tracy Parker
86	Keith Willis	3	TE	12/14/80	6-5	264	r-Sr.	Norfolk, Va.	Norview	Carleton Thomas

\$ also attended Hargrave Military Academy (Va.);
 @ also attended Fork Union Military Academy (Va.);
 + attended the U.S. Air Force Academy Prep School;

§ also attended Milford (Conn.) Prep
 ‡ also attended Pasadena City College (Calif.);
 † transferred from UNC

DEPTH CHART

Depth chart is subject to change.

OFFENSE (Multiple)

- SE 19 Ernest Wilford (6-4, 221, r-Sr.)
 27 Justin Hamilton (6-3, 209, r-So.)
- LT 79 Jon Dunn (6-7, 343, r-Jr.)
 57 Tripp Carroll (6-4, 306, Fr.)
- LG 60 Jacob Gibson (6-4, 306, r-Sr.)
 66 Will Montgomery (6-4, 298, r-So.)
- C 64 Jake Grove (6-3, 300, r-Sr.)
 68 Robert Ramsey (6-3, 307, r-Jr.)
- RG 76 James Miller (6-6, 304, Jr.)
 72 Jason Murphy (6-2, 296, r-So.)
- RT 52 Jimmy Martin (6-5, 283, So.)
 58 Chris Pannell (6-4, 274, r-So.)
- TE 86 Keith Willis (6-5, 264, r-Sr.)
 85 Jared Mazzetta (6-4, 260, r-Jr.)
- QB 3 Bryan Randall (6-0, 222, Jr.)
 5 Marcus Vick (6-0, 203, r-Fr.)
- TB 25 Kevin Jones (6-0, 209, Jr.)
 32 Cedric Humes (6-1, 223, r-So.)
- FB 43 Doug Easlick (5-11, 238, r-Sr.)
 90 Jeff King (6-5, 256, r-So.)
- FL 4 DeAngelo Hall (5-11, 198, Jr.)
 or 12 Richard Johnson (5-10, 189, r-Jr.)
- PK 49 Carter Warley (5-11, 198, r-Sr.)
 23 Nic Schmitt (6-1, 242, So.)

DEFENSE (4-3)

- DE 99 Cols Colas (6-0, 226, r-Sr.)
 96 Noland Burchette (6-2, 240, r-Fr.)
- DT 91 Jason Lallis (6-0, 250, r-Jr.)
 or 56 Jonathan Lewis (6-1, 292, So.)
- DT 70 Kevin Lewis (6-1, 292, r-Jr.)
 71 Tim Sandidge (6-1, 283, r-So.)
- DE 83 Nathaniel Adibi (6-3, 255, r-Sr.)
 55 Darryl Tapp (6-1, 246, So.)
- ILB 6 Vegas Robinson (6-0, 244, r-Sr.)
 40 Blake Warren (6-3, 232, r-So.)
- ILB 45 Mikal Baaqee (5-10, 227, r-Jr.)
 41 Jordan Trott (6-4, 245, r-So.)
- OLB 48 Brandon Manning (6-0, 216, r-Jr.)
 36 Aaron Rouse (6-3, 203, r-Fr.)
- BC 4 DeAngelo Hall (5-11, 198, Jr.)
 17 Garnell Wilds (5-11, 196, r-Sr.)
- ROV 21 Michael Crawford (5-11, 209, r-Sr.)
 22 James Griffin (6-1, 193, Jr.)
- FS 2 Jimmy Williams (6-3, 213, So.)
 31 Mike Daniels (6-0, 205, r-Jr.)
- FC 8 Vincent Fuller (6-1, 181, r-Jr.)
 1 Eric Green (5-11, 190, r-Jr.)
- P 38 Vinnie Burns (5-11, 202, r-Jr.)
 23 Nic Schmitt (6-1, 242, So.)

2002 LETTERMEN AND RETURNING STARTERS

Total Lettermen: 60; Lost 17/Returning 43
 (Starts in parentheses)

OFFENSE

Lost - 7

- Terrell Parham (1)
- Anthony Davis (14)
- Luke Owens (14)
- Grant Noel (2)
- Josh Spence
- Lee Suggs (14)
- Shawn Witten (12)

Returning - 17

- SE Ernest Wilford (13),
 Chris Shreve,
 #Chris Clifton
- TE Keith Willis (8),
 ‡Jeff King (6),
 #Jared Mazzetta
- OT Jon Dunn (7),
 Jimmy Martin (7)
- OG Jacob Gibson (12),
 James Miller (2),
 Jake Grove (14)
- C Bryan Randall (12)
- QB Doug Easlick (14),
 †Cedric Humes
- FB Kevin Jones
- TB Richard Johnson (2),
 Justin Hamilton

DEFENSE

Lost - 8

- Lamar Cobb
- Jimmy E. Williams
- Chris Buie
- Alex Markogiannakis (1)
- Ronyell Whitaker (10)
- Billy Hardee (4),
 D.J. Walton
 Willie Pile (14)

Returning - 23

- E Nathaniel Adibi (13),
 Cols Colas (9),
 Jim Davis (6),
 Darryl Tapp
- T Jason Lallis (12),
 Kevin Lewis (11),
 Jonathan Lewis (3),
 Tim Sandidge (2),
 †Jason Murphy
- OLB Brandon Manning (13),
 †Mike Daniels (1)
- ILB Mikal Baaqee (13),
 Vegas Robinson (11),
 †James Anderson (3),
 #Chad Cooper,
 #Blake Warren,
 #Jordan Trott
- CB §DeAngelo Hall (10),
 Garnell Wilds (4),
 Vincent Fuller (4),
 #Cary Wade
- ROV Michael Crawford (10)
- S Jimmy Williams

SPECIALISTS

Lost - 2

- Jon Mollerup
- Ken Keister

Returning - 3

- PK Carter Warley
- KO Vinnie Burns
- P Robert Peaslee
- H DS

#Lettered mainly for play on special teams
 †Has changed positions for 2003
 §Will also play flanker
 ‡Will also play fullback



Justin Hamilton (27) blocks a punt that was picked up by Darryl Tapp (58) and returned for a touchdown in Tech's 2002 victory over Virginia.



COACHES

A WINNING EQUATION: Stability = Success



The 2003 Virginia Tech Football Staff: (front, l to r) recruiting coordinator and strong safety & outside linebackers coach Jim Cavanaugh, offensive coordinator and offensive line coach Bryan Stinespring, head coach Frank Beamer, associate head coach and running backs coach Billy Hite, defensive coordinator and inside linebackers coach Bud Foster; (second row, l to r), associate director of athletics for football operations John Ballein, defensive line coach Charley Wiles, defensive backs coach Lorenzo Ward, tight ends & offensive tackles coach Danny Pearman, quarterbacks coach Kevin Rogers, wide receivers coach Tony Ball; (third row, l to r), director of athletic training Mike Goforth, assistant athletics director for athletic performance Mike Gentry, administrative assistant Bruce Garnes, assistant director of strength & conditioning Jay Johnson, graduate assistant J.C. Price, video coordinator Kevin Hicks, graduate assistant Greg Shockley, assistant video coordinator Tom Booth and equipment manager Lester Karlin.

One of the keys to the continuing success of Virginia Tech football has been the stability of the program. That stability begins at the top with head coach Frank Beamer, whose 16 years at the Hokie helm have helped the program develop a sense of stability and consistency currently enjoyed by just a handful of other Division I-A schools. Only three of the 117 Division I-A head football coaches have been at their current school longer than Beamer. The Hokies' head man and his current staff have a combined total of 96 years of full-time coaching experience at VIRGINIA TECH ALONE.

"Stability means consistency and when you can be consistent in how you perform on Saturday, that's what gives you a chance to win. I feel that doesn't happen unless you keep basically the same coaching staff intact. I really feel good about our coaching staff. I feel good about their knowledge and I feel great about the way they treat the players. I think Virginia Tech is really fortunate to have what I think is the top staff in the country."

— Coach Frank Beamer

WHAT DO OTHERS THINK ABOUT COACH FRANK BEAMER AND HIS STAFF?

- Last year's preseason magazines from *The Sporting News* and *Street & Smith's* both paid tribute to Beamer. *The Sporting News* named him the best coach in the BIG EAST Conference, while *Street & Smith's* rated him the best recruiter in the league. *The Sporting News* has named Beamer the best head coach in the BIG EAST four of the last six seasons. TSN has also recognized the Tech coaching staff as the best in the conference four times during the same span.

- Beamer was paid a high compliment by his peers in 2000 when he was named the best coach a school could hire to run its football program in a survey of Division I-A football coaches conducted by *Bloomberg News*.

- When BIG EAST Conference football celebrated its first 10 years of existence in 2000, Beamer was voted the Coach of the Decade by the league's media.

FRANK BEAMER

Tech alumnus leads the Hokies to new heights

When Frank Beamer accepted the head football coaching job at his alma mater, his goal was for the Virginia Tech football program to reach a consistent level of excellence. The Hokies have come a long way since that day, and along the way, Beamer has become one of the most respected and popular coaches on the college football scene.

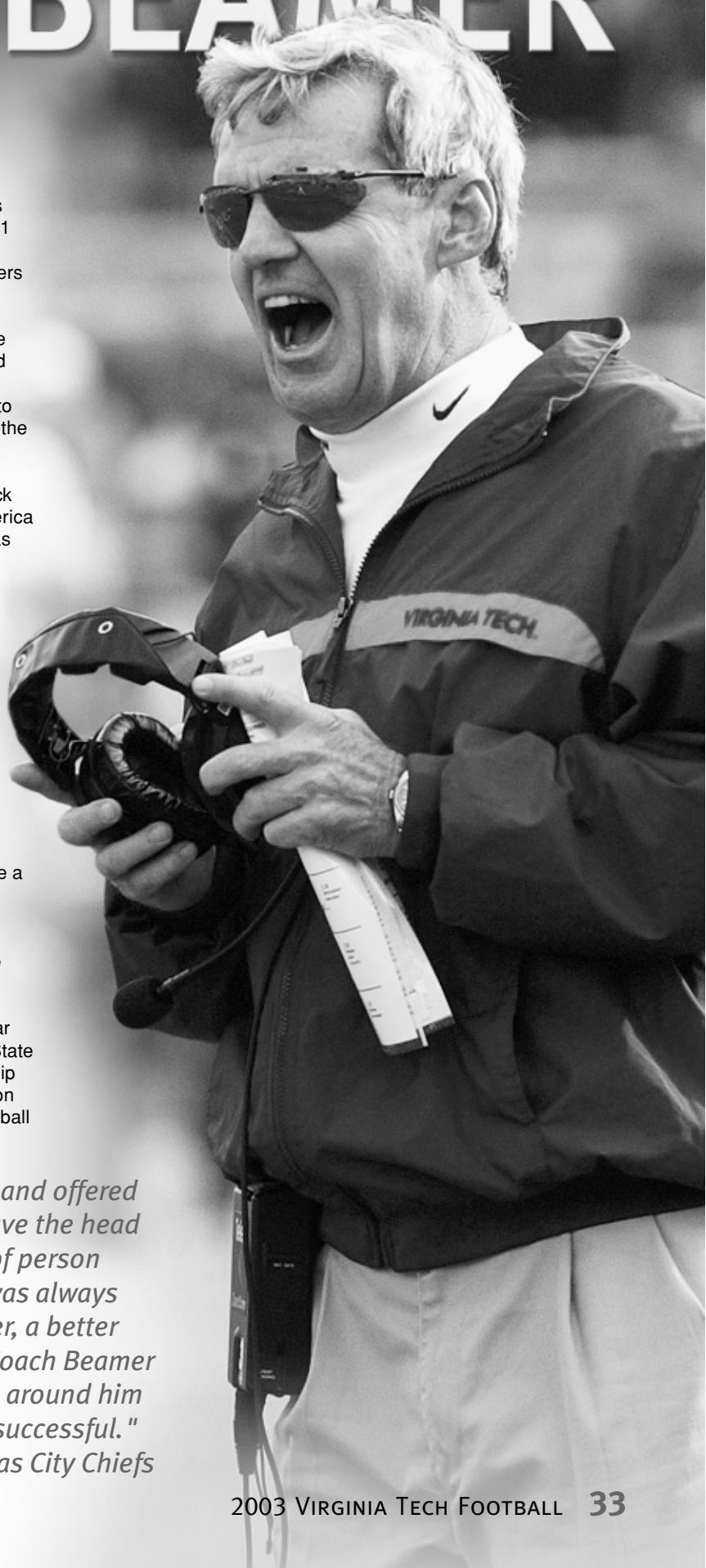
Beamer enters his 17th season at Virginia Tech and his 23rd year as a collegiate head coach tied for fifth among active Division I-A coaches in victories with 159. His Tech teams have posted a 93-29 record over the past 10 seasons and appeared in bowl games each year during that span, a feat equaled by just six other schools. He has guided the Hokies to three BIG EAST Conference championships and in 1999 helped direct Tech to the national championship game. Beamer's Hokies have been ranked in the last 70 Associated Press polls, the second-longest active streak among Division I-A teams.

Winning has been just part of Frank Beamer's success story. He and his staff have developed a wide-spread reputation for getting the most out of their players. That reputation has never been more warranted than in recent seasons.

In 2000, Beamer and his staff directed Tech to an 11-1 record after opening the season with eight new starters on defense and an all new lineup in the kicking game. During the 2001 season, the Hokies posted an 8-4 record and appeared in the Top 20 every week despite having to fill four offensive line spots, the quarterback job vacated by sensational underclassman Michael Vick and the tailback spot left open when All-America running back Lee Suggs was lost for the season with an injury. Last year, the Hokies were 10-4 despite attacking one of their toughest schedules ever with a young team that featured all-new starters at the defensive tackle, inside linebacker and rover positions, as well as major questions at quarterback and wide receiver.

Under Beamer, Virginia Tech is one of just seven Division I-A teams to receive a bowl bid each of the last 10 years, including last year's Diamond Walnut San Francisco Bowl in which the Hokies defeated Air Force 20-13.

A spot in the Nokia Sugar Bowl to play No. 1 Florida State for the national championship focused widespread attention on Virginia Tech and its football program following the 1999



"When Coach Beamer came into my house and offered me a scholarship, it meant a lot to me to have the head coach in my house and that's the kind of person Coach Beamer is. Once I got to Tech, he was always encouraging me to become a better player, a better person and to always strive for excellence. Coach Beamer brings out the best in his players and those around him and that's why Virginia Tech football is so successful."

— Willie Pile, Kansas City Chiefs

season. And although the Hokies fell short in their bid for the national title, they proved that they belong among the top teams in the college ranks.

The following year, the Hokies earned their first Toyota Gator Bowl championship with an impressive 41-20 victory over Clemson.

For his part in the Hokies' magical 1999 season, Beamer earned eight national coach of the year awards. He was named the Bobby Dodd Coach of the Year, the GTE Coach of the Year, the Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year, the Paul 'Bear' Bryant Coach of the Year, The Associated Press Coach of the Year, the Walter Camp Football Foundation/*Street & Smith's* Coach of the Year, the Maxwell Football Club Coach of the Year and the Woody Hayes Coach of the Year. He also was named the BIG EAST Conference Coach of the Year for the third time.

There have been plenty of other accolades for the Hokies' coach. In a survey of Division I-A football coaches conducted by *Bloomberg News* in the fall of 2000, Beamer was named the best coach a school could hire to run its football program. When BIG EAST Conference football celebrated its first 10 years of existence in 2000, Beamer was voted the Coach of the Decade by the league's media.

In January 2001, the Tech coach was honored as the NCAA Coach of the Year by The Pigskin Club of Washington, D.C. In May of that year, an on-line newspaper named him the best coach currently in the college football ranks because of his ability to place Tech among the nation's elite year in and year out. He has been voted the Virginia Division I Coach of the Year by the state sports information directors four times in the past eight years.

Following consecutive 10-2 seasons in 1995 and 1996, Beamer was voted BIG EAST Conference Coach of the Year by the league coaches. He was one of five finalists in the voting for the 1995 National Coach of the Year. In 1996, *The Sporting News* queried writers from around the country and asked them to rate the coaches in various conferences. In the BIG EAST, those writers rated Frank Beamer the best coach on game day, the best in game preparation, the best as a

TOP 20 WINNINGEST ACTIVE COACHES

I-A active football coaches by victories; ties computed as half won, half lost

Coach	School	Years	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
Joe Paterno	Penn State	37	336	100	3	.769
Bobby Bowden	Florida State	37	332	96	4	.773
Lou Holtz	South Carolina	31	238	120	7	.662
Jackie Sherrill	Mississippi State	25	178	110	4	.616
Frank Beamer	Virginia Tech	22	159	92	4	.631
Ken Hatfield	Rice	24	159	115	4	.579
Dennis Franchione	Texas A&M	20	155	73	2	.678
Fisher DeBerry	Air Force	19	149	83	1	.642
Mack Brown	Texas	19	135	89	1	.602
Paul Pasqualoni	Syracuse	17	129	64	1	.668
Mike Price	Alabama	22	129	122	0	.514
John Robinson	UNLV	16	124	62	4	.663
Bill Snyder	Kansas State	14	116	51	1	.693
John L. Smith	Michigan State	14	110	60	0	.647
Sonny Lubick	Colorado State	14	105	57	0	.648
Phillip Fulmer	Tennessee	11	103	25	0	.805
Bobby Wallace	Temple	15	98	76	1	.563
John Mackovic	Arizona	15	94	78	3	.546
Glen Mason	Minnesota	17	93	101	1	.479
Barry Alvarez	Wisconsin	13	92	61	4	.599

motivator, the best as a teacher, the best in big games and the best overall.

In 1999, *The Sporting News* ranked the nation's top coaches in terms of their ability to get the most out of their players. Beamer was picked No. 9 in Division I-A. Four of the last six years TSN has rated the Tech coach tops among BIG EAST head coaches. The publication has also ranked the Hokies' football coaching staff as the best in the conference four times during that span. *Street & Smith's College Football 2002* rated Beamer as the top recruiter in the BIG EAST.

The rise of the Tech football program has made Beamer a man in demand. It has opened doors to places he may never have dreamed of as a youngster growing up in Southwest Virginia.

In September 2000, Beamer was invited to the White House where he joined a select group that stood in the Rose Garden behind then-President Bill Clinton as he made remarks on the Conservation and Reinvestment Act. Beamer was one of the keynote speakers at the American Football Coaches Association Convention in 2000, and in April 2001 he joined former Prime Minister of Great Britain, Lady Margaret Thatcher, as one of the featured speakers at SUCCESS 2001, one of the

nation's most popular business seminars.

Beamer's success has also made him a much sought-after coach. In recent years, he has been pursued by numerous other schools and has drawn interest from professional football teams. But in the end, his loyalty has remained with the Hokies.

Beamer always has put Virginia Tech first — ever since he starred as a defensive back for the Hokies in his undergraduate days in the late 1960s, and surely throughout his 16 years as head coach of the Hokies. He has given the Tech program a sense of stability enjoyed by just a handful of other Division I-A schools. Only three other active Division I-A head coaches have been at their current school as long as Beamer.

In 1990, Beamer received a new contract and a substantial pay raise. He refused the raise, however, until such time that all classified and faculty employees of the university could have the same opportunity for pay raises. Most state salaries had been frozen at the time.

Another indication of Beamer's love for the university came on the night he was inducted into The Virginia Tech Sports Hall of Fame in 1997. He called it the biggest honor of his entire



Coach Beamer celebrates Tech's 11-0 regular season in 1999.

career. With the induction, he became the first active coach at the university to be honored in that fashion.

Beamer's overall record at Tech now stands at 117-69-2. He became Tech's winningest football coach during the 1997 campaign. Counting six years as head coach at Murray State prior to joining the Hokies, Beamer's overall 22-year record is 159-92-4. That record ties him for fifth among active Division I-A coaches in wins.

The 56-year-old Beamer, first alumnus to guide the Hokies since the 1940s, took over the Tech reins from Bill Dooley in January 1987. He began work a few days after the Hokies had beaten North Carolina State in the Peach Bowl. It took a while for him to get the Hokies moving in the right direction because the football program was hit with NCAA sanctions at the time.

But everything came together in the 1990s. The Techmen finished 9-3 in 1993 after beating Indiana, 45-20, in a wild Independence Bowl game. Tech followed up with an 8-4 season in 1994, losing to Tennessee, 45-23, in the Gator Bowl.

The Tech teams in 1995 and 1996 were among the best in school history. The 1995 team swept the BIG EAST Conference championship outright and the 1996 club tied for the title with Syracuse and Miami.

The 1995 team was 9-2 during the regular season and then came up with a stirring 28-10 victory over Texas in the Sugar Bowl. The 1996 team went 10-1 during the regular season and lost to powerful Nebraska, 41-21, in the Orange Bowl after giving the Cornhuskers a fierce battle for three quarters.

The Hokies fell to 7-5 in 1997 and were beaten badly by North Carolina in the Gator Bowl, 42-3. But they came right back with a 9-3 mark in 1998 that included an impressive 38-7 victory over Alabama in the inaugural Music City Bowl in Nashville, Tenn.

The two winningest seasons in school history followed in 1999 and 2000 with

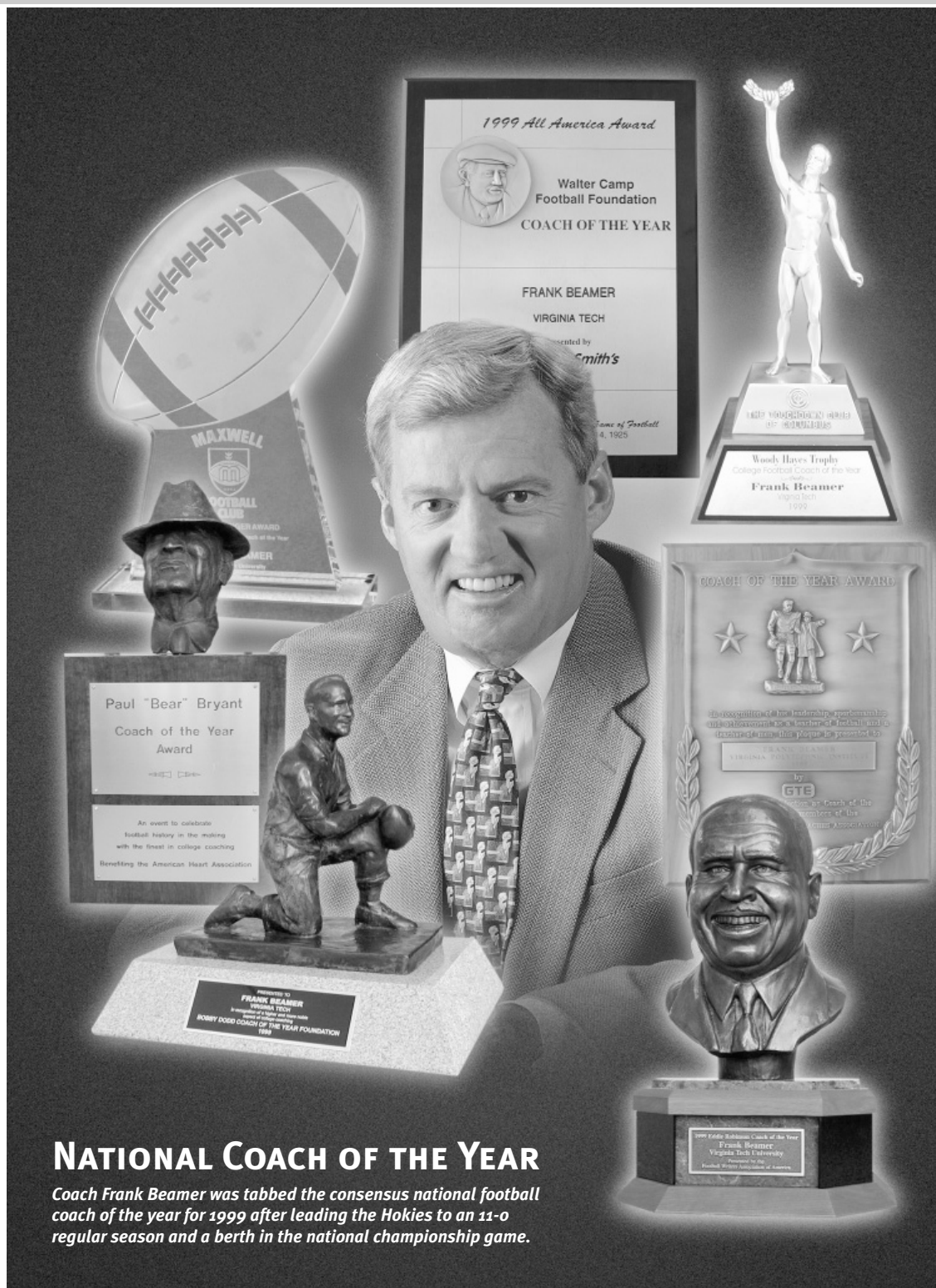
the Hokies posting back-to-back 11-1 records. Tech registered its first-ever 11-0 regular-season record in '99 before losing its national championship battle with FSU.

In 2000, the Hokies' only blemish was a loss at Miami in the ninth game of the season. Both seasons, Tech climbed as high as No. 2 in The Associated Press poll, finishing No. 2 in '99 and No. 6 in 2000. The Hokies

climbed as high as No. 5 in the 2001 AP poll and finished 18th. Last season Tech was ranked as high as No. 3 in the AP poll after posting consecutive wins over nationally-ranked LSU (14th), Marshall (16th) and Texas A&M (19th). The Hokies' youthful team finished the season 18th.

Beamer's early Tech teams also registered many exciting victories. One of the most

impressive came in 1990 when the Hokies capped the year with a 38-13 victory over arch-rival Virginia before a crowd of 54,157, which at the time was the largest ever to see a college football game in the Commonwealth of Virginia. During the 1989 season, Tech knocked off ninth-ranked West Virginia and star quarterback Major Harris, 12-10, in Morgantown.



NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR

Coach Frank Beamer was tabbed the consensus national football coach of the year for 1999 after leading the Hokies to an 11-0 regular season and a berth in the national championship game.

BEAMER'S PROFILE

PERSONAL:

Born: 10/18/46, Mt. Airy, N.C.
 Hometown: Hillsville, Va.
 Wife: former Cheryl Oakley
 Children: Shane, Casey

EDUCATION:

High School: Hillsville (1965)
 College: Virginia Tech (1969)
 Postgraduate: Radford University (1972)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE:

Virginia Tech (1966-68)

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1972 Graduate Assistant, Maryland
 1973-76 Assistant Coach, The Citadel
 1977-78 Defensive Coordinator, The Citadel
 1979-80 Defensive Coordinator, Murray State
 1981-86 Head Coach, Murray State
 1981 (8-3)
 1982 (4-7)
 1983 (7-4)
 1984 (9-2)
 1985 (7-3-1)
 1986 (7-4-1) Ohio Valley co-champion
 Record at Murray State: 42-23-2

1987- Head Coach, Virginia Tech
 1987 (2-9)
 1988 (3-8)
 1989 (6-4-1)
 1990 (6-5)
 1991 (5-6)
 1992 (2-8-1)
 1993 (9-3) Independence Bowl champion
 1994 (8-4) Gator Bowl
 1995 (10-2) BIG EAST, Sugar Bowl champion
 1996 (10-2) BIG EAST co-champion, Orange Bowl
 1997 (7-5) Gator Bowl
 1998 (9-3) Music City Bowl champion
 1999 (11-1) BIG EAST champion, Sugar Bowl
 2000 (11-1) Gator Bowl champion
 2001 (8-4) Gator Bowl
 2002 (10-4) San Francisco Bowl champion

Record at Virginia Tech: 117-69-2
 Overall head coaching record: 159-92-4

BOWL EXPERIENCE:

Player
 1966 Liberty (Virginia Tech vs. Miami)
 1968 Liberty (Virginia Tech vs. Mississippi)

Coach
 1993 Independence (Virginia Tech vs. Indiana)
 1994 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Tennessee)
 1995 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Texas)
 1996 Orange (Virginia Tech vs. Nebraska)
 1997 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. North Carolina)
 1998 Music City (Virginia Tech vs. Alabama)
 1999 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
 2000 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Clemson)
 2001 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
 2002 San Francisco (Virginia Tech vs. Air Force)



Frank Beamer and his wife Cheryl, with Shane and Casey.

During his undergraduate days at Tech, Beamer started three years as a cornerback and played on the Hokies' 1966 and 1968 Liberty Bowl teams. He received a B.S. in distributive education from Tech in 1969 and a master's in guidance from Radford in 1972. Then came the start of the Beamer coaching career.

He began as an assistant at Radford High School from 1969 through 1971. Then, after one season as a graduate assistant at the University of Maryland, he went to The Citadel where he worked five seasons under Bobby Ross and one year under Art Baker. His last two years at The Citadel, Beamer was the defensive coordinator.

In 1979, Beamer went to Murray State as the defensive

coordinator under Mike Gottfried. He was named head coach at Murray State in 1981 and went on to compile a six-year record of 42 wins, 23 losses and two ties.

The Tech coach was born in Mt. Airy, N.C., and grew up in Hillsville, Va. At Hillsville High, he earned 11 varsity letters as a three-sport athlete in football, basketball and baseball.

Beamer is married to the former Cheryl Oakley of Richmond, Va. They have two children, Shane, a former member of his dad's football team at Tech and now a graduate assistant at Tennessee; and daughter Casey, a 2003 graduate of Virginia Tech.

NOTEWORTHY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF FRANK BEAMER AND HIS STAFF, THE HOKIES HAVE ...

- earned a chance to play for the national championship for the first time in school football history.
- become one of only seven Division I schools to go to bowl games each of the last 10 seasons.
- compiled the second-longest active streak in the Associated Press Poll at 70 weeks.
- posted 11 wins in a season for the first time.
- registered the program's first back-to-back 11-win seasons.
- produced the school's first 11-0 regular-season record in football.
- averaged nine wins a season over the last 10 years.
- become the first team in BIG EAST history to win all the league's major awards in the same season.
- won three BIG EAST Championships and earned three invitations to the Bowl Championship Series in the past eight seasons.
- earned the highest national rankings in school football history, including three Top 10 finishes and consecutive Top 6 finishes.
- finished in a final Top 25 poll nine times in the last 10 seasons.
- won more games (117) than under any other coaching staff.
- been to three times as many bowl games (10) than under any other coaching staff.
- won more bowl games (5) than under any other coaching staff.
- posted 10 straight seasons of seven or more wins for the first time in school history.
- had 69 of their last 86 games televised (80%).
- compiled a 58-18 record in televised games since the start of the 1995 season.
- blocked more kicks in the 1990s than any other Division I-A team.
- become one of only eight Division I-A schools ever to lead the nation in both scoring offense and defense in the same season.
- had at least one player from every defensive position score a touchdown.
- produced a No. 1 pick in the National Football League draft.
- had over 100 players sign with NFL teams.
- had two players who entered the program as walk-ons drafted in the top four rounds of the NFL draft.
- produced seven Associated Press All-Americans over the last four seasons.
- had players win seven major BIG EAST individual awards in the last five years.



A TALK WITH COACH BEAMER

You went into last season with a young team that lacked experience at several key positions. What do feel is the most important thing those young players gained from the 2002 season?

There is nothing like playing in games, especially big games, to develop a sense of confidence, a sense of knowing you can handle these situations. So I think we are way ahead of last year.

How important was winning the San Francisco Bowl?

I thought it was a really critical bowl win for us. It gave us a boost to work harder during the off-season and spring. Now it's a matter of making sure that we work exceptionally hard and be as good as we can be when we kick it off in the fall.

You said this year's spring practice may have been the best ever for the Hokies. What made it so successful?

First, I think the fact that we had two quarterbacks who played at a very high level kept the flow of spring practice going. There weren't a lot of poorly thrown balls and their operation was good for the most part. Secondly, there was good competition at just about every position. When you've got good competition, nobody is taking a day off. Everybody comes out there every day to perform at a high level because they are competing for playing time. I think those two things together gave us a great spring practice.

You began the spring experimenting with DeAngelo Hall at wide receiver. What was the reason behind the experiment and was it a success?

Number one, DeAngelo is a gifted athlete. When I saw him on punt returns last season, I kept thinking, this guy has a great knack of making one guy miss. And if he can get that done out there as a wide receiver, then there

is a pretty good chance he can pick up some valuable yardage after that. Then, I looked at our wide receiver position. Ernest Wilford is a big-time player, but after that we're waiting for people to step up. I think there are some talented people there and I think there are some guys who are going to step up, but it remains to be seen. When you put DeAngelo Hall in there with Ernest Wilford, you've got two playmakers. If you put two great receivers in there — one

on each side — with a good running game, I think you have a level playing field. DeAngelo is still a corner, that is his first priority. But we are going to try to get 30 plays a game out of him on offense.

Bring us up to date on the quarterback situation.

I think we are fortunate that we have two great quarterbacks in our program here at Virginia Tech. Bryan Randall is going to be hard to beat out. He competes, he continues to get better and of course he has the advantage of having a year of experience. He has a lot of the intangibles that you really like at quarterback. On the other side, Marcus Vick is a gifted athlete who things just come natural to. He does things easily and naturally, and he is improving very quickly. I think the great thing is we have two kids who respect each other and like each other. They are going to compete hard and they know whoever gives us the best chance of winning is the guy who we are going to have in the ball game.

Have you ever had two quarterbacks this talented at the same time?

It's not just their talent, but the other things about them. It's their leadership ability and the fact that the people on this team truly like both these kids and what they are all about. You couldn't have two better kids in that regard either. Two quarterbacks as talented as this with the whole package? Until now, I have never had it in any of my programs.

With the departure of Lee Suggs, how do you assess the tailback position for 2003?

I like the way we ended up spring at our tailback position. I thought it was really good to see Cedric Humes running with authority there at the end of spring practice. He started out a little slow, but at the end I thought he was running like the big, strong, tough tailback that he is. I like Mike Imoh. I think he brings something to the table. We want to get him as strong and as big as we can. Of course, you put Kevin Jones in there and he is a very gifted, special player.

Defensively, how are the Hokies stacking up for the upcoming season?

I think overall, we are going to be very good. We are going to be quick, we are fast and we're going to have enough experience that we can be OK in that regard. We had some injuries during spring practice and it's going to help when we get those guys back, but overall, I really like what I've seen.

What do you think the team's strong points will be this season?

I would hope one of the strengths would be our kickers. I think Vinnie Burns is getting ready to have a great year. And I think Carter Warley, who didn't have any trouble with his back during the spring, has a chance to be a great kicker for us if he can hang in there and get his practice in and not have to wait for the pressure situations to be in a ball game. I think up front, defensively, is a strength for us. We have some really good players. We are not overly big, but we are really fast and I think that is going to be exciting to watch. As the season goes along, I expect the secondary to be very good. We've got some experience there at the corners and we have some talented guys at free safety and rover. I'm hoping our strong point offensively will be that we can be balanced.

What is the key to the offense being balanced?

We have to keep people who are athletic on the outside, people who are a threat to take it the distance. When you look at tailback and fullback and quarterback, there are guys who can go the distance. Our tight ends continued to block well and probably caught the ball better this spring than at any time I've been here. I think Jake Grove and Jacob Gibson are taking charge on the offensive line and people are following them. So, if we can just keep opposing defenses honest with a balanced attack, I think offensively that we have a chance to be good.

What concerns and objectives do you still have for the upcoming season?

We will be looking for players to step up at the receiver positions. Who our third quarterback is going to be will also be an issue. The plan right now is to get Chris Clifton

(former quarterback turned receiver) and run about 20 plays with him. That is a key thing. I think Aaron Rouse and James Griffin showed us in the spring that they are two talented guys. Now, can they become consistent enough in their everyday play to gain more playing time? That has to be answered during the preseason. We also have to determine which incoming freshmen figure in. I believe our recruiting class was unbelievably good. Our philosophy has always been to play you if you are going to play a lot. Figuring out who we can get in there and play a lot is going to be another issue in preseason.

What is most important about preseason practice?

I think you have to build up to the season. We have to be good in our instillation — getting in what we particularly want for the first ball game. I think it all gets back to how well you can function and how well you can run the plays.

Being good in our execution is the key thing. Making sure our chemistry is right is also something that is going to be very much an issue with us during the preseason. I've seen talented football teams with a lot of potential never quite hit it on all cylinders because they could never get the chemistry right.

This year's recruiting class includes two more brothers of current Tech players. What does the number of brothers and relatives of former players on the team say about the Virginia Tech program?

What is important here is those kids like Xavier (Adibi), Jonathan (Lewis) and Marcus (Vick) could have gone to any school in the country. They were highly recruited guys and they knew everything there was to know about Virginia Tech because of their brothers. The fact that they chose to come here is probably the greatest compliment our program could have.

THE BEAMER PHILOSOPHY

STYLE OF PLAY

"I like taking chances. I always have. I'm a guy who offensively wants to make sure we are using the whole field. I want to take some pops deep. I want to run our reverses. Defensively, I believe in bringing more people at times than you can block and hope you don't throw it to the right part of the field. I like to do some things that are a little unusual in the kicking game, too.

"The thing I believe more than anything is you have to be the aggressor. On defense you've got to have toughness. Offensively, you've got to be ready to knock them off the ball in short-yardage situations and get that ball carrier running tough up in there. And kicking-wise, the same thing. Being aggressive, being tough ... that is the way I hope people would think about our football team."

BUILDING A PROGRAM

"I believe you treat people right, with respect. In this business you are always aware of when things are not going well. If you have solid relationships with your players and with your coaches, you have a chance of getting through those tough times.

"Then, I think it really gets into people. You need to get good people, solid people as coaches and players. This is such an up and down business that you have to be in there with people that you like and trust. There is always a certain talent level that you have to have as far as ability on your team, but to me, getting good people and treating them with respect is the way you build a program."



BEAMERBALL



During the Frank Beamer era at Virginia Tech, putting points on the scoreboard has always been a team effort — the offensive team, the defensive team and the special teams. It's called BeamerBall, and it has helped propel the Hokies to new heights.

Each of Tech's last eight teams are ranked among the top 10 highest scoring grid squads in school history. What sets BeamerBall apart are the contributions made by the defense and special teams. Since the start of the 1993 season, a player at every position on the defensive unit has produced at least one touchdown. And 22 different players have

scored touchdowns while playing on Tech's special teams.

Altogether, the Hokies' defense and special teams have combined to contribute 77 touchdowns since Beamer arrived in 1987, including 60 in Tech's last 112 games. Under Beamer, Tech's defense has scored 48 TDs, with 28 coming on pass interceptions, 18 on fumble returns and two on fumble recoveries. The special teams have added 29 TDs, including 14 on blocked punts, nine on punt returns, three on kickoff returns, two on blocked field goals and one on a fumble recovery.

Fittingly, the trend started in Beamer's first game as Tech's head

coach when true freshman Jon Jeffries returned a kickoff 92 yards for a touchdown against Clemson. It was the Hokies' first touchdown under Beamer, and it was scored on special teams.

Since the start of the '87 season, a total of 56 different players on Tech's defense and special teams units have scored touchdowns. Twelve of those players — Don Stokes, Jock Jones, Roger Brown, Lawrence Lewis, Antonio Banks, Jim Baron, Keion Carpenter, Pierson Prioleau, Anthony Midget, Cory Bird, Kevin McCadam and Willie Pile — scored twice. Three other players, DeAngelo Hall, Ike Charlton

TOUCHDOWNS BY DEFENSE AND SPECIAL TEAMS UNDER BEAMER

1987: Jon Jeffries, 92-yd. kickoff return vs. Clemson; Don Stokes, recovered blocked punt in end zone vs. Syracuse; Randy Cockrell (ilb), 90-yd. interception return vs. Navy.

1988: Don Stokes, recovered blocked punt in end zone vs. Southern Miss; Jock Jones, recovered blocked punt in end zone vs. West Virginia; Roger Brown (cb), 55-yd. interception return vs. South Carolina; Leslie Bailey (ilb), 19-yd. interception return vs. South Carolina.

1989: Marcus Mickel, 90-yd. kickoff return vs. Clemson; Jock Jones (olb), 55-yd. interception return vs. Tulane; Roger Brown (cb), 55-yd. interception return vs. North Carolina State.

1990: The '90 season marked the first and only season to date during Beamer's tenure that Tech failed to score at least one TD on either defense or special teams.

1991: P.J. Preston (olb), recovered fumble in end zone vs. Oklahoma; Ken Landrum, 18-yd. blocked punt return vs. Cincinnati; Kirk Alexander (fs), 95-yd. interception return vs. Cincinnati.

1992: Tyronne Drakeford (cb), 40-yd. interception return vs. East Carolina; Tony Kennedy, 91-yd. kickoff return vs. Louisville; Ken Brown (olb), 18-yd. interception return vs. Rutgers.

1993: William Ferrell, 7-yd. blocked punt return vs. Rutgers; DeWayne Knight (olb), 23-yd. fumble return vs. Syracuse; Jeff Holland (dt), 8-yd. fumble return vs. Virginia; Lawrence Lewis (de), 20-yd. fumble return vs. Indiana; Antonio Banks, 80-yd. blocked field goal return vs. Indiana.

1994: Torrian Gray (rov), 66-yd. interception return vs. Boston College; Stacy Henley, 25-yd. blocked punt return vs. Temple; Lawrence Lewis (de), 60-yd. fumble return vs. East Carolina; Antonio Freeman, 80-yd. punt return vs. Pittsburgh.

1995: Jermaine Holmes, recovered blocked punt in end zone vs. Akron; Hank Coleman (de), 51-yd. fumble return vs. Rutgers; Myron Newsome (ilb), 71-yd. interception return vs. Rutgers; Larry Green (cb), 37-yd. interception return vs. West Virginia; Jim Baron (dt), 46-yd. fumble return vs. Temple; J.C. Price (dt), 19-yd. interception return vs. Temple; Antonio Banks (cb), 65-yd. interception return vs. Virginia; Bryan Still, 60-yd. punt return vs. Texas; Jim Baron (dt), 20-yd. fumble return vs. Texas.

1996: Cornelius White, 60-yd. blocked punt return vs. Syracuse; Keion Carpenter (fs), 100-yd. interception return vs. Miami.

1997: Carl Bradley (dt), recovered fumble in end zone vs. Rutgers; Pierson Prioleau (rov), 43-yd. fumble return vs. Rutgers; Lorenzo Ferguson (fs), 84-yd. interception return vs. Arkansas St.; Anthony Midget (cb), 22-yd. fumble return vs. Pittsburgh.

1998: Keion Carpenter (fs), 16-yd. interception return vs. Pittsburgh; Pierson Prioleau (rov), 85-yd. interception return vs. Boston College; Marcus Gildersleeve, recovered blocked punt in end zone vs. UAB; Ricky Hall 17-yd. blocked punt return vs. West Virginia; Ricky Hall recovered blocked punt in end zone vs. Syracuse; Loren Johnson (cb), 78-yd. fumble return vs. Syracuse; Ike Charlton (cb) 26-yd. interception return vs. Rutgers; Jamel Smith (lb), 98-yd. interception return vs. Rutgers; Anthony Midget (cb), 27-yd. interception return vs. Alabama.

1999: Ike Charlton (cb), 34-yd. interception return vs. Clemson; Corey Moore (de), 32-yard fumble return vs. Clemson; Cory Bird (rov), 26-yd. fumble return vs. Syracuse; Phillip Summers (rov) 43-yd. interception return vs. Syracuse; Tee Butler recovered fumble by punter in end zone vs. Syracuse; Ricky Hall, 64-yd. punt return vs. Miami; Ike Charlton (cb), 51-yd. fumble return vs. Miami; Larry Austin (cb), 31-yd. interception return vs. Temple.

2000: Willie Pile (fs), 11-yd. interception return vs. Akron; Cory Bird 9-yd. blocked punt return vs. East Carolina; André Davis 87-yd. punt return vs. East Carolina; André Davis 71-yd. punt return vs. Boston College; André Davis 76-yd. punt return vs. WVU; Nathaniel Adibi (de), 36-yd. fumble return vs. UCF.

2001: Channing Reed (dt), 8-yard fumble return vs. Rutgers; Kevin McCadam (rov), 69-yd. interception return vs. UCF; André Davis, 55-yd. punt return vs. UCF; Jim Davis (de), 27-yd. interception return vs. WVU; Kevin McCadam (rov), 9-yd. fumble return vs. BC; Ronyell Whitaker, 71-yd. blocked field goal return vs. Pittsburgh; Brandon Manning, 22-yd. blocked punt return vs. Miami.

2002: DeAngelo Hall, 69-yd. punt return vs. Arkansas State; DeAngelo Hall (cb), 49-yd. interception return vs. Arkansas State; Jason Lallis (dt), 59-yd. fumble return vs. Arkansas State; Alex Markogiannakis (lb), 25-yd. fumble return vs. Western Michigan; DeAngelo Hall 51-yd. punt return vs. Rutgers; Darryl Tapp, 11-yd. blocked punt return vs. Virginia; Willie Pile (fs), 96-yd. interception return vs. Miami.

and Ricky Hall, scored three times, while André Davis had four scores.

BeamerBall's emphasis on special teams produces more than touchdowns. During the 1990s, Tech blocked more kicks than any other Division I-A team. In 1998, the Hokies ranked eighth nationally in punting and in 1999, they were ninth nationally in kickoff returns. During the 2000 season, Tech led the nation in punt returns. In 2001 and 2002, the Hokies finished tied for 10th and 16th, respectively, in punt returns.

Tech's tradition for blocking kicks during the Beamer era has produced 97 blocks in his 188 games as the head coach. The Hokies have blocked 51 punts (14 for TDs), 25 field goals and 21 extra points. Sixty-three of those blocks came during the 1990s when Tech blocked 31 punts, 18 PATs and 14 field goals.

In 1998, the Hokies set a school record when they blocked 10 kicks during the regular season and two more in their Music City Bowl game against Alabama.

Since joining the BIG EAST Conference in 1991, the Hokies have posted at least three blocked kicks against every team in the league. During that span, Tech has blocked 10 kicks against Pittsburgh, eight versus Miami, seven against West Virginia, five versus Rutgers, four against Boston College and three against Syracuse and Temple.

In the Beamer era, Tech has blocked two kicks in a game 17 times, including two in last season's game with No. 14 LSU.

The most prolific kick blockers under Beamer have

been defensive lineman Bernard Basham and safety Keion Carpenter who each posted six blocks during their Tech careers. Basham blocked three field goals and three PATs, while Carpenter blocked six punts.

BeamerBall has been a major factor in Tech's 93-29 record over the past 10 seasons. During that span, the Hokies are 40-6 in games when they score at least one defensive or special teams touchdown and 40-13 when they block at least one kick.

TECH'S BLOCKED KICKS UNDER BEAMER

Totals: 97 in 187 games

(51 punts, 25 FGs, 21 PATs)

*recovered or returned for touchdown
+led to TD @led to safety #led to FG
^led to a two-point defensive extra point

1987 (1 punt, 1 PAT, 1 FG)

Syracuse – punt* (Jimmy Whitten) hL
East Carolina – PAT (na) hL
Cincinnati – FG (Roger Brown) hW

1988 (4 punts, 3 FGs)

Clemson – punt (Jock Jones) aL
Southern Miss – punt* (Archie Hopkins) aL
West Virginia – punt* (Archie Hopkins) hL
Cincinnati – punt+ (Jock Jones) aW
Louisville – FG (Jimmy Whitten) aL
Florida State – FG (Roger Brown);
FG+ (Roger Brown) aL

1989 (1 punt, 1 FG)

Tulane – punt+ (Archie Hopkins) hW
N.C. State – FG (Jock Jones) aW

1990 (2 punts, 3 PATs, 1 FG)

East Carolina – PAT (John Rivers) aW
South Carolina – PAT (John Rivers) hL
Florida State – punt+ (Scott Jones) aL
West Virginia – FG+ (Bernard Basham) hW
Temple – punt (Archie Hopkins) aL
N.C. State – PAT (Bernard Basham) hW

1991 (3 punts, 3 FGs)

James Madison – FG (Bernard Basham) hW
Oklahoma – FG (Bernard Basham) aL
Cincinnati – punt+ (P.J. Preston);
punt* (Kirk Alexander) hW
Louisville – FG (John Rivers) hW
East Carolina – punt (Marcus McClung) hL

1992 (5 PATs, 1 FG)

James Madison – PAT (John Rivers);
FG+ (Kirk Alexander) hW
East Carolina – PAT (Bernard Basham) aL
West Virginia – PAT (David Wimmer) hL
Miami – PAT (Bernard Basham) hL
Virginia – PAT (David Wimmer) hL

1993 (4 punts, 2 FGs)

Miami – punt@ (Willie Wilkins) aL
Maryland – FG (George DelRocco) hW
Rutgers – punt* (Marcus McClung) hW
Syracuse – punt+ (William Ferrell) hW
Virginia – punt# (Brandon Semones) aW
Indiana – FG* (Jeff Holland) nW
Independence Bowl

1994 (2 punts, 2 FGs)

Arkansas St. – FG (Cornell Brown) hW
Temple – punt* (William Ferrell) hW
Miami – punt# (Michael Williams) aL
Rutgers – FG (Michael Williams) hW

1995 (4 punts, 3 PATs, 1 FG)

BC – PAT (Waverly Jackson) hL
Cincinnati – FG (Jim Baron);
PAT (Lawrence Lewis) hL
Miami – punt# (Angelo Harrison) hW
Pittsburgh – punt+ (Angelo Harrison);
punt# (Angelo Harrison) aW
Akron – punt* (Okesa Smith);
PAT (Lawrence Lewis) hW

1996 (5 punts, 1 PAT)

Akron – PAT (John Engelberger) aW
BC – punt+ (Keion Carpenter) aW
Syracuse – punt* (Cornelius White) aL
Temple – punt (Keion Carpenter) hW
SW Louisiana – punt (Michael Stuewe);
punt+ (Keion Carpenter) hW

1997 (2 punts, 3 PATs, 2 FGs)

Arkansas St. – FG+ (Carl Bradley) hW
WVU – punt# (Phillip Summers) aL
Miami – PAT (Carl Bradley) hW
Pittsburgh – PAT (Corey Moore);
PAT (John Engelberger) aL
Virginia – punt (Keion Carpenter);
FG (John Engelberger) aL

1998 (8 punts, 2 PATs, 2 FGs)

East Carolina – FG+ (Corey Moore) hW
Miami – PAT (John Engelberger) aW
Pittsburgh – FG (Corey Moore);
punt# (Larry Austin) hW
Boston College – punt (Keion Carpenter);
punt+ (André Davis) aW
UAB – punt* (Larry Austin) aW
WVU – punt* (Marcus Gildersleeve);
PAT (John Engelberger) hW
Syracuse – punt* (Anthony Midget) aL
Alabama – punt (Keion Carpenter);
punt+ (Corey Moore) nW
Music City Bowl

1999 (1 punt, 1 PAT)

Rutgers – PAT* (Carl Bradley) aW
Pittsburgh – punt+ (André Davis) aW

2000 (4 punts, 2 FGs, 2 PATs)

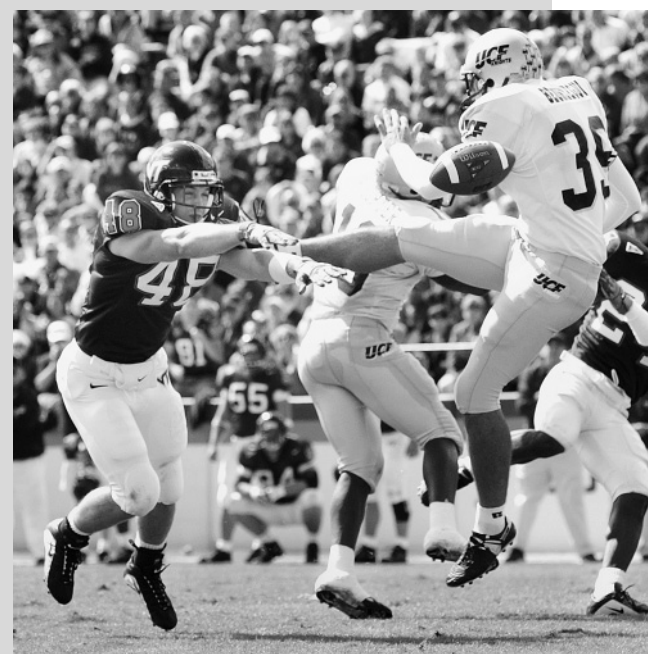
Akron – FG+ (Cory Bird) hW
East Carolina – punt* (Wayne Ward);
FG (Larry Austin) aW
Rutgers – punt+ (Eric Green) hW
Temple – punt+ (Wayne Ward) hW
West Virginia – punt (Lee Suggs);
PAT (Lamar Cobb) hW
Pittsburgh – PAT (David Pugh) hW

2001 (5 punts, 2 FGs)

W. Michigan – punt+ (Wayne Ward) hW
Rutgers – punt@ (Eric Green) aW
UCF – punt@ (Brandon Manning) hW
Pittsburgh – FG* (Lamar Cobb) aL
Virginia – punt (Wayne Ward) aW
Miami – FG# (David Pugh);
punt* (Eric Green) hL

2002 (5 punts, 2 FGs)

LSU – punt+ (Justin Hamilton)
punt@ (Jason Lallis) hW
Marshall – FG+ (Team) hW
Western Michigan – FG (Jeff King) aW
Pittsburgh – punt+ (Nathaniel Adibi) hL
West Virginia – punt# (Ernest Wilford) hL
Virginia – punt* (Justin Hamilton) hW



Brandon Manning blocks a punt against UCF in 2001.

BILLY HITE



Associate Head Coach and Running Backs Coach

Billy Hite, who has been on the sidelines for more Virginia Tech football games than any other coach, is beginning his 26th season on the Tech coaching staff and his third year as the Hokies' associate head coach.

While at Tech, Hite has helped produce eight of

Virginia Tech's top 10 career rushing leaders. Twenty of his running backs have gone on to sign with NFL teams.

Hite came to Blacksburg as a member of Bill Dooley's football staff in 1978. He served as a recruiter and head jayvee coach his first two years, then took over as the offensive backfield coach in charge of tailbacks and fullbacks in 1980. He has been coaching Tech's running backs ever since.

Hite remained at Tech when Frank Beamer took over in 1987 and was elevated to the position of assistant head

coach by Beamer the following year. He was promoted to the new position of associate head coach in December 2000.

In 1989, Hite filled in as the acting head coach when Beamer was sidelined following coronary angioplasty surgery and had to miss a home game versus Tulane. Hite didn't let the Tech faithful down as he led the Hokies to an emotional 30-13 victory.

Hite's first tailback in 1980, Cyrus Lawrence, went on to establish Tech season and career marks for rushing yards that still stand. During the mid-1980s, Hite was credited with the development of Tech's famed "Stallions" backfield that featured Maurice Williams and Eddie Hunter.

In 2000, tailback Lee Suggs shattered school and BIG EAST Conference scoring records on the way to leading the nation in touchdowns (28) and scoring (168 points). Suggs, who also led the conference in rushing, was selected the Co-BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Year.

During the 2001 season, with Suggs sidelined by an injury, true freshman tailback Kevin Jones came on to lead the team in rushing and set a Tech record for rushing yards by a freshman. Jones was named the BIG EAST Rookie of the Year. The 2001 season also

saw senior Jarrett Ferguson establish new single-season receiving records for a Tech fullback.

Last year, Suggs and Jones combined to become the most productive Tech twosome ever in terms of single-season rushing yardage, combining for over 2,000 yards and 31 touchdowns.

A native of Hyattsville, Md., Hite was a former star tailback at the University of North Carolina. He received one of his highest honors when he was inducted into the DeMatha High School Hall of Fame in 1992. As a player at North Carolina under Dooley, Hite helped the Tar Heels to a 28-6 record, two ACC titles and two bowl games during his undergraduate days from 1970-73. He received a bachelor's degree in education in 1974.

Hite began his coaching career as a graduate assistant at UNC in '74. He was a part-time assistant for the Tar Heels from 1975-77.

Hite is married to the former Anne Heen of Memphis, Tenn., whom he met at North Carolina when they were students. They have two daughters, Kirsten Marie, 18, and Bryn Elizabeth Louise, 14, and a son, Griffin William, 10.

HITE'S PROFILE

PERSONAL:

Born: 4/28/51, Washington, D.C.
Hometown: Hyattsville, Md.
Wife: former Anne Heen
Children: Kirsten Marie, Bryn Elizabeth Louise, Griffin William

EDUCATION:

High School: DeMatha High School (1969)
College: University of North Carolina (1974)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE:

North Carolina (1970-73)

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1974-77 North Carolina (running backs)
1978-87 Virginia Tech (running backs)
1988-00 Virginia Tech (assistant head coach and running backs)
2001- Virginia Tech (associate head coach and running backs)

BOWL EXPERIENCE:

Player
1971 Sun (North Carolina vs. Texas Tech)
1972 Gator (North Carolina vs. Georgia)
Coach
1974 Sun (North Carolina vs. Mississippi State)
1976 Peach (North Carolina vs. Kentucky)
1977 Liberty (North Carolina vs. Nebraska)
1980 Peach (Virginia Tech vs. Miami)
1984 Independence (Virginia Tech vs. Air Force)
1986 New Peach (Virginia Tech vs. N.C. State)
1993 Independence (Virginia Tech vs. Indiana)
1994 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Tennessee)
1995 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Texas)
1996 Orange (Virginia Tech vs. Nebraska)
1997 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. North Carolina)
1998 Music City (Virginia Tech vs. Alabama)
1999 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2000 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Clemson)
2001 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2002 San Francisco (Virginia Tech vs. Air Force)



Coach Billy Hite and his wife, Anne, with Kirsten, Griffin and Bryn.

VIRGINIA TECH'S RUNNING GAME

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF COACH BILLY HITE, IN 2002 ...

- Lee Suggs and Kevin Jones became the most productive Tech twosome ever in terms of single-season rushing yardage (2,196).
- the Hokies ranked No. 19 nationally in rushing offense.
- Lee Suggs became the BIG EAST Conference's all-time leader in total touchdowns (56) and rushing touchdowns (53) and set an NCAA Division I-A mark for consecutive games with a touchdown (27).
- Tech had 10 100-yard rushing games from individuals.



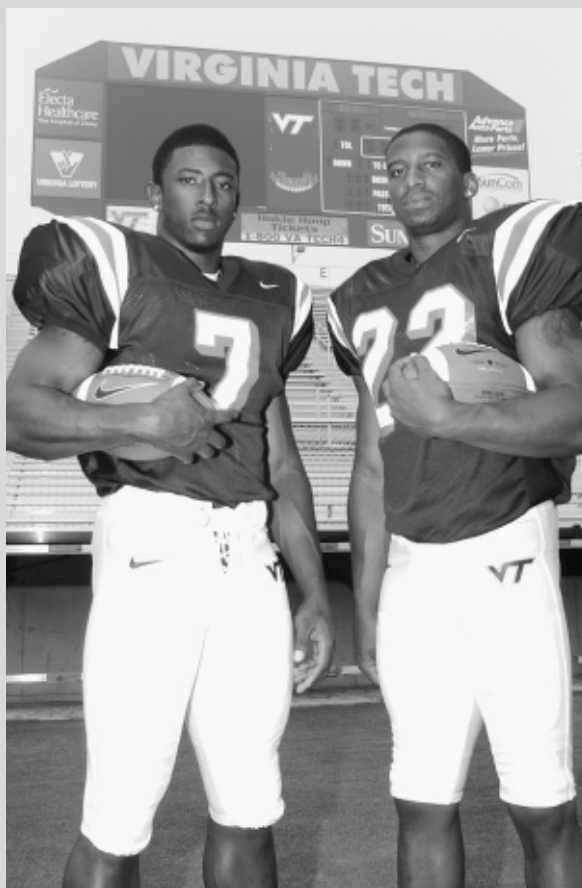
DURING BILLY HITE'S TENURE AT VIRGINIA TECH ...

- the Hokies have rushed for over 56,000 yards — an average of more than 200 yards per game (202.6) over a 278-game period.
- he has had a back rush for 100 yards or more in a game 126 times.
- the Hokies have had an average of 144 yards rushing per game from the tailback position.
- he has coached eight of Virginia Tech's top 10 career rushing leaders.
- he has worked with six of the eight Tech players who have turned in 1,000-yard rushing seasons.
- he has coached five different running backs who rushed for over 100 yards in a bowl game.
- a total of 20 running backs have gone on to sign with NFL teams.
- the Hokies have been ranked among the top 20 rushing teams in Division I-A six of the past 10 seasons.

Tailbacks Kevin Jones and Lee Suggs became the most productive Tech twosome ever in terms of combined single-season rushing yardage with 2,196 yards in 2002.

"I tell all my players to be the best back on the field — to be complete football players. I want them to take the attitude that one man cannot bring them down. I want them to be physical and nasty when blocking; to run good pass routes and catch the football; and to be good actors and carry out their fakes. Once a back touches the ball, they make the decision where to run. I will never second guess a running back with the ball in his arms. If each back protects the football, makes the big play and plays with intensity, we will win."

— Billy Hite



SEASON RUSHING LEADERS

Player	Yards
Cyrus Lawrence	1,403
Lee Suggs	1,255
Cyrus Lawrence	1,221
Lee Suggs	1,207
Dwayne Thomas	1,130
Shyrone Stith	1,119
Roscoe Coles	1,119
Roscoe Coles	1,045
Phil Rogers	1,036
Maurice Williams	1,029

CAREER RUSHING LEADERS

Player	Yards
Cyrus Lawrence	3,767
Roscoe Coles	3,459
Maurice Williams	2,981
Lee Suggs	2,697
Dwayne Thomas	2,696
Ken Oxendine	2,645
Eddie Hunter	2,523
Phil Rogers	2,461
Vaughn Hebron	2,327
Shyrone Stith	2,292

(**Bold** signifies player coached by Hite)

BUD FOSTER



Defensive Coordinator and Inside Linebackers Coach

Defensive master-mind Bud Foster has gained a well-deserved reputation as one of the nation's most respected young coaches while serving on Frank Beamer's football staff at Virginia Tech.

Foster, who is entering his 17th season at Tech, has helped mold nationally-ranked defenses during each of his eight years as a coordinator. His success made him a finalist

for the coveted Broyles Award in both 1999 and 2001. The award is presented annually to the nation's top assistant football coach.

Last year, Tech's young defense was ranked among the national leaders in scoring defense, interceptions and turnovers gained. Under Foster's guidance, Tech's 2001 defense proved to be one of the nation's best, ranking among the top eight teams in Division I-A in six different categories and leading the way in shutouts with four. In 2000, Foster took a defense that returned just three starters and turned it into a unit that led the BIG EAST in rushing defense, placed 16th

nationally against the run and tied for third nationally in interceptions.

After helping Tech to the national championship game in 1999, Foster was recognized as the 2000 Division I-A Defensive Coordinator of the Year by American Football Coach magazine. Tech's 1999 defensive unit led Division I-A in scoring defense and ranked third in both total and rushing defense.

Following the 1998 season, Foster was pursued by the University of Florida for its defensive coordinator position, but he opted to continue his long-standing football association with Beamer. That association dates back to 1979 when Foster was a strong safety and defensive end at Murray State and Beamer was the defensive coordinator. Foster began his coaching career as a graduate assistant at MSU in 1981, Beamer's first season as the head coach.

Since coming to Tech in 1987, Foster has helped build the Hokies into one of the hardest-hitting defensive units in college football. During that time, he has worn several coaching hats. Foster coached the inside linebackers for one year in 1987, then tutored the outside linebackers for the next five seasons. He assumed responsibility for both sets of

linebackers prior to the 1993 season and also took over special-teams coaching that year. The following year, he coached the inside linebackers and special teams. Foster assumed the position of co-defensive coordinator in 1995 and took over as the sole defensive coordinator in '96. The inside linebackers continue to be his primary responsibility.

During his tenure at Tech, Foster has coached All-Americans Ben Taylor and Jamel Smith and five other linebackers who have earned All-BIG EAST Conference honors.

A 1981 graduate of Murray State, Foster was an outstanding strong safety and outside linebacker from 1977 to 1980. After two years as a graduate assistant at his alma mater, Foster was elevated to a full-time staff position. The Nokomis, Ill., native, coached outside linebackers for three seasons before taking over the inside and outside linebackers in 1986. He also served as the Racers' recruiting coordinator and worked with special teams.

Foster and his wife Jacqueline have three children: Ammie, 24; Grant, 17; and Hillary, 15. In his spare time, Foster enjoys spending time with his family.

FOSTER'S PROFILE

PERSONAL:

Born: 7/28/59, Somerset, Ky.
Hometown: Nokomis, Ill.
Wife: former Jacqueline Travis
Children: Ammie, Grant, Hillary

EDUCATION:

High School: Nokomis (Ill.) High School (1977)
College: Murray State University (1981)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE:

Murray State (1977-80)

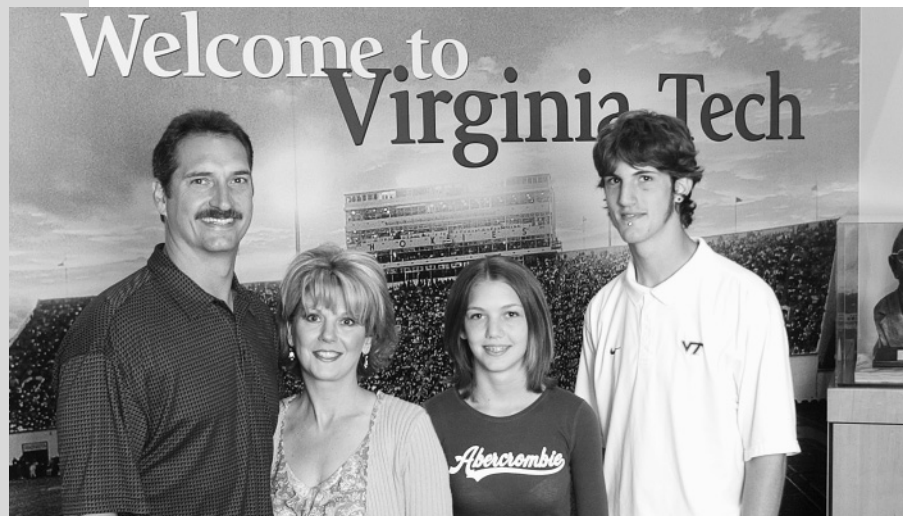
COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1981-82 Murray State (graduate assistant)
1983-85 Murray State (outside linebackers)
1986 Murray State (linebackers/special teams)
1987 Virginia Tech (inside linebackers)
1988-92 Virginia Tech (outside linebackers)
1993 Virginia Tech (linebackers/special teams)
1994 Virginia Tech (inside backers/special teams)
1995- Virginia Tech (defensive coordinator/
inside linebackers/special teams)

BOWL EXPERIENCE:

Player
1979 Division I-AA Playoff semifinals
(Murray State vs. Lehigh)

Coach
1986 Division I-AA Playoff quarterfinals
(Murray State vs. Eastern Illinois)
1993 Independence (Virginia Tech vs. Indiana)
1994 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Tennessee)
1995 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Texas)
1996 Orange (Virginia Tech vs. Nebraska)
1997 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. North Carolina)
1998 Music City (Virginia Tech vs. Alabama)
1999 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2000 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Clemson)
2001 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2002 San Francisco (Virginia Tech vs. Air Force)



Coach Bud Foster and his wife, Jacquie, with Hillary and Grant.

VIRGINIA TECH'S DEFENSE

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF BUD FOSTER IN 2002, THE HOKIES' DEFENSE ...

- led the nation in pass interceptions.
- gained 37 turnovers, which ranked fifth in Division I-A.
- produced semifinalists for both the Hendricks and Thorpe Awards.
- ranked 21st nationally in scoring defense.
- featured a second-team All-American in free safety Willie Pile, according to *The Sporting News*.



DURING BUD FOSTER'S ONE YEAR AS CO-DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR AND SEVEN SEASONS AS DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR, TECH HAS ...

- produced two BIG EAST defensive players of the year — Corey Moore, who earned the honor in both 1998 and 1999, and Cornell Brown, who won it in 1995.
- had at least one defensive player earn All-America honors every year. Four players gained A-A recognition in 1999 and three in 2001.
- had 26 different defensive players score touchdowns.
- produced its first Lombardi Award winner and its first Nagurski Trophy winner in Corey Moore.
- held opponents to an average of 98.1 yards rushing and 15.7 points per game over a 91-game span.



TECH'S NATIONAL DEFENSIVE RANKINGS UNDER COACH BUD FOSTER

1995*

1st Rushing Defense (77.36 ypg)
5th Scoring Defense (14.09 ppg)
10th Total Defense (285.9 ypg)
23rd Pass Efficiency Defense (104.25 rating)

1996

Tied-9th Scoring Defense (15.27 ppg)
16th Pass Efficiency Defense (99.37 rating)
19th Rushing Defense (112.0 ypg)
24th Total Defense (316.09 ypg)

1997

13th Scoring Defense (16.82 ppg)

1998

2nd Interceptions (23)
4th Scoring Defense (12.9 ppg)
7th Total Defense (284.9 ypg)
11th Rushing Defense (102.2 ypg)
11th Pass Efficiency Defense (103.4 rating)

1999

1st Scoring Defense (10.5 ppg)
3rd Total Defense (247.3 ypg)
3rd Rushing Defense (75.9 ypg)
7th Pass Efficiency Defense (98.1 rating)

2000

Tied-3rd Interceptions (23)
16th Rushing Defense (99.3 ypg)

2001

2nd Total Defense (237.81 ypg)
2nd Rushing Defense (71.6 ypg)
2nd Scoring Defense (13.4 ppg)
3rd Pass Efficiency Defense (85.62 rating)
Tied-7th Interceptions (19)
8th Pass Defense (166.27 ypg)

2002

1st Interceptions (24)
5th Turnovers Gained (37)
21st Scoring Defense (18.79 ppg)

*co-coordinator in 1995

"I believe in an attacking, aggressive style of defense. We want to put speed and athleticism on the field and use that to attack and pressure opposing offenses."
— Bud Foster

BRYAN STINESPRING



Bryan Stinespring, one of the top young coaches and recruiters on the collegiate scene, is entering his second season overseeing the Virginia Tech offense. Stinespring was promoted to offensive coordinator in December 2001 and began those duties during the Hokies' Gator Bowl game against Florida State on New Year's Day.

The 2003 season will mark Stinespring's 11th year as a full-time coach on Frank Beamer's staff at Tech and his sixth season as the Hokies' offensive line coach. He took over the offensive line duties in the spring of 1998 and helped mold Tech's young line into a unit that showed steady improvement during the '98 season. Two members of that line — tackle Derek Smith and guard Dwight Vick — went on to sign with NFL teams.

In 1999 and 2000, the offensive line helped clear the way as the Hokies set new BIG EAST rushing marks in back-to-back seasons. Center Keith Short, guard Matt Lehr and tackle Dave Kadela all earned second-team All-BIG EAST honors in '99. Lehr repeated as a second-team pick in 2000, while Kadela moved to first team. Last season, tackle Anthony Davis earned second-team all conference honors as the offensive front cleared the way for record-setting tailbacks Lee Suggs and Kevin Jones, who combined for over 2,100 yards.

Prior to taking over his current duties, Stinespring coached Tech's tight ends and assisted with the offensive line for five seasons. He was the Hokies' recruiting coordinator for eight years (1994-2001) and continues to be

Offensive Coordinator and Offensive Line Coach

instrumental in helping attract top high school talent to campus. In 2001, he served as Tech's assistant head coach along with his other duties.

Stinespring initially joined the Tech staff in 1990 as a graduate assistant coach and spent two seasons in that capacity helping with the offensive line. After serving as the director of sports programs in 1992, he was elevated to a full-time coaching position prior to the 1993 season. Since then, he has been a part of 10 straight bowl games and three BIG EAST Conference Championships.

During his tenure as tight ends coach, two of his players earned all-conference honors. John Burke was a second-team pick in 1993, while Bryan Jennings earned first-team honors in 1996.

A native of Clifton Forge, Va., Stinespring was a walk-on player for James Madison University in the early 1980s. He served as a teacher and coach at Lexington High School and helped the football squad win its lone state championship in 1988. He also helped coach the Patrick Henry High School football team before joining the Tech program in 1990.

Stinespring is married to the former Shelley Franklin of Richmond, Va. Bryan and Shelley have a son, Daniel, 9; and twin daughters, Caroline and Olivia, who are 5 years old.

STINESPRING'S PROFILE

PERSONAL:

Born: 10/12/63, Clifton Forge, Va.
Hometown: Clifton Forge, Va.
Wife: former Shelley Franklin
Children: Daniel Franklin, Caroline Frances, Olivia Jane

EDUCATION:

High School: Clifton Forge (Va.) High School (1982)
College: James Madison University (1986)
Postgraduate: Virginia Tech (1992)

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1986-88 Lexington (Va.) High School
1989 Patrick Henry (Va.) High School
1990-91 Virginia Tech (graduate assistant)
1992 Virginia Tech (director of sports programs)
1993 Virginia Tech (tight ends/assistant offensive line)
1994-97 Virginia Tech (TEs/assistant offensive line/
recruiting coordinator)
1998-00 Virginia Tech (offensive line/recruiting coordinator)
2001 Virginia Tech (assistant head coach/OL/recruiting)
2002- Virginia Tech (offensive coordinator/offensive line)

BOWL EXPERIENCE:

Coch
1993 Independence (Virginia Tech vs. Indiana)
1994 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Tennessee)
1995 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Texas)
1996 Orange (Virginia Tech vs. Nebraska)
1997 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. North Carolina)
1998 Music City (Virginia Tech vs. Alabama)
1999 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2000 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Clemson)
2001 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2002 San Francisco (Virginia Tech vs. Air Force)



Coach Bryan Stinespring and his wife, Shelley, with Caroline, Daniel and Olivia.

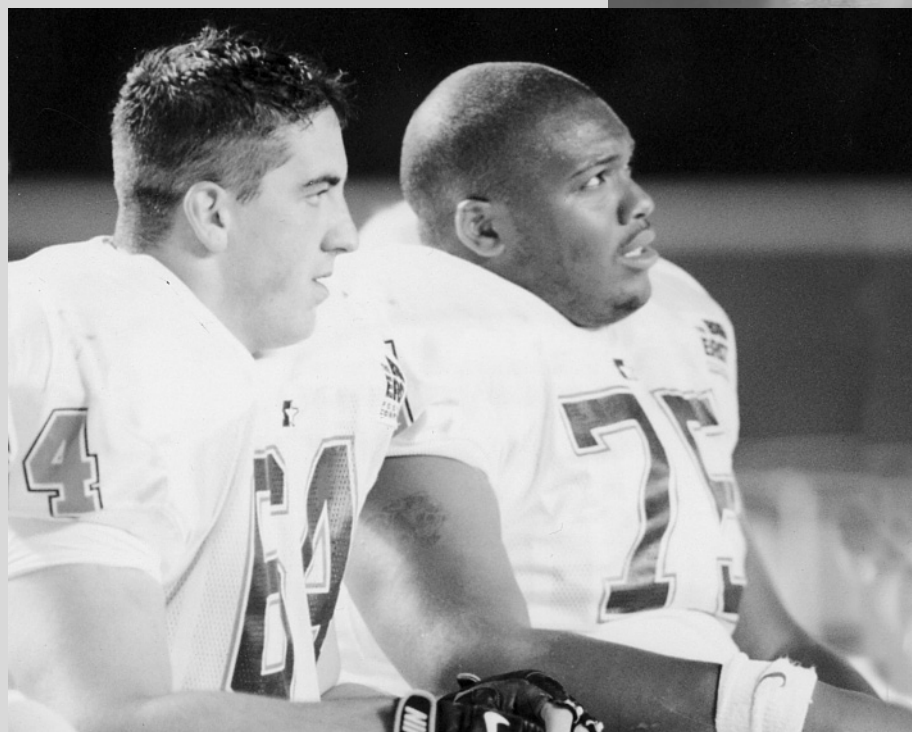
VIRGINIA TECH'S OFFENSE

DURING BRYAN STINESPRING'S FIRST SEASON AS OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR, THE VIRGINIA TECH OFFENSE ...

- produced the third-highest point total (429) in school history.
- accumulated 5,203 yards of offense, the highest total ever for a Tech team.
- earned a No. 15 ranking nationally in passing efficiency.
- averaged 31:28 time of possession, the Hokies' fifth-highest average since 1986.
- set a Tech all-time record for first downs with 274.

DURING BRYAN STINESPRING'S FIRST NINE FULL-TIME SEASONS AT TECH, THE HOKIES' OFFENSIVE LINE ...

- produced 15 different players who earned All-BIG EAST honors, including four repeat performers.
- cleared the way for an average of 200.5 yards rushing per game over a 122-game span.
- helped the team set new BIG EAST season rushing marks back-to-back years in 1999 and 2000.
- had 16 players sign with NFL teams.



Gennaro DiNapoli (l) and Todd Washington are two of the 16 former Tech linemen who have gone on to the NFL during Bryan Stinespring's 10 seasons as a full-time coach.

"We want, and expect, to attack both the defense and the field of play in a concerted, aggressive approach. We want to be able to use schemes and formations that utilize our talents while placing pressure on the opponent to adjust and defend. Our goal is to set the tempo of the game and dictate the style of play that is indicative of Virginia Tech football."

— Bryan Stinespring

JIM CAVANAUGH



Strong Safety and Outside Linebackers Coach and Recruiting Coordinator

Jim Cavanaugh has played a major role in Virginia Tech's success since joining Frank Beamer's coaching staff in 1996. Cavanaugh is entering his eighth season as the Hokies' strong safety and outside linebackers coach and his second year as Tech's recruiting coordinator.

No one has been more instrumental in bringing top-notch talent to the Tech program than Cavanaugh. Over the past four years, his recruiting skills have helped the Hokies attract, among others, prep All-Americans Michael Vick, Nathaniel Adibi, Bryan Randall, Jonathan Lewis, Marcus Vick, Xavier Adibi and Chris Ellis.

Along with his success in attracting talent, Cavanaugh has also been instrumental in

helping players develop their talent once they join the Tech program. During his first season on the job in 1996, outside linebacker Brandon Semones led the team in tackles and earned second-team All-BIG EAST honors.

Cavanaugh has since helped in the development of highly-successful safeties Pierson Prioleau, Cory Bird and Kevin McCadam. Prioleau was a first-team All-BIG EAST pick in 1997 and 1998 and earned third-team All-America recognition from *The Sporting News* in '97. He was a fourth-round draft pick of the San Francisco 49ers in 1999. Bird was tabbed a second-team All-BIG EAST pick following the 2000 season and was selected in the third-round of the NFL draft by the Indianapolis Colts. McCadam was one of the keys to Tech's success in 2001 and was a fifth-round NFL selection by the Atlanta Falcons.

Tech's appearance in the 2002 Diamond Walnut San Francisco Bowl marked Cavanaugh's 19th postseason game as a coach. The Hokies have been to bowls in each of his seven seasons on the staff.

A former star receiver at William & Mary, Cavanaugh is a veteran of 33 years coaching, including 29 as a full-time coach on the collegiate level. He has worked at two other Virginia schools — VMI and the University of Virginia — during his career.

Cavanaugh coached at the University of North Carolina for eight years and from 1982 through 1987, he worked under Bobby Ross and Joe Krivak at Maryland. He served two years at North Carolina State, three years under coach Bob Thalman at VMI, one year at Virginia and two

years at Marshall. Cavanaugh began his collegiate coaching career as a graduate assistant at North Carolina State in 1972.

During his years as a receiver at William & Mary, Cavanaugh surpassed the Tribe career record in receiving with 117 catches and over 1,600 yards. He also earned honorable-mention All-America honors in 1967 and was co-captain of his team in 1969. Cavanaugh was inducted into the William & Mary Sports Hall of Fame in April 2001.

Married to the former Marsha Carnell, he has two children — Ryan, an Appalachian State graduate who works for the Indianapolis Colts and is married to the former Melissa Searls, and Lauren Reddick, who graduated from Virginia Tech in 2002.

CAVANAUGH'S PROFILE

PERSONAL:

Born: 8/4/48, Queens, N.Y.
Hometown: Queens, N.Y.
Wife: former Marsha Carnell
Children: Ryan, Lauren

Coch Jim Cavanaugh and his wife, Marsha, with Ryan and his wife, Melissa, and Lauren and her husband, Rob.

EDUCATION:

High School: Chaminade High School (1966)
College: The College of William & Mary (1970)
Postgraduate: North Carolina State University (1974)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE:

William & Mary (1967-69)

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1970 Newport News (Va.) High School
1971 Denbigh (Va.) High School
1972-73 North Carolina State (graduate assistant)
1974-75 VMI (receivers)
1976 VMI (running backs)
1977-78 North Carolina State (receivers)
1979-80 Marshall (off. coordinator/quarterbacks)
1981 Virginia (receivers)
1982-86 Maryland (running backs)
1987 Maryland (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks)
1988-95 North Carolina (receivers)
1996-01 Virginia Tech (strong safety, outside linebackers)
2002- Virginia Tech (recruiting coordinator/strong safety, outside linebackers)



BOWL EXPERIENCE:

Coach
1972 Peach (N.C. State vs. West Virginia)
1973 Liberty (N.C. State vs. Kansas)
1977 Peach (N.C. State vs. Iowa State)
1978 Tangerine (N.C. State vs. Pittsburgh)
1982 Aloha (Maryland vs. Washington)
1983 Citrus (Maryland vs. Tennessee)
1984 Sun (Maryland vs. Tennessee)
1985 Cherry (Maryland vs. Syracuse)
1992 Peach (North Carolina vs. Mississippi State)
1993 Gator (North Carolina vs. Alabama)
1994 Sun (North Carolina vs. Texas)
1995 Carquest (North Carolina vs. Arkansas)
1996 Orange (Virginia Tech vs. Nebraska)
1997 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. North Carolina)
1998 Music City (Virginia Tech vs. Alabama)
1999 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2000 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Clemson)
2001 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2002 San Francisco (Virginia Tech vs. Air Force)

VIRGINIA TECH RECRUITING

“The state of Virginia is, and always will be, the primary focus of our recruiting. In recent years, a number of outstanding players from outside the state have also expressed great interest in Virginia Tech. If you get the best players from the state of Virginia and put them together with some talented players from out-of-state, you’ve got a really good combination.”

— Coach Frank Beamer



Michael Vick

COVERING THE STATE

- John Engelberger – Northern Virginia
- Todd & T.J. Washington – Eastern Shore
- Jim Davis – Fork Union
- Bryan Still – Richmond
- Michael & Marcus Vick – Peninsula
- Shyrone Stith – Tidewater
- Michael Hawkes – Southside
- Cornell Brown – Lynchburg
- Waverly Jackson – Southside
- Lee Suggs – Roanoke
- Maurice DeShazo – Martinsville area
- Chad Beasley – Southwest Virginia
- Jake Houseright



Ben Taylor

“Having coached high school football in Newport News and having spent most of my professional recruiting life in the state of Virginia, I am fully aware of the outstanding quality of the players and coaches within our state. Our objective is to recruit as many of the great players in the state as possible with the goal of winning the national championship.”

— Coach Jim Cavanaugh

ACROSS THE COUNTRY

- Cory Bird, Billy Conaty – New Jersey
- Keion Carpenter, Antonio Freeman – Maryland
- Ike Charlton, Torrian Gray – Florida
- André Davis – New York
- Kevin Jones, Jim Druckenmiller – Pennsylvania
- Kevin McCadam – California
- Corey Moore – Tennessee
- Pierson Prioleau, Tyronne Drakeford – South Carolina
- Jim Pyne – Massachusetts
- Derek Smith – West Virginia
- Ben Taylor, Dave Kadela – Ohio

COACHES’ IN-STATE RECRUITING AREAS

- Tony Ball Shenandoah Valley
- Jim Cavanaugh Richmond/Peninsula
- Bud Foster Northern Virginia
- Billy Hite New River Valley
- Danny Pearman Central Virginia/Fredericksburg
- Kevin Rogers Roanoke/Lynchburg/Danville/Martinsville
- Bryan Stinespring Tidewater
- Lorenzo Ward Northern Virginia
- Charley Wiles Southwest Virginia

TONY BALL



Wide Receivers Coach

coached the running backs at East Tennessee State in 1989.

During the summers of 1996 and 1997, Ball participated in the National Football League's Minority Internship Program with the Baltimore Ravens.

Ball began his coaching career as a graduate assistant at Austin Peay in 1985 and 1986. While at Austin Peay, he earned a master's in health and nutrition. He served as restricted earnings coach at the University of South Carolina in 1987, working with the running backs and helping the Gamecocks to the Gator Bowl. His first full-time coaching position came at UTC the following year.

Ball played football for the late Joe Morrison at UT-Chattanooga. He was a standout running back who set numerous school kickoff return records. He finished with a degree in criminal justice.

Ball is married to the former Maria Ann Slayden. They have two children: Anthony, 12, and Keshea, 11.

Tony Ball, who has 15 years of experience as a full-time collegiate coach, is beginning his sixth season as Virginia Tech's receivers coach. Ball's attention to detail and enthusiastic approach to the game of football have helped Tech to a 49-13 record, three bowl championships and an appearance in the national championship game over the past five seasons.

Ball has shown an ability to motivate and prepare young players and was instrumental in the development and success of split end Ernest Wilford who etched his name in the Tech record books last season. Wilford, a second-team All-BIG EAST pick, set a school single-season mark for receptions (51) and established new game marks for receiving yards (279) and touchdown catches (4) during a contest at Syracuse.

Under Ball's watchful eye, André Davis became one of the nation's top big-play threats. Davis closed out his Tech career in 2001 ranked among the Hokies' top three in career catches, receiving yards and touchdown receptions. He was selected in the second round of the 2002 NFL Draft by the Cleveland Browns.

Ball came to Tech in 1998 after serving three seasons as an assistant at the University of Louisville, where he coached the receivers. Prior to his stint with the Cardinals, Ball worked with the running backs at Holy Cross for three seasons. He coached the receivers at his alma mater, UT-Chattanooga, on two different occasions — once in 1988 and for two seasons in 1990-91. In between, Ball

BALL'S PROFILE

PERSONAL:

Born: 7/28/59, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Hometown: Chattanooga, Tenn.
Wife: former Maria Slayden
Children: Anthony and Keshea

EDUCATION:

High School: Brainerd High School (1977)
College: UT-Chattanooga (1983)
Postgraduate: Austin Peay (1987)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE:

UT Chattanooga (1977-80)

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1985-86 Austin Peay (graduate assistant)
1987 South Carolina (volunteer running backs coach)
1988 UT-Chattanooga (receivers)
1989 ETSU (running backs)
1990-91 UT-Chattanooga (receivers)
1992-94 College of Holy Cross (running backs)
1995-97 Louisville (receivers)
1998- Virginia Tech (receivers)

BOWL EXPERIENCE:

Coach
1987 Gator (South Carolina vs. LSU)
1998 Music City (Virginia Tech vs. Alabama)
1999 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2000 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Clemson)
2001 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2002 San Francisco (Virginia Tech vs. Air Force)



Coach Tony Ball and his wife, Maria, with Keshea and Anthony.

DANNY PEARMAN



Tight Ends and Offensive Tackles Coach

Danny Pearman, who is entering his 12th season as a full-time collegiate assistant, has coached in Division I-A national championship games at two different schools.

Pearman, who is beginning his sixth season as the Hokies' tight ends and offensive tackles coach, brought experience and a sound football background to the Tech staff in 1998. He arrived just in time to help the Hokies

to a surprising 8-3 regular season record and a 38-7 victory over Alabama in the Music City Bowl. Pearman helped bring along an inexperienced group of tight ends and also aided in the development of All-BIG EAST tackle Derek Smith, who was drafted by the Washington Redskins following the season. He has since worked with two other all-conference tackles — Dave Kadela and Anthony Davis.

Under Pearman's tutelage, Tech's tight ends caught 17 passes, 16 of which went for first downs, during Tech's march to the national championship game in 1999. The Tech offense led the

nation in scoring that year and ranked eighth nationally in rushing.

Pearman's experience and hard work have continued to pay dividends the last three seasons. In 2000, former walk-on Browning Wynn earned second-team All-BIG EAST honors at tight end, while teammate Bob Slowikowski caught a key 72-yard touchdown pass against West Virginia. Following the 2001 season, both players signed with NFL teams after contributing valuable senior leadership to a rebuilding offensive unit. Last season, Keith Willis caught an 87-yard pass against Syracuse — the longest reception ever by a Tech tight end.

Prior to coming to Blacksburg, Pearman helped coach the University of Alabama to six bowls and a national championship between 1990 and 1997. After helping guide the Crimson Tide to the national championship in 1992, he contributed to the Tide winning Southeastern Conference Western Division championships the next four years.

Pearman was a graduate assistant at Alabama for two years, then served as coach of the offensive tackles from 1991 to 1996. He coached the defensive tackles and special teams in 1997.

A native of Charlotte, N.C., Pearman won three letters as a tight end at Clemson from 1983 through 1987. In his playing days, he was named a strength and conditioning All-American. He helped the Tigers win two Atlantic Coast Conference championships.

Following graduation, Pearman began his coaching career as a graduate assistant with the Tigers in 1988 and 1989. The Tigers won the ACC championship again in '88 and went to bowl games both of Pearman's seasons as a grad assistant.

Pearman has a bachelor's degree in finance and a master's in business administration, both from Clemson. He is married to the former Kristy Sewell of Birmingham, Ala., and they have a daughter, Taylor Brooke, 6, and a son Tanner Ryan, 3.

PEARMAN'S PROFILE

PERSONAL:

Born: 2/17/65, Charlotte, N.C.
Hometown: Charlotte, N.C.
Wife: former Kristy Sewell
Children: Taylor Brooke, Tanner Ryan

EDUCATION:

High School: Independence H.S. (1983)
College: Clemson University (1987)
Postgraduate: Clemson University (1989)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE:

Clemson (1983-87)

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1988-89 Clemson (graduate assistant)
1990-91 Alabama (graduate assistant)
1991-96 Alabama (offensive tackles/offensive special teams)
1997 Alabama (defensive tackles/special teams)
1998- Virginia Tech (tight ends and off. tackles)

BOWL EXPERIENCE:

Player

1985 Independence (Clemson vs. Minnesota)
1986 Gator (Clemson vs. Stanford)
1987 Citrus (Clemson vs. Penn State)

Coach

1988 Citrus (Clemson vs. Oklahoma)
1989 Gator (Clemson vs. West Virginia)
1990 Fiesta (Alabama vs. Louisville)
1991 Blockbuster (Alabama vs. Colorado)
1992 Sugar (Alabama vs. Miami)
1993 Gator (Alabama vs. North Carolina)
1994 Citrus (Alabama vs. Ohio State)
1996 Outback (Alabama vs. Michigan)
1998 Music City (Virginia Tech vs. Alabama)
1999 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2000 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Clemson)
2001 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2002 San Francisco (Virginia Tech vs. Air Force)



Coach Danny Pearman and his wife, Kristy, with Tanner Ryan and Taylor Brooke.

KEVIN ROGERS



Quarterbacks Coach

Kevin Rogers, who played a major role in the development of quarterback Donovan McNabb at Syracuse, is in his second year as the quarterbacks coach at Virginia Tech.

The 2003 season will mark Rogers' 24th year as a full-time coach on the collegiate level. He served as an offensive

coordinator and quarterbacks coach at both Syracuse and Notre Dame before joining the Tech staff in January 2001.

Last season, under Rogers' watchful eye, Tech quarterback Bryan Randall set a school season record for completion percentage (63.7) and ranked 10th nationally in passing efficiency (143.09). He also compiled the most total offense by a Tech player since 1972.

Prior to a three-year stint at Notre Dame (1999-01), Rogers served as the quarterbacks coach for eight seasons at Syracuse under head coach

Paul Pasqualoni. His final two years at SU, Rogers was the offensive coordinator, as well as the quarterbacks coach.

Rogers' star pupil at Syracuse was McNabb, the BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Year three straight seasons (he shared the award in '96). McNabb broke most of Syracuse's passing records which had been held by another of Rogers' proteges, Marvin Graves, who ranked second nationally in passing in 1992. McNabb was the second overall pick in the 1999 NFL Draft by the Philadelphia Eagles.

He first joined the Syracuse staff in 1991 as quarterbacks coach, was named assistant head coach in 1995, served as recruiting coordinator from 1995-97 and was named offensive coordinator in '97. While at Syracuse, Rogers saw the Orange finish in the final Associated Press top 25 on six occasions.

Before his tenure at Syracuse, Rogers spent eight seasons on the Navy staff coaching a variety of positions — tight ends and offensive tackles in '83, tight ends and wide receivers in '84-'85, defensive backs in '86, running backs in '87-'88 and quarterbacks in '89-90. Rogers' other college coaching credits include running backs coach at

William & Mary from 1980-82 and defensive line coach at Ohio State in 1977-78 under Woody Hayes. He also served as head coach at Mainland (Fla.) High School in 1979.

In 1999, Rogers coached a Notre Dame offense that broke the school single-season record for total passing yards, completions and attempts. Rogers helped quarterback Jarious Jackson set school single-season records for passing attempts, completions and passing yardage.

Rogers has been involved in 10 postseason bowl games as an assistant coach and has coached a number of All-Americans and National Football League players in his career, including McNabb, Qadry Ismail, Aaron Brown and Napoleon McCallum.

Rogers is no stranger to the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Brooklyn, N.Y., native is a 1974 graduate of the College of William & Mary and began his coaching career as an assistant coach at Bayside High School in Virginia Beach from 1974-76. At William & Mary, he was a three-year letterman as a linebacker and earned a degree in physical education. He earned a master's in physical education from Ohio State in 1978.

Rogers and his wife Betty are parents of three children —

Kevin, a former quarterback at Villanova and now a scouting assistant for the Indianapolis Colts; Megan, a senior at Notre Dame; and Ryan, a junior at Notre Dame.

ROGERS' PROFILE

PERSONAL:

Born: 9/7/51, Brooklyn, N.Y.
Hometown: Sparta, N.J.
Wife: former Betty Sheridan
Children: Kevin Sean Rogers, Jr., Megan Elizabeth, Ryan Patrick

EDUCATION:

High School: Sparta (N.J.) High School (1969)
College: College of William & Mary (1974)
Postgraduate: Ohio State (1978)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE:

Massanutten (Va.) Academy (1969-70)
William & Mary (1971-73)

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1974-76 Bayside (Va.) High (assistant coach)
1977-78 Ohio State (defensive line) G.A.
1979 Mainland (Fla.) High (head coach)
1980-82 William & Mary (running backs)
1983 Navy (tight ends/offensive tackles)
1984-85 Navy (tight ends/wide receivers)
1986 Navy (defensive backs)
1987-88 Navy (running backs)
1989-90 Navy (quarterbacks)
1991-94 Syracuse (quarterbacks)
1995-96 Syracuse (asst. head coach/quarterbacks/recruiting coordinator)
1997-98 Syracuse (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks)
1999-01 Notre Dame (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks)
2002- Virginia Tech (quarterbacks)

BOWL EXPERIENCE:

Coch
1977 Sugar (Ohio State vs. Alabama)
1978 Gator (Ohio State vs. Clemson)
1991 Hall of Fame (Syracuse vs. Ohio State)
1992 Fiesta (Syracuse vs. Colorado)
1995 Gator (Syracuse vs. Clemson)
1996 Liberty (Syracuse vs. Houston)
1997 Fiesta (Syracuse vs. Kansas State)
1998 Orange (Syracuse vs. Florida)
2000 Fiesta (Notre Dame vs. Oregon State)
2002 San Francisco (Virginia Tech vs. Air Force)



Coach Kevin Rogers and his wife, Betty, with Megan, Ryan (l) and Kevin (r).

LORENZO WARD



Defensive Backfield Coach

Lorenzo Ward's reputation as an outstanding coach and recruiter continues to grow as he starts his fifth season on Frank Beamer's football staff at Virginia Tech. Ward oversees Tech's cornerbacks and free safeties.

In just four seasons with the Hokies, Ward has coached five all-BIG EAST players, produced a secondary that has helped Tech finish among the national defensive leaders four-straight seasons and spearheaded the recruiting of the nation's top high school football player.

His work with the secondary in 1999 contributed

to the Hokies finishing No. 3 in total defense and No. 7 in pass efficiency defense. In 2000, Tech tied for third nationally in interceptions and during the 2001 season, the Hokies ranked second in total defense, third in pass efficiency defense, eighth in pass defense and tied for seventh in interceptions. Last year, Tech led the Division I-A ranks in interceptions with 24.

Ward was instrumental in Tech's signing of Pennsylvania running back Kevin Jones in February 2000. Jones, the most highly-touted player ever to sign with the Hokies, was rated the top high school football player in the country by numerous recruiting services and publications. Following the 2001 season, Jones was named the BIG EAST Conference Rookie of the Year after leading Tech in rushing.

Four of Ward's cornerbacks at Tech – Anthony Midget, Ike Charlton, Ronyell Whitaker and DeAngelo Hall – have earned BIG EAST honors, along with free safety Willie Pile. Midget was a first-team pick and Charlton a second-team selection in 1999, while Whitaker was second team in 2000 and first team last season. Hall and Pile were second-team picks in 2002. Pile was also a semi-finalist for the Jim Thorpe Award as the nation's top defensive back in '02.

Prior to joining the Tech coaching staff, Ward was a coach at UT-Chattanooga and Alabama. He was named the defensive coordinator at UT-Chattanooga in 1998 after serving as the Mocs' running backs coach in 1997. Prior to working with the running backs, Ward was the defensive backs coach. He coached strong safety Ron Faugue, who earned both second- and third-team All-America honors in 1996.

An Alabama native, Ward starred for the Crimson Tide from 1986-90. He helped lead

Alabama to a 33-15 record and a Southeastern Conference Championship during his career. He was also tabbed Special Teams Player of the Year by *The Sporting News* in 1990 as the Tide's unit ranked No. 1 in the nation. Ward played on four bowl teams, helping lead 'Bama to two Sun Bowl victories.

Ward served two seasons as a graduate assistant at Alabama before spending one season as an assistant coach at Newnan High in Newnan, Ga. While a graduate assistant, Ward helped coach the Tide to victories in the 1991 Blockbuster Bowl and the 1993 Gator Bowl. He joined the UTC staff as the secondary coach in 1994.

Nicknamed "Whammy" because of his fierce tackles, Ward graduated from Alabama in 1990 with a bachelor's in physical education. He is married to the former Tara Tubbs. The couple has one son, Lorenzo Donovan Ward, Jr., who is 7.

WARD'S PROFILE

PERSONAL:

Born: 4/26/67, Greensboro, Ala.
Hometown: Greensboro, Ala.
Wife: former Tara Tubbs
Child: Lorenzo Donovan Ward, Jr.

EDUCATION:

High School: Greensboro Public School —
West Campus (1986)
College: University of Alabama (1990)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE:

Alabama (1986-90)

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1991-93 Alabama (graduate assistant)
1993 Newnan High (assistant coach)
1994-98 UT-Chattanooga (secondary/running backs)
1999- Virginia Tech (defensive backfield)

BOWL EXPERIENCE:

Player

1986 Sun (Alabama vs. Washington)
1988 Hall of Fame (Alabama vs. Michigan)
1988 Sun (Alabama vs. Army)
1990 Sugar (Alabama vs. Miami)

Coach

1991 Blockbuster (Alabama vs. Colorado)
1993 Gator (Alabama vs. North Carolina)
1999 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2000 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Clemson)
2001 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2002 San Francisco (Virginia Tech vs. Air Force)



Coach Lorenzo Ward and his wife, Tara, with Lorenzo, Jr.

CHARLEY WILES



Defensive Line Coach

Charley Wiles, a former All-America player for Frank Beamer at Murray State, has produced four All-Americans of his own since joining Beamer's Virginia Tech staff as defensive line coach in 1996.

Among the top players Wiles has helped develop during his eight seasons directing the Tech line, are 2001 senior standouts David Pugh and Chad Beasley who earned first- and second-team All-BIG EAST honors, respectively, in both 2000 and 2001. Pugh was also a third-

team All-America pick by *The Sporting News* and both players were selected in the NFL Draft.

In 1999, Wiles directed end Corey Moore, who won the Mike Fox/Bronko Nagurski Award as the nation's best defensive player and the Lombardi Award as the best lineman. Moore also became Tech's second unanimous All-American and was chosen the BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Year for the second consecutive year.

Wiles also coached John Engelberger, who was named second-team on The Associated Press All-America team and was selected first-team All-BIG EAST in 1999 after earning second-team honors in 1998 and 1997.

Overall, eight of Wiles' players have won All-BIG EAST honors. End Cornell Brown was an All-American and a first-team BIG EAST pick in '96 and tackle Kerwin Hairston was a first-team BIG EAST selection in 1997. Tackle Nathaniel Williams made the second team in 1999 and current end Nathaniel Adibi was selected to the second team last year.

During the 1999 season, Wiles coached a veteran line that he helped mold into what *The Sporting News* rated as the best Division I-A defensive line in the college ranks prior to the season. That line helped the Hokies finish first in the nation in scoring defense and third in rushing defense and total defense. Tech's 2001 defensive line was rated as the fourth-best in the Division I-A ranks by *The Sporting News*.

Wiles is on his second tour of duty at Tech. He originally joined Beamer's Tech staff as a graduate assistant in 1987 and worked in that capacity for two years.

Wiles first had a player-coach relationship with Beamer, when Beamer was

the head man at Murray State. Wiles was a Kodak Division I-AA All-American as an offensive lineman in 1986.

When he left Tech after the 1988 season, Wiles spent a year on the staff at East Tennessee State. He then returned to Murray State for a six-year coaching tenure, winding up as the Racers' co-defensive coordinator. In 1995, he helped coach the Racers to an 11-0 regular-season mark and a berth in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs. Wiles also served as Murray State's recruiting coordinator, helping land many of the Racers' top players.

When Wiles rejoined Beamer at Tech in 1996, he fulfilled a goal he had set during his first stint in Blacksburg. The Hokies have competed in bowl games during each season since he rejoined the staff.

A native of De Land, Fla., and a three-sport star at De Land High School, he is married to the former Andrea Wilder of Booneville, Ind. They have a daughter, Kendell, 7, and a son Eric, 4.

WILES' PROFILE

PERSONAL:

Born: 5/4/64, Nashville, Tenn.
Hometown: De Land, Fla.
Wife: former Andrea Wilder
Children: Kendell, Eric

EDUCATION:

High School: De Land High School
College: Murray State University (1987)
Postgraduate: Virginia Tech (1989)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE:

Murray State (1983-86)

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1987-88 Virginia Tech (graduate assistant)
1989 East Tennessee State (offensive line)
1990-91 Murray State (defensive ends)
1992 Murray State (running backs)
1993-95 Murray State (linebackers)
1995 Murray State (co-def. coordinator)
1996- Virginia Tech (defensive line)

BOWL EXPERIENCE:

Player
1986 Division I-AA Playoff Quarterfinals
(Murray State vs. Eastern Illinois)

Coach
1995 Division I-AA Playoff Quarterfinals
(Murray State vs. Northern Iowa)
1996 Orange (Virginia Tech vs. Nebraska)
1997 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. North Carolina)
1998 Music City (Virginia Tech vs. Alabama)
1999 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2000 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Clemson)
2001 Gator (Virginia Tech vs. Florida State)
2002 San Francisco (Virginia Tech vs. Air Force)



Coach Charley Wiles and his wife, Andrea, with Kendell and Eric.

JOHN BALLEIN

Associate Director of Athletics for Football Operations



John Ballein holds one of the most important positions in Virginia Tech athletics as associate athletics director for football operations. He was promoted to the position during the summer of 2000 in recognition of his excellent work for Coach Frank Beamer and his program.

Called "the No. 1 administrative assistant in the country" by former Tech AD Dave Braine, Ballein is responsible for all operations dealing with the football program. He continues to serve as assistant to head coach Frank Beamer and as departmental recruiting coordinator, jobs he performed prior to his promotion.

"You name it and John Ballein does it," Beamer said in a Dec. 18, 1999 article on Ballein in *The Roanoke Times*. "Just everything that goes on around here — our travel, our recruiting, our camps, our clinics. He is absolutely the best."

A native of Bentleyville, Pa., Ballein was a linebacker at Indiana University of Pennsylvania and graduated from there with a degree in health and physical education in 1983. He later earned a master's in education from Old Dominion University in 1987. He will receive his Ed.D in health promotions from Virginia Tech in December of this year.

Ballein was a teacher and football coach in 1983-84 at Woodrow Wilson High School in Portsmouth, Va., and at Western Branch High in Chesapeake, Va., in 1985-86.

Ballein served on Beamer's first Virginia Tech staff in 1987 as a graduate assistant coach. In 1988, he accepted a position as running backs coach at

Western Kentucky University. He returned to Tech a year later as recruiting coordinator.

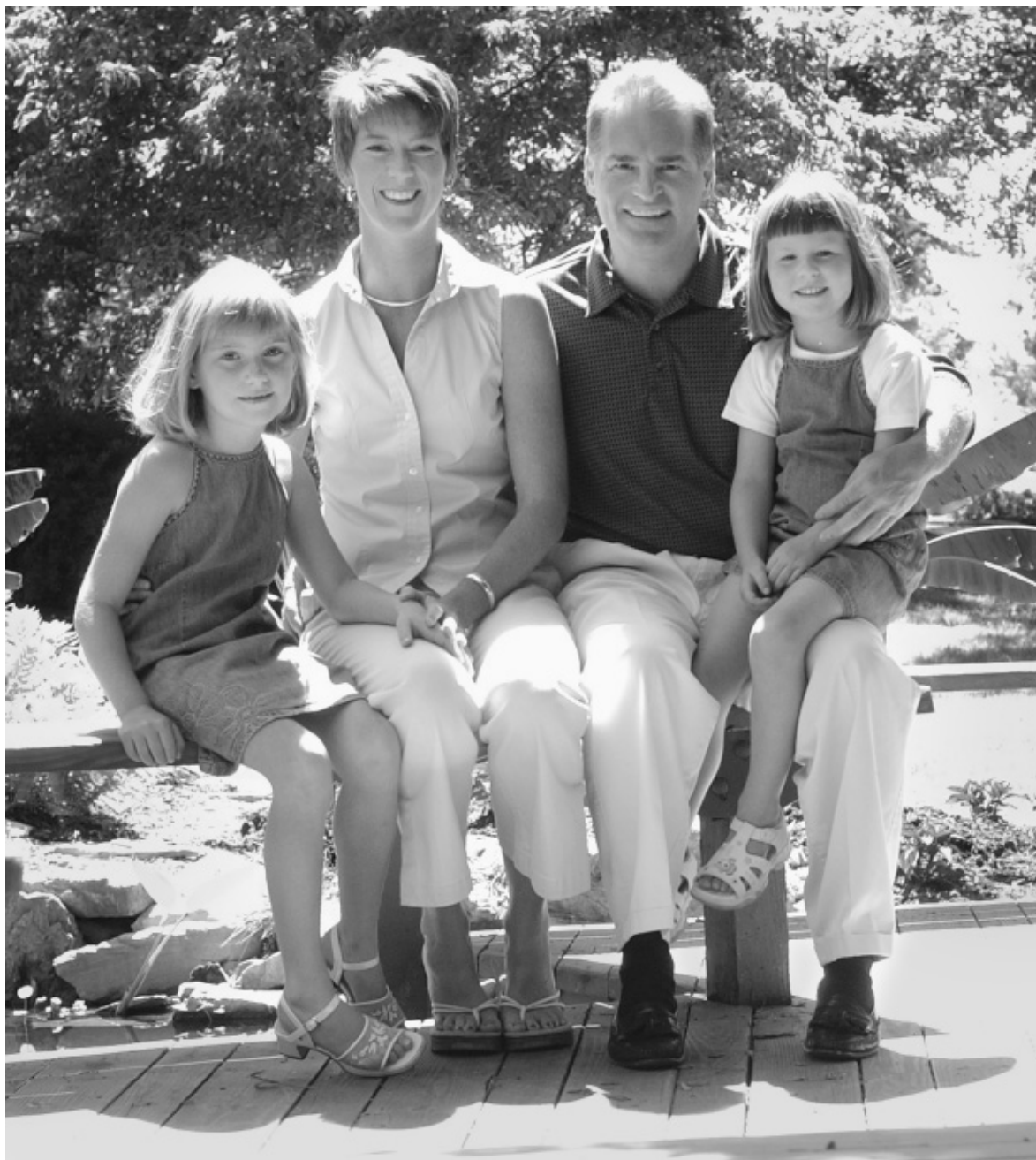
With his office adjacent to Coach Beamer's, he is often considered Beamer's right-hand man. He deals mostly with the administrative side of the football program, but is one of the favorites among players.

His office is a preferred hangout of Tech players, and he is one of the most beloved and respected members of the staff.

"I don't think [Coach] Beamer could operate without Ballein," said former Tech standout Corey Moore. "Ballein's a guy on the ball.

Plus, he's kind of a favorite among the players, too."

Ballein is married to the former Stephanie Green, who was a basketball player at Tech in her undergraduate days. They have two daughters, Jordan Gray, 7, and Jalyn Ann, 5.



John Ballein and his wife, Stephanie, with Jordan and Jalyn.

FOOTBALL SUPPORT STAFF



BRUCE GARNES

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Bruce Garnes, a 1994 graduate of Virginia Tech, is in his fifth year as an administrative assistant in the Hokies' football office.

For four years, he has served as the liaison between the academic community and football and has helped the Hokies with their recruiting efforts. Garnes also assists John Ballein, the associate athletic director for football operations, with Tech's football camps and coaching clinics.

A native of Martinsville, Va., Garnes graduated from Tech with a bachelor's in sport management. He received a master's at Tech in counseling education in 1996.

In 1998 and 1999, Garnes interned with the Dallas Cowboys in the equipment room.

A 1989 graduate of Magna Vista High School in Ridgeway, Va., Garnes, 32, is single and enjoys jogging, spending time with his mother and co-workers and watching all Virginia Tech athletic teams compete in his spare time.

GRADUATE ASSISTANTS



J.C. Price



Greg Shockley



Diana Clark
Secretary to
Coach Beamer



Lisa Marie
Football Program
Support Technician



Kristie Verniel
Football Program
Support Technician



LESTER KARLIN

EQUIPMENT MANAGER

Lester Karlin, a veteran of 25 years as the Hokies' equipment manager, is one of the most popular people on the Virginia Tech athletic staff.

Karlin is a certified equipment manager and a member of the Athletic Equipment Managers Association. In addition to ordering equipment for the football team, he is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the equipment room.

A native of Norfolk, Va., Karlin graduated from Tech in 1974 with a bachelor's degree in health and physical education. From 1971 to 1973, he served as the student assistant in the football equipment room.

Karlin worked for two years in the World Football League, serving as the equipment manager for teams in Houston, Texas, and Shreveport, La. He returned to Blacksburg and his alma mater in 1978.

Karlin, his wife, Suzie, and their daughters Sarah and Rachel live in Blacksburg. Karlin is a life member of the Blacksburg Volunteer Rescue Squad.



Lester Karlin and his wife, Suzie, with daughters Sarah and Rachel and their dog, Maggie.



Jay Takach

Graduate Assistant
Manager



Cody Cole

Student Manager



Matt Collins

Student Manager



Brian Hunter

Student Manager



Tommy Rapier

Student Manager



Jon Tatum

Student Manager



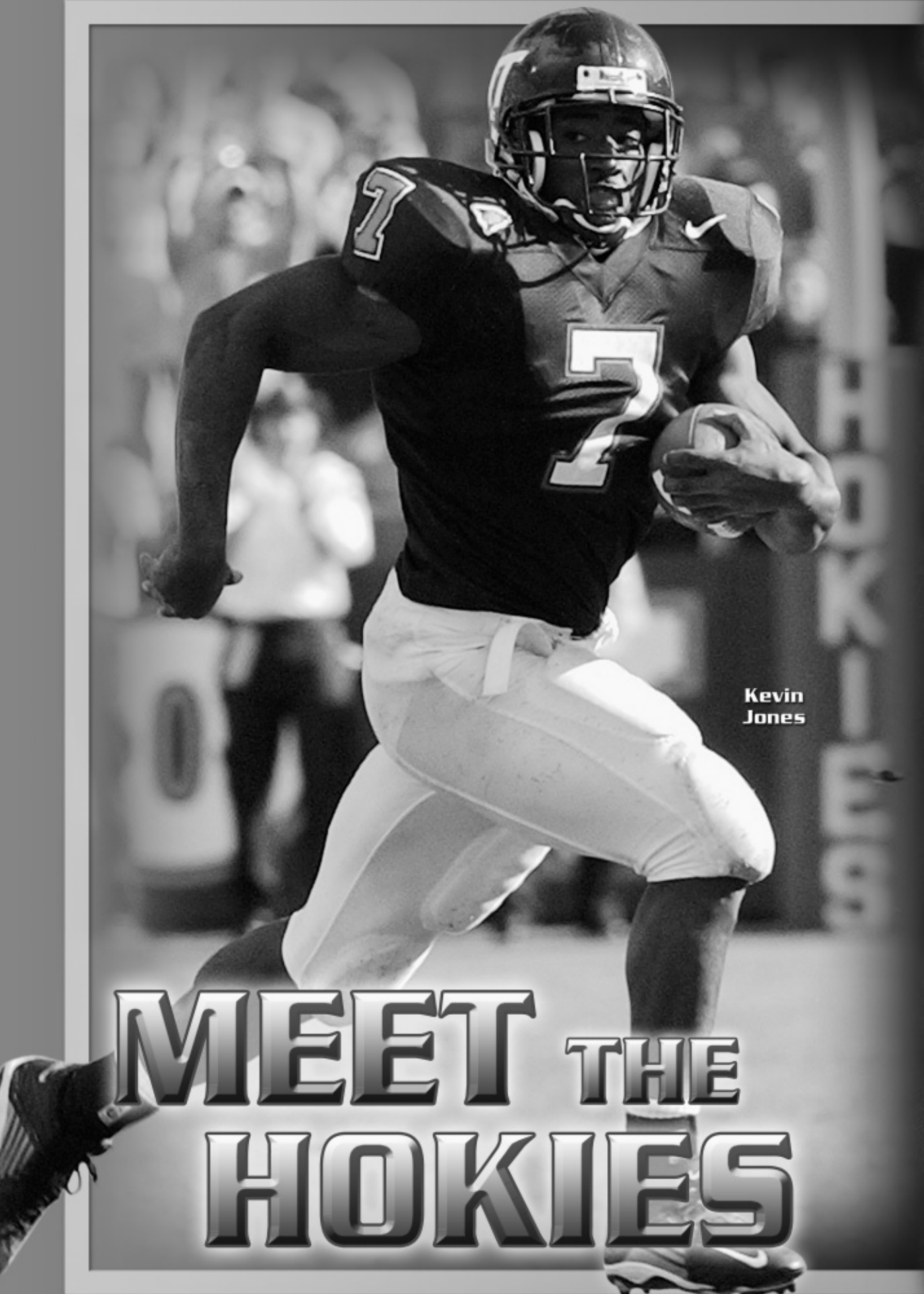
Adam Linkous

Student Manager



Wade Nelson

Student Manager



Kevin Jones

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2003 PLAYER PROFILES

NATHANIEL ADIBI

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**Defensive End • 6-3 • 255 • r-Sr. • 3VL
Hampton, Va. • Phoebus H.S.**

An outstanding defensive end who is expected to assume a key role for the Hokies this season as both a player and a leader ... Was listed as the No. 2 defensive end in Division I-A by *The Sporting News* and was selected a first-team preseason All-American by the publication ... Named second-team preseason All-America by *Athlon Sports* magazine ... Has started 34 games at end over the past three seasons, including three bowl games ... Moved to the stud end position during the spring, but could play either end spot ... Won the President's Award for outstanding leadership at the conclusion of 2002 spring practice and shared the award with center Jake Grove in 2003 ... A hard worker who has shown steady progress during his time at Tech ... Tied with teammate Cols Colas for fourth place among BIG EAST players in quarterback sacks last year with nine ... Combines good size with excellent strength and speed ... Is both intelligent and physical ... Focused on being successful both on and off the field ... Was a first-team Freshman All-America pick by *The Sporting News* following the 2000 season ... Tied for the team lead in sacks with five that season ... Has 15 career sacks ... A key figure in Tech's defensive plans for 2003 ...

2002: Started 13 of Tech's 14 games ... Recorded a career-high nine sacks ... Tallied 37 solo tackles and 18 assists ... Included in his 55 tackles were 15 tackles for loss ... Also had two passes broken up, three forced fumbles, a blocked kick and 16 quarterback hurries ... Recorded a solo tackle, an assist, a PBU and a quarterback hurry in just 19 plays during the opener against Arkansas State ... Had two solo stops and two quarterback pressures against LSU ... Turned in a sack against Marshall ... Had a big hand in shutting down Texas A&M's offense ... Recorded five solo stops, two

assists, three sacks and caused a fumble in that road win ... Had two solo tackles, one for a loss, a sack and a forced fumble at Western Michigan ... His forced fumble against WMU was returned for a Tech touchdown ... Recorded five solo tackles, an assist, a tackle for loss, a quarterback hurry and a sack in the win at Boston College ... Graded higher than any other defensive player against Rutgers, recording two solo stops, an assist, a sack, a pass broken up and four hurries ... Also had a solo stop on special teams in that game ... Played on a sore ankle against Temple, but still registered two quarterback hurries ... Got the start against Pittsburgh and recorded a solo stop and two assists ... Also blocked a punt — the first of his career — which led to a Tech touchdown ... Had a big game at Syracuse, recording 13 tackles — eight solo — including two tackles for loss ... Also had two sacks and caused a fumble ... Recorded five solo tackles and an assist, including two tackles for loss, as well as a quarterback hurry against West Virginia ... Was in on four tackles against Virginia and added two quarterback hurries ... Posted three solo tackles and an assist in the San Francisco Bowl ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors during the off-season, registering a personal-best 575-pound back squat in the process ... Contributed two sacks in Tech's final spring scrimmage ... Shared the President's Award for outstanding leadership during the off-season program and spring practice with center Jake Grove ...

2001: Recorded 18 solo stops, 23 assists, two tackles for loss and a sack in 11 games ... Also had 15 quarterback hurries and broke up two passes ... Started eight games during the regular season, plus the Gator Bowl ... Registered one assist and a hurry in the opener against Connecticut ... Had three total

tackles and a hurry versus Western Michigan ... Recorded four solo stops, including one behind the line, broke up a pass and caused an interception at Rutgers ... Had two solo tackles, two assists and three hurries against UCF ... Registered a solo stop and three assists at West Virginia ... Recorded three assists and four quarterback hurries against Boston College ... Was in on six tackles during the Syracuse game and four at Pittsburgh ... Was credited with two solo stops, an assist and his first sack of the season against Temple ... Had three assists at Virginia ... Contributed six tackles and three QB hurries against No. 1 Miami ... Earned Iron Hokie honors during both preseason testing session and during 2002 spring max testing ... Bench pressed 410 pounds and squatted 560 pounds during the fall ... Turned in a personal-best 321-pound clean during the off-season ... His 4.28 time in the NFL shuttle run ranked second-best among the defensive ends ... Posted three tackles in the Maroon-White game, including two behind the line ... Also blocked a field goal during that game ...

2000: Earned Iron Hokie honors in preseason athletic performance tests ... Got his first collegiate start against Akron and contributed five tackles, including a sack and another tackle for loss ... Went on to start every game and averaged over 40 defensive plays a game ... Contributed two quarterback hurries against East Carolina and forced an interception ... Was in on five tackles at Boston College and added another hurry ... Had two tackles behind the line, including a sack, during a five-tackle outing versus West Virginia ... Collected another sack and a season-high six tackles in the Pittsburgh game ... Posted two sacks and returned a fumble 36 yards for a touchdown in Tech's win at UCF ... Was in on five tackles in wins against Syracuse and Virginia ... Played a season-high 52 defensive snaps against the Orangemen ... Saw action on over 75 plays as a starter on the punt and punt return teams ... Finished the season with 45 total tackles ... Had eight tackles for loss, including five sacks for minus 33 yards ... Hurried the passer five times and knocked down a pass ... Registered three tackles in Tech's Gator Bowl win against Clemson ... Won Iron Hokie honors again during winter workouts ... Turned in career bests with a 400-pound bench press and 550-pound squat during spring testing ... Averaged 4.55 seconds in the forty during Tech's pro timing day ... Had four sacks during the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Also blocked a field goal ...

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Nathaniel ADIBI uh-DEE-bee
XAVIER ADIBI ZAY-vee-ur uh-DEE-bee
MIKAL BAAQEE meh-KELL Bah-KEY
Noland BURCHETTE bur-CHET
John CANDELAS can-DELL-us
Cols COLAS coles CO-las
DeANGELO Hall dee-ANNE-juh-lo
Mike IMOH EEE-moh
Jason LALLIS LAH-liss
Jared MAZZETTA muh-ZEH-tah
Chris PANNELL puh-NELL
Robert PEASLEE PEEZ-lee
Tim SANDIDGE SAN-didge
Chris SHREVE shreev
Carter WARLEY WOR-lee

ADIBI CONTINUED

1999: Was redshirted while working at defensive end ... Added 16 pounds through his work in the strength and conditioning program ... Earned Iron Hokie honors during spring testing ... Bench pressed 380 pounds ... Posted a 530-pound back squat and a 304-pound power clean ... Returned a fumble 49 yards for a touchdown in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Fractured a bone in his right wrist during one of the scrimmages but returned to action ... Contributed four tackles and forced a fumble in the annual spring game ... Won the Paul Torgersen Award as the team's top defensive newcomer ...

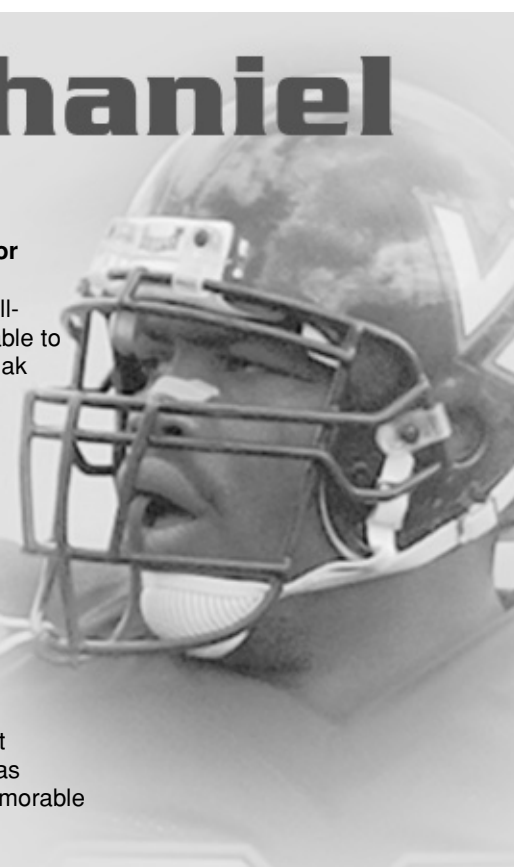
High School: Played running back and defensive end for Coach Bill Dee at Phoebus High ... Listed as the No. 10 defensive lineman in the country by *PrepStar* and picked to its Dream Team ... Listed as the No. 4 jumbo athlete in the nation by *SuperPrep* and the No. 8 athlete by *The National Recruiting Advisor* prior to his senior season ... A first-team Group AAA all-state pick as a defensive lineman ... Named the No. 6 prospect in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Named district offensive and defensive player of the year as a senior ... Posted 101 tackles in 1998, including a school single-season record 16 sacks ... Finished with 35 career sacks ... Led the district in rushing ... Closed out his senior season with 855 yards and 10 touchdowns rushing ... Had 207 yards rushing in a game against Henrico ... Turned in 11 sacks as a junior ... Holds the school record with a 300-pound power clean ... Won the state Group AAA outdoor shot put championship as a junior and was second as a senior ...

Personal: Nathaniel Barnell Adibi ... Born 1/25/81 in Mississippi ... Son of Abiodun and Leanne Adibi ... Brother, Xavier, will be a freshman on the squad this year ... Majoring in residential property management.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2000	11	28	17	45	8-44	5-33
2001	11	18	23	41	2-11	1-10
2002	14	37	18	55	15-72	9-61
Career	36	83	58	141	25-127	15-104

2002 Tackles Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	1	1	2	0-0	0-0
LSU	1	2	0	2	0-0	0-0
MU	1	1	0	1	1-9	1-9
at TAM	1	5	2	7	3-15	3-15
at WMU	1	2	0	2	2-11	1-8
at BC	1	5	1	6	2-6	1-5
RU	1	3	1	4	1-14	1-14
TU	1	0	0	0	0-0	0-0
PITT	1	1	2	3	0-0	0-0
at SU	1	8	5	13	4-14	2-10
WVU	1	5	1	6	2-3	0-0
UVa	1	1	3	4	0-0	0-0
at UM	1	0	1	1	0-0	0-0
vs. AF	1	3	1	4	0-0	0-0

talk with Nathaniel



What are your expectations for your senior season, for yourself and the team?

I want to play better and possibly make an All-America team or All-BIG EAST first team. If I'm able to make all of that, I'm sure all the numbers will speak for themselves. For the team, it's always to win every game and win the BIG EAST.

If you could play any other position, what would it be and why?

I'd play tailback. I played tailback in high school and I know what it takes. I also like all the fame you get with it.

What has been your most memorable game so far?

I'd say the Texas A&M game, when I had my first three-sack game. That was probably the best game I had played in a while. Going down to Texas A&M and playing well was probably the most memorable game.

How do you feel about having your brother here this year?

I think it will be a good opportunity to spend time with him. I can pretty much show him what it takes to get through college, both in athletics and in school.

What do you like to do when you're not playing football or studying?

Sleep and play video games.

What has been the best part about your experience here at Tech?

It has been being in this type of great atmosphere during football games.

JESSE ALLEN



**Fullback • 6-0 • 241 • r-Fr.
Monson, Mass. • Pathfinder Regional H.S.**

A physical young player who could battle for some backup duties at fullback this fall ... Joined the team as an invited walk-on and was redshirted last fall ... Combines outstanding strength with good size ... Has the kind of work ethic coaches like ... Is already excelling in the athletic

performance program ... Made progress during spring practice, but still has some things to learn ... Should continue to get better with added reps ...

2002: Worked at fullback while redshirting ... His 351-pound hang clean was the second-best on the team during fall testing ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors during spring max testing ... Bench pressed 400 pounds and posted a 530-pound back squat ... Turned in an 18-yard run during one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages and had a 7-yard pass reception in another ...

High School: Was a four-year letterman as a running back and linebacker for Coach Chris Pope at Pathfinder Regional High ... Set a school record with 2,316 yards rushing his senior year ... Scored 23 touchdowns on the ground and two receiving ... Ran for 301 yards and five TDs in a game against Dean Tech ... Posted 180 tackles, nine sacks and four interceptions from his linebacker spot ... Finished with over 3,700

yards rushing and 42 career touchdowns and had his number retired ... Scored a touchdown in the state all-star game ... A three-time all-league pick and a two-time selection for All-Western honors ... Was the team's offensive MVP as a junior and senior ...

Personal: Jesse Lee Allen ... Born 10/22/83 in Springfield, MA ... Son of Tim and Sharron Allen ... Enrolled in university studies.

JAMES ANDERSON



**Linebacker • 6-2 • 217 • r-So. • 1VL
Chesapeake, Va. • Deep Creek H.S.**

Will vie for time at whip linebacker this fall after seeing action at the backer position last season ... Made the move during spring practice ... Brings good size, speed and athleticism to the position ... Is still adjusting to his new responsibilities ... Is a Super Iron Hokie in the weight room ... Set a position record for whip linebackers with a 341-pound push jerk during spring testing ... Was pressed into some starting duty late last season at the backer position ... Had some ups and downs but gained valuable experience ... Serves as a starter on three special teams units ... Needs to have a good summer preparation and preseason practice ... Continued progress at the new position during the fall will be the key to playing time ...

2002: Played in all 14 games ... Recorded 28 solo stops and 20 assisted tackles ... Included in those 48 tackles were three tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks ... Also had three quarterback hurries and a forced fumble ... Had a solo stop and an assist against Arkansas State ... Caused a fumble and recorded five total tackles against LSU ... Had two solo stops on

James Anderson

defense against Marshall ... Also had an assisted tackle on special teams ... Played briefly on eight defensive and eight special teams plays in the win at Texas A&M ... Saw extensive playing time at Western Michigan, recording five solo tackles, an assist, two quarterback hurries and a sack ... Played 23 snaps against Rutgers ... Made his first career start against Temple ... Recorded four solo tackles, seven assists and a quarterback hurry in that game ... Tallied six solo stops and two assists in a start against Pittsburgh ... Also had a tackle for loss and shared a sack ... Started and played all 100 defensive plays at Syracuse, recording four solo tackles and two assists ... Also played 14 snaps on special teams ... Returned to the top backup role when Vegas Robinson returned for the West Virginia game ... Was on the field for 14 snaps on special teams against WVU, recording a solo tackle ... Had a solo tackle and an assist on special teams against Virginia ... Had two assisted stops in Tech's bowl win over Air Force ... Ran a 4.43 forty during spring max testing ... Also bench pressed 370 pounds and had a 38 1/2-inch vertical jump on the way to Super Iron Hokie honors ... Moved to whip linebacker for spring practice ... Had three tackles, including one behind the line, in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ...

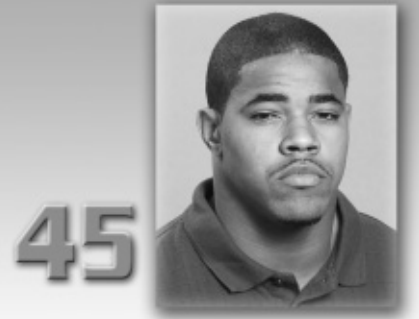
2001: Redshirted while working at the backer position ... His 36 1/2-inch vertical jump during spring testing was the second-best among the Hokies' inside linebackers ... Also turned in the second-best hang clean (305 pounds) in the group and the third-best back squat (500 pounds) ... Continued to work at backer during spring practice ... Contributed a pair of tackles and broke up a pass during one spring scrimmage ... Was in on two tackles during the spring game ...

High School: Posted 41 tackles, five sacks, four fumble recoveries and an interception as a senior for Coach David Cox at Deep Creek High ... A *PrepStar* All-American who was rated the No. 8 linebacker in the Atlantic Region ... Named second-team Group AAA all-state as a linebacker by both the coaches and The Associated Press ... Also named first-team All-Tidewater by the *Norfolk Virginian-Pilot* ... Ranked the No. 26 prospect in Virginia by *SuperPrep* and *The Roanoke Times* ... Also competed in basketball and track ... High jumped 6-6 ... Finished sixth in the state shot put as a senior ...

Personal: James Nathaniel Anderson ... Born 9/26/83 in Roanoke Rapids, NC ... Son of James, Sr., and Brenda Anderson ... His father played basketball at North Carolina A&T ... Is enrolled in art.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2002	14	28	20	48	3-	9 1.5- 8

MIKAL BAAQEE



**Linebacker • 5-10 • 227 • r-Jr. • 2VL
Columbia, Md. • DeMatha H.S.**

Is coming off an extremely productive year ... Showed great improvement over the course of his sophomore year ... Was one of the Hokies' most consistent players ... Picked up some valuable experience along with an additional 15 pounds of muscle ... Led the Hokies in tackles last fall during his first season as a starter ... Was named one of the team's most valuable performers during 2003 spring practice ... Has become better at the point of attack and more physical against the run ... Rates as a solid performer versus the passing game ... A play-maker with a nonstop motor ... Strong and athletic ... Works extremely hard ... Tech's coaches are counting on him to be one of the leaders of the defense ...

2002: Earned Super Iron Hokie Honors when he returned for preseason practice, turning in personal bests in all four major lifts ... Led the inside linebackers with a 380-pound bench press ... Started 13 games, leading the team in tackles ... Had 112 total stops, 66 of which were solo ... Posted 12 tackles for loss and 3.5 sacks ... Also had eight quarterback hurries, five passes broken up, a forced fumble and an interception ... Had five total tackles against Arkansas State in his first career start ... Also had two tackles for loss and a quarterback hurry in that game ... Recorded a team-high 10 tackles — five solo — in the win over LSU ... Had a big game against Marshall, recording an interception of a Byron Leftwich pass, to go with nine total tackles and a pass broken up ... Had three solo stops and three assists at Texas A&M ... Missed the Western Michigan game due to a sprained ankle ... Returned to action at Boston College, getting the start and recording three assisted tackles ... Contributed 11 tackles against Rutgers ... Seven of those stops were solo ... Also had a quarterback hurry and a sack on a key fourth-down play ... Continued his excellent play against Temple, registering six solo stops, five assists, a tackle for loss, two quarterback hurries and also causing an

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interception ... Was in on seven tackles against Pittsburgh ... Also had a tackle for loss, a sack and caused a fumble ... Was on the field for all 100 defensive snaps at Syracuse ... Registered 11 solo stops and six assists for a career-best 17 total tackles ... Included in those were two tackles for loss and two sacks ... Also had two quarterback hurries and caused an interception ... Registered 11 tackles against West Virginia ... Played all 62 snaps on defense against Virginia, recording eight solo tackles and three assists ... Also had a pass broken up and a tackle for loss ... Had five solo stops, an assist, a pass broken up and a quarterback hurry at Miami ... Was in on six tackles, including a TFL, in the San Francisco Bowl ... Continued to excel in the weight room during the off-season, leading the linebackers with a 575-pound back squat and earning Super Iron Hokie honors once again ... Turned in six tackles, including a sack and tackle for loss in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Added four tackles in the Maroon-White game ... Shared the George Preas Award as one of the most valuable performers of the spring ...

2001: Recorded a 500-pound squat and 326-pound push jerk in preseason strength and conditioning tests ... Played in all 11 games as a starter on special teams ... Worked as a backup at the backer position but did not see game action ... Recorded seven total tackles and a forced fumble ... Had an assist against Western Michigan ... Turned in a solo stop and an assist on seven special teams plays at Rutgers ... Had two tackles on special teams at Pittsburgh ... Registered a solo tackle on special teams against Temple ... Forced a fumble on kickoff coverage that was recovered by the Hokies at Virginia ... Played a season-high 12 special teams plays against Miami ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors during spring testing ... Turned in a time of 4.03 seconds in the NFL shuttle run and bench pressed 370 pounds ... Switched to the mike linebacker spot during the spring ... Was in on seven tackles during one spring scrimmage and four during another ... Posted three tackles in the annual Maroon-White game ...

2000: Was redshirted while he worked at the backer position ... Was a personal record-breaker during winter workouts ... Improved his bench to 355 pounds ... Also posted a 530-pound back squat ... Got extra work during the spring while starting backer Ben Taylor was rehabbing from fall surgery ... Contributed a tackle in the spring game ...

High School: A three-year starter as a linebacker for Coach Bill McGregor at

DeMatha ... A *PrepStar* All-American who was rated the No. 3 linebacker and No. 17 overall prospect in the Atlantic Region ... Ranked the No. 17 player in Maryland by *SuperPrep* ... Posted 102 total tackles his senior season, including 65 solos ... Had 11 quarterback sacks and 16 tackles for loss ... Caused six fumbles and recovered two ... Intercepted two passes in 1999 and blocked a punt ... Contributed 12 tackles, two sacks, three passes broken up and two fumbles caused in a game against Paul VI ... Earned all-county, all-conference and first-team all-state honors ... Was in on 117 solo tackles and 34 assists as a junior ... Caused six fumbles that season and added eight sacks and five interceptions ... Finished his prep career with 274 total tackles, 14 fumbles caused and seven interceptions ... Helped the team to a 33-2-1 record during his three varsity seasons ...

Personal: Mikal Rahim Baaqee ... Born 12/20/81 in Boston, MA ... Son of Susanne Bilal and Shakir Baaqee ... Enrolled in psychology.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2001	11	4	3	7	0- 0	0- 0
2002	13	68	44	112	12- 50	3.5- 28
Career	24	72	47	119	12- 50	3.5- 28

2002 Tackles Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	4	1	5	2- 11	0- 0
LSU	1	5	5	10	0- 0	0- 0
MU	1	3	5	8	0- 0	0- 0
at TAM	1	3	3	6	0- 0	0- 0
at WMU					Did not play	
at BC	1	0	3	3	0- 0	0- 0
RU	1	7	4	11	1- 8	0- 0
TU	1	6	5	11	1- 1	0- 0
PITT	1	6	1	7	1- 3	0.5- 3
at SU	1	11	6	17	4- 20	2- 17
WVU	1	7	4	11	1- 3	0- 0
UVa	1	8	3	11	1- 1	0- 0
at UM	1	5	1	6	0- 0	0- 0
vs AF	1	3	3	6	1- 3	0- 0

NOLAND BURCHETTE



Defensive End • 6-2 • 240 • r-Fr.
Richmond, Va. • Highland Springs H.S.

Made an immediate impression with his athleticism when he arrived last fall ... May have gotten a chance to contribute in 2002 but was slowed by a hamstring injury and redshirted ... Took advantage of the situation by becoming familiar with both

the Tech system and the Hokies' strength and conditioning program ... Possesses good athleticism and a willingness to learn ... Is deceptively quick and agile ... Plays well in space ... Must continue working to add size and strength so he will be better at the point of attack ... Was named Tech's top defensive newcomer at the end of spring practice ... Still has some work to do but has the potential to be a contributor this fall ...

2002: Was slowed by a hamstring injury during the early part of the year ... Worked at defensive end while redshirting ... Sprained his knee in spring practice, causing him to miss some time ... Had four tackles and a sack in one spring scrimmage and a fumble recovery in another ... Posted two quarterback sacks and three tackles in the spring game ... Won the Paul Torgersen Award as the top defensive newcomer of the spring ...

High School: Lettered three seasons as a defensive end and tight end for Coach Scott Burton at Highland Springs ... Posted 21 tackles for loss his senior season, including 12.5 sacks ... Finished with 61 total tackles, 21 quarterback hurries and five passes broken up ... Caused four fumbles and recovered two ... Had 11 pass receptions at tight end for 175 yards and three touchdowns ... Named second-team Group AAA all-state by both The Associated Press and the state coaches ... Saw some action as an H-back, rushing for 225 yards and five TDs ... Contributed 58 tackles as a junior ... Registered 11 sacks and nine additional tackles for loss that season ... Turned in 32 catches for 416 yards and three touchdowns on offense ... Averaged 40.5 yards as the team's punter ... Was a two-time all-district and all-region pick ... Named to the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* All-Metro first team his senior season ... Helped his team to the Group AAA Division 5 regional division title game ... Starred on a defense that held opponents to 148 total yards per game ... Listed as the No. 56 weak-side defensive end in the nation by *Rivals* ... Competed in the 100 meters and on relay teams as a member of the track team ... Also lettered two seasons as a forward in basketball ...

Personal: Noland Duke Burchette II ... Born 3/23/83 in Richmond, VA ... Son of Noland and Pollie Burchette ... Enrolled in university studies.

EXTRA POINT

Twenty-seven of the 37 players who started games on offense or defense last season are on Virginia Tech's 2003 roster. Sixteen of those 27 players have more than one year of eligibility remaining.

VINNIE BURNS

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**Punter • 5-11 • 202 • r-Jr. • 2VL
New Orleans, La. • St. Augustine H.S.**

Earned second-team All-BIG EAST honors last season in his second year as the Hokies' starting punter ... Was one of 10 semifinalists for the Ray Guy Award, given to the nation's top punter ... Mixes a strong leg with good athletic ability ... Showed improved consistency in 2002, but has yet to reach his full potential ... Has benefited from the athletic performance program ... Must continue working to improve his operation time ... Will be looked to for a big year ...

2002: Punted 64 times for 2,591 yards, an average of 40.5 yards per kick ... Had a long of 58 yards with eight touchbacks, seven fair catches and 22 punts inside the 20-yard line ... Had two punts blocked ... Punted five times for an average of 40.6 yards in the opener against Arkansas State ... Had a long of 55 with three punts downed inside the 20 ... Averaged 44.7 yards per punt on nine kicks in the win over LSU ... Had a long of 58 yards with four kicks downed inside the 20 ... Performance earned him BIG EAST Special Teams Player of the Week honors ... Punted just once against Marshall, a 49-yarder ... Punted seven times at Texas A&M, averaging 40.7 yards a kick with a long of 51 yards ... Had three punts downed inside the 20, including one at the 1-yard line and one at the 5-yard line ... Punted six times for an average of 44.3 yards at Western Michigan ... Had a 57-yard punt and three downed inside the 20-yard line ... Had a big game against Pittsburgh, averaging 43.6 yards on seven punts ... Punted five times for an average of 41.2 yards at Syracuse ... Had a long of 55 yards and three downed inside the 20-yard line, including one at the 7-yard line ... Also had a punt blocked against the Orangemen ... Spent the Virginia game punting in winds of up to 30 miles per hour ... Never kicked with the wind at his back ... Punted five times for an average of 28 yards ... Had one punt downed inside the 20-yard line ... Punted three times for an average of 44.0 yards per kick at Miami ... Had a long of 48 yards, but also had a

punt blocked ... Punted three times in the San Francisco Bowl, averaging 40.0 yards per kick ... Had two punts in the Maroon-White spring game for an average of 45.0 yards ...

2001: Punted 59 times in 11 regular-season games for 2,233 yards, an average of 37.8 yards per punt ... Averaged 42 yards per punt on two punts in his first collegiate action against Connecticut ... Had a long kick of 52 yards against the Huskies ... Averaged 41 yards on three punts versus Western Michigan ... Placed two kicks inside the 20-yard line against the Broncos ... Completed a 33-yard pass to Garnell Wilds on a fake punt against UCF ... Also had three punts downed inside the 20-yard line in that game ... Punted eight times at West Virginia with three punts ending up inside the 20-yard line ... Averaged 40.2 yards on four punts against Boston College ... Suffered a blocked punt in the Syracuse game ... Had his best game of the year against Temple, averaging 43.4 yards on eight punts ... His 63-yard punt in that game was a season best ... Had a 53-yard punt at Virginia ... Punted six times for an average of 42 yards against top-ranked Miami ... Put three punts inside the 20 in the Gator Bowl but had a kick blocked ... Handled all the punting in the spring game ... Punted five times for an overall average of 46.4 yards ... Posted punts of 57, 48, 45, 41 and 41 yards ...

2000: Traveled with the team briefly during the early going, but was redshirted ... Made strides in the off-season strength and conditioning program ... Came out of spring practice as the No. 1 punter ... Showed the consistency needed to win the job during the final two weeks ... Finished with an average hang time of 4.6 seconds and an average distance of over 46 yards per kick ... Punted five times in the Maroon-White game for 231 yards, including punts of 59 and 53 yards ... Shared Defensive MVP honors after averaging 46.2 yards per punt ...

High School: Was a four-year letterman as a punter/place-kicker for Coach Anthony Biagas ... Named to the Coaches' Class 5-A all-state team as a punter his senior year at St. Augustine ... Averaged 43 yards per punt ... Punted three times for a 53.3-yard average in one game his senior season ... Twice pinned Airline High inside its own 10 in the bi-district playoffs ... Named all-city, all-district and all-Metro as well as all-state ... Earned All-America honors from *PrepStar*, which listed him as the No. 4 punter in the Southeast Region ... Averaged just under 40 yards per punt his junior year and was an all-city selection ... Captained the football and track teams his senior year ... Helped the track team to a state

championship ... Competed in the long jump (23-2) and the 400-meters (50.2) ... Served as the school's student body president ...

Personal: Ronald Vincent Burns, Jr. ... Born 2/2/82 in New Orleans, LA ... Son of Ronald and Sheila Burns ... His dad serves on the Nokia Sugar Bowl committee ... Is studying sociology.

Punting	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	LG	120
2001	11	59	2233	37.8	63	20
2002	14	64	2591	40.5	58	22
Career	25	123	4824	39.2	63	42
2002 Punting Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	5	203	40.6	55	3
LSU	1	9	402	44.7	58	4
MU	1	1	49	49.0	49	1
at TAM	1	7	285	40.7	51	3
at WMU	1	6	266	44.3	57	3
at BC	1	5	186	37.2	45	0
RU	1	2	63	31.5	39	1
TU	1	2	89	44.5	47	1
PITT	1	7	305	43.6	57	0
at SU	1	5	206	41.2	55	3
WVU	1	4	145	36.2	52	2
UVa	1	5	140	28.0	33	1
at UM	1	3	132	44.0	48	0
vs AF	1	3	120	40.0	52	0

REGGIE BUTLER

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**Offensive Tackle • 6-5 • 333 • So.
Keswick, Va. • Monticello H.S.**

A young player with good potential ... Mixes excellent size with a desire to succeed ... Has made strides in the strength and conditioning program but must continue those efforts ... Has only played organized football for four years ... Got a brief taste of action last fall ... Picked up some valuable reps in the spring ... Is maturing quickly ... Will compete with freshman Tripp Carroll for reserve duty at left tackle when preseason practice opens ... Still has some things to learn, but has a chance to become a real asset to the line as he develops consistency in his play ...

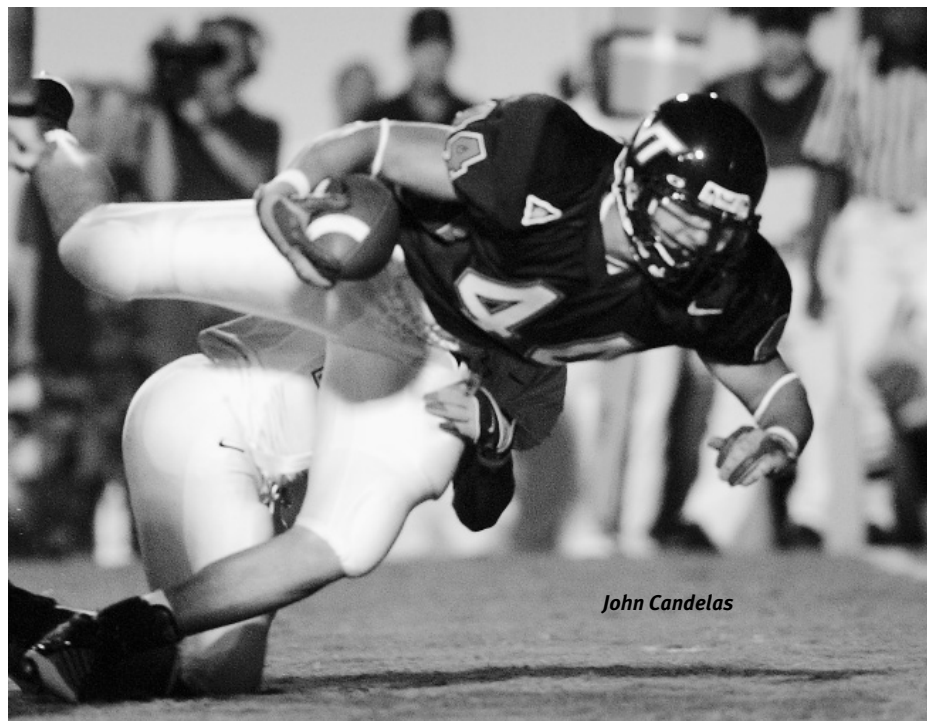
2002: Played 34 snaps in the opener against Arkansas State ... Saw brief action against Marshall ... Played seven offensive snaps at Western Michigan ... Was in for six offensive snaps in the win over Rutgers ... Saw brief action on special teams against Temple ... Played in Tech's two jayvee games to gain extra experience ... Turned in a 570-pound bench press during spring testing ...

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2001: Did not enter school until January ... Posted a 500-pound back squat and a 316-pound push jerk during spring athletic performance testing ... Bench pressed 370 pounds ... Worked at left tackle during spring practice ...

High School: Lettered two seasons as a tackle for Coach Brud Bicknell at Monticello High ... Earned first-team all-district honors after helping his team to a 7-3 record in 2000 ... Also named All-Central Virginia by *The Daily Progress* in Charlottesville ... Gained second-team all-region recognition ... Had 10 tackles, three sacks and two fumble recoveries in limited action on defense as a senior ... Listed as the No. 55 prospect in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Ranked the No. 37 prospect in Virginia by *PrepAtlantic* ... A three-year letterman on the track team ... Placed seventh in Group AA discus finals in 2001 ... Played a role in two district titles ...

Personal: Reginald Allan Butler ... Born 8/21/82 in Charlottesville, VA ... Son of Lee Ethel Butler ... Enrolled in university studies.



John Candelas

JOHN CANDELAS



Tailback • 6-0 • 199 • So.
Blacksburg, Va. • Blacksburg H.S.

Will help provide depth at the tailback position after getting a brief taste of action as a freshman ... Scored a touchdown in the Hokies' win over nationally-ranked Marshall ... Showed a good work ethic after entering school in January 2002 ... Made progress that spring and picked up some additional reps on the jayvee team last fall ... Has done a good job picking up the Tech system ... Possesses solid ability ... Must continue to make strides in the athletic performance program ... Has shown steady improvement at the position ...

2002: Played in two varsity games at tailback ... Saw action on 10 plays at tailback and two on special teams in the season opener against Arkansas State ... Carried the football five times for 15 yards ... Got just three plays in the Marshall

game, but made the most of it with a 10-yard touchdown run ... Finished with two carries for 11 yards ... Rushed nine times for 70 yards in a jayvee game against Hargrave ... Had a personal-best 330-pound bench press during spring testing ... Returned two kickoffs for 54 yards during the Maroon-White game ... Also contributed a 4-yard run ...

2001: Entered school at mid-year and went through spring practice ... Worked at tailback ... Had a 410-pound back squat during spring workouts ... Rushed for 23 yards and had a 6-yard pass reception during one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Ran for 18 yards and had a 4-yard catch in another scrimmage ... Carried twice for four yards in the Maroon-White game ...

High School: Lettered two seasons as a running back and linebacker for Coach Dave Crist at Blacksburg High ... Rushed for over 1,000 yards and seven touchdowns as a senior ... Added 54 tackles on defense ... Carried the football 24 times for 172 yards during a win over Christiansburg in 2000 ... Earned first-team All-Blue Ridge District honors his senior season ... Was an honorable mention all-district pick as a junior when he rushed for 321 yards and seven TDs ... Also a sprinter on the track team ... Placed seventh in the 55-meter hurdles at the 2001 Group AA state indoor track championship ...

Personal: John Edwin Candelas ... Born 4/21/83 in Miami, FL ... Son of Teresa Candelas and the late José Candelas ... Enrolled in human nutrition, foods and exercise.

STEVE CANTER



Fullback • 6-0 • 232 • r-Sr.
Virginia Beach, Va. • Kempsville H.S.

Switched from linebacker to fullback during the spring ... Will compete for a backup spot at the position when practice resumes ... Saw brief action on special teams last season ... Saw action at fullback in high school, but played defense for two seasons at Concord College ... Transferred to Tech and worked as a linebacker during a redshirt year in 2001 ... Also practiced at linebacker last fall, but saw action on both offense and defense during the Hokies' two jayvee games ... Has made progress in the strength and conditioning program ... A physical player who mixes toughness with a will to succeed ... Is still adjusting to his new position ... Could challenge for some backup duty if he continues to make progress during the preseason ...

2002: Worked at the backer position during the fall ... Saw special teams action in games against Arkansas State, LSU and Rutgers ... Played in both Tech jayvee games ... Rushed for 25 yards on five

talk with Steve

What is your favorite bowl memory at Virginia Tech?

I would have to say getting to see Alcatraz last year in San Francisco. That was a great opportunity and not many people get to do that with a great group of guys like I did.

What will you miss the most after you graduate?

The things I will miss the most would be my teammates and also just playing the game of football. It has been such a huge part of my life, and I will miss that competition.

You transferred to Tech from a Division II program. What is the biggest difference between the D-II game and playing with a program like Tech? How did you make those adjustments?

Well, the biggest difference between Division II and Tech is obviously the talent level. In Division II, I was a great player and here I am just average. To make up for my shortage in talent, I just work harder than everyone.

If you could play any position, other than fullback, what position would you play and why?

If I could play any position other than fullback, it would probably be the offensive line. I know that sounds crazy, but I really like the bond those guys have and regardless of how little publicity they get, all those guys keep getting after it.

Who was your idol growing up?

My idol when I was growing up would have to be my mother. She works harder than anyone I have ever met, and she taught me how to be a successful person in life. She means everything to me.

What would you consider your "theme song" and why?

I'd say "The Big Payback" by James Brown because I have been out to pay back or show up all those people who told me I couldn't play football at Virginia Tech.

carries against Fork Union Military Academy ... Turned in a personal-best 326-pound clean during spring max tests ... Had a pass reception for one yard during the Maroon-White spring game ...

2001: Practiced at the backer position while sitting out a season ... Turned in a 360-pound bench press during fall testing ... Added a 410-pound back squat during the spring ... Was in on three tackles during one spring scrimmage and contributed a tackle in the Maroon-White game ...

Concord College: Played two seasons at Division II Concord College ... Had 83 tackles, three sacks, 13 tackles for loss and an interception in 2000 ... Was

named second-team All-WVIAC ... Posted 61 tackles and a sack as a freshman ...

High School: Played fullback and linebacker for Coach John Bowles at Kempsville High ... Earned three letters ... Was the team defensive MVP and a second-team all-district pick as a senior ... Compiled 112 tackles, including nine sacks ... Contributed 22 carries for 97 yards and a TD as a fullback ... Also caught nine passes for 83 yards ... Registered 17 tackles in a game against Bayside ... Posted 75 tackles his junior season ...

Personal: Steven Christopher Canter ... Born 2/15/81 in Norfolk, VA ... Son of Judy and Ron Turner ... Enrolled in interdisciplinary studies.

TRIPP CARROLL

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Offensive Tackle • 6-4 • 306 • Fr.
Charlotte, N.C. • Andrew Jackson H.S. (Fla.)

A promising young lineman who could see action as a true freshman ... Entered school in January after his senior season at Andrew Jackson High in Florida ... Got to go through winter workouts and spring practice ... Worked at center and guard during the early stages of spring drills, but ended up at left tackle ... Should draw big dividends from the Hokies' athletic performance program ... Combines good size with excellent football instincts ... Is smart, mature and has a desire to do well ... Will battle Reggie Butler for the top backup duties at left tackle when practice resumes in August ...

2002: Enrolled at Tech in January ... Posted a 380-pound bench press during off-season testing ... Entered spring practice splitting work between center and right guard ... Was moved to left tackle for the last few practices of the spring ...

High School: Played his senior season at Andrew Jackson High in Jacksonville, Fla., after playing the first years of his high school career at Myers Park High in Charlotte, N.C. ... His father, Gil, was his head coach in Florida and for two years in Charlotte ... A *SuperPrep* All-American as an offensive lineman ... Named to the *PrepStar* Top 100 Dream Team ... Named an All-American by *PrepStar* as an offensive lineman ... Was an all-city, all-district, all-conference and all-state selection as a senior in Florida, while also being named to the Super 24 and Florida Super 75 teams ... Participated in the U.S. Army All-America Bowl, a high school all-star game which features the top high school prospects from around the nation, held in San Antonio ... Registered nearly 100 tackles and seven sacks on defense while grading out at over 90 percent in his blocking assignments at the offensive tackle spot his senior season ... Named first-team all-conference, first-team all-county and academic all-state as a junior in North Carolina ... Rated sixth among centers and guards in the nation by Tom Lemming on ESPN.com ... Rated the No. 165 prospect nationally and the No. 22

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player in the Mid-Atlantic region by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Ranked the No. 13 offensive lineman in the country and the No. 12 prospect in Florida by *SuperPrep* ... Rated the No. 15 offensive lineman in the nation by *PrepStar* ... A preseason *SuperPrep* All-American, rated No. 4 in North Carolina and the No. 13 offensive lineman in the country ... A preseason *PrepStar* All-American, rated the No. 79 player in the nation ...

Personal: Lloyd Gilbert Carroll III ... Born 9/18/84 in Lumberton, NC ... Son of Gil Carroll and Renee Carroll ... Enrolled in human nutrition, foods and exercise.

CHRIS CEASAR



Split End • 5-10 • 165 • r-Fr.
Delray Beach, Fla. • Spanish River H.S.

A young player who is trying to break into the depth chart at split end ... Possesses good athletic ability, but must continue working to improve his strength ... Entered Tech in January 2002 and has been through two spring practices ... Worked on the scout team while redshirting last fall ... Still has some work to do at his new position after playing quarterback in high school ... Needs a good summer of preparation ... His progress during the preseason will determine his status on the depth chart ...

2002: Was redshirted while working at split end ... His 37 1/2-inch vertical jump during spring max testing was the second-best among Tech receivers ... Turned in a 45-yard reception during one of Tech's spring scrimmages ...

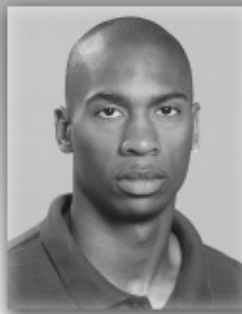
2001: Entered school in January ... Ran a 4.53 in the forty during spring testing ... Practiced at flanker during spring workouts ...

High School: Played quarterback for Coach Bill Bretherick at Spanish River ... Became the first quarterback to guide the team to back-to-back playoff berths ... Passed for 1,300 yards and 18 touchdowns as a senior ... Rushed for over 400 yards and five more TDs ... Named to the Palm Beach County all-star team and earned

first-team all-district honors ... Voted the team's offensive MVP ... Passed for four touchdowns during the win that earned his team a playoff spot his final season ... Threw for six TDs and ran for two in just six games during his junior year ... Had his season cut short by a shoulder injury ... Lettered as a sprinter in track ... Was clocked at 10.8 seconds in the 100-meters and 21.8 seconds in the 200 ...

Personal: Christopher Anthony Ceasar ... Born 12/20/82 ... Son of Willie and Dorothy Ceasar ... Enrolled in secondary education.

CHRIS CLIFTON



Split End • 6-4 • 197 • r-So. • 1VL
Chesapeake, Va. • Deep Creek H.S.

Is becoming more comfortable at the split end position after beginning his Tech career as a quarterback ... Will still serve as the Hokies' No. 3 signal-caller, but has the potential to become a contributor as a receiver ... Got a limited taste of action at receiver last fall ... Started on the punt return team ... Brings height and athletic ability to the receiver position ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors in the strength and conditioning program during the off-season ... Had a productive spring catching the football, but must continue to learn the offensive scheme and defenses ... Has shown the type of desire it takes to be successful ... Developing consistency will be important in his quest for playing time ... Will get a good look when preseason practice opens in August ...

2002: Saw action on 10 offensive plays in the opener against Arkansas State ... Played two snaps on special teams ... Was in for eight special teams plays against LSU ... Played three snaps on special teams against Marshall ... Saw brief action on special teams at Texas A&M ... Saw brief action on offense and seven plays on special teams at Western Michigan ... Was in for two plays on special teams in the win at Boston College ... Saw action on six offensive and seven special teams plays against Rutgers ... Was in for six special



Chris Clifton

teams plays against Temple and five against both Pittsburgh and Syracuse ... Played in Tech's jayvee game against Hargrave to get some extra experience ... Contributed three catches for 34 yards ... Saw action in Tech's bowl game against Air Force ... Improved on all four lifts during spring max testing ... Grabbed three touchdown passes and five total receptions for 97 yards during Tech's last major scrimmage of the spring ... Had three catches for 25 yards and a TD in another scrimmage ... Finished with the most receiving yards in the Maroon-White game with two catches for 53 yards ... His 36-yard catch was the longest of the game ...

2001: Practiced at quarterback when preseason workouts opened in August ... Spent some time as a receiver on the scout team while redshirting during the fall ... His 34 1/2-inch vertical jump tied for second-best among incoming freshmen ... Posted a 400-pound back squat during spring testing and ran a 4.54 40 ... Opened spring practice at quarterback before switching to receiver ... Had a 17-yard reception in one spring scrimmage and a 6-yard catch in another ... Hauled in two passes for 18 yards during the Maroon-White game ...

High School: Was 23-2 as the starting quarterback for Coach David Cox at Deep Creek ... Led the team to the Group AAA Division 6 title game as a senior ... Threw for 1,286 yards and 18 touchdowns his senior season and added nearly 300 yards and six TDs rushing ... Passed for 192 yards and three TDs in a playoff game

against Princess Anne ... Tossed four touchdown passes during a 28-26 loss to Centreville in the championship game after seeing his team fall behind 28-0 ... Finished that game with 225 yards passing ... Earned *PrepStar* All-Atlantic Region honors as an athlete ... *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* rated him the No. 70 player in Mid-Atlantic Region ... Picked the No. 23 prospect in Virginia by *SuperPrep* and No. 22 in the state by *The Roanoke*

Times ... Named All-Southeastern District at QB as a junior and senior ... Gained second-team all-region honors following his senior season ... Also competed in track ... Finished third in the state in the long jump as a junior and second as a senior ...

Personal: Chris Arron Clifton ... Born 10/27/82 in Portsmouth, VA ... Son of Cheryl Clifton ... Enrolled in university studies.

talk with **Colts**



What are your goals for the defensive unit this year?

Our goals are to be very effective in the passing game, put out a high number of tackles for losses and sacks. We want to be very dominant on the field and make the offenses constantly have to adjust to us.

Do you have any pre-game or post-game rituals?

Before the game I like to listen to music to get myself pumped up for the game, especially during the 'Walk' that we do when we arrive at the stadium. After the game I take a shower and get out of there as fast as possible. I guess it's not that exciting of a ritual, huh?

Defensively, Tech is known as one of the best units in the country. What does a label like that mean to you as a member of Tech's defense?

The label means that we work hard and we are really good at what we do. That label is a testament to our great coaching staff that knows the game, especially defense. It means a lot to us, because whenever anyone mentions Virginia Tech they mention the defense, and that is a tradition we want to continue.

Most of the starters on this year's defensive line are seniors. What has it been like to work along side of these guys for so long?

I came in with most of these guys from the very beginning and we built a positive relationship with one another. We have always pushed each other in practice and have been there for each other on and off the field. It's going to be really hard to leave these guys next year.

If there were any other positions you could play on offense and defense, what would they be and why?

On defense, I would probably play linebacker. If I have a chance to go to the NFL, it would be at the linebacker spot so I would like to play that. On offense, I think I would play running back, because that's what I was recruited as out of high school.

Being from Florida, why did you choose to attend college so far away from home?

I had been in Florida all my life and I wanted to try something new. I loved the campus and family atmosphere of Virginia Tech. Also, Coach Wiles sold Virginia Tech to my mom, so that pretty much sealed the deal.

COLS COLAS



**Defensive End • 6-0 • 226 • r-Sr. • 3VL
Plantation, Fla. • South Plantation H.S.**

An experienced defensive end with all-star potential ... His ability to put pressure on the quarterback and to make big plays will be important elements in Tech's defense this fall ... Possesses a combination of speed and power that makes him hard to handle on the corner ... Should be ready to go after undergoing surgery during the spring to repair a patella tendon ... Did not participate in contact work during the spring ... Has played in 36 games, including 13 as a starter ... Led the team in quarterback hurries and tackles for loss in 2002 ... Shared the team lead in sacks with nine ... A Super Iron Hokie in the weight room who bench presses 410 pounds and runs a sub-4.5 forty ... Has shown steady improvement during his time at Tech ... Mixes a good attitude with aggressiveness and great athletic ability ... Spent a good portion of his high school career as a running back ... Will be looked to for leadership and a big senior season ...

2002: Led the defensive ends in the bench press (410), back squat (600) and the push jerk (370) during preseason testing ... Started in nine games ... Led the team with 24 quarterback hurries ... Tied for the team lead with nine sacks ... Had 34 solo tackles and 17 assists ... Included in those 51 tackles were a team-high 19 tackles for loss ... Also had a pass broken up ... Played just 10 snaps against Arkansas State ... Had a solo tackle, which was for a loss, and a quarterback hurry ... Had four quarterback hurries against LSU ... Also had a solo stop and a sack against the Tigers ... Recorded two solo tackles and a quarterback hurry in the win over Marshall ... Earned the start at Texas A&M ... Recorded three solo stops, a sack and two quarterback hurries ... Registered four solo stops, an assist, two tackles for loss, two sacks, a forced fumble and four quarterback hurries at Western Michigan ... Had two tackles, including one for a loss, caused a fumble

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and recorded half a sack in the win at Boston College ... Had two stops on defense, along with a sack and three quarterback hurries against Rutgers ... Also had an assisted stop on special teams ... Recorded two solo stops, an assist, a tackle for loss and two quarterback hurries against Temple ... Had a solo tackle and three assists against Pittsburgh ... Also had a tackle for loss, two quarterback hurries and caused an interception ... Got the start at Syracuse, recording five solo tackles, six assists and a quarterback hurry ... Included in that total were a tackle for loss and half a sack ... Tallied three solo tackles and three assists, including a tackle for loss, against West Virginia ... Recorded six solo tackles in the win over Virginia ... Included in that total were a tackle for loss and three sacks ... Also had two quarterback hurries, a pass broken up and a forced fumble ... Had two solo tackles, one of which was for a loss, in Tech's bowl win over Air Force ... Underwent surgery to alleviate some tendonitis in his knee before spring practice began ... Was held out of contact work ...

2001: Saw action in every game ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors in the preseason testing session ... Finished the season with 22 solo stops and 15 assists ... Posted 10 tackles for loss, including 3.5 sacks ... Registered a team-high 17 QB hurries, along with a pass broken up and a forced fumble ... Recorded three tackles, two assists and a hurry in the opener against UConn ... Saw action on 20 defensive plays, recording a tackle, against Western Michigan ... Finished with two tackles, an assist, a forced fumble and a sack at Rutgers ... Had two solo stops, two assists and two hurries against UCF ... Had two assists and a hurry against Boston College ... Was in on five tackles against Syracuse ... Played a great game at Pittsburgh, recording six solo stops, three tackles for loss, two QB hurries and a sack ... Got his first career start at Temple and played a season-high 37 defensive snaps ... Compiled three tackles and three QB hurries in that game ... Recorded four solo stops, three TFL, two QB hurries and 1.5 sacks at Virginia ... Had two solo stops, an assist, a tackle behind the line and three QB hurries against No. 1 Miami ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors again during spring testing ... Set personal bests with a 600-pound back squat and a 360-pound push jerk ... Posted three sacks in one spring scrimmage and two in another ... Added a sack and three tackles in the annual Maroon-White game ...

2000: Saw playing time in 10 of the Hokies' 11 regular-season games ... Was in on two tackles against Akron in his first collegiate game ... Contributed three tackles and a quarterback hurry against East Carolina ... Turned in a personal-best four tackles in the Rutgers game ... Posted three-tackle outings against both Pittsburgh and UCF ... Added QB hurries at Miami and Central Florida ... Played a season-high 30 defensive plays against Rutgers and 27 versus UCF ... Finished the season with 20 tackles and four hurries ... Saw playing time against Clemson in the Gator Bowl ... Gained Super Iron Hokie honors during off-season strength and conditioning work ... Posted career-bests in six categories during spring testing, including a 550-pound back squat, a 341-pound push jerk and a 4.41 time in the 40 ... He led the defensive ends with a 34-inch vertical jump ... Posted three tackles, two tackles for loss and a fumble recovery in Tech's first spring scrimmage ... Collected two tackles in the Maroon-White game ... Underwent hernia surgery in May ...

1999: A redshirt who spent the fall working at outside linebacker ... Earned Iron Hokie honors during scout team testing in November ... Improved his bench press from 300 pounds to 380 pounds by the time spring testing ended ... Also added more than 20 pounds ... Moved to defensive end when spring practice opened ... Contributed a sack in the Hokies' opening scrimmage ... Also posted a sack in the Maroon-White spring game ...

High School: Played several different positions for Coach Dan Margurit at South Plantation, including fullback and defensive end ... Rushed for 1,064 yards and 11 TDs as a senior ... Had 197 yards and two touchdowns on 20 carries in a game during his senior season ... Also saw action on defense, contributing 20 tackles, two sacks and two fumble recoveries ... Helped team to a 9-3 record and the second round of the Class 5A playoffs ... A postseason All-America pick by *PrepStar*, which named him the No. 15 running back in the SEC Region ... Rated the No. 14 prospect in Broward County by *The Miami Herald* ... Was in on 50 tackles, including four sacks, his junior year ... Registered career totals of 1,268 yards and 16 touchdowns on the ground ... Starred as a sprinter in track ... Finished third in the state in both the 100 and 200-meters his junior year ... Turned in a best time of 10.49 in the 100-meters, 21.3 in the 200-meters and 41.2 in the 400-meters ... Won the state 100-meter outdoor title as a senior ...

Personal: Cols Colas, Jr. ... Born 5/16/80 in Miami, FL ... Son of Evelyn

Colas ... Enrolled in residential property management.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2000	10	6	14	20	0- 0	0- 0
2001	11	22	15	37	10- 58	3.5- 42
2002	14	34	17	51	19- 74	9- 48
Career	35	62	46	108	29- 132	12.5- 90
2002 Tackles Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	2	0	1	1- 6	0- 0
LSU	1	2	0	1	1- 6	1- 6
MU	1	2	0	1	0- 0	0- 0
at TAM	1	3	0	3	1- 7	0- 7
at WMU	1	4	1	5	4- 11	2- 8
at BC	1	1	1	2	2- 9	0.5- 8
RU	1	1	2	3	1- 2	1- 2
TU	1	2	1	3	1- 1	0- 0
PITT	1	1	3	4	0- 0	0- 0
at SU	1	5	6	11	2- 13	0.5- 9
WVU	1	3	3	6	1- 4	0- 0
UVa	1	6	0	6	4- 14	3- 8
at UM	1	0	0	0	0- 0	0- 0
vs AF	1	2	0	2	1- 1	0- 0

TRAVIS CONWAY



**Deep Snapper • 6-5 • 240 • r-Jr. • 1VL
Richmond, Va. • J.R. Tucker H.S.**

Has a chance to take over the Hokies' deep snapping duties this fall ... Showed signs of developing some much needed consistency during the spring ... Needs to carry that over with a good summer preparation ... Has a good frame but needs to continue his efforts to add strength ... Got some experience in 2001 when he handled the snapping duties for punts much of the season ... Served as the backup last year ... Appears ready to step up this season ...

2002: Served as the backup snapper for the punt, field goal and PAT units ... Did not see any varsity action, but did play in both of the Hokies' jayvee games during the fall ... Concentrated on his snapping duties during spring practice ...

2001: Turned in a 390-pound bench press and a 300-pound push jerk in preseason strength and conditioning testing ... Saw action in nine games, snapping for 50 punts ... Had two tackles on special teams ... Saw action on two plays on offense and snapped for both punts in the opener against Connecticut ... Was in for eight special teams plays at West Virginia ... Snapped on all four punts and saw action on six special teams plays

against Boston College ... Snapped seven times on punts against Syracuse and eight at Pittsburgh ... Had a solo tackle on punt coverage against the Panthers ... Was in to snap for nine punts against Temple ...

2000: Practiced as a center and snapper while redshirting ... His 340-pound bench press was second-best among Tech's newcomers in August ... Improved that lift to 360 by spring testing ...

High School: Lettered three seasons for Coach Rusty Curle at Tucker High ... Saw most of his action at center and defensive end ... Started three seasons at DE ... Played three games as a tight end his junior year before moving to center ... Earned additional attention as an accomplished deep snapper on special teams ... Named the team's most valuable player as a senior ... Rated the No. 18 prospect in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Gained honorable-mention All-USA honors from *USA Today* ... Was first-team all-Metro, all-district and all-region as a center in 1999 ... Selected second-team all-district as a defensive end ... Earned second-team Associated Press Group AAA all-state honors at center ... An honorable-mention pick on the coaches' all-state squad ... Had five knockdown blocks in one game his senior season ... Contributed 95 tackles and two sacks on defense ... As a junior, he won the team's Tolley Award as the best defensive player "with leadership and skill" ... Was first-team all-district as a center and second-team all-region ... Also a second-team all-district choice at DE ...

Personal: Travis Scott Conway ... Born 6/3/82 in Richmond, VA ... Son of Doug and Suzanne Conway ... His uncle, Andy Hromyak, was the starting punter for Tech in 1971 and '72 ... Enrolled in consumer studies.

CHAD COOPER



**Linebacker • 6-2 • 211 • r-Jr. • 2VL
Herndon, Va. • Oakton H.S.**

Could figure in at both the backer and mike linebacker positions this fall ... Has come a long way since battling Guillain-Barré Syndrome during the spring of 2002 ... Returned to play in 13 games during

the 2002 season, but never quite returned to the form that made him one of Tech's most improved players in 2001 ... Got some much-needed reps during the spring, working at both inside linebacker positions ... Played well in the Maroon-White spring game ... Possesses good athleticism and range ... Plays well against the run and the pass ... Turned in his best time in the forty (4.62) during spring testing ... Continues working to get bigger and stronger ... Has the ability and the desire to be successful ... Needs a good summer of preparation ... Is expected to be a strong contender for a spot on the depth chart at linebacker ... Will also be looked to for continued help on special teams ... His progress will be watched closely when practice resumes ...

2002: Missed the opener while battling shin splints ... Played in the other 13 games, mostly on special teams ... Started on the kickoff and kickoff return teams ... Had a solo tackle and five assists on the season ... Also had a quarterback hurry ... Had an assisted tackle on special teams against LSU in his first game back ... Played seven snaps in that game and 10 on special teams in the win over Marshall ... Played five snaps on special teams at Texas A&M ... Saw action on both defense and special teams at Western Michigan ... Recorded two assisted stops and a quarterback hurry in that game ... Recorded an assisted tackle on special teams in the win at Boston College ... Was in for 10 plays on special teams against Rutgers ... Saw action on seven special teams plays against Temple ... Was in for nine plays on special teams, recording an assisted tackle, against Pittsburgh ... Played 14 snaps on special teams at Syracuse and nine against West Virginia ... Had a solo tackle on special teams against Virginia ... Got reps at both the mike and the backer positions during spring workouts ... Had three tackles in two different spring scrimmages ... Posted two tackles behind the line of scrimmage and three tackles total in the Maroon-White spring game ...

2001: Played in all 11 regular-season games as a starter on special teams ... Worked at the backer position, but did not see action on defense ... Had two solo tackles and nine assists on the year in a special teams role ... Also had a fumble recovery ... Saw action on a season-high 14 plays on special teams at Pittsburgh ... Had three assisted tackles on special teams against Temple ... Recovered a fumble and had an assist on special teams at Virginia ... Was stricken with Guillain-Barré syndrome in December ... Was unable to attend school for the second semester ... Stayed home and made a full recovery ...

2000: Worked at both inside linebacker positions during a redshirt year ... Spent most of the fall at the mike linebacker spot ... Moved to the backer position for spring practice ... Had two tackles, including one for a loss, during the Hokies' first spring scrimmage ... Was in on three tackles in the annual Maroon-White spring game ...

High School: A high school All-America pick by both *SuperPrep* and *PrepStar* magazines ... Was named to *PrepStar's* Top 100 Dream Team ... Played free safety, linebacker and running back during three varsity seasons for Coach Pete Bendorf at Oakton ... Registered 109 tackles as a senior ... Added five quarterback sacks, two interceptions and three fumble recoveries ... Rushed for 450 yards and 10 touchdowns ... Was a first-team selection on *The Washington Post* All-Metro team ... Also first-team all-district and all-region and second-team all-state ... Listed as the No. 8 defensive back prospect in the nation and the No. 1 DB in the Atlantic Region by *PrepStar* ... Rated the No. 24 linebacker in the country by *SuperPrep* and the No. 27 linebacker by *Rivals* ... An honorable-mention All-USA pick by *USA Today* ... Named the No. 5 prospect in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Finished his junior year with 128 tackles and six pass interceptions ... Holds the record for most career tackles in Oakton's history ...

Personal: Charlton Douglas Cooper ... Born 6/10/81 in Houston, TX ... Son of Tom and Connie Cooper ... His dad was a starter in the defensive secondary at Tech in the mid-1970s ... Studying marketing management.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2001	11	2	7	9	0- 0	0- 0
2002	13	2	5	7	0- 0	0- 0
Career	24	4	12	16	0- 0	0- 0

MICHAEL CRAWFORD



**Rover • 5-11 • 209 • r-Sr. • 3VL
Baltimore, Md. • Patterson H.S.**

A 10-game starter who returns to the Hokies with a clean bill of health ... Held down the starting rover position for eight games before being diagnosed with symptoms of lymphoma before the

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Pittsburgh game ... Underwent further tests while still playing ... Missed a week following an open biopsy, but returned to play in the Hokies' last three games ... Further testing in January found him to be cancer free ... Showed no ill effects during spring practice and regained his starting position with a solid performance ... Possesses experience and knows the

expectations of the position ... Has worked extremely hard to be successful ... Combines top effort with a great attitude ... Should help solidify the Hokies' secondary ...

2002: Started the first two games for the Hokies ... Played in 13 of 14 games ... Had 31 solo stops and 18 assists ... Included in those 49 tackles are four tackles for loss and two sacks ... Also had two passes broken up and a forced

fumble ... Had a solo stop and an assist in the opener against Arkansas State ... Had two tackles in the win over LSU ... Came off the bench against Marshall to record four solo stops and two assists ... Started against Texas A&M, registering four solo tackles and an assist ... Had a tackle for loss, a pass broken up, a sack and caused a fumble in the win against the Aggies ... Recorded two solo tackles and four assists in the win at Boston College ... Also stopped a two-point conversion with an interception ... Registered three solo stops, an assist, a sack and a pass broken up against Rutgers ... Had a solo tackle and two assists in the win over Temple ... Recorded three solo tackles and an assist against Pittsburgh ... Missed two days of practice prior to the Syracuse game while undergoing tests, but still played against the Orangemen ... Talled three solo tackles and four assists, including a tackle for loss ... Underwent an open biopsy on Nov. 20 ... Was available for the West Virginia game, but did not play ... Saw action on 14 defensive snaps against Virginia, recording two solo tackles ... Had six solo tackles and an assist at Miami ... Got the start in Tech's win over Air Force in the Diamond Walnut San Francisco Bowl ... Was pronounced cancer free following further tests in January ... Contributed an interception and a tackle for loss in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Posted two tackles in the Maroon-White game ...

2001: Met all six of his strength and conditioning goals during preseason testing ... Recorded a 300-pound bench press and a 455-pound squat ... Played in all 11 regular-season games on special teams and in six games at rover ... Recorded 14 total tackles ... Was credited with five solo stops, nine assists, two tackles for loss and a sack ... Had an assist on 13 total plays against Connecticut ... Recorded an assist on special teams versus Western Michigan ... Had a solo stop and an assist at Rutgers ... Played 18 total plays against UCF, registering an assist ... Played season highs of 13 snaps on defense and 16 on special teams at West Virginia ... Posted two solo tackles and a sack in that game ... Contributed two assists at Virginia ... Had an assisted tackle on special teams against No. 1 Miami ... Played in the Hokies' Gator Bowl game against Florida State and was in on one tackle ... Had personal bests in the bench press (310), back squat (470) and clean (285) during spring testing ... Was slowed during part of spring practice by an ankle injury ... Returned to action in the Maroon-White game and posted a tackle ...

2000: Met five of his six goals during preseason testing ... Saw his only defensive action in the opener against Akron ... Worked six plays at rover and

talk with Michael



If you could be one of your teammates for a day, who would it be and why?

I would be my boy DeAngelo Hall on defense and Ernest Wilford on offense. On defense, I really respect DeAngelo, even though he's an underclassman. I respect the way that he plays. He plays aggressively and that's the way I like to play. He's got talent and skills. On offense, Ernest also has the aggressive attitude and the attitude to win.

What have you learned from your experiences in the past year?

Just go out there and have fun. Go out there and have as much fun as you can because life is too short to be worrying about situations that you can't control, basically.

What's the best advice you've ever been given?

Stay in school. Even though it sounds like a joke, that's been some of the best advice. I've had so many learning experiences, growth spurts mentally and physically, but mostly mentally, because I've experienced a lot more by going to school and being on my own.

What has been the best part of your experience at Virginia Tech?

The best part of my experience has been building the relationships. Between guys coming in and guys leaving, now me being a senior, it's gotten crazy. A lot of guys look up to me. It's just been building those relationships.

What has been your favorite bowl memory?

My true freshman year at the Sugar Bowl, that has been the most memorable. When we got up on Florida State, I was talking trash to the fans and put on my jersey in the stands. That has to be it right there.

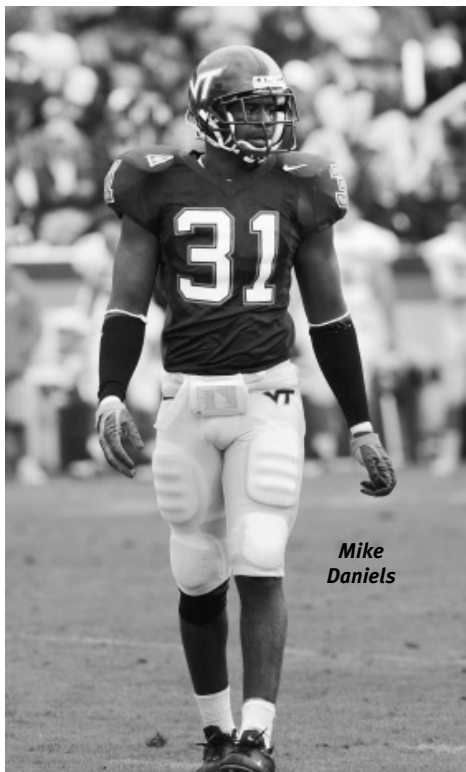
What is one thing that most people would be surprised to know about you?

I wasn't even going to come to college at first. That would probably surprise some people because I've overcome so much and people only see that "Wow, Michael Crawford is so successful." But my plan wasn't even to come to college at first. At first, it was just that I wanted to play football, and if I didn't play football at any school I wanted to get into, I was going into the Army. I would go into the military, like a lot of my family has. It's going to feel good to be one of the first males in my immediate family and our second generation to graduate from college.

contributed a tackle ... Played on special teams in eight of the team's last 10 games ... Was in on a personal-best 13 special team plays in the Miami game ... Started on the kickoff team and also worked with the punt return unit ... Had one tackle in games against Akron, East Carolina, Rutgers and West Virginia ... Registered two hits in the Boston College game ... Finished with three solo tackles and three assists ... Set seven personal bests during spring strength and conditioning tests ... Registered three sacks in spring scrimmages ... Added two more sacks during the annual Maroon-White game ...

1999: Practiced at the rover position while redshirting ... Showed improved speed and quickness during spring testing ... Broke up a pass in the Maroon-White spring game ...

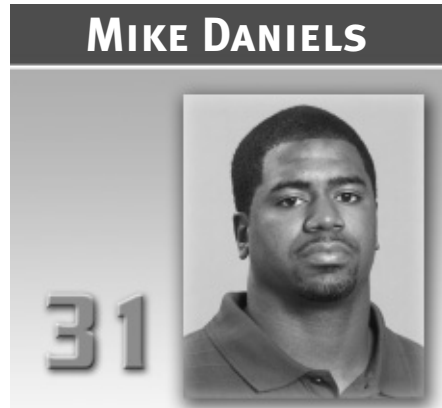
High School: An All-Baltimore City/County running back/linebacker for Coach Roger Wrenn at Patterson High ... Scored 22 touchdowns to help the team win the City East Division championship with a 10-1 record ... Rushed for 1,376 yards, averaging 20 yards per carry ... Posted seven touchdown runs of 70 yards or more ... In a game against Southwestern, he scored the first four TDs and rushed for 196 yards on nine carries ... Played linebacker on defense ... A *PrepStar* All-American ... Was rated the No. 23 player in the Maryland/D.C. area by *ACC Area Sports Journal* ... Played in the Baltimore County All-Star game ... A two-time MVP in football, indoor track and outdoor track at Patterson ... Won city and region high jump championships both indoor and outdoor ... Ran a 6.7 time in the 55-meters ...



Mike Daniels

Personal: Michael Antonio Crawford ... Born 2/20/81 in Baltimore, MD ... Son of Iantha Carrington ... Enrolled in family financial management.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2000	9	3	3	6	0- 0	0- 0
2001	11	5	9	14	2- 14	1- 13
2002	13	31	18	49	4- 25	2- 18
Career	33	39	30	69	6- 39	3- 31



**Free Safety • 6-0 • 205 • r-Jr. • 2VL
Fairfax, Va. • Fairfax H.S.**

Will compete for playing time at free safety this season after spending the past two seasons as a contributor at whip linebacker ... Began his Tech career working at free safety while redshirting as a freshman ... Switched to the whip position where he started four games in 2001 and one game last fall ... Is capable of holding his own at free safety, especially against the running game ... Came out of spring practice No. 2 on the depth chart ... Works hard and plays a physical brand of football ... Knows the Tech system ... A solid tackler with a knack for being around the ball ... Is making progress in the strength and conditioning program ... Will be a real plus for the Hokies if he can maintain his steady level of play ...

2002: Played in all 14 games, starting one ... Had 25 solo tackles and 26 assists ... Included in those 41 tackles were two tackles for loss ... Also had a pass broken up and forced fumble ... Had two solo stops, including a tackle for loss, against Arkansas State ... Had a solo stop in the win over LSU ... Earned the start against Marshall ... Had two solo tackles and three assists ... Registered a solo tackle and two assists in the win at Texas A&M ... Recorded three solo stops and two assisted tackles at Western Michigan ... Registered two solo stops and two assists in the win at Boston College ... Also caused a fumble which prevented an Eagle touchdown ... Played 25 snaps on defense against Temple, registering three solo tackles, two assists and a tackle for loss ... Was in on 28 snaps on defense against Pittsburgh, registering two solo

tackles and two assists ... Recorded three solo stops, three assists and a pass broken up at Syracuse ... Had three solo tackles and two assists against West Virginia ... Had three assisted tackles against Virginia ... Had a solo stop and two assists at Miami ... Registered three assists in the bowl win over Air Force ... Moved back to free safety before the start of spring practice ... Was in on five tackles during one spring scrimmage ... Had four tackles, including one behind the line, in another scrimmage ... Registered a tackle for loss and two total tackles in the annual Maroon-White game ...

2001: Played in every game ... Recorded 12 solo tackles, 16 assists and broke up a pass during the year ... Started on the kickoff team and the kickoff and punt return teams ... Saw action on 17 special teams plays against Connecticut ... Saw brief action on special teams versus Western Michigan ... Had an assist on 11 plays at Rutgers ... Saw action on a season-high 24 special teams plays against Boston College ... Played 18 snaps on defense and 14 on special teams at Pittsburgh, recording a solo tackle and an assist ... Earned his first career start at Temple ... Had two solo tackles and an assist, and broke up a pass in that win ... Was credited with four solo tackles and four assists at Virginia ... On a personal-best 87 plays, had four solo tackles and nine assists against No. 1 Miami ... Led the Hokies with seven tackles in the Gator Bowl ... Had two sacks in that game for minus-14 yards ... Also recovered a fumble ... Met all six of his goals in the weight room prior to the season ... Turned in a personal-best 450-pound back squat during spring testing ... Posted four tackles and broke up a pass in one spring scrimmage ... Added four tackles in another spring scrimmage and contributed a pair of tackles during the Maroon-White game ...

2000: Spent a redshirt season working at free safety ... Improved in three of Tech's four major lifts during the off-season strength and conditioning workouts ... Was in on four tackles, including two behind the line in the Hokies' first spring scrimmage ... Intercepted a pass in the annual spring game and assisted on three tackles ...

High School: Set a school record with 18 career pass interceptions during his four varsity seasons at Fairfax ... Lettered four years as a defensive back and wide receiver for Coach Tom Verbanic ... Was the Liberty District Player of the Year as a senior ... Went on to earn first-team all-district, all-region and all-state honors ... Was a *SuperPrep* and *PrepStar* All-American ... An honorable-mention All-USA pick by *USA Today* ... Rated the No. 25 defensive back prospect in the nation by *SuperPrep* ... Posted 102 tackles and

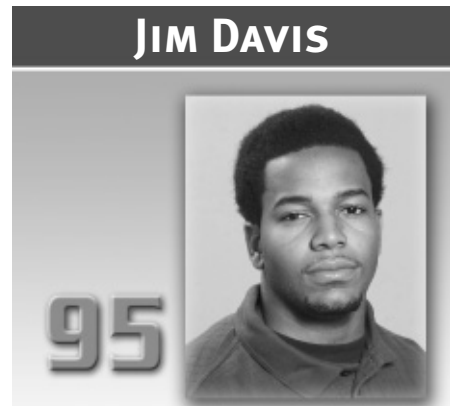
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four interceptions during his senior season ... Also contributed 23 pass receptions for 450 yards and three TDs ... Averaged 25 yards on punt returns and 27 yards on kickoff returns ... Ran for one touchdown, caught a pass for another TD and collected 12 tackles in a game against Madison his senior year ... Picked off seven passes as a junior ... Helped the team to a four-year 31-9 regular-season record and two district

titles ... Also excelled in basketball, lettering four years and setting a school scoring mark with 1,250 points ...

Personal: Michael William Daniels ... Born 9/18/81 in Germany ... Son of Fletcher, Jr., and Carolyn Daniels ... Studying sociology.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2001	11	12	16	28	0- 0	0- 0
2002	14	25	26	51	0- 0	0- 0
Career	25	37	42	79	0- 0	0- 0



Defensive End • 6-3 • 255 • Sr. • 3VL
Highland Springs, Va. • Highland Springs H.S.

May miss the 2003 season after suffering a torn pectoral muscle just days prior to spring practice ... Underwent surgery and did not participate in contact work ... His status will be re-evaluated prior to the season ... Has a redshirt year available if needed ... Is considered the Hokies' most talented defensive end when healthy ... Has struggled with nagging injuries on and off during his Tech career ... When healthy, he is a play-maker who can disrupt a game ... Posted three sacks in a win over No. 14 LSU last year ... Returned an interception for a touchdown and caused two fumbles that were returned for TDs during his sophomore year in 2001 ... Has played in 35 games, nine as a starter ... Is big, fast and athletic ... Can get to the quarterback in a hurry ... Has matured as a player over the past two seasons ... Tech's coaches were hoping Davis could avoid injury and become an every-down player his senior season ... That is still their hope, but it may have to wait a year ...

2002: Started six games ... Had 24 solo stops and 13 assists ... Included in those 37 tackles are nine tackles for loss and 5.5 sacks ... Also had 10 quarterback hurries, three passes broken up and a forced fumble ... Had a quiet opener against Arkansas State, playing just 19 snaps on defense with an assisted stop ... Came back strong against LSU, recording three sacks against the Tigers ... Also had five solo stops, an assist, two quarterback hurries and a tackle for loss ... Performance earned him BIG EAST Co-Defensive Player of the Week honors ... Played on a sprained left ankle against Marshall, but still managed to play 41 snaps ... Had two solo stops, including one for a loss, and a pass broken up ... Also had an assisted stop on special teams ... Did not start at Texas A&M due to his sore ankle ... Played 24 snaps on defense, recording an assisted stop ... Had three quarterback hurries and a tackle on special teams at Western Michigan ... Was back at full speed for the Boston

talk with Jim



What are your expectations for the defensive unit this year?

We strive to be the best defense in the nation, year-in and year-out, and I expect nothing less than that for the upcoming year. We have a solid defensive team coming back and if we play together as one, then we'll be the best defense in the country.

You've been a part of the bowl game tradition at Tech. What is your favorite bowl memory?

I think the 2000 Gator Bowl when we played Clemson. I played as a true freshman and had back-to-back sacks in that game. It felt like I had finally started to become a "real" college football player after that and that I had truly had an impact in that bowl win.

Who motivates you the most during practice?

When Coach Foster starts getting hyped up about that week's game and starts talking about the upcoming opposing team. That turns me up a notch and gets me even more fired up to do well in practice.

If you could play any position other than defensive end, what would it be and why?

I would definitely choose running back because they get all of the glory. I think I would be a great running back because I have some pretty good moves in my repertoire and I can be shifty. I think they should give me a chance there — I could be the next Jerome Bettis.

If you could have traded places with one of your teammates for one specific play that occurred over your time at Tech, what play would it be and why would you want to experience that particular play?

I would like to be Wayne Ward when he had that monster hit against West Virginia in 2000. It was a hit like no other, and definitely the hardest hit I've ever seen in my life. I was amazed and I would want to see if I was capable of taking that kind of shot on someone.

If you were stranded on a desert island, what three things would you want to have with you and why?

I would bring my dog because he's my first son. I would bring my mom because she's my favorite person. Finally, I would bring a battery operated television, because I doubt I could find an outlet on a deserted island to plug in a normal TV.

College game, registering three solo tackles, an assist and 1.5 sacks ... Had an assisted tackle and three quarterback hurries against Rutgers ... Earned the start against Temple and recorded two solo tackles, two assists, a sack and a quarterback hurry ... Had a solo tackle against Pittsburgh, playing 40 snaps ... Registered four solo tackles and an assist on defense at Syracuse ... Also had a solo tackle on special teams ... Tallied two solo tackles and an assist, including a tackle for loss, against West Virginia ... Had a solo stop and two assists in the win over Virginia ... Had a solo tackle at Miami ... Recorded a solo stop and an assist, including a TFL, in the San Francisco Bowl ... Ran a 4.68 forty during spring testing ... Tore a pectoral muscle the week before spring practice was scheduled to begin ... Underwent surgery and did not compete during the spring ...

2001: Played in 10 games, starting three ... Had 17 solo tackles, 21 assists and eight tackles for loss ... Also had 4.5 sacks, six QB hurries, two forced fumbles, a PBU and an interception ... Finished with one tackle, one assist and a hurry in the opening game against UConn ... Did not dress against Western Michigan due to a bulging disc in his back ... Returned to action against Rutgers, recording three stops, two assists, a forced fumble and a shared sack ... Had two solo stops, an assist, a sack and a pass broken up against UCF ... Recorded two tackles and a sack at West Virginia ... Also collected his first career interception in that game, which he returned for a touchdown ... Was in on five tackles and had a QB hurry against Boston College ... Caused a fumble in the BC game that teammate Kevin McCadam returned for a score ... Had three solo tackles and two sacks against Syracuse ... Posted seven tackles against Pittsburgh ... Got his first career start at Temple ... Was credited with five assists and a QB hurry in that win ... Had

three solo tackles, two assists, a sack and three tackles for loss at Virginia ... Tore his right pectoral muscle against No. 1 Miami and was limited in the Hokies' Gator Bowl game against Florida State ... Returned to full action in the spring ... Contributed four tackles in one spring scrimmage and three tackles and a sack in another ...

2000: Was one of only three true freshmen to see action ... Played on 27 snaps against Akron in his first collegiate game and contributed two tackles ... Saw action on a season-high 30 plays at East Carolina ... Posted three tackles, two quarterback hurries and shared a sack in the win over the Pirates ... Knocked down a pass against Rutgers ... Registered a personal-best six tackles in the Temple game, including a pair of sacks for minus-16 yards ... Had two tackles for loss and two quarterback hurries against Syracuse ... Was in on three tackles at Miami and added another sack in the Virginia game ... Averaged 25 plays per game for the season ... Finished with 28 tackles, including 17 primary hits ... Turned in six tackles behind the line, including 3.5 sacks ... Hurried the quarterback five times ... Contributed four tackles in Tech's win over Clemson in the Gator Bowl, including two quarterback sacks that came on consecutive plays for a total loss of 16 yards ... Ran a 4.68 in the forty during spring testing ... Posted seven sacks during the Hokies' four spring scrimmages ... Recovered a fumble in the end zone for a TD during the Maroon-White game ... Also registered a sack and three tackles ...

Prep School: Recorded 15 sacks and seven pass deflections as a defensive end for Coach John Shuman at Fork Union Military Academy ...

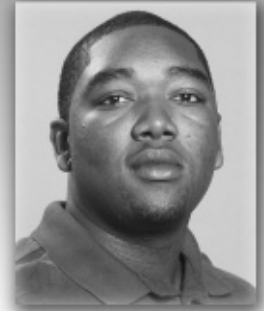
High School: Attended Highland Springs High School where he played defensive end and offensive tackle for Coach Randy Stokes ... Lettered three seasons and was team captain as a senior ... Was named the team's MVP and best defensive lineman his final season ... Earned first-team all-district honors and second-team all-region recognition ... Gained second-team all-district honors his junior year and was selected the team's best offensive lineman as a sophomore ... Also lettered three seasons as a center on the basketball team ... Helped the team to a pair of district titles ... Played in the AAU national championship basketball game (14 years and under) in 1994 ...

Personal: James Edward Davis, Jr. ... Born 10/4/81 in Richmond, VA ... Son of James, Sr., and Sandra Davis ... Enrolled in hospitality and tourism management.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2000	11	17	11	28	6-32	3.5-23
2001	10	17	21	38	8-44	4.5-27
2002	14	24	13	37	9-43	5.5-32
Career	35	58	45	103	23-119	13.5-82

JON DUNN

79



Offensive Tackle • 6-7 • 343 • r-Jr. • 2VL
Virginia Beach, Va. • Tallwood H.S.

An imposing figure who must become an imposing player in order to make a difference for the Hokies' offensive front this season ... Drew extra attention during the spring in an effort to help him reach his full potential ... Has the size and physical ability to be a dominating force but is still working to develop the consistency and intensity needed to make it happen ... Opened the 2002 season at right tackle and started seven games before seeing his playing time dwindle late in the season ... Gained some valuable experience ... Improved in three of his four major lifts during the off-season, but still needs to get stronger ... Showed additional progress during the spring ... Got some work at both tackle positions ... Is slated to start at left tackle ... Has a chance to make a real impact with a good summer of preparation and continued progress during the preseason ...

2002: Started seven games and played in all 14 ... Saw action on 498 regular-season snaps and graded out at 80.3 percent for the season ... Had 22 knockdown blocks ... Graded out at 89 percent in the opener against Arkansas State on just 28 offensive snaps ... Played 67 snaps against LSU, grading out at 81 percent ... Played 74 snaps in the win over Marshall, grading out at 80 percent ... Had five knockdown blocks ... Was in for 57 snaps on offense at Western Michigan ... Played 67 snaps at Boston College, grading out at 82 percent with five knockdown blocks ... Played 57 snaps on offense with a knockdown block against Rutgers ... Came off the bench against Temple to play 32 snaps ... Graded out at 84 percent against the Owls ... Played 26 snaps against Pittsburgh, recording a knockdown block ... Saw limited action on offense and special teams at Syracuse ... Played nine snaps on offense and two on special teams against West Virginia ... Played 20 snaps on offense at Miami, grading out at 80 percent ...

2001: Averaged nearly 26 snaps per game on offense ... Played a total of 231



Jim Davis

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offensive snaps ... Saw action in 10 games, including nine on offense ... Worked on the extra point and field goal team in six games ... Got his first collegiate action in the opener against UConn ... Was in on a season-high 44 offensive snaps in that game ... Played 34 offensive downs against both Western Michigan and Rutgers ... Had knockdown blocks against West Virginia and Virginia ... Played 27 plays on offense against Temple, grading out at 86 percent ...

Posted a 351-pound clean during spring testing ... Turned in one of the best times among the offensive linemen in the NFL shuttle run at 4.46 ...

2000: Worked at right tackle while redshirting ... Made some strides during the off-season program ... Got some work with the first team during spring practice ... Won the Paul Torgersen Award as Tech's top offensive newcomer ...

High School: Earned All-America honors from *SuperPrep*, *PrepStar* and *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Ranked the No. 35 offensive line prospect

in the nation by *SuperPrep* and the No. 9 player in Virginia ... Listed as the No. 20 offensive tackle prospect in the nation by Lemming ... Picked the No. 1 offensive lineman in the state and the No. 7 overall prospect in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Lettered three seasons for Coach Thad Harold at Tallwood ... Saw most of his action as an offensive tackle ... Also got some playing time at defensive tackle and as a long snapper ... Earned all-district honors his junior and senior seasons ... Named All-Eastern Region as a senior ... Had eight tackles and two sacks in limited defensive duty in 1999 ...

Personal: Jonathan Paul Dunn ... Born 12/12/81 in Norfolk, VA ... Son of Paula and Willie Heggins ... Enrolled in residential property management.

talk with Doug



Tech's football team has a strong reputation as being a program where walk-on athletes contribute heavily to the Hokies' gridiron success. What is it that makes you and other walk-ons so successful?

For me, the reason walk-ons are successful is the work ethic. As a walk-on, we feel that we need to make our mark on the team, and as for me, it was showing the coaches that I was willing to work hard for the team.

What will you miss the most and the least after you graduate?

The thing I will miss the most is the guys on the team. Over the last five

years we have all grown really close, and I will miss that family atmosphere. The thing I will miss the least is 6 a.m. workouts.

What goals do you have for this, your senior year?

Individually, I want to be the best player I can be. As a team, I really think we can be special. Winning the BIG EAST and making it back to New Orleans for the national championship are my goals for the team.

If you could trade places with any one player, who would the player be?

I would trade places with Carter Warley. I would trade with him during two-a-day practices because I think it would be cool to eat sunflower seeds and plant grass while the team practiced.

You came here as a wrestler and a football player. What made you decide to focus on one sport and why did you choose football?

I decided to focus on football because it was too difficult for me to compete in those two sports. Both of them are very demanding, and I felt football gave me the best opportunities.

Who was your idol growing up?

I always loved Barry Sanders. I used to love to watch him play the game. He played every down hard and was amazing when he touched the ball. I wish his career hadn't been cut short. I would have loved to have seen him get the rushing record if anyone was going to beat Walter Payton's record.

DOUG EASLICK



**Fullback • 5-11 • 238 • r-Sr. • 2VL
Marlton, N.J. • Cherokee H.S.**

Has developed into one of Tech's leaders on offense since taking over the starting fullback duties last season ... Started every game in 2002 and made an immediate impact ... A punishing blocker who runs well and has great hands ... Brings tailback skills to the position after starting his Tech career as a tailback ... Makes positive yards when asked to run the football ... Knows the Tech system and plays smart ... Is always in the right place at the right time ... Knows how to use leverage from his high school days as a championship wrestler ... Moved from tailback to fullback prior to the 2000 season ... Made the travel squad and saw limited action in six games ... Served most of the 2001 season as the No. 2 fullback behind Jarrett Ferguson ... Tech's coaches expect him to have an outstanding year in 2003 ...

2002: Started all 14 games ... Carried the ball 19 times for 92 yards ... Caught 16 passes, fourth most on the team, for 118 yards and a touchdown ... Played just 11 offensive snaps in the opener against Arkansas State ... Had a 15-yard rush and a 5-yard reception in that game ... Had a 5-yard catch in the win over LSU

... Provided several key blocks to spring touchdowns in that game ... Carried the ball four times for 21 yards against Marshall ... Had an 18-yard carry against the Herd ... Also had an 8-yard reception ... Carried the ball twice for three yards at Texas A&M ... Caught two passes at Western Michigan ... Was in for 53 offensive snaps at Boston College, grading out at 81 percent ... Graded out at 82 percent on his blocking assignments against Rutgers ... Threw several key blocks that led to big runs and nearly 400 yards on the ground ... Had his best game of the 2002 season against Temple ... Rushed four times for 17 yards, including a 16-yarder ... Also had three catches for 38 yards, including a 32-yard touchdown reception ... Graded out at 86 percent at Syracuse and had two catches for 19 yards ... Had two carries for 11 yards and two catches for 17 yards against West Virginia ... Had a 7-yard rush and a 4-yard reception in the win over Virginia ... Had two catches for 14 yards and a 4-yard run against Miami ... Carried the ball twice for 16 yards and had a 10-yard reception against Air Force in the San Francisco Bowl ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors during both fall and spring testing ... Set a position record in the back squat during the spring with a squat of 640 pounds ... Added a 400-pound bench press ... Turned in a 14-yard run in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages and a 9-yard reception in another ...

2001: Saw action in nine regular-season games ... Rushed four times for five yards and caught four passes for 54 yards and a touchdown ... Caught his first career touchdown pass when he took a shovel pass and went 22 yards for a score against Western Michigan ... Also rushed once for three yards versus WMU ... Had one carry for a yard against Rutgers ... Had a 17-yard reception in the UCF game ... Played a career-high 31 offensive plays and five special teams plays during a win over Boston College ... Carried the ball twice against Temple ... Caught two passes for 15 yards at Virginia ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors in the strength and conditioning program during the off-season ... Posted a personal-best 550-pound back squat ... Turned in a 20-yard run during one spring scrimmage and caught a pass for a 6-yard gain ... Hauled in three passes for 23 yards during the annual Maroon-White game ...

2000: Rushed three times for 19 yards against Akron ... Turned in a personal-best 18-yard run in that game ... Played 15 offensive snaps against Rutgers, carrying the football twice for nine yards ... Rushed once for three yards against Temple and had a 2-yard carry in the West Virginia game ... Also saw action against East Carolina and Virginia ... Finished the season with eight carries for 32 yards ...

Played for the Tech jayvee against Fork Union Military Academy and ran for three touchdowns ... Registered personal bests in seven of nine categories during off-season strength and conditioning tests ... Bench pressed 385 pounds and lowered his time in the forty to 4.59 ... Worked at tailback as well as fullback during the spring ... Rushed for 50 yards on 12 carries in one spring scrimmage, scoring twice on short goal-line situations and catching a 9-yard pass ... Posted an 8-yard touchdown run in another scrimmage ... Led the White team in rushing during the spring game with 30 yards on four carries ...

1999: Was redshirted while working as a tailback ... Joined the wrestling team following the football season and compiled an 11-17 record as a heavyweight ... Won the heavyweight title at the Virginia State Intercollegiate Wrestling Championships ... Carried seven times for 32 yards in one of Tech's spring scrimmages ... Led the team with 36 yards on nine carries in another scrimmage and caught a pass for 12 yards ... Rushed five times for 16 yards in the spring game ...

High School: A star football player and wrestler at Cherokee High ... Lettered three seasons as a tailback and safety for Coach John Scott ... Rushed for over 1,500 yards and 17 touchdowns his senior season ... Contributed 115 tackles and three interceptions on defense ... Scored four touchdowns and rushed for 245 yards on eight carries in a 1998 game against Cherry Hill East ... Ran for 200 yards and three touchdowns and registered 13 tackles against Willingboro that same season ... Won all-conference, all-South Jersey and all-state honors ... Was named an honorable mention All-American ... Gained 1,400 yards on the ground his junior year and finished his career with 3,600 yards rushing, 43 touchdowns, eight interceptions and 240 tackles ... Set school career and single-game records for rushing yards ... Posted a 122-8 career wrestling record ... Won the state championship his senior season and finished third at the high school nationals ... Was a four-time district and two-time regional champ ... Earned second-team All-America honors his senior year ...

Personal: Arthur Doug Easlick ... Born 12/4/80 in Mt. Holly, NJ ... Son of Jon and Connie Easlick ... Enrolled in residential property management.

Rushing	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	6	8	32	4.0	0	18
2001	9	4	5	1.2	0	3
2002	14	19	92	4.8	0	17
Career	29	31	129	4.2	0	18

Receiving	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	6	0	0	0.0	0	0
2001	9	4	54	13.5	1	22
2002	14	16	118	8.4	1	32
Career	29	20	172	8.6	2	32

RASHAD FEREBEE



Offensive Guard • 5-8 • 272 • So.
Norfolk, Va. • Granby H.S.

Played on the scout and jayvee teams last season as a freshman ... Proved to be a hard worker ... Showed improvement during the course of the year ... Made strides in the strength and conditioning program, but still needs to get stronger ... Should benefit from added reps ... Will help provide depth along the offensive line ...

2002: Joined the team as a walk-on ... Worked at left guard during the fall and spring ... Turned in a 500-pound back squat during spring max testing ...

High School: A versatile player for Coach Dave Hudak at Granby High ... Lettered four years and saw action at a number of positions, including offensive guard, nose guard, linebacker, fullback and center ... Also handled deep snapping duties ... Won the football Ironman Award ... Also lettered as a shot-putter on the track team ...

Personal: Rashad Micah Ferebee ... Born 3/18/84 in Annapolis, MD ... Son of Angeline Ferebee-Hawkins and the late Maurice Ferebee, Jr. ... His stepfather is Tarrent Hawkins ... Enrolled in university studies.

ANDREW FLECK



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Center • 6-3 • 275 • r-Fr.
Edmond, Okla. • Santa Fe H.S.

Moved from defensive tackle to center during the spring ... Is still adjusting to his new position ... Has made strides in improving his strength, but must continue

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working to add some bulk ... Entered school in January 2002 ... Worked on defense during 2002 spring practice ... Continued to work there while redshirting last fall ... Still has some ground to make up before he is ready to vie for playing time ... Has the work ethic to make the switch a success ...

2002: Worked on the scout team as a defensive tackle during the fall ... Turned in a 400-pound bench press during spring max testing ... Was moved to offense prior to spring practice ... Put in time at the center position ...

2001: Underwent back surgery during the summer and fall ... Joined the team in January ... Was limited during the winter off-season program ... Worked at defensive tackle during the spring ... Posted a tackle in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ...

High School: A four-year letterman and three-year starter at tight end and defensive end for Coach Brian Kelly at Santa Fe ... Named first-team all-state as a defensive lineman in Class 6A by the coaches and second-team all-state by the media ... Also garnered first-team all-city, all-conference and all-district recognition as a senior ... Posted 60 tackles, seven sacks and four fumble recoveries his senior season ... Caught 35 passes for 575 yards and five touchdowns as a tight end in 2000 ... Contributed seven of those catches for 120 yards in a single game ... Registered 21 catches and three TDs on offense and 45 tackles on defense as a junior ... Collected three sacks in a game during the 1999 season ... Set school career record for catches by a tight end with 68 ... Also saw time as a deep snapper during his prep career ... Ranked the No. 62 tight end in the nation by *Rivals* ... Chosen to play in the Oil Bowl, which pits the best high school seniors from Oklahoma against the top seniors from Texas ... Also excelled as a four-year letterman in basketball and track ...

Personal: Andrew Garrett Fleck ... Born 10/11/82 in Oklahoma City, OK ... Son of Terry and Deanna Fleck ... Enrolled in university studies.

EXTRA POINT

Nine different Virginia Tech players contributed at least one play that covered more than 55 yards during the 2002 season and six of them are back on the roster this season — tailback Kevin Jones, split end Ernest Wilford, tight end Keith Willis, defensive tackle Jason Lallis, punt return man DeAngelo Hall and kickoff return man Richard Johnson. Tech had plays of 87 yards or more on offense, defense and special teams. The Hokies had 14 plays of more than 50 yards — four passes, three runs, three punt returns, two interceptions, one kickoff return and one fumble return.

BRANDON FRYE



Offensive Tackle • 6-4 • 268 • r-Fr.
Myrtle Beach, S.C. • Myrtle Beach H.S.

Finds himself working at offensive tackle after beginning his Tech career on defense ... Has a big frame to go with good work habits and athleticism ... Must keep working to improve his strength through the athletic performance program ... Entered Tech in January 2002 ...

Worked at defensive end that spring and was redshirted during the 2002 season ... Moved to offense prior to 2003 spring practice ... Worked at right tackle ... Is still learning the position ... His progress will be monitored during the preseason to determine his status on the depth chart ...

2002: Practiced at defensive end while redshirting in the fall ... Moved to the offensive line for spring practice ... Turned in the top vertical jump among the offensive linemen during spring testing at 33 1/2 inches ... Also had the top time in the forty (4.76) and the second-best showing in the NFL shuttle run (4.31) ... Improved his bench press to 400 pounds ... Was tried at right tackle during spring workouts ...

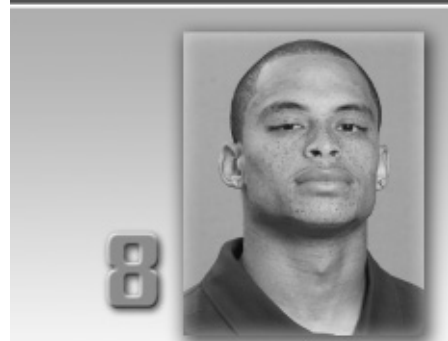
2001: Enrolled in school for the second semester ... Bench pressed 355 during spring testing ... Also posted a 500-pound back squat and a 304-pound push jerk that ranked second among the defensive ends ... Practiced at the stud end position during the spring ... Turned in three tackles during one of Tech's spring scrimmages ...

High School: Posted 14 quarterback sacks and 18 tackles for loss in 2000 as a defensive end for Coach Scott Early ... Saw most of his action at tight end until his senior season — his first year as a starter on defense ... Had a total of 74 tackles for the season ... Also contributed 18 pass receptions for 220 yards and two TDs on offense ... Listed as one of the top 50 seniors in the state by *South Carolina Prep Football* ... Picked to that publication's AAA all-state team ... Earned all-region honors and was named to the WPDE All-Zone team ... Caught eight passes for 136 yards and three touchdowns his junior year ... One of those TD receptions came as time expired to send a game into overtime

... Was the first Myrtle Beach High player to sign with a Division I school in five years ... A member of the National Science Honors Society ...

Personal: Brandon Lee Frye ... Born 1/23/83 in Myrtle Beach, SC ... Son of Brenda Epps and Stan Rome ... His father played football and basketball at Clemson and went on to play with the NFL Kansas City Chiefs ... Enrolled in business information technology.

VINCENT FULLER



Cornerback • 6-1 • 181 • r-Jr. • 2VL
Baltimore, Md. • Woodlawn H.S.

Made what was supposed to be a temporary move to cornerback a permanent one last season with some solid performances ... Started four games and played in all 14 ... Combines excellent skills with speed and athleticism ... Picked up some valuable experience in 2002 ... Finished spring practice in a dead heat with Eric Green for the starting job at field corner ... Will resume that battle when preseason practice opens in August ... Can also help out at free safety if needed ... Doesn't shy away from contact ... With a little added strength and discipline, he has all it takes to be successful ...

2002: Started four games at cornerback, including the bowl game ... Earned the start in Tech's first two games at field corner ... Had 16 solo tackles and seven assists for the season ... Included in those 23 tackles were a tackle for loss and half a sack ... Also had four interceptions and six passes broken up ... Played just 16 defensive snaps in the opener against Arkansas State ... Had a solo stop, an assist, a pass broken up and caused a fumble against LSU ... Also had a solo tackle on special teams against the Tigers ... Didn't start against Marshall, but still played 31 snaps on defense ... Recorded two solo stops, an assist and two passes broken up in that game ... Had two assisted stops in the win at Texas A&M ... Had two tackles and a pass broken up at Western Michigan ... Recorded his first career interception at Boston College, along with two solo stops, an assist and a



pass broken up ... Also had a solo stop on special teams ... Had an interception to go along with a solo tackle and a pass broken up against Rutgers ... Returned to the starting lineup for the Temple game ... Recorded two interceptions

against the Owls, both deep in Tech territory to stop Temple drives ... Also had a solo tackle on special teams ... Played 13 snaps on defense against Pittsburgh, recording a solo tackle ... Also had two solo tackles on special teams in that game ... Was in for 29 snaps on defense against West Virginia ... Had a solo tackle on special teams against Virginia ... His 37-inch vertical jump was third-best among the defensive backs during spring max testing ... Was in on five tackles during one spring scrimmage ... Broke up a pass in the Maroon-White game ...

2001: Played in 10 games, recording 12 total tackles ... Registered five solo stops, seven assists and a QB hurry ... Broke up two passes ... Saw some special teams duty on the kick blocking teams ... Had a solo stop and an assist on 16 defensive plays in the opener against UConn ... Had a solo tackle on nine defensive plays versus Western Michigan ... Had four assists at Rutgers ... Recorded two solo tackles on 12 plays against UCF ... Played a season-high 25 snaps on defense against Temple, recording a solo tackle, two assists, a QB hurry and two PBU ... Played 13 plays at Virginia ... Saw brief action on defense against No. 1 Miami ... Registered a personal-best 400-pound back squat during spring testing ... Was in on four tackles during one spring scrimmage ... Broke up a pass and had two tackles in another scrimmage ... Posted five solo hits and an assist during the annual spring game ...

2000: Turned in the second-best forty time (4.53) and third-best vertical jump (34 inches) among Tech's newcomers ... Got a look at cornerback during the preseason before moving to free safety ... Was redshirted ... Added 12 pounds by the time spring testing rolled around ... Improved his vertical to 36 1/2 and his forty time to 4.43 ... Picked up some extra repetitions while starter Willie Pile sat out the spring with a shoulder injury ... Got work at corner and safety during spring practice ... Had three tackles and an interception

during one spring practice ... Was also in on three tackles in the Maroon-White game ... Won the Paul Torgersen Award as the team's top defensive newcomer ...

High School: Passed for a school single-season record 1,683 yards his senior year at Woodlawn ... Completed 78 of 109 passes, including 13 for touchdowns ... Added 390 yards rushing and scored six TDs on the ground ... Played quarterback, free safety and cornerback for Coach Reggie White during his three varsity seasons ... Posted 65 tackles and three interceptions on defense as a senior ... Won all-county, all-Metro and consensus all-state honors ... Finished his prep career with 2,685 yards passing and over 1,000 yards rushing ... Compiled 28 touchdown passes and 20 rushing TDs ... Picked off 10 passes and collected over 100 career tackles on defense ... Ranked the No. 12 player in Maryland by *SuperPrep* ... Earned All-America honors from *PrepStar*, which rated him the No. 7 athlete in the Atlantic Region ... Selected honorable-mention All-USA by *USA Today* ... Named the MVP in football and track by his teammates as a senior ... Helped the track team to a state championship in 1998 ... Turned in a time of 21.2 seconds in the 200-meters ... Won the Unsung Hero Award on his basketball team ...

Personal: Vincent Fuller II ... Born 8/3/82 in Baltimore, MD ... Son of Vincent Fuller and Renee Richardson ... A cousin of former Tech safety Damien Russell ... Studying business information technology.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2001	10	5	7	12	0- 0	0- 0
2002	14	16	7	23	1- 10	0.5- 10
Career	24	21	14	35	1- 10	0.5- 10

Interceptions	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	14	4	0	0.0	0	0



Offensive Guard • 6-4 • 306 • r-Sr. • 2VL Rocky Mount, Va. • Franklin County H.S.

Will help anchor the offensive line as one of two senior starters ... A tough, versatile performer who has the ability to vie for All-BIG EAST honors ... Moved

around on the line during his first two seasons due to his ability to play either tackle position as well as guard ... Found a home at left guard midway through the 2002 season ... A true team player who has worked extremely hard to be successful ... Showed leadership during a good spring practice ... Focused on improving in several areas and accomplished his goals ... Shared time with Luke Owens at the starting left guard position in 2001 ... Started four games ... Saw only limited action as a redshirt freshman during the 2000 season ... His experiences have helped him develop a great understanding of the game ... Is being counted on for a big senior season ...

2002: Started 12 games for the Hokies, including the bowl game ... Played in all 14 contests ... Saw action on 768 regular-season offensive snaps and graded out at 85 percent ... Had 39 knockdown blocks ... Played 23 offensive snaps in the opener against Arkansas State, recording three knockdown blocks ... Played 26 offensive snaps against LSU, grading out at 92 percent ... Got the start against Marshall, playing 66 offensive snaps ... Graded out at 80 percent with a team-high six knockdown blocks ... Graded out at 83 percent with three knockdown blocks in the win at Texas A&M ... Graded out at 84 percent with two knockdown blocks at Western Michigan ... Played 67 snaps on offense at Boston College, grading out at 90 percent with five knockdown blocks ... Graded out at 81 percent with two knockdown blocks in the win over Rutgers ... Played 75 snaps on offense against Temple, grading out at 83 percent ... Had five knockdown blocks in that game as well ... Graded out at a season-high 93 percent against Pittsburgh ... Played 69 snaps in that game with a team-high four knockdown blocks ... Was in for 62 snaps on offense at Syracuse, grading out at 80 percent with a knockdown block ... Played all 78 offensive snaps against West Virginia, grading out at 91 percent with three knockdowns ... Played 62 snaps on offense against Virginia, grading out at 87 percent with three knockdown blocks ... Played all 73 offensive snaps at Miami, grading out at 82 percent ... Had one knockdown block ... Posted a personal-best 400-pound bench press during spring testing ... Continued to work at left guard during spring practice ...

2001: Played in nine games, averaging 31 offensive plays per outing ... Saw action on a total of 286 offensive plays during the season with 17 knockdown blocks ... Turned in a 530-pound squat, a 331-pound clean and a 331-pound push jerk in preseason strength and conditioning testing ... Made his first career start against Connecticut ... Played 39 offensive snaps against the Huskies

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and had a personal-best seven knockdowns ... Saw action on 50 offensive snaps against Western Michigan ... Was in for 44 offensive snaps at Rutgers ... Played a season-high 63 snaps and led the team with four knockdowns against UCF ... Had three knockdown blocks on 48 plays at West Virginia ... Came off the bench against Boston College ... Saw limited action over the final five games ... Missed games against Syracuse and Virginia ... Also sat out the Gator Bowl game against Florida State ... Moved to tackle during spring practice ...

2000: Worked his way into a backup spot at right guard ... Played 15 offensive snaps against both Akron and Rutgers ... Saw limited action in games against West Virginia, Miami and Virginia ... Also saw playing time in the Hokies' two jayvee games ... Played in Tech's Gator Bowl victory over Clemson ... Underwent arthroscopic knee surgery following the Gator Bowl ... Was held out of contact work during the early stages of spring workouts, but got a lot of reps during the final seven or eight practices and showed improvement ...

1999: Was redshirted during the fall while practicing at right guard ... Improved in six of seven categories during spring strength and conditioning tests ... His 31 1/2-inch vertical jump during spring testing was the third-best among offensive linemen ... Ran the second-fastest forty time among the O-linemen at 4.94 ... Broke his leg on the second day of spring practice and missed all contact work ... Broke the leg again in May ...

High School: Played running back, tight end, offensive tackle and linebacker for Coach Jerry Little at Franklin County High during his prep career ... Was first-team all-district and all-region on offense and defense as a senior ... Earned first-team Group AAA honors as a linebacker ... Posted 113 tackles his senior year ... Forced five fumbles ... Named team MVP ... Earned All-America honors from *PrepStar* ... A *USA Today* honorable mention All-America pick ... Selected the No. 22 offensive lineman in the ACC Region by the *ACC Area Sports Journal* ... Ranked the No. 16 prospect in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* and *ACC Area Sports Journal* ... Contributed 122 tackles his junior season on the way to first-team all-district and second-team all-region honors ... Also competed in basketball and indoor track ... A member of the National Honor Society ...

Personal: Jacob Edward Gibson ... Born 1/29/81 in Rocky Mount, VA ... Son of William B. and Martha Sue Gibson ... His father, Benny, played football for East Carolina ... Is studying curriculum and instruction.

talk with Jacob

What is your favorite bowl memory at Tech?

Obviously going to the national championship my freshman year is hard to beat, unless of course, we do it this year. If that happens, then I'll have a new favorite bowl memory.

What will you miss the most after you graduate?

I'll definitely miss the guys the most. It's going to be hard saying good-bye to a group of guys that you've spent every day of the last five years with.

What goals do you have for this, your senior season?

The first goal I have is for us to be the BIG EAST champs. Any goals bigger than that will take care of themselves when we win the BIG EAST.

The running game is a huge part of the Tech offense. How much pressure is added to you, as a lineman, and how do you deal with it?

It's not different than anybody else's position on the field. I have to know my assignments and block just like the other guys have to do their jobs.

If you could play any position on the team, what position would you play and why?

I would definitely be a kicker. I'm sure that is a little easier on the body.

What is the hardest thing about being an offensive lineman?

Linemen have a hard time getting to class with all the ladies approaching us on campus.



LANCE GOFF



Flanker • 5-11 • 202 • r-Jr.
Wytheville, Va. • George Wythe H.S.

A versatile team player ... Underwent knee surgery near the end of the 2002 season and missed spring practice ... Saw his first varsity action last season on special teams against Arkansas State ... Joined the team as a walk-on in 2000 and

competed for the punting duties ... Played on the scout and jayvee teams in 2001 ... Worked as a receiver last year before being injured in practice ... Works hard and always gives top effort ...

2002: Played in three varsity games, recording a solo tackle ... Saw action on offense and defense and handled all the kicking chores during a jayvee win over Fork Union ... Threw the game-winning touchdown pass in that game with just over a minute remaining ... Also kicked a field goal and two extra points and punted twice for a 49-yard average ... Tore his ACL in practice and had off-season surgery on his knee ... Did not participate in spring contact work ...

2001: Worked at split end throughout the year ... Played on the scout and jayvee teams ... Caught two passes for 12 yards in a jayvee win over Hargrave ... Improved in all four major lifts during spring strength and conditioning tests ...

2000: Got a look as a punter during the fall ... Worked some as a place-kicker during the spring ...

High School: A four-year varsity letterman for Coach Larry Russell at George Wythe ... Saw action as a linebacker, punter, place-kicker, defensive back, running back and quarterback ... Was first-team Group A all-state as a linebacker and punter his senior year ... Was also the all-state punter his sophomore and junior years ... Won numerous all-district and all-region honors ... Registered over 500 tackles during his career ... First-team all-state in basketball as a senior and second-team all-state in baseball ...

Personal: Lance Gwynn Goff ... Born 3/29/82 in Radford, VA ... Son of Dennis and Judy Goff ... Is studying management.

COREY GORDON



Free Safety • 6-3 • 207 • Fr.
Gainesville, Fla. • Gainesville H.S.

A skilled newcomer who played at Hargrave Academy last fall ... Enrolled at Tech in January and went through winter workouts and spring practice ... Picked up some valuable reps at free safety ... Is still adjusting to the Tech system, but showed plenty of promise ... Combines good size and speed with a physical style of play ... Is working to polish his coverage skills ... Should benefit from the Hokies' athletic performance program ... Could figure into some playing time this fall if he continues to make a good showing when preseason practice opens ... Another talented young player with a bright future ...

2002: Enrolled at Tech in January ... Tied for the top bench press among the defensive backs during off-season testing with a lift of 320 pounds ... Added a 400-pound back squat ... Worked at free safety during spring practice ... Was in on five tackles during one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ...

Prep School: Helped Hargrave to a 9-1 season ... Played for Coach Robert Prunty ... Had 48 solo tackles, three fumble recoveries and two interceptions ... Has four tackles, a tackle for loss and three

passes broken up in a game against the Virginia Tech jayvee team ...

High School: Played for Coach Rick Swain at Gainesville High ... Named to the all-area team by *The Gainesville Sun* as a senior ... Caught 29 passes for 443 yards and three touchdowns his final season ...

Personal: Corey Daven Gordon ... Born 6/9/84 in Gainesville, FL ... Son of David and Gloria Gordon ... Enrolled in university studies.

BRANDON GORE



Offensive Guard • 6-5 • 328 • r-Fr.
Warrenton, Va. • Liberty-Bealeton H.S.

Will compete for playing time at right guard when practice resumes ... Is coming off a good spring practice ... Possesses the ability to play either guard spot ... Has great size and strength ... Must keep an eye on his weight and maintain his conditioning in order to have the needed stamina ... A great team player who has worked to improve his fundamentals ... His summer preparation will be important ... Has the potential to give the offensive line a boost this season ...

2002: Tied for the top bench press among incoming freshmen in August with a lift of 380 pounds ... Was redshirted while working at offensive tackle ... Gained Super Iron Hokie recognition during spring testing when he turned in a 400-pound bench press, 600-pound back squat and 316-pound clean ... Was moved to guard during spring practice ...

High School: A prep All-American offensive lineman for Coach Joe Trabucco at Liberty-Bealeton High ... Helped clear the way for an offensive attack that rushed for more than 4,100 yards in 2001 ... Also played on defense, collecting 43 tackles, including 16 behind the line of scrimmage ... Turned in eight tackles, three tackles for loss and two sacks in a game against Loudon Valley ... Team finished with a 12-1 record and advanced to the region championship game ... Named to All-America teams selected by *SuperPrep* and *PrepStar* ... Ranked the No. 18 offensive guard in the nation by *Tom Lemming's Football Report* ... Listed the No. 28

offensive guard by *Rivals* and the No. 35 offensive lineman in the country by *SuperPrep* ... Rated the No. 11 player in Virginia by *SuperPrep* and No. 13 by *The Roanoke Times* ... A first-team All-Metro pick by *The Washington Post* ... Named the player of the year in his district and region as a senior ... Earned all-region honors on offense and defense ... Was a first-team all-state pick as a senior and a second-team selection his junior year ... Lettered three seasons in football and two years in track ...

Personal: Brandon Lee Gore ... Born 11/7/83 in Warrenton, VA ... Son of Tom and Nadine Gore ... Enrolled in university studies.

ERIC GREEN



Cornerback • 5-11 • 190 • r-Jr. • 2VL
Clewiston, Fla. • Clewiston H.S.

Is anxious to return to action after missing the entire 2002 season ... Saw action at cornerback in 23 of 24 games during his first two seasons at Tech ... Was in the running for a starting job at field corner when he suffered a torn ACL in his left knee prior to the start of preseason practice ... Underwent reconstructive surgery and began his rehab in the fall ... Worked extremely hard to get back in shape ... Returned to participate in all of the Hokies' spring drills and scrimmages ... Is right back in the thick of the battle for starting duties at the field corner position ... Still has some catching up to do from a technique and fundamental standpoint, but seems ready to go physically ... Was one of Tech's top special teams performers before the injury ... Blocked three punts during his first two seasons ... Possesses good size and athletic ability ... Got a lot of experience early in his career ... Found himself pressed into action as a true freshman in 2000 due to injuries at the cornerback position ... Ended up starting five games and playing nearly 400 defensive plays ... Was named second-team Freshman All-America by *The Sporting News* after the season ... Shared time at the field corner spot in 2001 and got a start against Syracuse ... Will be

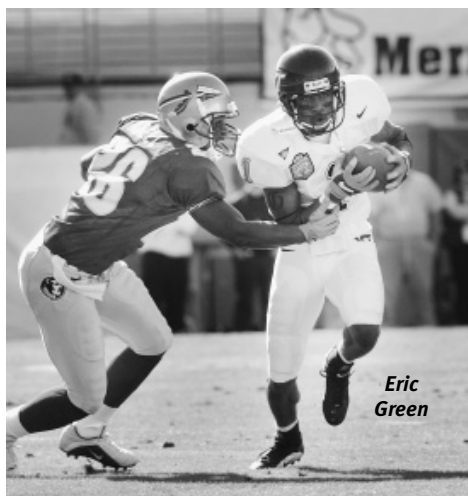
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battling for the starting job again when practice resumes in August ...

2002: Missed the season while recovering from an off-season ACL injury ... Tore the ligament in a summer workout ... Redshirted while rehabbing the knee ... Was able to post a 36-inch vertical jump and 4.49 time in the forty during the off-season ... Worked at field corner during the spring ... Was in on three tackles and broke up a pass during the Maroon-White game ...

2001: Played in 10 games, recording 18 total tackles ... Had 11 solo tackles, seven assists, two passes broken up, two blocked kicks, a forced fumble and a tackle for loss ... Recorded a tackle and broke up a pass in the win over Connecticut ... Had four solo tackles, including three on special teams versus Western Michigan ... Played 28 total plays at Rutgers, 15 on defense ... Also blocked a punt that led to a safety in that game ... Played 47 total plays against UCF, recording a solo stop and two assists ... Got a start against Syracuse, recording an assist ... Did not travel with the team to Pittsburgh due to tonsillitis ... Played 42 snaps on defense against Temple and had a solo tackle ... Had a solo stop and two assists at Virginia ... Blocked a punt that was returned for a touchdown against top-ranked Miami ... Had two solo tackles and an assist against the Hurricanes ... Contributed two tackles against Florida State in the Gator Bowl ... Also intercepted a pass in that game and returned it nine yards ... Registered a pair of tackles and a fumble recovery during the spring Maroon-White game ...

2000: Played in all 12 games on both defense and special teams ... Worked with several different special team units, including the extra point, field goal and punt block teams ... Registered three tackles against Akron in his first collegiate action ... Earned BIG EAST Special Teams Player of the Week honors for his play in



Eric Green

the Rutgers game ... Set up two first-half touchdowns in that game, one when he tackled RU punter Mike Barr for a 22-yard loss after a bad snap, and the other when he blocked a punt ... Also registered his first collegiate interception in that game and had two tackles ... Made his first start against Temple and turned in four tackles and two pass interceptions for 41 yards ... Also drew starts against West Virginia, Syracuse, Pittsburgh and Miami ... Was in on a season-best five tackles versus WVU and broke up three passes ... Had three more break ups, plus an interception, in the Pittsburgh game ... Played 68 defensive plays at Syracuse ... Finished the season with 31 total tackles, 19 unassisted ... Led the team in passes broken up with 12 ... Ranked third on the team in interceptions with four ... Contributed two tackles and broke up a pass in Tech's Gator Bowl win against Clemson ... Posted a 36 1/2-inch vertical jump and 4.43 time in the forty during spring testing ... Posted five unassisted tackles and two assists during the spring Maroon-White game ...

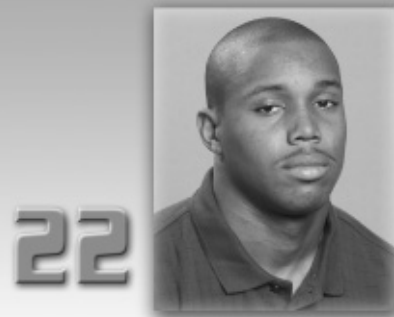
High School: Excelled as a quarterback, receiver and defensive back for Coach Al Morrell at Clewiston ... Helped the team to a 32-8 record over three seasons ... Was the first player in school history to pass for over 1,000 yards in two consecutive seasons ... Set a state record with a 105-yard interception return ... Turned in a school-record 82-yard punt return ... Rated the No. 46 player in Florida by *SuperPrep* and the No. 4 free safety in the state by *The Florida Times-Union* ... A member of the *Times-Union* Super 75 team ... Posted five interceptions as a senior ... Passed for 1,100 yards and rushed for over 400 yards his senior season ... Had 12 touchdowns passing and six rushing ... Passed for three touchdowns and rushed for two in a game against Bishop Verot ... Accumulated over 2,200 career passing yards during his last two seasons ... Caught over 20 passes as a sophomore for more than 500 yards ... Voted the team's MVP in 1999 ... Named to *Palm Beach Post* All-Area team ... Earned all-state honors ... Also lettered in track and basketball ... Placed fifth in the state in the 110 high hurdles with a time of 14.3 seconds ...

Personal: Eric Denaud Green ... Born 3/16/82 in Pahokee, FL ... Son of Janice Freeman and Willie Green ... Enrolled in residential property management.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2000	11	19	12	31	1- 22	0- 0
2001	10	11	7	18	1- 10	0- 0
Career	21	30	19	49	2- 32	0- 0

Interceptions	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	11	4	51	12.8	0	41
2001	10	0	0	0.0	0	0
Career	21	4	51	12.8	0	41

JAMES GRIFFIN



Rover • 6-1 • 193 • Jr.
Memphis, Tenn. • East H.S.

A junior college All-American who entered Tech in January ... Worked at the rover position during spring practice ... Possesses outstanding physical skills, but is still adjusting to the Tech defensive system ... Had a good spring ... Runs well and plays with a good motor ... Rates as a good tackler ... Must continue working to add strength and to become a more disciplined player ... His progress during the summer and in preseason practice will go a long way in determining his playing time this fall ... Has what it takes to be successful ... Could give the Hokies a big boost once he gets adjusted ...

2002: Entered school in January after attending Pasadena (Calif.) City College ... Went through winter strength and conditioning workouts ... Spent spring practice working as a rover ... Was in on seven tackles during one spring scrimmage ... Had five tackles, including a quarterback sack and a tackle for loss in another scrimmage ... Posted a tackle for loss and four total tackles during the Maroon-White game ...

Junior College: Played two years at Pasadena City College for Coach Tom Maher ... Named a first-team All-America linebacker by *JC Grid-Wire* ... Led his team with 86 tackles, nine sacks, five forced fumbles, 39 quarterback hurries and 12 tackles for loss last season ... Named the junior college player of the year by the Pasadena Quarterbacks Club, given to the area's top junior college player ... In his first year at PCC, was a first-team All-Mission Conference selection, recording 69 tackles, eight sacks, 18 quarterback hurries, four fumble recoveries, two blocked kicks and an interception ... Ranked the No. 76 JUCO prospect in the nation by *SuperPrep* ... One of *PrepStar's* top 125 junior college players ...

High School: An all-state selection for Coach Wayne Randall three consecutive years at East High in Tennessee ... The Tennessee state player of the year his junior season ... Set several state records, including sacks in a season (29), sacks in

a career (60) and blocked kicks (19) ...

Personal: James J. Griffin ... Born 12/28/81 in Memphis, TN ... Son of Jackie Griffin and Eric Avant ... Enrolled in interdisciplinary studies.

JAKE GROVE

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**Center • 6-3 • 300 • r-Sr. • 3VL
Forest, Va. • Jefferson Forest H.S.**

A great leader who really sets the pace for the rest of the offensive line ... Rated the No. 1 center in the Division I-A ranks by *The Sporting News* ... A relentless warrior on the field ... Has everything you want a center to have ... Is tough, physical, aggressive and possesses the intangibles needed to play the game at the highest level ... Started all 14 games at center last season and graded out at over 90 percent for the year ... Reached the Winners' Circle every game ... Tech's strongest player with a 490-pound bench press ... Has good athletic ability to go with his strength ... Knows the Tech system and plays with great leverage ... Saw action on 565 snaps while starting 10 games at right guard in 2002 ... Played the last eight games of the 2001 season, including the Gator Bowl, with a broken hand ... Still managed to lead the team in knockdown blocks with 48 ... Averaged 25 plays a game at center as a redshirt freshman in 2000 despite having trouble with his back ... Will anchor the Hokies' offense this season ...

2002: Is the only offensive lineman to grade out above 80 percent in every game, putting him in the "Winner's Circle" ... Saw action on a team-high 838 offensive snaps and graded out at 90 percent or better in nine of 14 regular-season games ... Graded out at 90.6 percent for the season with a team-high 43 knockdown blocks ... Played just 28 snaps against Arkansas State in the season opener ... Graded out at 86 percent with a knockdown block in that game ... Played 67 snaps against LSU, grading out at 85 percent with a team-high six knockdown blocks ... In 74 plays in the win over Marshall, graded out at a team-high 93 percent with three knockdown blocks ... Graded out at 83

talk with Jake

The offensive line doesn't get a lot of glory, but it's one of the most important positions on the team in terms of the success of the offense. What's the toughest part about being a lineman?

The toughest part is also the part that I enjoy the most — every play you're in a physical battle, especially at center. You're not going to get a play off, whether it's a run or a pass; you're going to fight every play. You can't take a play off. If you're a receiver on the backside, you might not have to do too much that play, but when you're playing line, you have to battle every play if you want to win. That's the toughest part, but that's why you play offensive line.

You are on the field for almost every offensive down and you made the Winner's Circle in every game last season. How do you keep up your performance level consistently?

You have to take care of yourself every week. You've got to try to get better as much as you can, eat right, take care of yourself during practice. My dad always tells me, "If you're lax or you're not going full speed, that's when you get hurt," so I just try to go full speed all the time and try to stay away from those guys falling off the pile.

If you could play any other position, what would it be and why?

Probably quarterback, but I wouldn't want to answer all the questions if we lost. You play center, normally you don't have to answer those questions. If you don't play a good game at quarterback, you get the finger pointed at you all the time. That's nice when you're winning, but if you have a bad game, that's not too good. But I kind of like offensive line. You don't get all the glory, but I kind of like it.

How would you like to be remembered when you leave Virginia Tech?

I'd like to be remembered as a guy who came out every day and gave everything he had every time I came on the field. The coaches and players could count on me to do my job the best I could. If I didn't do it right one time, I'd come back the next time and get it right. Just as someone the coaches could count on and my teammates could count on.

What has been your most memorable moment on the field?

I don't know if I can say for certain one time, but every time you run out onto the field, whether it's Lane Stadium or Texas A&M or at the Orange Bowl in Miami, you know it's a big rush. I just love college football and everything that goes with it: the fans, the players, the coaches, the TV. I can't say one play on the field was better than another. I love Saturday football and getting up in the morning and going to the stadium. You can't beat it.

Who in your life has contributed the most to where you are today?

Both my parents. My mom and dad set a really good example for me all the time when I was growing up. They never let me slack around or be lazy. They always had me doing stuff. At the time, I didn't like it so much, but now I really appreciate everything that they did for me. I wouldn't be the person or the player that I am now if they hadn't influenced me the way they did.

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percent with three knockdown blocks in the win at Texas A&M ... Graded out at 93 percent with two knockdowns at Western Michigan ... Was again in the "Winner's Circle" for the Boston College game, grading out at 90 percent with four knockdown blocks on 67 snaps ... Graded out at a season-high 94 percent with three knockdown blocks against Rutgers ... Played 75 snaps on offense against Temple, grading out tops among the linemen at 92 percent ... Also had a team-high six knockdown blocks ... Played 69 snaps on offense against Pittsburgh, grading out at 93 percent ... Also had three knockdown blocks ... Tied his season high at Syracuse in grading out at 94 percent ... Played 62 snaps and had three knockdown blocks ... Was in for 78 snaps against West Virginia, grading out at 90 percent ... Played 62 snaps on offense against Virginia, grading out at 91 percent with three knockdown blocks ... Was named the team's most valuable lineman following the season ... Also shared the President's Award for outstanding leadership during the Hokies' off-season program and spring workouts ... Posted the second-best bench press in Tech football history with a 490-pound lift during spring maxing ... His 4.26 time in the NFL Shuttle was tops among the Hokies' offensive linemen ...

2001: Played in all 11 regular-season games, averaging 51 offensive snaps per game ... Graded out at 84.9 percent for the year with a team-high 48 knockdown blocks ... Recorded a team-high 10 knockdowns on 37 snaps in the opener against UConn ... Graded out at 86 percent with four knockdowns at Rutgers ... Did not start against West Virginia due to a broken hand, but played 20 snaps ... Came back to get the start at right guard against Boston College ... Saw action on 68 snaps and graded out at 92 percent in that game ... Saw action on all 68 offensive snaps against Syracuse ... Played 53 offensive snaps and had six knockdowns at Pittsburgh ... Graded out at 93 percent with a team-high three knockdown blocks at Virginia ... Graded 85 percent against No. 1 Miami on 48 plays with four knockdown blocks ... Switched back to center during the spring ... Earned



Jake Grove

the George Preas Award as the most valuable offensive performer during the spring ...

2000: Saw action in every game ... Worked a season-high 46 snaps against Temple and played 35 downs in the Miami game ... Earned a winning grade in seven of the 11 regular season games ... Also played against Clemson in the Gator Bowl ... Moved from center to guard during the spring ... Finished spring workouts as the starter at right guard ...

1999: Made the most of a redshirt year, adding strength and gaining familiarity with the center position ... Set a position record with a 376-pound power clean during spring testing ... Tied for the team's top push jerk at 375 pounds ... Bench pressed 420 pounds during the fall ... Made a big push for the center duties during spring practice ...

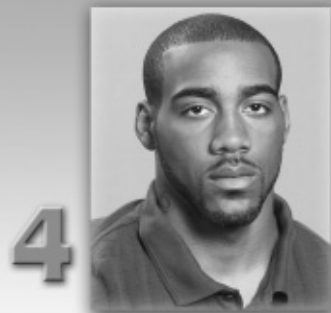
1998: Enrolled at Tech in January ... Made an immediate impact in the weight room ... Bench pressed 380 pounds during spring testing ... Set a record for the best power clean by a Tech center with a lift of 360 pounds ... Also set a position mark in the vertical jump at 32.5 ... Made a strong challenge for the starting center duties during spring practice ...

High School: Lettered two years as a center and

defensive tackle for Coach Bob Christmas at Jefferson Forest High ... Played his senior year at guard and defensive tackle for Coach Ed Landis ... A postseason first-team All-America pick by *PrepStar* ... Rated the No. 20 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Named the Region III and Seminole District defensive player of the year in 1997 ... Was an all-district and all-region pick on both offense and defense ... Picked first-team all-state as a defensive tackle by both the coaches and AP ... Helped the team to the state Group AA championship game in '97 ... Registered 48 solo tackles and 53 assists for the season ... Added nine sacks and three fumble recoveries ... Had three sacks, caused two fumbles and made 13 tackles in a game against Appomattox ... Grew two inches and added 40 pounds between his junior and senior seasons ...

Personal: Charles Jacob Grove ... Born 1/22/80 in Johnson City, TN ... Son of Chuck and Ruth Grove ... His dad is a Tech graduate ... Enrolled in residential property management.

DEANGELO HALL



Cornerback/Flanker • 5-11 • 198 • Jr. • 2VL
Chesapeake, Va. • Deep Creek H.S.

An exciting player whose talents may allow him the opportunity to contribute big plays on offense, defense and special teams this season ... Returns as Tech's starter at the boundary cornerback position and as the Hokies' top punt return man ... Earned second-team All-BIG EAST honors for both jobs in 2002 and finished seventh nationally in punt returns ... Began 2003 spring practice working at receiver as an experiment to bring additional big-play ability to the position ... Got a solid foundation in the offense and studied it ... Still has a lot to learn, but his showing at the position was enough to earn him the chance to be a three-way performer when the season opens ... Possesses extraordinary athletic ability and speed ... Set a Tech football record with a 4.15 clocking in the forty during the spring ... Selected a second-team preseason All-American by *Athlon Sports* magazine ... Ranked the nation's No. 6 cornerback and the No. 14 return man by *The Sporting News* ... Has registered seven interceptions during his first two seasons ... Was one of four true freshmen to play in 2001 ... Saw action in every game and got a start at Temple ... Was named fourth-team Freshman All-America by TSN ... Has excellent coverage skills, but must learn to stay disciplined and focused every down ... His time at receiver may actually make him better in the secondary ... Will be asked to shoulder a lot of responsibility this season ... Has the ability to pull it off ...

2002: Started 10 games at cornerback and also returned punts ... Ranked seventh in the nation in punt returns, averaging 16.0 yards per return ... Had a long of 71 yards and scored twice on returns ... Had 36 solo tackles and 19 assists for the season ... Also had four interceptions, 12 passes broken up and a forced fumble ... Started the 2002 season with a bang against Arkansas State ... Returned a punt 69 yards for a touchdown, then returned an interception 49 yards for a score ... Recorded seven tackles and a

pass broken up against LSU ... Had three "big hits" against Marshall ... Also had two solo tackles, two passes broken up and an assist ... Recorded three solo stops and two assists, along with two passes broken up in the win at Texas A&M ... Had three solo tackles and an assist at Western Michigan ... Registered two solo stops, three assists and an interception in the win at Boston College ... Had four tackles and a 51-yard punt return for a touchdown against Rutgers ... The return helped earn him BIG EAST Co-Special Teams Player of the Week honors ... Came off the bench against Temple to record a solo tackle, a pass broken up and his third interception of the season ... Returned to the starting lineup against Pittsburgh and had one of his best games of the season ... Recorded three solo tackles, two assisted stops and two pass breakups ... Also recorded his fourth interception of the year, which he returned 46 yards ... Missed both the Syracuse and West Virginia games with lower back pain ... Returned to play 20 snaps on defense against Virginia, recording two solo tackles and an assist ... Had 14 solo tackles and two assists at top-ranked Miami ... Also credited with two passes broken up and a forced fumble ... Had an assisted tackle and a pass broken up in Tech's bowl win ... Posted the fastest forty time ever for a Tech football player with a spring timing of 4.15 on Tech's indoor track ... Opened the spring working at the flanker position ... Split time between offense and defense during the last few practices ... Caught a 10-yard pass and had a 10-yard carry during the first spring scrimmage ... Hauled in a 41-yard touchdown pass in the third scrimmage ... Had three catches for 17 yards to go with a tackle and two passes broken up in Tech's final scrimmage ... Grabbed four passes for 47 yards during the Maroon-White game and returned a punt 18 yards ... Was named one of Tech's four most valuable performers of the spring ...

2001: Turned in the fastest 40-yard dash among the freshmen at 4.37 in preseason strength and conditioning testing ... Also bench pressed 300 pounds ... Played in all 11 games, starting one ... Had 42 tackles on the year ... Recorded 24 solo stops, 18 assists, three pass breakups and three interceptions ... Got his first collegiate action in the opener against Connecticut ... Had three tackles, two assists and also recorded an interception against the Huskies ... Had a solo tackle on 10 defensive plays versus Western Michigan ... Was in on three tackles at Rutgers ... Broke a bone in his hand during that

game, forcing him to play with a cast against UCF ... Had two solo tackles and an assist against the Golden Knights ... Played 25 snaps on defense at West Virginia, recording three solo stops ... Saw action on nine defensive snaps against Boston College, collecting two solo tackles and an assist ... Collected his second interception of the year at Pittsburgh, returning it 35 yards ... Also had seven tackles in that game ... Made his first career start at Temple ... Played a season-high 78 total snaps, recording six solo tackles, five assists, two passes broken up and an interception ... Recorded one solo tackle, four assists and a PBU at Virginia ... Had an assisted tackle against No. 1 Miami ... Was in on four tackles, including one for a 3-yard loss, during Tech's Gator Bowl game against Florida State ... Shared the George Preas Award as the most valuable defensive performer during spring practice ... Posted four tackles and broke up a pass during the Maroon-White game ...

High School: Had an outstanding senior season for Coach David Cox, helping Deep Creek to the state AAA Division 6 championship game ... Scored 30 touchdowns and rushed for over 1,300 yards ... Also intercepted nine passes, posted over 100 tackles and had 16 tackles for loss ... Averaged 10 yards every time he touched the ball ... Was named a *SuperPrep* All-American and ranked the No. 9 defensive back in the nation and No. 2 player in Virginia by that publication ... Also earned All-America honors from *PrepStar* which named him the No. 3 defensive back and No. 12 overall prospect in the Atlantic Region, and from *Student Sports*, which rated him the No. 13 cornerback in the nation ... *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* listed him the No. 41 player in the Mid-Atlantic Region ... A first-team Group AAA defensive back pick by The Associated Press ... Selected first-team all-state as a DB and kick returner by the coaches ... Ranked the No. 2 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Tidewater Player of the Year as a senior ... Also the Norfolk Sports Club Player of the Year ... Earned all-district player of the year honors and was named to the all-district team as a running back, defensive back and return man ... Averaged 9.8 yards a carry during his junior year and added seven picks ... Was the district offensive and defensive player of the year as a junior and a first-team pick as a defensive back on the All-Tidewater team ... Ran a sub 4.4 time in the forty at Tech's summer football camp in 2000 ... Was a sprinter on the track team ... Placed sixth at the junior nationals in the 60-meter dash as a junior ... Third in state AAA long jump as a senior ...

Personal: DeAngelo Eugene Hall ... Born 11/19/83 in Chesapeake, VA ... Son of Joan Hall ... Enrolled in secondary education.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2001	11	24	18	42	0- 0	0- 0
2002	12	36	19	55	0- 0	0- 0
Career	23	60	37	97	0- 0	0- 0

2002 Tackles Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	1	0	1	0- 0	0- 0
LSU	1	2	5	7	0- 0	0- 0
MU	1	2	1	3	0- 0	0- 0
at TAM	1	3	2	5	0- 0	0- 0
at WMU	1	3	1	4	0- 0	0- 0
at BC	1	2	3	5	0- 0	0- 0
RU	1	3	1	4	0- 0	0- 0
TU	1	1	0	1	0- 0	0- 0
PITT	1	3	2	5	0- 0	0- 0
at SU	Did not play					
WVU	Did not play					
UVa	1	2	1	3	0- 0	0- 0
at UM	1	14	2	16	0- 0	0- 0
vs AF	1	0	1	1	0- 0	0- 0

Interceptions	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	11	3	37	12.3	0	35
2002	12	4	100	25.0	1	49
Career	23	7	137	19.6	1	49

Punt Ret	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	11	1	0	0.0	0	0
2002	12	22	352	16.0	2	71
Career	23	23	352	15.3	2	71



Justin Hamilton
Split End • 6-3 • 209 • r-So. • 1VL
Clintwood, Va. • Clintwood H.S.

Picked up some valuable experience as a receiver during the 2002 season ... Was starting to come into his own during the spring when he was slowed by an ankle injury ... Showed improvement in his body control and his route running before being injured ... A big, strong player with good speed and athletic ability ... Possesses a good feel for the game ... Is smart and motivated ... Has worked hard to adjust since being moved from tailback to receiver prior to 2002 spring practice ... Was named Tech's top offensive newcomer at the conclusion of spring practice that year and led all receivers in the spring game with four catches for 44 yards ... Saw action as a receiver in nine games last season and started on the punt return team in every game but one ... Blocked two punts during the season, one of which

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led to a Tech touchdown and one that was returned for a touchdown ... Will get a chance to increase his playing time at receiver this fall ...

2002: Saw limited action on offense ... Also played on both the field goal and punt block teams ... Led the team with two punt blocks ... Also caught five passes for 56 yards ... Played 16 offensive snaps in the opener against Arkansas State ... Caught his first collegiate pass in that game, a 5-yard reception ... Also played 11 snaps on special teams ... Saw 10 snaps on offense and 11 on special teams against LSU ... Blocked a punt against the Tigers that resulted in a Tech touchdown ... Saw brief offensive action in the win over Marshall ... Also played seven snaps on special teams against the Herd ... Played seven snaps on special teams at Texas A&M ... Caught a key 23-yard pass on the opening drive of the second half in the win at Western Michigan ... Was in for seven special teams plays in the win at Boston College ... Played 13 snaps on offense and 10 on special teams against Rutgers ... Recorded a 10-yard reception in that game ... Had an 11-yard reception in the win over Temple ... Played eight snaps on special teams against Pittsburgh ... Missed the Syracuse game with a sprained left ankle ... Played three snaps on offense and 10 on special teams against West Virginia ... Blocked his second punt of the year against Virginia, which was picked up and returned for a touchdown ... Caught a 7-yard pass in Tech's bowl win ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors during the off-season ... His 340-pound bench press tied for tops among the receivers ... Added a 450-pound back squat and ran a 4.46 forty ... Worked at flanker and split end during the spring ... Missed some practice time due to an ankle injury ... Had one catch for 2-yards in the Maroon-White game ...

2001: Worked at tailback and receiver while redshirting ... Bench pressed 330 pounds and ran a 4.53 forty during spring testing ... Moved to flanker during the early stages of spring practice ... Caught two passes for 26 yards during one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Had four catches for 44 yards in the Maroon-White game ... Won the Paul Torgersen Award as Tech's top offensive newcomer ...

High School: Rushed for over 4,000 yards and scored 62 touchdowns for Coach Bob Meade during his prep career ... Had 1,153 yards rushing and 19 TDs as a senior, but won first-team Group A all-state honors for his play as a defensive back ... A *SuperPrep* All-American, he was ranked the No. 24 running back in the nation and the No. 6

player in Virginia ... Named *PrepStar* A-A and listed as the No. 3 RB in the Atlantic Region and the No. 26 overall prospect in the region ... Listed the No. 4 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Gained 1,550 yards and tallied 20 TDs in 1999 on the way to first-team all-state honors as a running back ... Was named the district player of the year and earned all-district and all-region honors on both offense and defense ... Added over 800 yards and 19 touchdowns his sophomore season ... A two-time all-state pick in basketball ... Averaged 21 points and 13 rebounds as a senior and 24 points and 12 boards his junior season ... Also excelled in track, winning the state title in both the 110- and 300-meter hurdles his junior year ...

Personal: Justin Lee Hamilton ... Born 9/17/82 in Norton, VA ... Son of Beth Stanley ... Enrolled in hospitality and tourism management.

Receiving	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	13	5	56	11.2	0	23

BRENDEN HILL



Split End • 6-1 • 200 • r-Fr.
Newport News, Va. • Warwick H.S.

A newcomer who adds depth at the split end position ... Began adjusting to the Tech system while redshirting last season ... Picked up some reps during spring practice ... Possesses good size, but must continue working in the athletic performance program to enhance his strength and speed ... Coaches would like to see him gain some explosiveness ... Has shown flashes of his potential, but needs some added exposure to the position to develop more consistency ...

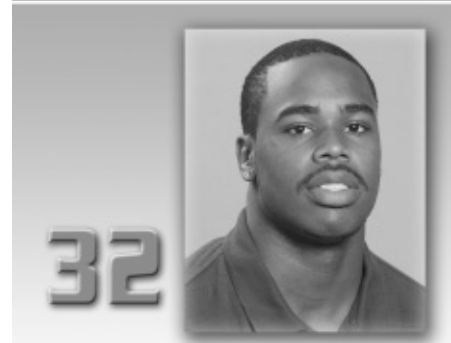
2002: Was redshirted during the fall while working at the split end position ... Showed improvement in three of the four major lifts during the off-season ... Had a 6-yard reception during one spring scrimmage ... Caught a pass for a 1-yard gain during the Maroon-White game ...

High School: Led Warwick High and the Peninsula District in receiving as a junior and senior ... Was a first-team all-district pick as a senior and earned second-team district honors on both

offense and defense his junior year ... Lettered two seasons as wide receiver and outside linebacker for Coach Tommy Reamon ... Caught 41 passes for 567 yards and six touchdowns in 2001 ... Grabbed five passes for 115 yards and a touchdown against Gloucester ... Contributed 46 tackles and four quarterback sacks on defense ... Finished with 39 catches as a junior, gaining 534 yards and scoring eight TDs ... Hauled in seven passes for 110 yards and two TDs against eventual state champ Heritage ... Scored a touchdown on a pass interception his junior season and posted 33 tackles ... Averaged 13.7 yards per catch during his two seasons ... Earned the team's Michael Vick Award for the most potential in 2000 ... Named a preseason All-American by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Was a preseason All-Atlantic Region pick by *PrepStar* ... Ranked the No. 38 player in the Mid-Atlantic Coast region by Lemming following his senior year ... Rated the No. 36 prospect in Virginia by *SuperPrep* and the No. 37 player by *The Roanoke Times* ... Played basketball and competed in track ... Was named the basketball team's top defensive player as a junior ... Set a school track mark in the 400 meters with a time of 47.8 ... Also participated in the 4x400 relay and the 300-meter hurdles as a sophomore ...

Personal: Brenden Dee Hill ... Born 7/7/84 in Newport News, VA ... Son of Ms. Shawn Hill ... Enrolled in university studies.

CEDRIC HUMES



Tailback • 6-1 • 223 • r-So. • 1VL
Virginia Beach, Va. • Princess Anne H.S.

Returned to the tailback position during the spring after serving as the No. 2 fullback last season ... Took some time to readjust to the position, but was showing the form that turned heads during his redshirt freshman season by the end of spring practice ... A big, powerful runner who is hard to bring down ... Mixes good athletic ability with outstanding speed ... Got some extra work on blocking while he was working at the fullback position ... Has

benefited from the Hokies' strength and conditioning program ... Must concentrate on being a north-south runner ... Gives the Hokies another threat at the tailback position ...

2002: Was switched from tailback to fullback when practice opened ... Played in all 14 games, carrying the ball 16 times for 68 yards ... Also caught seven passes for 76 yards ... Saw action on 34 offensive plays in the opener against Arkansas State ... Had a team-high 10 carries in that game for 52 yards ... Also caught a 1-yard pass ... Played 13 snaps on offense against LSU ... Carried the ball two times for three yards in the win over Marshall ... Caught a 4-yard pass in the win at Texas A&M ... Carried the ball once for three yards at Western Michigan ... Played 12 snaps on offense and four on special teams in the win at Boston College ... Played 12 snaps on offense and three on special teams against Rutgers ... Carried the ball three times for 10 yards in the win over Temple ... Also had a 6-yard reception ... Caught a 15-yard pass against Pittsburgh ... Played seven snaps on offense and eight on special teams at Syracuse ... Caught a pass for seven yards against West Virginia ... Caught a 26-yard pass out of the backfield at Miami ... Improved his back squat to 560 pounds during spring testing ... Posted personal bests in all four major lifts ... Moved back to tailback for spring practice ... Ran for three touchdowns during red-zone work in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Added two more short TD runs in another scrimmage ... Led all rushers in the Maroon-White game with six carries for 57 yards ...

2001: Was redshirted as a true freshman ... Worked at tailback during the fall ... Earned Iron Hokie status during the off-season ... Turned in a 320-pound bench press and 500-pound back squat ... Ran a 4.42 forty and posted a 34 1/2-inch vertical jump ... Rushed for two touchdowns during one scrimmage on runs of one and 25 yards ... Gained 36 yards on nine carries ... Ran for 29 yards and one TD in another scrimmage ... Finished the Maroon-White game with 28 yards on five carries, an average of 5.6 yards a carry ... Won the Frank O. Moseley Award as the top offensive hustler of spring practice ...

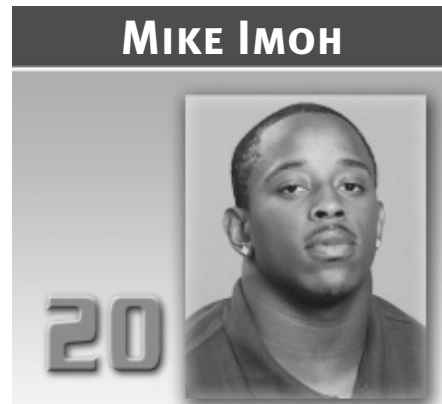
High School: Played running back and linebacker for Coach Jeff Ballance at Princess Anne ... Earned *SuperPrep* and *PrepStar* All-America honors after rushing for 1,640 yards and 22 TDs as a senior ... Rated the No. 28 running back in the nation and the No. 8 player in Virginia by *SuperPrep* ... Picked the No. 2 RB in the Atlantic Region and the No. 22 overall player in the region by *PrepStar* ... *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* named

him the No. 25 player in the Mid-Atlantic area ... Ranked the No. 9 prospect in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... The No. 76 running back in the nation according to *Rivals* ... Contributed 87 tackles on defense his senior year with two sacks and eight fumble recoveries ... Rushed for 197 yards on just nine carries in one contest during his senior season and had 200 yards on 18 attempts in another game ... Named to the All-Tidewater team and also earned all-district and all-region honors as a tailback ... Selected conference offensive player of the year ... Gained 1,300 yards and scored 18 TDs as a junior ... Contributed 80 tackles on defense and intercepted five passes, returning three for touchdowns ... His team posted a 19-5 record in his two years as a starter and made back-to-back appearances in the Group AAA playoffs ... Also contributed in basketball and track ...

Personal: Cedric Akeem Humes ... Born 8/7/83 in Virginia Beach, VA ... Son of Alfred and Sheria Humes ... Enrolled in university studies.

Rushing	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	14	16	68	4.2	0	9

Receiving	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	14	7	76	10.9	0	26



MIKE IMOH

Tailback • 5-7 • 185 • So.
Fairfax, Va. • Robinson H.S.

A talented young back who does an excellent job in all phases of the game ... Saw a limited amount of playing time at both receiver and tailback last year ... Could play an important role for the Hokies this fall, especially in third-down situations ... A tough runner with good speed and quickness ... Has made himself stronger through his dedication to the strength and conditioning program ... Works hard and loves to compete ... Made a lot of progress during the course of his freshman year ... Should be a real asset in Tech's offensive plans this season ...

2002: His 36-inch vertical jump was the best among incoming freshmen ... Played in five games, rushing 10 times for 38 yards ... Also caught four passes for 28

yards and a touchdown ... Saw his first collegiate action in the opener against Arkansas State ... Played 22 offensive snaps ... Caught a team-high four passes for 28 yards ... Caught a 19-yard pass for his first collegiate touchdown ... Saw six offensive snaps and five on special teams in the win over LSU ... Carried the ball once for three yards at Western Michigan ... Was the workhorse in Tech's jayvee win over Fork Union, carrying the ball 31 times for 164 yards ... Carried the ball five times for 13 yards in the win over Rutgers ... Missed the Temple game with a sprained ankle ... Dressed for the remaining games, but did not see any action ... Improved his bench press to 350 pounds during the off-season and increased his vertical jump to 37 1/2 inches, second-best among all of Tech's running backs ... Posted the second-best forty time (4.41) and NFL shuttle time (3.95) among the running backs ... Rushed for 22 yards on seven carries and added two pass receptions for 40 yards during one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Had seven carries for 21 yards in the annual Maroon-White game ...

High School: Named the Virginia Group AAA Player of the Year by The Associated Press in 2001 ... Rushed for 5,280 yards and scored 68 touchdowns during his varsity career for Coach Mark Bendorf ... A *SuperPrep* All-American who was rated the No. 41 running back in the nation ... Helped his team to the state AAA Division 6 championship as a senior ... Ran for 2,077 yards and 28 touchdowns ... Added over 400 yards and three TDs on pass receptions ... Had 292 yards rushing and four touchdowns on just eight carries in a game against Langley High ... Scored four TDs and rushed for 210 yards in the state championship game ... Earned all-district, all-region and all-state honors ... Named to *The Washington Post* All-Metro team ... Picked up 1,760 yards on the ground his junior season, scoring 16 touchdowns ... Set over 20 school records during his prep career, including career and season marks for rushing yards and touchdowns ... Contributed over 1,000 yards receiving ... Team was 31-5 during his career ... A three-time varsity captain in football and basketball ... Won a region power lifting championship ... Rated the No. 11 player in the state by *The Roanoke Times* ... Named to *PrepStar* All-Atlantic Region team ... Rated the No. 13 prospect in Virginia by *SuperPrep* ...

Personal: Michael U. Imoh ... Born 7/21/84 in Fairfax, VA ... Son of James and Alice Imoh ... Enrolled in university studies.

Rushing	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	5	10	38	3.8	0	18

Receiving	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	5	4	28	7.0	1	19

RICHARD JOHNSON



**Flanker • 5-10 • 189 • r-Jr. • 2VL
Baltimore, Md. • Milford Mill Academy**

An experienced player who the coaches are hoping will become more explosive in 2003 ... Worked hard during the spring to get separation faster and to become more consistent in his route execution ... Showed he could carry that over into scrimmage situations ... Underwent ankle surgery after spring practice and should be able to start conditioning by the end of June ... Brings plenty of potential to the receiver positions ... Is a quick, elusive runner who excels in the open field ... Adjusts to the ball and makes catches ... Also handles the Hokies' kickoff return duties ... Had a 91-yard return against Miami last season ... Set a Tech bowl record for kickoff return yards with 118 in the Gator Bowl following the 2001 season ... Seemed poised for a good season in 2001 but was slowed by a nagging hamstring injury for most of the year ... Only played seven offensive snaps over the Hokies' last eight regular-season games ... Played in every game in 2002, including two as a starter ... His summer preparation will be important coming off surgery ... Is expected to compete for the starting flanker duties in the fall ... Coaches would like nothing better than to see him fulfill his potential as a big-play threat ...

2002: Saw action as a receiver, punt returner and kickoff returner during the season ... Caught 14 passes for 147 yards ... Also rushed three times for 22 yards ... Returned 23 kickoffs for an average of 21.1 yards per return with a long of 91 yards ... Returned 14 punts for an average of 7.1 yards per return ... Returned his lone kickoff against Arkansas State 33 yards to start the game ... Also played 11 offensive snaps ... Had a 14-yard punt return and a 20-yard kickoff return in the win over LSU ... Also played 24 offensive snaps ... Returned a kickoff 19 yards against Marshall ... Saw action on 30 offensive plays against the Herd ... Caught an 8-yard pass at Texas A&M ... Also had a 13-yard rush on a reverse in that game ... Made his first career start at Western

Michigan ... Caught two passes for 26 yards in that game ... Started at Boston College, returning one punt and four kickoffs ... Also had a catch for seven yards in that game ... Played 27 snaps on offense and returned three kicks against Rutgers ... Registered a career-high four catches against Temple for 40 yards ... Also rushed for nine yards on a reverse ... Played 25 snaps on offense and five on special teams against Pittsburgh ... Caught two passes for 10 yards at Syracuse ... Also saw action on 14 special teams plays ... Made the move to punt returner against West Virginia ... Returned his lone kick 20 yards ... Also had two receptions for six yards ... Came up with a big reception against Virginia, turning a short pass play into a 39-yard reception that set up the game-clinching touchdown ... Returned a kickoff 91 yards at Miami and had an 11-yard catch ... Missed the San Francisco Bowl due to a sprained ankle ... Posted a personal-best 340-pound bench press during the off-season ... Had three catches for 40 yards in one spring scrimmage and two for 35 yards in another ... Ran 20 yards on a reverse and caught two passes for 20 yards in a third spring scrimmage ... Hauled in three passes for 35 yards, ran 26 yards for a touchdown on a reverse and returned a punt 11 yards during the Maroon-White game ...

2001: Caught four passes for 34 yards on the season ... Rushed twice for seven yards and averaged 22.2 yards per kickoff return ... Opened the season with two receptions for 29 yards against Connecticut ... Averaged 24.5 yards on two kickoff returns in that game ... Returned a kickoff 26 yards against Western Michigan ... Had a catch for four yards against Rutgers ... Averaged 23 yards on three returns against UCF ... Did not dress for the West Virginia and Boston College games due to a hamstring injury ... Played in Tech's jayvee game against Hargrave ... Came in at quarterback in that game with Tech down 15-2 and led the team to a 19-15 win ... Threw a 36-yard touchdown pass, caught a pass and rushed four times ... Registered three solo tackles and two tackles for loss as a cornerback in that jayvee game ... Returned to varsity action against Syracuse ... Had a 9-yard rush on a reverse in that game ... Returned three kickoffs for 50 yards with a long of 21 yards at Pittsburgh ... Caught one pass and had a 40-yard kickoff return against top-ranked Miami ... Set a Tech bowl record when he had 118 yards on five kickoff returns against Florida State in the Gator Bowl ... Caught three passes for 69 yards and a touchdown during one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Blocked a punt in another scrimmage ... Hauled in a

10-yard pass during the Maroon-White game ...

2000: Worked at the flanker position during the fall while redshirting ... Improved in seven categories from fall athletic performance testing to spring testing ... Added over 15 pounds to his frame during that span ... Turned in a 450-pound back squat and a 37 1/2-inch vertical jump ... Averaged 4.37 seconds over one group of three 40-yard dashes during Tech's pro timing day ... Caught an 89-yard touchdown pass in Tech's first scrimmage of the spring ... Had five catches for 31 yards in another outing ... Led all receivers in the Maroon-White game with six catches for 49 yards ...

High School: A prep All-American who was listed the No. 5 wide receiver and the No. 28 overall prospect in the nation by *SuperPrep* ... Saw action at quarterback, running back, wide receiver, free safety, strong safety and cornerback for Coach Reggie Brooks during his varsity career at Milford Mill ... Also returned kicks ... Accumulated nearly 6,000 yards of total offense during his career, passing for 3,343 yards and rushing for 2,430 yards ... Threw for 1,109 yards and 18 touchdowns as a quarterback his senior year ... Added 1,138 yards and 10 TDs on the ground ... Returned three kickoffs for touchdowns ... Posted three interceptions ... Finished with 41 career passing touchdowns and 28 rushing TDs ... Named to *The Baltimore Sun's* All-Metro team ... A consensus all-state selection as a junior and senior ... Earned *SuperPrep* and *PrepStar* All-America honors ... Ranked No. 77 on the National Recruiting Center's list of Top 100 Players ... Rated the Mid-Atlantic Defensive Player of the Year by *SuperPrep* ... An honorable mention All-USA pick by *USA Today* ... Listed as the No. 1 player in Maryland and No. 2 player in the Mid-Atlantic Region by *SuperPrep* ... Picked the No. 4 receiver in the Atlantic Region by *PrepStar* ... Named the No. 25 safety in the nation by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Averaged nearly 10 points a game as the starting point guard on the basketball team ...

Personal: Richard M. Johnson ... Born 6/17/82 in Baltimore, MD ... Son of Betty and Rodney Swayne ... Enrolled in secondary education.

Receiving	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	7	4	34	8.5	0	20
2002	13	14	147	10.5	0	39
Career	20	18	181	10.1	0	39
2002 Receiving Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
LSU	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
MU	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
at TAM	1	1	8	8.0	0	8
at WMU	1	2	26	13.0	0	14
at BC	1	1	7	7.0	0	7
RU	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
TU	1	4	40	10.0	0	18

PITT	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
at SU	1	2	10	5.0	0	6
WVU	1	2	6	3.0	0	4
UVa	1	1	39	39.0	0	39
at UM	1	1	11	11.0	0	11
vs AF	did not play					

K.O. Ret	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	7	12	267	22.2	0	40
2002	13	23	485	21.1	0	91
Career	20	35	752	21.5	0	91

Punt Ret	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	13	14	100	7.1	0	20

KEVIN JONES



Tailback • 6-0 • 209 • Jr. • 2VL
Chester, Pa. • Cardinal O'Hara H.S.

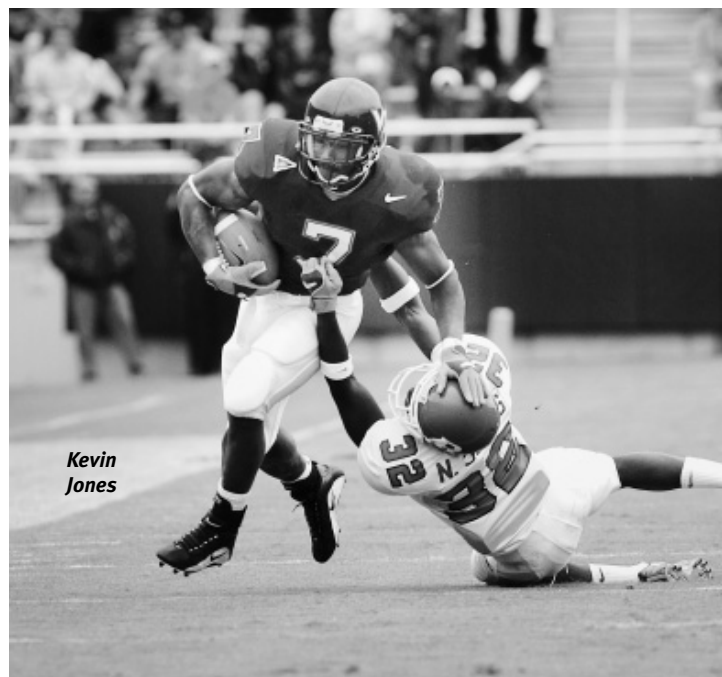
One of the top tailbacks in the collegiate ranks ... Will take over as the featured back in the Hokies' I-formation this fall ... Has rushed for 1,828 yards the past two seasons while starting just three regular-season games ... Shared the spotlight with record-setting senior Lee Suggs last year ... Was having an outstanding year until a hamstring injury slowed him down ... Still registered 871 yards and nine touchdowns ... Continues to get better in all phases of the game ... Selected to the 2003 *Playboy* All-America Team ... Named second-team preseason All-America by *The Sporting News* ... Was a third-team preseason pick by *Athlon Sports* magazine ... Listed as the No. 3 running back in the nation by TSN ... A tough, physical runner with blazing speed ... Excels in the strength and conditioning program ... Has become a good blocker and is running good pass routes out of the backfield ... Is tough to bring down ... Was the nation's top recruit when he came to Tech in 2001 ... Played in every game that season ... Worked his way up to the No. 2 tailback spot by the second game and was starting by the ninth game ... Led the Hokies in rushing with 957 yards ... His rushing total set a Tech freshman record ... Finished the season fifth in the BIG EAST in rushing, tops among freshmen ... Was fifth among all Division I-A freshmen in rushing for the season and third among true freshmen ... Voted the BIG EAST Rookie of the Year by the league coaches and was a second-team Freshman All-

America selection by *The Sporting News* ... Coaches feel he has all the tools to be the best running back to play at Virginia Tech ...

2002: Rushed for 871 net yards and nine touchdowns on 160 carries ... Also caught four passes for 21 yards ... Began the season in quiet fashion, rushing for just 31 yards on four carries ... Had a 19-yard run for a touchdown ... Also had three solo tackles on special teams ... Carried the ball 14 times for 70 yards in the win over LSU ... Had a 2-yard touchdown run and a long run of 34 yards ... Erupted in the Hokies' win over Marshall, rushing 24 times for 171 yards and three TDs ... First score came on a 25-yard run up the middle ... Scored on a 15-yard rush around the left end in the second quarter ... Final score came on a 1-yard run around the right side in the fourth quarter ... Ran for 48 yards on 15 carries at Texas A&M ... Suffered his first lost fumble of the season in that game ... Ran the ball 14 times for 36 yards and a touchdown at Western Michigan ... Also had a solo tackle on special teams ... Carried the ball 18 times for 144 yards in the win at Boston College ... Scored on a 4-yard run that put the Hokies up for good ... Had a season-long run of 67 yards ... Also had a solo tackle on special teams ... Carried the ball 13 times for 132 yards and a touchdown against Rutgers ... Scored on a 58-yard run that was on every highlight show ... Also had a solo tackle on punt coverage ... Led the team with 72 yards rushing against Temple on 17 carries ... Also had an assisted tackle on special teams ... Left the Pittsburgh game early with a strained hamstring ... Carried the ball twice for four yards ... Scored on a 3-yard run before the injury ... Missed the Syracuse game with that injury, but returned to rush for 36 yards on nine carries against West Virginia ... Came back strong against Virginia, rushing 15 times for 91 yards ... Also had a solo tackle on special teams ... Carried the ball four times for one net yard at Miami ... Caught two passes for 14 yards in that game ... Rushed 11 times for 35 yards and caught two passes for seven yards against Air Force in the San Francisco Bowl ... Was an Iron Hokie during the winter ... Posted a 360-pound bench press, a 560-pound back squat, a 41 1/2-inch vertical jump and a 4.3 foot ... His vertical jump set a Tech record for the tailback position ... Scored on a 43-

yard run in Tech's second spring scrimmage ... Turned in 26 yards on six carries and scored a touchdown before leaving the Hokies' third scrimmage with a sprained ankle ... Did not participate in the Maroon-White game ...

2001: Played in every game as a true freshman, starting the last three regular-season games and the Gator Bowl ... Finished with 957 yards rushing and five touchdowns on 175 carries ... His rushing total set a new Tech record for freshmen ... Averaged 5.5 yards per rush ... Caught six passes for 47 yards ... Rushed 11 times for 63 yards in the first action of his career against UConn ... Ran for 75 yards on 10 carries against Western Michigan ... Recorded 76 yards on 18 rushes at Rutgers ... Scored his first career touchdown against UCF, a 7-yard run ... Finished with 90 yards on 11 carries in that game ... Also had a 21-yard reception ... Put up 67 yards and a score on 16 carries at West Virginia ... His touchdown against WVU came on a 44-yard burst ... Ran for 60 yards on 17 carries in the win over Boston College ... Put on a show at Temple in his first career start ... Rushed for 155 yards and two touchdowns on 20 carries in that game ... Had an 87-yard scoring run, the fourth-longest on record at Tech since 1950 and the longest on record by a freshman ... Was the workhorse in Tech's win at Virginia ... Carried the ball 37 times for 181 yards and a touchdown ... The 37 carries were the most ever for a Tech freshman and the 181 yards were the second-most for a Hokie under Coach Frank Beamer ... Ran for 160 yards on 24 carries against top-ranked Miami ... Got 23 carries against FSU in the Gator Bowl, gaining 55 yards and scoring on a 5-yard



Kevin Jones

JONES CONTINUED

run ... Ran a 4.38 forty during spring testing and posted a 37 1/2-inch vertical jump ... Bench pressed 340 pounds and added a 505-pound back squat ... Contributed a 69-yard touchdown run in Tech's first scrimmage of the spring ... Finished that scrimmage with 94 yards on five carries ... Had two 4-yard TD runs and 44 total yards rushing in another scrimmage ... Rushed eight times for 35 yards and caught a 3-yard pass during the annual Maroon-White game ...

High School: The most highly-rated recruit in Virginia Tech history ... Ranked the nation's top high school player in 2000 by *SuperPrep*, *Max Emfinger's Blue Chip Recruiting*, *Rivals* and *Student Sports* ... Named to the *PrepStar* Dream Team as the No. 2 running back in the nation, the No. 1 RB in the East Region and the No. 1 overall player in the East ... Rated the No. 3 player in the nation by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Named the nation's No. 1 offensive player by *G&W Recruiting* ... A member of the *USA Today* All-USA first team ... A *Parade* All-American and a Reebok ESPN first-team All-American ... Named the player of the year in Pennsylvania by the *Philadelphia Inquirer* ... Listed as the top player in the state by the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* ... A four-time all-county pick and a four-time All-Catholic League selection ... His 5,878 career rushing yards rank second all-time in Philadelphia history and first in Catholic League history ... Scored 84 career touchdowns and stands as the leading scorer in Delaware County history ... Rushed for 1,268 yards and 18 touchdowns as a senior, despite missing two games with an ankle injury ... Helped lead Coach George Stratts' team to the Catholic League championship, scoring four touchdowns in the title game — two on runs, one on a kickoff return and another on a pass reception ... Played in the National High School All-Star game ... Won the first-ever High School Heisman award for the Northeast region ... Ran for 1,896 yards and 26 touchdowns his junior year ... Added 2,082 yards rushing and 26 TDs as a sophomore ... Gained over 600 yards on the ground as a freshman ... Holds the school record for longest run from scrimmage (96 yards) and set a single-game mark for rushing yards with 305 on just 15 carries ... Ranks as a national-caliber sprinter in track with times of 10.2 in the 100-meters, 21.2 in the 200-meters and 6.7 in the 60 ... Was clocked at 4.26 in the forty at FSU's summer camp ...

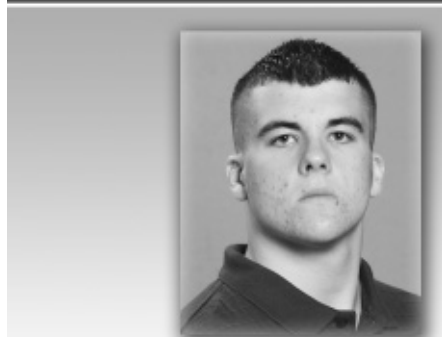
Personal: Kevin S. Jones ... Born 8/21/82 in Chester, PA ... Son of Thomas and Tracey Jones ... His father was a high school All-America basketball player ... Is studying business.

Rushing	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	11	175	957	5.5	5	87
2002	13	160	871	5.4	9	67
Career	24	335	1828	5.5	14	87

2002 Rushing Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	4	31	7.8	1	19
LSU	1	14	70	5.0	1	34
MU	1	24	171	7.1	3	25
at TAM	1	15	48	3.2	0	15
at WMU	1	14	36	2.6	1	9
at BC	1	18	144	8.0	1	67
RU	1	13	132	10.2	1	58
TU	1	17	72	4.2	0	9
PITT	1	2	4	2.0	1	3
at SU			Did not play			
WVU	1	9	36	4.0	0	15
UVa	1	15	91	6.1	0	20
at UM	1	4	1	0.3	0	3
vs AF	1	11	35	3.2	0	8

Receiving	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	11	6	47	7.8	0	21
2002	13	4	21	5.2	0	10
Career	24	10	68	6.8	0	21

GREG KEZMARSKY



Defensive End • 6-3 • 236 • So.
Voorhees, N.J. • Eastern H.S.

An invited walk-on who contributed as a member of the scout and jayvee teams last year ... Brings a super attitude and good work ethic to the field ... Has a good frame, but must continue working in the strength and conditioning program to get bigger and stronger ... Should continue to help in a reserve role this fall while playing behind a number of more experience players ...

2002: Worked at defensive end ... Saw action on both sides of the ball during Tech's two jayvee games ... Had three tackles in a jayvee game against Hargrave ... Contributed tackles in two spring scrimmages ...

High School: Lettered two seasons as a defensive end and offensive tackle for Coach Dan Spittal at Eastern High ... Earned second-team all-conference honors as a senior ... Won the school's sportsmanship and dedication award ... Played in the Adam Taliadro All-Star Classic ... Also lettered in track ...

Personal: Dennis Gregory Kezmarsky ... Born 10/1/83 in Joliet, IL ... Son of Dennis and Susan Kezmarsky ... Enrolled in business.

JEFF KING



Tight End/Fullback • 6-5 • 258 • r-So. • 1VL
Pulaski, Va. • Pulaski County H.S.

Is slated to see action at tight end and fullback this fall ... Practiced at the fullback position during the spring ... Made a good adjustment in a short period of time ... Will bring a new dimension to the Tech offense when he is in the game ... Combines outstanding size with good athleticism ... Is tough and smart ... Excels as a blocker and has outstanding hands ... Is working on his skills as a ball carrier ... Will create some mismatches as the lead blocker in the backfield ... Saw action in all 14 games last year at tight end, including six games as a starter ... Was named Tech's top offensive hustler during 2003 off-season and spring workouts ... Is expected to see the bulk of his playing time at tight end, but promises to be an important addition at fullback ...

2002: Had one catch on the season, a 19-yard touchdown reception in the opener against Arkansas State ... Played 33 snaps and had three knockdown blocks against LSU ... Had a season-high five knockdowns in 51 plays against Marshall ... Was in for 37 offensive snaps at Texas A&M ... Also played eight plays on special teams against the Aggies ... Played 21 snaps on offense and nine on special teams at Western Michigan ... Blocked a field goal in that game, the first of his career ... Played 41 snaps on offense in the win at Boston College ... Was in for 30 plays on offense and 11 on special teams against Rutgers ... Played 44 snaps on offense and 11 on special teams against Temple ... Got his first start against Pittsburgh, playing 36 snaps on offense and 21 on special teams ... Earned the start against Syracuse, playing 27 snaps on offense and 29 on special teams ... Started against West Virginia, playing 45 snaps on offense and 14 on special teams ... Graded a season-high 89 percent in the win over Virginia ... Played 16 snaps on offense at Miami ... Started in Tech's bowl win over Air Force ... Led the tight ends with a 500-pound back squat during spring max testing ... Mixed in some work at fullback during spring

practice ... Had a 4-yard run in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Caught two passes for three yards during the Maroon-White game ... Won the Frank O. Moseley Award as the top offensive hustler during off-season and spring workouts ...

2001: Worked at tight end while redshirting as a true freshman ... Posted a 360-pound back squat during spring strength and conditioning tests ... Also ran a 4.8 forty ...

High School: A *PrepStar* All-American for Coach Joel Hicks at Pulaski County ... Was rated the No. 3 tight end in the Atlantic Region ... Named first-team Group AAA all-state as a tight end by The Associated Press and the state coaches ... Ranked the No. 12 prospect in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* and *SuperPrep* ... *Tom Lemming's Prep FB Report* lists him as the No. 86 player in the Mid-Atlantic Region ... An honorable-mention All-South pick by the *Orlando Sentinel* ... Led his high school team to the Group AAA, Division 5 state semifinals in 2000 ... Finished his senior season with 278 yards receiving and eight touchdowns ... Also registered eight sacks as a defensive end ... Set a school record with 101 pancake blocks in a season ... Had 12 pancakes and two receptions for 30 yards and a touchdown in a game his senior year ... Named All-Timesland as a junior and senior ... An outstanding basketball player who compiled over 1,000 points and 1,000 rebounds during his career ... Averaged 25 points and 14 rebounds as a senior on the way to all-district and all-region honors ... Competed in the shot for the track team with a best effort of 54-7 as a junior ... Member of the National Honor Society ...

Personal: Jeffrey W. King ... Born 2/19/83 in Pulaski, VA ... Son of Jerry and Lynn King ... Majoring in finance.

Receiving	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	14	1	19	19.0	1	19



JASON LALLIS

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**Defensive Tackle • 6-0 • 250 • r-Jr. • 2VL
Mitchellville, Md. • DeMatha H.S.**

Only had limited experience before earning the starting job at nose tackle last season ... Started the first 11 games of the season before suffering a shoulder injury that sidelined him for Tech's final two regular-season games ... Returned a fumble 59 yards for a touchdown against Arkansas State in his first collegiate start ... Led the defensive tackles with seven quarterback hurries ... Was ranked sixth on the team in tackles when he was sidelined ... Returned to see some reserve action in the San Francisco Bowl ... Showed few ill effects of the injury during a solid spring practice ... Offsets his smaller stature by playing with determination, quickness and a great motor ... Was primarily an end until playing a few downs at tackle during the late stages of the 2001 season ... Will be challenged for the starting role in the fall and figures to see his share of playing time ...

2002: Recorded 24 solo tackles and 24 assists in 12 games ... Included in that total were four tackles for loss and two sacks ... Also had seven quarterback hurries, a fumble recovery for a touchdown, a forced fumble and a blocked punt ... Made his first career start against Arkansas State ... Had three tackles and returned a fumble 59 yards for a touchdown ... Recorded three solo stops, three assists and a quarterback hurry against LSU ... Had a solo stop and three assists in the win over Marshall ... Had three solo stops, an assist and a tackle for loss at Texas A&M ... Had three solo tackles, six assists, two quarterback hurries and a caused fumble at Western Michigan ... Had two solo tackles in the win at Boston College ... Posted three solo stops, a quarterback hurry and two sacks versus Rutgers ... Had a solo stop, three assists and two quarterback hurries in the win over Temple ... Tallied four solo tackles, an assist and a tackle for loss against Pittsburgh ... Recorded two solo stops, four assists and a quarterback hurry while playing a season-high 60 plays at Syracuse ... Played 13 snaps on defense

against West Virginia before sustaining a dislocated shoulder ... Missed the last two regular season games of the year ... Returned to play in the San Francisco Bowl, recording a solo stop and an assist ... Registered a personal-best back squat (605) during spring max tests ... Had two sacks and four total tackles during Tech's second spring scrimmage ...

2001: Earned Super Iron Hokie honors in preseason testing ... Turned in a 550-pound back squat, a 300-pound clean and a 320-pound push jerk in preseason strength and conditioning testing ... Met all six of his preseason goals ... Played in all 11 games, recording 15 total tackles ... Registered seven solo tackles, eight assists and a sack ... Had one assist on nine defensive plays against Connecticut ... Did not play against Western Michigan ... Played 11 defensive snaps at Rutgers, recording two solo stops and two assists ... Played three snaps on defense against UCF ... Played 10 defensive snaps at West Virginia, recording an assist ... Saw brief action on special teams in the win over Boston College ... Also saw action on special teams against Syracuse and at Pittsburgh ... Played on 13 defensive snaps and seven on special teams against Temple ... Had a solo tackle on special teams ... Was credited with two solo tackles on special teams coverage at Virginia ... Against No. 1 Miami, had a solo tackle, four assists and a sack ... Posted a 565-pound back squat during spring testing and ran a 4.66 forty ... Turned in four tackles during one spring scrimmage and added two tackles during the annual Maroon-White game ...

2000: Practiced at the end position while redshirting in the fall ... Posted a 530-pound back squat during spring testing ... Finished spring practice at the stud end position ...

High School: Helped DeMatha to a 33-2-1 record during his varsity career ... Played tight end and defensive end for Coach Bill McGregor ... Caught six passes for 76 yards and one touchdown ... Also grabbed a two-point conversion pass ... Posted 105 tackles on defense, including 82 solos ... Recorded 12 quarterback sacks, three fumble recoveries and an interception ... Had four sacks in a game against McNamara ... Voted the team's MVP by his teammates ... Named first-team on *The Washington Post* All-Metro squad ... Also earned all-county, all-conference and consensus all-state honors ... Named to George Michael's Golden 11 team ... A *SuperPrep* and *PrepStar* All-American ... Ranked the No. 2 tight end and No. 16 player in the Atlantic Region by *PrepStar* ... Listed the No. 43 defensive lineman in the nation by *SuperPrep* ... An honorable-mention All-USA pick by USA

LALLIS CONTINUED

Today ... Listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* ...

Personal: Jason Christopher Lallis ... Born 2/4/82 in Washington, DC ... Son of Everett, Jr., and Martha Lallis ... Studying marketing management.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2001	11	7	8	15	1- 3	1- 3
2002	12	24	24	48	4- 32	2- 27
Career	23	31	32	63	5- 35	3- 30

FRED LEE



Flanker • 5-8 • 186 • r-Fr.
Harrisburg, Pa. • Bishop McDevitt H.S.

Another young receiver with potential ... Brings good speed and quickness to the flanker position ... Made some strides during a redshirt season, but is still learning ... Should continue to get better with added exposure to the athletic performance program and the Tech system ... Has the ability to be a contributor ... Needs to make a good summer preparation ... His performance during preseason practice will also be important to getting in the mix for playing time ...

2002: Practiced at flanker while redshirting in the fall ... Posted a 425-pound back squat during winter workouts ... Also turned in a 4.45 clocking in the forty ... Contributed two catches for 22 yards during one spring scrimmage ... Hauled in a 35-yard reception in the spring game ...

Prep School: Attended Milford (Conn.) Academy during the fall of 2001 ... Originally signed with Tech following the 2000 season and re-affirmed his commitment to Tech in January 2002 ... Caught nine touchdown passes for Milford ... Helped the team to an 8-2 record ...

High School: Was rated one of the top high school receivers in the country in 2000 after catching nearly 100 passes over his last two seasons at Bishop McDevitt ... Hauled in 48 passes for 1,080 yards and 16 touchdowns as a senior ... Turned in six catches for 186 yards and three TDs against Cedar Cliff ... Also returned an interception for a touchdown in

that game ... Played defensive back, as well as receiver, for Coach Jeff Weachter ... Finished his senior year with five interceptions and 52 tackles on defense ... Scored three TDs on defense that year – two on interceptions and one on a fumble-return ... Earned All-America honors from numerous publications following his senior season in 2000, including *SuperPrep*, *PrepStar* and *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Named to *PrepStar's* Dream Team and rated the No. 15 wide receiver in the country that year ... Ranked the No. 28 receiver in the nation and the No. 9 player in Pennsylvania by *SuperPrep* ... Rated the No. 18 receiver in the nation by *Rivals* and the No. 22 WR by *Student Sports* ... Finished his career with 130 receptions for 2,767 yards and 35 TDs ... Registered 11 career interceptions, returning five for touchdowns ... A dangerous return man, he scored two touchdowns on kickoff returns and two more on punt returns as a junior ... Earned 4A all-state honors as a junior and senior and was a three-time all-conference pick ...

Personal: Fred Robert Lee ... Born 3/10/83 in Harrisburg, PA ... Son of Fred and Debra Lee ... His brother, Shawn, was a three-year starter at Penn State ... Enrolled in university studies.

NICK LEESON



Deep Snapper/Linebacker • 6-1 • 235 • r-Fr.
Abingdon, Va. • Abingdon H.S.

Will be a candidate for some of the Hokies' deep snapping duties this fall ... Also works with the inside linebackers where he will compete for a backup spot at the mike position ... Combines intelligence with a tough, physical style of play ... Has worked hard in the athletic performance program ... Joined the team as a walk-on in January 2002 ... Served as a reserve snapper but did not see action and was redshirted ... His showing in preseason practice will help determine his playing status for 2003 ...

2002: Practiced at the backer position during the fall and served as a reserve deep snapper ... Did not see action and

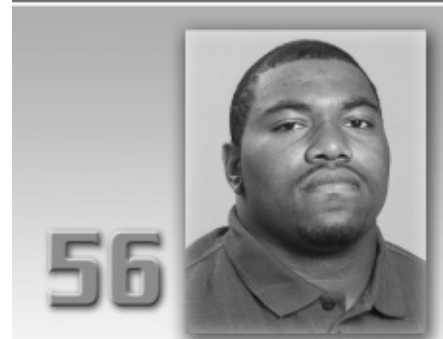
was redshirted ... Had a 340-pound bench press and a 475 back squat during spring testing ... Was in on three tackles during one spring scrimmage ...

2001: Entered school for the second semester ... Had a 420-pound back squat during spring athletic performance testing ... Practiced at linebacker and as a deep snapper during spring practice ... Contributed a tackle during the annual Maroon-White game ...

High School: Played linebacker and handled the deep snapping duties for Coach Scott Allen at Abingdon High ... Was a four-year letterman and two-year team captain ... Also lettered in basketball and baseball ... Was a high jumper in track ...

Personal: Nicholas Brooke Leeson ... Born 10/29/82 in Clarksburg, WV ... Son of Billy and Cathy Leeson ... His dad was an offensive lineman at Tech (1982-84) ... Enrolled in human nutrition, foods and exercise.

JONATHAN LEWIS



Defensive Tackle • 6-1 • 292 • So. • 1VL
Richmond, Va. • Varina H.S.

A talented young player who stepped in right away last year as a true freshman ... Was named a fourth-team Freshman All-American by *The Sporting News* ... Moved up the depth chart quickly and ended up playing in all 14 games ... Led Tech's defensive linemen in total tackles with 56 ... Is a big player who moves well for his size ... Has explosiveness and power at the point of attack ... Fills the holes, but also sheds blockers well ... Played extremely well at times last season ... Teamed up with his older brother, Kevin, on occasion to form a formidable front ... Continued to make progress during the spring, but needs to concentrate on conditioning during the off-season to improve his stamina this fall ... Has the potential to become a special player ...

2002: A true freshman who saw action right away ... Started the last two games of the regular season and the bowl game ... Had 33 solo tackles and 23 assists this season ... Included in those 56 stops were seven tackles for loss and two sacks ...

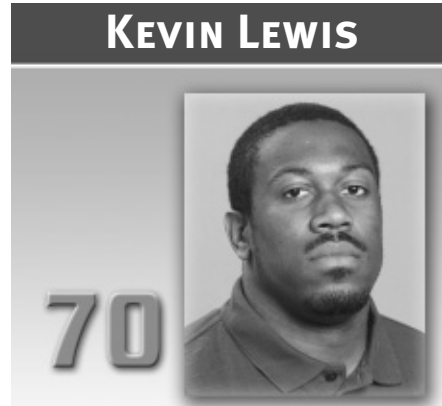
Also had five quarterback hurries ... Had three solo stops, two assists and a tackle for loss in the opener against Arkansas State ... Recorded two solo stops in the win over LSU ... Had two assists and a quarterback hurry in the win over Marshall ... Recorded a solo tackle and three assists at Texas A&M ... Also had a tackle for loss and two quarterback hurries ... Recorded two solo stops, two assists and a quarterback hurry at Western Michigan ... Recorded a solo tackle and an assist at Boston College ... Talled two solo stops, along with a tackle for loss, a sack and a quarterback hurry against Rutgers ... Had three solo tackles, two assists and a sack against Temple ... Had three solo tackles and two assists against Pittsburgh ... Two of those tackles were for a loss ... Registered three total tackles at Syracuse ... Had six solo tackles and two assists, including a tackle for loss, against West Virginia ... Got his first collegiate start against Virginia ... Recorded four solo tackles and two assists in the win ... Had two solo tackles and an assist at top-ranked Miami ... Registered two solo tackles and three assists in Tech's win over Air Force in the San Francisco Bowl ... Turned in a 550-pound back squat during spring testing ... Ran a 4.9 forty ... Registered five tackles, including a quarterback sack during one of Tech's spring scrimmages ... Contributed a tackle in the Maroon-White game ...

High School: A prep All-America pick by *SuperPrep*, *PrepStar* and *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... The only player in Varina history to earn all-Metro, all-region and all-state honors three years in a row ... Ranked the No. 17 defensive line prospect in the nation by *SuperPrep* ... Rated the nation's No. 3 defensive lineman by Max Emfinger of *USA Today* and the No. 112 player overall by Tom Lemming ... A member of the *PrepStar* Dream Team ... Ranked the No. 6 defensive lineman in the nation by *PrepStar* and the No. 1 DL in the Atlantic Region ... Listed as the No. 26 defensive player in the nation by *G&W Recruiting Report* and the No. 15 DT by *Student Sports* ... Listed as the No. 4 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Played in the prestigious U.S. Army All-American Bowl ... Posted 107 tackles and 10 quarterback sacks as a senior ... Had 15 tackles and a pair of sacks in a game against Armstrong High ... Was in on 12 tackles versus Highland Springs ... Named first-team Group AAA by the AP and the state coaches ... Was the Metro, district and region player of the year as a junior when he had 96 tackles and 11 sacks ... Registered over 300 career tackles and 46 sacks ... Helped Coach Gary Chilcoat's team to a 46-7 record and three region championships during his

varsity career ... Also played center on the basketball team ...

Personal: Jonathan M. Lewis ... Born 7/12/84 in Richmond, VA ... Son of David and Gale Lewis ... His brother, Kevin, is a redshirt-junior defensive tackle on the Tech squad ... Enrolled in university studies.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2002	14	33	23	56	7- 23	2- 12



**Defensive Tackle • 6-1 • 292 • r-Jr. • 2VL
Richmond, Va. • Varina H.S.**

Developed into a key performer on Tech's defensive line last year before being injured late in the season ... Entered the 2002 season with only limited experience ... Played 125 downs as a true freshman in 2000, before being redshirted in 2001 ... Won a starting job during the preseason and helped solidify the Hokies' young defense early in the year ... Ranked fifth on the team in tackles when he was sidelined for the final three games by a torn pectoral muscle ... Did not participate in contact work during the spring but sustained a calf injury during some light

drills ... Will be full speed when preseason practice rolls around ... Has been rated the No. 9 defensive tackle in the nation by *The Sporting News* heading into the 2003 season ... A playmaker who is physical and aggressive ... Holds his own at the point of attack ... Has worked hard to improve his game ... Saw action in eight games in 2000 ... Started the Hokies' first 11 games last fall ... Is expected to make a strong bid to reclaim his starting job when practice opens ...

2002: Recorded 25 solo tackles and 24 assisted stops in 11 games ... Included in that total were five tackles for loss and a sack ... Also had six quarterback hurries, a fumble recovery, a pass broken up and a forced fumble ... Played just 14 snaps on defense against Arkansas State ... Had a solo stop and two assists, and caused a fumble that was returned for a touchdown by Jason Lallis ... Had five tackles and two quarterback hurries in the win over LSU ... Played 45 snaps against Marshall, recording a solo stop, an assist and a quarterback hurry ... Also broke up a pass against the Herd ... Had three solo stops, including one for a loss, and an assist in the win at Texas A&M ... Had two solo tackles, two assists and a quarterback hurry at Western Michigan ... Had a big game in the win at Boston College, registering four solo tackles, three assists and a quarterback hurry ... Had an assist and a quarterback hurry in the win against Rutgers ... Recorded two solo tackles and three assists against Temple ... Talled eight total tackles — three solo — against Pittsburgh ... Also had a tackle for loss and recovered a fumble ... Had five tackles, including one for loss, at Syracuse ... Tore his pectoral muscle in that game, but still played against West Virginia

... Played 23 snaps against the Mountaineers, recording two solo tackles ... Opted for surgery on Nov. 29, ending his season ... Participated in some light work during the spring until aggravating a calf muscle ...

2001: Took a redshirt season ... Met five of his six goals in preseason testing, turning in a 400-pound bench press and 575 back squat ... Posted a personal-best 31 1/2-inch vertical jump during the fall ... Ran a 4.89 forty during spring testing



Kevin and Jonathan Lewis

KEVIN LEWIS CONTINUED

... Contributed four tackles and two sacks in one spring scrimmage and three tackles and a pass broken up in another ... Registered a sack and a quarterback hurry in a third scrimmage ...

2000: Was in for 21 plays in Tech's opener against Akron and contributed a pair of tackles ... Had two tackles and two quarterback hurries at East Carolina ... Posted tackles behind the line in back-to-back games against Temple and West Virginia ... Did not play against Boston College, Syracuse and Pittsburgh ... Was in on two tackles during the Miami game ... Played 26 plays at UCF and registered two tackles, including one for loss ... Had a season-best three tackles against Virginia ... Compiled 15 total tackles during the regular season with three coming behind the line ... Contributed a tackle in the Hokies' win over Clemson in the Gator Bowl ... Improved his bench press to 390 pounds during the off-season and ran the forty in 4.86 seconds ... Got a lot of reps during spring practice ... Had three tackles behind the line in Tech's first spring scrimmage and two more in the second scrimmage ... Blocked a field goal during another scrimmage ... Posted five tackles, including a sack, in the Maroon-White game ... Shared the Dr. Richard Bullock Award for the Hokies' most improved defensive player with fellow tackle Channing Reed ...

1999: Enrolled in school for the second semester ... Bench pressed 370 pounds during spring strength and conditioning tests ... Also turned in a 550-pound back squat and a 316-pound power clean ... Got a lot of repetitions in spring practice at tackle when starter Chad Beasley was sidelined by an injury ... Was in on six tackles during the Hokies' first spring scrimmage ... Posted a sack in another scrimmage ... Turned in four tackles during the annual Maroon-White game, including one for a loss ...

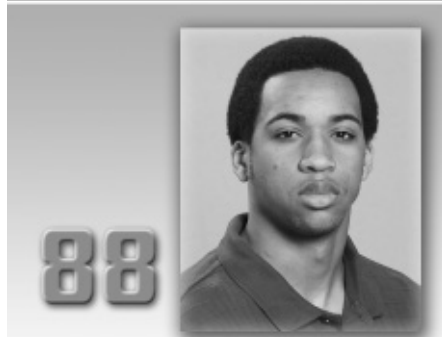
High School: A four-year starter at fullback and defensive end for Coach Ed Bulheller ... Earned first-team Group AAA all-state honors as a defensive lineman ... Named the No. 20 prospect in the state by *The Roanoke Times* and was rated No. 22 by *SuperPrep* ... Picked the No. 11 linebacker in the ACC Region by *PrepStar* ... Shared *Richmond Times-Dispatch* Player of the Year honors for the Richmond area with Matt Farrior ... Carried the football 138 times his senior year for 989 yards and 14 touchdowns ... Contributed 123 tackles on defense, including 11 sacks and 25 total tackles behind the line ... Collected 13 tackles in a game against Hopewell ... Was a first-team all-district and all-region selection ... Turned in 64 tackles and five sacks as a junior ... Helped the team to 41 wins and three

region championships ... Threw the shot put for the track team and also played basketball ...

Personal: Kevin André Lewis ... Born 4/26/80 in Richmond, VA ... Son of David and Gale Lewis ... His father played football at North Carolina A&T ... His brother, Jonathan, is a sophomore defensive tackle on the Tech squad ... Enrolled in history.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2000	8	7	8	15	3- 8	0- 0
2002	11	25	24	49	5- 15	1- 8
Career	19	32	32	64	8- 23	1- 8

MICHAEL MALONE



Split End • 6-3 • 202 • r-Fr.
Friendswood, Texas • Friendswood H.S.

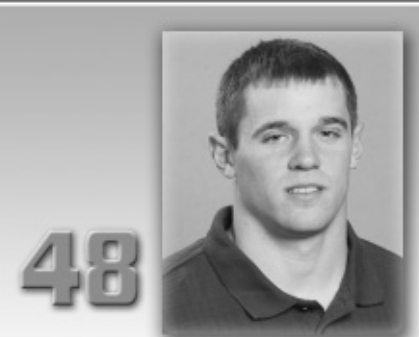
A promising young receiver who should get better and better as he gains more exposure to the Tech system ... Made strides during a redshirt season ... Brings excellent size and athletic ability to the split end position ... Combines a good work ethic with a desire to succeed ... Should benefit from the Hokies' athletic performance program ... Must continue working to develop consistency and confidence in order to move into contention for playing time ... Comes from an athletic background ... His father, Moses Malone, is a member of the NBA Hall of Fame ... Has a chance to become a contributor if he continues to make progress ...

2002: Redshirted while working at the split end position ... Posted a 36-inch vertical jump during spring max testing ...

High School: Played wide receiver and defensive back for Coach Steve Vanmeter at Friendswood High ... Caught 68 passes for 1,200 yards and 12 touchdowns as a senior ... Was named first-team all-district, All-Greater Houston and All-Galveston County ... An honorable mention pick on the all-state team ... Helped team to a 12-1 record as a senior ... Contributed four catches for 111 yards and two touchdowns in one game ...

Personal: Michael Earl Malone ... Born 3/9/84 in Houston, TX ... Son of Moses and Alfreda Malone ... Enrolled in university studies.

BRANDON MANNING



Linebacker • 6-0 • 216 • r-Jr. • 2VL
Harrisburg, Pa. • Central Dauphin H.S.

Returns as the No. 1 man at whip linebacker, where he started 13 of 14 games a year ago ... Maintained the top spot with a solid spring performance ... Brings experience and an excellent knowledge of the Tech defense to the position ... Knows what is expected of him and plays with toughness and purpose ... A good tackler who is a Super Iron Hokie in the strength and conditioning program ... Joined the Tech squad as a walk-on and earned a scholarship with hard work and steady play ... Made a name for himself on special teams in 2001, blocking a punt for a safety against UCF and returning a blocked punt for a touchdown against No. 1 Miami ... Finished third on the team in tackles last season with 70 ... Continued to start on two special teams units ... Picks things up quickly and doesn't shy away from contact ... Will help solidify Tech's defense ...

2002: Got the start in the first two games ... Ended up starting 13 games and playing in all 14 ... Was third on the team in tackles with 75 ... Had 37 solo stops and 38 assists ... Included in that total were five tackles for loss and a sack ... Also had two passes broken up, a QB hurry and a fumble recovery ... Recorded two solo stops, including one for a loss, and four assists in the opener against Arkansas State ... Had nine tackles — four solo — in the win over LSU ... Also recovered a fumble in that game ... Came off the bench against Marshall to record two solo stops and two assists ... Got the start and registered four solo stops and two assists in the win at Texas A&M ... Played 34 defensive snaps at Western Michigan, recording two solo stops ... Registered two solo stops, two assists and a quarterback hurry in the win at Boston College ... Tallied three solo stops and five assists against Rutgers ... Had two solo stops and four assists in the win over Temple ... Recorded five solo tackles and three assists against Pittsburgh ... Also had a tackle for loss, a sack and a pass broken up ... Had three solo tackles and

four assists at Syracuse ... Tallied three solo tackles and a assist, including a tackle for loss, against West Virginia ... Also had a pass broken up ... Had three solo tackles against Virginia ... Had two solo stops and an assist at Miami ... Recorded two solo stops and three assists in the San Francisco Bowl ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors in both the fall and the spring ... Set personal bests in the bench press (360), back squat (500), clean (316) and vertical jump (36) during spring testing ... His 316-pound power clean was a position record for Tech whip linebackers ... Registered a tackle in the Maroon-White spring game ...

2001: Played in 11 regular-season games, mostly on special teams ... Had seven solo tackles, five assists and a blocked punt in 2001 ... Saw action on six special teams plays against UConn ... Played on four defensive plays against Western Michigan, recording two solo stops and an assist ... Had an assist on 20 total plays at Rutgers ... Played 19 total plays, 15 on special teams against UCF ... Had a solo stop and an assist in that game ... Blocked his first career punt near the end of the first half against UCF ... That block resulted in a safety ... Played 13 plays on defense and 30 total at West Virginia ... Had a solo stop in that game ... Saw action on 23 special teams plays against Boston College ... Was in for 15 special teams plays against Syracuse ... Played 14 plays on special teams against Pittsburgh, recording an assist ... Had a solo tackle on special teams against Temple ... Scored his first career touchdown against top-ranked Miami, returning a blocked punt 22 yards for the score ... Earned Iron Hokie honors in the 2001 preseason testing session and was a Super Iron Hokie in the spring ... Posted a 485-pound back squat and a 314-pound clean ... Was in on three tackles during the spring Maroon-White game ...

2000: Redshirted while working at whip linebacker ... Bench pressed 360 pounds during spring testing ... Also had a 34 1/2-inch vertical jump and ran the forty in 4.47 ... Posted seven tackles in the Maroon-White spring game ... Also intercepted a pass and returned it 31 yards ...

Prep School: Attended the U.S. Air Force Academy Prep School in Colorado Springs for one year ... Was the defensive captain on the football team ...

High School: A three-year letterman for Coach George Chaump at Central Dauphin ... Saw action as a defensive back, wide receiver and running back ... Was the Mid-Penn Conference Offensive Player of the Year as a senior ... Also named District III Player of the Year ... Named second-team 4A all-state ... Helped the team to a 30-7 record and two district titles ... Added a conference

championship his senior season ... Also lettered in basketball and track ...

Personal: Brandon Lee Manning ... Born 5/12/81 in Philadelphia, PA ... Son of Dr. Richard and Linda Manning ... Enrolled in human nutrition, foods and exercise.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2001	11	7	5	12	0- 0	0- 0
2002	14	37	38	75	5- 14	1- 6
Career	25	44	43	87	5- 14	1- 6
2002 Tackles Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	2	4	6	0- 0	0- 0
LSU	1	4	5	9	0- 0	0- 0
MU	1	2	2	4	0- 0	0- 0
at TAM	1	4	2	6	0- 0	0- 0
at WMU	1	0	2	2	0- 0	0- 0
at BC	1	2	2	4	0- 0	0- 0
RU	1	3	5	8	1- 1	0- 0
TU	1	2	4	6	0- 0	0- 0
PITT	1	5	3	8	2- 9	1- 6
at SU	1	3	4	7	0- 0	0- 0
WVU	1	3	1	4	1- 3	0- 0
UVa	1	3	0	3	0- 0	0- 0
at UM	1	2	1	3	0- 0	0- 0
vs AF	1	2	3	5	0- 0	0- 0



**Offensive Tackle • 6-5 • 283 • So. • 1VL
Fairfax, Va. • Chantilly H.S.**

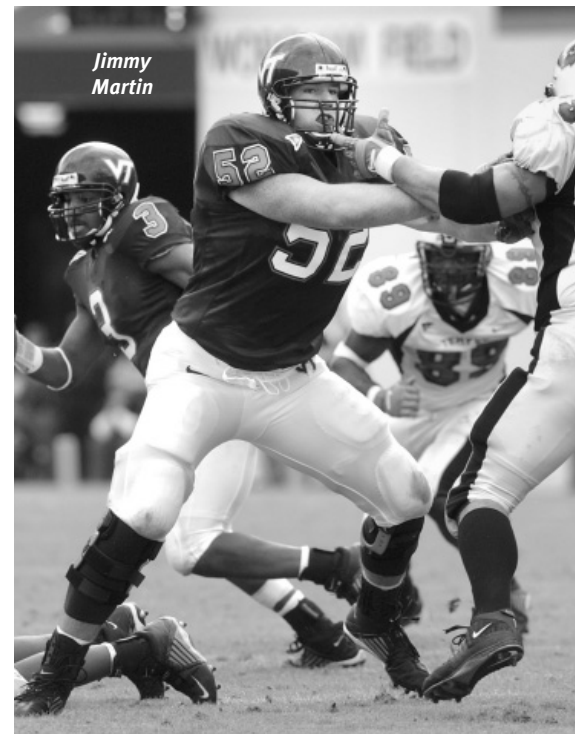
A young player who ended up starting Tech's last seven games at right tackle last season ... Entered school in January 2002 and participated in spring drills ... Started the season at No. 2 on the depth chart, but moved into the starting lineup for the Temple game ... Gives away some size to bigger players, but makes up for it with quick feet and solid fundamentals ... Started out the spring at left tackle and struggled ... Was switched back to the right side and was much more comfortable ... Ranks as one of the best athletes on the offensive line, but must continue working to increase his weight and strength ... Is expected to maintain his starting job at right tackle ... Has the potential to become an outstanding player ...

2002: Started the last seven games of the season ... Ended up playing 409 regular-season offensive snaps ... Graded out at 83.1 percent for the season with nine knockdown blocks ... Played 34 snaps on offense in the opener against Arkansas State ... Played briefly in wins over Marshall and at Western Michigan ...

Came in to play 20 snaps against Rutgers, grading out at 80 percent with a knockdown block ... Earned his first career start against Temple ... Played 58 snaps and had a knockdown block against the Owls ... Played 43 snaps on offense against Pittsburgh, grading out at 83 percent with a knockdown block ... Played 60 snaps on offense at Syracuse, grading out at 83 percent with a knockdown block ... Played 69 snaps on offense against West Virginia, recording a knockdown block ... Had his best game as a starter against Virginia, playing 62 snaps and grading out at 91 percent with three knockdown blocks ... Played 54 snaps at Miami, grading out at 81 percent with a knockdown block ... His 360-pound power clean set a record for Tech offensive tackles ... His 32 1/2-inch vertical jump was the third-best for the O-line ... Began spring practice working at left tackle, but ended up moving back to the right side ...

Prep School: Was a standout offensive lineman for Coach John Shuman at Fork Union in 2001 ... Also saw action along the defensive line in six games for FUMA and posted a pair of quarterback sacks ...

High School: Was a two-way lineman for Coach Bob Herb at Chantilly High ... Recorded nine sacks and a pair of fumble recoveries on defense as a senior ... Earned first-team All-Concorde District honors on offense and defense in 2000 ... Gained first-team all-region recognition on defense and was an honorable mention Group AAA all-state pick ... Also lettered as a first baseman on the baseball team and earned first-team all-district honors as a senior ...



MARTIN CONTINUED

Personal: James Mercer Martin III ... Born 10/19/82 in Fairfax, VA ... Son of Susan Martin and Jim Martin ... Enrolled in university studies.

JARED MAZZETTA



**Tight End • 6-4 • 260 • r-Jr. • 2VL
Flemington, N.J. • Hunterdon Central H.S.**

Will be in the rotation for playing time at tight end ... Benefited from extra reps at the position during the spring while Jeff King worked at fullback ... Has good size and athletic ability ... Continues to work hard in the strength and conditioning program ... Was slowed early last season by an ankle injury ... Ended up seeing much of his action on special teams ... Underwent shoulder surgery after spring practice ... Was expected to be back to 100 percent by early summer ... Has a chance to see added playing time with a good showing during preseason practice ...

2002: Met five of his six strength and conditioning goals during the preseason ... Played in 11 games, recording one catch for 19 yards ... Missed the opener with a sprained ankle ... Played just two snaps on offense against LSU, but played 15 snaps on special teams ... Saw extended action in the win over Marshall, playing 32 snaps on offense and 10 on special teams ... Played sparingly on offense and on 14 snaps on special teams in the win at Texas A&M ... Played 15 plays on offense and 13 on special teams at Western Michigan ... Was in for six snaps on offense and 14 on special teams in the win at Boston College ... Played seven snaps on offense and 11 on special teams against Rutgers ... Caught a 19-yard pass in the fourth quarter of that game ... Did not dress for the Temple game ... Returned for the Pittsburgh game and played three snaps on offense and 16 on special teams ... Played five snaps on offense and 15 on special teams at Syracuse ... Was in for 10 plays on offense and 14 on special teams against West Virginia ... Played 17 snaps on offense and 15 on special teams against Virginia ... Saw action on special teams at Miami, recording an assisted

tackle ... Contributed three tackles on special teams during the San Francisco Bowl ... Had the second-fastest time among the tight ends in the NFL shuttle during the spring at 4.3 seconds ... Caught a 15-yard pass in one spring scrimmage and had receptions of four and eight yards in two other scrimmages ... Grabbed two passes for 18 yards in the Maroon-White game ...

2001: Turned in a 360-pound bench press in preseason strength and conditioning testing ... Played in all 11 games, mostly on special teams ... Played 147 plays on special teams, recording nine tackles ... Also played 44 snaps on offense ... Saw action on 10 offensive plays and 15 special teams plays in the opener against Connecticut ... Played a personal-best 11 offensive snaps in the Rutgers game ... Also had 16 special teams plays in that game ... Was in on a season-high 19 special teams plays against both Boston College and Pittsburgh ... Had a solo stop and an assist on special teams at Virginia ... Registered a personal-best 460-pound back squat during spring testing ... Caught passes covering 19 and 13 yards during spring scrimmages ...

2000: Worked at tight end and was redshirted ... Added 10 pounds and increased his bench press by 60 pounds during the fall ... Caught an 18-yard pass in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ...

High School: Rated the No. 11 tight end in the nation by *SuperPrep* ... Earned All-America honors from *SuperPrep* and *PrepStar* ... Selected the No. 2 tight end in the East by *PrepStar* ... Listed the No. 8 prospect in New Jersey by *SuperPrep* ... A three-year letterman as a tight end and defensive lineman for Coach Jim Meert ... Hauled in 21 passes for 300 yards and three TDs as a senior ... Contributed over 70 tackles and seven quarterback sacks on defense ... Blocked two punts and a field goal ... Returned his blocked field goal for a touchdown to give Hunterdon Central a victory in the state semifinals ... Was all-county, all-area and all-state ... Caught 27 passes for more than 400 yards during his junior season ... Added 50 tackles, six sacks, an interception and a blocked punt ... Posted career totals of 67 receptions for 1,019 yards and nine TDs ... Compiled 17 sacks and over 200 tackles ... Set a school career mark for most receptions by a tight end ... Helped his team to back-to-back state championships in 1998 and 1999 ...

Personal: Jared Albert Mazzetta ... Born 6/4/81 in Plainfield, NJ ... Son of Mary Mazzetta and Anthony Mazzetta ... Enrolled in secondary education.

Receiving	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	11	0	0	0.0	0	0
2002	11	1	19	19.0	0	19
Career	22	1	19	19.0	0	19

DANNY McGRATH



**Center • 6-2 • 297 • So.
Herndon, Va. • Herndon H.S.**

Helps provide solid depth at the center position ... A strong player who has been working in the athletic performance program to improve his quickness ... Brings a good work ethic and toughness to the position ... Enrolled in school during January 2002 ... Got a taste of action during the 2002 season ... Took a limited number of plays during the spring because of the large number of players working at the center position ... Will compete for the backup duties behind starter Jake Grove during preseason practice ...

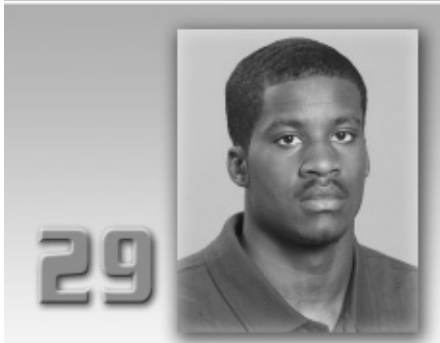
2002: Played in two games ... Was in for 25 offensive snaps on the season ... Saw action on 22 offensive snaps in the opener against Arkansas State ... Had a knockdown block in that game ... Played three snaps on offense at Western Michigan ...

2001: Entered school in January ... Registered a 420-pound bench press during spring testing ... Also turned in a 500-pound back squat ... Worked at the center position during spring practice ...

High School: A three-year letterman as an offensive guard and defensive lineman for Coach Tom Meier at Herndon High ... Led the team in snaps played his senior year ... Set a school record for pancake blocks ... Made first-team all-district and all-region ... Named to the All-Northern Virginia first-team selected by *The Fairfax Journal* ... An honorable-mention pick on *The Washington Post* All-Metro team and the state All-Group AAA squad ... Earned *PrepStar* All-American honors as the No. 5 offensive lineman in the Atlantic Region ... Rated the No. 20 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* and the No. 24 player by *SuperPrep* ... Listed No. 17 in Virginia by *ACC Area Sports Journal* ... Started at offensive guard as a sophomore ... Began playing on both sides of the football his junior season ... Also lettered in wrestling and baseball ... Attended Tech's summer football camp after his junior year ...

Personal: Daniel Patrick McGrath ... Born 3/19/83 in Fairfax, VA ... Son of Tim McGrath and Rebecca Krausman ... Enrolled in secondary education.

BRIAN MCPHERSON



Cornerback • 5-10 • 190 • r-Fr.
Madison Heights, Va. • Amherst H.S.

A young cornerback who is still adjusting to the college game ... Worked at the boundary corner during the fall ... Got a brief trial at field corner during the spring before returning to the boundary ... Has good athletic ability and great feet, but has yet to fully dedicate himself to the game ... Needs to make a good summer preparation ... His status for the 2003 season will be determined by his showing during preseason practice ...

2002: Practiced at the boundary cornerback position while redshirting in the fall ... Improved in all four major lifts during off-season strength and conditioning work ... Was tried briefly at field corner during spring practice ... Posted two tackles during one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ...

High School: Played cornerback, wide receiver and running back during his three varsity seasons for Coach Mickey Crouch at Amherst ... Rushed for over 1,300 yards as a senior and scored nine touchdowns ... Contributed 245 yards and two touchdowns rushing against Staunton River ... Carried 17 times for 243 yards and three TDs in a win over William Fleming ... Earned *PrepStar* All-America honors ... Ranked the No. 6 defensive back in the Atlantic Region by *PrepStar* ... Rated the nation's 57th-best athlete by *Rivals* ... Listed the No. 20 prospect in Virginia by *SuperPrep* and No. 23 by *The Roanoke Times* ... Named the No. 30 player in the Mid-Atlantic Region by Tom Lemming ... Selected the offensive player of the year in his area by *The Lynchburg News & Advance* ... Seminole District and Region III Offensive Player of the Year his senior year ... A first-team all-district and all-region selection ... A second-team Group AA all-state pick by the coaches ... Won all-district and all-region honors as a wide receiver his junior season ... Rushed for over 700 yards and caught 17 passes for 435 yards and three touchdowns that year ... Rushed for 2,616 yards during his career ... Also contributed 28 pass receptions for 576 yards and scored 27

career touchdowns ... Helped football team to district title in 1999 ... Also ran track, helping team to district title as a sophomore ... Finished third in the 100-meters at the 2002 state outdoor track meet ... Was clocked at 6.45 seconds in the 60 meters ...

Personal: Brian Keith McPherson ... Born 5/11/84 in Camden, NJ ... Son of Kerry and Barbara McPherson ... His older brother, Kevin, played football at Hampton University ... Great uncle Vincent Johnson was an offensive lineman at Tech in the late 1970s ... Studying business.

JAMES MILLER



Offensive Guard • 6-6 • 304 • Jr. • 2VL
Pompano Beach, Fla. • Ft. Lauderdale H.S.

An offensive lineman who the Hokies are counting on heavily in 2003 ... Is moving from a key backup role to a key starting role ... Showed signs of the consistency Tech coaches have been looking for during 2003 spring drills ... Has outstanding size and excellent lower body strength ... Needs to bring his upper body strength to the same level ... A coachable player with good work habits ... Possesses a great desire to be successful ... One of four true freshmen to see action in 2001 ... Was a solid No. 2 man behind Jake Grove at right guard that season ... Gained valuable experience while averaging nearly 18 plays per game ... Was named one of the team's most improved players during 2002 spring practice ... Saw action at both guard spots during the 2002 season, including a pair of starts on the left side ... Got a lot of reps at right guard this past spring ... Will be looked to for a big year at that position this fall ...

2002: Got the start in the Hokies' first two games at left guard ... Also saw action at the right guard spot ... Played 274 regular-season offensive snaps with nine knockdown blocks ... Played just 24 snaps in the win over Arkansas State in the opener ... Saw action on 32 offensive plays in the win over LSU ... Came off the bench to play 38 snaps against Marshall ... Graded out at 84 percent with a

knockdown block ... Played 30 snaps on offense at Western Michigan, grading out at 87 percent with three knockdown blocks ... Played 10 snaps at Boston College, grading out at 90 percent with a knockdown block ... Played 14 snaps in the win over Rutgers ... Came in to play 25 snaps against Temple ... Played 23 snaps on offense against Pittsburgh ... Graded out at 83 percent with two knockdown blocks ... Played nine snaps on offense at Syracuse ... Played 21 snaps on offense against West Virginia ... Saw brief action on offense in the win over Virginia ... Played 20 offensive snaps at Miami ... His 331-pound clean was the third-best among Tech's offensive linemen during spring testing ... Worked at right guard during the spring ...

2001: His 351-pound push jerk was the fourth-best among the offensive linemen during preseason testing ... Saw action in 10 of the Hokies' 11 regular season games, plus the Gator Bowl ... Played on 160 offensive snaps on the year ... Got his first taste of collegiate action in the opener against Connecticut ... Played 30 offensive snaps versus the Huskies ... Played 29 offensive plays against Western Michigan and 19 at Rutgers ... Had three knockdown blocks at West Virginia ... Graded 83 percent in the Boston College game ... Posted a 500-pound back squat during spring testing ... Moved to left guard during the spring ... Shared the Dr. Richard Bullock Award as the team's most improved offensive player with quarterback Bryan Randall ...

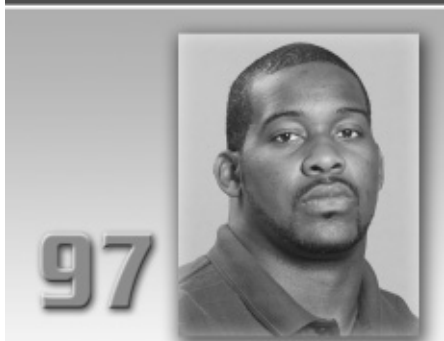
2000: Enrolled at Tech for the second semester in January ... Went through the winter strength and conditioning program ... Opened spring practice working at right tackle, then moved to right guard ...

High School: Ranked the No. 59 player in Florida by *SuperPrep* and listed as the No. 3 defensive end on *The Florida Times-Union Super 75* team ... Lettered three seasons as a tight end, defensive end and long snapper for Coach John Timmons at Ft. Lauderdale High ... Contributed 21 solo tackles and 26 assists his senior season ... Also posted four quarterback sacks, six hurries and two pass deflections ... Graded out a team-high 87.6 percent for his work on the offensive line ... Was second-team all-state ... Voted the team's offensive MVP in '99 and served as the team's captain his last two seasons ... Played in the conference all-star game and was nominated for the Georgia-Florida All-Star Game ... Caught a game-winning touchdown pass against Boca Raton High during his junior season ... Also competed in basketball, baseball and track ... A Brian Piccolo Scholar-Athlete who was active as a community service volunteer ...

MILLER CONTINUED

Personal: James Miller ... Born 8/13/81 in Sylva, NC ... Son of Rick and Sherry Miller ... His dad was the head basketball coach at Western Carolina from 1972-83 ... Enrolled in residential property management.

ISAAC MONTGOMERY



Defensive Tackle • 6-4 • 297 • r-Jr.
Princeton, W.Va. • Princeton H.S.

A big, strong defensive tackle with a lot of raw ability ... Sat out the 2002 season after transferring to Tech from North Carolina ... Suffered a setback when he was injured after just six practices in the spring ... Had to sit out six weeks with a strained MCL in his left knee ... Was back to full speed by the end of the school year ... Has seen only a limited amount of playing time on the collegiate level ... Was redshirted his first year at UNC and just saw brief action as a reserve during the 2001 season ... Showed flashes of his ability while practicing with the Hokies ... Must concentrate on improving his fundamentals and his ability to get off blocks ... Combines a good work ethic with a desire to succeed ... May need a little more time to get where he needs to be ... Has a chance to be a real plus for the Hokies when he gets there ...

2002: Transferred to Tech and began classes in the fall ... Practiced with the team but could not participate in games ... Bench pressed 420 pounds during the fall ... Turned in a 600-pound back squat during spring max testing and earned Iron Hokie honors ... Recorded three tackles in the team's first spring scrimmage ... Was injured on the seventh day of practice and was forced to sit out the remainder of spring practice ...

UNC: Attended the University of North Carolina for two years before transferring ... Was redshirted as a true freshman ... Saw limited action at defensive tackle his second year ...

High School: Saw action at defensive end, offensive tackle and fullback during his varsity career at Princeton Senior ...

Played for Coach Ted Spadaro ... Saw his senior season shorted by a knee injury ... Scored five short-yardage touchdowns ... Earned second-team all-state and first-team all-area honors on defense ... Was selected honorable mention All-America by *USA Today* ...

Personal: Isaac Stephen Montgomery ... Born 3/3/82 in Princeton, WV ... Son of James and Elizabeth Montgomery ... Enrolled in sociology.

WILL MONTGOMERY



Offensive Guard • 6-3 • 298 • r-So.
Clifton, Va. • Centreville, H.S.

One of the Hokies' most improved offensive linemen ... Has worked hard and made the most of his abilities ... Saw only limited playing time last season but figures to change that this year ... Takes an aggressive, no-nonsense approach to football ... Got a look at both guard positions during the fall ... Settled in at the No. 2 left guard spot during the spring ... Improved across the board during the 15 spring practices ... Is fundamentally sound and uses good technique ... Originally joined the team as a walk-on defensive tackle and earned a scholarship ... Has made his mark in the weight room, posting a position record for Tech guards with a 360-pound power clean ... Figures to see his share of action this fall ...

2002: Played in four games at guard ... Was in for 52 offensive snaps this season, recording two knockdown blocks ... Saw action on 34 offensive snaps in the opener against Arkansas State and registered a knockdown block ... Saw brief action in the win over Marshall and at Western Michigan ... Played six snaps against Rutgers, registering a knockdown block ... Set a position record for offensive guards at Tech with a 360-pound power clean during spring max testing ... Also had personal-bests in the bench press (430) and back squat (600) on the way to Super Iron Hokie honors ... Earned the Richard Bullock Award as the Hokies' most improved offensive player during spring practice ...

2001: Began preseason practice working as a defensive tackle ... Was moved to offense before the season and redshirted ... Practiced at right guard ... Improved his bench press to 385 pounds during fall scout team testing ... Continued to work at the right guard position during the spring ...

High School: Lettered three seasons as a two-way lineman for Coach Mike Skinner at Centreville ... Was named first-team Group AAA all-state as a defensive lineman by both The Associated Press and the coaches' association as a senior ... Posted 85 tackles, including eight sacks, that season and blocked a punt ... Turned in three sacks and 11 tackles in the state semifinal game against Varina ... Helped team win the state title ... Was first-team all-district and all-region and second-team All-Metro ... Named the Centreville Athlete of the Year in 2001 ... Was second-team all-district on offense and defense his junior year ... Finished the season with 65 tackles and seven sacks ... Also lettered in basketball and track ... A member of the National Honor Society ...

Personal: William Michael Montgomery ... Born 2/13/83 in Brunswick, ME ... Son of Mike and Rose Montgomery ... Enrolled in business information technology.

JASON MURPHY



Offensive Guard • 6-2 • 296 • r-So. • 1VL
Baltimore, Md. • Edmondson Westside H.S.

Finds himself on the opposite side of the football this season after switching from defense to offense during the spring ... Brings outstanding athleticism and footwork to the offensive guard position ... A physical player who plays hard ... Must learn more about picking up stunts and twists, and become more comfortable at his new position ... Is focused on being successful and willing to learn ... Continues to improve his strength through the athletic performance program ... Began his Tech career as a defensive tackle ... Saw action on defense in 11 games last fall and earned a letter ... A good summer preparation will be

extremely important ... Could help out at the right guard spot if he continues to make progress during the preseason ...

2002: Played in 10 games at defensive tackle ... Tallied two solo tackles and 13 assists ... Also had a QB hurry ... Played 24 snaps against Arkansas State ... Had three assisted tackles and a quarterback hurry ... Played seven defensive snaps against LSU ... Played 20 snaps against Marshall, registering a "big hit" ... Had a solo stop and five assists at Texas A&M ... Had an assisted stop at Western Michigan ... Played six snaps on defense at Boston College ... Saw brief action on defense against Rutgers ... Played 12 snaps against West Virginia, recording a solo stop and an assist ... Played 15 snaps on defense against Virginia, recording an assisted tackle ... Had an assisted tackle at Miami ... Played in a jayvee game against Hargrave for extra experience and registered nine tackles ... Recorded an assisted tackle in Tech's bowl win ... Turned in a personal-best 370-pound bench press during off-season testing ... Moved to the offensive line prior to spring practice ... Worked at right guard ...

2001: Worked at defensive tackle while being redshirted in the fall ... Turned in a 340-pound bench press and 470-pound back squat during spring testing ... Also ran a 4.97 in the 40 ... Had three tackles in one of Tech's spring scrimmages and two tackles and a pass broken up in another ...

High School: *The Baltimore Sun* Defensive Player of the Year ... Was in on over 100 tackles, including 17 quarterback sacks, in 2000 ... Recovered seven fumbles and blocked a pair of punts ... Posted an amazing 60 sacks during his four seasons as a starter for Coach Pete Pompey ... Thirty of those sacks came in 1999 when he helped his team to the Maryland 2A championship game ... Rated the No. 46 defensive player in the nation by *G&W Recruiting* ... Listed as the No. 38 DE by *Rivals* ... *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* rated him the No. 35 player in the Mid-Atlantic Region ... Listed as the No. 14 prospect in Maryland by *ACC Area Sports Journal* and the No. 16 player in the Mid-Atlantic Region by *SuperPrep* ... A *PrepStar* all-region pick ... A first-team All-Metro and all-state pick as a junior and senior and a second-team All-Metro selection as a sophomore ... Helped the team to three-straight city West Division championships and 28 wins in the last 30 games of his career ... Played his first organized football as a freshman ... Led Edmondson Westside to the state semifinals his senior season ... Spent time at all four defensive line positions during his career and even saw some limited action at linebacker ... Played lacrosse for one season ... Attended Tech's summer

football camp after his junior year ... The vice-president of his senior class ...

Personal: Jason G. Murphy ... Born 8/7/82 in Baltimore, MD ... Son of Benjamin and Anna Murphy ... Enrolled in university studies.

BRANDON PACE



**Place-kicker • 5-10 • 193 • r-Fr.
Virginia Beach, Va. • Kellam H.S.**

A talented newcomer who battled for the starting kicking duties during 2002 preseason practice ... Was considered for the duties once again when starter Carter Warley began experiencing back problems during the season ... Ended up taking a redshirt year ... Resumed competing for the place-kicking and kickoff duties when spring practice opened ... Still needs to develop a little more consistency, but has a lot of ability ... Will have the opportunity to earn a job when preseason practice opens ...

2002: Joined the team as an invited walk-on ... Competed for the place-kicking, kickoff and punting duties during the preseason ... Went through additional competition for the place-kicking duties when Carter Warley was sidelined during the season ... Coaches decided to hold him out of action and redshirt him ... Booted an extra point and a 35-yard field goal during one spring scrimmage ... Added another PAT kick during the Maroon-White game ...

High School: Was a four-year letterman as a kicker and punter for Coach Mike Dewitt at Kellam High ... Set school record for career scoring by a kicker ... Made 18 field goals during his career, including a game-winning 37-yarder that earned Kellam its first-ever victory in a playoff game ... Had three games with more than 10 points kicking during his senior season ... Was named the first-team Group AAA kicker that year ... Also earned all-area, all-conference and all-region honors ... Was team MVP and played in the state high school all-star game during the summer of 2002 ... Lettered as a wrestler his freshman and sophomore years ...

Personal: Brandon Kyle Pace ... Born 11/11/83 in Virginia Beach, VA ... Son of Fred and Donna Pace ... Enrolled in university studies.

CHRIS PANNELL



**Offensive Tackle • 6-4 • 274 • r-So.
Staunton, Va. • Robert E. Lee H.S.**

Another former defensive lineman who is making a switch to offense ... Worked at the right offensive tackle position during the spring ... Brings athleticism to the position, but needs to get bigger and stronger ... Has good football instincts ... Still has a lot to learn about the expectations of his new position ... Should make more progress as he gets more reps ... Needs a good summer preparation ... Will get a shot at the backup duties behind starter Jimmy Martin when practice opens ...

2002: Began the year working at defensive tackle ... Saw action in three varsity games ... Was in for 16 defensive plays against both Arkansas State and Western Michigan ... Collected a solo tackle and three assists in the ASU game ... Saw action on four plays at Miami ... Picked up some extra experience in Tech's two jayvee games ... Contributed eight tackles, including a quarterback sack and another tackle for loss, and recovered a fumble in a jayvee win over Fork Union ... Was switched to offense before spring practice opened ... Practiced at right tackle ...

2001: Redshirted while working at end during the fall ... Moved to tackle during the spring ... Missed some time due to a sprained right ankle ... Returned to play in the annual Maroon-White game and contributed two tackles ...

High School: Lettered a total of three seasons as a defensive lineman and tight end for Coach David Tibbs ... Following the 2000 season, he was named first-team Group AA all-state by The Associated Press and second-team by the state coaches ... Had 38 tackles, 14 assists, nine sacks, four passes broken up, three fumble recoveries and a blocked punt as a senior ... Anchored a defensive unit that held foes to 282 total yards rushing and

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less than 100 total points for the season ... Helped the team to its first undefeated (10-0) regular season in 35 years ... Posted three sacks in a game against Rockbridge County ... Blocked a punt and deflected three passes against Waynesboro ... Contributed 54 tackles, 11 sacks, two fumble recoveries and an interception his junior year ... Won *PrepStar* All-America recognition ... Was ranked the No. 6 DL and the No. 30 overall prospect in the All-Atlantic Region by that publication ... An all-region pick by *SuperPrep*, which rated him the No. 17 player in Virginia ... Listed the No. 16 prospect in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Played three years of basketball ...

Personal: Christopher William Pannell ... Born 12/27/82 in Jacksonville, FL ... Son of Sarah Crenshaw and Donnie Pannell ... Enrolled in hospitality and tourism management.

MIKE PARHAM



Center • 6-0 • 274 • r-Fr.
Petersburg, Va. • Petersburg H.S.

A versatile lineman who joined the team as an invited walk-on ... Worked hard to learn the Tech system while redshirting last season ... Worked at both guard positions and center during the course of the year ... Should benefit from the strength and conditioning program ... Brings a good attitude and a desire to succeed to the field ... Still has some adjustments to make ... Is expected to become a contributor along the line in the future ...

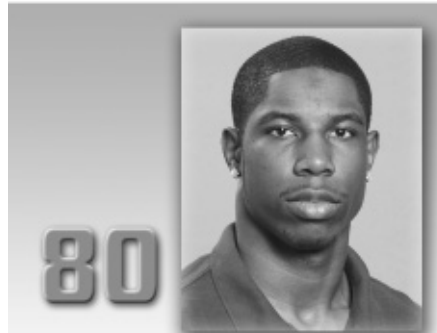
2002: Redshirted while gaining experience on the scout team ...

High School: Lettered four seasons as an offensive lineman and deep snapper for Coach Remus James at Petersburg High ... Helped clear the way for a rushing attack that picked up 2,800 yards his senior year, including over 900 yards on his side ... Earned second-team all-district honors and honorable mention all-Metro recognition ... Named the team's best offensive player and top offensive lineman

as a senior ... Also named to the all-academic team ... Was president of the student council ... Also lettered in track and wrestling ...

Personal: Michael Nathaniel Parham, Jr. ... Born 9/13/84 in Petersburg, VA ... Son of Michael Parham, Sr. ... Enrolled in university studies.

ROBERT PARKER



Flanker • 6-1 • 207 • r-Fr.
Chesapeake, Va. • Oscar Smith H.S.

A young receiver with potential ... Benefited from a redshirt year, but is still adjusting to the system ... Possesses both good size and excellent speed ... Has made progress in the strength and conditioning program and should continue to benefit ... Will also benefit from added exposure to the position ... Must continue to concentrate on fundamentals and the little things as he heads into preseason practice ... Is expected to help add depth at flanker ... Could work his way into the mix for playing time with consistent performances ...

2002: Was redshirted while working at split end ... Registered a 450-pound back squat during the spring, tying for the second-best lift among the receivers ... Posted a time of 4.48 in the forty ... Worked at the flanker position during the spring ... Caught two passes for 19 yards during the Hokies' final spring scrimmage ...

High School: Excelled as a receiver and return man for Coach Bill Lyons at Oscar Smith ... Named the Sleeper of the Year in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Caught 25 passes for 384 yards and five touchdowns as a senior ... Returned three punts for 95 yards, including one for a touchdown ... Also had six kickoff returns for 245 yards, an average of 40.8 yards per return ... Scored on an 87-yard kickoff return against Deep Creek ... Posted seven catches for 101 yards and a touchdown in one game and five receptions for 108 yards and two TDs in another game ... Was second-team All-Southeastern District as a receiver and return man as a senior ... Named the team MVP and the top receiver ... Saw action as

a tight end his junior year ... Finished with 33 receptions for 517 yards and seven touchdowns during his two varsity seasons ... A sprinter in track ... Ran a leg on the school's 4x100-meter relay team that finished fifth in the 2001 Group AAA track meet ... Also lettered as a forward on the basketball team ...

Personal: Robert Darnell Parker ... Born 3/10/84 in Norfolk, VA ... Son of George and Gina Blanchard ... Enrolled in university studies.

ROBERT PEASLEE



Holder/Punter • 6-1 • 210 • r-Sr. • 3VL
Pulaski, Va. • Pulaski County H.S.

Returns as Tech's holder for extra points and field goals ... Could also be the Hokies' No. 2 punter ... Had to make the adjustment to holding for both a right-footed and left-footed kicker last year ... Handled the punting duties during the 2000 season, averaging 35.3 yards per kick ...

2002: Played in all 14 games, holding for all 76 kick attempts ... Made a big adjustment for the Boston College game, flipping around to hold for left-footed kicker Nic Schmitt ... Switched back to the right side to hold for eight Carter Warley kicks at Syracuse ... Held for three field goals and both extra points in Tech's bowl win over Air Force ... Turned in a personal-best 420-pound back squat during spring max testing ...

2001: Saw action in all 11 regular-season games, holding for 65 kicking attempts ... Didn't have a miscue all season ... Turned in a personal-best 400-pound back squat during spring athletic performance tests ...

2000: Saw action on over 100 special team plays ... Punted 44 times on the season for 1,555 yards, an average of 35.3 yards per punt ... Put at least one punt inside the opposing team's 20-yard line in 10 of Tech's 11 regular-season games ... Had a total of 14 punts downed inside the 20 ... Suffered one blocked kick at Syracuse ... Averaged 45.7 yards on three punts in the Rutgers game ... Carried a 42.8-yard average on four kicks in the

talk with Robert

What is your favorite bowl memory at Virginia Tech?

My favorite bowl memory would have to be my first bowl, the 2001 Gator Bowl. It was my first year punting and being able to play with Michael Vick was very special.

A lot of people take the holder position for granted, but the position is actually very important. How do you maintain focus and deal with that kind of pressure?

I maintain my focus and deal with pressure by taking the game snap-by-snap. I have been a holder for so long it has become second nature to me. I am always nervous on the first snap, though, but once it is out of the way, I'm good to go.

If you could have any profession and be incredibly successful at it, what would you do?

If I could be any profession and be good at it, I would be a professional golfer because I would be getting paid for something I like to do and receiving the latest equipment. I think that it would be incredible to be able to play all the prestigious courses around the world with the world's best golfers.

Who was your idol growing up?

My idol growing up was Michael Jordan. I think that he is an incredible athlete who can do anything he puts his mind to. The guy quit the sport he was best at to try to make it as a professional baseball player and he did it. Plus, he is a scratch golfer. He came from being cut from his high school basketball team to being the best basketball player ever.

If you could trade positions with anyone on the field for one game, what position would you play and why?

If I could trade positions with anyone, it would be Coach Beamer. I think that it would be cool to be in charge of a college football team, especially a team that is good year in and year out. Coach doesn't get paid too poorly, either.

Syracuse game ... Had season-best 51-yard punts against Syracuse and Virginia ... Punted five times for a 40-yard average versus UVa ... Had two punts for a 32-yard average in the Gator Bowl ... One of those punts was downed inside the Clemson 20 ... Posted a 400-pound back squat during the spring athletic performance testing ... Turned in a 51-yard punt during the

Maroon-White game ... Finished the game with four punts for a 37-yard average ...

1999: Was redshirted while working as a punter ... Posted a 375-pound back squat during spring testing ... Punted three times for a 38.7-yard average in one spring scrimmage ... Averaged 37.3 yards on four punts in another scrimmage ... Punted four times in the Maroon-White spring game for

a 37.3-yard average ... Had a long punt of 49 yards in that game ...

High School: Lettered three seasons as a punter for Coach Joel Hicks at Pulaski Country ... Earned first-team all-state honors as a senior ... Averaged 42.8 yards per punt for the season ... Punted five times for a 46.3-yard average in one game ... Carried a 41.9-yard average his junior year ... Was named first-team all-district and all-region and second-team all-state ... Also lettered as a pitcher in baseball ...

Personal: Robert Brandon Peaslee ... Born 6/28/81 in Beckley, WV ... Son of Bob and Melanie Peaslee ... Enrolled in secondary education.

Punting	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	LG	I20
2000	11	44	1555	35.3	51	14

ROBERT RAMSEY



Center • 6-2 • 307 • r-So.
Coraopolis, Pa. • Montour H.S.

Seems to have put things together during the spring after battling weight problems and inconsistency his first two years ... Started playing more to his potential toward the end of the 2002 season and carried it over into the spring ... Got a lot of work with the first team during 2003 spring drills ... His progress should allow him to see more playing time this fall and give the Hokies a chance to rest starter Jake Grove more ...

2002: Played in four games ... Was in for 49 total offensive snaps, recording one knockdown block ... Played 34 snaps on offense in the opener against Arkansas State ... Had a knockdown block ... Saw brief action in the wins over Marshall and at Western Michigan ... Played six snaps on offense against Rutgers ... Got some extra duty in Tech's two jayvee games ... Improved his bench press to 370 pounds during off-season workouts ... Also had a 575-pound back squat and a 316-pound clean ...

2001: Saw action on 86 plays as a backup center ... Played in eight of the Hokies' 11 regular-season games ... Got his first career action in the opener against Connecticut, playing 27 snaps ... Saw action on 15 offensive snaps versus

RAMSEY CONTINUED

Western Michigan, grading 86 percent and posting a knockdown block ... Graded out at 81 percent and had another knockdown at Rutgers ... Graded 88 percent in brief action against UCF ... Posted two knockdowns at West Virginia ... Saw action on a pair of offensive snaps in the win over Boston College and at Pittsburgh ... Was in for six plays on offense against Temple ... Continued to work at center during spring practice ...

2000: Worked at left guard while being redshirted in the fall ... Showed progress in the winter strength and conditioning program ... Got reps at center and guard in the spring ...

High School: Played practically every offensive line position during his varsity career at Montour ... Earned all-conference honors at guard his senior year ... Also saw action at tackle and had a brief stint at the center position ... Played both the left and right guard and tackle positions at one time or another for Coach Don Morgan, while earning three letters ... Saw limited action on defense, posting 69 tackles during his senior season ... Named the team's MVP as a junior after winning all-conference recognition on offense and defense ... Ranked the No. 25 prospect in Pennsylvania by *SuperPrep* ... Selected the No. 73 player in the East Region in *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Named to the *Pittsburgh Press* 'Fabulous 22' team ... Listed as an All-East Region offensive lineman by *PrepStar* ...

Personal: Robert Richard Ramsey III ... Born 4/13/82 in Pittsburgh, PA ... Son of Bob and Ruth Ramsey ... Enrolled in history.

BRYAN RANDALL



**Quarterback • 6-0 • 222 • Jr. • 2VL
Williamsburg, Va. • Bruton H.S.**

Was thrust into the lineup when starting quarterback Grant Noel was injured in the first quarter of the LSU game ... Guided the Hokies to victory against the Tigers and went on to start Tech's last 12 games ... Met the challenge head-on ... Quarterbacked the team to wins in his first



six starts ... Kept his head up when the Hokies suffered some tough losses late in the year ... Capped the season by earning MVP honors during Tech's win over Air Force in the San Francisco Bowl ... Learned from both his successes and his mistakes ... Showed poise throughout the season ... Set a BIG EAST Conference single-game record with 504 yards passing at Syracuse ... Established a Tech mark and tied a BIG EAST record with five touchdown passes in that game ... Completed 63.7 percent of his passes for the season to set a new school record ... His 2,641 yards of total offense were the most for a Tech player since 1972 and marked the second-highest season figure ever for the Hokies ... A mobile quarterback who can make plays when things break down ... Combines intelligence with a good work ethic ... Did not have a single turnover during spring scrimmages after committing a series of turnovers during the second half of the 2002 season ... Ended 2003 spring practice a much better player than he was at the bowl game against Air Force ... Will be expected to establish himself as one of the Hokies' leaders this fall ...

2002: Played in all 14 games, starting the last 12 ... Finished the season with 2,134 yards passing and 507 net rushing yards ... Was 158 for 248 on the year with 12 touchdown passes and 11 interceptions ... Had an efficiency rating of 143.09, 10th-best in the nation ... Carried the ball 171 times, second-most on the team ... Had three touchdowns on the ground ... Came off the bench in the opener against Arkansas State to play 25 snaps ... Completed 6-of-8 passes for 66 yards and a touchdown ... Completed a 19-yard pass to Mike Imoh for his first collegiate touchdown pass ... Ran five times for 36 net yards ... Had touchdown runs of 12 and 5 yards ... Played all but the opening two series in the win over LSU ...

Completed 5-of-9 passes for 47 yards ... Also ran 14 times for 33 yards, but finished with just six net yards ... Got his first collegiate start in the win over Marshall ... Threw the ball just 12 times, completing five passes for 101 yards ... Had a long of 38 yards to Ernest Wilford ... Ran seven times for 36 net yards ... Directed six touchdown drives and two that resulted in field goals ... Completed 10-of-11 passes in the win at Texas A&M, his first road start ... Missed on his first pass, but completed the last 10 to end the game ... Threw for 119 yards in the game with a long of 52 yards ... The long came on a pass to Ernest Wilford, which led to the lone touchdown of the game

... Also ran for 49 yards, but was sacked four times, giving him 14 net rushing yards ... Threw for 194 yards at Western Michigan ... Completed 13-of-19 passes with a touchdown ... Suffered his first two interceptions of the season in that game ... Also ran eight times for 40 net yards ... Directed four long scoring drives in the win at Boston College ... Connected with Ernest Wilford for a 44-yard touchdown pass on the game's opening drive ... Completed 4-of-7 passes for 86 yards and that score ... Made several key runs to keep drives alive ... Finished with 37 net rushing yards against the Eagles ... Completed 11-of-15 passes against Rutgers ... Threw a 16-yard touchdown pass to Ernest Wilford in that game, but also threw an interception ... Completed 13-of-20 passes for 146 yards against Temple ... Connected with Doug Easlick for a 30-yard touchdown play ... Tossed two interceptions in the game ... Also rushed nine times for 47 yards ... Suffered his first loss as a starter against Pittsburgh ... Completed 12-of-22 passes in that game for 145 yards with an interception ... Broke a BIG EAST record and a school record in the triple overtime loss at Syracuse ... Completed 23-of-35 passes for a BIG EAST record 504 yards ... The yardage was the second-most in school history ... Set a new school mark with five touchdown passes ... Was picked off three times in that game ... Twice completed passes of 87 yards, the third-longest in school history ... Connected with Ernest Wilford four times (75, 34, 87, 6) and Lee Suggs once (15) to account for his passing touchdowns ... Also rushed for a touchdown in the second overtime ... Ran for 125 yards against West Virginia ... Also threw for 168 yards and a touchdown on 18-of-31 passing ... Completed a 6-yard touchdown pass to Keith Willis ... Threw a late interception ... Led the Hokies to a big win over in-state rival Virginia ...

Completed just 5-of-11 passes for 85 yards with an interception in windy conditions ... Helped the team with his running, collecting 67 yards on the ground on 14 carries ... Led the Hokies in rushing with a career-high 132 yards on 25 carries at Miami ... Had a long run of 26 yards ... Also had a good day throwing the ball, completing 15 of 26 passes for 165 yards and a score ... Connected with Shawn Witten for a 4-yard touchdown pass in the second quarter ... Was named the Offensive MVP of the Diamond Walnut San Francisco Bowl for his performance ... Was 18 for 23 for 177 yards ... Didn't commit any turnovers and led the Hokies on four scoring drives ... Gained Super Iron Hokie honors in both the fall and the spring ... Was named one of the team's MVPs following spring practice ... Completed 71.7 percent of his passes during spring scrimmages without an interception ... Hit 11 of 18 passes for 187 yards and three touchdowns in one of the four scrimmages ... Went 18-for-24 in another scrimmage for 210 yards and a pair of TDs ... Completed 12 of 21 passes in the Maroon-White game for 149 yards ... Was sacked twice, but did not have an interception ...

2001: One of four true freshmen to see action ... Won the No. 2 quarterback job during the preseason ... Saw action in all but three games ... Completed 12 passes on 34 attempts with no touchdowns and an interception on the year ... Also rushed 20 times for 104 yards in eight games ... Was 5-for-10 passing in his first career action against Connecticut ... Threw for 56 yards and had 30 yards rushing against the Huskies ... Completed a 12-yard pass in his only attempt against Western Michigan ... Was 2-for-5 against Rutgers for 11 yards ... Also ran for 39 yards in that contest ... Ran for 24 yards against UCF ... Was 2-for-4 at West Virginia for 17 yards ... Threw his first career interception in the Boston College game ... Was 2-for-7 at Pittsburgh for 18 yards ... Directed three drives at the end of the Temple game ... Was intercepted in his only passing attempt in the Gator Bowl ... Won Super Iron Hokie honors during spring testing ... Led the quarterbacks with a 320-pound bench press and 570-pound back squat ... Turned in a 33 1/2-inch vertical jump and a 4.54 clocking in the 40 ... Completed 3 of 8 passes for 23 yards in Tech's first spring scrimmage ... Completed six passes in 11 attempts for 47 yards and a touchdown during the second scrimmage and added a touchdown run in the third ... Passed for 103 yards and a TD in the final scrimmage ... Played every offensive snap for both teams in the spring game and finished with a combined total of 211 yards passing ... Completed 21 of 38 passes with one interception ... Scored the only touchdown of the game on an 8-yard run ... Shared

the Dr. Richard Bullock Award for the most improved offensive player with guard James Miller ...

High School: Rated the top player in Virginia for the 2000 season ... Finished his senior season rated the No. 2 athlete in the nation by *SuperPrep* and the No. 4 quarterback in the country by *PrepStar* ... As a junior, he became the first player in Virginia high school football history to rush for 1,000 yards and pass for 1,000 yards in the same season ... As a senior, he became the first state player to duplicate the feat in back-to-back seasons ... A prep All-America pick by *Parade*, *SuperPrep*, *PrepStar*, *Blue Chip Recruiting*, *G&W Recruiting* and *Student Sports* ... Rated the No. 15 player in the nation, the Mid-Atlantic Offensive Player of the Year and the No. 1 player in Virginia by *SuperPrep* ... Was a Dream Team pick by *PrepStar*, which listed him as the No. 1 player in the Atlantic Region ... Ranked as the No. 41 player in the nation by *Max Emfinger's Blue Chip Recruiting* ... *G&W Recruiting's* No. 46 offensive player in nation ... Picked the No. 20 QB in the nation by *Student Sports* ... Named the No. 1 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* No. 21 player in the Mid-Atlantic Region ... Named the Gatorade Player of the Year for the state of Virginia ... An All-Southern pick by *Orlando Sentinel* ... Selected the state Group AA Player of Year by The Associated Press and the AA Offensive Player of the Year by the state coaches ... First-team Group AA all-state as a QB and DB by coaches ... First-team Group AA as DB, second-team as QB by AP ... Accounted for 58 TDs, 2,826 yards passing and 2,169 yards rushing during his final two years ... Passed for 1,301 yards and 14 TDs as a senior ... Completed 94 of 171 passes ... Added 1,012 yards rushing with 16 TDs ... Ran for 214 yards and three touchdowns and passed for 184 yards and two TDs in a win over Tabb ... Posted over 150 tackles and intercepted eight passes on defense as a senior ... Contributed 22 tackles, 134 yards and three touchdowns rushing and a pair of passing touchdowns during a win over Poquoson his junior year ... Rushed for 1,157 yards and passed for 1,525 as a junior ... Played quarterback, receiver, safety and returned kicks during his four-year career for Coach Kyle Neve ... Named the district and region offense and defensive player of the year as a senior ... Compiled a district record 7,481 all-purpose yards during his career ... A four-year letterman as a guard on the basketball team ... Was named the state Group AA Basketball Player of the Year as a junior after leading his team to a state championship ... Played on an AAU national championship basketball team ...

A member of the National Honor Society ...

Personal: Bryan Jemar Randall ... Born 8/16/83 in Charleston, WV ... Son of Edgar and Belinda Randall ... His father played basketball at West Virginia State ... Brother, Brandon, plays basketball at Hampden-Sydney ... Enrolled in sociology.

Passing	G	Att-Comp	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Int
2001	8	34-12	35.3	114	0	1
2002	14	248-158	63.7	2134	12	11
Career	22	282-170	60.3	2248	12	12

2002 Passing Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	8-	6	75.0	66	1 0
LSU	1	9-	5	55.5	47	0 0
MU	1	12-	5	41.7	101	0 0
at TAM	1	11-	10	90.9	119	0 0
at WMU	1	19-	13	68.4	194	1 2
at BC	1	7-	4	57.1	86	1 0
RU	1	15-	11	73.3	131	1 1
TU	1	20-	13	65.0	146	1 2
PITT	1	22-	12	54.5	145	0 1
at SU	1	35-	23	65.7	504	5 3
WVU	1	18-	30	60.0	168	1 1
UVa	1	11-	5	45.4	85	0 1
at UM	1	26-	15	57.7	165	1 0
vs AF	1	23-	18	78.3	177	0 0

Rushing	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	8	20	104	5.2	0	24
2002	14	171	507	3.0	3	34
Career	22	191	611	3.2	3	34

2002 Rushing Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	5	36	7.2	2	19
LSU	1	14	6	0.4	0	8
MU	1	7	36	5.1	0	16
at TAM	1	17	14	0.8	0	22
at WMU	1	8	40	5.0	0	19
at BC	1	15	37	2.5	0	25
RU	1	10	0	0.0	0	11
TU	1	9	47	5.2	0	8
PITT	1	16	-4	0.0	0	11
at SU	1	5	-9	0.0	1	8
WVU	1	18	125	6.9	0	34
UVa	1	14	67	4.8	0	15
at UM	1	25	132	5.3	0	26
vs AF	1	8	-20	-2.5	0	8

MATT ROAN



Tight End • 6-4 • 243 • Fr.
Dublin, Va. • Pulaski County H.S.

Entered school in January and went through off-season workouts and spring practice ... Showed ability during the spring, but still has some adjustments to make ... Must continue adding strength and size through the athletic performance program ... Needs more exposure to the system before moving into contention for playing time ...

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2002: Enrolled in school for the second semester ... Worked at tight end during the spring ...

Prep School: Played for Coach Robert Prunty at Hargrave during the fall of 2002 ... Had an 18-yard reception in a game against the Virginia Tech jayvee team ... Helped Hargrave to a 9-1 record ...

High School: Lettered two seasons as a tight end and outside linebacker for Coach Joel Hicks at Pulaski County High ... Helped the team to a pair of district and regional titles ... Caught nine passes for 158 yards and two touchdowns ... Hauled in three passes for 48 yards and a touchdown against William Byrd ...

Grabbed two passes for 33 yards and a TD versus William Fleming ... Contributed 52 tackles and an interception on defense ... Also lettered three years in basketball ... A member of the National Honor Society ...

Personal: Kenneth Matthew Roan ... Born 3/13/84 in Radford, VA ... Son of Kenneth and Debbie Roan ... Enrolled in university studies.

VEGAS ROBINSON



**Linebacker • 6-0 • 244 • r-Sr. • 2VL
Chesapeake, Va. • Deep Creek H.S.**

Is listed as the No. 10 inside linebacker in the nation by *The Sporting News* heading into the 2003 season ... Should be full strength after undergoing ankle surgery during the spring ... Proved to be an integral part of Tech's defense last year in his first season as a starter ... Left a big void when he missed games against Temple, Pittsburgh and Syracuse with a sprained ankle ... A physical player with outstanding strength and speed ... Knows the Tech system ... Is productive against both the run and the pass ... Finished fourth on the team in tackles in 2002 despite missing the three games ... Also contributed three pass interceptions ... Has worked hard to improve his game ... Attained Elite Athlete status in the spring of 2002 ... Set a Tech position record for inside linebackers with a 40 1/2-inch vertical jump during the fall ... Tech's

talk with Vegas



What are your expectations for your senior season?

My expectations for my senior season are to come out, be healthy, play hard, and basically improve on what I did well last year. I expect the team to take it to the show.

Who is your personal hero?

My mom, because she was a single mother and it was hard, but she made it happen. She sent me off to college, and now, I'm going to make her proud.

You're one of several players at Tech who played at Deep Creek High School. What has it been like to play with some of your former teammates?

It's been good. We grew up together, and it's good to see a familiar face when you leave home.

Who has been the toughest player that you've had to defend?

That would have to be [Tech center] Jake Grove. [On the opposing teams], I treat them all the same, I don't know any of their names.

What is the toughest thing about your position, and what is your favorite thing?

The toughest thing is the mental aspect, because you have to know a lot of things. You have to know certain defenses, especially the mental part. My favorite thing is just getting the freedom to run around and hit people.

Do you have any nicknames?

No nicknames. People think my name, Vegas, is a nickname, so we just let it ride with that.

coaches have high expectations for him this fall as both a playmaker and a leader ...

2002: Played in 11 games, starting all of them ... Recorded 54 solo stops and 17 assisted tackles on the season ... Included in those 71 stops were three tackles for loss ... Also had three interceptions, three QB hurries, two fumble recoveries and a forced fumble ... Made his first career start in the opener against Arkansas State ... Had two assists in that game ... Recorded five solo stops, four assists and two quarterback hurries against LSU ... Also had an interception in that game ... Had five solo tackles and two assists in the win over Marshall ... Also had a tackle for loss and recovered a fumble while recording a solo stop on special teams ... Registered five solo stops, including one for a loss, and an assist in the win at Texas A&M ... Recorded seven solo tackles and recovered a fumble at Western Michigan

... Registered seven solo tackles in the win at Boston College ... Had three solo tackles before leaving the Rutgers game early with a sprained ankle and shin contusions ... Missed the next three games with the injury ... Returned for the West Virginia game and didn't miss a beat ... Tallied nine solo tackles and three assists, including a solo stop, as well as a forced fumble ... Recorded four solo tackles and two assists in the win over Virginia ... Had a solo tackle on special teams at Miami ... Registered 10 total tackles, including seven solo, in Tech's bowl win ... Also recorded an interception ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors in both the fall and spring testing periods ... Underwent ankle surgery prior to spring practice and did not participate in any drills ...

2001: Played in all 11 regular-season games, recording 14 tackles ... Had three

solo stops and 11 assists ... Saw action on 78 defensive plays and 44 special teams plays ... Finished with a tackle and three assists in the opener against UConn ... Saw action on seven defensive plays versus Western Michigan, recording a solo tackle and an assist ... Had two assists on 19 defensive plays at Rutgers ... Played eight total plays against UCF, recording an assist and 14 total plays at West Virginia, with one assist ... Saw limited work on special teams against Syracuse, Virginia and Miami ... Had a solo stop and two assists on 14 plays against Temple ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors during both preseason and spring testing ... Registered six tackles, including two behind the line, during one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Had three tackles in another scrimmage ... Was in on a tackle during the Maroon-White game ...

2000: Turned in personal bests in all four major lifts during preseason strength and conditioning tests ... Saw his only action at linebacker during the season opener with Akron ... Contributed two tackles in that game ... Appeared in five other games, all on special teams ... Worked with the kickoff and kickoff return teams ... Played a season-best eight plays in the Boston College and Pittsburgh games ... Was in on two tackles at BC ... Finished with four total tackles ... Saw action in the Gator Bowl ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors during spring testing ... Led the inside linebackers with a 570-pound back squat and a 38-inch vertical jump ... Set a new position record with a 4.46 40-yard dash ... Posted five tackles, including two behind the line, during the annual Maroon-White game ...

1999: Got a brief look at outside linebacker before moving inside to the backer position ... Turned in the best time among the incoming freshmen in the 20-yard shuttle run (4.13 seconds) ... Posted three tackles in one spring scrimmage ... Contributed a sack in another spring outing ...

High School: Played tailback and linebacker and handled the punting duties for Coach David Cox at Deep Creek ... Named the No. 12 defensive back in the ACC Area by *PrepStar* ... Listed as the No. 15 prospect in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Picked the No. 16 prospect in the state by *SuperPrep* ... Played briefly as an offensive guard during his junior year ... Carried 82 times for 564 yards and 13 touchdowns as a senior ... Rushed for 108 yards and three TDs during a game against Group AAA champion Hampton ... Helped team to a 27-7 mark during his varsity career

... Excelled on the track team ... Has run a 10.9 in the 100-meters ...

Personal: Vegas Ferragamo Robinson ... Born 5/19/81 in Richmond, VA ... Son of Sandra Robinson ... Studying residential property management.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2000	6	2	2	4	0-0	0-0
2001	11	3	11	14	0-0	0-0
2002	11	54	17	71	0-0	0-0
Career	28	59	30	89	0-0	0-0

2002 Tackles Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	0	2	2	0-0	0-0
LSU	1	5	4	9	0-0	0-0
MU	1	6	2	8	1-2	0-0
at TAM	1	5	1	6	1-2	0-0
at WMU	1	7	0	7	0-0	0-0
at BC	1	7	0	7	0-0	0-0
RU	1	3	0	3	0-0	0-0
TU					Did not play	
PITT					Did not play	
at SU					Did not play	
WVU	1	9	3	12	0-0	0-0
UVa	1	4	2	6	1-1	0-0
at UM	1	1	0	1	0-0	0-0
vs AF	1	7	3	10	0-0	0-0

Interceptions	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	11	3	16	5.3	0	8

WINSTON ROETT



Quarterback • 6-2 • 200 • So.
Vienna, Va. • Bishop O'Connell H.S.

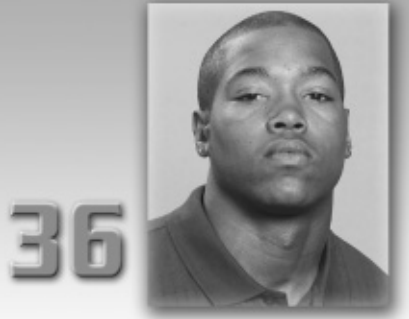
Is scheduled to serve as the Hokies' scout team quarterback ... Handled those duties during spring practice ... Joined the team last fall after school started ... Made improvement during the winter strength and conditioning workouts ...

2002: Joined the team as a walk-on ... Practiced at quarterback ... Played in Tech's jayvee games as a receiver and defensive back ... Helped quarterback the scout team in the spring ...

High School: Played quarterback for Coach Darrell Snyder at Bishop O'Connell High School ... Earned honorable mention All-WCAC honors his senior year ... Also played in the WCAC football all-star game ... Threw for 289 yards and three touchdowns, including two in the final minutes, to complete a comeback win over Bishop Ireton his senior season ...

Personal: Winston Underwood Roett ... Born 3/30/84 in Houston, TX ... Son of Bruce and Diane Roett ... Enrolled in university studies.

AARON ROUSE



Linebacker • 6-3 • 203 • r-Fr.
Virginia Beach, Va. • First Colonial H.S.

A talented young player who should be a factor at the whip linebacker position before the season is over ... Showed flashes of his ability during the spring and is working to become more familiar with the defense ... Possesses all the physical skills needed to be successful ... Still needs to get stronger, but brings speed, athleticism and good instincts to the position ... Plays with a good motor ... Will work his way into playing time as he becomes more accomplished at the position ... The carry over from spring to fall will be extremely important to him ... Will be watched closely when practice resumes in August ... Has an extremely bright future with the Hokies ...

2002: Spent the fall working at whip linebacker while taking a redshirt year ... Had a 400-pound back squat during spring max testing ... Turned in a 4.44 clocking in the forty ... Was in on four tackles in one spring scrimmage and three in another ... Contributed a quarterback sack and three total tackles during the Maroon-White game ... Also broke up a pass ...

High School: A *PrepStar* All-American who was named the defensive player of the year in the Beach District as a senior ... Saw action as a wide receiver, safety, linebacker, running back and cornerback during his varsity career for coaches Sam Scarborough and Frank Webster at First Colonial ... Posted 85 tackles in 2001, including a pair of sacks ... Intercepted five passes, recovered three fumbles and blocked three kicks ... Caught 13 passes for 390 yards and four TDs as a receiver ... Registered 11 solo tackles and scored a touchdown against Princess Anne his senior year ... Was first-team all-district, all-Tidewater and all-region as a senior ... Named first-team Group AAA by The Associated Press and second-team by the state coaches as a defensive back ... Ranked the No. 32 safety in the nation by *Rivals* ... Rated the No. 9 defensive back in the Atlantic Region by *PrepStar* ... Listed as the No. 79 player in the Mid-Atlantic Region by *Tom Lemming's Prep*

ROUSE CONTINUED

Football Report ... Ranked the No. 24 player in Virginia by *SuperPrep* and the No. 24 player by *The Roanoke Times* ... Finished his junior season with 71 tackles, eight sacks and three interceptions ... Posted a game-saving interception against Ocean Lakes ... Named first-team all-district and second-team all-Tidewater ... Blocked a school-record eight kicks during his career ... Had 176 career tackles and nine interceptions ... Also lettered in basketball ...

Personal: Aaron Roosevelt Rouse ... Born 1/8/84 in Norfolk, VA ... Son of Nadine Rouse ... Enrolled in university studies.

BOB RUFF



Defensive End • 6-1 • 231 • Jr.
McMurray, Pa. • Peters Township H.S.

Has put himself in a position to contribute either on special teams or as a backup at end ... A dependable performer who could play any of the defensive line positions if asked ... Works hard and always gives top effort ... Got some valuable reps during spring practice ... Joined the team as an invited walk-on in 2001 ... Has contributed as a member of the scout and jayvee teams his first two seasons ... Will get a chance to earn a different role when practice opens in August ...

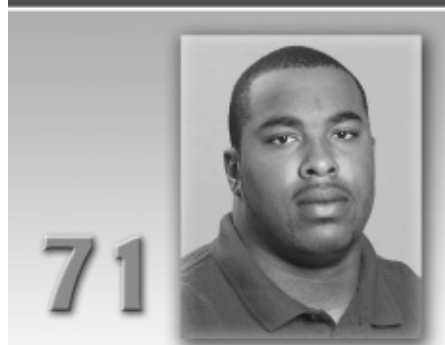
2002: Played in one varsity game and both jayvee games ... Was in the lineup for 30 plays in the season opener against Arkansas State ... Registered one solo tackle and two assists ... Had three tackles, a tackle for loss and a fumble recovery in a jayvee win against Fork Union ... Posted a quarterback sack against Hargrave ... Contributed a sack in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages and a tackle for loss in another ... Registered a solo tackle in the Maroon-White game ...

2001: Worked at defensive end ... Played in Tech's jayvee game against Hargrave and contributed a tackle ... Registered a 400-pound back squat during spring testing ... Was in on two tackles during one spring scrimmage and one in another ...

High School: Lettered three seasons as a linebacker and quarterback for Coach Garry Cathell at Peters Township ... Named Quad A first-team as a linebacker and earned honorable mention all-state honors ... Was team MVP as a junior and senior ... Contributed two interceptions and a pair of fumble recoveries as a senior ... Was moved from offensive tackle to quarterback in the third quarter of a game against Laurel Highlands and guided his team to a win ... Went on to pass for over 500 yards and seven TDs during the season ... Threw a game-winning TD pass with 53 seconds showing to beat the previously undefeated conference leader ... Had 36 solo tackles and 54 assists his junior year ... Also lettered in basketball and baseball ...

Personal: Robert Ryan Ruff ... Born 9/23/82 in Bryn Mawr, PA ... Son of Robert and Christine Ruff ... Enrolled in university studies.

TIM SANDIDGE



Defensive Tackle • 6-1 • 283 • r-So. • 1VL
Madison Heights, Va. • Amherst County H.S.

Stepped in and started three games when injuries hit late last season ... Led the defensive tackles in quarterback sacks with four and finished fourth on the team ... Is expected to play a key role again this season ... Could get a shot at a starting role if he makes a good showing in summer preparation and during preseason practice ... Is a relative newcomer to football ... Only played two seasons in high school, but has shown steady improvement and good ability during his time at Tech ... Has good athleticism and quickness for his size, but must continue working on his fundamentals and strength ... Came on midway through the spring and showed a little more consistency ... Will be expected to carry that over to the preseason and play with a little more intensity ... Should benefit from his playing time last season to contribute even more in 2003 ...

2002: Played in 13 games, starting the last three ... Recorded 13 solo tackles and 17 assists ... Included in those 30 stops were five tackles for loss and four sacks ...

Also had three quarterback hurries, two passes broken up and a fumble recovery ... Played 19 snaps in the opener against Arkansas State ... Recorded a solo stop and two assists ... Also broke up a pass and recovered a fumble ... Had a solo stop and an assist against LSU ... Played just nine snaps against Marshall before spraining an ankle ... Had a sack and a pass broken up in that short amount of time ... Had an assisted tackle at Texas A&M ... Did not travel to Western Michigan due to a sprained ankle ... Had a solo tackle, an assist and a sack in the win at Boston College ... Played 13 snaps on defense against Rutgers, recording two solo tackles, an assist, a quarterback hurry and a sack ... Made an assisted tackle in the win over Temple ... Was in for eight snaps against Pittsburgh, registering an assisted tackle ... Played 39 snaps on defense at Syracuse, registering five tackles, including a sack, and a quarterback hurry ... Recorded a solo tackle and an assist against West Virginia ... Made his first career start against Virginia, recording four solo stops and two assists ... Had a solo stop and an assist, including one for a loss, at Miami ... Also had a quarterback hurry ... Had an assisted tackle in Tech's bowl win over Air Force ... Ran a 4.79 forty during spring max testing and added a 31-inch vertical jump ... Also had a personal-best 605-pound back squat ... Posted three sacks during spring scrimmages ... Added another sack during the Maroon-White game ...

2001: Practiced at the nose tackle position while redshirting as a freshman ... Registered the fastest 40 time among the defensive tackles with a 4.85 clocking during spring testing ... Also turned in a



550-pound back squat ... Had three tackles in one of Tech's spring scrimmages and intercepted a tipped pass ... Added three more tackles in another scrimmage ...

High School: Only played football his final two years at Amherst County ... Participated in baseball and basketball during his freshman and sophomore years ... Had 35 tackles, seven sacks and two blocked punts in his first season of play for Coach Mickey Crouch ... Earned all-district and all-region honors ... Was in on 55 tackles as a senior, posting eight sacks, three fumble recoveries and three blocked punts ... Garnered second-team Group AA all-state honors from the state coaches ... Also named all-district and all-region ... Played defensive tackle, offensive line and tight end during his two seasons ... Scored a touchdown on a pass reception against Rustburg during his junior year ... Rated the No. 23 player in the state by *The Roanoke Times* ... *SuperPrep* ranked him the No. 22 player in Virginia, while *Prep Star* named him All-Atlantic Region ... Attended Tech's summer football camp in 2000 ...

Personal: Timothy Allan Sandidge ... Born 6/12/83 in Lynchburg, VA ... Son of Robert and Dorothy Sandidge ... Enrolled in business.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2002	13	13	17	30	5- 28	4- 25

NIC SCHMITT



Place-kicker • 6-1 • 242 • So.
Salem, Va. • Salem H.S.

A young kicker with a strong leg ... Was slated to redshirt last fall, but was forced into action when starter Carter Warley was sidelined with back problems ... Was perfect on extra points, but experienced some ups and downs with his field goals ... Continued to be inconsistent at times during the spring ... A left-footed kicker with the talent to be a top-notch performer ... Will be a candidate for the kicking, punting and kickoff duties when practice resumes ... Could win one or a combination of those jobs if he shows more consistency ...

2002: Dressed for the first three games, but did not play ... Was forced into

action for the Boston College game when Carter Warley was sidelined with a back problem ... Kicked off twice in the first half against the Eagles ... Was successful on his four extra points, but barely missed his lone field goal attempt, a 41-yarder ... Was successful on all five extra points against Rutgers, but missed his lone field goal attempt, a 36-yarder ... Connected on his first collegiate field goal against Temple, a 21-yard attempt ... Later made a 22-yard kick ... Missed from 42 yards out, but made both of his extra points ... Was 3-for-3 on PATs against Pittsburgh, but missed a 42-yard field goal in the fourth quarter ... Kicked two long field goals (46, 47 yards) in Tech's jayvee game against Hargrave ... Also punted six times for a 42-yard average in that game ... Saw brief action at Miami, kicking off after Tech's last score ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors during the off-season with a 340-pound bench press and 530-pound back squat ... Kicked an extra point in the Maroon-White game and punted three times for a 34.3-yard average ...

High School: An all-state kicker who scored 223 points during his three varsity seasons for Coach Willis White at Salem High ... Connected on 8-of-12 field goals as a senior and made all 30 of his extra point attempts ... Was 40-of-41 on extra points his junior season ... Also made 15-of-19 field goals that season ... Kicked the game-winning extra point in the 1999 Group AA championship game ... Made 127 of 128 PAT kicks during his career and was 32-for-43 on field goal attempts ... His longest field goal in a game was 48 yards ... Averaged 39 yards as a punter his senior season and 38 as a junior ... Set school records for most points, most extra points and most field goals ... Also saw action as a defensive back and a receiver ... Intercepted three passes his senior season and six his junior year ... Selected second-team all-state as a kicker by both The Associated Press and the state coaches his senior year ... Was also an all-state pick as a junior ... Named All-Blue Ridge District and All-Region III ... An All-Timesland pick by *The Roanoke Times* ... Earned All-America honors from *PrepStar*, which ranked him the No. 2 kicker/punter in the Atlantic Region ... Listed the No. 29 prospect in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* and the No. 34 player in the state by *SuperPrep* ... Lettered three years in soccer, winning honorable mention all-state recognition ...

Personal: Nicolas James Schmitt ... Born 1/5/84 in Springfield, MO ... Son of Rick and Bonnie Schmitt ... Studying management.

Scoring	G	EP-A	FGM-A	LG	TP
2002	5	14-14	2-6	22	20
Field Goals	10-29 yds	30-39	40-49	50+	
2002	2-2	0-1	0-3	0-0	

CHRIS SHREVE



Flanker • 6-0 • 188 • r-Sr. • 1VL
Mouth of Wilson, Va. • Grayson County H.S.

A knowledgeable player who will be competing for playing time when preseason practice opens ... Has a good grasp of the Tech system ... Can handle any of the positions when the Hokies go to a four-wide set ... Combines good speed with the ability to catch the football ... Works extremely hard and plays with determination ... Has seen some action on offense and special teams the past two seasons ... Also named to the BIG EAST All-Academic Football Team both of those years ... Put himself in a position for more playing time at receiver with a good showing during the spring ... Has a chance to make a strong contribution if he makes a good summer preparation and continues to perform consistently during the preseason ...

2002: Played in 10 games, mostly on special teams ... Caught two passes for 26 yards ... Saw action on 18 offensive snaps in the opener against Arkansas State ... Played briefly on special teams against LSU, Marshall, Temple, Pittsburgh and Syracuse ... Played three snaps on offense at Western Michigan ... Caught a 26-yard pass in the Hokies' jayvee win over Fork Union ... Was in for one play on special teams at Boston College, the onside kick recovery team ... Was in for six plays on offense against Rutgers ... Caught a 7-yard pass late in the West Virginia game ... Had a catch for 19 yards at top-ranked Miami ... Bench pressed 320 pounds during spring max tests ... Led the receivers with a 4.33 time in the forty ... Spent most of his time at flanker during the spring ... Caught two passes for 16 yards, including a 7-yard touchdown pass, during one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Posted an 8-yard reception in the Maroon-White game ...

2001: Played in six games, mostly on special teams ... Made his first career reception, and only catch of the season, in the opener against Connecticut, resulting in a 13-yard gain ... Saw action on 22 plays in that game, including a personal-best 11 on offense ... Contributed two

talk with Chris



When your football career at Virginia Tech is finished, how would you like people to remember you?

I would like to be remembered as a person who overcame whatever obstacles came my way. Playing football here has taught me so much about determination and perseverance, which are lessons that I will use throughout my life.

You have been a part of the bowl game tradition at Tech. What is your favorite bowl memory?

My favorite memory is the first bowl I ever went to as a Tech player, which was the 1999 Sugar Bowl. Even though I was redshirting at the time, it was just so special to be at the big dance with all of our fans. I think it has served as motivation for everyone in our class because we have been there once and we want to get back to the National Championship.

Who has been the biggest influence on your life?

My mother has definitely had the most influence on me as a person. She has taught me so much about life, both by teaching me how to be a good person and by being a good example. I admire her so much for the way she has lived her life and for the way she raised me.

You clocked in as the fastest senior during spring testing, running a 4.3 forty. How would you like to turn that speed into success on the field?

I want to run right by every defensive back than lines up in front of me. The name of the game is speed and the more of it you have, the better off you are out there when the pressure is on.

A lot of underclassmen look up to seniors throughout their football careers. Now you have players looking to you for guidance. How does that make you feel?

I really like it. I'm not a very vocal leader, I try to lead by example. I think the younger players see that and look to me as someone who they can follow. Also, having the underclassmen look up to you keeps you accountable every day and consequently forces you to be a more consistent player, day in and day out.

If you were stranded on a desert island, what three things would you want to have with you and why?

I would definitely want to have my dog, Zoe, with me because she'd never let me feel lonely. I would also want a Frisbee because it's her favorite game to play. We could play that every hour of the day and she'd never get tired of it. Lastly, I'd want to have a hammock so that I could lay back and relax in the nice ocean breeze. I figure I might as well enjoy it while I'm there.

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knockdown blocks against Western Michigan ... Also saw action on offense and special teams against Rutgers and West Virginia before missing the Boston College game due to an ankle injury ... Was in for five special teams plays against Syracuse and six offensive snaps at Temple ... Posted a 405-pound back squat, a 304-pound push jerk, a 36-inch vertical jump and a 4.37-second time in the 40 during spring testing ... Had a catch for a 9-yard gain in one spring scrimmage ... Added an 8-yard reception during the Maroon-White game ...

2000: Joined the team as a walk-on and worked at split end during the fall ... Played on both sides of the ball in the jayvee games ... Intercepted a pass in a win over Hargrave ... Registered personal bests in seven areas during spring strength and conditioning tests ... Posted a 35 1/2-inch vertical jump ... Turned in a 17-yard reception in one spring scrimmage and a 3-yard catch in another ... Contributed a 6-yard reception during the Maroon-White game ...

High School: Saw action at five different positions as a three-year letterman for Coach Bill Strong at Grayson County ... Caught 27 passes for 543 yards and six touchdowns as a senior ... Posted 42 tackles, eight interceptions and a pair of sacks on defense ... Was a first-team all-district pick on both offense and defense ... Earned first-team all-region and all-state Group A honors as a DB ... Had an 80-yard, game-winning punt return against Carroll County ... Set school records for interceptions in a game and a season ... Helped team to three district titles ... A two-year starter in basketball and played No. 1 in singles and doubles on the tennis team ... Graduated ninth in his class ...

Personal: Christopher Scott Shreve ... Born 7/15/81 in Galax, VA ... Son of Barbara Brown and Barry Shreve ... Studying human nutrition, foods and exercise.

Receiving	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2001	7	1	13	13.0	0	13
2002	10	2	26	13.0	0	19
Career	17	3	39	13.0	0	19

DARRYL TAPP



**Defensive End • 6-1 • 246 • So. • 1VL
Chesapeake, Va. • Deep Creek H.S.**

A young player with a lot of ability who stepped in and played in all 14 games as a true freshman ... Was one of the busiest players on special teams, starting on five different units and logging nearly 300 snaps ... Also provided solid depth at the defensive end spot ... Picked up some valuable experience ... Proved to be extremely coachable and enthusiastic ... Plays extremely hard and extremely fast ...

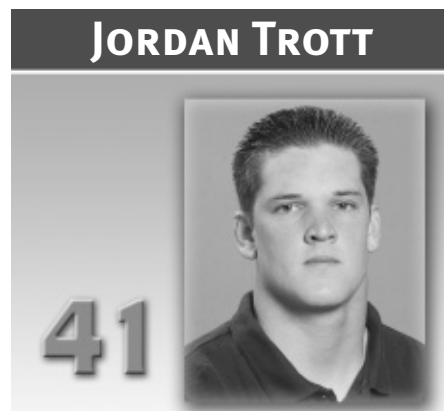
Is taking full advantage of Tech's strength and conditioning program, adding both weight and strength ... Has already earned Super Iron Hokie honors ... Positioned himself to be a candidate for starting duties with his play during the spring ... Will be a player to watch this fall ...

2002: A true freshman who saw his fair share of playing time on both defense and special teams ... Saw action in all 14 games ... Recorded nine solo tackles and 12 assists this season ... Also had three quarterback hurries and a pass broken up ... Played 38 defensive snaps and 23 on special teams in the opener against Arkansas State ... Had three solo stops, two assists and a quarterback hurry in that game ... Had an assisted tackle against LSU ... Played 26 total snaps in that game ... Recorded a solo stop on special teams against Marshall ... Played four snaps on defense and 20 on special teams against the Herd ... Saw limited action on defense at Texas A&M, but played 23 snaps on special teams, recording two assisted tackles ... Played 21 snaps on defense at Western Michigan, recording three tackles and two quarterback hurries ... Also played 21 snaps on special teams in that game ... Was in for 21 plays on special teams in the win at Boston College ... Played three snaps on defense against Rutgers, recording a solo tackle ... Was also in for 23 plays on special teams against the Scarlet Knights ... Played nine plays on defense against Temple, recording an assisted tackle and a pass broken up ... Also had a solo stop and two assists on special teams against the Owls ... Played 25 snaps on special teams against Pittsburgh, recording an assisted tackle ... Saw brief action on defense and 27 plays on special teams at Syracuse ... Recorded a solo tackle on special teams in that game ... Played 16 snaps on special teams against West Virginia ... Scored the game's first touchdown against Virginia, scooping up a blocked punt and returning it 11 yards for the score ... Played 20 plays on special teams in that game ... Had a solo tackle on special teams at Miami ... Recorded an assisted tackle against Air Force in the San Francisco Bowl ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors in the strength and conditioning program during off-season workouts ... Posted a 380-pound bench press and 530-pound back squat ... Added a 32 1/2-inch vertical jump and a 4.71 time in the forty ... Was in on five tackles and broke up a pass during one spring scrimmage and had quarterback sacks in two others ... Suffered an ankle injury in Tech's last scrimmage, but came back to register a sack in the Maroon-White game ... Won the Frank O. Moseley Award as the team's top defensive hustler in off-season workouts and spring practice ...

High School: Recorded 22 career sacks while helping Deep Creek to a 34-4 record during his three varsity seasons ... Excelled as a defensive end for Coach David Cox ... Earned first-team All-Group AAA honors from the state coaches following the 2001 season ... Was a second-team pick by The Associated Press ... Named first-team All-Southeastern District, All-Tidewater and All-Eastern Region ... Was in on 89 tackles his senior season, including a school-record 15 sacks ... Recovered five fumbles ... Posted three sacks against both Hickory High and Booker T. Washington ... Earned preseason All-America honors from *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Reports* ... Selected an All-American and rated the No. 2 defensive lineman in the Atlantic Region by *PrepStar* following his senior season ... Ranked the No. 38 weak-side end by *Rivals* ... Rated the No. 14 player in Virginia by *SuperPrep* and the No. 15 player by *The Roanoke Times* ... One of just three juniors to start on offense and defense for Deep Creek in 2000 ... Played in all 14 games and posted eight quarterback sacks ... Earned first-team all-district honors ... Helped team to the state championship game as a junior and to a regional championship in 2001 ... Lettered three seasons in basketball ... Also lettered as a weight man in track ...

Personal: Darryl Anthony Tapp ... Born 9/13/84 in Portsmouth, VA ... Son of Charles, Sr., and Ruth Tapp ... Studying marketing management.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2002	14	9	12	21	0-0	0-0



**Linebacker • 6-4 • 245 • r-So. • 1VL
Torrance, Calif. • Loyola H.S.**

Will battle for the No. 2 spot at the mike linebacker position when practice opens ... Only saw brief action on defense last season, but gained some important experience ... An intelligent, physical player ... Has an outstanding frame that helps him at the point of attack ... Is starting to show some benefits from the Hokies' strength and conditioning program

... Possesses a good understanding of Tech's defensive scheme ... Reads his keys well and has good football savvy ... Excelled as a starter on three special teams units last fall ... Led the team in special teams tackles ... The first football player from the state of California to sign with Virginia Tech straight out of high school ... Has a chance to see more playing time on defense this fall ...

2002: Played in 13 games, mostly on special teams ... Recorded 11 solo tackles and eight assists this season ... Also had a quarterback hurry on defense ... Played 17 snaps on defense and 16 on special teams in the opener against Arkansas State ... Registered a solo stop and two assists in that game ... Played five plays on special teams in the win over LSU ... Had a solo tackle on eight special teams plays against Marshall ... Played four snaps on special teams at Texas A&M ... Played 26 snaps on defense at Western Michigan, recording three solo stops, two assists and a quarterback hurry ... Recorded a solo tackle on special teams in the win at Boston College ... Played 14 snaps on special teams, recording three solo tackles, against Rutgers ... Was in for 13 plays on special teams against Temple, recording an assisted tackle ... Saw action on six special teams plays against Pittsburgh, logging an assisted tackle ... Was in for 17 special teams plays, recording a solo tackle, at Syracuse ... Was in for 11 special teams plays against West Virginia and 12 against Virginia ... Recorded a solo stop and two assists in the bowl win over Air Force ... Turned in a personal-best 350-pound bench press during off-season testing ... Had a sack and five tackles during one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Was the leading tackler in the Maroon-White game with four solo tackles and two assists ...

2001: Was redshirted while working at mike linebacker ... Turned in a 400-pound back squat during spring testing ... Was in on five tackles during one of the team's spring scrimmages ... Contributed two tackles in the Maroon-White game ...

High School: Played several positions as a junior for Coach Steve Grady, including defensive tackle, center and offensive tackle ... Turned in 38 tackles, four sacks, and three fumble recoveries on defense that season ... Switched to linebacker as a senior and helped the team to a No. 25 national ranking ... Registered 138 tackles his senior season with four sacks, three fumbles caused and three recoveries ... Had 15 tackles in the CIF Division I title game versus No. 2 ranked Long Beach Poly ... Named the California Del Rey League, CIF Division I Defensive Player of the Year ... Was selected first-team all-league, all-division and all-region ... Picked the Central City

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lineman/linebacker of the year by the *L.A. Times* ... Excelled as a first baseman in baseball ... Invited by the Los Angeles Dodgers to join 200 of the best high school baseball players from the western part of the U.S. for a camp at Dodger Stadium during summer 2000 ... One of 50 participants who made the Dodgers' Elite Team ... Named a National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame scholar athlete ...

Personal: Jordan Richard Trott ... Born 6/26/83 in Torrance, CA ... Son of Richard and Rita Trott ... Is studying business.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2002	13	11	8	19	0-0	0-0

MARCUS VICK



Quarterback • 6-0 • 203 • r-Fr.
Newport News, Va. • Warwick H.S.

A gifted young quarterback who is ahead of the learning curve after a productive redshirt year ... Possesses all the right ingredients ... Can make plays throwing the football and running the football ... Is an accurate passer with a great pocket presence ... Combines outstanding athletic ability with football savvy ... The only thing missing is experience ... Has worked hard to learn the system and the expectations of the position ... Dressed for every game last season while redshirting to get a feel for the routine and the atmosphere of game days ... Has already taken advantage of the athletic performance program to add nearly 20 pounds of muscle ... Was named the team's top offensive newcomer following spring practice ... Will carry his learning process and the quarterback competition into the preseason ... His first appearance is likely to be as highly anticipated by fans as that of his older brother, Michael, in 1999 ... Has already established himself as a good player ... The question remaining is how dynamic a player can he be ...

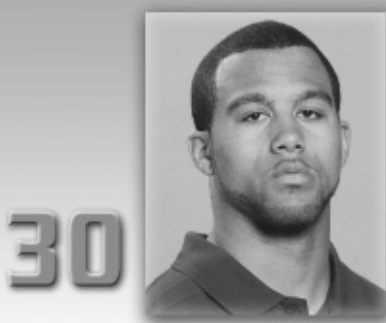
2002: Was redshirted while working on his fundamentals ... Used the season to get stronger and gain a better grasp of the

college game ... Could have played if needed ... Was a member of the dress squad for every game ... Ran a 4.48 forty and posted a 36-inch vertical jump during spring max testing ... Threw five touchdown passes during spring scrimmages and added another in the Maroon-White game ... Was 6-for-7 passing for 95 yards and one TD during one scrimmage ... Turned in a 57-yard run in another scrimmage ... Hit 10 of 15 passes for 92 yards and a TD in the Maroon-White game ... Earned the Paul Torgersen Award for the top offensive newcomer ...

High School: Compiled over 5,000 yards of total offense during his final two seasons under Coach Tommy Reamon ... Earned prep All-America honors from *SuperPrep*, *PrepStar* and *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Rated the No. 6 quarterback in the nation by *SuperPrep* and the No. 10 QB by *PrepStar* ... Ranked the No. 7 combination (running/passing) quarterback by Tom Lemming ... Named to *PrepStar's* Dream Team and rated the No. 1 quarterback in the Atlantic Region by that publication ... Selected as the No. 24 overall player in the nation by *SuperPrep* and the No. 50 player by *Prep Football Report* ... Passed for 1,746 yards and 15 touchdowns as a senior ... Added 702 yards and 13 TDs on the ground ... Named second-team Group AAA all-state by The Associated Press ... Rated the No. 2 player in the state by both *SuperPrep* and *The Roanoke Times* ... Threw for 2,180 yards and 19 TDs as a junior ...

Personal: Marcus Deon Vick ... Born 3/20/84 in Newport News, VA ... Son of Brenda and Michael Boddie ... Younger brother of former Tech All-America quarterback, Michael Vick ... Studying business.

CARY WADE



Rover • 5-10 • 173 • So. • 1VL
Fairfax, Va. • Robinson H.S.

A young defensive back who played mostly on special teams as a true freshman ... Was on the kickoff coverage team ... Also saw some brief action at

cornerback ... Went through spring practice at the boundary cornerback position, but will move to rover when practice resumes in August ... Must continue working to add strength ... His adjustment to the new position during the preseason will determine his playing status ...

2002: Played in 13 games ... Had nine solo tackles and two assists ... Played 25 snaps on defense and 13 on special teams in the opener against Arkansas, registering two solo stops ... Also had two tackles on special teams in that game ... Played five plays on special teams against LSU ... Was on the field for seven special teams plays in the win over Marshall ... Had two solo tackles on special teams at Texas A&M ... Saw action on 12 defensive snaps at Western Michigan ... Was in for five special teams plays at Boston College and nine against Rutgers ... Was in for five plays on special teams against both Temple and Pittsburgh ... Got six special teams plays at Syracuse, recording an assisted tackle ... Played four snaps on special teams against West Virginia and three against Virginia ... Had an assisted tackle on special teams at Miami ... Had a solo tackle in the San Francisco Bowl ... Contributed three tackles during one spring scrimmage and two in another ... Posted three tackles in the Maroon-White game ...

High School: A *PrepStar* All-American who was listed as the No. 10 defensive back in the Atlantic Region ... Started three seasons as a defensive back and wide receiver for Coach Mark Bendorf at Robinson ... Finished with 180 tackles and eight interceptions for his career ... Named second-team Group AAA all-state by both The Associated Press and the state coaches following his senior season ... Earned all-district and all-region honors ... Registered 64 tackles, four interceptions and recovered two fumbles ... Blocked a punt ... Also had a 43-yard punt return ... Helped the team to a state championship in 2001 and a 33-3 overall record over three seasons ... Ranked the No. 27 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* and the No. 28 player by *SuperPrep* ... Rated the No. 94 player in the Mid-Atlantic Region by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Garnered all-district honors as a junior ... Had 11 tackles, a fumble recovery and an interception against Centreville in the regional finals ... Also lettered in lacrosse and track ...

Personal: Cary Dupree Wade ... Born 5/12/84 in Minneapolis, MN ... Son of Clifton and Beatrice Wade ... Enrolled in communication.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2002	13	9	2	11	0-0	0-0

CARTER WARLEY

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**Place-kicker • 5-11 • 198 • r-Sr. • 3VL
Richmond, Va. • Fork Union H.S.**

Fought off several challengers during the preseason to retain his starting duties in 2002 ... Was having a great season until back problems sidelined him for four games ... Made five of his first seven field goals before being slowed and still managed to finish second on the team in scoring with 63 points ... Is an excellent

kicker when he is healthy and able to practice ... Did not experience any problems during the spring ... Scored 77 points in each of his first two seasons at Tech and currently ranks sixth all-time in scoring for the Hokies ... Finished fifth overall in the BIG EAST Conference in scoring both seasons ... Has missed just two extra points during his Tech career ... Was one of the Hokies' most consistent offensive performers as a redshirt freshman in 2000 when he was the highest scoring freshman in the BIG EAST Conference ... Was second in the league in both field goal percentage (77.8) and PAT kicking percentage (98.2) that year ... Earned second-team All-BIG EAST honors ... Also handled the Hokies' kickoff duties ... Booted a 27-yard field goal with 16 seconds remaining to win the Pittsburgh game in 2000 ... Tied Tech records for extra points attempted (57) and made (56) in a season ... Could be used for kickoffs again this season ... Is being looked to for an outstanding senior season ...

2002: Scored 63 points in 10 games ... Was 36-for-37 on PATs for the year ... Went 9-for-15 on field goals ... Had a long of 43 yards ... Connected on all nine extra point attempts in the opener against Arkansas State ... Hit a 41-yard field goal against LSU ... Also hit on all three PAT attempts ... Hit on all six extra point attempts in the win over Marshall ... Hit 2-of-3 field goals in that game ... Connected on kicks of 42 and 43 yards, but missed a 40-yarder to the left ... Hit two field goals at Texas A&M (22 and 26 yards) but also missed two short field goals ... Made his lone extra point attempt in that game ... Sat out the first half of the Western Michigan game due to back pain ... Returned in the second half to kick two extra points ... Missed the next four games due to back problems ... Returned for the Syracuse game, connecting on all six extra points ... Missed two field goals, both of which came at crucial points of the game ... Missed a 46-yarder with 10 seconds left in regulation ... Pushed his second kick, a 36-yard attempt, wide right at the end of the first overtime ... Kicked a 34-yard field goal and made his lone extra point against West Virginia ... Made all three extra points against Virginia ... Kicked a 20-yard field goal at Miami ... Went 4-for-5 on PATs in that game ... Only miss of the season came when his 35-yard extra point attempt was blocked ... Made both extra points in Tech's bowl win over Air Force ... Was also 2-for-3 on field goals, connecting from 23 and 37 yards ... Booted two field goals and an extra point in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Made his only field goal try of the Maroon-White game from 34 yards out ...

2001: Scored 77 points in 11 games, tops on the team ... Was a perfect 44-for-44 on extra point kicks ... Made 11 of his 21 field goal attempts ... Connected on all seven extra point attempts versus UConn and made a 39-yard field goal ... Was 6-for-6 on PATs and 2-for-4 on field goals at Rutgers ... Made all five of his PATs and was 3-for-3 on field goals against UCF ... Made field goals from 19 and 39 yards against Boston College ... Kicked a 27-yard attempt against top-ranked Miami ... Made his only field goal attempt in the Gator Bowl from 36 yards out ... Converted his first seven field goal tries in spring scrimmages before coming up just short on a 56-yarder ... Kicked field goals of 39 and 22 yards in the Maroon-White game ...

2000: Scored 10 points in his first collegiate game, making a 32-yard field goal and all seven of his extra point kicks against Akron ... Connected on a 46-yard field goal at East Carolina ... Made his first 33 PATs before missing an attempt against West Virginia ... Did not attempt his third field goal until the seventh game of the season when he made good on a 47-yard

talk with Carter

What is your favorite memory as a player at Virginia Tech?

My favorite memory at Tech would have to be the game against JMU in 1999 because it was my first collegiate football game.

What will you miss the most and the least after you graduate?

I will miss the games the most. The things I will miss the least are suicides, half gassers, full gassers, perfect 40s, winter workouts, Sunday lifts, hash sprints, bowl practice, curfew and Wednesday mornings.

Kickers are known as a superstitious

group. What, if any, superstitions do you have?

I take a garden gnome with me to every game.

What goals do you have for this, your senior year?

My goals are to stay healthy and to get to the Sugar Bowl.

If you could play any position, other than kicker, what position would you play and why?

The truth is, I can't play any other position, which is why I'm a kicker.

If you could have dinner with any two people, living or dead, who would they be and why?

I would have dinner with Bill Gates and *The Man Show* boy. I could get my fill while being entertained by *The Man Show* boy, and I'm betting we could stick the tab on Bill.

WARLEY CONTINUED

kick at Syracuse ... Made three of four field goals against Pittsburgh to finish with 13 points ... Won BIG EAST Special Teams Player of the Week honors for his performance against the Panthers ... Finished the regular season 7-for-9 on field goals and 56-for-57 on extra points ... Was 5-for-6 on PATs in the Gator Bowl ... Did not participate in spring practice ...

1999: Worked with former Tech kicker Shayne Graham during the fall while redshirting ... Made 6-of-9 field goal attempts during Tech's four spring scrimmages ... Connected on four field goals of 40 or more yards with a long of 49 ... His three misses came from 55, 51 and 49 yards ... Booted a 35-yard field goal and an extra point during the Maroon-White game ...

High School: Kicked for Coach Mickey Sullivan at Fork Union Prep ... Established a school single-season record for points by kicking with 72 ... Was named to the prep league all-state team ... Helped his team to a state championship in 1998 ... Also an all-state soccer player while at Fork Union ...

Personal: Carter Warley ... Born 2/14/80 in Newport News, VA ... Son of John and Barbara Warley ... Enrolled in residential property management.

Scoring	G	EP-A	FGM-A	LG	TP
2000	11	56- 57	7- 9	47	77
2001	11	44- 44	11-21	39	77
2002	10	36- 37	9-15	43	63
Career	32	136-138	27-45	47	217

Field Goals	10-29 yds	30-39	40-49	50+
2000	1-1	4- 5	2- 3	0-0
2001	6-7	5-10	0-4	0-0
2002	4-6	2-3	3-6	0-0
Career	11-14	11-18	5-13	0-0

BLAKE WARREN



**Linebacker • 6-3 • 232 • r-So. • 1VL
Clifton, Va. • Centreville H.S.**

Worked with the first-unit defense all spring while starter Vegas Robinson was recovering from ankle surgery ... Showed excellent progress during the team's 15 spring sessions ... Is a heady, intelligent football player with good instincts ... Sees the field ... Combines toughness with an aggressive style of play ... Brings size and

athletic ability to the backer position and is working hard to gain additional strength ... Has made a good adjustment to linebacker after playing safety in high school ... Is good in coverage and is becoming more physical against the running game ... Was named the team's top defensive newcomer after 2002 spring practice, but saw limited playing time during the 2002 season due to nagging injuries ... Appears ready to fulfill his promise this fall ... Comes from a good football background ... His father, Don, played 14 years for the Washington Redskins ...

2002: Played in nine games ... Recorded five solo tackles and seven assists on the season ... Also had an interception ... Had an assisted tackle in the opener against Arkansas State ... Played five snaps on defense and four on special teams in that game ... Saw action on eight defensive and eight special teams snaps in the win over Marshall ... Did not travel to Texas A&M, Western Michigan or Boston College due to a strained back ... Returned to the dress squad roster for the Rutgers game, but did not see any action ... Was in for five special teams plays against Temple ... Saw action on five plays on defense against Pittsburgh ... Was also in for all four kickoffs ... Played four snaps on defense at Syracuse, recording an assisted tackle ... Recorded a solo tackle on special teams and intercepted a pass on defense against West Virginia ... Played in a jayvee game against Hargrave late in the season to gain extra playing experience ... Contributed 12 total tackles and three tackles for loss in that game ... Saw action on nine special teams plays in the win over Virginia ... Tallied three solo tackles on special teams at top-ranked Miami ... Had an assisted tackle against Air Force in the San Francisco Bowl ... Improved his back squat to 450 pounds during the spring and ran a 4.56 forty ... Registered four tackles and a sack in one of the spring scrimmages ... Had three tackles during the annual Maroon-White game ...

2001: Was redshirted as a freshman ... Worked at the backer position the entire year ... Turned in a 400-pound back squat during spring testing ... Posted four tackles in one spring scrimmage and contributed a sack in another scrimmage ... Was in on five tackles during the Maroon-White game, including one behind the line ... Also broke up a pass ... Won the Paul Torgersen Award as the top defensive newcomer of the spring ...

High School: Named the Group AAA Defensive Player of the Year in Virginia by the state coaches ... Helped Centreville post eight shutouts and win the state Division 6 championship in 2000 ... Contributed 14 tackles against Deep Creek in the title game ... For the season, he registered 103 tackles, six interceptions, one sack and one fumble recovery from

his free safety position ... Was named first-team AAA all-state by both the high school coaches and The Associated Press ... Selected a first-team defensive back on *The Washington Post* All-Metro team ... An All-Southern pick by *Orlando Sentinel* ... A member of George Michael's Golden 11 All-Star team for the Washington Metro area ... Concorde District and Northern Region Defensive Player of the Year in 2000 ... Rated the No. 15 prospect in the state by *The Roanoke Times* and the No. 16 prospect by *SuperPrep* ... A *PrepStar* All-Atlantic Region pick ... Ranked the No. 51 player in the Mid-Atlantic Region by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Contributed 87 tackles and five interceptions as a junior ... Posted 12 tackles against Chantilly in the district championship game ... Finished his career with the most tackles by a defensive back (190) and a school-record 11 interceptions ... Helped Coach Mike Skinner's team to three consecutive district and region titles ... A three-year letterman in baseball ... Won all-district and all-region honors ...

Personal: Blake Davis Warren ... Born 10/10/82 in Fairfax, VA ... Son of Don and Irene Warren ... Brother, Brett, has signed to play football at Tech ... Enrolled in university studies.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2002	9	5	7	12	0- 0	0- 0

Interceptions	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2002	9	1	0	0.0	0	0

GARNELL WILDS



**Cornerback • 5-11 • 196 • r-Sr. • 3VL
Tampa, Fla. • Hillsborough H.S.**

An experienced player who knows what it takes to be successful ... Led the BIG EAST Conference in interceptions last season with five ... Selected preseason second-team All-BIG EAST by *Athlon Sports* magazine ... His eight career interceptions are the most for a returning player ... Will likely be the No. 2 man at the boundary corner, but has the ability to play either cornerback position ... Has shown constant improvement as a player during his Tech career ... Came back nicely from a knee injury that sidelined him for much of the 2000 season ... Succeeds by working hard at every aspect of the position and

playing with the best technique in the secondary ... Seldom gives up a big play ... Will help solidify the secondary and allow DeAngelo Hall the opportunity to spend some time at wide receiver ... Plays a vital role in Tech's hopes for success in 2003 ...

2002: Led the BIG EAST Conference in interceptions with five ... Played in all 14 games, starting four ... Recorded 27 solo tackles and 17 assists on the season ... Also had six passes broken up and a fumble recovery ... Had a solo stop on defense in the opener against Arkansas State ... Also had two assisted tackles on special teams ... Had a solo stop, three assists and two passes broken up in the win over LSU ... Played 20 downs on defense against Marshall, registering two solo tackles, an assist and two passes broken up ... Had a solo tackle and an assist on special teams in that game ... Recorded a solo stop and an assist at Texas A&M ... Had three solo tackles on defense and two more solo stops on special teams at Western Michigan ... Recorded two solo tackles in the win at Boston College

... Recovered a key fumble in the end zone which prevented an Eagle touchdown ... Also had a solo tackle on special teams in that game ... Played 17 snaps on defense against Rutgers, recording a pass break up ... Got the start at boundary corner for the Temple game ... Played 28 snaps on defense, recording three solo tackles ... Came off the bench against Pittsburgh to play 30 snaps on defense ... Recorded two solo stops and two assists on defense, along with a solo tackle on special teams ... Earned the start against Syracuse and came up with a big game ... Tied the BIG EAST and school record with three interceptions ... Also had five tackles and two passes broken up ... Recorded four solo tackles and two assists against West Virginia ... Came up with a key interception in the third quarter of Tech's win over Virginia ... Had an assist and a pass broken up at Miami ... Recorded a solo tackle and an interception in Tech's bowl win over Air Force ... Posted a personal-best time of 4.43 in the forty during spring testing ... His 3.91 clocking

in the NFL shuttle was the second-best time among the defensive backs ... Registered four tackles in the "red zone" during one spring scrimmage ... Had three tackles and a pass broken up in another scrimmage ... Contributed two solo tackles during the Maroon-White game ...

2001: Played in all 11 regular-season games, starting one ... Had 27 tackles on the year with 16 of them solo stops ... Also had four PBU and two interceptions ... Had a tackle and an assist on 14 defensive plays against UConn ... Had a solo stop at Rutgers and an assist on 20 total plays against UCF ... Also caught a 33-yard pass from punter Vinnie Burns on a fake punt against the Golden Knights ... Played 24 plays on defense and 10 on special teams at West Virginia, collecting one assist ... Had two solo tackles on 22 plays in the win over Boston College ... Was in for 33 plays at Pittsburgh, recording five solo stops and three assists ... Made his first career start against Temple and responded with two interceptions ... Also had three solo tackles and four assists ... Had a solo tackle at Virginia ... Had two passes broken up against No. 1 Miami ... Contributed a tackle against Florida State in the Gator Bowl ... Posted four tackles in one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages and intercepted a pass in another ... Also had a tackle in the Maroon-White game ...

2000: Played 10 downs on defense against Akron and was in on a tackle ... Intercepted a pass and returned it five yards in the Hokies' win at East Carolina ... Was in on a season-high 15 defensive plays against Rutgers ... Got some brief special teams duty in the Boston College and Temple games ... Posted four total tackles in his five games ... Had surgery to repair a torn ACL in his left knee ... Returned to competition in the spring ... Contributed three tackles and an interception during the spring game ...

1999: Turned in a 35-inch vertical jump when he reported in August ... Worked briefly at the field cornerback position ... Switched to the boundary corner and was redshirted ... Improved his vertical jump to 37 1/2 inches by November scout team testing and to 40 inches during spring testing ... Had a personal-best 475-pound back squat during the spring and bench pressed 300 pounds ... Moved back to field corner for spring practice ... Contributed two tackles, including one for a loss, during one of the Hokies' spring scrimmages ... Was in on a tackle during the Maroon-White spring game ...

High School: Lettered three seasons as a defensive back for Coach Earl Garcia, Jr., at Hillsborough ... Rated the No. 12 prospect in Florida and No. 48 nationally by *The Tampa Tribune* ... Picked as the No. 48 player in Florida by *SuperPrep* ... A postseason All-America selection by *PrepStar* ... Listed as the No. 96 player in the Southeast Region by *Tom Lemming's*

talk with Garnell

What is it that you like most about your position?

My position, especially here at Virginia Tech, you play a lot of man-to-man coverage, a lot of one-on-one. Basically, it's you against whoever's in front of you. You gotta win every play.

What is the toughest thing about being a defensive back?

The toughest part of being a defensive back is that at any moment you can get beat for a touchdown. At other positions, if you get beat, there's usually someone behind you. If you get beat at defensive back, there's no one behind you.

Who has been the toughest player that you've had to defend?

I would say the whole group of Miami receivers, just because they bring so much to the table in that, at any time, they can catch the ball and take it to the house.

What has been your most memorable moment on the field?

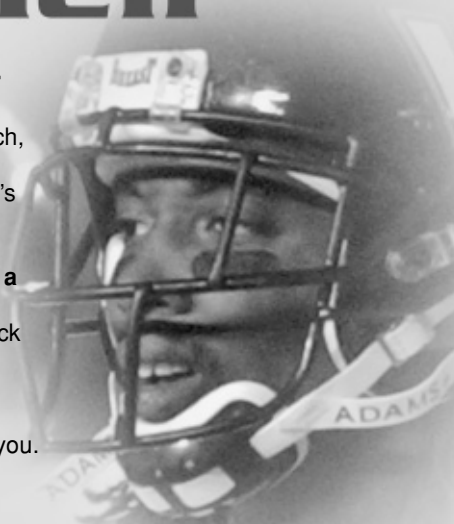
My most memorable moment was actually my redshirt-freshman year, when I just stepped out of the tunnel the first time to see the fans cheering for us.

You have seen a lot of action on special teams. Why do you think players at Tech are so enthusiastic about contributing on special teams?

We take pride in special teams. A lot of people don't understand how important special teams are to winning the game. Also, Coach Beamer coaches special teams, so whenever you're doing something for the head coach, you have to take pride in it. If you impress him, that's going to look very good.

Who is your personal inspiration?

My personal inspiration, I would have to say, is my parents, just because I've been through a lot and they've always helped me to focus and keep my head up, just keep my mind on my goals and keep going forward.



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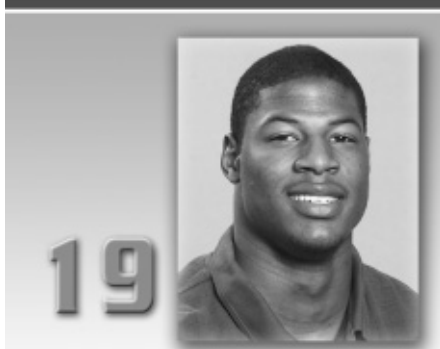
Prep Football Report ... Picked the No. 28 defensive back in the ACC Region by *ACC Area Sports Journal* ... A preseason All-America pick by Lemming ... Named to the All-Southeast Region team by *The National Recruiting Advisor* ... Helped the team to a 28-8 record during his varsity career ... Was in on 69 tackles as a senior and intercepted four passes ... Also recovered a pair of fumbles ... Averaged 25 yards on punt returns and set a school record for best kickoff return average for a season at 42.5 yards ... Saw some action as a receiver, contributing 10 pass receptions for 200 yards and one touchdown ... Had 10 tackles, an interception, two punt returns for over 50 yards and five pass receptions for 120 yards in a game against Leto High ... Earned first-team all-conference and second-team All-Suncoast honors ... Finished his junior year with 65 tackles and two interceptions ... Helped team to the state 6A championship game as a sophomore ...

Personal: Garnell Wayman Wilds ... Born 6/8/81 in Tampa, FL ... Son of George and Jacqueline Wilds ... Studying residential property management.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2000	5	3	1	4	0-0	0-0
2001	11	16	11	27	0-0	0-0
2002	14	27	17	44	0-0	0-0
Career	30	46	29	75	0-0	0-0

Interceptions	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	5	1	5	5.0	0	5
2001	11	2	16	8.0	0	16
2002	14	5	8	1.6	0	8
Career	30	8	29	3.6	0	16

ERNEST WILFORD



Split End • 6-4 • 221 • r-Sr. • 3VL
Richmond, Va. • Armstrong/Franklin H.S.

Has come a long way since starting his Tech career as a defensive end ... Enters his senior season as one of the nation's top wide receivers ... Is coming off a record-setting junior season ... Finished the 2002 season with a school record 51 pass receptions ... Set school and BIG EAST Conference single-game marks with 279 yards receiving against Syracuse ... Also set a Tech record for touchdown

receptions in that game with four ... Worked hard to fine-tune his game during the spring ... Took on a more vocal leadership role ... Has the potential to become a more dangerous receiver with a good summer preparation ... Provides the Hokies with a big target with good leaping ability and speed ... Can catch the football in a crowd ... Must continue to concentrate on being consistent ... Combines a great work ethic with a desire to succeed ... Has taken advantage of the Hokies' strength and conditioning program ... Finished third in the BIG EAST last year in receiving yards with 925 — an average of 66.1 per game ... Had the fourth-most total receptions in the league and ranked seventh in receptions per game (3.64) ... Started every game and earned second-team All-BIG EAST honors ... Found himself starting Tech's last four games at flanker in 2000 after André Davis developed ankle problems ... Gained some valuable on-the-job experience ... Saw action on 176 offensive snaps during Tech's first seven games in 2000 and 213 during the last four ... Finished third on the team in receptions with 12 ... Battled a nagging knee injury during the early part of the 2001 season ... Never really developed consistency ... Selected a 2003 preseason All-BIG East receiver by *Athlon Sports* magazine ... Can expect to see added attention from opposing defenses ... Has worked hard to prepare for the challenge ...

2002: Started all 14 games at split end ... Set a new school record for receptions in a season with 51 ... Led the team in receptions, receiving yards and receiving touchdowns ... Had 925 receiving yards and seven touchdowns ... Played 26 snaps in the opener against Arkansas State ... Caught a pass for 15 yards in the win ... Played 48 offensive snaps against LSU, catching an 11-yard pass ... Had two receptions, including a 38-yarder, for 49 yards in the win over Marshall ... Had the biggest play of the game in the win at Texas A&M, catching a pass and racing 52 yards to set up the lone touchdown of the game ... Finished the game with two catches for 63 yards ... Didn't start against Western Michigan due to a pulled hamstring, but came in to catch two passes for 38 yards, including a 24-yarder ... Caught two passes at Boston College for 71 yards ... The first went for 27 yards while the second covered 44 yards for a touchdown ... Had seven catches for a then career-high 99 yards in the win over Rutgers ... Caught a 16-yard pass for a touchdown in the first quarter of that game ... Caught two passes for 11 yards against Temple ... Led the Hokies with six catches for 80

yards against Pittsburgh ... Had a 30-yard reception in that game ... Had the best day receiving in league history at Syracuse ... Caught a career-high eight passes for a BIG EAST and school-record 279 yards ... Also caught a school-record four touchdown passes ... Had touchdown receptions of 75, 34, 87 and six yards ... Performance earned him BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Week honors ... Caught five passes for 58 yards against West Virginia ... Also blocked a punt, which led to a field goal ... Had two receptions for 33 yards in the win over Virginia ... Caught six passes for 68 yards and a touchdown at Miami ... Made a nice leaping catch over a Hurricane defender for a 7-yard score ... Caught five passes for 50 yards in Tech's bowl win over Air Force ... A Super Iron Hokie in the weight room during both the fall and spring ... Set position records during the spring with a 555-pound back squat and a 346-pound push jerk ... Also had a personal-best 340-pound bench press ... Shared the George Preas Award as one of the most valuable performers of the spring ... Caught a 19-yard touchdown pass in the Maroon-White game ... Finished the day with four receptions for 38 yards ...

2001: Met all six of his goals in the weight room in preseason testing ... Had eight receptions for 100 yards and a touchdown in 11 games ... Saw action on nine special teams plays against Connecticut ... Played a season-high 28 offensive snaps at Rutgers, catching two passes for 28 yards ... Had two catches for 23 yards against Syracuse ... Caught a 7-yard pass at Pittsburgh ... Recorded his first career touchdown in the fourth quarter of the Temple game on a 34-yard reception ... Started Tech's Gator Bowl game against Florida State ... Had a touchdown catch nullified by a penalty in that contest ... Earned Super Iron Hokie honors in both preseason and spring testing ... Ran a 4.43 40-yard dash during the spring ... Caught two passes for 25 yards during Tech's first spring scrimmage ... Had two catches for 33 yards in the second scrimmage and three grabs for 45 yards in the final full scrimmage ... Hauled in two passes for 44 yards in the Maroon-White game ...

2000: Was one of just four players to meet all six goals during preseason strength and conditioning tests ... Led the receivers with a 500-pound back squat ... Played in every game, averaging 35 snaps ... Saw some brief action on special teams during the first half of the season ... His first collegiate reception was an 11-yard catch at East Carolina ... Grabbed three passes for 35 yards in the Rutgers game ... Moved into

the starting lineup against Pittsburgh and played 72 offensive snaps ... Caught two passes for 25 yards in that game ... Added two more receptions at Miami for 21 yards ... Also had two catches in the Virginia game for a total of 33 yards ... Had 12 catches for 141 yards during the regular season ... Posted a 9-yard reception during the Gator Bowl ... Underwent surgery in early February for tendonitis in his right knee ... Sat out all spring contact work ...

1999: Registered the best vertical jump among the incoming freshmen with a leap of 37 inches ... Began his redshirt year working at defensive end ... Asked to be moved to wide receiver in September ... Spent the rest of the school year at flanker ... Finished first in the triple jump and third in the high jump at the A-10 Indoor Track Championships ... Earned Iron Hokie honors during the spring ... Bench pressed 310 pounds and posted a back squat of 450 pounds ... Suffered an ankle injury during the early stages of spring practice and did not take part in contact work for the remainder of the spring ... Was held out of the annual Maroon-White game ... Bounced back from his injury to set a meet record in winning the A-10 outdoor triple jump title ...

Prep School: Saw action at split end and tight end for Coach John Shuman at Fork Union Military Academy ... Also got a look at defensive end ... Caught 25 passes for 297 yards and seven touchdowns during the 1998 season ...

High School: Grabbed 15 passes for 247 yards and three TDs his senior year at Franklin Military High, where he played wide receiver for Coach Otis Brayboy ... Contributed four sacks on defense ... Earned all-state honors in track and was named to the All-National team ... Posted a school-record triple jump of 49 feet, 9 inches ... Also had a 23-6 long jump and high jumped 6 feet, 8 inches ...

Personal: Ernest Lee Wilford, Jr. ... Born 1/14/79 in Richmond, VA ... Son of Ernest, Sr., and Janice Wilford ... Enrolled in sociology.

Receiving	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	11	12	141	11.8	0	17
2001	11	8	100	12.5	1	34
2002	14	51	925	18.1	7	87
Career	36	71	1166	16.4	8	87

2002 Receiving Game-by-Game						
ASU	1	1	15	15.0	0	15
LSU	1	1	11	11.0	0	11
MU	1	2	49	24.5	0	38
at TAM	1	2	63	31.5	0	52
at WMU	1	2	38	18.0	0	24
at BC	1	2	71	35.5	1	44
RU	1	7	99	14.1	1	20
TU	1	2	11	5.5	0	11
PITT	1	6	80	13.3	0	33
at SU	1	8	279	34.9	4	87
WVU	1	5	58	11.6	0	21
UVa	1	2	33	16.5	0	20
at UM	1	6	68	11.3	1	21
vs AF	1	5	50	10.0	0	16

talk with Ernest

When your football career at Virginia Tech is finished, how do you want people to remember you?

I want people to remember me as a person who never gave up and a person who was very determined to be the best athlete on the field. When they think back I want their image of me to be that of a person who just loved the game and was willing to do whatever it took to help Virginia Tech succeed.

You have been part of the bowl game tradition at Tech. What is your favorite bowl memory?

My favorite memory came when we played Florida State in the Gator Bowl and I saw André Davis in his last opportunity to play receiver at Tech. I learned a whole lot from him because he never gave up and was never willing to be complacent in the offense. In that game he did everything he could to put us in the position to win, and that is just a great bowl memory for me.

What are your long-term goals, football and career-wise?

I would love to get married and have children while playing in the NFL for four or five years. After my playing days are over, I would like to become an agent for the FBI.

You have been involved in numerous service projects through your fraternity, Omega Psi Phi. How has that helped you on and off the field?

It helps me to know that the young teenagers that we work with are watching us out there on the field because I want to set an example for them and show them that they can do anything they put their minds to. But, actually going out there and doing the service projects and knowing that we're doing it for a good cause makes me feel excited about helping people in a hands-on way outside of football.

You really had a "breakout" year last year in 2002. How would you like to build on that success during your final season at Tech?

I want to take my "breakout year" and double it. I just want to continue to get better with each and every game. I'm setting high goals for myself, like 70-80 catches and 1,000 yards receiving. A lot of people may say that those goals are too lofty, but I think I'm a hard worker who is very determined to reach all of the goals that I have set for myself. I think if I keep working hard, 2002 will be just a fraction of my year in 2003.

If you could take one personality trait from someone in the Tech football program, who would you take it from, what would it be and why would you want that trait?

I would want to mimic the intensity that Coach Foster has on the field during a game. He has a devilish look in his eyes that makes you understand how he is serious about what is going on. If I can make people see it in my eyes when I'm on the field, it is just going to help my game even more. I want to let people know I'm going to attack them in the running game and attack them in the passing game whether its through blocking or catching the ball, and I want to show them that through my intensity.

JIMMY WILLIAMS



**Free Safety • 6-3 • 213 • So. • 1VL
Hampton, Va. • Bethel, H.S.**

An extremely talented young player who could make a major impact this fall ... Spent his freshman season learning the free safety position under veteran Willie Pile ... Saw increased playing time as the season progressed and led the team in tackles during the Hokies' San Francisco Bowl win over Air Force ... Is a big, physical safety with cornerback skills ... Has confidence in his abilities and is not afraid to challenge a receiver ... Benefited from his game experience in the fall ... Picked up things quickly during the spring and settled into the position ... Plays aggressively and always seems to be around the football ... Needs to get stronger, but has good speed and athleticism ... Should continue to get better with additional playing time ... Has the ability to become one of the top young players in the country if he stays healthy ...

2002: Played in all 14 games, mostly on special teams ... Registered 29 solo tackles and 17 assists this season ... Also had a pass broken up, a tackle for loss and an interception ... In his first college action, against Arkansas State, recorded five solo stops, five assists and a pass broken up ... Played 37 defensive snaps and 13 on special teams in that game ... Played 14 plays on special teams in the win over LSU ... Played eight plays on defense and 11 on special teams against Marshall, recording a solo tackle on special teams against the Herd ... Saw action on nine special teams plays in the win at Texas A&M ... Had a solo tackle and two assists at Western Michigan ... Played two snaps on defense and seven on special teams in the win at Boston College, registering a solo tackle on special teams ... Stepped in on defense against Rutgers when Willie Pile went down with an injury ... Recorded a solo tackle and his first career interception while in the game ... Also had a solo tackle on special teams ... Played five snaps on defense against Temple, recording an assisted tackle ... Also saw action on 11 special teams plays and recorded two solo tackles ... Played two snaps on defense

and 10 on special teams against Pittsburgh ... Registered a solo tackle on special teams ... Was in for 17 special teams plays at Syracuse ... Played five snaps on defense against West Virginia, recording a solo tackle and an assist ... Played 17 snaps on special teams against Virginia ... Saw extensive action on defense at Miami, recording seven solo tackles and four assists ... Also had an assisted stop on special teams ... Made several big plays in Tech's win over Air Force in the San Francisco Bowl ... Recorded seven solo stops and three assists, including a tackle for loss, against the Falcons ... Showed improvement in the strength and conditioning program during off-season workouts ... Ran a 4.4 forty during spring testing ... Collected six tackles in two different spring scrimmages ... Finished the spring game with three tackles ... Was named the team's most improved player on defense ...

High School: A versatile athlete who played quarterback, safety, wide receiver and outside linebacker during his prep career ... Played at Hampton High until transferring to Bethel prior to his senior season ... Was coached by Mike Smith at Hampton and Tracy Parker at Bethel ... Named All-Peninsula District as a junior and senior, earning first-team honors in 2001 ... Was in on over 100 tackles as a safety and OLB at Bethel ... Intercepted seven passes, returning two for touchdowns ... Also contributed a pair of quarterback sacks ... Compiled over 1,000 yards of total offense as a quarterback, passing for five touchdowns and rushing for six ... Completed 7 of 11 passes in one outing for over 200 yards and a pair of touchdowns ... Rushed for 112 yards on 12 carries in another contest ... Returned punts and kickoffs ... Posted 86 tackles his junior year and picked off four passes ... Had eight pass receptions that season for 217 yards and three TDs ... Registered over 200 tackles and 13 interceptions during his career ... Played on a state championship team while at Hampton ... Ranked the No. 17 safety in the nation by *Rivals* and the No. 21 free safety in the nation by *Student Sports* ... Rated the No. 51 player in the Mid-Atlantic Region by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... An All-Atlantic Region pick by *PrepStar* ... Listed as the No. 26 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* and the No. 27 prospect by *SuperPrep* ... Selected to the *Newport News Daily Press* All-Star team as a senior ... Also a two-time all-district selection in basketball ...

Personal: James Franklin Williams, Jr. ... Born 3/8/84 in Hampton, VA ... Son of James, Sr., and Elizabeth Williams ... Enrolled in university studies.

Tackles	G	UT	AT	Tot.	Loss	Sacks
2002	14	29	17	46	1- 1	0- 0

KEITH WILLIS



**Tight End • 6-5 • 264 • r-Sr. • 3VL
Norfolk, Va. • Norview H.S.**

A tall, mobile tight end who is looking to have a big senior season ... Has committed himself to the weight room and is doing all the little things that can give him an edge on the field ... Started eight games last season and rates as the Hokies' most experienced tight end ... Is coming off a good spring ... Has become a better blocker, especially at the point of attack ... Combines good pass receiving skills with the ability to pick up yardage after the catch ... Became the first Tech tight end to compile over 100 yards receiving in a game since 1982 after registering 113 yards at Syracuse last season ... His 87-yard catch against the Orangemen was the longest ever for a Tech tight end ... Contributed as a reserve tight end and a starter on special teams his first two seasons ... Could be a key performer for the Hokies this fall ...

2002: Was one of just three players to meet all six of his goals in the strength and conditioning program when he returned for practice ... Played in all 14 games, starting eight ... Caught seven passes for 168 yards and a touchdown ... Played 31 snaps in the opener against Arkansas State ... Caught one pass for 15 yards in that game ... Caught a pass for seven yards in the win over LSU ... Played 38 offensive snaps against Marshall ... Caught two passes for 27 yards at Western Michigan ... Played 41 snaps on offense at Boston College ... Recorded an assisted tackle on special teams in that game ... Played 31 snaps on offense and two on special teams in the win over Rutgers ... Was in for 54 plays on offense and nine on special teams against Temple ... Did not start against Pittsburgh due to an abdominal injury, but still played 24 snaps on offense and seven on special teams ... Came off the bench at Syracuse to post one of the best receiving days in school history for a tight end ... Caught two passes for 113 yards, including an 87-yarder that was the longest ever for a Tech tight end ... The total marked the first time in 20 years a Tech tight end totaled 100 yards or more ... Also had a solo tackle on special teams ... Caught a 6-yard

touchdown pass against West Virginia, his second of the year ... Played 25 snaps on offense and five on special teams against Virginia ... Hauled in a 20-yard reception against Air Force in the San Francisco Bowl ... Was an Iron Hokie in both fall and spring testing ... Recorded a personal-best 400-pound bench press during the spring ... Also had his best back squat at 490 pounds ... Contributed three catches for

53 yards and one touchdown during one of the spring scrimmages ...

2001: Played in all 11 regular-season games, compiling 102 snaps on offense and 46 on special teams ... Had two receptions for 38 yards and a score ... Opened the season with a reception for 31 yards against UConn ... Played a season-high 25 offensive snaps against the Huskies ... Caught his first career

touchdown pass at Rutgers, a 7-yarder ... Started on the kickoff return team and worked on two other special teams units ... Caught a 19-yard touchdown pass in one of Tech's spring scrimmages ... Added a 13-yard reception in another scrimmage ...

2000: Played on offense in seven games ... Caught a pass for a 21-yard gain in the season opener against Akron ... Was in for a season-high 31 offensive snaps against Rutgers ... Moved into a starting spot on the kickoff return team as the season progressed ... Took time out for one jayvee game, catching a 19-yard touchdown pass in a win over Fork Union ... Saw 23 varsity snaps on offense at UCF ... Led the tight ends with a 350-pound bench press during spring max testing ... Also had the fastest time in the forty at 4.58 ... Caught four passes for 30 yards and one touchdown during spring scrimmages ...

1999: Worked at tight end during a redshirt year ... Joined Tech's basketball team in October and split practice time with football ... Played briefly in three regular-season basketball games before returning to football full-time ... Went through the Hokies' winter workouts ... Improved in three of the four major lifts during strength and conditioning tests ...

High School: A two-time all-district, all-region and all-state Group AAA choice at tight end for Coach Carleton Thomas ... Lettered three seasons as a tight end, defensive end and punter ... A prep All-American ... Listed as the No. 7 tight end in the nation by *SuperPrep* ... Named the No. 1 TE in the ACC Region by *PrepStar* ... Rated the No. 5 prospect in Virginia by *SuperPrep* and the No. 7 player in the state by *The Roanoke Times* ... Was on the receiving end of 21 passes for 475 yards and four touchdowns as a senior ... Also contributed 60 tackles, 11 sacks and five fumble recoveries on defense ... Against Bethel his senior year, he contributed three catches for 95 yards and one touchdown, along with two sacks, two pass breakups, a fumble caused and four tackles ... In two seasons as a tight end, he caught 35 passes for 745 yards ... Had 24 career sacks in three seasons as a DE ... A three-time all-district and All-Tidewater pick in basketball ... Also gained all-region honors as a junior and senior ... Averaged 27 points and 12.7 rebounds a game as a forward his senior season ... Finished his career with over 1,000 points and was a first-team AAA all-state pick ... Also competed in track ...

Personal: Keith Tyrone Willis ... Born 12/14/80 in Oceanside, CA ... Son of Keith and Mara Willis ... Lived in Japan for more than three years ... Enrolled in science of food, nutrition and exercise.

Receiving	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2000	10	1	21	21.0	0	21
2001	11	2	38	19.0	1	31
2002	14	7	168	24.0	1	87
Career	35	10	227	22.7	2	87

talk with Keith

What are your goals for the offensive unit this year?

I want to see the offense become more diverse and unpredictable, making defenses react to us instead of us reacting to the defense. I want any position on the offensive side to be able to make plays and for us to be able to use all of our offensive weapons.

When your football career at Virginia Tech is finished, how do you want people to remember you?

I want people to remember me as someone who came in and was not quite ready to play physically, but that worked hard in the weight room and worked hard to

mature so I could be a good person. I also want to be remembered as someone who could step up to make big plays in big situations.

You have been part of the bowl game tradition at Tech. What is your favorite bowl memory?

My favorite bowl memory is coming down the escalator of the hotel the year we played in the Sugar Bowl for the national championship. As we came down, it seemed like there were thousands of screaming Hokie fans. Fans were screaming my name and I couldn't believe that they knew who I was at that time. Just seeing all the support of the Hokie fans is my favorite memory.

You have been involved in numerous service activities through your fraternity, Omega Phi Psi. How has that helped you on and off the field?

On the field, it's helped me a lot to realize how privileged I am to be playing football. A lot of the work we do is with underprivileged kids, and seeing how lucky I am makes me try even harder at practice and during games. Off the field, it has helped me with my people skills, and has taught me how to socialize with all different types of people, from babies to the elderly. I can relate to people of all different races, religions and economic backgrounds because of the community service I have done.

Tech tight ends have a history of making big plays in clutch situations. What do you see yourself doing at the position during your final season?

I want to make a whole lot of big catches in a whole lot of clutch situations. Basically, I just want to make big plays every time I'm on the field.

If you could have traded places with one of your teammates for one specific play that occurred over your time at Tech, what play would it be and why would you want to experience that particular play?

If I could experience any play, I would want to experience Ernest Wilford's two-point conversion play against Miami in 2001. He dropped a pass that put him out there in front of the world, and it has literally made him the player he is today. After that, he stepped up his passion, his practicing and his play on the field. He felt like he had to prove something to the world and a lot of it stemmed from that play. I would have liked to experience that type of life-changing event.

2003 RECRUITING CLASS

XAVIER ADIBI

Linebacker • 6-3 • 215
Hampton, Va. • Phoebus H.S.

Named an All-American by *PrepStar* as a defensive lineman and an All-American by *SuperPrep* as a linebacker ... Played for Coach Bill Dee at Phoebus High ... Helped his team to back-to-back Group AAA championships ... Was a 2002 AAA first-team all-state selection by The Associated Press as a defensive lineman ... A first-team and defensive player of the year selection to the 2002 AAA Coaches all-state team at the defensive end position ... Named to the VHSCA All-Eastern Region first team as a defensive end ... Named to the first-team *Newport News Daily Press* All-Star Team as a defensive lineman ... A three-time *Daily Press* All-Star ... Was the leader of a Phantoms' defense that held opponents to fewer than five points a game ... Finished with a team-best 13.5 sacks and 100-plus tackles, including 31 for loss ... Also rushed for 575 yards and 11 TDs at fullback ... A first-team all-region selection at end ... A preseason All-Atlantic region selection by *PrepStar* ... Named a first-team All-ACC Area athlete by the preseason *G&W Recruiting Report* ... A first-team selection to the 2001 AAA Coaches and Associated Press all-state teams at a defensive lineman spot as a junior ... Rated the No. 96 prospect nationally, the No. 12 player in the Mid-Atlantic region and the No. 1 prospect in the state of Virginia by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Ranked the No. 1 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Rated the No. 4 linebacker in the nation and the No. 1 player in Virginia by *SuperPrep* ... Rated the No. 4 inside linebacker in the nation and the No. 96 player overall in the nation by Tom Lemming on ESPN.com ... A preseason *SuperPrep* All-American, rated the No. 1 player in Virginia and the No. 11 linebacker in the nation ...

Personal: Xavier Oyekola Adibi ... Born 10/18/84 ... Son of Abiodun and Leanne Adibi ... Brother of senior defensive end Nathaniel Adibi.

BARRY BOOKER

Defensive End • 6-4 • 270
Amherst, Va. • Amherst H.S.

Played a number of positions for Coach Scott Abell at Amherst, including tight end, fullback and defensive tackle ... Named an

all-region selection for the Atlantic region by *PrepStar* as a defensive lineman ... Was a 2002 AA second-team all-state selection by The Associated Press as a defensive lineman ... A first-team selection to the 2002 AA Coaches all-state team at the defensive end position ... Notched 68 tackles and 13 sacks on defense while rushing for 250 yards and catching nine passes for three touchdowns on offense his senior season ... A preseason All-Atlantic region selection by *PrepStar* ... Registered 10 sacks and was named to the all-district team as a junior ... Rated the No. 26 prospect in the Mid-Atlantic region by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Rated the No. 24 defensive tackle in the nation by Tom Lemming on ESPN.com ... The No. 17 player in Virginia as ranked by *SuperPrep* magazine ... Rated the No. 18 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Picked as the No. 12 player in Virginia during the preseason by *SuperPrep* ... One of the top 40 linebackers/defensive ends in the ACC area as ranked by the preseason *G&W Recruiting Report* ... From the same high school as former Hokie David Pugh and the same high school as current Hokies Tim Sandidge and Brian McPherson ...

Personal: Barry Nathaniel Booker, Jr. ... Born 11/13/85 in Fort Campbell, KY ... Son of Barry and Patsy Booker.

DUANE BROWN

Tight End • 6-6 • 248
Richmond, Va. • Hermitage H.S.

A two-year letterman at tight end and defensive end for Coach Patrick Kane at Hermitage ... Played in the Panthers' first three games his senior year before suffering a broken leg ... Returned for the Central Region semifinal game ... Named an all-region selection for the Atlantic region by *PrepStar* as a tight end ... Caught seven passes for just under 100 yards in his limited playing time ... Added 15 tackles on defense along with a pair of sacks ... Named second-team all-district on offense and defense ... A preseason All-Atlantic region selection by *PrepStar* ... Registered 10 catches for 115 yards and two scores, while contributing six sacks on defense as a junior ... Rated the No. 13 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Ranked the No. 49 tight end in the nation by Rivals100.com ... Ranked the No. 13 prospect in Virginia by *SuperPrep* ... No. 37 on Tom Lemming's All-Mid Atlantic team ... Played basketball and averaged 15 points and 12 rebounds a game ...

Finished 4th in the Group AAA outdoor shot put competition ...

Personal: Duane Anthony Brown ... Born 8/30/85 in Richmond, VA ... Son of Dennis and Myra Brown.

MIKE BROWN

Linebacker • 6-3 • 218
Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.
Palm Beach Gardens H.S.

Was named the area co-defensive player of the year by *The Palm Beach Post* as a senior for Coach Tim Tharp ... Registered 85 tackles, seven forced fumbles, five sacks and one interception during his senior season as an inside linebacker ... Earned all-conference and all-area honors ... Was selected all-state 5A as a sophomore and a senior ... Recorded 115 tackles and 22 sacks as a junior defensive end ... Had five sacks in a game that year against Dwyer High School ... Rated the No. 10 inside linebacker in the nation by Tom Lemming on ESPN.com ... Rated the No. 64 prospect in the Southeast region by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Ranked the No. 76 prospect in Florida by *SuperPrep* ... Picked as the No. 73 player in Florida during the preseason by *SuperPrep* ... One of the top 50 linebackers/defensive ends in the SEC area as ranked by the preseason *G&W Recruiting Report* ... Ranked the No. 54 player in the state of Florida by *The Orlando Sentinel* ...

Personal: Michael Bernard Brown ... Born 6/16/84 in Orlando, FL ... Son of Bernard and Sylvia Brown.

DAVID CLOWNEY

Wide Receiver • 6-1 • 175
Delray Beach, Fla. • Atlantic H.S.

A honorable mention Class 5A all-state selection as a senior ... Lettered four seasons as a receiver and safety for Coach Chris Bean at Atlantic High ... Named to the All-Palm Beach County Team as published by *The Palm Beach Post Sun-Sentinel* ... Made one of the season's biggest plays, a 95-yard touchdown catch against Ely in the regional finals ... Totaled 25 catches for 576 yards and a county-best 10 touchdowns ... Returned three kicks for 245 yards and two touchdowns ... Caught three passes for 120 yards and two touchdowns in a game against Wellington

High ... Led his team to an undefeated regular season ... Hauled in 39 passes his junior season ... A sprinter on the track team ... Was a state finalist in the 200 meters and a regional finalist in the 100 meters ... Also lettered two years as a guard in basketball ...

Personal: David Cortez Clowney IV ... Born 7/8/85 in Long Island, NY ... Son of Maria and Tracy Bean.

CHRIS ELLIS

**Defensive End • 6-4 • 245
Hampton, Va. • Bethel H.S.**

Was ranked 66th on *SuperPrep's* Elite 100 list following his senior season ... Led Bethel with 50 tackles — seven for loss — and 10 sacks ... Named an All-American by both *SuperPrep* and *PrepStar* as a defensive lineman ... Named to the VHSCA All-Eastern Region honorable mention squad as a defensive end ... Named to the first-team *Newport News Daily Press* All-Star Team as a defensive lineman ... A first-team Peninsula District selection at end ... A preseason *PrepStar* All-American ... Rated the No. 21 defensive end in the nation by Tom Lemming on ESPN.com ... Rated the No. 157 prospect nationally and the No. 20 player in the Mid-Atlantic region by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Ranked the No. 4 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Ranked the No. 13 defensive end in the country and the No. 3 prospect in Virginia by *SuperPrep* ... A preseason *SuperPrep* All-American, rated the No. 6 player in Virginia and the No. 37 defensive lineman in the country ... One of the top 40 linebackers/defensive ends in the ACC area as ranked by the preseason *G&W Recruiting Report* ... Posted 75 tackles and 15 sacks as a junior ... Played end and outside linebacker for Coach Tracy Parker ... From the same high school as current Hokie free safety Jimmy Williams ...

Personal: Christopher James Ellis ... Born 2/11/84 in Hawaii ... Son of Eric and Laurie Ellis.

VINCE HALL

**Linebacker • 6-1 • 240
Chesapeake, Va. • Western Branch H.S.**

The 2002 Gatorade State Football Player of the Year ... Lettered four seasons as a linebacker and tight end for Coach Lew Johnston at Western Branch ... Named an All-American by both *SuperPrep* and *PrepStar* as a linebacker following his senior season ... Recorded over 120 tackles, 23 tackles for loss and 10 sacks his senior season ... Also had

three interceptions ... Listed 63rd on *SuperPrep's* Elite 100 rankings of top prospects ... Was a 2002 AAA first-team all-state selection by The Associated Press as a linebacker ... A first-team selection to the 2002 AAA Coaches all-state team at the linebacker spot while earning second-team honors as a tight end ... Named to the VHSCA All-Eastern Region first team as both a linebacker and a tight end ... Named to the first-team All-Tidewater squad as a senior, earning the Abe Goldblatt Player of the Year award ... Named the Eastern Region and Southeastern District Defensive Player of the Year as both a junior and senior ... Earned first-team All-Southeastern District honors as a sophomore, junior and senior ... A preseason *PrepStar* All-American ... Named a first-team All-ACC Area linebacker by the preseason *G&W Recruiting Report* ... A first-team selection to the 2001 AAA Coaches and Associated Press all-state teams at the linebacker spot as a junior ... A first-team All-Tidewater selection as a junior and a second-team selection as a sophomore ... Rated the No. 133 prospect nationally and the No. 14 player in the Mid Atlantic region by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Ranked the No. 3 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Rated the No. 5 inside linebacker in the nation by Tom Lemming on ESPN.com ... Rated the No. 5 linebacker in the country and the No. 2 prospect in Virginia by *SuperPrep* magazine ... A preseason *SuperPrep* All-American, rated the No. 2 player in Virginia and No. 12 linebacker in the country ... Named the Norfolk Sports Club Athlete of the Year ... Also selected the Ace Parker Sportsman of the Year ...

Personal: Vincent Larry Hall ... Born 12/3/84 in Kingsville, TX ... Son of Wilbert and Cathy Hall.

MICHAEL HINTON

**Athlete • 6-3 • 200
Burlington, N.C. • Hargrave Academy**

Comes to Tech from Hargrave, where he played his senior season ... Posted 20 tackles, an interception and two fumble recoveries as a defensive back ... Also blocked two kicks ... Was named the defensive back most likely to succeed ... Ranked the No. 7 wide receiver in the Atlantic region by *PrepStar* ... Ranked the No. 14 player in Virginia by *SuperPrep* ... Lettered three years as a defensive back and receiver for Coach Steve Johnson at Burlington (N.C.) Cummings High School ... Began playing on the varsity as an eighth grader ... Was too old to play his senior season in North Carolina, so he transferred to Hargrave ... Caught 39 passes for 928 yards and 14 touchdowns as a junior at Cummings ... Added 98

tackles, nine interceptions and two sacks on defense ... Named the North State Conference defensive player of the year ... Had five catches for 189 yards and three TDs to go with 14 tackles and two interceptions in a game against Eastern Alamance in 2001 ... Was all-conference, all-region and all-state ... Had 19 career interceptions and 24 career receiving touchdowns ... Was a record-breaker in track ... Named the MVP of the state track meet his last two years at Cummings ... Set a state record in the 300 intermediate hurdles and a conference mark in the 110 high hurdles ... Earned all-state honors four years and was an All-American in the spring of 2002 ...

Personal: Michael Christopher Hinton ... Born 6/30/83 in Rocky Mount, NC ... Son of Cathy Williams and Will Staton.

CORY HOLT

**Quarterback • 6-4 • 205
Lexington, N.C. • Lexington H.S.**

Accounted for more than 6,000 yards of total offense during his career at Lexington High ... Lettered four years as a quarterback for Coach Billy Hunt ... Passed for 1,738 yards and 21 touchdowns as a senior ... Added 953 yards on the ground and scored 17 rushing touchdowns ... Had two games during his senior season where he rushed and threw for at least 150 yards in the same game ... Was named the Offensive Player of the Year in Central Carolina 2A ... Also named to the All-Northwest football team by *The Winston-Salem Journal* ... Named an all-region selection by *PrepStar* for the Atlantic region ... Threw for over 2,000 yards as a junior ... Set a state record as a junior by throwing eight touchdown passes in one game ... Was named all-conference, all-county and all-area as a junior ... For his career, threw for 4,872 yards and 58 TDs while rushing for 1,619 yards and 27 scores ... Set school season and career marks for passing yards, passing touchdowns and completions ... Ranked the No. 49 player in the Atlantic East region by Rivals100.com ... Ranked the No. 26 player in North Carolina by *SuperPrep* ... Rated the No. 9 quarterback in the Atlantic region by the *PrepStar* preseason edition ... Ranked the No. 21 athlete in North Carolina in *SuperPrep's* preseason edition ... Rated one of the top athletes in North Carolina by the preseason *G&W Recruiting Report* ... Lettered three seasons as a center in basketball ... Played on a 17-and-under AAU basketball team that won a national title ... Is expected to attend prep school in the fall ...

Personal: Cory Lamont Holt ... Born 6/17/85 in Lexington, NC ... Son of Danny and Laura Fuller.

RECRUITING CLASS CONTINUED**JOSH HYMAN**

Wide Receiver • 6-0 • 180
Chesapeake, Va. • Deep Creek H.S.
Fork Union Military Academy

Spent last year at Fork Union Military Academy ... Played wide receiver and defensive back for Coach John Shuman at FUMA ... Had a 97-yard interception return for a touchdown in a game against Gettysburg (Pa.) ... Had a 9-yard reception in a game against the Tech jayvee squad ... Named an all-region selection for the Atlantic region by *PrepStar* as a wide receiver ... Played wide receiver and free safety for Coach David Cox at Deep Creek High ... Caught 44 passes for over 700 yards and 15 touchdowns as a senior ... Added over 50 tackles and four interceptions on defense ... Had over 300 yards on kickoff returns ... Named to the All-Eastern Region first team in 2001 as a wide receiver and defensive back ... A second-team All-Eastern Region selection as a kick returner ... Was a AAA first-team all-state selection by The Associated Press as a wide receiver ... A first-team selection to the AAA Coaches all-state team at the wide receiver position ... Returned two kickoffs for touchdowns his junior year ... Earned All-America honors as a sprinter in track as a junior ... From the same high school as current Hokies DeAngelo Hall, Vegas Robinson, Chris Clifton, Darryl Tapp and James Anderson ...

Personal: Joshua Leonard Hyman ... Born 4/18/83 in Chesapeake, VA ... Son of Delphia Hughes.

JOHN KINZER

Tight End • 6-5 • 255
Fairfax, Va. • Robinson H.S.

A *SuperPrep* All-America tight end ... Ranked the No. 5 tight end in the country and the No. 6 prospect in Virginia by that publication ... Named an all-region selection for the Atlantic region by *PrepStar* as a tight end ... Graded out at over 85 percent in his blocking assignments as a senior at Robinson ... Played tight end and defensive end for Coach Mark Bendorf and handled the punting and kicking duties ... Had 31 catches for 457 yards and eight touchdowns as a senior ... Caught six passes for 92 yards and a TD in a game against Annandale ... Was a 2002 AAA first-team all-state selection by The Associated Press as a tight end ... Also a first-team selection to the AAA Coaches

all-state team at the tight end spot ... Second-team *Washington Post* All-Metro ... A preseason All-Atlantic region selection by *PrepStar* ... Named a first-team All-ACC Area tight end by the preseason *G&W Recruiting Report* ... Caught 13 passes for 190 yards and two scores, while contributing over 10 sacks on defense as a junior ... Helped team to a Group AAA state championship ... Scored over 100 points during his last two seasons ... Had a school-record 62-yard punt ... A first-team selection to the 2001 AAA Coaches all-state team at the tight end position his junior year ... Rated the No. 8 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... No. 42 on Tom Lemming's All-Mid-Atlantic team ... A preseason *SuperPrep* All-American, rated No. 7 in Virginia and No. 10 at the tight end position nationally ... Also lettered four years in lacrosse and one year as a wrestler ... From the same high school as current Hokies Mike Imoh and Cary Wade ...

Personal: John Joseph Kinzer ... Born 8/23/84 in Norfolk, VA ... Son of John and Virginia Kinzer.

KENNY LEWIS

Running Back • 5-9 • 185
Danville, Va. • George Washington H.S.

A speedy two-sport standout who could opt for pro baseball after being drafted in the fourth round of the 2003 Major League Baseball Amateur Draft ... Rushed for 1,040 yards and 13 touchdowns during his senior season for Coach Everett Woods at GW ... Caught 10 passes for 64 yards ... Returned four kickoffs and two punts for touchdowns in 2002 ... Rushed for 184 yards and three touchdowns on 18 carries against E.C. Glass ... Also added an 89-yard kickoff return in the game ... Named an all-region selection for the Atlantic region by *PrepStar* following his senior season ... Was a 2002 AAA first-team all-state selection by The Associated Press as a kick returner ... Named the co-offensive player of the year in his district ... Ranked the No. 26 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... No. 49 on Tom Lemming's All-Mid Atlantic team ... One of the top 20 running backs in the ACC area as ranked by the preseason *G&W Recruiting Report* ... Ran for 410 yards and five touchdowns as a junior when he only played in five games due to an injury ... Returned a kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown ... Finished his career with 2,114 yards rushing and 40 total touchdowns ... A sprinter on the track team who has run the 55 meters in 6.15 seconds ... A member of the National Honor Society ...

Personal: Kenneth E. Lewis, Jr. ... Born 10/13/84 in Manhasset, NY ... Son of Kenny and Theresa Lewis ... His father played football at Tech in the late 1970s and still holds the Tech single-game record for rushing yards.

NICK MARSHMAN

Offensive Line • 6-5 • 270
Harrisonburg, Va. • Turner Ashby H.S.

Named an all-region selection for the Atlantic region by *PrepStar* as an offensive lineman ... Was a 2002 AA first-team all-state selection by The Associated Press as a defensive lineman ... A second-team selection to the 2002 AA Coaches all-state team at the defensive tackle position ... Also played tight end and offensive tackle for Coach Joe Taylor at Turner Ashby ... Caught eight passes as a senior, including two for touchdowns ... Finished with 85 tackles on defense with 15 tackles for loss, 11 quarterback hurries, 6.5 sacks, five tipped passes and three fumbles caused ... Posted three sacks in a game against Potomac ... Rated the No. 23 tight end in the nation by Tom Lemming on ESPN.com ... Ranked the No. 23 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Ranked No. 33 on Tom Lemming's All-Mid Atlantic team ... Picked as the No. 14 player in Virginia during the preseason by *SuperPrep* magazine ... Caught 10 passes his junior year and posted 94 tackles and five sacks ... Scored more than 1,000 career points as a center on the basketball team ... Owns the school career and single-game rebounding marks ...

Personal: Nicholas Chase Marshman ... Born 2/13/85 in Roanoke, VA ... Son of Frank and Janet Marshman.

ROLAND MINOR

Defensive Back • 6-1 • 175
Washington, D.C. • H.D. Woodson H.S.

Earned first-team All-Metro honors from *The Washington Post* as a senior ... Was a wide receiver, defensive back and kick returner for Coach Greg Fuller at H.D. Woodson ... Registered 53 tackles and seven interceptions, including three for touchdowns, during his senior season ... Also caught 30 passes for 609 yards and eight touchdowns ... Blocked five punts, returning one for a score ... Had 158 yards and three TDs on punt returns and 253 yards and two TDs on kickoff returns ... Caught six passes for 250 yards and two touchdowns in one game during his senior season ... Also contributed an interception, 10 tackles and a fumble

recovery in the same game ... Named to the Pigskin Club All-Metro team and was a member of the George Michael Golden 11 team ... Ranked the No. 13 player in the D.C. and Maryland area by *SuperPrep* ... Named a 2002 honorable mention all-region selection by *PrepStar* as a defensive back ... Earned first-team All-Washington D.C. honors as a junior ... Finished his career with 13 interceptions and over 1,100 yards receiving ... Excelled as a sprinter in track ... Ran a 21.8 in the 200 meters ...

Personal: Roland Lawrence Minor ... Born 8/1/84 in Washington, DC ... Son of Theresa Minor.

D.J. PARKER

Defensive Back • 6-0 • 180
Hampton, Va. • Phoebus H.S.

Saw action at quarterback, wide receiver and defensive back for Coach Bill Dee during his career at Phoebus ... Helped the team to back-to-back state Group AAA championships in 2002 and 2001 ... Completed 45 of 94 passes for 707 yards and 13 touchdowns ... Only threw two interceptions ... Added 400 yards and nine TDs rushing ... Contributed five interceptions on defense ... His game-saving interception against Kecoughtan helped preserve the team's undefeated season in 2002 ... A first-team selection to the 2002 AAA Coaches all-state team ... Named to the first-team *Newport News Daily Press* All-Star Team as a defensive back ... One of the top 15 wide receivers in the ACC area as ranked by the preseason *G&W Recruiting Report* ...

Personal: Dorian James Parker ... Born 4/18/85 ... Son of Angela Parker.

CARLTON POWELL

Defensive Tackle • 6-3 • 290
Chesapeake, Va. • Great Bridge H.S.

Played inside linebacker for three years at Great Bridge before moving to defensive tackle as a senior ... Also played along the offensive line for Coach Noble Palmer ... Suffered through some nagging injuries his senior year, but still managed to post 60 tackles, five sacks and five fumble recoveries ... Blocked a punt ... Named an all-region selection for the Atlantic region by *PrepStar* as a defensive lineman ... Made the honorable mention All-Eastern Region football team as a lineman ... Rated the No. 24 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Picked as the No. 15 prospect in Virginia by *SuperPrep* ... No. 54 on Tom Lemming's All-Mid Atlantic team ... Picked as the No. 29 player in Virginia

during the preseason by *SuperPrep* ... Finished his junior year with over 80 tackles and 15 tackles for loss ... A weight man on the track team ... Finished seventh in the Group AAA outdoor shot put competition as a senior ...

Personal: Carlton Eugene Powell, Jr. ... Born 8/14/85 in Norfolk, VA ... Son of Carlton and Jay Powell.

KORY ROBERTSON

Defensive Line • 6-3 • 295
Martinsville, Va. • Magna Vista H.S.

A first-team selection to the Group AA Coaches all-state team at the defensive tackle position and a second-team selection as an offensive lineman ... Was also a 2002 AA first-team all-state selection by The Associated Press as a defensive lineman ... Named a 2002 honorable mention all-region selection by *PrepStar* as a defensive lineman ... Recorded 75 tackles, 11 sacks and two fumble recoveries during his senior season for Coach Joe Beckelheimer at Magna Vista ... Played several positions along both the offensive and defensive lines during his career ... Named first-team all-district on both offense and defense as a senior ... Won the 2002 Lee Cook Lineman of the Year Award ... Registered 62 tackles and seven sacks as a junior ... Had four tackles behind the line in an upset win over Martinsville in the 2001 Region IV semifinals ... Ranked the No. 16 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Ranked the No. 11 player in Virginia by *SuperPrep* ... No. 50 on Tom Lemming's All-Mid Atlantic team ... Picked as the No. 20 player in Virginia during the preseason by *SuperPrep* ... Also lettered in basketball and track ...

Personal: Kory Waurez Robertson ... Born 12/12/84 in Atlanta, GA ... Son of John Robertson and Sharon Pittman ... Has lived with his grandparents, John and Mary Robertson, since the age of 5.

BRETT WARREN

Linebacker • 6-1 • 212
Clifton, Va. • Centreville H.S.

Was a 2002 AAA second-team all-state selection by The Associated Press at the linebacker spot for Coach Mike Skinner at Centreville ... Registered a school-record 149 tackles as a senior ... Added four sacks, four fumble recoveries, two interceptions and a blocked punt ... Posted 23 tackles in a game against Chantilly for another

school record ... Selected to the second-team All-Metro team picked by *The Washington Post* ... Earned first-team all-district and all-region honors ... Voted team MVP ... Named a 2002 honorable mention all-region selection by *PrepStar* as a linebacker ... Named to the 2002 All-Times first-team defensive squad ... Named a first-team All-ACC Area linebacker by the preseason *G&W Recruiting Report* ... The No. 19 prospect in Virginia as ranked by *SuperPrep* magazine ... Ranked the No. 17 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Ranked the No. 56 player in the Mid Atlantic region by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... Picked as the No. 19 player in Virginia during the preseason by *SuperPrep* ... His 250 tackles during his junior and senior seasons were a school mark for a two-year period ... Blocked a punt for a touchdown and led the district in sacks with eight his junior year ... Helped team to a state Group AAA title in 2000 and a 31-5 record during his career ...

Personal: Brett Paul Warren ... Born 3/7/85 in Huntington Beach, CA ... Son of Don and Irene Warren ... His father, Don, played 14 seasons with the Washington Redskins ... Brother of current Hokie linebacker Blake Warren.

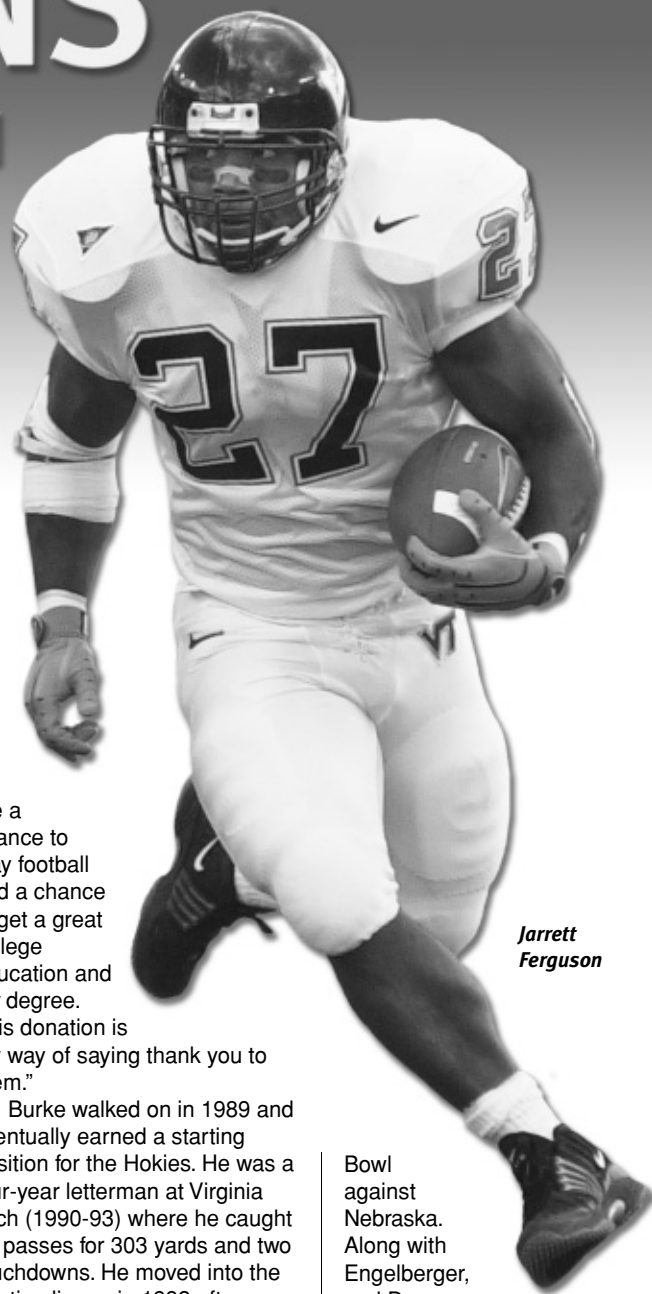
MATT WELSH

Offensive Line • 6-5 • 280
Clifton, Va. • Centreville H.S.

Named an All-American by *PrepStar* as an offensive lineman ... Injured his knee four games into his senior season and was sidelined until returning for the last two games ... A preseason *PrepStar* All-American ... Named a first-team All-ACC Area offensive lineman by the preseason *G&W Recruiting Report* ... Coach Mike Skinner tried playing him on both offense and defense, but ended up putting him at offensive tackle ... A first-team selection to the 2001 AAA Coaches all-state team at the offensive tackle position as a junior ... Had 17 pancake blocks in his first game in 2001 ... Ranked the No. 17 offensive guard in the nation by Rivals100.com ... Rated the No. 10 player in Virginia by *The Roanoke Times* ... Rated the No. 12 player in Virginia by *SuperPrep* ... Ranked the No. 39 player in the Mid Atlantic region by *Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report* ... A preseason *SuperPrep* All-American, rated the No. 9 player in Virginia and the No. 38 offensive lineman in the country ... Went to the same high school as current Hokies Will Montgomery and Blake Warren ...

Personal: Matthew Edward Welsh ... Born 9/12/84 in Fairfax, VA ... Son of Ed and Maryann Welsh.

WALK-ONS AT VIRGINIA TECH



Jarrett
Ferguson

Jarrett Ferguson was driving down Interstate 81 on April 21, 2002 when he got the most important phone call of his life. It was the Buffalo Bills, telling him they were going to draft him.

Several minutes later, the announcement was made on television that the Bills had taken the fullback in the seventh round of the 2002 NFL Draft, completing another chapter in the success story of Tech's football walk-on program.

The same can be said about the San Francisco 49ers selecting Virginia Tech defensive end John Engelberger in the second round of the 2000 NFL Draft.

Engelberger, who arrived in Blacksburg as a walk-on in 1995, was following in the footsteps of tight end John Burke, who graduated from Tech's walk-on program as a fourth-round draft pick of the New England Patriots in 1994.

Walk-on players are an important part of Virginia Tech football. With scholarship reductions, not all high school football players earn scholarships to compete in college. But that doesn't mean there isn't an opportunity for those individuals, especially at Virginia Tech, where walk-on athletes have a history of contributions.

The walk-ons at Virginia Tech are treated in the same first-class manner — with total respect — as the rest of the squad. Former walk-ons have eventually earned scholarships, earned starting positions, gained All-BIG EAST honors, and some eventually played pro football.

"The important thing for a walk-on, is to know he's going to be given a chance," said Tech head coach Frank Beamer. "The

way you track that is to look at programs around the country to see how many scholarships are given to walk-ons.

"We're one of the top two or three programs in the country in that category. So for a guy who's interested in walking on, there's not a better place than right here at Virginia Tech. We give people a chance and we treat them the same as everybody else."

Engelberger was a recruited walk-on, meaning he was invited to try out for the team. He arrived in Blacksburg in 1995 as a 6-foot-4, 210-pound tight end from Springfield, Va. He got into the weight room and transformed his body into that of a big-time college football player. After a redshirt year, he earned a scholarship for his tireless work ethic. Thanks to endless hours of work on the practice field and in the weight room, Engelberger finished his career as one of the best defensive ends in Tech history. Over his career, he was named an Associated Press All-American, was an All-BIG EAST selection three times, and was one of the best players in the state of Virginia as a senior.

In 2001, he started 14 games at defensive end for the 49ers, who made the NFL playoffs, and played in 15 games. In three years, he has started 27 games and played in 51. He has 65 total tackles, including a career-high five solo stops against Detroit in 2001, and seven sacks. He also contributed \$100,000 back to the Tech football program. He is expected to see plenty of playing time again this year.

"Coach [Frank] Beamer, the football program and Virginia Tech have been good to me," Engelberger said. "They gave

me a chance to play football and a chance to get a great college education and my degree. This donation is my way of saying thank you to them."

Burke walked on in 1989 and eventually earned a starting position for the Hokies. He was a four-year letterman at Virginia Tech (1990-93) where he caught 21 passes for 303 yards and two touchdowns. He moved into the starting lineup in 1992 after lettering as a special teams player and backup tight end for two seasons. His longest reception was a 48-yard catch and run versus West Virginia in 1991.

Burke was drafted by the New England Patriots in 1994 and was a member of the Patriots' 1997 Super Bowl XXXI team. He saw action with the New York Jets, San Diego Chargers and the Oakland Raiders.

Engelberger and Burke aren't the only Hokies to excel in the walk-on program. Tech had five walk-on players start or see playing time in the 1996 Orange

Bowl against Nebraska. Along with Engelberger, end Danny Wheel, tackle Kerwin Hairston and linebacker Steve Tate each made at least six starts for Tech's defensive unit during the regular season. On offense, split end Michael Stuewe made his mark as one of the team's top receivers. All five of those former walk-ons earned scholarships and paid big dividends for Tech in the 1996 season.

None of these players would have lived their dream and reached their potential if Virginia Tech hadn't extended the opportunity they were seeking. Their eventual success has become a cherished part of the

Hokie football tradition and heritage.

"Our walk-on program is so successful for two reasons," said John Ballein, who directs the program. "First, our coaches work at it. When they're out on the road, they're looking for players who can fit into our program. Secondly, we have a head coach in Coach Beamer who is loyal to each player in this program."

Tech's walk-on program has provided countless young men a chance to play collegiate football and prove that the evaluation and recruiting process is far from flawless. It allows a young man to mature physically, improve his football skills, and contribute to the success of Virginia Tech football.

"No one really knows the difference between a walk-on and a scholarship player because each person is treated exactly the same," Ballein said. "Players know they have an opportunity to earn a scholarship and that they'll be in the best weight program in the country. Combine all those factors and you have the reason why Tech's walk-on program has been successful."

There are two types of walk-ons at Virginia Tech: the invited walk-on and the true walk-on. The invited walk-ons are players recruited by coaches to come into the Tech program. The true walk-ons are students already enrolled at Tech who try to earn a spot in the program. Tech has two workouts (one in the spring and one in the fall) for these players. From there, some are invited back to try and earn a spot on the team.

Hokie walk-ons not only get the chance to play in one of the best programs in the nation, they get a chance to play for one of the best coaches in college football, as well.

In 1998, *The Sporting News* listed the top coaches in terms of getting the most out of their talent year in and year out. Beamer was ranked No. 9 in Division I-A. Three of the past five years, TSN rated Beamer first among BIG EAST coaches. Four of the last five years it has ranked the Hokies' football coaching staff as the best in the conference.



John Engelberger started his Tech career as a walk-on and currently plays in the NFL.

In 1994, TSN surveyed newsmen across the country and then rated the coaches in the various conferences in a number of categories. Coach Beamer was voted "Best on Game Day," "Best Game Preparation," "Best Motivator," "Best Teacher," "Best in Big Games," and "Best Overall."

Two of the more recent success stories are Ferguson and Browning Wynn, who wrapped up their careers following the 2001 season. The duo both earned the program's first Elite Level of Performance distinction in 2000, based on tests in both strength and performance. Ferguson repeated that feat in 2001, becoming the first to accomplish that.

An injury to Cullen Hawkins placed Ferguson into the starting lineup his freshman season. He started the final eight games and was third on the team in rushing and fifth in scoring. He started every game at fullback for the rest of his career, a streak of 44 games, and was considered one of the

best blocking fullbacks in the country.

Wynn earned All-BIG EAST second-team honors in 2001 at his tight end position and took the coveted Iron Man Competition title two years ago. The tight end signed a free agent contract with the Indianapolis Colts just hours after the draft was completed.

"I think our walk-on program is successful because we work at it," Beamer says. "We work at it in recruiting guys who will have a chance to be a player in our program. We evaluate them very carefully. We only have so many spots for walk-ons now and so it is very important that we get kids who have a chance to earn a scholarship."

"I've always liked walk-ons because a lot of them have something to prove and they work harder and they go right by some scholarship guys as far as playing time."

Looking at this year's group of walk-ons, there are four former walk-ons who have already earned scholarships and that number could increase.

Doug Easlick, Brandon

Manning, Carter Warley and Will Montgomery have all made valuable contributions to the program and now are scholarship players.

Easlick was one of the biggest surprises a year ago, becoming an effective blocker at the fullback position. He led the way for Lee Suggs and Kevin Jones, who combined to rush for over 2,000 yards. Manning was the starter at linebacker for 13 games and was third on the team with 75 tackles.

Warley has been a consistent field goal kicker and Montgomery is fighting for a starting job on the offensive line.

Other walk-ons have stepped up and are headed in the same direction as well. Robert Peaslee, Steve Canter, Brandon Pace and Chris Shreve are four who will likely see action this season.

The success of the Tech walk-on program continues to grow right along with the success of the football program. This year the Hokies will welcome another class of walk-ons who are each anxious to prove they could be the next Jarrett Ferguson or John Engelberger.

HOKIES BY STATES



CALIFORNIA

Torrance
Jordan Trott

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Roland Minor

FLORIDA

Clewiston
Eric Green
Delray Beach
Chris Ceasar
David Clowney
Gainesville
Corey Gordon
Palm Beach Gardens
Michael Brown
Plantation
Cols Colas
Pompano Beach
James Miller
Tampa
Garnell Wilds

LOUISIANA

New Orleans
Vinnie Burns

MARYLAND

Baltimore
Michael Crawford
Vincent Fuller
Richard Johnson
Jason Murphy
Columbia
Mikal Baaqee
Mitchellville
Jason Lallis

MASSACHUSETTS

Monson
Jesse Allen

NEW JERSEY

Flemington
Jared Mazetta
Marlton
Doug Easlick
Voorhees
Greg Kezmarsky

NORTH CAROLINA

Burlington
Michael Hinton
Charlotte
Tripp Carroll
Lexington
Cory Holt

OKLAHOMA

Edmond
Andrew Fleck

PENNSYLVANIA

Chester
Kevin Jones
Coraopolis
Robert Ramsey
Harrisburg
Fred Lee
Brandon Manning
McMurray
Bob Ruff

SOUTH CAROLINA

Myrtle Beach
Brandon Frye

TENNESSEE

Memphis
James Griffin

TEXAS

Friendswood
Michael Malone

VIRGINIA

Abingdon
Nick Leeson
Amherst
Barry Booker
Blacksburg
John Candelas
Chesapeake
James Anderson
Chris Clifton
DeAngelo Hall
Vince Hall
Josh Hyman
Robert Parker
Carlton Powell
Vegas Robinson
Darryl Tapp
Clifton
Will Montgomery
Blake Warren
Brett Warren
Matt Welsh
Clintwood
Justin Hamilton
Danville
Kenny Lewis
Dublin
Matt Roan
Fairfax
Mike Daniels
Mike Imoh
John Kinzer
Jimmy Martin
Cary Wade
Forest
Jake Grove
Hampton
Nathaniel Adibi
Xavier Adibi
Chris Ellis
D.J. Parker
Jimmy Williams
Harrisonburg
Nick Marshman
Herndon
Chad Cooper
Danny McGrath
Highland Springs
Jim Davis
Keswick
Reggie Butler
Madison Heights
Brian McPherson
Tim Sandidge
Martinsville
Kory Robertson
Mouth of Wilson
Chris Shreve

Newport News

Brenden Hill
Marcus Vick

Norfolk

Rashad Ferebee
Keith Willis

Petersburg

Mike Parham

Pulaski

Jeff King
Robert Peaslee

Richmond

Duane Brown
Noland Burchette
Travis Conway
Jonathan Lewis
Kevin Lewis
Carter Warley
Ernest Wilford

Rocky Mount

Jacob Gibson

Salem

Nic Schmitt

Staunton

Chris Pannell

Vienna

Winston Roett

Virginia Beach

Steve Canter
Jon Dunn
Cedric Humes
Brandon Pace
Aaron Rouse

Warrenton

Brandon Gore

Williamsburg

Bryan Randall

Wytheville

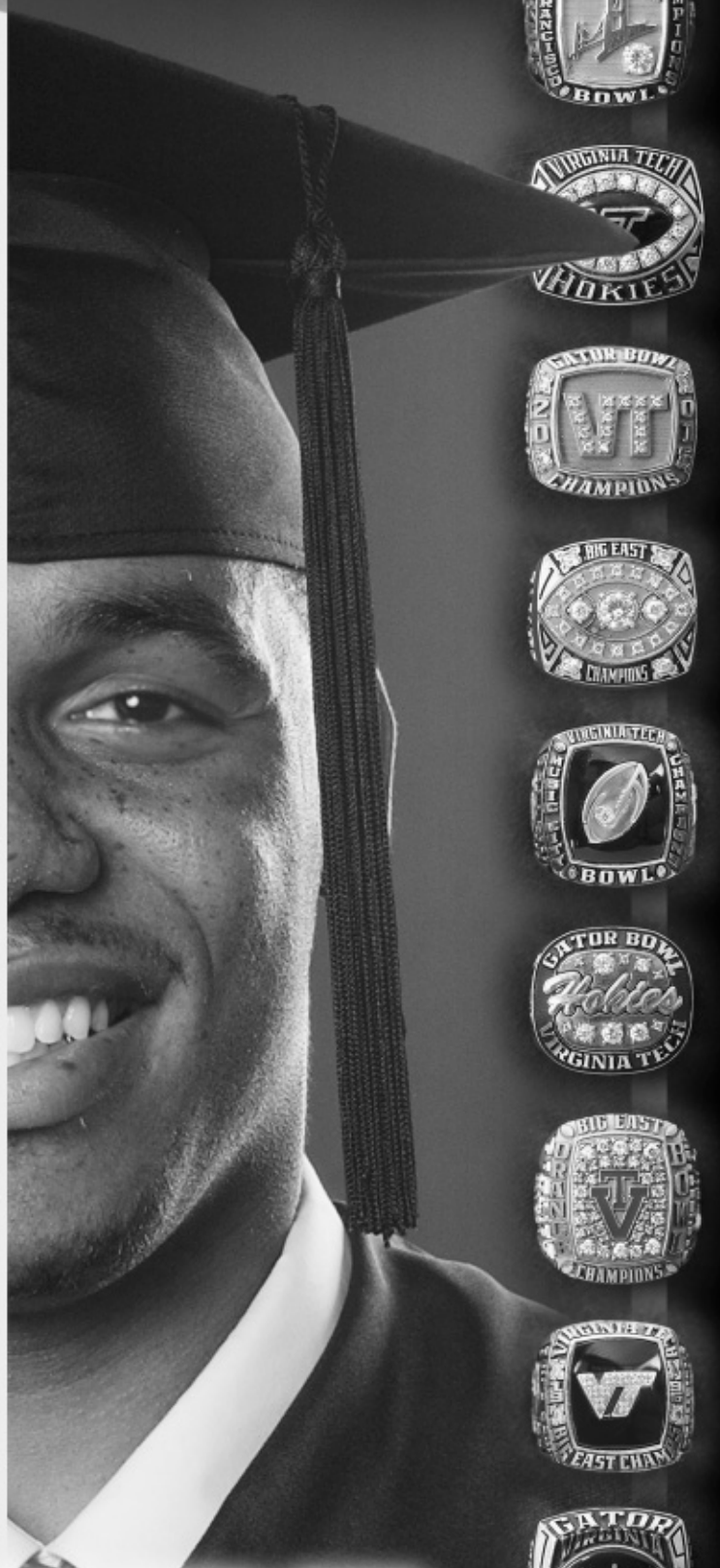
Lance Goff

WEST VIRGINIA

Princeton
Isaac Montgomery



Keith Willis



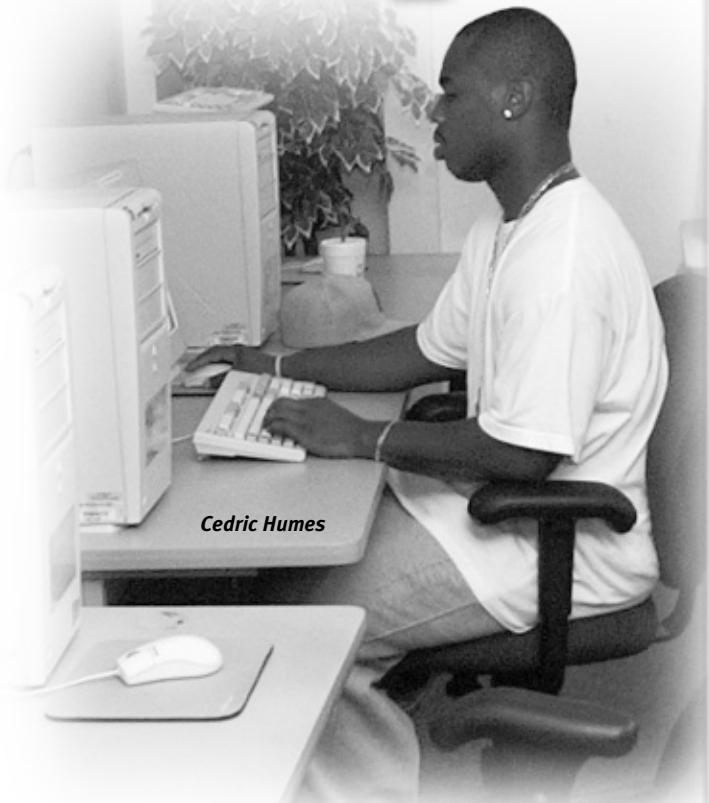
SUPPORT

BUILDING THE Mind and Body

- Virginia Tech student-athletes receive outstanding academic support with state-of-the-art study areas and well over 95 tutors.
- Tech's athletic graduation rate is higher than the average overall graduation rate for all Division I universities and has risen significantly in the past few years.
- More than 84 percent of all Tech student-athletes who enrolled during the 10-year period from 1987-88 through 1996-97 and completed their eligibility have graduated.
- For the fifth year in a row, a new record of 371 student-athletes, HighTechs and cheerleaders were recognized at the Athletic Director's Honors Breakfast for posting 3.0 GPAs or higher in the 2002 calendar year.
- Tech had 212 student-athletes, approximately one-third of the student-athlete population, named to the dean's list, and 28 achieved a perfect 4.0 GPA during the fall or spring semesters of the 2002-03 academic year.
- A total of 21 Tech athletic teams achieved a 3.0 or better team GPA — eleven teams during the fall semester and 10 during the spring semester.
- Tech student-athletes participate in the HiTOPS program (Hokies Turning Opportunities into Personal Success). HiTOPS provides a well-rounded program for student-athletes to develop the individual skills necessary to lead successful and productive lives.
- A full-time sports psychologist has been added to Tech's Athletic Performance Staff to help meet the personal and performance needs of the student-athletes.



Mike Imoh and Brandon Manning



Cedric Humes

- Virginia Tech's strength and conditioning program is regarded as one of the best in the nation.
- The Hokies have more than 22,000 square-feet of strength and conditioning training space.
- DeAngelo Hall broke a Tech strength and conditioning record in the spring of 2003, recording a time of 4.15 seconds in the 40-yard dash.
- Sixteen Hokies achieved Super Iron Hokie status during the spring of 2003, including eight first-time members for the 2002-2003 year.
- A brand new training and medical complex was completed in 2002 on the ground floor of the Jamerson Center.
- The "Training Edge" dining facility features a comprehensive system of eating for championship performance.
- Tech has added a full-time sports nutritionist to the Athletic Performance staff to help the student-athletes achieve their sports nutritional goals.
- A new training room has been completed in Rector Field House — Tech's indoor practice facility — to serve the football team when it moves indoors.

STUDENT ATHLETE ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES

Coach Frank Beamer with the 14 members of the 2003 football squad who have already graduated or are on track to graduate following fall semester: (seated) Robert Peaslee and Nathaniel Adibi; (l to r) Garnell Wilds, Jake Grove, Ernest Wilford, Steve Canter, Michael Crawford, Kevin Lewis, Vegas Robinson, Keith Willis, Chris Shreve, Doug Easlick, Jacob Gibson and Cols Colas.

Providing student-athletes with the tools for success in the classroom

The success of Virginia Tech's football program rests largely on the academic progress of each student-athlete. The academic performance of Tech student-athletes has improved each year due in part to the Student Athlete Academic Support Services (SAASS).

The Virginia Tech graduation rate for student-athletes has risen significantly in recent years and reached 70 percent in 2003 as compared to the national average of 60 percent. The 70 percent

student-athlete graduation rate marks the second straight year and five in the last 10 years that Tech has reached that level.

The Virginia Tech football program has been an integral part of this recent academic success. According to the American Football Coaches Association 2002 graduation rate, Tech has a 77 percent graduation rate as compared to the 59 percent national average. Tech was one of 25 institutions to receive honorable mention accolades for the AFCA Academic Achievement Award.

Currently, of the 15 seniors on this year's squad, 13 are scheduled to graduate by the end of the fall semester. Seven completed their degree prior to this season and another six are finishing their degree this fall.

In addition to posting impressive graduation figures, Virginia Tech's student-athletes continue to excel in the classroom. Last spring, the Athletic Director's Honors Breakfast paid tribute to a record 371 student-athletes, student trainers, student managers, cheerleaders and

HighTechs who posted 3.0 or greater GPA's in the 2002 calendar year.

Student-athletes are the most visible student component of a university. They entertain thousands of fans, students and alumni. Their athletic ability and achievement is the primary focus for national media attention. Athletic events bring back not only faithful alumni, but are a welcome mat for potential new students.

Student-athletes devote many hours to practice, conditioning and training that

are not required of all students. Due to their time commitment and their high visibility, it is an obligation and in the best interest of the university to supply these students with services which will allow them to maximize their academic potential.

The Virginia Tech Student Athlete Academic Support Services office commits to providing fundamental and supplemental programming, consistent with University and NCAA policy, aimed at enhancing each student athlete's educational experience leading to graduation.

Stakeholders in the office's mission include student athletes and their families, the university community, coaches and athletics administrators. SAASS seeks to develop relationships with its stakeholders that are founded on trust and respect, and provides the following services to accommodate their needs:

- University and NCAA information
- Orientation
- Academic assessment
- The development of an effective student life program
- Appropriate referrals
- Monitored study environments
- Tutorial programs
- State of the art technological learning assistance
- Student Athlete academic performance evaluations



CHRIS HELMS

DIRECTOR OF STUDENT ATHLETE ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES

Beginning his fifth year at Virginia Tech, Chris Helms is the director and is responsible for the development and leadership of the Student Athlete Academic Support Services office. Helms oversees an office comprised of two associate directors, three assistant directors, an intern, and a secretary forming a group of professionals serving the needs of all student-athletes.

In addition to his duties directing SAASS, Helms serves as a liaison between the academic and athletic communities and is an ad hoc member of the University Athletic Committee.

Helms came to Tech from Michigan State University, where he served as the assistant director of the Student Athlete Support Services office.

Prior to MSU, Helms served as the coordinator of academic affairs for the Florida State University football program. Some of his other experience includes academic advisement for student-athletes at Central Connecticut State University.

Helms earned his bachelor's degree in psychology at Wake Forest University and received his master's in athletic counseling from Springfield College.

A native of Frederick, Md., he and his wife, Renee, have a son, Walker, and a daughter, Meigs.

The expectations of the Virginia Tech community are that each student-athlete achieves their maximum academic and athletic potential. With the proper assistance, facilities and encouragement, these potentials can become a reality.

Student Athlete Academic Support Services provides programming for student-athletes from their freshman year through graduation. This includes a comprehensive orientation to Tech, study hall, mentoring, tutoring, academic monitoring, academic recognition and eligibility education. Additionally, student-athletes are referred to and encouraged to take advantage of other campus agencies charged with helping

students in their academic pursuits.

Academic facilities for student-athletes include the Monogram Room, a large room used as a study hall area, adjacent to the SAASS office in Cassell Coliseum. The HEAT (Hokies Engaging in Advanced Technology) Lab and its satellite sites house over 40 computers on the second floor and third floors of Cassell Coliseum. Laptop computers are also available for Tech athletes to use when travelling to away contests. The athletic department also provides areas for private, quiet study for the athletes' convenience.

Together, these spaces provide the student-athlete with a variety of study environments conducive to

their success. Athletes can use these facilities between classes, after practice or in the evenings, with flexible hours tailored to make the most of a student-athlete's limited time.

Chris Helms, in his fifth year at Tech, is the director and is responsible for the development and leadership of the Student Athlete Academic Support Services office.

Lois Berg, associate director, begins her 15th year at Tech. She is primarily in charge of developing the freshman orientation program, which ensures the student-athlete a smooth transition from high school to the university.

She is also responsible for providing programming to assigned student-athletes from the sports of baseball, softball,



A record 371 student-athletes, student trainers, student managers, cheerleaders and HighTechs were honored at the Athletic Director's Honors breakfast last spring.

STUDENT ATHLETE ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES STAFF



Lois Berg
Associate Director



Colin Howlett
Associate Director



Katie Ammons
Assistant Director



Renia Edwards
Assistant Director



Drew Scales
Assistant Director



Terrie Repass
Secretary

men's and women's swimming, men's and women's tennis, managers, trainers, cheerleaders and HighTechs.

Colin Howlett begins his seventh year with Virginia Tech and serves as an associate director in the Student Athlete Academic Support Services office.

In addition to assisting the director in all facets of the program, Howlett oversees the advisement of football student-

athletes with regard to satisfactory progress, eligibility and degree completion as set forth by the NCAA, BIG EAST and Virginia Tech.

He also helps coordinate support services for the football program, including tutorial support, mentoring, organized study table and major and career counseling. In addition to these responsibilities, Howlett assists in the recruitment, academic evaluation and

admissions of prospective student-athletes.

Howlett came to Tech from the University of Maine, where he served for a year and a half as an academic advisor for the athletic department.

Some of his other experience includes academic advisement for student-athletes at Austin Peay State University and the University of Southern Mississippi.

Howlett earned his bachelor's degree in business

administration at Susquehanna University and received his master's in athletic administration from Southern Miss. A native of Allentown, Pa., he and his wife, Lisa, have two daughters, Natalie and Erika.

Katie Ammons is an assistant director who begins her fifth year and works with the men's and women's basketball, men's and women's cross country



Colin Howlett (center) works with Bryan Randall (l) and Chris Shreve in the HEAT lab, one of the academic support areas located in the athletic complex.

and men's and women's track programs.

Ammons is also in charge of the operation of the HEAT lab and other computing resources available for student-athletes. Ammons is a former standout Hokie student-athlete.

Renia Edwards is in her third year with Student-Athlete Academic Support Services as an assistant director. Her primary responsibilities are providing academic support for the freshman student athletes in the sport of football and coordinating the SAASS tutorial program.

Edwards came to Tech from the University of Iowa where she worked as academic counselor for the Women's Athletics Student Services office. She worked with women's basketball, volleyball, soccer and the track and field programs. She also served as the Career Coordinator and advisor to the Minority Focus Group for Men's and Women's Athletics.

The Rember, S.C., native received her bachelor's degree in Business Management from Shaw University in 1995. She then went on to earn her M.S. Ed. in Sports Management from Northern Illinois University. While completing her master's degree, she served as Tutor Supervisor for the Academic Counseling Center for Student-Athletes at NIU. During her final year in the program, she served as Academic Advising Intern at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tenn.

Drew Scales begins his second year with Student-Athlete Academic Support Services as an assistant director. Scales provides academic support for student-athletes in lacrosse, volleyball, men's and women's soccer and wrestling, in addition to overseeing the mentoring program.

Terrie Repass begins her 29th year of service at Virginia Tech. She serves as the office secretary and "first contact" person for the SAASS. She is responsible for organizing special events and meetings for the office. Repass prepares all accounting, purchasing and travel transactions for the office.



Renia Edwards (l, above) and James Anderson discuss academic issues in a meeting in her Cassell Coliseum office. Tech student-athletes also have the services of nearly 100 tutors (below).



COMPUTER SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Another example of Virginia Tech's commitment to providing its student-athletes with the best academic resources possible is the presence of the Computer Services department, under the direction of Brad Tilley.

Because all Tech students are required to own computers, the Virginia Tech athletics department helps its scholarship athletes fulfill that requirement by providing them with computers.

In addition to ordering computers for the athletes, the office also addresses computer service needs for the student-athletes and the entire Virginia Tech athletics staff.

OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE

Assisting in the development of the total person

The Office of Student Life at Virginia Tech helps in providing assistance to student-athletes in a number of areas. Megan Armbruster, director of student life, and coordinators Kevin Walker and Amy Turley, are dedicated to enhancing the quality of the student-athlete experience through the many programs that this office implements.

One program that the office sponsors is the HiTOPS CHAMPS/Life Skills Program (Hokies Turning Opportunities Into Personal Success), which provides a well-rounded program for student-athletes to develop the individual skills necessary to lead successful and productive lives. The goal of this program is to enhance five areas of commitment that are vital to personal growth of student-athletes. Those areas are service, academic excellence, career development, athletic excellence and personal development. This program attempts to build individual confidence, promote respect for diversity, enhance interpersonal relationships, develop leadership skills, and enable each one to make a valuable contribution to the community.

HOKIES WITH HEART

Hokies With Heart is a program developed by the Office of Student Life, which promotes the involvement of student-athletes in community service activities. In the past year, Virginia Tech athletes participated in nearly 40 community service projects. This program has a major local impact because the different service projects help to build a positive relationship between student-athletes and the surrounding community.

The Virginia Tech football program takes great pride in the many projects to which it contributes, including the Hokie Readers program,

Special Olympics, hospital visits and a canned food drive.

The Virginia Tech football program has been significantly involved in a wide variety of community service projects and numerous charitable organizations in the New River Valley. The players take pleasure in giving their time and effort to a community that is so supportive of all of the athletic teams at Virginia Tech.

VIRGINIA TECH STUDENT ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Virginia Tech Student Athlete Advisory Committee (VT-SAAC) promotes effective communication between

athletics administration and student-athletes to better serve their needs. The program is completely run by student-athletes and there are representatives from each team on the committee. Last year, the representative from the football team was rover Billy Hardee. Hardee attended SAAC meetings to discuss issues and represent the football team in decision-making. The representatives then report back to the team on any issues that the team should be aware of or discuss.

This program also encourages involvement of student-athletes on campus and in the community. The



Defensive end Jim Davis cheers up a patient during one of the team's visits to a local hospital.

student-athletes help to design and provide programs that encourage academic success, health promotion, social responsibility, and general awareness. SAAC also attempts to enhance the overall image of student-athletes to those outside of the Virginia Tech athletic family by serving as positive role models.

VT-SAAC participates in a community service activity called Winning Choices. This program sends athletes to local elementary, middle and high schools to talk about the importance of citizenship, work ethic, and working with others. Hardee was a part of the Winning Choices program, where he visited numerous Montgomery County schools to speak to area children on the importance of having good character. He traveled to middle and high schools in the New River Valley and spoke to



MEGAN ARMBRUSTER

DIRECTOR OF STUDENT LIFE

Megan Armbruster begins her first year at Virginia Tech as the new director of student life. As director, she will oversee the day-to-day operation of the office of student life, as well as direct the HiTOPS CHAMPS/Life Skills Program.

Armbruster comes to Tech from the University of Nebraska, where she has spent the last several years. She last served as assistant academic counselor at the Hewitt Academic Center for Student-Athletes for two years. While pursuing her master's degree, Armbruster also held various internships at NU, working in admissions, university housing, the Vice-Chancellor's Office and the Campus Recreation Center.

She earned her bachelor's degree in community health education in 1998 and received her master's in educational administration in 2001, both from Nebraska.

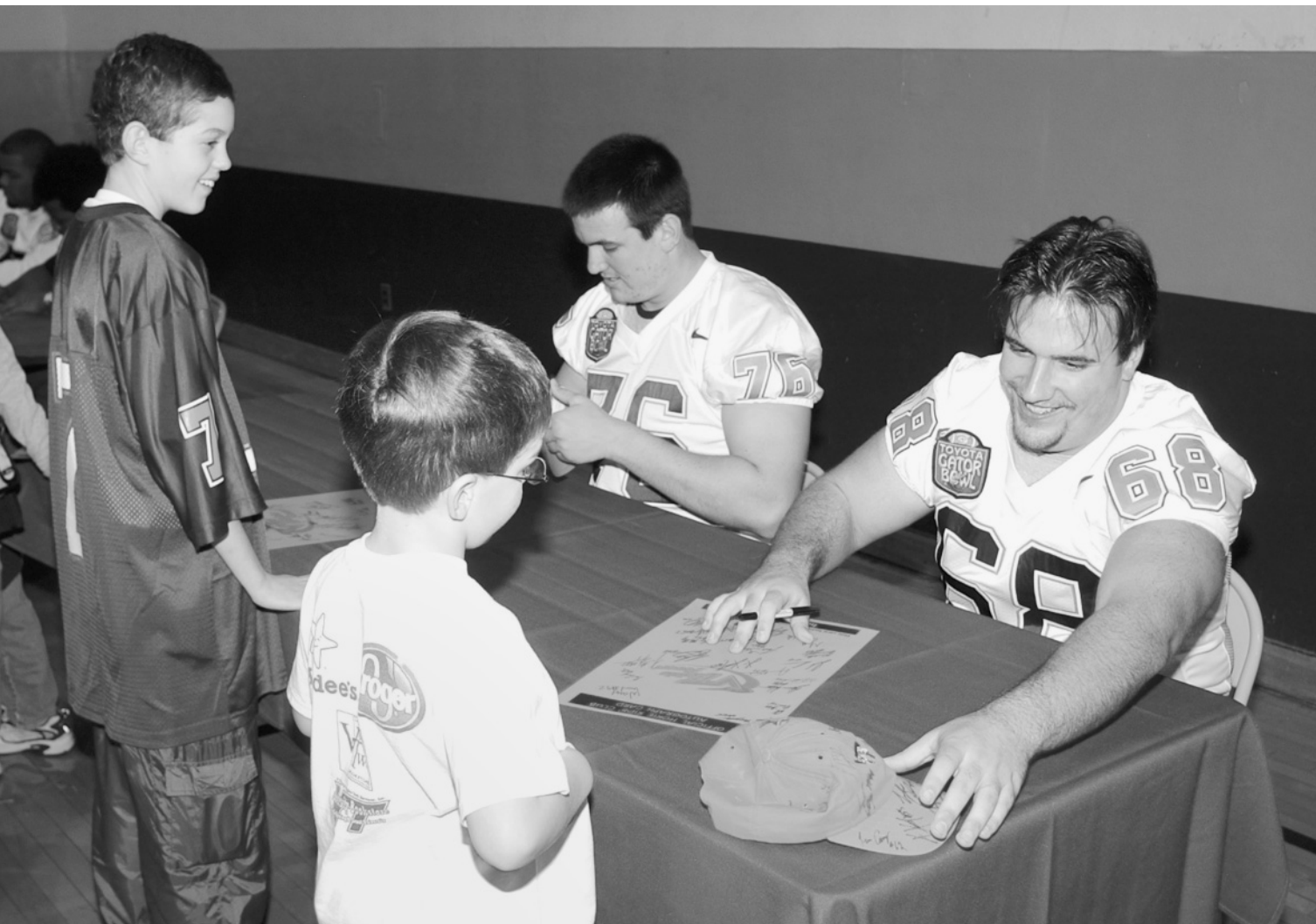
over 5,000 students on this topic and later spoke to children of local churches who were invited to Cassell Coliseum.

OUTSTANDING STUDENT-ATHLETES

Each month, the Office of Student Life awards recognition to a student-athlete

for participation in community service projects and dedication to the Hokies With Heart program. The student-athletes of the month are chosen based on their willingness to be involved with the community. The Student Life staff is encouraged by student-athletes who initiate their own involvement in community

service and would like to commend their efforts. In selecting the monthly honorees, the staff also looks at the total number of times that the athlete goes out in the community to do service activities, as well as their willingness to go out when they are asked to do so.



James Miller and Robert Ramsey sign autographs for excited youngsters during a Kid's Club session.

The Office of Student Life has honored wide receiver Ernest Wilford, a student-athlete of the month in 2003, for his participation in community service activities. Wilford, a member of Omega Psi Phi fraternity, volunteers at Wilson Avenue Alternative School one or two days per week. Wilford's fraternity decided to adopt the school as part of their mission to help the community and is trying to raise \$3,000 to upgrade computers and software. Wilford's service at Wilson Avenue has enabled him to build positive relationships with many of the students.

"Virginia Tech football players get a lot of recognition for what we do on the field, and I am able to use that recognition to affect [the students'] lives in a positive way," said Wilford. "These kids may never get the same opportunities that I have, to play collegiate sports. I try to let them know that I never thought it would happen to me either, and if they put their minds to it, they can accomplish whatever they want."

"Interacting with these kids just gives me one more reason to be a good person on and off the field. I know they are watching my actions and I want to be a good role model."

FUEL THE MACHINE

PEAK PERFORMANCE REQUIRES COMPLETE NUTRITION

WATER

Your most important supplement is **WATER**, so **DRINK IT!**

64 oz PER DAY

CARBS

CARBOHYDRATES are your energy.

- Eating rice, oatmeal, peaches, plums, broccoli, spinach, & green beans will provide your body with long-lasting energy.
- Unsweetened cereal, pasta, whole-grain breads, grapes, potatoes, apples, bananas and carrots in active days will supply you with a good source of energy.
- Limit sugar-filled foods like candy, cookies, sweetened cereals, soda & french fries - they do NOT provide good energy and will add on excess fat weight.

PROTEIN

Eat plenty of **LEAN PROTEIN**, food daily, including... chicken, fish, skim milk, tuna & yogurt.

But remember, excess protein will NOT build muscles, only working them will!

REFUEL

And don't forget, after exercising, or drink a sports drink **WITHIN 30 MINUTES** to refill your energy stores!

READING. It's a Hokie thing to do.

"Catching a pass, passing for a big gain and tackling an opponent for a loss are big plays in football. Catching on to a good book, passing one on to a friend and tackling reading beyond the night's homework assignment are big plays in school. Make the big play. Read."

— Frank Beamer, head coach Virginia Tech Hokies and 1999 National Coach of the Year

Wide receiver **Ernest Dink** tucks in one of the 13 catches in the 1999 season. He also likes "to catch a good book."

Michael Vich, Tech's All-American basketball, sets up for one of 91 3-point jumpshots and your Hokies find everyone "can pass a book you like us to a Hokie."

Middle linebacker **Ben Taylor** (40), who also enjoys "tackling a good book," joins in on one of the Hokies' 38 quarterback sacks last year.

Tech's special team swarms as the Hokies lead the nation in blocked kicks for the decade of the '90s. Special teams give something extra. Special students read something extra every day.

The Virginia Tech Hokies are proud to be the NCAA's Best Academic Institution. They urge you to read a little extra every day and to celebrate Dr. King's birthday, March 2nd, with your own special book.

Virginia Education Association - NE
We teach the children.

hokies with heart!

Making a difference in the New River Valley

The Virginia Tech Athletics Department is committed to participating in the community.

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NETBALL

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Tech student-athletes are visible throughout the state and nation. They take pride in being good role models and making a difference in the community.

ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE

There's much more to athletic performance than weight training. Always striving to stay on the cutting edge, Virginia Tech has added two more services for its student-athletes in recent years. At Tech, nutrition and sports psychology are also a part of the student-athlete's preparation – not just for game day, but also for life after college. Virginia Tech tries to provide the best services, facilities and support staff for all of its student-athletes, to make them better athletes and better people.

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING

Virginia Tech has one of the nation's top programs helping athletes get bigger, faster and stronger!

These days, college football is as much about strength and conditioning as it is about having outstanding athletes on your team. If you have both, your team will likely be very successful.

Thanks to the direction of Assistant Athletics Director for Athletic Performance Mike Gentry, the Virginia Tech strength and conditioning program is among the best in the nation, helping to make the football program one of the best as well.

One of the main support centers of Tech football is the strength and conditioning program. The results of hard work by the staff and the student-athletes have paid huge dividends as the Hokies have continued their streak of 10 consecutive bowl game appearances.

The football team trains in the beautiful 17,000-square foot training center on the first level of the Merryman Athletic Center. The weight room facility features new free-weight equipment, a full line of Hammer Strength equipment,

12 platforms and a 6,000-square foot state-of-the-art speed and agility room.

Tech also has the use of a 10-by-40-yard sand pit located outdoors and adjacent to the weight room. This pit is used for resistive running drills to improve speed. The Hokies also have the new practice field for use in running drills.

Tech football players used to train in the Jim "Bulldog" Haren Weight Room. Located in Jamerson Athletic Center, the 5,000-square foot weight room was officially dedicated in September 1985 to Haren, a former Hokie player and long-time supporter of the Virginia Tech Athletic Department. With the two facilities, the Hokies have over 22,000-square

Keith Willis works out in the Merryman Center's outstanding weight room.





DR. MIKE GENTRY

ASSISTANT ATHLETICS DIRECTOR
FOR ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE

Dr. Mike Gentry begins his 16th season as the Hokies' director of strength and conditioning. As assistant athletics director for

athletic performance, his duties include overseeing the strength and conditioning training of athletes in all 21 varsity sports at Virginia Tech. He is directly involved in the training of the football and women's basketball teams and manages programs for nutrition.

In May 2003, Gentry was honored by the Collegiate Strength and Conditioning Coaches when he was named a Master Strength and Conditioning Coach. Gentry is currently one of only 36 coaches in the country to have received the CSCC's highest award.

A native of Durham, N.C., Gentry received his bachelor's degree in physical education from Western Carolina University in 1979 and received his master's from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1981. He received his doctorate in curriculum and instruction, with an emphasis in motor behavior, from Virginia Tech in 1999.

Gentry worked as an assistant strength coach at UNC and as the head strength coach at East Carolina University prior to coming to Virginia Tech in 1987.

In 1995 and 1996, Gentry was recognized by the National Strength and Conditioning Association as a finalist for the National Strength and Conditioning Professional of the Year.

Gentry has a son, Roy Christopher, who is 13.

"There is no question about the value and importance of weight training as an ingredient to winning. We're very fortunate to have Mike Gentry running our strength and conditioning program."

— Frank Beamer



Darryl
Tapp



Jeff King

Coach Gentry's Philosophy

"Since 1987, our strength and conditioning program has developed a tradition. We have a team dedicated to training hard and striving for excellence. The younger student-athletes see the upperclassmen's intensity and it makes everyone want to train to be one's best. Our strength and conditioning program is designed to help our student-athletes build overall strength, power and stamina, while helping them develop self-discipline and realize their potential as athletes. We have a comprehensive program utilizing strength/power training, plyometrics, functional conditioning and flexibility training. Our goal is to become one of the most physical teams in the nation."

feet of strength and conditioning training space.

The Tech football strength program centers around four major lifts. The bench press and squat are lifts for building all-around strength; the push jerk and power clean help players develop explosive power. Gentry's program also includes conditioning and speed development, which the players do in the speed and agility room, Rector Field House (Tech's indoor practice facility) and on the Hokies' excellent track facilities.

Each player has personal goals which he works to achieve. The team is broken down into four groups based on the positions that are relevant to the players' body size. The players work to progress from Maroon, Orange, Hokie, Iron Hokie and Super Iron Hokie status to the Elite Level.

The Elite Level of Performance was created to push the athletes to higher levels. This level is a predetermined performance test which measures achievement for the individual's position. It comprises four tests in strength (bench press, squat, push jerk, power clean) and five tests in performance (vertical jump, 40-yard time, 10-yard time, sit-reach test, 20-yard shuttle). Cols Colas and Ernest Wilford earned the program's Elite Level of Performance distinction in 2002.

Assisting Gentry in the weight room this year are three full-time assistant strength and conditioning coaches: Jay Johnson, assistant director of strength and conditioning, Terry Mitchell, strength and conditioning coordinator of men's Olympic sports and Emily Chones, strength and conditioning coordinator for women's Olympic sports. Gentry will also have the services of four graduate assistants — Erin O'Neil, Lisa Guarneri, Gabe Teeple and Ken Oxendine.



The Virginia Tech strength and conditioning staff (l to r): Assistant AD for Athletic Performance Mike Gentry, Assistant Director of Strength and Conditioning Jay Johnson, Ken Oxendine, Emily Chones, Gabe Teeple and Terry Mitchell.

ELITE LEVEL HOKIES

- Cols Colas • defensive end • 2002
- Ernest Wilford • wide receiver • 2002
- Vegas Robinson • linebacker • 2002
- Josh Spence • fullback • 2002
- Larry Austin • defensive back • 2001
- Jarrett Ferguson • fullback • 2000, 2001
- Browning Wynn • tight end • 2000
- Matt Lehr • offensive lineman • 2000

VIRGINIA TECH FOOTBALL STRENGTH & CONDITIONING RECORDS

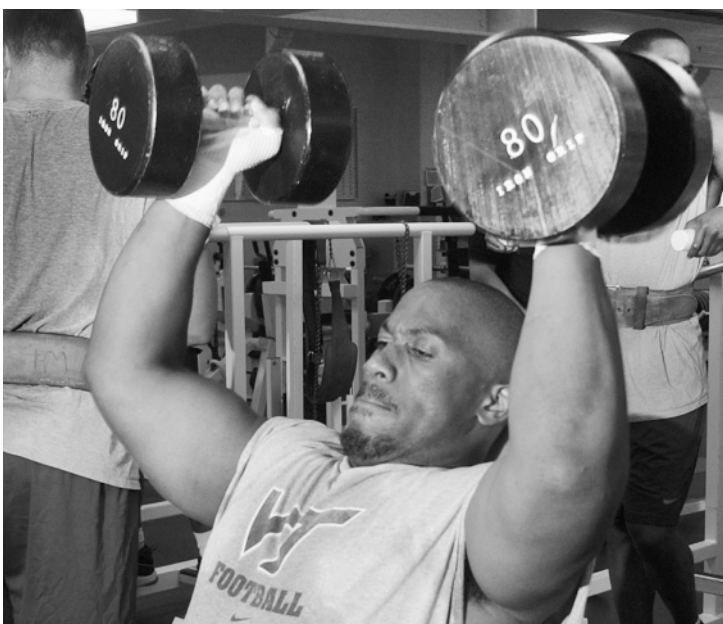
(UPDATED SPRING 2003)

POS.	BENCH PRESS	BACK SQUAT	HANG CLEAN	POWER CLEAN	PUSH JERK	VERTICAL JUMP	40 YD TIME
TE	D. Carter 420 '99	B. Wynn 585 '00	J. Thompson 351 '99	B. Wynn 356 '00	B. Wynn 356 '00	B. Wynn 36.5" '99	K. Willis 4.58 '01
OT	J. Redding 500 '99	J. Redding 685 '99	C. Andreadis 405 '96	J. Martin 360 '03	C. Barry 386 '93	W. Flowers 36" '96	E. Chung 4.85 '90
OG	M. Lehr 450 '00	W. Boatwright 755 '91	C. Malone 390 '95	W. Montgomery 360 '03	D. McMahon 386 '94	T. Smith 33.5" '98	A. Lambo 4.75 '99
C	J. Grove 490 '03	T. Washington 680 '97	T. Washington 445 '97	J. Grove 376 '00	K. Short 387 '98	J. Grove 35" '99	K. Short 4.81 '98
QB	A. Clark 365 '98	B. Randall 570 '02	J. Druckenmiller 405 '96	D. Meyer 300 '98	J. Druckenmiller 331 '96	M. Vick 41.0" '00	M. Vick 4.25 '00
FB	W. Briggs 450 '01	D. Easlick 640 '03	B. Edmonds 375 '96	J. Ferguson 360 '01	W. Briggs 401 '01	J. Spence 40.0" '02	E. Jones 4.37 '86
TB	J. Jeffries 400 '90	W. Ward 620 '00	K. Oxendine 370 '97	J. Spence 321 '01	K. Oxendine 361 '97	K. Jones 41.5" '03	L. Suggs 4.27 '00
WR	M. Sturdivant 360 '90	E. Wilford 555 '03	S. Scales 365 '97	E. Johnson 305 '01	E. Wilford 346 '03	E. Johnson 41" '01	A. Davis 4.29 '99
DT	W. Jackson 475 '96	P. Moronta 700 '88	W. Jackson 405 '95	C. Beasley 361 '99	J. Baron 386 '95	C. Bradley 35.5" '98	C. Bradley 4.64 '98
DE	A. Chamblee 475 '89	C. Moore 650 '98	D. Wheel 410 '97	D. Monroe 351 '99	J. Engelberger 401 '99	C. Taliaferro 39" '86	C. Moore 4.38 '99
ILB	J. Houseright 425 '01	R. Cockrell 670 '90	K. Gray 400 '94	B. Taylor 336 '01	R. Pendleton 361 '92	T. Edmond 40" '98	V. Robinson 4.46 '01
Whip LB	T. Butler 370 '00	T. Butler 550 '00	M. McClung 345 '93	B. Manning 316 '03	J. Anderson 341 '03	P. Summers 42" '98	T. Jackson 4.34 '99
Rover	C. Bird 400 '00	C. Bird 575 '00	P. Prioleau 330 '97	C. Bird 341 '01	C. Bird 390 '00	P. Prioleau 43.5" '97	K. Burnell 4.21 '02
CB	A. Banks 400 '96	R. Whitaker 555 '02	A. Banks 340 '96	L. Austin 316 '01	L. Austin 341 '00	L. Austin 42.5" '00	D. Hall 4.15 '03
FS	T. Gray 370 '96	W. Pile 515 '99	S. Rice 331 '89	K. McCadam 316 '00	K. McCadam 316 '00	K. McCadam 37.5" '00	D. Russell 4.23 '90
Spec.	C. Anders 400 '99	N Schmitt 555 '03	R. Colley 330 '94	M. Davis 294 '00	N. Schmitt 321 '03	S. Graham 34" '99	V. Burns 4.35 '01

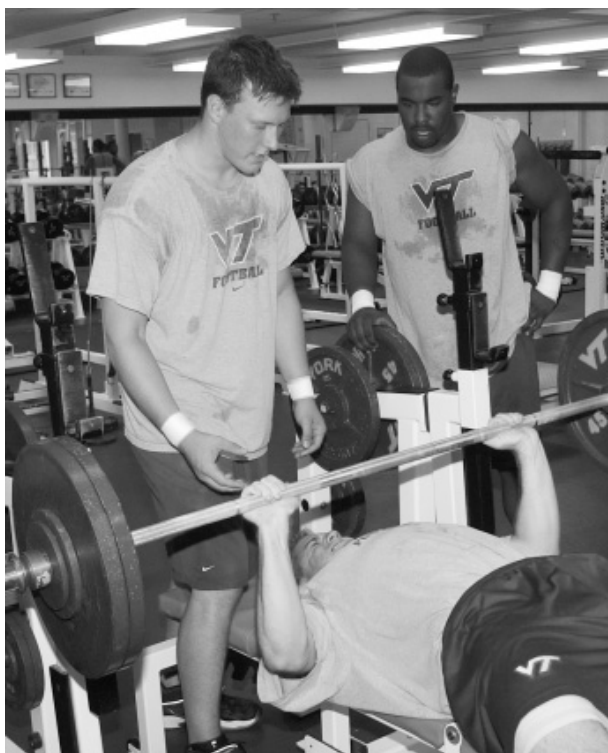
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Coach Mike Gentry (r) puts players through a drill in the agility room connected to the Merryman Center weight room.



Kevin Lewis (above) works out with dumbbells, while Chad Cooper works on the bench (below).



SUPER IRON HOKIES

Todd Grantham	1988	Josh Redding	1998,99
Malcolm Blacken	1988	Pierson Prioleau	1998
Horatio Moronta	1989	Carl Bradley	1998,99
Myron Richardson	1989	Daniel Nihipali	1998,99
Karl Borden	1989, 90	Terrell Parham	1998,99,00,01
David Hackbirth	1989	Rick Wright	1998,99
Sean Lucas	1989	Jarrett Ferguson	1999,00,01
Frank Mooney	1989, 90	André Kendrick	1999
Scott Rice	1990	Derrius Monroe	1999
Marvin Arrington	1990	Matt Lehr	1999,00
Al Chamblee	1990	Browning Wynn	1999,00
Phil Bryant	1991	Shyrone Stith	1999
William Boatwright	1991	Ricky Hall	1999
Jon Jeffries	1991	Chad Beasley	1999
Kirk Gray	1991	Jake Houseright	1999
Chris Peduzzi	1991,93,94	Ike Charlton	1999
Jim Pyne	1992,93	Jake Grove	1999,00
P.J. Preston	1992,93	Mike Davis	1999,00
Hank Coleman	1992,93	Larry Austin	2000,01
John Burke	1992,93	Tee Butler	2000
Joe Swarm	1992	Dave Meyer	2000
Vernon Dozier	1992	Marvin Urquhart	2000,01
George DelRicco	1992,93,94,95	Michael Vick	2000
Rafael Williams	1992,94,95	André Davis	2000
Jim Druckenmiller	1993,94,95,96	Lee Suggs	2000,01,02
Waverly Jackson	1994,95,96	Chris Buie	2000,01, 03
Keith Gray	1994	Ernest Wilford	2000,01,02, 03
Ken Oxendine	1995,96,97	Josh Spence	2000,01,02
Jim Baron	1995	Anthony Nelson	2000,01,02
Danny Wheel	1995,96,97	Keith Burnell	2001,02
Antonio Banks	1995,96	Joe Wilson	2001,02
Myron Newsome	1996	Cols Colas	2001,02
Cornelius White	1996	Vegas Robinson	2001,02, 03
Billy Conaty	1996	Jason Lallis	2001
Torrian Gray	1996	Brandon Manning	2001,02, 03
Steve Tate	1996,97	Bryan Randall	2002, 03
Brian Edmonds	1996	Doug Easlick	2002, 03
Ryan Smith	1996,97,98	Mikal Baaqee	2002, 03
Cory Bird	1996,97,98,99,00	Ken Keister	2002
Gennaro DiNapoli	1997	James Anderson	2002, 03
Corey Moore	1997,98,99	Richard Johnson	2002
Shawn Scales	1997	Brandon Gore	2003
Al Clark	1997	Will Montgomery	2003
Jason Buckland	1997	Jesse Allen	2003
John Engelberger	1997,99	Chris Clifton	2003
Brad Baylor	1997	Justin Hamilton	2003
Todd Washington	1997	Nathaniel Adibi	2003
Brian Welch	1997,98,99,01	Darryl Tapp	2003
Wayne Briggs	1997,98,99,00,01	Nic Schmitt	2003
Tyron Edmond	1998		



Teamwork is a key component in the Hokies' success — both on the field during games and during workouts.



VIRGINIA TECH FOOTBALL ALL-TIME ELITE CLUB

BENCH PRESS

J. Redding 500 '99
J. Grove 490 '03
 A. Chamblee 475 '89
 M. Udinski 475 '82
 W. Jackson 475 '96
 K. Short 460 '99
 W. Briggs 450 '01
 T. Kritsky 450 '82
 K. Short 450 '99
 N. Williams 450 '99
 C. Barry 450 '93
 M. Lehr 450 '00

BACK SQUAT

W. Boatwright 755 '91
 M. Lehr 700 '00
 P. Moronta 700 '89
 A. Nelson 700 '02
 J. Redding 685 '99
 T. Washington 680 '97
 R. Cockrell 670 '88
 J. Pyne 655 '93
 W. Jackson 655 '95
 C. Moore 650 '98
 A. Chamblee 650 '90

POWER CLEAN

J. Grove 376 '00
 N. Adibi 366 '02
 C. Beasley 361 '99
 J. Ferguson 360 '01
J. Martin 360 '03
W. Montgomery 360 '03
 B. Wynn 356 '00
J. Allen 346 '03
 K. Lewis 336 '02
 B. Taylor 331 '00

PUSH JERK

W. Briggs 401 '01
 J. Engelberger 401 '99
 C. Bird 390 '00
 K. Short 387 '98
 J. Baron 386 '95
 J. Petrovich 386 '93
 B. Smith 386 '84
 D. McMahon 386 '94
 C. Barry 386 '93
 W. Briggs 385 '00
 J. Ferguson 385 '01

VERTICAL JUMP

P. Prioleau 43.5 '97
 L. Austin 42.5 '00
 I. Charlton 42 '98
 P. Summers 42 '98
K. Jones 41.5 '03
 G. Wilds 41.5 '02
 A. Midget 41.5 '99
 E. Johnson 41 '01
 M. Vick 41 '00
 K. Irby 40.5 '96

40 YARD DASH

D. Hall 4.15 '03
 K. Burnell 4.21 '02
 D. Russell 4.23 '90
 M. Vick 4.25 '00
 L. Austin 4.26 '00
 L. Suggs 4.27 '00
 T. Drakeford 4.28 '92
 A. Davis 4.29 '99
K. Jones 4.3 '03
 B. Still 4.31 '94
 P.J. Preston 4.32 '91

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ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE SPORT PSYCHOLOGY

Helping student-athletes in all aspects of their lives

A service offered to Virginia Tech student-athletes since August 2000, is sport psychology. The sport psychology staff includes Dr. Gary Bennett, who coordinates psychological services for student-athletes, and Dr. Robert Miller, director of the Cook Counseling Center.



Dr. Robert Miller

The psychologists meet with student-athletes on an individual basis for personal counseling and to discuss the mental aspects of the game. As a team, the sport psychologists work on team building, communication and performance enhancement.

Mike Gentry, assistant AD for athletic performance, says, "I've always felt that (sport psychology) was an important element. We want to be a holistic model of an athletics department, and we wanted to and needed to include

sport psychology in that model."

"We see those other outside things as interfering with an athlete's ability to perform," Bennett says. "We feel we can help athletes perform better by addressing those concerns."

The psychologists also offer an injury group to afford injured athletes the opportunity to meet with other injured athletes and talk about their recovery process. Injured athletes may also meet individually with the sport

psychologists if they do not feel comfortable in the group or cannot make the sessions. On average, the psychologists conduct 20 individual sessions per week.

One injured player who took advantage of the sport psychologists after he tore the anterior cruciate ligament of his knee was glad to have the services of the sport psychology program. The student-athlete met with members of the sport psychology staff several times before and after his surgery.

"When I first got hurt, I thought I needed to talk to someone," the player said. "As the weeks go by, you learn to deal and cope with it. But I think it helps to talk to someone."

The response to the sport psychology program has been very positive. The student-athletes are very receptive to the services offered by the doctors. The sport psychology office reaches out to athletes who may not have considered going to the counseling service that is offered to all students at Virginia Tech.

"It is a great resource for our coaches and our athletes," Gentry says. "We've improved a lot in areas of strength and conditioning, nutrition and in sport psychology. It's all about becoming a well-rounded athletic program and helping student-athletes. We want to give them all the resources we can, to put them in a position to be successful."

Dr. Gary Bennett talks with players in a group session.



ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE

SPORTS NUTRITION

Educating student-athletes about the best food choices

In July 2002, the Virginia Tech Athletics Department added another program to better serve the needs of student-athletes — sports nutrition. Amy Freel serves as the director of sports nutrition at Virginia Tech.

Freel works one-on-one with student-athletes to provide them with information that they need on their diet. She also provides individual players with diet counseling on issues such as gaining lean muscle mass, losing body fat, and how to eat to improve performance.

She also designs preseason menus, snacks and training table menus for the football team.

“It is extremely beneficial for our student-athletes to have nutrition education and counseling available to them in order for them to remain successful in their sports and outside of athletics,” Freel said. “The individualized nutrition education allows me and the athletes to get very specific on their nutritional, personal and sport-specific goals.”

The sports nutritionist works with the “Training Edge,” a dining option for health-conscious students and athletes, to design menus for training tables and daily menu selections.

Also in July 2002, the Virginia Tech Athletics

Department purchased the BOD POD body composition system. Tech is one of a handful of college athletic departments using this type of cutting edge technology. The BOD POD is found in many professional training facilities, such as the NFL and Major League Baseball. The BOD POD accurately measures body composition (percent of body fat, lean muscle mass and fat mass) through air displacement within five

minutes. Research has shown that an increase in lean muscle mass will increase athletic performance. This machine is used to help Tech athletes reach their highest athletic potential.



AMY FREEL

DIRECTOR OF SPORTS NUTRITION

Amy Freel enters her second year as the sports nutritionist in the Virginia Tech Athletics Department. Prior to serving as the nutritionist, she served as the coordinator of student life for just over two years.

Freel, a native of Glen Ellyn, Ill., received her undergraduate degree in dietetics in 1996 from Ball State University in Muncie, Ind., while competing in gymnastics for four years. She became a registered dietitian in 1997 and earned her master's in dietetics from Ball State in 1998.

After graduation, Freel served as a clinical dietitian at the Lewis-Gale Medical Center for a year and a half before coming to Tech in September of 1999. She became the full-time director of sports nutrition in July 2002.

Her husband, Mike, works for Virginia Tech Recreational Sports. The couple and their two children, 2-year-old Ben and 1-year-old Matt, live in Christiansburg.



The “Training Edge” dining facility (above) provides student-athletes and other students at Tech the opportunity to eat healthy meals and make good dining choices. Last year, Amy Freel acquired a “BOD POD” body composition system (top right) to help athletes and coaches with body analysis.

SPORTS MEDICINE



Outstanding new athletic training facility enhances ability to provide Hokies experienced, professional care

The Virginia Tech Sports Medicine Department is an ever-changing and developing unit that strives to provide the most current and comprehensive care to all student-athletes. The department, under the leadership of Gunnar Brolinson, D.O., Delmas Bolin, M.D., and Mike Goforth, director of athletic training, is

constantly evolving to incorporate new ideas and state-of-the-art resources for the betterment of student-athletes.

A professional staff — including primary care physicians who are Board certified in family medicine and sports medicine, orthopaedic surgeons, certified athletic trainers, physical therapists,

chiropractors, massage therapists, sports psychologists, nutritionists and orthotists — is available to manage the health care of athletes.

As part of the evolution, Tech recently completed its first full year in the new 4,300-square-foot Eddie Ferrell Memorial Training Room. This area consolidated the training

rooms that existed in the Merryman Center and Cassell Coliseum. The new facility gives the training staff a centralized area to care for the needs of all Virginia Tech student-athletes. There is state-of-the-art equipment and a unique style of architecture, developed by Glenn Reynolds, AIA and Larry Perry as the consulting engineer.

The new room, which nearly doubles the size of the former Merryman Center facility, also allows the staff to utilize that room for physical therapy, chiropractic care and massage therapy. With its completion, Virginia Tech now has more than 10,000 square feet dedicated to sports medicine, placing Tech in the top five percent nationally. In addition, the \$10 million Merryman Center, a state-of-the-art facility which includes 2,400 square feet of medical space, will supplement the new training room. This



DR. GUNNAR BROLINSON, D.O.

HEAD TEAM PHYSICIAN

Dr. Gunnar Brolinson enters his second year as the Virginia Tech football team physician. Brolinson joined the program through an initiative between Tech athletics and the new Edward Via Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Prior to coming to Tech, Brolinson served as the Medical Director of the Primary Care Sports Medicine Fellowship at the Toledo Hospital and the Corporate Wellness Program for the ProMedica Health System. He also served as the team physician for the University of Toledo, the United States Ski Team and has acted as a volunteer physician for the United States Olympic Committee.

Brolinson graduated with an undergraduate degree in biology from the University of Missouri at Columbia and completed his medical training at the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine.

treatment room has numerous treatment modalities, including portable X-ray, electric stimulation, ultrasound, hot and cold packs and a lumbar/cervical traction unit. It also has offices for the staff, dozens of training tables, two cold tubs, whirlpools, an underwater treadmill, a Biodex System 3 and various other pieces of rehabilitation equipment. In addition, a new training room has been constructed in Rector Field House to serve the football team when it practices indoors.

"We, as a staff, are very pleased with our new facility and the opportunity for all of us to come together for the benefit of our athletes," Goforth said.

Research is also considered to be instrumental to the sports medicine department. The department has participated in grant development and data collection for a strategic health care planning grant. This grant, titled "The Center for



DR. DELMAS BOLIN, M.D., PH.D.

TEAM PHYSICIAN

Dr. Delmas Bolin is the assistant team physician with Virginia Tech. Bolin is board-certified in family medicine and is fellowship-trained in sports medicine. Prior to moving to Virginia, he was the co-director of the University of Pittsburgh primary care Sports Medicine Fellowship Program.

Bolin currently oversees a sports medicine clinic and teaches in the Carilion Family Practice Residency in Roanoke.

Performance and Sports Medicine Excellence," was initiated by Dr. Charles Baffi, Dr. Kerry Redican, Dr. Mike Gentry and Goforth and was awarded to develop a multidisciplinary model for Division I health care.

"Our goal with this program is to formally provide our athletes with the most effective and efficient health care delivery system possible," Goforth said. "This grant will serve as a framework for universities across the country to provide high-level health care services for their athletes, and at the same time, creates the first collaboration between

academic research and athletics here at Virginia Tech."

The Virginia Tech Sports Medicine Department in conjunction with the Via College of Osteopathic Medicine and other research departments at Tech has also initiated several new research projects focusing on head injuries, ankle injuries and the treatment of low back conditions. The head injury study, titled B.I.E.R.S.T. (Brain Injury Evaluation in Real Time Sports Trauma) is an exciting new pilot study that will evaluate the forces generated in helmets during real-time events in football. The project

is headed by Dr. Brolinson and Stephan Duma from mechanical engineering and is steadily gaining the attention of both the medical and engineering communities.

After the sports medicine staff diagnoses and treats an ill or injured athlete, the staff then starts collaborative work with the strength and conditioning staff to give the best injury prevention and performance enhancing programs possible. The training, medical, and strength and conditioning staffs each have a role in bringing the athlete back quickly and ready to play. After an injury, an



Team physician Dr. Gunnar Brolinson works with a player in the Merryman Center medical complex.

athlete will go through rehabilitation and physical therapy. Athletes are then moved to weight training, as they become able. The strength and conditioning staff uses specific programs for each injury in an effort to get the athlete back quickly. Prior to return to full participation, the athlete will also complete a series of drills and progressions that are specific to the athlete's position that will help insure that the athlete is ready to return with a greatly reduced risk of re-injury.

The range of benefits athletes have access to include custom orthotics, custom mouth guards, specialized DonJoy prophylactic bracing and many other options to help prevent or protect them from injuries. The sports medicine staff also takes great pride in treating the athlete year-round. Special attention is paid to off-season activity. During this time, the staff will analyze past injury data from each participant and construct a preventative program that is followed over a nine-week period between the end of the season and the

beginning of spring practice. This same procedure is followed during the summer.

"If our strength and conditioning is so important, and it is, then we owe it to our athletes to provide them with the necessary resources to keep them actively participating," Goforth said. "We basically adopt the attitude that in the fall, our mission is to keep them participating on the field and during the other times of the year, it is our job to keep them participating in our strength and conditioning program."

Their programs consist of strengthening, stretching and most importantly movement pattern analysis and training to help prevent the re-occurrence of injuries.

"We value the off-season greatly within our department," Goforth said. "We have adopted the same mindset as our strength and conditioning staff and look at our off-season time as an opportunity to get our athletes better as opposed to time off for our staff."

Most of the off-season activity is based on programs that are designed to detect



MIKE GOFORTH

DIRECTOR OF ATHLETIC TRAINING

Mike Goforth is in his fourth year as the director of athletic training and sixth year on Tech's athletic training staff. Goforth came to Tech from the Hamilton Medical Center/Bradley Wellness Center in Dalton, Ga.,

where he was the director of wellness and sports medicine.

He has an extensive background in sports medicine, working at East Tennessee State University, Virginia Tech, William Fleming High School, Tusculum College, Greene County Sports Medicine/Industrial Cooperative and Pioneer Sports Medicine/Physical Therapy Clinic. He also has numerous opportunities to consult on program development throughout the country.

Goforth graduated from East Tennessee State University in 1991 with a bachelor's degree in physical education with a concentration in athletic training. He earned his master's in sport management from Virginia Tech in 1995 and is currently pursuing his doctorate in health education, also from Virginia Tech.



Tech's HydroTrack trainer (above) is an excellent rehabilitation tool. Trainer Keith Doolan (left) works with Michael Crawford on a minor injury.

movement patterns that might lead to injury or could be causing a drop in performance.

"The beauty of this program is that it is a multi-disciplinary tool that is designed to show the athlete where their deficiencies lie," Goforth said. A vital part of student-athletes services is the access to the Schiffert Student Health Center in McComas Hall. A health center and counseling services are available on one side of McComas Hall, while recreation sports and fitness programs are available on the other. The center also has a fully operational diagnostic laboratory, X-ray facilities and eight full-time physicians.

If physical therapy is needed, student-athletes can be seen by therapist Mark Piechoski in the Ferrell Training Room. Piechoski, who

is a Certified Athletic Trainer, Physical Therapist, and Strength and Conditioning Specialist plays a large role in the overall program developed to return the injured athlete back to 100 percent. In addition, staff sport psychologist Gary Bennett is available to all student-athletes for personal and performance issues. Virginia Tech also has the services of Dr. Greg Tilley, team chiropractor. Dr. Tilley provides Tech athletes with specialized treatment for spine related conditions and also plays a huge role in performance enhancement through various chiropractic techniques.

"For us as certified athletic trainers, to have the resources of folks like Mark Piechoski, Greg Tilley and Gary Bennett is a tremendous asset," Goforth said. "The knowledge and skill that they bring is invaluable.

"Our goal is to provide the same high level of health care that professional and Olympic athletes receive," Goforth continued. "Our usage of specialist care is modeled after the NFL system and incorporates components of the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs."

Team orthopaedic surgeons Dr. Marc Siegel, Dr. Scott Urch and Dr. Joe Prudhomme bring a wealth of experience and skills to assist when athletes need orthopaedic surgery to repair certain types of sports-related injuries that occur from time to time.

Tech also maintains a special relationship with Montgomery Regional Hospital. Montgomery Regional Hospital is the choice for state-of-the-art equipment to perform surgeries, diagnostic imaging and processing of laboratory requests.

This year, the staff will consist of three graduate assistant athletic trainers that all have professional experience, Kevin Domboski (Baltimore Ravens), Brian Bradshaw (Baltimore Orioles) and Nick Richey (New Orleans Saints).

Over the past 10 years, Virginia Tech has developed the reputation for producing top-level certified athletic trainers. Graduates are now employed in positions across the country at various levels of the profession. Mitch Bellmay/Josh Signs (Marshall), Daniel Jarvis (Villanova), Jim Shorten (Appalachian State), Chris Peduzzi (Philadelphia Eagles), Danny Sterling (UVA Wise), Craig Moorhouse (Tusculum College), Joe Whitson (Carson Newman College), as well as numerous others are employed at the high school, collegiate and clinical levels.

MEDICAL AND ATHLETIC TRAINING PERSONNEL



Dr. Marc Siegel
Orthopaedic
Surgeon



Dr. Michael Sampson
Assistant
Team Physician



Dr. Scott Urch
Orthopaedic
Surgeon



Joe Prudhomme
Orthopaedic
Surgeon



Dr. Greg Tilley
Chiropractor



Dr. Lawrence Kyle
Dentist



Dr. Steve Jacobs
Optometrist



Keith Doolan
Athletic
Trainer



Ron Esteban
Athletic
Trainer



Katie Hctor
Athletic
Trainer



Jimmy Lawrence
Athletic
Trainer



Mark Piechoski
Physical
Therapist



Aaron Gresham
Brace
Consultant



Kevin Domboski
Athletic
Trainer

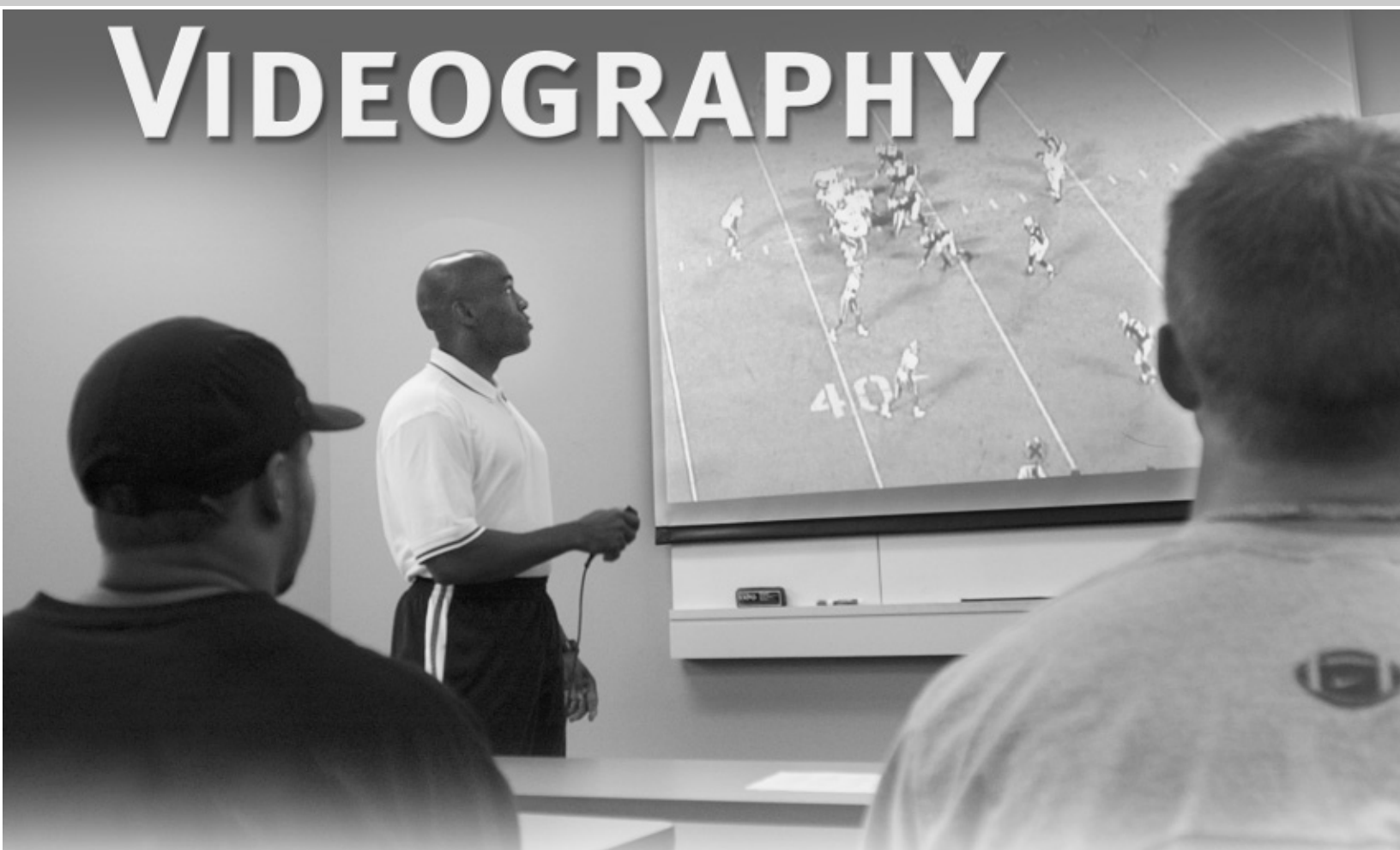


Brian Bradshaw
Athletic
Trainer



Nick Richey
Athletic
Trainer

VIDEOGRAPHY



State-of-the-art equipment gives Tech a big edge

These days, college football is as competitive as ever and each school is looking for something that will give it an advantage. And while star athletes, weight training and practice can make a big difference, Virginia Tech has something that puts it over the top — Pinnacle System 2.0.

The system is regarded as the best in the country. NFL teams use it. College teams wish they had it. Tech does.

The Tech video department, under the direction of Kevin Hicks, has one of the most up-to-date video systems in the country and has expanded its operations to include all the equipment the team needs to be on the cutting edge of video study.

This state-of-the-art video equipment has prepared the Hokies for any possible scenario they may come across in any game. And it's

not just available on game days. The equipment is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week and now coaches and players can even use laptop computers to watch video while they are away from the Merryman Center.

What makes this system so potent in terms of preparing a team for a game is convenience, convenience, convenience.

Here's how the system works. Every practice is

videotaped. The tape is gathered along with video of opponents' games. Then, assistant video coordinator Tom Booth, along with the graduate assistants, label each play in terms of down, distance, formation, ball placement, pass, run and unit.

This information, along with the video, is entered into the computer. Once this is done, the coaches and players can access any situation with a click of the mouse. With computers in all coaches' meeting rooms, they can instantaneously have video footage of any scenario that they can dream up of Tech opponents or the Hokies.

What has Virginia run on second downs when the ball is placed on the right hash mark? Click, click. How many times has Boston College gone to the shotgun on second and long? Click, click. How many pass plays has West Virginia run on first



KEVIN HICKS

DIRECTOR OF VIDEO OPERATIONS

Kevin Hicks has wasted no time moving up the ranks in the Tech video office. After spending four years as a student intern, while pursuing his degree in communication studies from Tech, the Yorktown, Va., native was hired in May of 1998 as the assistant video coordinator. Within a year, Hicks moved up to head video coordinator. He is currently the director of video operations.

As director of video operations, Hicks has numerous duties. Supervising undergraduate students, helping coaches with video to prepare for upcoming games, producing highlight videos for each sport and running the video board in Lane Stadium are just a few of Hicks' responsibilities.

Born in Newport News, Va., in 1976, Hicks graduated from Tabb High in 1994. Hicks and his wife, Kristen, reside in Blacksburg. In his spare time, he enjoys playing volleyball and softball.



Kevin Hicks and Tom Booth man the controls for Tech's HokieVision scoreboard.

down? Click, click. It's all available any time someone wants to view it.

The system gives the coaches an option block that they use to punch in these scenarios. After the coach chooses the situation, the video is queued up in a matter of seconds.

This new program is definitely preferred by the video staff. The old way consisted of taking the game film without the use of a personal computer and then cutting it up into different segments to make more films. This was an all-night job that sometimes lasted into the early hours of the next morning.

The staff in the videography department takes pride in what they do for the football staff.

"We are a big part of the football team, in that we are there every day — taping practice, traveling with them on the road and attending every game," says Hicks.

"Seven days a week we are here with football, so when they win you feel like you are a part of that."

"We feel like part of the team," Booth says. "Everyone helps out with the team to do their part. We help the coaches to see the things they need to see, especially when it comes to breaking down the opponents' tapes."

The update in technology not only means an improved program but also improved video-viewing options. Each of the individual position meeting rooms has a pull-down projection screen and a video projector connected to a computer to display scouting material, where players or coaches can access the footage any time they want it. The videographers also tape every single practice, which can be viewed by the coaches at the click of a button. This helps the team prepare for games, and also gives the coaches access to plays they need.

"It's been a great tool," Tech defensive coordinator Bud Foster says. "Besides the quality and convenience, it's right there at your fingertips. Players at this level have to realize that there is a lot more involved than just playing the game.

The average person doesn't know all the preparation that's involved."

The equipment has been used the past couple years to help give Tech that extra edge, in both regular season and bowl games. An example of the program's presence came in the Hokies' victory against Air Force in last year's inaugural San Francisco Bowl. In the days leading up to the San Francisco Bowl coaches were given laptops by the videography department that contained numerous Air Force



Tom Booth
Assistant
Video Coordinator



Brian Walls
Assistant
Video Coordinator

plays that the coaches could view at their convenience.

Each position had its own meeting room in the hotel with a laptop set up so the players could watch video of practice or Air Force 24 hours a day. Being able to transport game video with relative ease gives the Hokies an advantage, even on the road.

"The greatest teaching tool is the ability to show someone what they're doing, right or wrong," head coach Frank Beamer says. "With our video equipment, we can do that

quickly. The ease with which we can do these things and the way we can put certain plays and scenarios together makes us more efficient in getting ready to play a game on Saturday.”

While the practice video is great for players and coaches, fans are also reaping the benefits of the video department. HokieVision was added three seasons ago to the delight of fans.

Did you miss that crushing block thrown by Doug Easlick, that acrobatic touchdown grab by Ernest Wilford or that big hit Nathaniel Adibi just put on the opposing quarterback? Relax. Just look to the sky and you can receive instant gratification from the video scoreboard located in the north end zone of Lane Stadium. The scoreboard was made by Trans-Lux, and is the largest one they have ever built, at 35 feet, 6 inches tall and 90 feet wide and standing almost 60 feet above ground.

At least three cameras have been added in Lane Stadium, along with four replay machines to help out with the operation of the video scoreboards. The videography department also has two editing machines that aid in editing and producing video of game and practice more quickly and efficiently. This year, the video staff will produce the games from the cutting edge control room in the Merryman Athletic Center.

There has been nothing but positive reaction to the new video boards that have been placed in both Lane Stadium and Cassell Coliseum. “People like seeing the replays, and people especially like the crowd shots. People love to see themselves on the board,” says Booth.

The addition of the new equipment has produced the need for more staff. In addition to Hicks and Booth, Brian Walls also works full-time in the video department. There are also four undergraduate student assistants: Ariel Callahan, Megan Boland, Jay Reid and Lindsay Mirabito; and a graduate assistant, Scott Trawick. Hicks will hire about eight to 10 other people on a game-by-game basis to work with the video board during football season.



The huge HokieVision scoreboard in Lane Stadium shows live action as well as replays.

RADIO & TV NETWORK

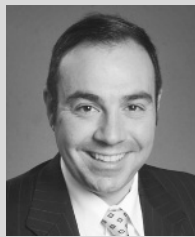
'From the blue waters of the Chesapeake Bay, to the hills of Tennessee, the Virginia Tech Hokies are on the air!'

That familiar refrain — delivered by Bill Roth, the Voice of Virginia Tech football — opens every Tech sports broadcast and reflects the network's goal of reaching Hokie fans everywhere. So, whether they're sailing off Virginia's eastern shore, hiking in the Blue Ridge Mountains, or sitting in their homes anywhere throughout the Commonwealth, Tech fans know they're always within range of a Tech network radio station.

With a massive network of radio and television stations throughout the region, the Virginia Tech ISP Sports Network serves as the main communications link between Tech's football program and the Hokies' avid legion of fans.

This fall marks the 50th consecutive season Tech football games will be heard by a statewide audience, and much of this year's programming will celebrate the half-century tradition of Virginia Tech broadcasts.

The Tech network dates back to September 1954 when



Bill Roth



Mike Burnop

ISP SPORTS GAMEDAY RADIO SCHEDULE

VIRGINIA TECH GAMEDAY

The network's radio coverage begins 90 minutes prior to kickoff with *Virginia Tech Gameday* featuring Tech's coordinators Bryan Stinespring and Bud Foster and Athletics Director Jim Weaver.

THE ADVANCE AUTO PARTS HOKIES' COUNTDOWN

The perfect tailgating companion, the *Hokies' Countdown* clock begins 60 minutes before kickoff with a complete preview of the game, interviews with both Tech head coach Frank Beamer and the opposing head coach, The BIG EAST Report, late-breaking news and features.

THE GAME BROADCAST (PRESENTED BY THE VIRGINIA LOTTERY)

TOUCHDOWN TECH! Bill Roth and Mike Burnop fill the airwaves with their unique blend of excitement and wit. With unmatched chemistry, the two have called every Tech football game since the late 1980s.

THE POINT-AFTER

Perhaps the network's most popular show, *The Point-After* is a fast-paced, 90-minute post-game show which features locker room interviews, score reports from around the country, game highlights and listener telephone calls.

WRAD-AM in Radford, Va., originated the first-ever Tech broadcast, a 30-21 victory over N.C. State at Miles Stadium.

Today, the Tech network blankets the Commonwealth of Virginia and several surrounding states thanks to an impressive network of powerful FM stations.

In addition to the game broadcasts, the network also produces *The Advance Auto Parts Hokie Hotline*, a 90-minute radio talk show featuring Roth and Tech head coach Frank Beamer every Monday night. The network's award-winning television magazine show, *Virginia Tech Sports Today*, is seen every Sunday on a network of TV stations and cable

networks throughout Virginia and the southeastern United States.

Roth — a five-time winner of Virginia's Sportscaster of the Year Award — is in his 16th season as the Voice of Virginia Tech football. A native of Pittsburgh, Pa., Roth graduated from Syracuse University in 1987, earning a degree in broadcast journalism. Roth was honored by The Associated Press, the New York State Broadcasters Association and won the distinguished Robert Costas Scholarship in 1986. Roth has worked for ESPN, CNN-Sports Illustrated and NCAA Productions telecasts of NCAA basketball, NCAA lacrosse and professional kick

boxing. He was recently inducted into Virginia Tech's Monogram Club.

Former Virginia Tech tight end Mike Burnop is serving his 21st season in the booth as the network analyst. Burnop, a starting tight end for the Hokies in the early 1970s, was inducted into Virginia Tech's Hall of Fame in 2000.

Together, Roth and Burnop comprise one of college football's longest-running broadcasting teams, having described the action of every Tech game since the 1988 season.

Tech radio broadcasts are available to fans anywhere in the world via Tech's official web site (hokiesports.com). Again this season, several Tech network broadcasts will be aired on Armed Forces Radio, to U.S. military personnel and their dependents throughout the world.

Virginia Tech Sports Today, presented by the University Bookstore and the Volume II Bookstore, can be seen every Sunday on an impressive list of television stations statewide. The 30-minute program, featuring Roth and Beamer, is shown each week on WAVY-TV in Norfolk, WSLs-TV in Roanoke, WRIC-TV in Richmond, WCYB-TV in Bristol, and Newschannel 8 in Washington, D.C. The show is also broadcast every Tuesday on Comcast SportsNet throughout the mid-Atlantic region, and every weekday on Cox Cable of Roanoke.

VIRGINIA TECH ISP SPORTS NETWORK STATION LIST

Abingdon	WFHG	92.7 FM	Elizabethton, TN	WFHG	92.7 FM	Norfolk	WNIS	790 AM
Alexandria	WAGE	1200 AM	Elizabeth City, NC	WNIS	790 AM	Onley	WESR	1330 AM
Amherst	WZZU	97.9 FM	Emporia	WBBC	93.5 FM	Onley	WESR	103.3 FM
Appalachia	WFHG	640 AM	Fairfax	WAGE	1200 AM	Orange	WJMA	98.9 FM
Bassett	WMVA	1450 AM	Farmville	WBBC	93.5 FM	Petersburg	WBBC	93.5 FM
Beckley, WV	WKQY	100.3 FM	Fredericksburg	WGRQ	95.9 FM	Portsmouth	WNIS	790 AM
Beckley, WV	WKQY	100.1 FM	Front Royal	WINC	1400 AM	Princeton, WV	WKQY	100.9 FM
Bedford	WVBE	610 AM	Galax	WWWJ	1360 AM	Princeton, WV	WKQY	100.1 FM
Blacksburg	WBRW	105.3 FM	Gate City	WGAT	1050 AM	Princeton, WV	WKEZ	1240 AM
Blackstone	WBBC	93.5 FM	Hampton	WNIS	790 AM	Radford	WBRW	105.3 FM
Blountville, TN	WFHG	92.7 FM	Harrisonburg	WMXH	105.7 FM	Richlands	WGTH	540 AM
Bluefield, WV	WKQY	100.1 FM	Hopewell	WBBC	93.5 FM	Richmond	WXGI	950 AM
Bluefield, WV	WKQY	100.9 FM	Hot Springs	WXCF	103.9 FM	Roanoke	WVBE	610 AM
Bluefield, WV	WKEZ	1240 AM	Johnson City, TN	WFHG	92.7 FM	Roanoke Rapids, NC	WBBC	93.5 FM
Bristol, TN	WFHG	92.7 FM	Kilmarnock	WNDJ	104.9 FM	Rural Retreat	WBX	95.3 FM
Cape Charles	WESR	103.3 FM	Kingsport, TN	WFHG	92.7 FM	Staunton	WTON	1240 AM
Cape Charles	WESR	1330 AM	Lebanon	WLRV	1380 AM	Virginia Beach	WNIS	790 AM
Centerville	WAGE	1200 AM	Leesburg	WAGE	1200 AM	Waldorf, MD	WGRQ	95.9 FM
Charlottesville	WKAV	1400 AM	Lexington	WXCF	103.9 FM	Warsaw	WNNT	690 AM
Chesapeake	WNIS	790 AM	Lewisburg, WV	WKCJ	103.1 FM	Warsaw	WNNT	100.9 FM
Chesterfield	WBBC	93.5 FM	Louisa	WCUL	103.1 FM	Washington, DC	WAGE	1200 AM
Christiansburg	WBRW	105.3 FM	Luray	WMXH	105.7 FM	Washington, DC	WGRQ	95.9 FM
Clifton Forge	WXCF	1230 AM	Lynchburg	WZZU	97.9 FM	Waynesboro	WTON	1240 AM
Clifton Forge	WXCF	103.9 FM	Manassas	WAGE	1200 AM	White Stone	WNDJ	104.9 FM
Culpeper	WCUL	103.1 FM	Marion	WZVA	103.5 FM	Williamsburg	WNIS	790 AM
Danville	WZZU	97.9 FM	Martinsville	WMVA	1450 AM	Winchester	WINC	1400 AM
Dublin	WBRW	105.3 FM	Martinsburg, WV	WINC	1400 AM	Woodbridge	WGRQ	95.9 FM
			Mt. Airy, NC	WWWJ	1360 AM	Wytheville	WBX	95.3 FM

ISP SPORTS

THE EXCLUSIVE MARKETER
OF VIRGINIA TECH SPORTS

ISP Sports, a national leader in the collegiate sports marketing industry, is in its ninth year as the exclusive worldwide multi-media and advertising rightsholder for Virginia Tech Athletics. In this partnership with the athletics program, ISP develops, produces and sells an extensive range of sports marketing opportunities for Tech, including radio play-by-play and call-in shows, television coaches shows and live events, Lane Stadium and Cassell Coliseum venue signage and print and Internet advertising.

The partnership between ISP Sports and Virginia Tech Athletics will continue for several more years. In November 2002, the two sides reached an agreement to extend their relationship through April 2006.

"ISP Sports is excited and pleased to extend our relationship with Virginia Tech and an athletics program that is the equal of any in America," said Ben Sutton, president and CEO of ISP Sports. "We have

enjoyed an excellent relationship with the university in the past and are confident that our partnership will continue to grow stronger in the future."

Founded in 1992 by Sutton, ISP Sports is also presently the exclusive rightsholder for the University of Central Florida, the University of Cincinnati, Georgia Tech, the University of Houston, Marshall University, Ohio University, the University of Southern Mississippi, Syracuse University, Tulane University, Vanderbilt University, Villanova University and Wake Forest University.

ISP, which is based in Winston-Salem, N.C., is additionally a joint venture partner with Learfield Communications as the multi-media rightsholder for the athletic programs at Alabama, Clemson, Miami and South Carolina.

During its very successful partnership with Virginia Tech, ISP Sports has developed the Virginia Tech ISP Sports Network into the largest collegiate sports radio network

in Virginia. Broadcast coverage includes the Commonwealth of Virginia, as well as portions of Maryland, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky and West Virginia.

In addition to the live network broadcasts, ISP produces

The Hokie Hotline, a live weekly 90-minute call-in show featuring Tech head coach Frank Beamer and his staff during their season. ISP also keeps Hokie fans involved throughout the year with daily reports that air statewide from August through March.

ISP's television coverage of Tech Athletics is centered around *Virginia Tech Sports Today*, a weekly magazine show aired on a network of affiliates throughout the region, including Comcast SportsNet. The 30-minute show features an action-packed, magazine-

style format, and with its superior production, animation and videography has the look and feel of a national sports telecast. *Virginia Tech Sports Today* airs from mid-August until mid-March.

Other advertising and marketing opportunities represented by ISP Sports include the state-of-the-art videoscreens ("HokieVision") in both Lane Stadium and Cassell Coliseum. Pregame hospitality events during football season are another very popular item managed by ISP Sports.

The company also provides a wide variety of sponsorship opportunities for Tech supporters at every level with print advertising in the football game program, basketball game cards and official athletics newspaper (hokiesports the newspaper).

VIRGINIA TECH ISP SPORTS TELEVISION NETWORK AFFILIATES

Bristol, Va.	WCYB-TV	Ch. 5
Norfolk, Va.	WAVY-TV	Ch. 10
Richmond, Va.	WRIC-TV	Ch. 8
Roanoke, Va.	WSLS-TV	Ch. 10
Washington, D.C.	News-8	Ch. 8

ISP SPORTS — VIRGINIA TECH STAFF

- Mike Wolfert is in his fourth year with ISP, serving as vice president and general manager for the company's Virginia Tech property. His duties include sponsorship sales and development, office management and serving as the primary liaison with the Tech athletics department administration. Wolfert is a graduate of Indiana University and holds a master's in sports administration from Ohio University.

- Steve Angelucci guided the Virginia Tech sales efforts as general manager for five years, but now serves as a senior vice president for multi-media development at ISP while maintaining close ties to the Hokies. Prior to joining ISP Sports, Angelucci served as an assistant athletic director of external affairs at Eastern Kentucky University where he was primarily responsible for athletic marketing, fund-raising and promotions.

- Assistant general manager Dave Bouteiller joined the Tech ISP staff two years ago after serving in a similar capacity for ISP at Southern Mississippi. He is primarily responsible for the implementation of all Virginia Tech venue signage and sponsorship sales and client service support. Bouteiller is a 1998 graduate of the Pamplin College of Business at Tech.

- Will Krause is in his first year as an assistant in the ISP office in Blacksburg. The 2002 Tech graduate was a member of the Hokie soccer team for three years.

- Chris Ferris, a 12-year veteran of the ISP staff, currently serves as vice president of radio operations. His responsibilities include supervision of all programming and syndication of the ISP Sports radio networks. Ferris is a 1987 graduate of the University of North Carolina.

- Jamie Frye is in her seventh year as the radio and television network manager of ISP. Her duties include affiliate relations for the more than 200 radio and television stations which make up the ISP Sports Networks. Frye is a graduate of UNC Greensboro.

- Taylor Durham has a vital responsibility with the Virginia Tech ISP Radio Network as recruitment manager for all Hokie affiliates. The Elon College grad joined ISP three years ago and has been a positive factor by bringing new stations into the ISP fold.



The ISP-Virginia Tech staff: (front, l to r) Taylor Durham, Bill Roth, Mike Burnop, Mike Wolfert, (back, l to r) Jamie Frye, Will Krause, Steve Angelucci, Chris Ferris, Dave Bouteiller.

Comprehensive Web site is the official source for information on Virginia Tech sports

Regardless of where they are, Virginia Tech sports fans have the luxury of getting up-to-date information on their favorite Tech sports or athletes on a daily basis. hokiesports.com is every Tech fan's source for fast, accurate and official coverage of all Hokie sports teams and events.

hokiesports.com is the lead site of five official Virginia Tech Athletics sites. The other four sites are: hokietv.com, hokietickets.com, hokiepages.com and the newly-created hokieshop.com. There is also a direct link to the popular on-line version of hokiesports the newspaper.

Through the efforts of the sports information department, pregame releases, game stories and individual features — as well as up-to-date statistics and results for all 21 athletic teams — are posted to hokiesports.com, providing the fastest, most complete source for Hokie news on the Web.

Other offerings include individual home pages for each of Virginia Tech's 21 sports. Breaking news and archived releases about all Tech teams can be found, along with media guides containing player and coaching staff profiles, schedules, records, historical information and other pertinent facts for every sport.

Also, accessible on every sport's home page are the roster, with links to player bios, schedules and results, as well as conference standings.

The "Coaches Report," is updated as the season progresses by the coaches themselves as they choose.

With fast "live stats," fans can view home football, men's and women's basketball, baseball, softball, volleyball

and wrestling stats as they happen via the Web. Live images may also be available during many of these games.

A special Game Day section informs fans about parking and traffic, as well as listing special activities planned for that day.

hokietv.com will provide streaming video clips that are exclusive to this site. Coach and player interviews and video coverage of events that are one-of-a-kind will be available to site users.

Hokietv.com will broadcast the weekly Hokie Hotline radio show, football media conferences and postgame interviews in the live streaming format for the 2003 season.

hokietickets.com contains links and updates about Hokie athletic tickets. It provides the

user with information about season and individual game tickets. Tech fans can now visit this site and have instant access to tickets-online, a ticket renewal system. Fans will be able to purchase new football season tickets on-line as well.

hokiepages.com provides the user with great wallpapers to add to their computers, extra photo scrapbooks, weekly polls, on-line greeting cards, special video clips and many new features which change every day.

The in-house site was first launched on Nov. 29, 1999, and has provided Hokie fans around the world various news releases, images, movies and in-depth stories. The site also provides links to live broadcasts of men's and women's basketball, as well as football,

and occasionally broadcasts Olympic sports special events as well. Since August 2002, hokiesports.com has averaged more than 90,000 unique visitors per month.

The Web site is managed by Peg Morse, director of Internet services, and designed by Damian Salas, webmaster. Student interns and workers assist with the Web site development and video production.

Morse has served the athletics department since 1985 in the area of promotions and marketing until her present position was created in 1999. Salas created the first in-house Web site and maintained it from 1995 to 1998, and became a full-time athletic staff member in January 2000.



HOKIESPORTS THE NEWSPAPER

In-house publication provides in-depth coverage of the Hokies

In May of 2004, Virginia Tech's in-house publication, *hokiesports the newspaper*, will celebrate its 20th anniversary as the most accurate source of information concerning Virginia Tech athletics. The newspaper, formerly the *Hokie Huddler*, came about in 1984 when then director of athletics and football coach Bill Dooley wanted an in-house publication devoted to coverage of all of Tech's sports, primarily football. Since then, the newspaper has undergone numerous changes, including a name change and a move to the Internet. But providing accurate, timely and quality information remains the constant for the newspaper staff.

"Being a weekly newspaper, we have some restraints," editor Jimmy Robertson said. "But going on-line has helped us overcome some of those and we're always going to be committed to being creative as far as the type of news and features we do for our print version. We want a publication that's both

interesting and newsworthy, and to produce that type of publication, we have to be creative and do things differently than a daily newspaper."

During the past nine years, subscriptions to the publication have soared as Tech fans everywhere crave to read about the success of Virginia Tech athletics and to read the most current information on what's happening within the athletics department.

Today, there are more than 6,000 devoted subscribers to the print version, and almost 600 registered for the on-line version of the paper, which became available to Hokie fans in the fall of 2000. The on-line version of the publication is entering its fourth year and has started to become a popular way to gain valuable information about Virginia Tech athletics.

"It enables people who live far away to get the information immediately rather than having to wait seven to 10 days," Robertson said. "On-line, the news can

be updated more frequently as well."

hokiesports the newspaper is updated every week from late August through March on-line (bi-monthly in the spring) by the staff so news can get to Hokie fans as it happens.

"I hope that more fans will take advantage of the on-line version of the publication because the Internet is the wave of the future," said Robertson.

The print version of the newspaper is a colorful publication that is printed 33 times per year — weekly during football and basketball seasons and bi-monthly during the spring. The newspaper consists of the ever-popular "Insider" section, which is a page of short blurbs of interesting "inside" information — things one won't get anywhere else. With *hokiesports the newspaper* being owned by the athletics department, it allows the staff to be closer to coaches and players to get that inside information. Most sports publications of this kind are independent of their school's athletics departments.

hokiesports the newspaper also consists of columns by Robertson, Bill Roth, the Voice of the Hokies, and assistant editor Matt Spiers. Robertson focuses more on Tech, while Roth devotes more attention to BIG EAST news. Spiers handles the layout and design of the publication and also covers women's basketball and writes features. Veteran photographer David Knachel, who began working on the paper in 1985, takes all the photos and designs the cover for each issue.

The up-to-date news provided in the paper is primarily on football, men's and women's basketball and baseball. Fans can get the depth chart (during the football season), features on players and former athletes (the 'Where are They Now?' section), statistics and standings, notes and quotes and recruiting profiles on football, men's and women's basketball recruits, along with information about other sports recruits as well.

Robertson will be entering his eighth year as the editor of the newspaper. Doug Waters served as the first editor in 1984-85 and then Chris Colston handled the duties for the next 11 years. Colston resigned in 1996 to take a job with *Baseball Weekly* (now *Sports Weekly*), leaving the job in the hands of Robertson.

Since then, Tech has entered into the BIG EAST for all sports, gone to bowl games every year, played for the national championship and sent off a second Hokie as the first pick in the NFL Draft. After a third year in the BIG EAST for all sports except wrestling, the entire program has a bright future — which allows no limitations to *hokiesports the newspaper* and its potential.

For the printed version, a one-year subscription costs \$37.95, while a two-year subscription costs \$69.95. For an additional \$12 per year, fans who subscribe to the print version can access the on-line version. Or, for \$25 annually, fans who don't subscribe to the print version can view the entire newspaper via the Internet. Also, newspapers are available on newsstands at certain convenience stores through the Blacksburg-Christiansburg area. For additional subscription information, call the *hokiesports the newspaper* office at (540) 231-3908, or visit the Web site at www.hokiesports.com.



JIMMY ROBERTSON
HOKIESPORTS THE NEWSPAPER
EDITOR

Jimmy Robertson is entering his eighth season as the editor of the Hokies' in-house publication. He came to Tech after spending two years as a copy editor in the sports department of *The Roanoke Times*, in Roanoke, Va.

A native of Roanoke, Robertson graduated from Roanoke College in Salem, Va., in 1994 with a degree in English. While in college, he worked part time for *The Roanoke Times* covering various high school athletic events and also local auto racing. It was during this time that Robertson developed an interest in sports journalism and secured a job at the newspaper shortly after graduating from college.

Born in Roanoke in 1972, Robertson graduated from Craig County [Va.] High in 1990. In June of 2000, he married the former Deanna Moore of Roanoke and they currently reside in Christiansburg. In his spare time, he enjoys playing golf, traveling and watching baseball and racing.



Matt Spiers
Assistant
Editor

VIRGINIA TECH ATHLETIC FUND

Hokie Club working to keep Tech's momentum building

The 2002-2003 year was a great success with another record-setting performance for the Virginia Tech Athletic Fund. Enthusiastic and supportive Hokie fans gave in excess of \$13 million to support the scholarship and capital needs of the Athletics Department.

The Hokie Club is charged with raising funds to support the scholarship, capital and programmatic needs of the Athletics Department. Donors make gifts in outright forms such as cash, real estate, securities, gifts in kind or corporate matching programs, or through planned or deferred gifts such as a will, living trust, life income trust, retirement plans, life insurance or charitable lead trusts.

"The ongoing national success of the football program has continued to motivate our fans to increase their financial support," said Lu Merritt, director of development for intercollegiate

athletics. "They fully understand that for Virginia Tech to maintain its upward momentum, additional funds need to be raised. They are proud of the fact that their football team has been to bowl games each of the last 10 years. Tech fans know that the Hokies can compete for national championships and they want to do their part to provide the needed resources for scholarships and facilities."

A 1968 graduate of Virginia Tech and a letterman on the Hokies' tennis team during his undergraduate years, Merritt currently serves on the Executive Committee of the National Association of Athletic Development Directors (NAADD).

John Moody, associate director, serves the North Carolina area and focuses on major gift fundraising and special projects. A former football player at Tech, Moody has worked in the Hokie Club for 31 years.

David Everett serves as director of major gifts for the Hokie Club. A member of the Hokies' 1986 Peach Bowl team, Everett currently serves the Richmond area in addition to his major gift responsibilities.

Terry Bolt, also an associate director and director of the annual fund for athletics, serves the Tidewater and Southside areas of Virginia, while also overseeing the planning and direction of the Annual Fund.

Brian Thornburg and Tommy Graham have joined the staff as assistant directors. Their primary responsibilities include working with the various Hokie Clubs as well as the annual fund.

Sharon Linkous and Vicky Moore handle all aspects of gift entry and membership records. Diana Fain manages the budget process and produces all meeting notices

for the Hokie Clubs. Jane Broadwater serves as executive secretary for the office. Johnnie Hoehn and Nancy Gabbard work part-time in the office and bring over 20 years of experience to the team.

The Athletic Fund is proud of its volunteers who help ensure that 58 Hokie Clubs throughout Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, North and South Carolina, Delaware, New Jersey, Georgia, Pennsylvania and Tennessee continue in their active efforts to support and promote athletics at Virginia Tech. Along with bus trips, game-watching parties and other social events, Tech alumni, fans and friends gather to cheer on the Hokies.

Bill Stover of Fairfax, Va., is the current president of the Athletic Fund and John Clary of Lawrenceville, Va., is the vice president.



The Hokie Club staff: (l to r) Lu Merritt, Sharon Linkous, Diana Fain, Terry Bolt, David Everett, Brian Thornburg, Nancy Gabbard, John Moody, Jane Broadwater and Tommy Graham. Not pictured are Johnnie Hoehn and Vicky Moore.

THE MONOGRAM CLUB

Proud Tech social organization experiencing resurgence

The Monogram Club was created as a social organization comprised of former athletes who earned one or more monograms (letters) in any varsity sport at Virginia Tech. All former coaches are designated as honorary members. Once a student-athlete's career is completed, the club is an opportunity to remain active in their sport.

The club focuses on keeping an open line of communication

between the Athletics Department and the former letterwinners. Through sponsored pre-game activities and post-game socials, as well as an annual meeting each spring, former athletes are given a reason to come back and reconnect. This enables them to not only support current athletes in their respective sports but also stay connected to the Athletics Department as a whole. Over

the past five years, the club has seen a resurgence of activity with record growth in the organization's membership. Terry Strock, a veteran coach and

Upon Strock's retirement in early 2000, former Tech football player and administrator Derek Carter took over as director. Carter stepped down in May 2001 to

football games, they also receive a subscription to *hokiesports the newspaper* [formerly the *Hokie Huddler*]."

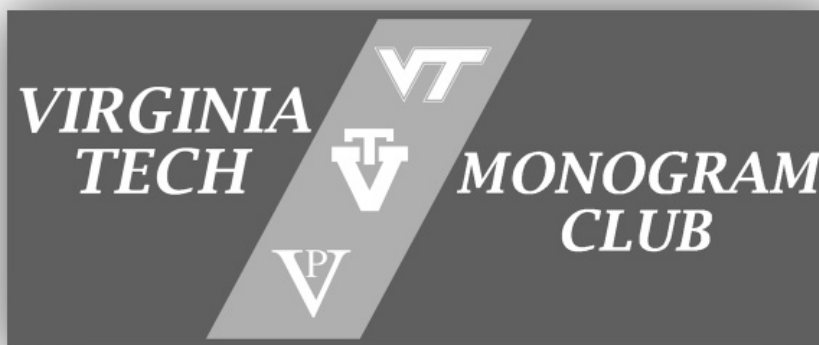
Whitenack's main goal for the club is to have a place where athletes can reconnect with one another as well as meet some new friends. "Ultimately I'd like to see every letterwinner join the club," Whitenack said. "I would like to get reps in all of the major cities where we have several members and I would like to see the club work more closely with the Hokie Club. I would also like to continue increasing member benefits."

When the club was formed, it was under the leadership of the Virginia Tech Athletic Fund, although the Monogram Club is not designed as a fund-raising organization. On April 17, 1999, a reorganizing meeting was held with the election of officers and a board of directors. Dick Arnold was named the president of the club. Some revisions were made to the original constitution, such as eliminating the word alumni from the name of the club.

Pete Dawyot, a 1969 graduate and former football player was the club's second President. The club's new president is John Schmidt, a 1979 graduate and former swimmer.

A complimentary membership was instituted for recent graduates, allowing them a three-year membership into the club once their eligibility is expired. In April 2003, 98 new seniors were added as complimentary members.

Membership dues are \$25 per year or \$100 for five years, with the membership year being from July 1 to June 30. A lifetime membership has been instituted with the amount set at \$500, and \$400 for former athletes over 65. The club has set a goal of adding 100 new members by next year.



administrator for many years at Tech, oversaw the revival of the program.

When Strock became the first full-time director of the monogram club in 1998, there were 220 active members. The club saw a significant increase in his first year, adding 330 new members. With the addition of over 270 members over the last four years, the total club membership has grown to 700 active members.

become director of athletics at Virginia State University.

In 2001, the Monogram Club welcomed its new director, Russ Whitenack, the former men's head track coach who oversaw that program for 28 years.

"I have been working on improving the benefits that members receive," Whitenack said. "Besides giving members free tailgates and socials at most home and selected away



RUSS WHITENACK

DIRECTOR OF THE MONOGRAM CLUB

For 28 years, Russ Whitenack held the reins of the men's track program, guiding it to conference titles and national recognition. Prior to taking over in 1974, Whitenack served as an assistant coach for two years. In addition to being the men's coach, he also guided the women's team for 10 years during the 1980s and early 1990s.

A 1969 graduate of the University of Tennessee, Whitenack was a member of the Volunteers' All-America 440-yard relay team. UT won three Southeastern Conference team championships during his four years on the squad. He served for one season as a graduate assistant at Tennessee and three years as coach at Palmetto Junior High in Miami before coming to Tech in 1972.

During Whitenack's tenure, the Tech program produced 20 All-Americans, including former coach Steve Taylor and recent graduate Erick Kingston. Whitenack led the Hokies to two Metro Conference indoor championships, one in 1993 and one in 1994, and he was chosen by his peers as Metro Coach of the Year during the 1992 outdoor season and again following Tech's 1993 indoor championship. During the late 1990s, the Hokies dominated the Atlantic 10 Conference, capturing both the indoor and outdoor titles four straight years. Whitenack was named the A-10 indoor and outdoor coach of the year for each of those victories. He also received the Walt Comrack Award for excellence in coaching from the Virginia Military Institute in 1997. Whitenack and his wife, Judy, have one son, Jon. In his spare time, Whitenack enjoys outdoor activities, especially kayaking, boating and jet-skiing.

NCAA RULES COMPLIANCE

Virginia Tech athletics – winning the right way!

INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTS AND THEIR PARENTS:

Compliance with NCAA rules is a never-ending process that requires diligence on the part of both the Department of Athletics and Virginia Tech as a whole. Below is a brief summary of the basic issues that you may be faced with as a prospective student-athlete.

1. You become a prospective student-athlete if you have started classes for the ninth grade. Before the ninth grade, you become a prospective student-athlete if the college provides you (or your relatives or friends) any financial aid or other benefits that the college does not provide to prospective students generally.
2. A “representative of an institution’s athletics interests” (commonly referred to as a booster) is defined by the NCAA as anyone who:
 - Is now, or previously been, a member of any organization promoting the institution’s intercollegiate athletics program;
 - Has made a financial contribution to the athletics program or an athletics booster organization;
 - Has helped arrange any employment for a student-athlete;
 - Has been involved, in any way, in the promotion of the athletics program.
3. Please be aware that any former Virginia Tech student or former or current member of the Hokie Club is automatically considered a representative of Virginia Tech’s athletics interests (booster). According to NCAA rules, once an individual is identified as a booster, he/she retains that status forever.
4. You become a “recruited” prospective student-athlete at a particular college if any coach or booster solicits you or your family for the purpose of securing your enrollment and participation in intercollegiate athletics. Activities by coaches or boosters that trigger recruited status are:
 - Paying some or all of your expenses during a visit to campus (known as an “official” visit);
 - Arranging an in-person, off-campus encounter with you or your parent(s) or legal guardian; or
 - Initiating or arranging a telephone contact with you, your family or guardian on more than one occasion for the purpose of recruitment.
5. A booster may not solicit your enrollment in any manner (no phone calls, letters or in-person encounters).

NCAA POSITION ON GAMBLING

The NCAA opposes all forms of legal and illegal sports wagering. Sports wagering has the potential to undermine the integrity of sports contests and jeopardizes the welfare of student athletes and the intercollegiate athletics community. Sports wagering demeans the competition and competitors alike by a message that is contrary to the purposes and meaning of “sport.” Sports competition should be appreciated for the inherent benefits related to participation of student-athletes, coaches and institutions in fair contests, not the amount of money wagered on the outcome of the competition.

For these reasons, the NCAA membership has adopted specific rules prohibiting athletics department staff members and student-athletes from engaging in gambling activities as they relate to intercollegiate or professional sporting events.

The NCAA Position on Gambling was approved by the NCAA Administrative Committee on March 19, 1997.

6. You (or your family) may not receive any benefit, inducement or arrangement such as cash, clothing, cars, improper expenses, transportation, gifts or loans to encourage you to sign a National Letter of Intent or to attend an NCAA school.
7. A “contact” is any face-to-face encounter between you or your parent(s) or legal guardian and an institutional staff member or athletic representative during which any dialogue occurs in excess of an exchange of greeting.
8. Phone calls to you from faculty members and coaches (but not boosters) are permitted beginning July 1 (Sept. 1 for football) after completion of your junior year. In addition, football coaches may call a prospect or the prospect’s family once during the month of May during the prospect’s junior year. A college coach or faculty member is limited to one telephone call per week to you (or your parents or legal guardians). Unlimited calls to you (or your parents or legal guardians) may be made under the following circumstances:
 - During the five days immediately before your official visit by the university you will be visiting;
 - On the day of a coach’s off-campus contact with you;
 - During the time beginning with the initial National Letter of Intent signing date in your sport through the two days after the signing date; and
 - In the sport of football only, during the permissible off-campus contact periods and during the 48 hours prior to and 24 hours after 5 a.m. on the initial signing date for the National Letter of Intent. Coaches also may accept collect calls, and universities are permitted to utilize a toll-free number to receive telephone calls from you (or your parents or legal guardians) on or after July 1 after completion of your junior year.
9. Letters to you from coaches and faculty members (but not boosters) are permitted beginning Sept. 1 at the beginning of your junior year in high school. A Division I university may provide you with the following printed materials:
 - General correspondence, including letters, U.S. Postal Service postcards and institutional note cards;
 - Game programs which may not include posters and one Student-Athlete Handbook;
 - NCAA educational information;
 - Pre-enrollment information subsequent to signing a National Letter of Intent with the university;
 - One athletic publication (media guide or recruiting brochure);
 - Official academic, admissions and student services publications published or videotapes produced by the institution and available to all students;
 - Schedule and business cards;
 - Questionnaires which may be provided prior to your junior year; and
 - Camp brochures which may be provided prior to your junior year.

10. An “evaluation” is any off-campus activity designed to assess your academic qualifications or athletic ability, including any visit to your high school (during which no contact occurs) or the observation of any practice or competition in which you participate.

The purpose of the compliance office is to make you aware of all relevant NCAA rules and make sure that you know how to remain eligible. Your eligibility, however, is ultimately in your own hands. This page is a quick-reference guide to provide a basic understanding of NCAA rules. It is not all-inclusive, but rather a tool to help you avoid inadvertent involvement in a violation of NCAA legislation. We encourage you to always ASK BEFORE YOU ACT. Please contact the Virginia Tech Compliance Office if you have any questions at (540) 231-2937 or (540) 231-5497.



The impressive south end zone expansion in Lane Stadium (above) was completed prior to the 2002 football season. The next possible phase of expansion involves the west side, depicted below in an architect's drawing.



FACILITIES



MOVING FORWARD

Tech's Building Boom



Hokie fans take in a game from the comfort and luxury of a suite in the new south end zone facility.

When it comes to athletic facilities, Virginia Tech's Director of Athletics, Jim Weaver has a simple philosophy — "as soon as you sit still in terms of facilities, you have taken a step backward."

It has become clear that Virginia Tech has no intention of sitting still on the facilities front. There is a continuous stream of improvements underway or in the planning process in the athletics complex. A number of projects have recently concluded while several larger endeavors loom on the horizon.

The Virginia Tech athletics department is living up to Jim Weaver's challenge to constantly enhance its facilities. Here are a few examples:

- The recently completed Eddie Ferrell Memorial Training Room is a 4,300 square-foot facility that gives the athletic trainers a centralized area to provide physical therapy, chiropractic care and massage therapy to Tech student-athletes.

- The Lane Stadium south end zone expansion consists of 11,100 new seats, 15 luxury suites, two club areas, four television camera stations, a new visitors' locker room that can be split in half and used for the spring sports, new storage rooms and the new June Oblinger Shott Media Center.

- Cassell Coliseum's walkway and concession areas got a facelift prior to the 2002-2003 basketball season. The ceilings were raised and wood panels were added, as was Hokie Stone in some areas. Additionally, new lights and carpet were installed.

- McComas Field, an existing university field which has lights, was made regulation size and became the new game field for the men's and women's varsity soccer teams as well as women's lacrosse. The surrounding land has been converted into two full-size practice fields. A second phase, the installation of 1,000 permanent seats and rest room facilities, will be completed prior to this fall.

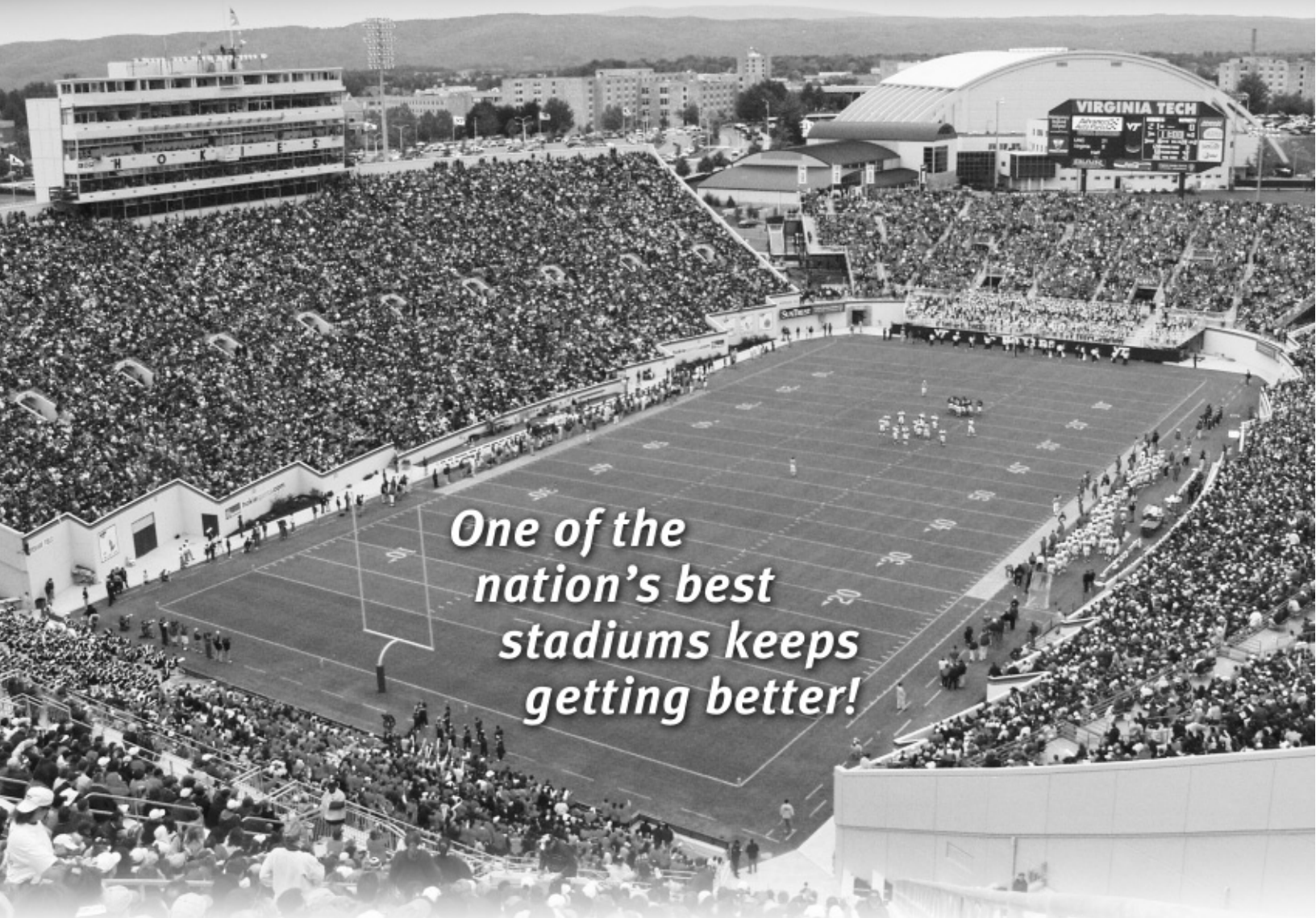
- The remodelling of Lane Stadium's west side is in the planning stages and will involve the removal of the fencing that surrounds the stadium and replacing it with an actual entrance, the construction of additional new luxury suites, a new President's area, two private club seating areas, an expanded press box, new concession stands, a new ticket office, new athletic fund offices, an Athletics Hall of Fame and a new student academic services area.

- Tech has plans for a new field house that will be wider and longer than Rector Field House and would be used for football, soccer and lacrosse. Underneath the new field house there will be batting cages for softball and baseball as well as additional storage areas.

- With a new field house in place, Rector Field House would become a permanent indoor facility for the track & field team.

- Lights were installed this summer at English Field, home of the Tech baseball team, allowing for fewer missed classes for the athletes.

LANE STADIUM



*One of the
nation's best
stadiums keeps
getting better!*

The Virginia Tech football team has enjoyed a decade of success, going to 10 straight bowl games. A big part of that success is the home-field advantage the Hokies enjoy at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

Billed as one of the toughest places to play, the Hokies play on not only one of the best playing surfaces in the nation, but with the new south end zone addition, the Hokies play in one of the best stadiums in the nation.

Now entering its 39th season as an arena of collegiate football competition, Lane Stadium/Worsham Field has gone through numerous changes, renovations and

additions. But through it all, it has always been regarded as one of the finest places to watch — and toughest places for opponents to play — a college football game.

A NEW LOOK

Last season was marked by tough competition and record-setting crowds as the capacity rose to 65,115 when the second of what Virginia Tech hopes to be a three-phase project was completed at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

Prior to last season, Tech added 11,120 seats in the south end zone to enclose that end of the stadium. The double-deck structure is similar

to the Cleveland Browns' "Dawg Pound" section and has bleacher, bench-back and club seats. The structure is enclosed, but has gaps between the existing structure and the new one. This is because of new building codes and a desire to get fans closer to the field.

Below the south end zone stands are several new features. There is a football visitor's locker room which can be divided and used for other sports' visiting teams in the winter and spring.

There is also the June Oblinger Shott Media Center, which houses a new press room, two press conference

areas, three radio rooms, a dark room and several storage rooms.

The outside of the facility also has a new look, making the entrance more inviting. Walkways and landscaping give the south and west sides a more appealing entrance for fans and teams.

This past summer, \$1.9 million was raised to fund the ongoing planning of the west side expansion. While nothing has been finalized or approved, the west side would be another magnificent addition to the stadium.

Given the process of capital funding approval, the athletics department has set forth a

tentative schedule for stage three of the project.

If all goes according to plan, ground will be broken in November and crews will begin building around the current press box after this season and during the 2004 season.

Following the completion of the 2004 season, the current press box will be "decapitated" and the new structure will be filled in to match the new structure.

Plans call for a new press area on the west side, down toward the south end zone with new seating, a dining area and improved overall facilities.

Another recent addition to the facility is the turf and drainage system that was replaced in the summer of 2001. This past winter, a heating system was installed to keep the Bermuda grass at an optimum temperature during the winter months.

This innovative system is in place in just a handful of other stadiums in the world and makes Worsham Field one of the finest playing fields around.

A WINNING TRADITION

On Sept. 22, 1994, Tech won its 100th game in Lane Stadium in memorable fashion before a national television audience on ESPN with a 34-6 win over BIG EAST rival West Virginia.

Tech's overall record at Lane Stadium is 144 wins, 61 losses

LANE STADIUM MILESTONES

	Date	Opponent	Result	Score
First Win	Oct. 2, 1965	William & Mary	W	9-7
First Television Game (ABC)	Oct. 29, 1966	Florida State	W	23-21
25th Win	Oct. 11, 1975	Florida State	W	13-10
50th Win	Oct. 3, 1981	Memphis State	W	17-13
First CBS Game	Sept. 18, 1982	Miami (Fla.)	L	8-14
First Night Game	Nov. 25, 1982	Virginia	W	21-14
First TBS Game	Nov. 25, 1982	Virginia	W	21-14
First Game Under Coach Beamer	Sept. 12, 1987	Clemson	L	10-22
First Win Under Coach Beamer	Oct. 3, 1987	Navy	W	31-11
75th Win	Oct. 3, 1987	Navy	W	31-11
First ESPN Game	Nov. 24, 1990	Virginia	W	38-13
First BIG EAST Game	Sept. 26, 1992	West Virginia	L	7-16
First BIG EAST Win	Oct. 16, 1993	Temple	W	55-7
100th Win	Sept. 22, 1994	West Virginia	W	34-6
First ESPN Thursday Night Game	Sept. 22, 1994	West Virginia	W	34-6
Program's 1,000th Game	Sept. 4, 1999	James Madison	W	47-0
125th Win	Sept. 23, 1999	Clemson	W	31-11
First ESPN GameDay Appearance	Oct. 16, 1999	Syracuse	W	62-0
Second ESPN GameDay Appearance	Nov. 13, 1999	Miami (Fla.)	W	43-10
Frank Beamer's 100th Win at Tech	Sept. 1, 2001	Connecticut	W	52-10

Virginia Tech's All-Time Record at Lane Stadium: 144-61-6 (38 years)

Longest Winning Streak at Lane Stadium: 16 games (47-0, James Madison, 1999 — 34-20, Boston College, 2001)

and six ties in 38 years of play. The Hokies are 70-24-1 at home during Coach Frank Beamer's tenure at Virginia Tech and more impressively, are 52-10 in Blacksburg the last 10 seasons. Tech has an all-time record of 30-8 in BIG EAST games played at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field and has won 23 of the last 28 conference games at home.

Last season, Tech went 6-2 at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field, on its way to a 10-4 season.

This season, Tech hopes to continue its home stadium

tradition as it hosts BIG EAST rivals Miami, Syracuse and Boston College along with non-conference foes Connecticut, Texas A&M, UCF and James Madison.

LANE AND WORSHAM

On Sept. 5, 1992, Worsham Field was officially dedicated in honor of Wes and Janet Worsham, longtime Hokie supporters from Kilmarnock, Va. The Worshams pledged \$1 million to the university's Second Century Campaign.

The Campaign raised over \$18.6 million, almost \$1.7 million more than the original goal, thanks to the support of people like the Worshams.

The stadium is named for the late Edward H. Lane, a graduate of the university and a former member of the Board of Visitors. Lane headed an educational foundation project which raised more than \$3 million for the original construction. Lane's personal donation was the first received by the fund.

HOKIES' TURF A FIRST FOR A COLLEGE FOOTBALL STADIUM

Virginia Tech's continuing efforts to compete at the highest level produced another first for the Hokies. Two seasons ago, Tech became the first collegiate football team to have a new state-of-the-art GreenTech ITM natural grass sports field system. Lane Stadium was just the third playing venue to possess this type of playing surface, joining Millennium Stadium in Cardiff, Wales and Giants Stadium in the Meadowlands.

GreenTech, Inc. of Richmond, Va., began installing the highly-sophisticated system shortly after Tech's 2001 commencement ceremonies.

The modular turf system features 4,600 4-by-4 foot trays sodded with a Bermuda grass surface and placed on pedestals two-to-three inches above an asphalt base.

The system also provides excellent drainage. Irrigation lines run through pockets underneath the trays and 22 air vents under the field are connected to a vacuum system which will draw water from the trays onto the asphalt. The water then flows into large drains on either side of Worsham Field. The trays, in combination with the vacuum system, can handle up to 16 inches of rain an hour.

Placing the field on mobile trays gives Tech the ability to move sections of the field. It also gives Tech

the possibility of hosting events such as concerts in Lane Stadium without damaging the field.



In July of 2001, workers installed the playing surface in trays on top of pavement that was laid down in Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

The original cost was \$3.5 million, compared with \$3.2 million spent for the addition on top of the east stands. The stadium's original capacity was 40,000, but the addition, completed in 1980, raised that number to 52,500. The relocation of bleacher seats dropped the total capacity to under 50,000.

Lane Stadium, featuring a modern lighting system and a seating capacity of 65,115, ranks as one of the nation's finest collegiate football facilities.

Before moving to Lane Stadium, Tech played its home games in Miles Stadium, which had a seating capacity of 17,000. The late Stuart K. Cassell proposed the new stadium as a part of a general plan for a number of new facilities for the university.

THROUGH THE YEARS

Original construction of Lane Stadium began in April, 1964, and was completed four years later. The Hokies did not wait for completion, playing their first game in the stadium on Oct. 2, 1965. Tech defeated William and Mary, 9-7 that day with only the west stands and the center section of the east bleachers completed. Official dedication ceremonies took place Oct. 23 before a 22-14 win over Virginia.

Through the years, the stadium has seen several changes and renovations. In 1982, the lighting system was added to the facility. The system was first used in Tech's nationally-televised 21-14 Thanksgiving Day victory over Virginia that season. The game was broadcast on WTBS and was the first-ever nationally-televised game from Lane Stadium.

Prior to the 1989 season, Lane Stadium underwent further improvements. Tech received a donation of 16 flags with the "VT" logo for the stadium. Lane Stadium also received a new paint job which included the addition of

maroon and orange stripes around the inner walls of the facility.

In 1991, a new scoreboard bearing BIG EAST Conference logos replaced the old scoreboard at the south end of the stadium while a new auxiliary scoreboard was placed at the north end. In the spring of 1994, renovations were completed on seven lower sections of the east stands. Renovations included replacing concrete risers and the addition of wheelchair seating.

Before the 1994 season, plaques bearing retired jerseys of Tech heroes Bruce Smith, Carroll Dale, the late Frank Loria and Jim Pyne were added to the wall in the north end zone. With the additional of the north end zone seats, the four retired numbers now fly on flag poles above those stands.

Last season, three more flags — those bearing the names and numbers of Frank Beamer, Michael Vick and Cornell Brown — were added, retiring their jerseys, but not their numbers.

Prior to the 1998 season, the oldest bleachers were replaced with new locust wood and the stands were waterproofed and top coated. On the east side, the roof on the visitors' locker room was replaced along with the wooden bleachers in the three sections above the dressing room. Also, additional handicapped seating was added.

In addition to the seats in the north end zone constructed before the 1999 season, the interior block walls and concourse tunnels were seal-

coated to match the exterior of Cassell Coliseum and the Merryman Center.

Before the 2000 season, a new scoreboard, complete with "Hokievision" was installed behind the north end zone bleachers.

The south end zone construction project eliminated the old wooden bleachers in that area. But the north end zone bleachers were expanded down to the field, adding close to 600 new, permanent seats to make the north end zone look similar to the new south end zone. This is where The Marching Virginians — one of Tech's two marching bands — sit. These moves cut the capacity to 53,662.

Prior to the 2000 season, approximately 3,000 permanent bleacher seats were added in the north end zone and prior to the 1999 season, 2,100 permanent seats were added in the same end zone.

RECORD CROWDS

BIG EAST Conference affiliation has benefited Hokie football and enthusiastic crowds at Lane Stadium/ Worsham Field have helped the Hokies to some big wins during their resurgence under Coach Frank Beamer. Tech set a single-season attendance record last year by averaging 63,344 spectators per contest.

With the new additions and renovations, as well as one of the top teams in the country, hopefully, the 2003 home schedule will be just as successful in drawing record-setting crowds to Lane Stadium/Worsham Field — home of the Hokies.



Lane Stadium at night in 2000 — before the south end zone (foreground) expansion and additional bleachers in the north end zone were completed.

LANE STADIUM SERIES RECORDS

Following is a list of the 55 schools that Virginia Tech has faced in Lane Stadium and a breakdown of the Hokies' home record against those teams since the stadium opened in 1965.

	W	L	T
Akron	4	0	0
Alabama	0	1	0
Alabama-Birmingham	2	0	0
Appalachian State	3	0	0
Arkansas State	3	0	0
Auburn	0	1	0
Boston College	3	1	0
Bowling Green	2	0	0
Buffalo	1	0	0
Central Florida	1	0	0
Cincinnati	2	2	0
Clemson	1	5	0
Connecticut	1	0	0
Duke	2	0	0
East Carolina	4	2	0
East Tennessee State	2	0	0
Florida State	3	4	1
George Washington	1	0	0
Houston	0	1	1
James Madison	5	0	0
Kansas State	0	1	0
Kent State	1	0	0
Kentucky	2	3	0
Louisville	3	0	0
LSU	1	0	0
Marshall	1	0	0
Maryland	1	0	0
Memphis State	2	1	0
Miami (Fla.)	3	4	0
Miami (Ohio)	0	1	0
Navy	1	0	0
North Carolina State	1	0	1
Ohio University	1	0	0
Oklahoma State	1	0	0
Pittsburgh	4	1	0
Richmond	8	1	0
Rhode Island	1	0	0
Rutgers	6	0	0
South Carolina	1	4	1
SMU	1	0	0
Southern Mississippi	3	2	0
SW Louisiana	1	0	0
Syracuse	5	2	0
Temple	6	1	0
Texas A&M	0	1	0
Tulane	2	0	0
Tulsa	1	2	0
Vanderbilt	3	0	0
Villanova	3	0	0
Virginia	10	6	1
VMI	5	2	0
Wake Forest	4	4	0
West Virginia	10	6	1
Western Michigan	1	0	0
William & Mary	11	2	0
Totals	144	61	6

LANE STADIUM RECORDS

TOP SINGLE PERFORMANCES (1965-2002)

Best Record: 7-0, 1996
Worst Record: 0-3-1, 1969
Most Points Scored: *Tech* — 77 vs. Akron, 1995;
Opponent — 49, Houston, 1974
Highest Combined Score: 104 pts., 77-27 win against Akron, 1995
Lowest Combined Score: 3 pts., 3-0 win against Villanova, 1967
Longest Run from Scrimmage: *Tech* — 82 yds., Phil Rogers vs. VMI, 1975;
Opponent — 89 yds., Wes McFadden of Clemson, 1987
Longest Pass Completion: *Tech* — 91 yds., qb Steve Casey to wb Sidney Snell vs. VMI, 1979;
Opponent — 97 yards, qb Tim Haselback to wr Dedrick Dewalt, Boston College, 1999
Longest Interception Return: *Tech* — 98 yds., ilb Jamel Smith vs. Rutgers, 1998; *Opponent* — 99 yds., db Marcus Mauney of West Virginia, 1974
Longest Kickoff Return: *Tech* — 99 yds., Eddie Hunter vs. South Carolina, 1986; *Opponent* — 100 yds., Jimmy Stewart of Tulsa, 1976
Longest Punt Return: *Tech* — 95 yds., Frank Loria vs. Miami (Fla.), 1967; *Opponent* — 88 yds., Larry Carter of Kentucky, 1978
Longest Field Goal: *Tech* — 61 yds., Wayne Latimer vs. Florida State, 1975; *Opponent* — 56 yds., Kenny Stadlin of Virginia, 1984
Most Yards Rushing by an Individual: *Tech* — 223, Kenny Lewis vs. VMI, 1978; *Opponent* — 226, Wes McFadden of Clemson, 1987
Most Yards Rushing by a Team: *Tech* — 467, vs. William & Mary, 1985; *Opponent* — 441, Kentucky, 1974
Fewest Yards Rushing by a Team: *Tech* — minus 1, vs. Syracuse, 1987; *Opponent* — minus 28, Arkansas St., 1997
Most Yards Passing by an Individual: *Tech* — 527, Don Strock vs. Houston, 1972; *Opponent* — 498, Scott Milanovich of Maryland, 1993
Most Yards Passing by a Team: *Tech* — 527, vs. Houston, 1972; *Opponent* — 498, Maryland, 1993
Fewest Yards Passing by a Team: *Tech* — 11, vs. Richmond, 1975; *Opponent* — 15, Kentucky, 1974
Most Passing Attempts by an Individual: *Tech* — 53, Don Strock vs. Houston, 1972; *Opponent* — 54, Dean May of Louisville, 1983
Most Passing Attempts by a Team: *Tech* — 53, vs. Houston, 1972; *Opponent* — 57, Appalachian State, 1982 & Maryland, 1993
Most Pass Completions by an Individual: *Tech* — 34, Don Strock vs. Houston, 1972; *Opponent* — **31, Byron Leftwich of Marshall, 2002**
Most Pass Completions by a Team: *Tech* — 34, vs. Houston, 1972; *Opponent* — **36, Marshall, 2002**
Most Pass Receptions by an Individual: *Tech* — 13, Nick Cullen vs. Southern Miss, 1990; *Opponent* — 13, Ron Sellers of Florida State, 1966
Most Yards on Pass Receptions by an Individual: *Tech* — 194, Antonio Freeman vs. Temple, 1993; *Opponent* — 180, Herman Moore of Virginia, 1990
Most Total Offense by an Individual: *Tech* — 516 yds., Don Strock vs. Houston, 1972; *Opponent* — 516 yds., Scott Milanovich of Maryland, 1993
Most Total Offense by a Team: *Tech* — 641 yds., vs. Maryland, 1993; *Opponent* — 649 yds., Maryland, 1993
Most Combined Total Offense: 1,290 yds., *Tech* (641 yds.) vs. Maryland (649 yds.), 1993
Most Touchdowns by a Team: *Tech* — 11, vs. Akron, 1995; *Opponent* — 7, Houston, 1974
Most Points Scored by an Individual: *Tech* — 26, fb George Constantinides vs. Richmond, 1967; *Opponent* — 24, rb Mike Dingle of South Carolina, 1990
Most Rushing Touchdowns by an Individual: *Tech* — 4, four times (most recent: tb Lee Suggs vs. Rutgers, 2000);
Opponent — 3, three times (most recent: rb Terrell Willis of Rutgers, 1993)
Most Rushing Touchdowns by a Team: *Tech* — 8, vs. Akron, 1995; *Opponent* — 5, Kentucky, 1974
Most Touchdown Passes by an Individual: *Tech* — 4, Maurice DeShazo vs. Maryland & Temple, 1993;
Opponent — 4, three times (most recent: John Turman of Pittsburgh, 2000)
Most Touchdown Passes by a Team: *Tech* — 5, vs. Temple, 1993; *Opponent* — 4, four times (most recent: Pittsburgh, 2000)
Most Touchdown Receptions by an Individual: *Tech* — 3, Antonio Freeman vs. Maryland, 1993; *Opponent* — **3, two times (most recent: Larry Fitzgerald of Pittsburgh, 2002)**
Most Field Goals Made by an Individual: *Tech* — 6, Mickey Thomas vs. Vanderbilt, 1989; *Opponent* — 5, Rafael Garcia of Virginia, 1994
Most Points Kicking by an Individual: *Tech* — 18, Mickey Thomas vs. Vanderbilt, 1989; *Opponent* — 18, Rafael Garcia of Virginia, 1994
Most Interceptions by an Individual: *Tech* — 3, seven times (most recent: cb Anthony Midget vs. Miami, 1999);
Opponent — 3, Aaron Beasley of West Virginia, 1994
Most Interceptions by a Team: *Tech* — 6, vs. Rutgers, 1998; *Opponent* — 5, Virginia, 1992 & 1994
Most Interception Yardage by an Individual: *Tech* — 182, fs Ashley Lee vs. Vanderbilt, 1983; *Opponent* — 99, db Marcus Mauney of West Virginia, 1974
Most Interception Yardage by a Team: *Tech* — 182, vs. Vanderbilt, 1983; *Opponent* — 107, by East Carolina, 1991
Most Punts by an Individual: *Tech* — 12, two times (most recent: Gene Fisher vs. Miami, 1967); *Opponent* — 13, Bill Rudison of Akron, 1989
Most Punt Returns by an Individual: *Tech* — 10, two times (most recent: Bo Campbell vs. Akron, 1989);
Opponent — 7, Rahsaan Vanterpool of West Virginia, 1994
Most Punt Returns by a Team: *Tech* — 10, two times (most recent: vs. Akron, 1989);
Opponent — 8, Houston, 1974
Most Punt Return Yardage by an Individual: *Tech* — 164, Antonio Freeman vs. Pittsburgh, 1994;
Opponent — 127, Larry Carter of Kentucky, 1978
Most Punt Return Yardage by a Team: *Tech* — 154, vs. Richmond, 1967;
Opponent — 127, Kentucky, 1978
Most Kickoff Returns by an Individual: *Tech* — 6, Marcus Mickel vs. Clemson, 1989;
Opponent — 6, three times (most recent: John Gutter of James Madison, 1988)
Most Kickoff Returns by a Team: *Tech* — 8, vs. Houston, 1974 & vs. Virginia, 1994;
Opponent — 9, George Washington, 1966 & Maryland, 1993
Most Kickoff Return Yardage by an Individual: *Tech* — 214, Marcus Mickel vs. Clemson, 1989;
Opponent — 142, Phil Mosser of William & Mary, 1971
Most Kickoff Return Yardage by a Team: *Tech* — 245, vs. South Carolina, 1973;
Opponent — 189, Rutgers, 1993
Most First Downs: *Tech* — 34, vs. Akron, 1991; *Opponent* — 34, William & Mary, 1971
Fewest First Downs: *Tech* — 3, vs. Miami (Fla.), 1967; *Opponent* — 6, West Virginia, 1966
Most Fumbles: *Tech* — 11, vs. Tulsa, 1976; *Opponent* — 8, Richmond, 1975
Most Fumbles Lost: *Tech* — 5 vs. Tulsa, 1976; *Opponent* — 5, two times (most recent: Clemson, 1985)
Most Combined Fumbles: 17, *Tech* (11) vs. Tulsa (6), 1976
Most Combined Fumbles Lost: 10, *Tech* (5) vs. Tulsa (5), 1976
Most Yards Penalized: *Tech* — 163 vs. Wake Forest, 1983; *Opponent* — 160, Miami (Fla.), 1992
Largest Crowd: 65,097, vs. Virginia, 2002
Smallest Crowd: 10,000, vs. VMI, 1977

Records set in 2002 in **bold**

TOP 15 LANE STADIUM CROWDS

65,097	Virginia	2002
65,049	LSU	2002
65,049	Marshall	2002
64,971	Pittsburgh	2002
64,937	Temple	2002
64,907	Rutgers	2002
62,723	West Virginia	2002
56,272	Virginia	2000
56,272	Pittsburgh	2000
56,272	West Virginia	2000
56,272	Temple	2000
56,272	Rutgers	2000
56,272	Akron	2000
54,157	Virginia	1990
54,016	Arkansas State	2002

THE MERRYMAN CENTER



The Merryman Center, the centerpiece for Virginia Tech athletics, is a \$10.6 million all-purpose building that ranks as one of the finest facilities of its kind in college athletics — and it's only getting better.

Located just a good punt from Lane Stadium/Worsham Field, Merryman opened its doors to athletes in 1997 and officially was dedicated Sept. 26, 1998 in a university ceremony.

The facility is named for the F.W. (Sonny) Merryman family of Rustburg, Va., which presented the university with a major gift, kicking off a fund-raising campaign that saw Tech supporters dig deep into their pockets.

The result is a streamlined 40,000-square-foot facility that includes ...

On the first floor: A spacious sports rehabilitation complex where athletes can go to help them get back on the playing field quicker; a strength and conditioning complex that is magnificent; a speed and agility gym; and a football coaches' locker room.

And on the second floor: Michael Vick Hallway, which includes a 130-seat auditorium and nine position meeting rooms for use by the football team; the new Hall of Legends, which is a showcase of Virginia Tech football; spacious offices for Coach Frank Beamer and his top assistant, John Ballein; the video department, complete with brand new, state-of-the-art equipment; and the women's basketball offices.

The Hall of Legends, the new entranceway to the athletics department, provides visitors with a brilliant display of Hokie football memorabilia.

The area highlights memorabilia from past Virginia Tech football squads with special emphasis on the Outland Trophy, won by Tech's Bruce Smith as the best college football lineman in 1984, as well as the numerous awards won by Corey Moore following the 1999 season.

Other memorabilia highlights are items from Tech's Sugar Bowl football victory over Texas in 1995 — as well as Tech's other bowl appearances — and former Hokies in the NFL.

The area also has a conference room, as well as videos, game balls and other awards handed out.

"The room was designed to provide us with an ideal place for individual meetings with football prospects and their parents," assistant athletics director for football operations John Ballein said. "In our opinion, it is quite a showplace for recruiting."

The exterior of the building is streamlined, too, and has a definite Hokie motif. Even the roof, the only maroon one on the Virginia Tech campus, adds a touch of school spirit. The outside walls of the Merryman Center are a combination of Hokie stone and a more simplified white stone that matches that on Cassell Coliseum, the building next door.

"This is a facility that is really special in every way," says Tech A.D. Jim Weaver. "There is no doubt in my mind that the Merryman Center ranks right at the very top among the great buildings in college athletics."

Beamer, too, is ecstatic over the facility. "The building, to me, represents a commitment on behalf of the university," the coach says. "The construction of Merryman clearly demonstrates the university's determination to maintain a top athletic program year in and year out. All of us connected with football are extremely proud of that."

Another area of interest is Tech's first-rate video area, something Ballein is especially proud of.

"The complex has more coaching stations than any other facility of its kind in college football or in the National Football League," he said.

Beamer's office is special, too. The 22-by-30-foot room is enclosed by glass on two sides, providing a beautiful view of Lane Stadium/Worsham Field and other parts of the Merryman Center. Beamer also has a great view of the new practice fields installed prior to the 2001 season. The new fields are less than 100 feet from the football locker room.

The Hokies' Great Athletic Complex

TECH'S SPACIOUS LIGHTED PRACTICE FIELD IS LOCATED JUST OUTSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM AND MERRYMAN CENTER



THE HALL OF LEGENDS, IN THE MERRYMAN CENTER SERVES AS THE "FRONT DOOR" OF THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT





65,115-SEAT
LANE STADIUM IS AN
IMPOSING VENUE THAT
REALLY COMES ALIVE
ON GAME DAYS



*“It’s an atmosphere
like no other! It’s the
loudest place I’ve ever
played in, and that
includes Syracuse’s
Carrier Dome.”*

— WVU OT Lance Nimmo

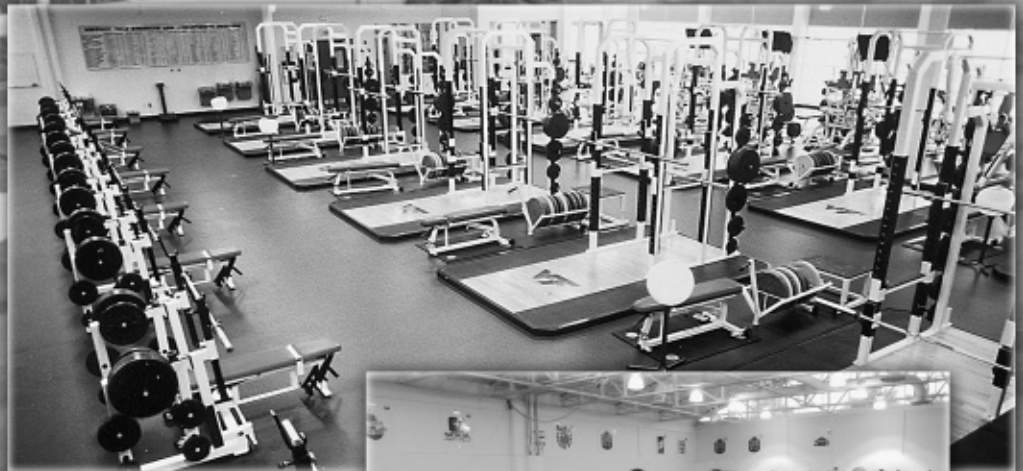
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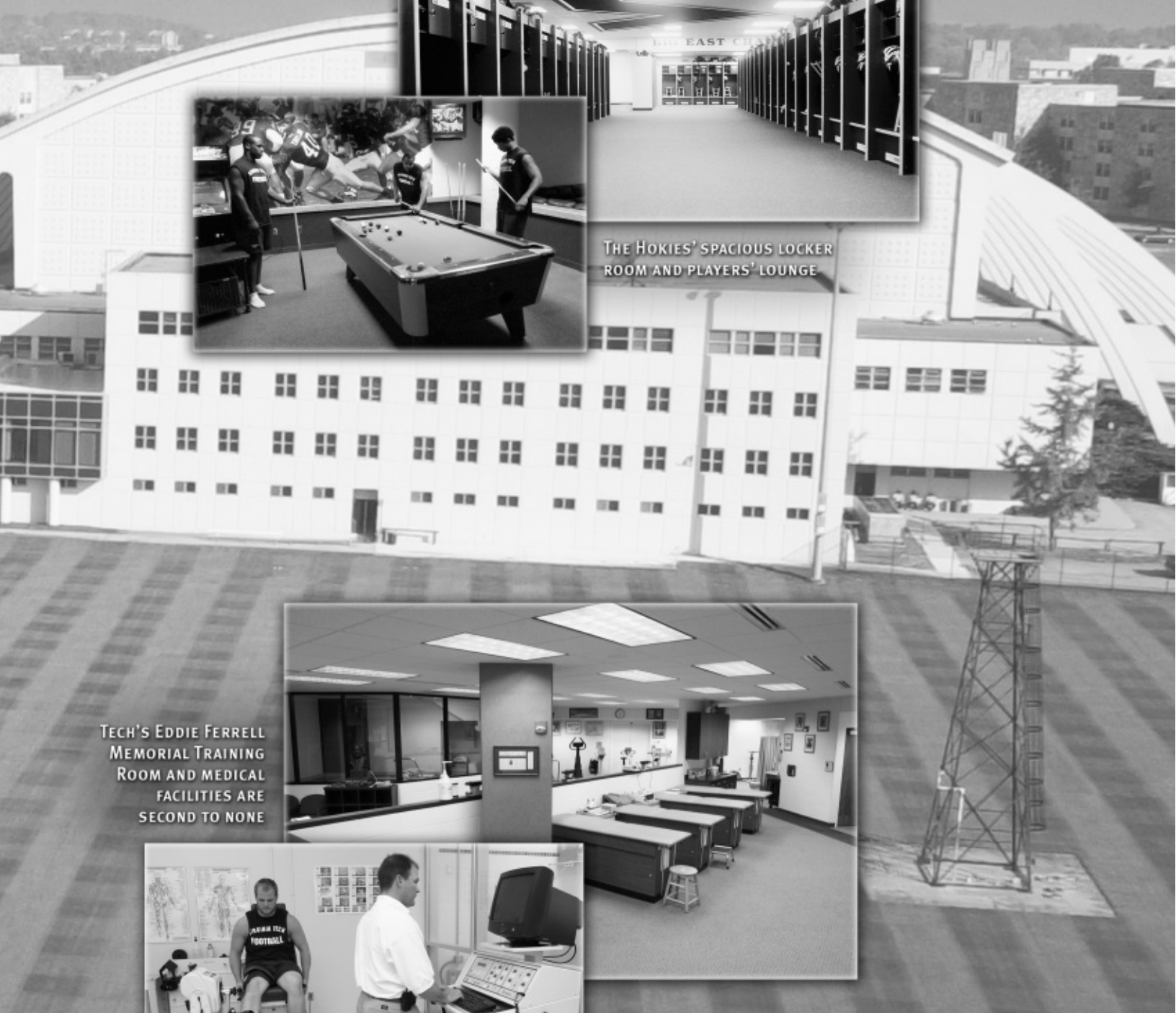




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TOURING TECH'S VENUES

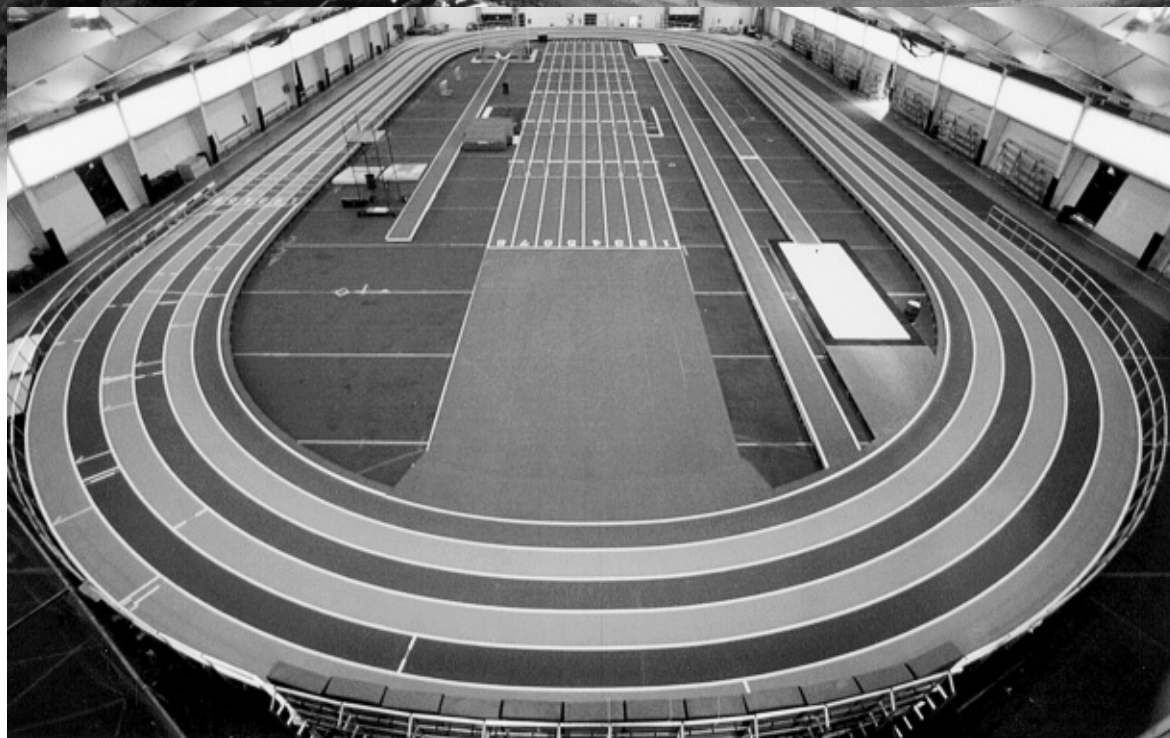


A LOOK AT THE HOKIES' OTHER ATHLETIC FACILITIES

Hokie fans heading into Lane Stadium/Worsham Field pass the Merryman Center (right) and Cassell Coliseum, with its distinctive flying buttresses. Cassell Coliseum, (pictured above during a basketball game) is the site of Tech's men's and women's hoops contests as well as wrestling and women's volleyball matches.



One of the great things about Virginia Tech's athletic complex is the proximity of all the venues to each other and the rest of the campus. Not far from the Merryman Center, beautiful English Field (right, and below) is the home of Tech's baseball team, the "Hammerin' Hokies." Also pictured below are Tech's outdoor track and Rector Field House. The Johnson-Miller Outdoor track complex has an eight-lane Mondo track with 10 dash lanes and multiple jumping and throwing areas.



Rector Field House (on the right of the photo above) is the site of the Hokies' full-sized indoor practice field, and is also home to one of the nation's finest indoor tracks (left) in the winter. Plans are being considered for a new indoor football practice facility to be located on the other side of Cassell Coliseum and the Merryman Center.

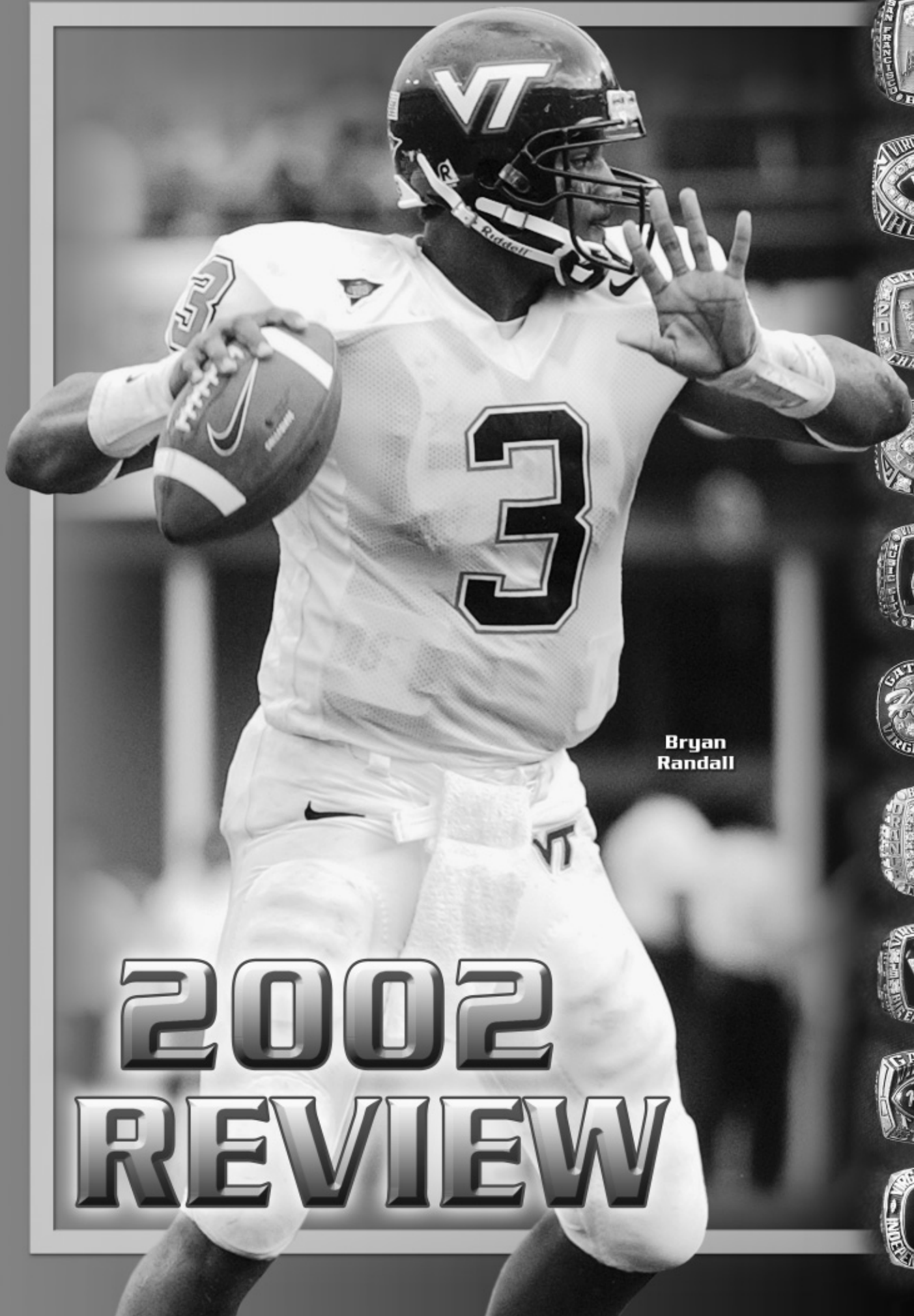


The Virginia Tech men's and women's swimming and diving teams compete at the War Memorial Pool.

Tech's relatively-young softball program has only been in existence for eight years, but — like many Tech athletic teams — it has already built a reputation for winning. New bleachers and a press box have been added to their facility over the last few years.



The Burrows-Burleson Tennis Center (above and left) boasts six indoor courts as well as six outdoor courts. The facility, which has been honored by the USTA, has been the site of both men's and women's NCAA Tournament matches in recent years.



Bryan
Randall

2002 REVIEW



CHARTING THE HOKIES

TECH IN THE NCAA RANKINGS

(Top 30 only)

TEAM STATISTICS

Rushing Offense **YPG**
19th Virginia Tech 283.62

Pass Efficiency Offense **PTS**
15th Virginia Tech 139.53

Punt Returns **YPR**
16th Virginia Tech 13.95

Rushing Defense **YPG**
29th Virginia Tech 121.43

Pass Efficiency Defense **PTS**
26th Virginia Tech 108.21

Scoring Defense **PPG**
21st Virginia Tech 18.79

Scoring Offense **PPG**
30th Virginia Tech 30.64

Interceptions **No.**
1st Virginia Tech 24

Turnovers Gained **No.**
5th Virginia Tech 37

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Punt Returns **YPR**
7th DeAngelo Hall 16.00

Scoring **PPG**
5th Lee Suggs 10.29

Pass Efficiency **Rating**
10th Bryan Randall 143.09

- Senior running back Lee Suggs established two new NCAA Division I-A scoring records. The Roanoke, Va., native scored a touchdown in 27 consecutive games, breaking the 32-year-old record of 23 consecutive games set by Arkansas' Bill Burnett during a span that began on Oct. 5, 1968 and went through Oct. 30, 1970. Suggs also scored a touchdown in all 14 games in 2002, breaking the record of 12 games set by Marshall's Randy Moss in 1997.

- Lee Suggs and Kevin Jones became the most productive Tech twosome ever in terms of single-season rushing yardage. Suggs and Jones combined for 2,196 rushing yards which stands as a new season record for the Hokies.

- Garnell Wilds led the BIG EAST in interceptions with five, heading a Tech group that recorded 24 for the season. The 24 picks led the nation. Over the past three seasons, defensive coordinator Bud Foster's defense has finished tied for third nationally in interceptions in 2000 with 23, tied for seventh in 2001 with 19 and first in the country with 24 a year ago.

- Quarterback Bryan Randall led the BIG EAST Conference in completion percentage (63.7) — which is a new Tech record — and ranked 10th nationally in pass efficiency (143.09).

START CHART

Pos. Offense (starts)

SE Ernest Wilford (13)
Terrell Parham (1)
LT Anthony Davis (14)
LG Jacob Gibson (12)
James Miller (2)
C Jake Grove (14)
RG Luke Owens (14)
RT Jon Dunn (7)
Jimmy Martin (7)
TE Keith Willis (8)
Jeff King (6)
QB Bryan Randall (12)
Grant Noel (2)
FB Doug Easlick (14)
TB Lee Suggs (14)
FL Shawn Witten (12)
Richard Johnson (2)

Pos. Defense (starts)

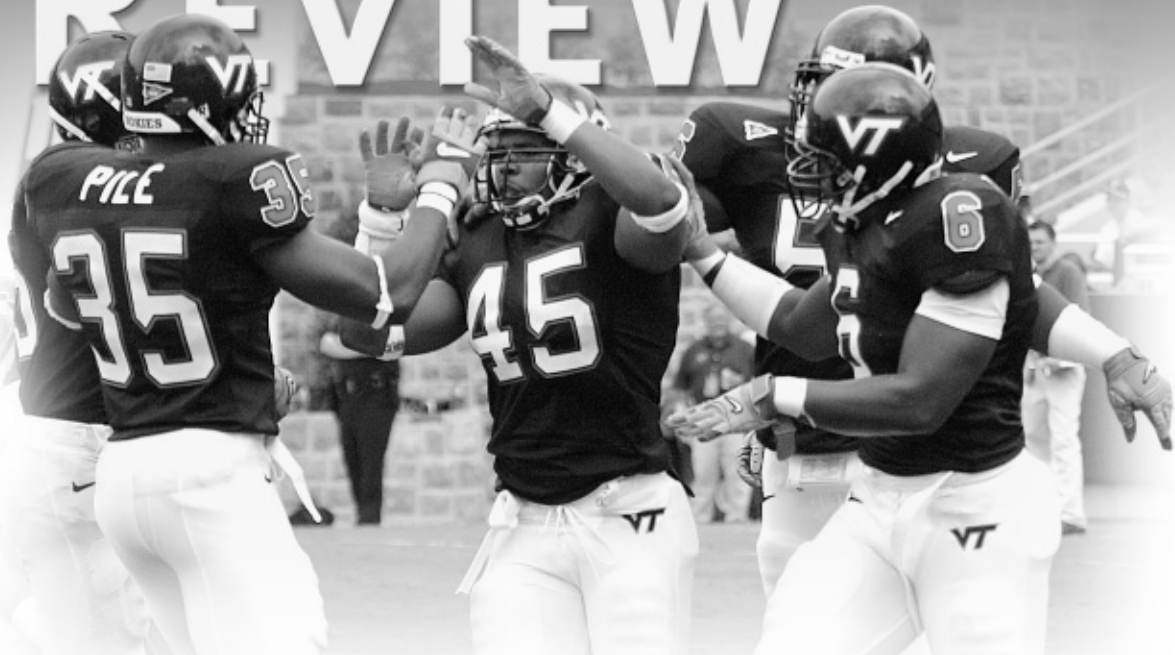
E Nathaniel Adibi (13)
Jim Davis (1)
T Kevin Lewis (11)
Tim Sandidge (3)
T Jason Lallis (11)
Jonathan Lewis (3)
E Cols Colas (9)
Jim Davis (5)
OLB Brandon Manning (13)
Mike Daniels (1)
ILB Mikal Baaqee (13)
A. Markogiannakis (1)
ILB Vegas Robinson (11)
James Anderson (3)
BC DeAngelo Hall (10)
Garnell Wilds (4)
FS Willie Pile (14)
ROV Michael Crawford (10)
Billy Hardee (4)
FC Ronyell Whitaker (10)
Vincent Fuller (4)



DeAngelo Hall's 71-yard return at Miami helped him finish seventh nationally in punt returns in 2002.

2002 SEASON IN REVIEW

Young Hokies post 10 victories



Linebacker Mikal Baaqee (45) was one of six new starters on defense last season.

At the start of this season, fans and critics alike predicted a “rebuilding” year for the Virginia Tech football team. Having lost several key players from the 8-4 season in 2001, the Hokies had several problem areas to address. The quarterback position was a huge unknown with the torn ACL of returning starter Grant Noel and the inexperience of sophomore backup Bryan Randall. The wide receiver positions were also a big question mark, with the graduation of All-American André Davis. The defense was characterized by its youth, particularly at the defensive tackle and linebacker spots, which lost All-Americans David Pugh and Ben Taylor. With expectations for Tech surrounded by uncertainty, predicted records of 7-6 or 6-7 were tossed around.

Yet Tech silenced the critics early on, winning the first eight games of the season, including three consecutive victories over nationally ranked opponents, and climbing up the national polls. With Noel sidelined by his knee injury, Randall emerged as one of the most efficient quarterbacks in the nation and redshirt junior

Ernest Wilford became a reliable target for Randall's passes. The defense, despite its relative inexperience, used its speed and strength to become a force.

As if that weren't enough for the Hokie faithful, Tech's running game remained a force to be reckoned with, led by the performance of tailback tandem Lee Suggs and Kevin Jones. Suggs, returning from a knee injury that had kept him on the sidelines in 2001, amassed over 1,200 rushing yards and set an NCAA record for consecutive games with touchdowns scored (27). Jones, 2001 BIG EAST Rookie of the Year, added over 800 yards on the ground, despite missing seven quarters of action with a hamstring injury.

The Hokies started the season on Aug. 25 with a home date against Arkansas State in the Hispanic College Fund Football Classic. Tech, ranked 16th in the nation, scored in every way imaginable, including on

special teams and defense. With nine touchdowns coming from seven different players, the Hokies rolled over the Indians by a score of 63-7, giving coach Frank Beamer his 150th career win. Sophomore DeAngelo Hall was named the player of the game after scoring his first two career touchdowns, one on special teams (a 69-yard punt return) and one on defense (a 49-yard interception return).

Despite the Hokies' dominance in the home opener, their first test of the season would come against 14th-ranked LSU. Many wondered how Tech would hold up against the defending SEC champions. The Hokies answered with a convincing 26-8 victory, relying on the strength of the defensive and special teams units. Defensive end Jim Davis recorded three sacks on the day, while the Hokies' defense limited LSU to only 214 offensive yards. Redshirt sophomore Jason Lallis and redshirt freshman

Justin Hamilton each blocked a punt, resulting in nine points for the Hokies (a touchdown and a safety).

Tech couldn't rest on its laurels after the LSU victory, with 16th-ranked Marshall coming into Lane Stadium/Worsham Field for a Thursday night game. The Thundering Herd, led by Heisman hopeful quarterback Byron Leftwich, hoped to snatch a victory from the toughest opponent on their schedule. Instead, the duo of Suggs and Jones combined for 324 yards on the ground and five touchdowns en route to a 47-21 victory. The game was not as close as the final score indicated, as the Hokies led 33-0 in the fourth quarter before allowing Marshall to score. Leftwich managed over 400 passing yards (including 197 in the final period), but it was not enough to knock off Tech.

Following a week off, Tech was ready for its first road game of the season. With two consecutive wins against

ranked opponents under their belt, the Hokies were ready for another tough challenge against No. 19 Texas A&M and its famed defensive unit, the "Wrecking Crew." But it was the Tech defense that stole the show, as the Hokies limited the Aggies to 156 yards total offense, including a mere 38 yards on the ground. Nathaniel Adibi recorded three sacks, while free safety Willie Pile had an interception and a fumble return to earn the Bronko Nagurski National Defensive Player of the Week award. Tech won 13-3, as it became the first non-conference team to leave Kyle Field with a victory during A&M head coach R.C. Slocum's 14-year tenure.

By the time the Hokies played Western Michigan in Kalamazoo, they had climbed to No. 5 in the national rankings. Determined not to have a letdown game against the Broncos, Tech played tough and shut out Western Michigan for the second straight year, winning 30-0. Randall, in his third start at quarterback, amassed 234 yards of total offense (194 passing), while the Hokies' defense limited the Broncos to 35 yards on the ground.

Tech's first BIG EAST match-up of the season came in the sixth game, as the fourth-ranked Hokies traveled to Boston College on Oct. 10. The Eagles became the first team of the season to score a first half touchdown against the Hokies, as Jamal Burke scored on an 83-yard punt return. Boston College gave Tech its closest game of the early season, but the tailback duo of Suggs and Jones was again unstoppable, as both collected over 100 yards rushing for the second time in 2002. Suggs also became the BIG EAST career leader in rushing touchdowns with 40. Tech ended up winning 28-23, and earned a No. 3 national ranking.

After a month away from the friendly confines of Lane Stadium/Worsham Field, the Hokies returned to Blacksburg for their Homecoming game against Rutgers. The ground attack was once again a factor for Tech, with the Hokies

gathering 342 yards rushing, including 132 yards for Jones and a career-high 197 yards for Suggs. Despite trailing Tech 21-0 at the end of the first quarter, the Scarlet Knights came within two touchdowns of the Hokies in the third period. Hall sealed the Tech victory in the fourth quarter by returning a Rutgers punt 51 yards for a touchdown, as the Hokies defeated the Knights, 35-14.

The eighth game of the season pitted Tech against conference opponent Temple in another home contest. The Hokies had problems keeping control of the ball, committing four turnovers, but a strong defensive effort helped Tech stay on top throughout the game. The Owls were held to only 39 yards rushing, while redshirt sophomore Vincent Fuller had a pair of interceptions in the red zone to stop two Temple scoring drives. The Hokies topped the Owls, 20-10, for their third conference win of the season.

The game against Pittsburgh proved to be a crucial one for the Hokies. Not only were both teams undefeated in the BIG EAST, but Tech was anxious to avenge its 38-7 loss to the Panthers in 2001. The Hokies took an early 14-0 lead, but Pittsburgh was able to score 21 unanswered points in the second half to leave Blacksburg with a 28-21 victory. Suggs netted 128 yards and two touchdowns on the ground for the Hokies, but Jones left the game with only four yards and a touchdown after sustaining a hamstring injury on his second carry of the game.

Split end Ernest Wilford heads for the end zone during a record-setting performance at Syracuse.

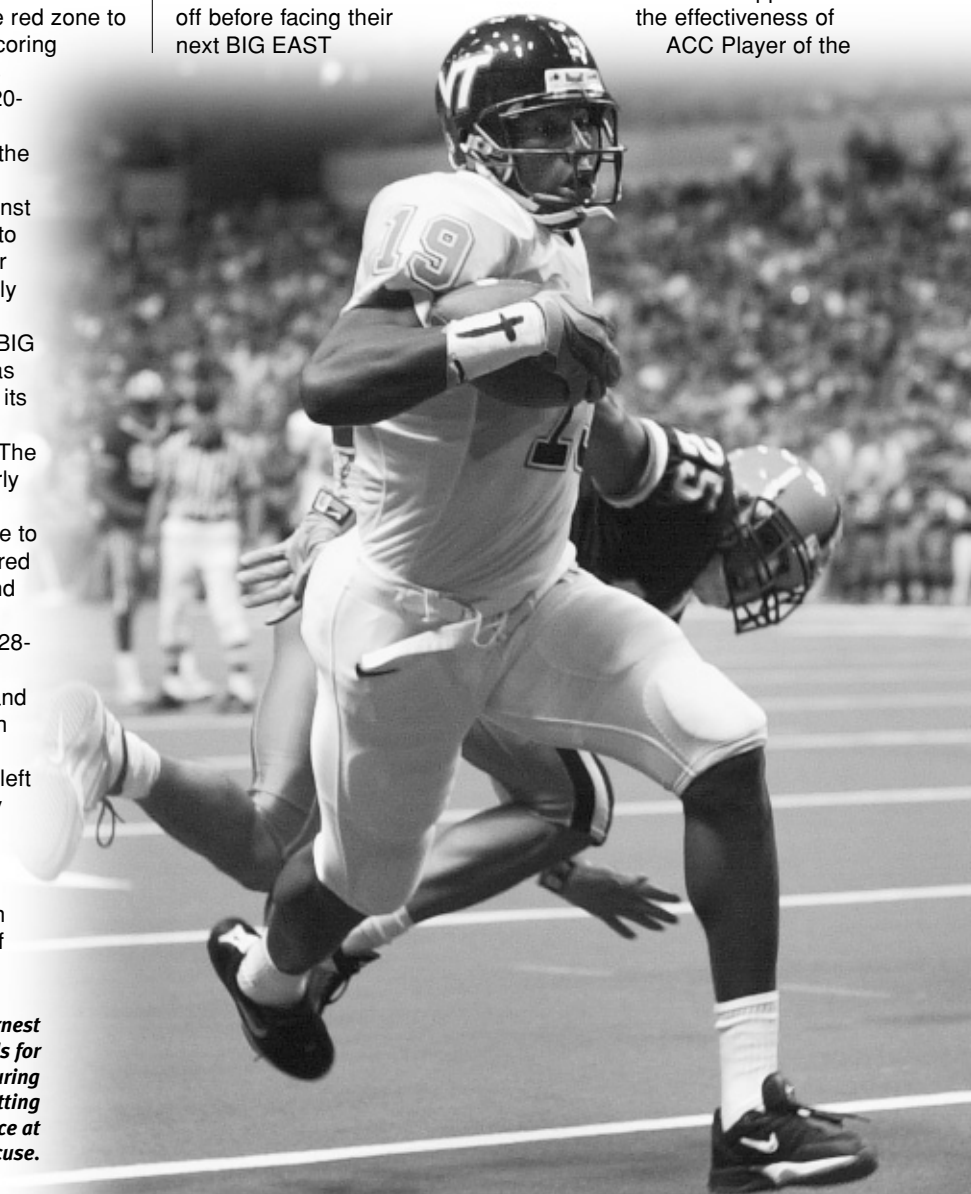
Tech looked to get back into the win column as it traveled to Syracuse for game No. 10. It was a record-setting day for the Hokies, as Randall passed for a BIG EAST record 504 yards and set a Tech single-game record with five touchdown passes. Wide receiver Ernest Wilford also found his way into the record books, setting a new school and BIG EAST mark with 279 yards receiving and setting a new school record with four touchdown receptions. On defense, Garnell Wilds posted three interceptions for the Hokies, tying a school and conference mark. Still, the Hokies were forced into triple-overtime against the Orangemen and fell short against Syracuse, 50-42, for the second consecutive loss of the season.

The Hokies had a week off before facing their next BIG EAST

opponent, West Virginia, in Blacksburg. Again, Tech had to battle a strong conference foe. Suggs set a new Division I record for consecutive games with a touchdown with his 28-yard trot into the end zone in the opening period. The Mountaineers took a 14-7 lead in the second quarter and never let go. The Hokies came as close as three points in the final minutes of the game, but a Randall interception in the end zone with just seconds remaining on the clock sealed the 21-18 West Virginia victory.

Tech went into its final home game, a match-up with in-state rival Virginia, hungry for another win. The Hokies would not be disappointed, as they fought through winds of 20-30 miles per hour and intermittent snow squalls to defeat the Cavaliers, 21-9. The

Tech defense suppressed the effectiveness of ACC Player of the



Year Matt Schaub, limiting the quarterback to only 43 yards passing, and Cols Colas became the third Tech defensive end of the season to record three sacks in a game.

The Hokies' final game of the regular season was perhaps their toughest, as they headed to Miami to play the top-ranked and undefeated Hurricanes. Miami took advantage of three early Tech turnovers and scored on six of its first seven possessions. The Hokies fell behind by as much as 28 points in the third quarter, but kept making plays to get back into the game. A 96-yard interception return by Pile set up 16 straight points by Tech, but the Hurricanes proved to be too much for the Hokies, as they triumphed

56-45. Randall passed for 165 yards and added 132 on the ground in the losing effort, while Suggs found the end zone for three touchdowns.

With a 9-4 record following regular season action, the Hokies made their 10th consecutive postseason bowl appearance, meeting the Air Force Academy Falcons in the inaugural Diamond Walnut San Francisco Bowl. Tech was one of only seven teams in the nation to advance to postseason bowls in each of the last 10 years.

At Pacific Bell Park in San Francisco, Calif., the Falcons jumped out to a 10-0 lead over the Hokies less than eight minutes into the game. However, the Hokies answered back with a 16-yard

touchdown run by Lee Suggs and a 23-yard field goal by Carter Warley to make it a tie game at the half. After the break, Suggs supplied a one-yard score while Warley added a 37-yard field goal as Tech took the lead for good. The Hokies survived a late push by the Falcons with the help of two huge defensive plays by Ronyell Whitaker to notch a 20-13 win over Air Force. The Falcons led the Hokies in total yards and doubled their rushing yards, but it was not enough to fend off the offensive efforts of Randall, the game's offensive MVP who completed 18 of 23 passes for 177 yards.

With the win over the Air Force Academy, the Hokies

finished the season 10-4, notching the sixth 10-win season in the program's history. The 2002 seniors averaged 10 wins per season and went out as the winningest class in Virginia Tech football history with 40 victories since their arrival at Tech. The Hokies finished the season ranked in the top 25 nationally for rushing offense, scoring defense and punt returns. With their end-of-the-season ranking in the Associated Press Top 25 Football Poll, the Hokies held on to the second-longest active consecutive appearance streak, at 70 weeks.

2002 SAN FRANCISCO BOWL

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Air Force	10	0	0	3	—	13
Virginia Tech	7	3	7	3	—	20

AF (12:00 re 1st) — Ward 15 run (Ashcroft kick)
AF (7:36 re 1st) — FG Ashcroft 45
VT (2:26 re 1st) — Suggs 16 run (Warley kick)
VT (0:33 re 2nd) — FG Warley 23
VT (4:55 re 3rd) — Suggs 1 run (Warley kick)
AF (9:58 re 4th) — FG Ashcroft 21
VT (4:11 re 4th) — FG Warley 37

Team Stats	AF	VT
First downs	17	21
Rushing yds.	227	101
Passing yds.	91	177
Return yds.	22	30
Passes	4-19-2	18-23-0
Punts-avg.	3-31	3-40
Fumbles-lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties-yds.	7-73	3-25
Time of poss.	30:25	29:35
Sacks by	2-19	0-0

Individual Leaders

Rushing — AF, Butler 17-75, Harridge 18-70, Palmer 4-22, Ward 2-20, Massie 5-17, Clark 2-10, Stephens 2-4, Heier 1-4, Cole 1-3, Gehrsitz 1-2; VT, Suggs 19-70, Jones 11-35, Easlick 2-16, Randall 8(-20).

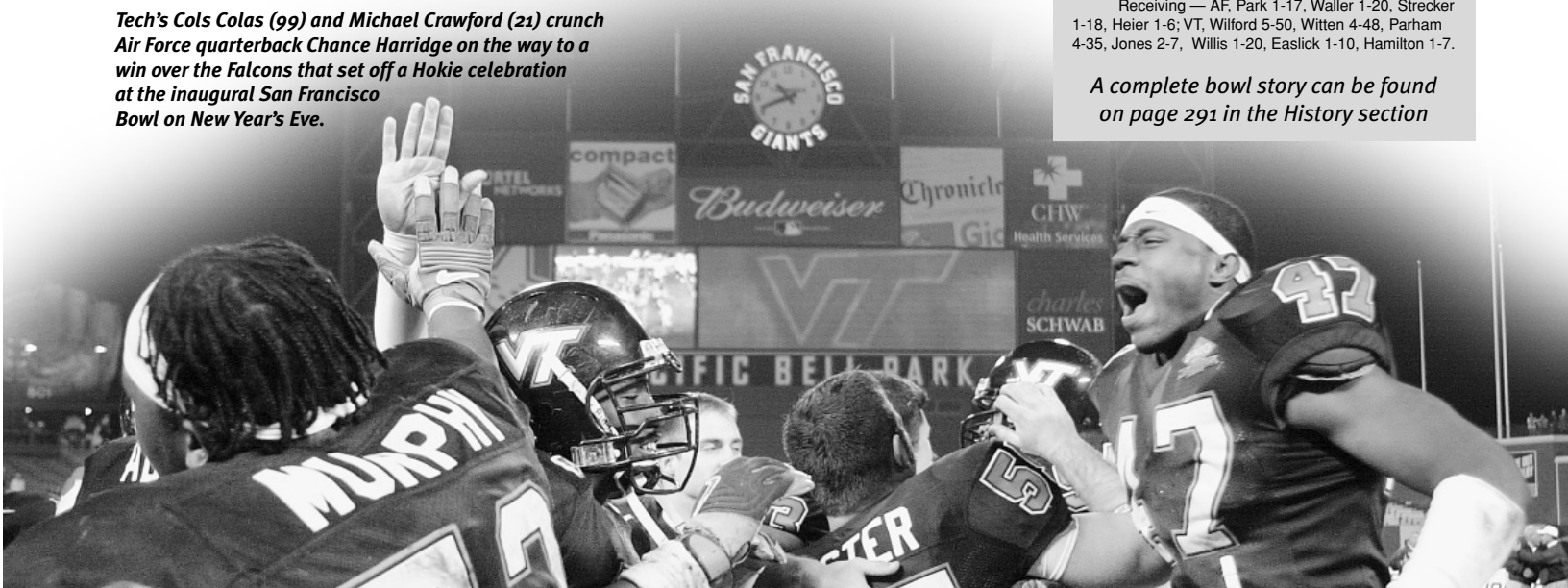
Passing — AF, Harridge 4-19-2-91; VT, Randall 18-23-0-177.

Receiving — AF, Park 1-17, Waller 1-20, Strecker 1-18, Heier 1-6; VT, Wilford 5-50, Witten 4-48, Parham 4-35, Jones 2-7, Willis 1-20, Easlick 1-10, Hamilton 1-7.

A complete bowl story can be found on page 291 in the History section



Tech's Cols Colas (99) and Michael Crawford (21) crunch Air Force quarterback Chance Harridge on the way to a win over the Falcons that set off a Hokie celebration at the inaugural San Francisco Bowl on New Year's Eve.



2002 GAME-BY-GAME

Game
One

ARKANSAS STATE

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2002
Lane Stadium/Worsham Field
Blacksburg, Va. • Att.: 54,016

Fast start leads to 63-7 victory over ASU

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Virginia Tech scored 35 points in the first quarter on the way to a 63-7 season-opening victory against Arkansas State in the Hispanic College Fund Football Classic at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

Sophomore DeAngelo Hall scored two of Tech's first three touchdowns, returning a punt 69 yards for the Hokies' first score and racing 49 yards with an interception for the team's third TD. Tech's No. 2 quarterback, Bryan Randall, accounted for three touchdowns during the game, scoring on runs of 12 and 5 yards and tossing a 19-yard touchdown pass.

DeAngelo Hall scores the Hokies' first touchdown in the season opener.



Defensively, the Hokies held ASU to 24 yards on the ground and 227 yards overall. Tech's offense accounted for 387 total yards, including 288 yards rushing.

Arkansas State	0	0	7	0	—	7
Virginia Tech	35	21	7	0	—	63

VT (12:40 re 1st) — Hall 69 punt return (Warley kick)
VT (9:47 re 1st) — Suggs 32 run (Warley kick)
VT (6:05 re 1st) — Hall 49 interception return (Warley kick)
VT (5:50 re 1st) — King 19 pass from Noel (Warley kick)
VT (2:11 re 1st) — Jones 19 run (Warley kick)
VT (12:14 re 2nd) — Randall 12 run (Warley kick)
VT (9:50 re 2nd) — Lallis 59 fumble return (Warley kick)
VT (5:43 re 2nd) — Imoh 19 pass from Randall (Warley kick)
ASU (11:06 re 3rd) — Cox 73 pass from Jacobs (Neihouse kick)
VT (7:02 re 3rd) — Randall 5 run (Warley kick)

Team Stats	ASU	VT
First downs	10	21
Rushes-yds.	33-24	41-288
Passing yds.	203	99
Return yds.	22	196
Passes	14-27-1	11-18-0
Punts-avg.	9-43	5-41
Fumbles-lost	6-4	1-1
Penalties-yds.	8-72	10-82
Time of poss.	31:47	28:13
Sacks by	1-16	1-8

Individual Leaders

Rushing — ASU, Smith 17-36, Stegall 6-12, Warren 4-(-4), Team 1-(-6), Jacobs 4-(-6), Miller 1-(-8); VT, Suggs 7-87, Humes 10-52, Randall 5-36, Jones 4-31, Imoh 4-22, Spence 3-21, Easlick 1-15, Candelas 5-15, Hunt 1-11, Noel 1-(-2).
Passing — ASU, Jacobs 9-16-0-177, Miller 5-11-1-26; VT, Randall 6-8-0-66, Hunt 3-5-0-9, Noel 2-5-0-24.
Receiving — ASU, Cox 5-120, Hickenbotham 2-39, Wood 2-17, Smith 2-13, Stegall 1-9, Mack 1-3, C. Walker 1-2; VT, Imoh 4-28, King 1-19, Wilford 1-15, Willis 1-15, Witten 1-11, Hamilton 1-5, Easlick 1-5, Humes 1-1.

A CLOSER LOOK

- Virginia Tech's 56 points in the first half against Arkansas State marked the most points in a half for a Tech squad during the modern era (since 1950). It also ranked as the second-highest point total in a half by a BIG EAST Conference team behind the 59 points scored by West Virginia against Rutgers last season. The Hokies' 35 first-quarter points against the Indians tied modern day school and BIG EAST Conference marks for points in a quarter.

- Tech's 63 points in the ASU game were the most points scored by the Hokies in a season opening game since Tech defeated Roanoke College 86-0 to open the 1905 season. The last time Tech scored more points in a game was a 77-27 win over Akron in 1995.

- Each of the Hokies' first four touchdowns against ASU were scored in a different manner. Tech scored on a punt return, a rushing play, an interception and a pass play. The Hokies also had a fumble return for a TD later in the game. Special teams, offense and defense each contributed one of Tech's first three scores.

- Eleven Tech players made their first collegiate starts in the Arkansas State game. The first-time starters on offense were guard **James Miller** (Pompano Beach, Fla.), tackle **Jon Dunn** (Virginia Beach, Va.), tight end **Keith Willis** (Norfolk, Va.) and fullback **Doug Easlick** (Marlton, N.J.). Starting for the first time on defense were tackles **Kevin Lewis** (Richmond, Va.) and **Jason Lallis** (Mitchellville, Md.), linebackers **Brandon Manning** (Harrisburg, Pa.), **Vegas Robinson** (Chesapeake, Va.) and **Mikal Baaqee** (Columbia, Md.), rover **Michael Crawford** (Baltimore, Md.) and cornerback **Vincent Fuller** (Baltimore, Md.).



Center Jake Grove helped clear the way for 288 yards rushing.

Game
Two

LSU

Sunday, Sept. 1, 2002
Lane Stadium/Worsham Field
Blacksburg, Va. • Att.: 65,049

Tech posts 26-9 win over defending SEC champs

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Sixteenth-ranked Virginia Tech used a strong defense and an opportunistic offense to defeat No. 14 Louisiana State, 26-8, in front of a state-record crowd of 65,049 at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

Tech capitalized on good field position to build a 14-0 advantage in the first half. A 17-yard punt return by sophomore DeAngelo Hall put the Hokies at the LSU 27 late in the first quarter. From there, it took Tech just six plays to score its first touchdown. A blocked punt gave the Hokies the football at the LSU 29 less than two minutes into the second quarter. A 6-yard TD run by Lee Suggs capped a four-play drive.

Defensively, the Hokies kept the pressure on LSU quarterback Matt Mauck, registering four quarterback sacks and 14 hurries. Tech limited the Tigers to 80 yards on the ground and 214 yards overall. LSU converted on just one of 13 third-down

plays during the contest. A pass interception by linebacker Vegas Robinson set up Tech's last touchdown.

Suggs led the Hokies with 91 yards rushing and two touchdowns on 22 carries.

Vinnie Burns was named BIG EAST Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance against LSU.



Louisiana State	0	0	0	8	—	8
Virginia Tech	7	7	3	9	—	26

VT (0:30 re 1st) — Jones 2 run (Warley kick)
VT (12:58 re 2nd) — Suggs 6 run (Warley kick)
VT (11:22 re 3rd) — FG Warley 41
VT (14:02 re 4th) — Suggs 2 run (Warley kick)
LSU (10:00 re 4th) — Toefield 1 run (Clayton pass from Mauck)
VT (0:05 re 4th) — safety, punt blocked out of end zone

Team Stats	LSU	VT
First downs	14	13
Rushes-yds.	28-80	32-166
Passing yds.	134	65
Return yds.	52	68
Passes	15-35-1	7-14-0
Punts-avg.	9-27	9-45
Fumbles-lost	4-1	4-1
Penalties-yds.	8-61	8-65
Time of poss.	25:56	34:04
Sacks by	3-21	4-20

Individual Leaders

Rushing — LSU, Toefield 10-46, Davis 7-23, Mauck 10-6, Addai 1-5; VT, Suggs 22-91, Jones 14-70, Randall 14-6, Team 1-(-1).

Passing — LSU, Mauck 15-35-1-134; VT, Randall 5-9-0-47, Noel 2-5-18-0.

Receiving — LSU, Clayton 5-49, Toefield 3-20, Brazell 1-12, Edwards 1-11, Henderson 1-10, Carey 1-9, Addai 1-9, Davis 1-8, Myers 1-6; VT, Humes 1-17, Parham 1-11, Wilford 1-11, Witten 1-8, Willis 1-7, Suggs 1-6, Easlick 1-5.



A CLOSER LOOK

- Louisiana State, which was ranked 14th in the Associated Press poll, was the highest-ranked team in the AP poll that Virginia Tech has defeated since a 28-10 win over No. 9 Texas in the 1995 Sugar Bowl game. The last time Tech beat a higher ranked team in Blacksburg was during the 1964 season when the Hokies downed No. 10-ranked Florida State by a score of 20-11. That game was played at Miles Stadium.

- The attendance of 65,049 for the Tech-LSU game set new state and Tech records at the time for the largest crowd to see a football game. The previous attendance record for the commonwealth of Virginia was 61,625 set during last season's game between Virginia Tech and Virginia in Charlottesville. The former Tech mark was set during the 2000 season when all six home games were sellouts of 56,272.

- Redshirt freshman **Justin Hamilton** (Clintwood, Va.) and redshirt sophomore **Jason Lallis** (Mitchellville, Md.) both blocked punts during the Hokies' win over LSU. Hamilton's block in the second quarter set up Tech's second touchdown of the game, while Lallis' block in the fourth quarter resulted in a safety. It marked the 17th time in Frank Beamer's tenure as head coach that the special teams unit posted two blocks in a game.

- Only three players had rushing carries for the Hokies during the LSU game. The last time Tech only had three players carry the football in a game was during a 1994 game with Virginia.

- Tech's 231 yards of total offense against LSU ranks as the lowest total for the Hokies in a victory since gaining just 206 yards during a 1999 win at Pittsburgh.

Jim Davis sacks LSU quarterback Matt Mauck in the waning moments of Tech's victory over the defending SEC champions.

Tech rushes to 47-21 win over Thundering Herd

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Tailbacks Kevin Jones and Lee Suggs combined for 324 yards rushing and five touchdowns as No. 11 Virginia Tech posted a convincing 47-21 win against No. 16 Marshall in a Thursday night ESPN game at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

While the Tech defense was holding Marshall quarterback Byron Leftwich in check, Jones and Suggs helped the Hokies pile up a 33-0 lead before the Herd got on

the scoreboard with three fourth-quarter touchdowns. Jones rushed for 171 yards and three touchdowns, while Suggs added 153 yards and a pair of TDs.

Defensively, Tech was at its best when it mattered, holding Marshall to just 234 yards during the first three quarters. The offense helped out with four touchdown drives of more than 70 yards, including a 15-play, 85-yard drive that took up more than eight minutes on the clock.

Marshall	0	0	0	21	—	21
Virginia Tech	10	10	6	21	—	47

VT (10:46 re 1st) — FG Warley 42
 VT (2:47 re 1st) — Jones 25 run (Warley kick)
 VT (13:21 re 2nd) — FG Warley 43
 VT (9:11 re 2nd) — Jones 15 run (Warley kick)
 VT (2:57 re 3rd) — Suggs 1 run (pass failed)
 VT (14:02 re 4th) — Suggs 1 run (Warley kick)
 MU (11:56 re 4th) — Watts 9 pass from Leftwich (Head kick)
 VT (5:38 re 4th) — Jones 1 run (Warley kick)
 MU (4:20 re 4th) — Marriott 18 pass from Leftwich (Head kick)
 MU (2:25 re 4th) — Bates 19 pass from Leftwich (Head kick)
 VT (1:28 re 4th) — Candelas 10 run (Warley kick)

Team Stats	MU	VT
First downs	25	28
Rushing yds.	16-34	66-395
Passing yds.	442	101
Return yds.	0	52
Passes	36-56-1	5-12-0
Punts-avg.	3-49	1-49
Fumbles-lost	3-2	1-0
Penalties-yds.	5-40	7-65
Time of poss.	25:53	34:07
Sacks by	1-8	2-14

Individual Leaders

Rushing — MU, Carey 6-17, Wallace 4-16, Hargrove 1-9, Watts 1-6, Leftwich 4-(-14); VT, Jones 24-171, Suggs 24-153, Randall 7-36, Easlick 4-18, Candelas 2-11, Spence 1-5, Humes 2-3, Team 2-(-2).
 Passing — MU, Leftwich 31-49-1-406; Hill 5-6-0-36, Team 0-1-0-0; VT, Randall 5-12-0-101.
 Receiving — MU, Jones 11-164, Watts 7-85, Davis 6-72, Marriott 6-60, Rader 3-30, Deifel 2-12, Bates 1-19; VT, Wilford 2-49, Witten 2-44, Easlick 1-8.



Kevin Jones (7) rushed for 171 yards and three touchdowns and the Tech defense held quarterback Byron Leftwich and the Herd out of the end zone for over three quarters to key the Hokies' convincing win over 16th-ranked Marshall.



A CLOSER LOOK

- Prior to the kickoff of the Marshall game, Tech head coach Frank Beamer's jersey was retired. Beamer, who is in his 16th season as the Hokies' head coach, was a three-year starter in the secondary for Tech from 1966-68. He is the winningest football coach in school history and is a member of the Tech Sports Hall of Fame. Beamer was the consensus Division I-A Coach of the Year in 1999 when he helped guide Tech to the national championship game.

- Tech running backs **Kevin Jones** (Chester, Pa.) and **Lee Suggs** (Roanoke, Va.) both rushed for over 150 yards in the Marshall game. Jones compiled 171 yards on 24 carries, while Suggs finished with 153 yards on 24 attempts. It marked just the second time in Tech history that two players had rushed for 150 or more yards in the same game. It was first done by tailbacks Maurice Williams (165) and Eddie Hunter (159) against William & Mary during the 1985 season. Jones and Suggs were just the third set of backs to accomplish the feat in BIG EAST history. Boston College backs Chuckie Dukes (162) and Dwight Shirley (160) did it against Michigan State in 1992. Two other BC backs, Omari Walker (185) and Mike Cloud (159), equalled the feat against Miami in 1997.

- Tech mounted its longest touchdown drive of the season against Marshall, going 90 yards in nine plays. Tech also had a season-high 15-play drive that took 8:02 off the clock, another season-best.

- Marshall's 442 yards passing were the most against the Hokies since 1993 when Boston College passed for 448 yards. It was the third-highest overall total ever against a Tech team. The Herd got 233 of their passing yards during the fourth quarter.

Game
Four

TEXAS A&M

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2002
Kyle Field • Att.: 83,746
College Station, Texas**Hokies end A&M's home streak with 13-3 win**

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Virginia Tech snapped Texas A&M's 29-game home winning streak against non-conference teams with a hard-fought 13-3 victory over the 19th-ranked Aggies. Tech became the first non-conference team to win at Kyle Field since Alabama in 1988.

Points and yards were hard to come by in a game that featured two of the nation's best defenses. But the Tech offense, under

the direction of sophomore quarterback Bryan Randall, did what it had to do to help secure the Hokies' third straight victory over a Top 20 team. Randall guided Tech on an eight-play, 86-yard touchdown drive early in the fourth quarter that put the Hokies in control. A 52-yard pass from Randall to end Ernest Wilford was the key play, setting up a 1-yard Lee Suggs touchdown run with 12:29 left.

Tech's defense assured the victory by limiting the Aggies' offense to just 58 total yards during its last five possessions. Overall, the Hokies allowed just 156 total yards in the game. Tech forced three turnovers and sacked A&M quarterbacks five times.

Randall, in his first road start, completed 10 of 11 passes for 119 yards and did not throw an interception.

**An aggressive
Tech defense held
Texas A&M to 38
yards rushing.**

**Ernest Wilford's 52-yard
gain on a Bryan Randall
pass (right) set up the
fourth-quarter touchdown
that iced Tech's big road
win at Kyle Field.**

Virginia Tech	0	3	3	7	—	13
Texas A&M	3	0	0	0	—	3

A&M (4:58 re 1st) — FG Pegram 43
VT (0:57 re 2nd) — FG Warley 22
VT (9:10 re 3rd) — FG Warley 26
VT (12:29 re 4th) — Suggs 1 run (Warley kick)

Team Stats	VT	A&M
First downs	13	10
Rushing yds.	48-129	28-38
Passing yds.	119	118
Return yds.	85	6
Passes	10-11-0	14-35-2
Punts-avg.	7-41	7-48
Fumbles-lost	2-1	2-1
Penalties-yds.	2-20	5-40
Time of poss.	32:57	27:03
Sacks by	5-32	4-24

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Suggs 13-51, Jones 15-48, Randall 17-14, Johnson 1-13, Easlick 2-3; A&M, Farmer 12-22, McNeal 6-5, Joseph 1-4, Weber 2-4, Long 4-2, Goynes 1-1, Flemming 2-0.

Passing — VT, Randall 10-11-0-119; A&M, Long 13-28-1-111; McNeal 1-6-1-7.

Receiving — VT, Parham 4-23, Wilford 2-63, Witten 2-21, Johnson 1-8, Humes 1-4; A&M, Taylor 5-56, Murphy 4-25, Thomas 2-19, Porter 2-10, Weber 1-8.

**A CLOSER LOOK**

- The crowd of 83,746 at Texas A&M's Kyle Field was the largest ever to see a Tech team play. The previous high was 80,500 fans at Clemson in 1988.

- Tech's win at Kyle Field gave the Aggies a rare home loss. It marked just the ninth time Texas A&M has lost to any team at home since the 1988 season.

- Tech's win against the No. 19 Aggies marked the Hokies' third win against a Top 20 team in as many games. The Hokies defeated No. 14 LSU and No. 16 Marshall earlier. That marks the first time in school history Tech has beaten three teams ranked among the top 20 teams in the Associated Press Poll in successive games. The Hokies posted three wins in a row against teams in the AP Top 25 during the 1996 season, downing No. 18 Miami, No. 23 West Virginia and No. 20 Virginia in consecutive games.

- When Texas A&M kicked a field goal in the first quarter, it marked the first points of the season against Tech in the first half of play. It also marked the first successful field goal of the season against the Hokies.

- **Willie Pile's** interception in the Texas A&M game was the 11th of his Tech career. The senior free safety from Alexandria, Va., is now tied for seventh on Tech's career interception list with Mike Johnson, Ashley Lee and William Yarborough.

- Defensive end **Nathaniel Adibi** (Hampton, Va.) posted three sacks against Texas A&M. Adibi is the second Tech player to register three sacks in a game this season. End **Jim Davis** (Highland Springs, Va.) had three against LSU.



Tech overcomes slow start to post 30-0 road win

KALAMAZOO, Mich. — A pair of touchdowns in the final two minutes of the first half helped propel No. 5 Virginia Tech to a 30-0 victory at Western Michigan University.

The Hokies led just 3-0 before scoring twice within a 20-second span of the second quarter. A 28-yard shovel pass from quarterback Bryan Randall to tailback Lee Suggs produced Tech's first touchdown with 1:41 remaining in the half. At the 1:21 mark, linebacker Alex Markogiannakis scooped up a WMU fumble and rambled 25 yards for another Tech touchdown to give the Hokies a 16-0 lead at the end of the half.

Tech's defense produced another stellar showing, allowing just 35 yards on the ground and 268 yards overall. Tech defenders forced three fumbles, posted five quarterback sacks and compiled 21 QB hurries.

Randall directed the Hokies on scoring drives of 84 and 77 yards in the second half. He completed 13 of 19 passes for 194 yards during the game and added 40 yards rushing.



Tech defenders Jonathan Lewis (56) and Mike Daniels (31) helped the Hokies post a shutout at Western Michigan.

Virginia Tech	0	16	7	7	—	30
Western Michigan	0	0	0	0	—	0

VT (14:18 re 2nd) — FG Mollerup 37
 VT (1:41 re 2nd) — Suggs 28 pass from Randall (kick failed)
 VT (1:21 re 2nd) — Markogiannakis 25 fumble return (Mollerup kick)
 VT (8:52 re 3rd) — Suggs 5 run (Warley kick)
 VT (11:28 re 4th) — Jones 2 run (Warley kick)

Team Stats	VT	WMU
First downs	19	12
Rushing yds.	39-128	27-37
Passing yds.	212	233
Return yds.	58	6
Passes	14-25-2	24-44-0
Punts-avg.	6-44	8-37
Fumbles-lost	2-0	3-3
Penalties-yds.	4-30	9-74
Time of poss.	29:53	30:07
Sacks by	5-30	1-4

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Suggs 13-48, Randall 8-40, Jones 14-36, Humes 1-3, Imoh 1-3, Team 2-(-2); WMU, Reed 15-31, Riley 3-18, Munson 1-(-3), Drach 8-(-11).

Passing — VT, Randall 13-19-2-194, Noel 1-6-0-18; WMU, Drach 22-39-0-210, Munson 2-4-0-23, Thomas 0-1-0-0.

Receiving — VT, Wilford 2-38, Willis 2-27, Johnson 2-26, Parham 2-20, Easlick 2-(-2), Witten 1-34, Suggs 1-28, Hamilton 1-23, Spence 1-18; WMU, Mosley 7-66, Afariogun 4-31, Chestnut 3-54, Lewis 3-15, Thomas 2-12, Walker 1-26, Johnson 1-12, Reed 1-6, Jennings 1-6, Kiner 1-5.

A CLOSER LOOK

- Virginia Tech split end **Terrell Parham** (Bartow, Fla.), linebacker **Alex Markogiannakis** (Chantilly, Va.) and flanker **Richard Johnson** (Baltimore, Md.) all made their first collegiate starts against Western Michigan.

- When quarterback **Bryan Randall** (Williamsburg, Va.) threw an interception in the first quarter against WMU, it marked the first Tech pass that had been intercepted during the 2002 season.

- **Jon Mollerup** (Lyndhurst, Va.) attempted his first varsity field goal and extra point during Tech's win at Western Michigan. Mollerup, who handles the Hokies' kickoffs, was pressed into duty in the first half when starter **Carter Warley** (Richmond, Va.) complained of back pains. Mollerup hit a 37-yard field goal for Tech's first points and made one of two extra point attempts. He missed on a 42-yard field goal try. Warley returned to kick two extra points in the second half.

- Senior **Alex Markogiannakis** (Chantilly, Va.) became the 38th different Virginia Tech player to score a defensive touchdown since Frank Beamer took over as the head coach in 1987. Markogiannakis picked up a WMU fumble and returned it 25 yards for his first career touchdown. It was the 47th touchdown scored by the defense under Beamer.

- When the Hokies and Broncos played a scoreless first quarter, it marked the first scoreless opening quarter in a Tech game since a 1999 game against West Virginia in Morgantown.

- Tech was the highest ranked team (No. 5) to ever play a football game at a Mid-American Conference stadium.

Senior Alex Markogiannakis turned in a key touchdown on a fumble return.



Game
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BOSTON COLLEGE

Thursday, Oct. 10, 2002
Alumni Stadium • Att.: 42,826
Chestnut Hill, Mass.**Tech opens BIG EAST play with 28-23 win at BC**

CHESTNUT HILL, Mass. — Virginia Tech used a ball-control offense that ground out 334 yards rushing to open its BIG EAST Conference schedule with a 28-23 victory over Boston College in a Thursday night ESPN game at Alumni Stadium.

Tech put together four long touchdown drives and consumed 37:50 on the clock with an offensive attack that stuck to the ground on 61 of its 68 plays. The Hokies drove 81 and 75 yards for touchdowns in the first half on the way to a 14-7 advantage at the intermission.

Kevin Jones broke a 14-14 tie when he capped a 74-yard Tech drive late in the third quarter with a 4-yard TD run. Lee Suggs put the finishing touches on another 75-yard drive and the win with a 27-yard scoring run with 5:41 left. Quarterback Bryan Randall joined his tailbacks in making key plays as Tech finished with 420 yards of total offense. Randall tossed a 44-yard TD pass to Ernest Wilford and made several key scrambles for first downs.

Tech's defense contributed four sacks, three interceptions and a fumble recovery while holding BC to 83 yards on the ground

and 315 yards overall. The Hokies also benefited from a pair of costly personal foul penalties by the Eagles.

Virginia Tech	7	7	7	7	—	28
Boston College	0	7	7	9	—	23

VT (10:43 re 1st) — Wilford 44 pass from Randall (Schmitt kick)
VT (12:12 re 2nd) — Suggs 1 run (Schmitt kick)
BC (1:03 re 2nd) — Burke 83 punt return (Sciortino kick)
BC (6:39 re 3rd) — Knight 5 run (Sciortino kick)
VT (0:42 re 3rd) — Jones 4 run (Schmitt kick)
BC (10:35 re 4th) — FG Sciortino 49
VT (5:41 re 4th) — Suggs 27 run (Schmitt kick)
BC (0:49 re 4th) — St. Pierre 1 run (pass failed)

Team Stats	VT	BC
First downs	21	15
Rushing yds.	61-334	26-83
Passing yds.	86	232
Return yds.	55	105
Passes	4-7-0	16-30-3
Punts-avg.	5-37	2-39
Fumbles-lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-yds.	15-96	5-40
Time of poss.	37:50	22:10
Sacks by	4-30	4-21

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Suggs 26-154, Jones 18-144, Randall 15-37, Team 1-(-1). BC, Knight 15-94, Dodd 1-6, St. Pierre 10-17.

Passing — VT, Randall 4-7-0-86; BC, St. Pierre 16-30-3-232.

Receiving — VT, Wilford 2-71, Witten 1-8, Johnson 1-7; BC, Adams 5-75, Knight 5-63, Burke 2-56, Hemmings 1-17, Daniels 1-9, Hazard 1-9, Ryan 1-3.

A CLOSER LOOK

• Both **Lee Suggs** (Roanoke, Va.) and **Kevin Jones** (Chester, Pa.) rushed for over 100 yards in the Boston College game. Suggs ran for 154 yards on 26 carries, while Jones posted 144 yards on 18 attempts. That marks the second time this season that Suggs and Jones have both produced over 100-yards on the ground in the same game. The last time Tech had the same two players both rush for 100 yards or more in the same game twice in a season was 1986. That year, tailbacks Maurice Williams and Eddie Hunter accomplished the feat three times, both rushing for over 100 yards in games against Syracuse, Virginia and Richmond. During their Tech careers, Williams and Hunter both gained over 100 yards on the ground in the same game a record four times. They also stand as the only Tech players ever to rush for 100 or more yards in the same bowl game (1986 Peach Bowl). The only other Tech twosome since 1950 to accomplish the feat more than once in the same season was Phil Rogers and James Barber in 1973. Rogers and Barber both ran for over 100 yards in games against Virginia and Florida State.

• Virginia Tech's 15 penalties against Boston College were the most during Frank Beamer's 15-plus seasons as head coach. The previous high was 14 against South Carolina in 1988 and Miami in 1993.

• **Willie Pile** (Alexandria, Va.) posted his second interception of the season and the 12th of his career during the Hokies' win at Boston College. His pick against the Eagles moves him into a tie for fifth place on both the Tech and BIG EAST career lists for interceptions. Pile is tied with John Granby and Mike Widger on the Tech list. He shares the fifth spot on the BIG EAST list with former Syracuse player, Donovan Darius.

Willie Pile's interception in the end zone ended a Boston College drive and helped preserve Tech's Thursday night road win in Chestnut Hill.



Homecoming features 35-14 win over Rutgers

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Virginia Tech scored 21 unanswered points in the first quarter to pave the way for a 35-14 Homecoming victory against Rutgers.



Once again, the running of tailbacks Lee Suggs and Kevin Jones highlighted the day for the Hokies, who finished with 342 yards on the ground and 492 yards overall. Suggs led the way with 197 yards and a pair of touchdown runs, while Jones added 132 yards, including a highlight-reel, 58-yard TD scamper. Quarterback Bryan Randall was efficient through the air, completing 11 of 15 passes for 131 yards and a touchdown.

Tech's defense kept the pressure on the Scarlet Knights, registering eight quarterback sacks and two interceptions, while limiting the visitors to minus-seven yards rushing. Rutgers still managed to stay within striking distance until DeAngelo Hall weaved his way 51 yards for a touchdown on a punt return with just under five minutes remaining in the game.

Kevin Lewis jars the ball loose from Rutgers quarterback Ryan Cubit. Linebacker Mikal Baaqee (below) and his defensive teammates held Rutgers to minus-seven yards rushing.

Rutgers	0	7	7	0	—	14
Virginia Tech	21	7	0	7	—	35

VT (6:35 re 1st) — Suggs 3 run (Schmitt kick)
VT (3:12 re 1st) — Wilford 16 pass from Randall (Schmitt kick)
VT (0:41 re 1st) — Suggs 42 run (Schmitt kick)
RU (8:34 re 2nd) — Martin 12 pass from Cubit (Sands kick)
VT (2:29 re 2nd) — Jones 58 run (Schmitt kick)
RU (11:42 re 3rd) — Facyson 31 pass from Cubit (Sands kick)
VT (4:57 re 4th) — Hall 51 punt return (Schmitt kick)

Team Stats	RU	VT
First downs	11	26
Rushing yds.	25-(-7)	50-342
Passing yds.	222	150
Return yds.	10	83
Passes	17-34-2	12-16-1
Punts-avg.	7-45	2-32
Fumbles-lost	1-0	6-2
Penalties-yds.	11-100	7-61
Time of poss.	28:05	31:55
Sacks by	4-27	8-75

Individual Leaders

Rushing — RU, Pittman 7-27, Facyson 5-19, Carty 1-12, Cubit 12-(-65); VT, Suggs 21-197, Jones 13-132, Imoh 5-13, Johnson 1-0, Randall 10-0.

Passing — RU, Cubit 17-32-2-222, Facyson 0-1-0-0, Barnes 0-1-0-0; VT, Randall 11-15-1-131, Noel 1-1-0-19.

Receiving — RU, Hobbs 5-89, Martin 4-30, Tucker 3-15, Facyson 2-48, Andre 1-35, Loomis 1-3, Pilch 1-2; VT, Wilford 7-99, Witten 2-16, Mazzetta 1-19, Hamilton 1-10, Parham 1-6.

A CLOSER LOOK

- Virginia Tech held Rutgers to minus-seven yards rushing. The last time the Hokies held a team to negative yards rushing was against Temple during the 2000 season. Tech limited the Owls to minus-15 yards in that game.
- Rutgers became the first team during the 2002 season to score points off of a Virginia Tech turnover. The Scarlet Knights did it twice, setting up their first touchdown with an interception and getting their second TD following a Tech fumble.
- Both **Lee Suggs** (Roanoke, Va.) and **Kevin Jones** (Chester, Pa.) went over the 100-yard mark in rushing for the second game in a row. Suggs ran for a career-high 197 yards on 21 carries and Jones added 132 yards on 13 carries.
- **Ernest Wilford** (Richmond, Va.) posted career-bests at the time for pass receptions and receiving yards during the Rutgers game. The redshirt junior caught seven passes for 99 yards and one touchdown.
- Tech registered a season-high eight sacks against the Scarlet Knights for losses totaling 75 yards. The Hokies' sack total was the highest since posting nine in a 1999 game at Pittsburgh. The sack yardage in the Rutgers' game was the most for Tech during Coach Frank Beamer's 15-plus seasons. The previous high under Beamer was minus-70 yards on seven sacks against Boston College during the 1996 season.
- Freshman **Jimmy F. Williams** (Hampton, Va.) recorded his first career interception against RU.
- The Rutgers game marked the first time since Sept. 11, 1999 (versus UAB) that a Tech home game was not televised.



Tech overcomes turnovers to beat Temple 20-10

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Despite a sub-par offensive performance that included four turnovers, Virginia Tech remained undefeated with a 20-10 BIG EAST victory against Temple at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

The Hokies drove for a touchdown on their first possession of the game, but had trouble maintaining consistency on offense during the remainder of the contest. Tech had possessions ended by fumbles twice and tossed a pair of interceptions. Two of

those turnovers came on the Tech side of the field, while one of the interceptions was returned to the Hokies' 26-yard line. A 32-yard touchdown catch by fullback Doug Easlick on the final play of the third quarter and two Nic Schmitt field goals proved just enough of an edge for Tech.

Once again, the Hokies' defense helped save the day, limiting the Owls to just 39 yards on the ground and intercepting three passes. Redshirt sophomore Vincent Fuller

picked off passes at the Tech 8-yard line and in the end zone to stop a pair of Temple scoring threats. The Owls converted on just 3 of 12 third-down conversions against the Hokies and finished with 269 total yards.

Temple	0	0	3	7	—	10
Virginia Tech	7	3	7	3	—	20

VT (9:16 re 1st) — Suggs 4 run (Schmitt kick)
VT (0:02 re 2nd) — FG Schmitt 21
TU (8:51 re 3rd) — FG Poklemba 36
VT (00:00 re 3rd) — Easlick 32 pass from Randall (Schmitt kick)
VT (10:05 re 4th) — FG Schmitt 22
TU (1:48 re 4th) — Szarka 13 pass from McGann (Poklemba kick)

Team Stats	TU	VT
First downs	12	20
Rushing yds.	25-39	54-199
Passing yds.	230	146
Return yds.	23	22
Passes	17-32-3	13-20-2
Punts-avg.	5-32	2-45
Fumbles-lost	2-0	2-2
Penalties-yds.	9-65	4-30
Time of poss.	23:45	36:15
Sacks by	0-0	2-10

Individual Leaders

Rushing — TU, Sharps 17-38, McGann 6-16, Team 1(-5), Ringwelski 1(-10); VT, Jones 17-72, Suggs 19-47, Randall 9-47, Easlick 4-16, Humes 3-10, Johnson 1-9, Team 1(-2).
Passing — TU, McGann 17-32-3-230; VT, Randall 13-20-2-146.
Receiving — TU, Dillard 4-98, Cobb 4-40, Szarka 3-43, Fenton 2-22, Sharps 2-15, Stubbs 2-12; VT, Johnson 4-40, Easlick 3-38, Wilford 2-11, Suggs 1-30, Hamilton 1-11, Witten 1-10, Humes 1-6.

A CLOSER LOOK

- Virginia Tech's win against Temple gave the Hokies their eighth straight win. It marks just the third time in school history that Tech has opened a season 8-0. The Hokies also won their first eight games in 1999 and 2000.

- Fullback **Doug Easlick's** 32-yard touchdown catch at the end of the third quarter was the longest pass reception of his Tech career.

- Tailback **Lee Suggs** (Roanoke, Va.) hauled in a 30-yard pass during the Temple game, the longest catch of his Tech career. The catch was also the longest for a Tech tailback since 1997 when Lamont Pegues caught a 47-yard pass against Virginia.

- **Richard Johnson** (Baltimore, Md.) posted career-bests for pass receptions and receiving yards during the Temple game. The redshirt sophomore flanker caught four passes for 40 yards against the Owls.

- **Vincent Fuller** (Baltimore, Md.) intercepted two passes in the red zone to help the Hokies defeat Temple. It marked the third straight game in which Fuller has had at least one pass interception. The redshirt sophomore had one pick at the Owls' 8-yard line and another in the end zone.

- True freshman kicker **Nic Schmitt** (Salem, Va.) connected on a 21-yard field goal in the first half of the Temple game. It was his first successful field goal as a Hokie. He also had a 22-yarder in the fourth quarter.

- Redshirt freshman **James Anderson** (Chesapeake, Va.) made his first collegiate start and posted 11 tackles and a quarterback hurry. He was starting in place of injured linebacker **Vegas Robinson**.

Fullback Doug Easlick had a 32-yard touchdown reception to help the Hokies get past Temple.



Pittsburgh rallies to hand Tech first loss, 28-21

BLACKSBURG, Va. — The University of Pittsburgh scored 21 unanswered points in the second half to knock No. 3 Virginia Tech from the ranks of the unbeaten with a 28-21 win at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field. It was the Panthers' first-ever win in Blacksburg.

Pittsburgh engineered the win by controlling the line of scrimmage on both sides of the ball. The Panthers rolled up 483 yards of offense in the game, including 301 yards in the second half. Their total included 275 yards on the ground against a Tech defense that entered the game ranked No. 1 nationally in rushing defense

with an average of 40.8 yards allowed per game.

Tech enjoyed a 14-0 lead early in the first quarter and led 21-7 after a 59-yard touchdown run by tailback Lee Suggs less than two minutes into the second half. The Panthers turned the game around with a pair of quick TD passes in the third quarter and took the lead on a 53-yard touchdown run by Brandon Miree with just over four minutes remaining in the game.

The Tech offense mounted just one threat after Suggs' third-quarter touchdown run, moving to the Pittsburgh 25 before missing a field goal attempt.

Pittsburgh	7	0	14	7	—	28
Virginia Tech	14	0	7	0	—	21

VT (7:07 re 1st) — Jones 3 run (Schmitt kick)
VT (4:38 re 1st) — Suggs 1 run (Schmitt kick)
P (3:06 re 1st) — Fitzgerald 31 pass from Rutherford (Abdul kick)
VT (13:52 re 3rd) — Suggs 59 run (Schmitt kick)
P (10:39 re 3rd) — Fitzgerald 14 pass from Rutherford (Abdul kick)
P (7:09 re 3rd) — Fitzgerald 10 pass from Rutherford (Abdul kick)
P (4:11 re 4th) — Miree 53 run (Abdul kick)

Team Stats	P	VT
First downs	22	15
Rushing yds.	44-275	45-130
Passing yds.	208	145
Return yds.	50	98
Passes	11-26-2	12-22-1
Punts-avg.	6-33	7-44
Fumbles-lost	3-1	4-2
Penalties-yds.	7-68	6-60
Time of poss.	28:54	31:06
Sacks by	7-33	2-11

Individual Leaders

Rushing — P, Miree 23-161, Murphy 2-58, Rutherford 15-56, Polite 2-0, Team 2-0; VT, Suggs 25-128, Jones 2-4, Easlick 2-2, Randall 16-(-4).

Passing — P, Rutherford 11-26-2-208; VT, Randall 12-22-1-145.

Receiving — P, Fitzgerald 5-105, Wilson 4-85, Slade 1-11, Miree 1-7; VT, Wilford 6-80, Witten 3-29, Humes 1-15, Parham 1-13, Suggs 1-8.

A CLOSER LOOK

• Virginia Tech's 28-21 loss to Pittsburgh marked just the seventh BIG EAST loss for Tech at home since the football league formed in 1991. The Hokies are now 0-3 against the Panthers in the month of November and 7-0 in September and October.

• Pittsburgh's 483 yards of total offense were the most against Tech since the 1997 season when Virginia posted 502 yards in a 34-20 win. The Panthers' 275 yards rushing were the most against the Hokies since the 1996 Orange Bowl when Nebraska ran for 279 yards.

• Tailback **Lee Suggs** (Roanoke, Va.) turned in the longest run from scrimmage of his Tech career, when he scampered 59 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter. Suggs finished the game with 128 yards on the ground, moving him by Shyrone Stith and Vaughn Hebron for eighth place in career rushing at Tech.

• Senior free safety **Willie Pile** (Alexandria, Va.) registered his 13th career pass interception during the Pittsburgh game. The pick moved Pile into a tie with Ron Davidson and Lenny Smith for third place in career interceptions at Tech.

• **Nathaniel Adibi** (Hampton, Va.) blocked a punt in the first quarter against Pittsburgh. It was the first block of Adibi's career and Tech's 10th block during its series against the Panthers. Tech has blocked more kicks against Pittsburgh during Frank Beamer's tenure as head coach than against any other team.

• Pittsburgh's Brandon Miree rushed for 161 yards in the Panthers' win at Tech. Miree's rushing total was the highest against Tech since Boston College's Mike Cloud ran for 186 yards against the Hokies in 1998.



Nathaniel Adibi blocks a punt against the Panthers.

Tech loses 50-42 at the Carrier Dome in 3 OTs

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Damien Rhodes ran for a touchdown and a two-point conversion in the third overtime period to give homestanding Syracuse a wild 50-42 triple-overtime victory over No. 8 Virginia Tech at the Carrier Dome. It was the Hokies' sixth loss in their eight trips to the Dome.

Tech, which got record-setting performances from quarterback Bryan Randall and receiver Ernest Wilford, gave up over 600 yards of offense but still had a number of opportunities to win the game. The Hokies missed field goals at the end of

regulation play and at the end of the first overtime period. SU kept its hopes alive with a fourth-down TD pass in the second overtime, then scored and intercepted a Tech pass in the third extra period to end the four-hour game.



Keith Willis' 87-yard reception at Syracuse was the longest-ever for a Tech tight end. Bryan Randall (below) passed for a BIG EAST-record 504 yards and five touchdowns in the Carrier Dome.

A CLOSER LOOK

- Virginia Tech's 50-42 triple-overtime loss at Syracuse was the second overtime game in Tech football history. Tech won a 27-20 single-overtime game at Miami in 1998.

- **Ernest Wilford** (Richmond, Va.) set Virginia Tech and BIG EAST Conference records for receiving yardage in a game with 279 against SU. Wilford's four touchdown catches also set a Tech mark and tied the conference record. Ricky Scales held the previous Tech record for yardage with 213 against Wake Forest in 1972. Scales and Antonio Freeman shared the old touchdown mark with three. Dietrich Jells of Pittsburgh held the old BIG EAST yardage record with 225 against WVU in 1994. SU receiver David Tyree also surpassed the old mark with 229 yards during the win over Tech. Wilford is tied with Billy Davis of Pittsburgh and Chris Brantley of Rutgers for TD catches in a game.

- Quarterback **Bryan Randall** (Williamsburg, Va.) set a BIG EAST record for passing yards in a single game with 504 versus Syracuse. The old conference mark was 485 yards by Miami's Gino Torretta against San Diego State in 1991. Randall's total ranks second at Tech behind Don Strock's 527 yards passing against Houston in 1972. Randall's five passing touchdowns set a new Tech mark for an individual. The old mark of four was set by Strock and equalled by Maurice DeShazo (twice), Michael Vick and Grant Noel. The five TD passes against SU tie a Tech team record. The Hokies had five passing touchdowns against Temple in 1993 — four by DeShazo and one by Jim Druckenmiller.

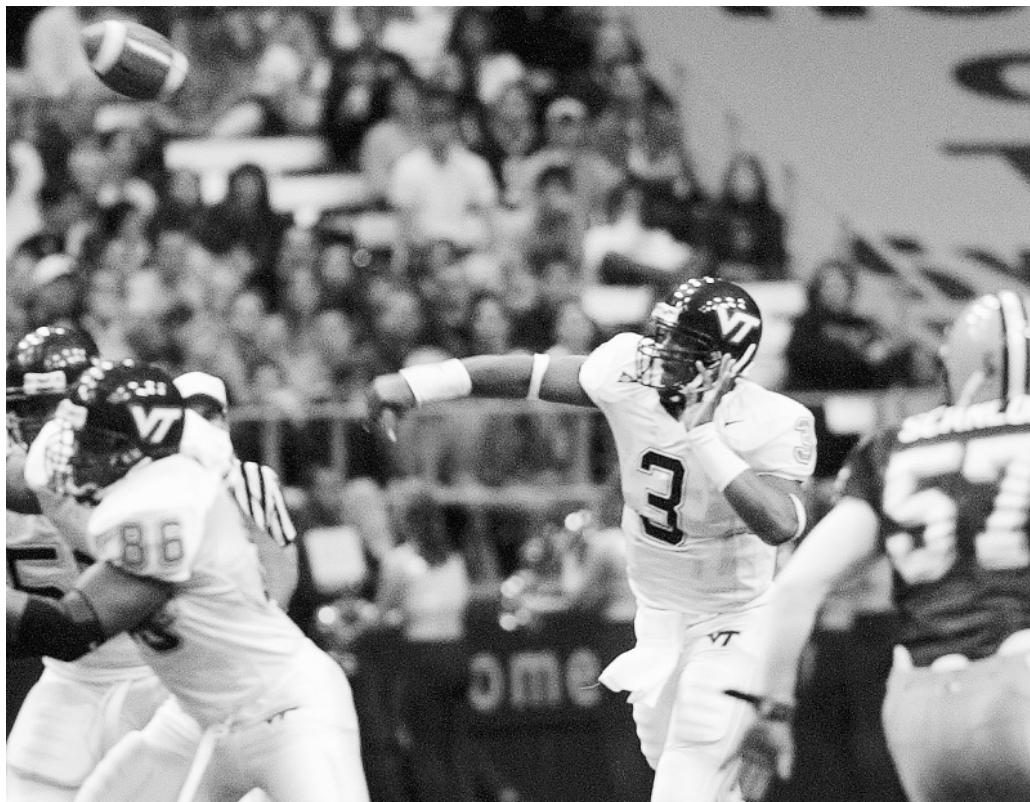
- **Garnell Wilds** (Tampa, Fla.) tied a Tech and BIG EAST record with three interceptions against the Orangemen.

Virginia Tech	14	0	7	14	7	—	42
Syracuse	3	9	10	13	15	—	50

SU (9:25 re 1st) — FG Barber 30
 VT (5:41 re 1st) — Suggs 15 pass from Randall (Warley kick)
 VT (3:29 re 1st) — Wilford 75 pass from Randall (Warley kick)
 SU (14:07 re 2nd) — FG Barber 26
 SU (6:26 re 2nd) — Reyes 1 run (run failed)
 SU (8:42 re 3rd) — FG Barber 38
 VT (7:55 re 3rd) — Wilford 34 pass from Randall (Warley kick)
 SU (4:47 re 3rd) — Reyes 9 run (Barber kick)
 SU (13:38 re 4th) — Reyes 9 run (kick failed)
 VT (7:40 re 4th) — Wilford 87 pass from Randall (Warley kick)
 VT (4:45 re 4th) — Wilford 6 pass from Randall (Warley kick)
 SU (4:27 re 4th) — Rhodes 3 run (Shafer kick)
 VT (2nd OT) — Randall 1 run (Warley kick)
 SU (2nd OT) — Donnelly 6 pass from Nunes (Shafer kick)
 SU (3rd OT) — Rhodes 25 run (Rhodes run)

Team Stats	VT	SU
First downs	18	29
Rushing yds.	25-55	60-201
Passing yds.	504	403
Return yds.	-2	65
Passes	23-35-3	24-40-3
Punts-avg.	6-34	5-39
Fumbles-lost	2-2	2-0
Penalties-yds.	6-45	9-93
Time of poss.	22:44	37:16
Sacks by	6-54	2-15

Individual Leaders
 Rushing — VT, Suggs 19-65, Team 1(-1), Randall 5(-9); SU, Reyes 21-118, Rhodes 17-67, Belton 4-20, Davis 5-13, Team 1(-1), Nunes 12(-16).
 Passing — VT, Randall 23-35-3-504; SU, Nunes 24-40-3-403.
 Receiving — VT, Wilford 8-279, Parham 5-48, Willis 2-113, Suggs 2-24, Easlick 2-19, Witten 2-11, Johnson 2-10; SU, Tyree 9-229, Riddle 8-65, Reyes 2-40, Donnelly 2-32, Rhodes 2-21, Morant 1-16.



Game
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WEST VIRGINIA

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2002
Lane Stadium/Worsham Field
Blacksburg, Va. • Att.: 62,723**WVU holds off Hokies for 21-18 BIG EAST win**

BLACKSBURG, Va. — West Virginia used a goal-line stand and a pass interception in the end zone to hold off No. 13 Virginia Tech for a 21-18 Wednesday night victory at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

The Mountaineers snapped a four-game losing streak against Tech with some big plays on both offense and defense. A 42-yard touchdown run by Quincy Wilson put WVU on top 21-10 late in the third

quarter. After cutting West Virginia's advantage to 21-16, Tech marched to the Mountaineer's 1-yard line during the waning minutes of the fourth quarter.

The WVU defense held its ground on three-straight running plays to preserve the lead. With 2:30 remaining, the Mountaineers took a safety rather than punt from their own end zone. Tech got one last chance from mid-field following a free kick. The Hokies moved all the way to the West

Virginia 11 before Brian King picked off a Randall pass in the end zone with 12 seconds on the clock.

Randall finished with 293 yards of total offense, including 125 yards rushing.

West Virginia	7	7	7	0	—	21
Virginia Tech	7	3	6	2	—	18

VT (4:57 re 1st) — Suggs 28 run (Warley kick)
WVU (2:45 re 1st) — Cobourne 9 run (James kick)
WVU (14:21 re 2nd) — Marshall 7 run (James kick)
VT (6:49 re 2nd) — FG Warley 34
WVU (4:09 re 3rd) — Wilson 42 run (James kick)
VT (1:29 re 3rd) — Willis 6 pass from Randall (pass failed)
VT (2:30 re 4th) — Team safety

Team Stats	WVU	VT
First downs	20	23
Rushing yds.	46-263	44-243
Passing yds.	124	168
Return yds.	9	52
Passes	13-20-1	18-31-1
Punts-avg.	5-27	4-36
Fumbles-lost	2-0	1-1
Penalties-yds.	9-75	6-75
Time of poss.	28:05	31:55
Sacks by	2-7	0-0

Individual Leaders

Rushing — WVU, Wilson 11-125, Cobourne 19-80, Marshall 12-43, Garvin 2-22, Fazzolari 1-(-3), Team 1-(-4); VT, Randall 18-125, Suggs 15-71, Jones 9-36, Easlick 2-11.
Passing — WVU, Marshall 13-20-1-124; VT, Randall 18-30-1-168, Team 0-1-0-0.
Receiving — WVU, D. Smith 4-93, Cobourne 3-12, Wilson 3-12, Page 1-5, Neal 1-5, Marshall 1-(-3); VT, Wilford 5-58, Witten 3-45, Suggs 3-22, Easlick 2-17, Johnson 2-6, Shreve 1-7, Humes 1-7, Willis 1-6.

A CLOSER LOOK

- West Virginia handed Virginia Tech its third-straight loss, marking the first time since 1997 that the Hokies have lost three consecutive games in a season and the first time since 1992 that Tech has lost three straight regular-season games. The win was the first in the series for WVU since 1997 and the first in Blacksburg for the Mountaineers since the 1992 season.

- Quarterback **Bryan Randall** (Williamsburg, Va.) ran for 125 yards against WVU. The last time a Virginia Tech quarterback ran for 100 or more yards in a game was on Sept. 28, 2000 when Michael Vick ran for 210 yards at Boston College. Randall also had 168 yards passing for a total of 293 yards of offense.

- Redshirt freshman linebacker **Blake Warren** (Clifton, Va.) posted his first collegiate interception in the third quarter of the Tech-WVU game.

- The West Virginia game marked the first time this season that the Hokies trailed at the half. WVU led 14-10 after two quarters.

- **Ernest Wilford** (Richmond, Va.) registered his first blocked punt during the second quarter of the West Virginia game. It was the sixth blocked kick of the season for Tech.

- **Lee Suggs** (Roanoke, Va.) took over Tech's kickoff return duties in the West Virginia game. Suggs, whose last kickoff return came against Miami during the 2000 season, had three returns for 77 yards against the Mountaineers.

- The WVU game marked the 67th time since the start of the 1993 season that Tech has rushed for 200 yards or more. The loss was just the Hokies' fourth in those 67 contests.

A first-quarter touchdown run gave tailback Lee Suggs a new NCAA Division I-A record for consecutive games with a touchdown, breaking the old mark of 23 straight games set in 1970.



Game
Twelve

VIRGINIA

Saturday, Nov. 30, 2002
Lane Stadium/Worsham Field
Blacksburg, Va. • Att.: 65,097**Tech gets back on track with 21-9 win over UVa**

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Virginia Tech relied on its running game and special teams to snap a three-game losing streak with a 21-9 win against in-state rival Virginia before a record-setting crowd at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

On a cold, blustery afternoon, the Hokies scored 14 second-quarter points to gain the upper hand, then put the game out of reach on Lee Suggs' second touchdown run of the day with 5:08 left to play. Suggs led a rushing attack that produced 272 yards, including 178 in the second half. The senior tailback gained 108 yards on 19 carries, while sophomore Kevin Jones added 91 yards on 15 carries.

Virginia capitalized on an interception to set up a first-quarter field goal and a fumble deep in Tech territory to set up a 15-yard TD pass in the third period. The Cavaliers managed a total of just 203 yards of offense for the game, including just 76 yards in the second half.

Tech's special teams put the Hokies ahead to stay when Justin Hamilton blocked a Virginia punt in the second

quarter and Darryl Tapp returned it 11 yards for a touchdown. Suggs capped a 61-yard Tech drive with 6:56 showing in the quarter to give the Hokies a 14-3 halftime lead.



Darryl Tapp returns a blocked punt for a touchdown against Virginia.

Virginia	3	0	6	0	—	9
Virginia Tech	0	14	0	7	—	21

UVa (10:20 re 1st) — FG Hughes 20

VT (13:30 re 2nd) — Tapp 11 blocked punt return (Warley kick)

VT (6:56 re 2nd) — Suggs 4 run (Warley kick)

UVa (10:09 re 3rd) — H. Miller 15 pass from Schaub (kick failed)

VT (5:08 re 4th) — Suggs 6 run (Warley kick)

Team Stats	UVa	VT
First downs	11	17
Rushing yds.	37-152	50-272
Passing yds.	51	85
Return yds.	35	84
Passes	13-24-1	5-11-1
Punts-avg.	7-29	5-28
Fumbles-lost	5-0	2-2
Penalties-yds.	4-25	5-35
Time of poss.	28:56	31:04
Sacks by	1-5	3-8

Individual Leaders

Rushing — UVa, Lundy 29-127, McMullen 1-19, Snelling 2-12, Schaub, 5(-6); VT, Suggs 19-108, Jones 15-91, Randall 14-67, Easlick 1-7, Team 1(-1).

Passing — UVa, Schaub 12-23-1-43, Hagan 1-1-8; VT, Randall 5-11-1-85.

Receiving — UVa, McMullen 4-14, Lundy 4-10, Miller 2-15, Newby 1-8, Hagan 1-4, Snelling 1-0; VT, Wilford 2-33, Johnson 1-39, Suggs 1-9, Easlick 1-4.

A CLOSER LOOK

- Virginia Tech's 21-9 victory against Virginia gave the Hokies their fourth straight win over their in-state rivals. The last time either team won four straight in the series was from 1980-83 when the Tech took four consecutive meetings.

- The crowd of 65,097 was the largest ever to watch a football game in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The previous record was set earlier in the season when Tech had turnouts of 65,049 for its games with both LSU and Marshall.

- The 30 combined points by the two teams was the lowest total in the series since 1988 when Virginia won by a score of 16-10 in Blacksburg.

- A pair of freshmen made their first collegiate starts at defensive tackle for Tech in the Virginia game. Redshirt freshman **Tim Sandidge** (Madison Heights, Va.) and true freshman **Jonathan Lewis** (Richmond, Va.) moved into the lineup after 11-game starters **Jason Lallis** (Mitchellville, Md.) and **Kevin Lewis** both suffered season-ending injuries in the West Virginia game. Sandidge and Jonathan Lewis each posted six tackles against the Cavaliers.

- **Justin Hamilton**, a red-shirt freshman from Clintwood, Va., posted his second blocked punt of the season during the Virginia game. Hamilton's block against UVa was picked up by true freshman **Darryl Tapp** (Chesapeake, Va.) and returned for a touchdown. It was Tapp's first collegiate TD.

- **Cols Colas** (Plantation, Fla.) had three sacks against UVa. He became the third Tech defensive end to post three sacks in a game during the 2002 season. **Jim Davis** had three versus LSU, while **Nathaniel Adibi** had three at Texas A&M.

Cols Colas posted three sacks against Virginia as the Tech defense held the Wahos to 203 yards of total offense.

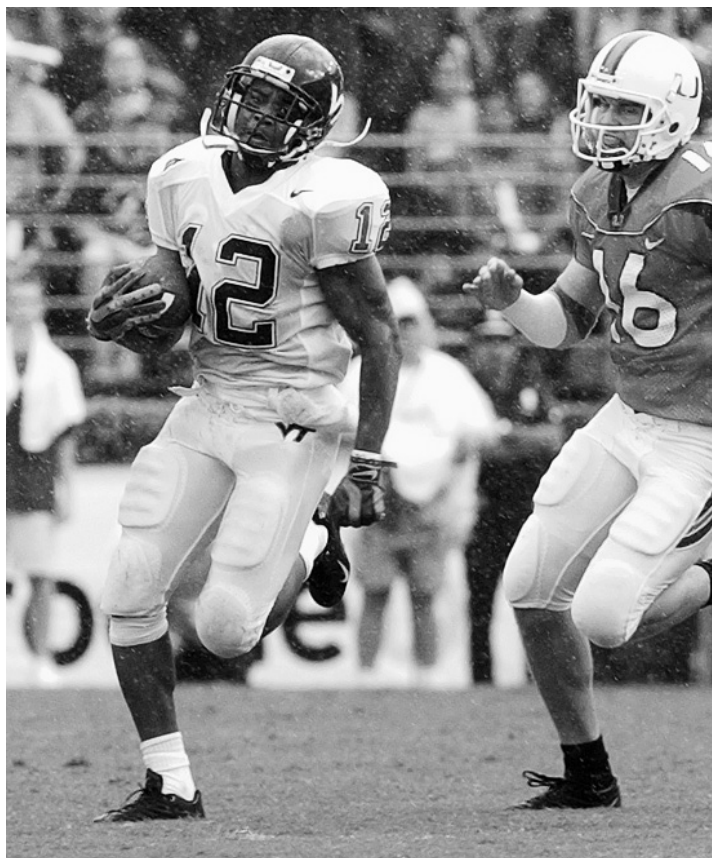
No. 1 Miami wins 56-45 shootout over Hokies

MIAMI, Fla. — Running back Willis McGahee scored six touchdowns as top-ranked Miami earned a spot in the Fiesta Bowl with a 56-46 win over No. 18 Virginia Tech at the Orange Bowl.

The defending national champions got off to a fast start with two quick touchdowns and led 35-21 at the half. Miami extended its lead to 49-21 less than five minutes into the third quarter, but found it hard to shake the never-say-die Hokies. Tech reeled off 16 straight points to narrow the gap to 12 points heading into the fourth quarter, but could never overcome the Hurricanes' and three lost fumbles that were turned into touchdowns.

McGahee finished the game with 205 yards rushing for the 'Canes, while quarterback Ken Dorsey passed for 300 yards. Tech quarterback Bryan Randall rushed for

132 yards and passed for 165. Richard Johnson set up a Tech touchdown with a 91-yard kickoff return, while DeAngelo Hall had a 71-yard punt return that led to a Tech field goal.



Virginia Tech	0	21	16	8	—	45
Miami	14	21	14	7	—	56

UM (11:13 re 1st) — McGahee 1 run (Sievers kick)
UM (8:56 re 1st) — Johnson 49 pass from Dorsey (Sievers kick)
VT (13:50 re 2nd) — Suggs 1 run (Warley kick)
UM (9:27 re 2nd) — McGahee 4 run (Sievers kick)
UM (6:19 re 2nd) — McGahee 3 run (Sievers kick)
VT (5:15 re 2nd) — Witten 4 pass from Randall (Warley kick)
UM (3:16 re 2nd) — McGahee 10 run (Sievers kick)
VT (0:24 re 2nd) — Wilford 7 pass from Noel (Warley kick)
UM (12:58 re 3rd) — McGahee 1 run (Sievers kick)
UM (11:15 re 3rd) — McGahee 31 run (Sievers kick)
VT (8:45 re 3rd) — Pile 96 interception return (kick blocked)
VT (3:50 re 3rd) — FG Warley 20
VT (0:50 re 3rd) — Suggs 9 run (Warley kick)
UM (10:06 re 4th) — Winslow 11 pass from Dorsey (Sievers kick)
VT (1:51 re 4th) — Suggs 4 run (Johnson pass from Randall)

Team Stats	VT	UM
First downs	19	22
Rushing yds.	45-192	47-256
Passing yds.	172	300
Return yds.	241	72
Passes	16-27-0	12-21-2
Punts-avg.	4-33	3-48
Fumbles-lost	3-3	1-0
Penalties-yds.	5-55	9-75
Time of poss.	28:51	31:09
Sacks by	0-0	5-24

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Randall 25-132, Suggs 15-55, Easlick 1-4, Jones 4-1; UM, McGahee 39-205, Payton 3-45, Hill 2-7, Dorsey 1-5, Team 2-(-6).
Passing — VT, Randall 15-26-0-165, Noel 1-1-0-7; UM, Dorsey 12-20-1-300, Payton 1-0-1-0.
Receiving — VT, Wilford 6-68, Witten 2-21, Jones 2-14, Easlick 2-14, Humes 1-26, Shreve 1-19, Johnson 1-11, Suggs 1-(-1); UM, Johnson 6-193, Parrish 2-61, Winslow 2-25, McGahee 2-21.

Richard Johnson returns a kickoff 91 yards against the Hurricanes.

A CLOSER LOOK

- The 2002 Tech-Miami game was the highest scoring in the series between the two schools. The 101 points in UM's 56-45 victory over the Hokies were the most by the two teams since a 43-23 Miami win in Blacksburg during the 1992 season. UM was also ranked No. 1 that year.

- Virginia Tech's 45 points against UM were the most allowed by the Hurricanes since the 1998 season when UCLA scored 45 points in a 49-45 loss to Miami.

- The 96-yard interception return by **Willie Pile** (Alexandria, Va.) in the third quarter was the third-longest in Tech history. As a team, the Hokies had 152 yards on interception returns for the game, the third-most in school history.

- **Richard Johnson** (Baltimore, Md.) had a 91-yard kickoff return against the Hurricanes, the longest by a Tech player since Tony Kennedy posted a 91-yard return at Louisville in 1992.

- Miami's 56 points were the most against the Hokies since Tulane scored a 57-38 win over Tech in 1987, Frank Beamer's first season as the head coach. The Hurricanes' 35 first-half points were the most in a half against Tech since Tennessee scored 35 first-half point versus the Hokies in the 1994 Gator Bowl. The last time Tech gave up 35 points in a half during a regular-season game was in 1973 when Alabama put up 42 first-half points and 35 second-half points on the way to a 77-6 win.

- Willis McGahee's six touchdowns and 36 points were the most by an individual against the Hokies. The old mark was 26 points by Jim Bakhtiar of Virginia in 1957. McGahee's 205 yards rushing marked the fifth-highest total against Tech.

Bryan Randall had 297 total yards against top-ranked Miami.

ALL-STAR HOKIES

NATHANIEL ADIBI

- Second-team All-BIG EAST defensive lineman
- Honorable mention All-American by CNNSI.com

VINNIE BURNS

- Second-team All-BIG EAST punter

ANTHONY DAVIS

- Second-team All-BIG EAST offensive lineman

JAKE GROVE

- Fourth-team All-American by *The Sporting News*

DEANGELO HALL

- Second-team All-BIG EAST defensive back
- Second-team All-BIG EAST return man

JONATHAN LEWIS

- Fourth-team Freshman All-American by *The Sporting News*

WILLIE PILE

- Second-team All-American by *The Sporting News*
- Second-team All-BIG EAST free safety

LEE SUGGS

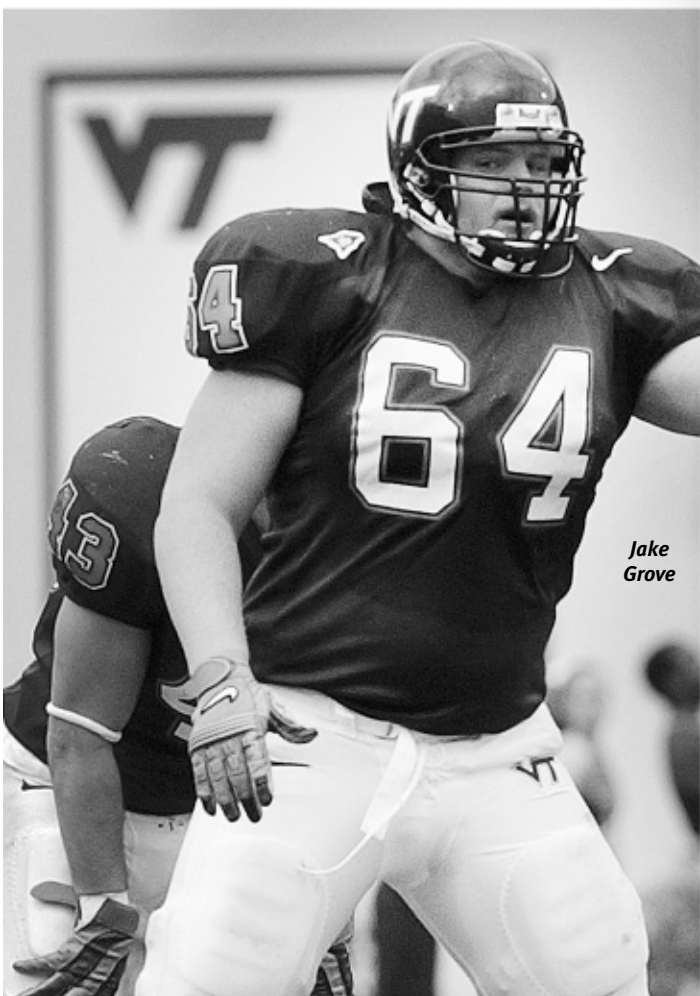
- Second-team All-BIG EAST running back

ERNEST WILFORD

- Second-team All-BIG EAST wide receiver



*Willie
Pile*



*Jake
Grove*

2002 STATISTICS

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
All Games	10-4	6-2	3-2	1-0
Conference	3-4	2-2	1-2	0-0
Non-Conference	7-0	4-0	2-0	1-0

Date	Opponent	W/L	Score	Attend.
Aug 25, 2002	ARKANSAS STATE	W	63-7	54,016
Sep 01, 2002	#14 LSU	W	26-8	65,049
Sep 12, 2002	#16 MARSHALL	W	47-21	65,049
Sep 21, 2002	at #19 Texas A&M	W	13-3	83,746
Sep 28, 2002	at Western Michigan	W	30-0	27,218
Oct 10, 2002	at Boston College	W	28-23	42,826
Oct 19, 2002	RUTGERS	W	35-14	64,907
Oct 26, 2002	TEMPLE	W	20-10	64,937
Nov 02, 2002	PITTSBURGH	L	21-28	64,971
Nov 09, 2002	at Syracuse (3 OT)	L	42-50	48,239
Nov 20, 2002	WEST VIRGINIA	L	18-21	62,723
Nov 30, 2002	VIRGINIA	W	21-9	65,097
Dec 07, 2002	at #1 Miami	L	45-56	76,108
Dec 31, 2002	vs Air Force	W	20-13	25,966

SCORE BY QTRS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Tot.
Virginia Tech	129	115	83	95	7	429
Opponents	47	51	75	75	15	263

RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Lee Suggs	14	257	1375	50	1325	5.2	22	59	94.6
Kevin Jones	13	160	902	31	871	5.4	9	67	67.0
Bryan Randall	14	171	769	262	507	3.0	3	34	36.2
Doug Easlick	14	19	96	4	92	4.8	0	17	6.6
Cedric Humes	14	16	69	1	68	4.2	0	9	4.9
Mike Imoh	5	10	43	5	38	3.8	0	18	7.6
Josh Spence	9	4	26	0	26	6.5	0	9	2.9
John Candelas	2	7	26	0	26	3.7	1	10	13.0
Richard Johnson	13	3	22	0	22	7.3	0	13	1.7
Will Hunt	3	1	11	0	11	11.0	0	11	3.7
Grant Noel	5	1	0	2	-2	-2.0	0	0	-0.4
TEAM	14	10	0	10	-10	-1.0	0	0	-0.7
Total	14	659	3339	365	2974	4.5	35	67	212.4
Opponents	14	495	2157	457	1700	3.4	19	53	121.4

PASSING	G	Effic	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
Bryan Randall	14	143.09	248-158-11	63.7	2134	12	87	152.4
Grant Noel	5	115.69	18-7-0	38.9	86	2	19	17.2
Will Hunt	3	75.12	5-3-0	60.0	9	0	9	3.0
TEAM	14	0.00	1-0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	14	139.50	272-168-11	61.8	2229	14	87	159.2
Opponents	14	108.23	443-230-24	51.9	2991	14	73	213.6

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	Tackles			TFL/Yds	Sacks		Pass Def		Fumbles		Blkd	
		Solo	Ast	Tot		No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	Rcv-Yds	FF	Kick	Saf
Mikal Baaqee	13	68	44	112	12-50	3.5-28	1-25	5	8	1	.	.	.
Willie Pile	14	68	38	106	.	.	4-171	5	.	2-31	2	.	.
Brandon Manning	14	37	38	75	5-14	1.0-6	.	2	1	1-0	.	.	.
Vegas Robinson	11	54	17	71	3-5	.	3-16	.	3	2-4	1	.	.
Billy Hardee	14	40	20	60	3-3	.	.	2	.	2-0	.	.	.
Jonathan Lewis	14	33	23	56	7-23	2.0-12	.	.	5	.	.	.	.
DeAngelo Hall	12	36	19	55	.	.	4-124	12	.	1	.	.	.
Nathaniel Adibi	14	37	18	55	15-72	9.0-61	.	2	16	3	1	.	.
Mike Daniels	14	25	26	51	2-7	.	.	2	.	1	.	.	.
Cols Colas	14	34	17	51	19-74	9.0-48	.	1	24	3	.	.	.
Michael Crawford	13	31	18	49	4-25	2.0-18	.	2	.	1	.	.	.
Kevin Lewis	11	25	24	49	5-15	1.0-8	.	1	6	1-0	1	.	.
Jason Lallis	12	24	24	48	4-32	2.0-27	.	.	7	1-59	1	1	.
James Anderson	14	28	20	48	3-9	1.5-8	.	.	3	1	.	.	.
Ronyell Whitaker	12	28	19	47	1-1	.	1-56	6	.	2	.	.	.
Jimmy F. Williams	14	29	17	46	1-1	.	1-9	1	.	.	.	.	.
Garnell Wilds	14	27	17	44	.	.	5-8	7	.	1-0	.	.	.
Lamar Cobb	13	20	17	37	1-8	1.0-8	.	.	12	.	.	.	.
Jim Davis	14	24	13	37	9-43	5.5-32	.	3	10	1	.	.	.
Tim Sandidge	13	13	17	30	5-28	4.0-25	.	3	3	1-0	.	.	.
Vincent Fuller	14	16	7	23	1-10	0.5-10	4-0	6	.	1	.	.	.
Darryl Tapp	14	9	12	21	.	.	.	1	3	.	.	.	.
Jordan Trott	13	11	8	19	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Jimmy E. Williams	5	6	12	18	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Jason Murphy	10	2	13	15	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Blake Warren	9	5	7	12	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	.	.	.
Cary Wade	13	9	2	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Alex Markogiannakis	8	7	3	10	2-3	.	.	.	1	2-25	.	.	.
D.J. Walton	14	7	3	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Kevin Jones	13	6	3	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Chad Cooper	13	2	5	7	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Jared Mazzetta	11	2	3	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Ken Keister	14	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Chris Pannell	2	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Chris Buie	1	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Josh Spence	9	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Bob Ruff	1	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Mike Imoh	5	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Bryan Randall	14	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Keith Willis	14	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Ernest Wilford	14	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
Jon Mollerup	13	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Vinnie Burns	14	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Justin Hamilton	13	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2	.
Lance Goff	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Mark Costen	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Jeff King	14	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
TEAM	14	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	2
Total	14	781	540	1321	102-423	42-281	24-409	61	105	13-119	20	7	2
Opponents	14	539	550	1089	120-344	37-224	11-100	27	2	18-39	19	3	.

TEAM STATISTICS	VT	OPP
SCORING	429	263
Points Per Game	30.6	18.8
FIRST DOWNS	274	230
Rushing	149	91
Passing	99	119
Penalty	26	20
RUSHING YARDAGE	2974	1700
Yards gained rushing	3339	2157
Yards lost rushing	365	457
Rushing Attempts	659	495
Average Per Rush	4.5	3.4
Average Per Game	212.4	121.4
TDs Rushing	35	19
PASSING YARDAGE	2229	2991
Att-Cmp-Int	272-168-11	443-230-24
Average Per Pass	8.2	6.8
Average Per Catch	13.3	13.0
Average Per Game	159.2	213.6
TDs Passing	14	14
TOTAL OFFENSE	5203	4691
Total Plays	931	938
Average Per Play	5.6	5.0
Average Per Game	371.6	335.1
KICK RET: #-YARDS	33-677	60-1231
PUNT RET: #-YARDS	41-572	30-338
INT RET: #-YARDS	24-409	11-100
KICK RETURN AVG	20.5	20.5
PUNT RETURN AVG	14.0	11.3
INT RETURN AVG	17.0	9.1
FUMBLES-LOST	32-18	37-13
PENALTIES-YARDS	88-744	105-901
Average Per Game	53.1	64.4
PUNTS-YARDS	66-2592	79-2929
Average Per Punt	39.3	37.1
Net punt average	34.2	29.8
TIME OF POSS./GAME	31:28	28:32
3RD-DOWN CONV.	69/181	71/205
3rd-Down Pct	38%	35%
4TH-DOWN CONV.	7/15	9/24
4th-Down Pct	47%	38%
SACKS BY-YARDS	42-281	37-224
MISC YARDS	119	89
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	56	34
FIELD GOALS-ATT.	12-23	9-15
PAT-ATTEMPTS	51-53	28-30
ATTENDANCE	506749	278137
Games/Avg Per Game	8/63344	5/55627

RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Ernest Wilford	14	51	925	18.1	7	87	66.1
Shawn Witten	14	25	306	12.2	1	34	21.9
Terrell Parham	13	18	156	8.7	0	22	12.0
Doug Easlick	14	16	118	7.4	1	32	8.4
Richard Johnson	13	14	147	10.5	0	39	11.3
Lee Suggs	14	11	126	11.5	2	30	9.0
Keith Willis	14	8	188	23.5	1	87	13.4
Cedric Humes	14	7	76	10.9	0	26	5.4
Justin Hamilton	13	5	56	11.2	0	23	4.3
Mike Imoh	5	4	28	7.0	1	19	5.6
Kevin Jones	13	4	21	5.2	0	10	1.6
Chris Shreve	10	2	26	13.0	0	19	2.6
Jeff King	14	1	19	19.0	1	19	1.4
Jared Mazzetta	11	1	19	19.0	0	19	1.7
Josh Spence	9	1	18	18.0	0	18	2.0
Total	14	168	2229	13.3	14	87	159.2
Opponents	14	230	2991	13.0	14	73	213.6

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
DeAngelo Hall	22	352	16.0	2	71
Richard Johnson	14	100	7.1	0	20
Justin Hamilton	2	46	23.0	0	0
Jason Lallis	1	1	1.0	0	0
Ernest Wilford	1	32	32.0	0	0
Nathaniel Adibi	1	30	30.0	0	0
Darryl Tapp	0	11	0.0	1	11
Total	41	572	14.0	3	71
Opponents	30	338	11.3	1	83

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Garnell Wilds	5	8	1.6	0	8
DeAngelo Hall	4	124	31.0	1	49
Willie Pile	4	171	42.8	1	96
Vincent Fuller	4	0	0.0	0	0
Vegas Robinson	3	16	5.3	0	8
Ronyell Whitaker	1	56	56.0	0	56
Blake Warren	1	0	0.0	0	0
Jimmy F. Williams	1	9	9.0	0	9
Mikal Baaqee	1	25	25.0	0	25
Total	24	409	17.0	2	96
Opponents	11	100	9.1	0	38

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Richard Johnson	23	485	21.1	0	91
Lee Suggs	5	132	26.4	0	37
Justin Hamilton	2	34	17.0	0	19
Doug Easlick	1	10	10.0	0	10
DeAngelo Hall	1	0	0.0	0	0
Cedric Humes	1	16	16.0	0	16
Total	33	677	20.5	0	91
Opponents	60	1231	20.5	0	83

FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Alex Markogiannakis	1	25	25.0	1	25
Willie Pile	1	31	31.0	0	31
Jason Lallis	1	59	59.0	1	59
Vegas Robinson	1	4	4.0	0	4
Total	4	119	29.8	2	59
Opponents	3	39	13.0	0	22

SCORING	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Pts
Lee Suggs	24	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	144
Carter Warley	0	9-15	36-37	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	63
Kevin Jones	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	54
Ernest Wilford	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	42
Nic Schmitt	0	2-6	14-14	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	20
DeAngelo Hall	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
Bryan Randall	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-3	0	0	18
Darryl Tapp	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Alex Markogiannakis	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
John Candelas	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Keith Willis	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Shawn Witten	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Mike Imoh	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Doug Easlick	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Jason Lallis	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Willie Pile	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Jeff King	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Jon Mollerup	0	1-2	1-2	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	4
Richard Johnson	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	0	2
TEAM	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	2	4
Total	56	12-23	51-53	0-0	1	1-3	0	2	429
Opponents	34	9-15	28-30	1-2	1	1-2	0	0	263

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
Bryan Randall	14	419	507	2134	2641	188.6
Lee Suggs	14	257	1325	0	1325	94.6
Kevin Jones	13	160	871	0	871	67.0
Doug Easlick	14	19	92	0	92	6.6
Grant Noel	5	19	-2	86	84	16.8
Cedric Humes	14	16	68	0	68	4.9
Mike Imoh	5	10	38	0	38	7.6
Josh Spence	9	4	26	0	26	2.9
John Candelas	2	7	26	0	26	13.0
Richard Johnson	13	3	22	0	22	1.7
Will Hunt	3	6	11	9	20	6.7
TEAM	14	11	-10	0	-10	-0.7
Total	14	931	2974	2229	5203	371.6
Opponents	14	938	1700	2991	4691	335.1

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Blk
Carter Warley	9-15	60.0	0-0	4-6	2-3	3-6	0-0	43	1
Jon Mollerup	1-2	50.0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-1	0-0	37	0
Nic Schmitt	2-6	33.3	0-0	2-2	0-1	0-3	0-0	22	0

FG SEQUENCE	Virginia Tech	Opponents
Arkansas State	-	-
LSU	(41)	-
Marshall	(42),(43),40	21
Texas A&M	21,(22),(26),22	(43)
Western Michigan	(37),42	33,49
Boston College	41	37,(49)
Rutgers	36	-
Temple	(21),42,(22)	(36)
Pittsburgh	42	28
Syracuse	46,36	(30),(26),33,(38)
West Virginia	(34)	-
Virginia	-	(20)
Miami	(20)	-
Air Force	41,(23),(37)	(45),(21)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	Blkd
Vinnie Burns	64	2591	40.5	58	8	7	22	0
TEAM	2	1	0.5	1	0	0	0	2
Total	66	2592	39.3	58	8	7	22	2
Opponents	79	2929	37.1	64	7	7	12	5

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
Lee Suggs	14	1325	126	0	132	0	1583	113.1
Ernest Wilford	14	0	925	32	0	0	957	68.4
Kevin Jones	13	871	21	0	0	0	892	68.6
Richard Johnson	13	22	147	100	485	0	754	58.0
Bryan Randall	14	507	0	0	0	0	507	36.2
DeAngelo Hall	12	0	0	352	0	124	476	39.7
Shawn Witten	14	0	306	0	0	0	306	21.9
Doug Easlick	14	92	118	0	10	0	220	15.7
Keith Willis	14	0	188	0	0	0	188	13.4
Willie Pile	14	0	0	0	0	171	171	12.2
Cedric Humes	14	68	76	0	16	0	160	11.4
Terrell Parham	13	0	156	0	0	0	156	12.0
Justin Hamilton	13	0	56	46	34	0	136	10.5
Mike Imoh	5	38	28	0	0	0	66	13.2
Ronyell Whitaker	12	0	0	0	0	56	56	4.7
Josh Spence	9	26	18	0	0	0	44	4.9
Nathaniel Adibi	14	0	0	30	0	0	30	2.1
John Candelas	2	26	0	0	0	0	26	13.0
Chris Shreve	10	0	26	0	0	0	26	2.6
Mikal Baaqee	13	0	0	0	0	25	25	1.9
Jeff King	14	0	19	0	0	0	19	1.4
Jared Mazzetta	11	0	19	0	0	0	19	1.7
Vegas Robinson	11	0	0	0	0	16	16	1.5
Darryl Tapp	14	0	0	11	0	0	11	0.8
Will Hunt	3	11	0	0	0	0	11	3.7
Jimmy F. Williams	14	0	0	0	0	9	9	0.6
Garnell Wilds	14	0	0	0	0	8	8	0.6
Jason Lallis	12	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.1
Grant Noel	5	-2	0	0	0	0	-2	-0.4
TEAM	14	-10	0	0	0	0	-10	-0.7
Total	14	2974	2229	572	677	409	6861	490.1
Opponents	14	1700	2991	338	1231	100	6360	454.3

2002 SEASON SUPERLATIVES

TECH INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	26	Lee Suggs at Boston College (Oct 10, 2002)
Yards Rushing.....	197	Lee Suggs vs Rutgers (Oct 19, 2002)
TD Rushes.....	3	Kevin Jones vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002) Lee Suggs at Miami (Dec 07, 2002)
Long Rush.....	67	Kevin Jones at Boston College (Oct 10, 2002)
Pass attempts.....	35	Bryan Randall at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Pass completions.....	23	Bryan Randall at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Yards Passing.....	504	Bryan Randall at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
TD Passes.....	5	Bryan Randall at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Long Pass.....	87	Bryan Randall at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Receptions.....	8	Ernest Wilford at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Yards Receiving.....	279	Ernest Wilford at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
TD Receptions.....	4	Ernest Wilford at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Long Reception.....	87	Ernest Wilford at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Field Goals.....	2	Carter Warley vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002) Carter Warley at Texas A&M (Sep 21, 2002) Nic Schmitt vs Temple (Oct 26, 2002) Carter Warley vs Air Force (Dec 31, 2002)
Long Field Goal.....	43	Carter Warley vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Punts.....	9	Vinnie Burns vs LSU (Sep 01, 2002)
Punting Avg.....	49.0	Vinnie Burns vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Long Punt.....	58	Vinnie Burns vs LSU (Sep 01, 2002)
Long Punt Return....	71	DeAngelo Hall at Miami (Dec 07, 2002)
Long Kickoff Return.	91	Richard Johnson at Miami (Dec 07, 2002)
Tackles.....	17	Mikal Baaqee at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Sacks.....	3.0	Jim Davis vs LSU (Sep 01, 2002) Nathaniel Adibi at Texas A&M (Sep 21, 2002) Cols Colas vs Virginia (Nov 30, 2002)
Tackles For Loss....	4.0	Cols Colas at Western Michigan (Sep 28, 2002) Mikal Baaqee at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002) Nathaniel Adibi at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002) Cols Colas vs Virginia (Nov 30, 2002)
Interceptions.....	3	Garnell Wilds at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)

TECH TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	66	vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Yards Rushing.....	395	vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Yards Per Rush.....	7.0	vs Arkansas State (Aug 25, 2002)
TD Rushes.....	6	vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Pass attempts.....	35	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Pass completions.....	23	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Yards Passing.....	504	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Yards Per Pass.....	14.4	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
TD Passes.....	5	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Total Plays.....	78	vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Total Offense.....	559	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Yards Per Play.....	9.3	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Points.....	63	vs Arkansas State (Aug 25, 2002)
Sacks By.....	8	vs Rutgers (Oct 19, 2002)
First Downs.....	28	vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Penalties.....	15	at Boston College (Oct 10, 2002)
Penalty Yards.....	96	at Boston College (Oct 10, 2002)
Turnovers.....	5	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Interceptions By....	3	at Boston College (Oct 10, 2002) vs Temple (Oct 26, 2002) at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)



Mikal Baaqee led the Hokies with 112 total tackles including a season-best 17 at Syracuse.



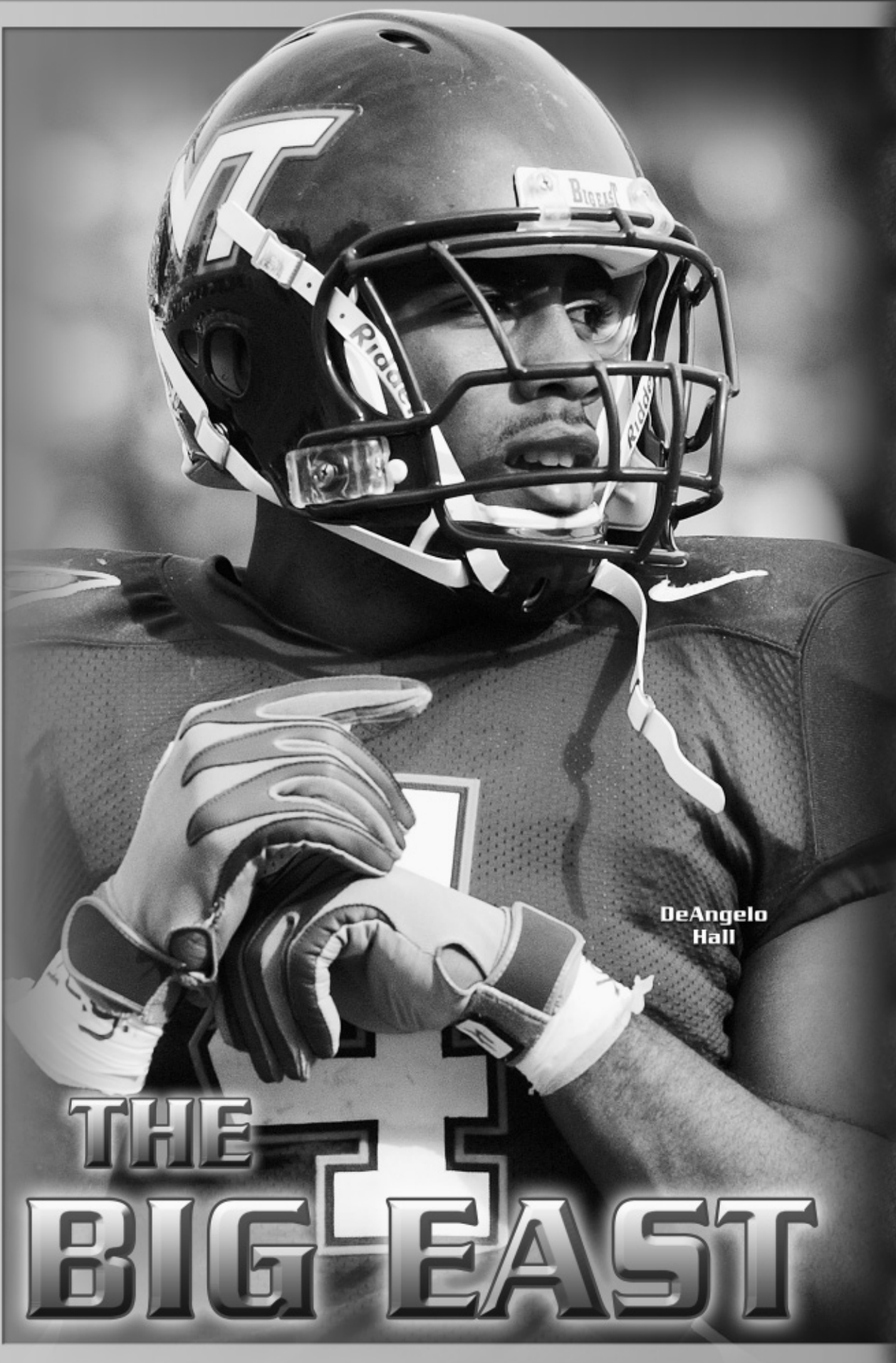
Carter Warley watches a field goal sail through the uprights.

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	39	McGAHEE, Willis, at Miami (Dec 07, 2002)
Yards Rushing.....	205	McGAHEE, Willis, at Miami (Dec 07, 2002)
TD Rushes.....	6	McGAHEE, Willis, at Miami (Dec 07, 2002)
Long Rush.....	53	MIREE, Brandon, vs Pittsburgh (Nov 02, 2002)
Pass attempts.....	49	LEFTWICH, Byron, vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Pass completions....	31	LEFTWICH, Byron, vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Yards Passing.....	406	LEFTWICH, Byron, vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
TD Passes.....	3	LEFTWICH, Byron, vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002) RUTHERFORD, Rod, vs Pittsburgh (Nov 02, 2002)
Long Pass.....	73	Jacobs, Elliot, vs Arkansas State (Aug 25, 2002)
Receptions.....	11	JONES, Curtis, vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Yards Receiving.....	229	TYREE, David, at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
TD Receptions.....	3	FITZGERALD, L., vs Pittsburgh (Nov 02, 2002)
Long Reception.....	73	Cox, Mike, vs Arkansas State (Aug 25, 2002)
Field Goals.....	3	BARBER, Collin, at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Long Field Goal....	49	SCIORTINO, Sand, at Boston College (Oct 10, 2002)
Punts.....	9	Alexander, Mike, vs Arkansas State (Aug 25, 2002)
Punting Avg.....	49.0	HEAD, Curtis, vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Long Punt.....	64	Scates, Cody, at Texas A&M (Sep 21, 2002)
Long Punt Return....	83	BURKE, Jamal, at Boston College (Oct 10, 2002)
Long Kickoff Return.	83	BLACKMON, Will, at Boston College (Oct 10, 2002)
Tackles.....	14	Bradie James, vs LSU (Sep 01, 2002)
Sacks.....	3.0	HARRIOTT, Claude, vs Pittsburgh (Nov 02, 2002)
Tackles For Loss....	5.0	Warren, Ty, at Texas A&M (Sep 21, 2002)
Interceptions.....	1	CARR, Tony, at Western Michigan (Sep 28, 2002) FELDPAUSCH, J., at Western Michigan (Sep 28, 2002) HAW, Brandon, vs Rutgers (Oct 19, 2002) JACKSON, Yazid, vs Temple (Oct 26, 2002) THOMPSON, Lafto, vs Temple (Oct 26, 2002) COX, Torrie, vs Pittsburgh (Nov 02, 2002) McCLAIN, M., at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002) GREGORY, Steven, at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002) SCANLON, Rich, at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002) KING, Brian, vs West Virginia (Nov 20, 2002) DAVIS, Willie, vs Virginia (Nov 30, 2002)

OPPONENT TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	60	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Yards Rushing.....	275	vs Pittsburgh (Nov 02, 2002)
Yards Per Rush.....	6.2	vs Pittsburgh (Nov 02, 2002)
TD Rushes.....	6	at Miami (Dec 07, 2002)
Pass attempts.....	56	vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Pass completions....	36	vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Yards Passing.....	442	vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002)
Yards Per Pass.....	14.3	at Miami (Dec 07, 2002)
TD Passes.....	3	vs Marshall (Sep 12, 2002) vs Pittsburgh (Nov 02, 2002)
Total Plays.....	100	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Total Offense.....	604	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Yards Per Play.....	8.2	at Miami (Dec 07, 2002)
Points.....	56	at Miami (Dec 07, 2002)
Sacks By.....	7	vs Pittsburgh (Nov 02, 2002)
First Downs.....	29	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)
Penalties.....	11	vs Rutgers (Oct 19, 2002)
Penalty Yards.....	100	vs Rutgers (Oct 19, 2002)
Turnovers.....	5	vs Arkansas State (Aug 25, 2002)
Interceptions By....	3	at Syracuse (Nov 09, 2002)



DeAngelo Hall

THE BIG EAST



THE BIG EAST MEANS...

BOWL GAMES

- The BIG EAST has always assured itself of prestigious bowl invitations. The league champion will attend the Tostitos Fiesta, FedEx Orange or Nokia Sugar Bowl as part of its membership in the Bowl Championship Series. The Hokies have represented the league in two of the aforementioned bowls — the Nokia Sugar Bowl (twice) and the FedEx Orange Bowl.
- The BIG EAST and the Toyota Gator Bowl have a multi-year pact, which allows the Gator Bowl to select a BIG EAST bowl-eligible team after the league's representative in the Bowl Championship Series has been determined. The BIG EAST has sent a team to the Gator Bowl for seven of the past eight seasons. Since joining the league, Tech has represented the BIG EAST in four Gator Bowls.
- The Insight Bowl is entering its fifth year as a partner with the BIG EAST. The Phoenix, Ariz.-based game will select a third league team.
- The conference is in the second year of an agreement with the Continental Tire Bowl. The agreement allows the Charlotte, N.C.-based bowl to choose a fourth league squad. A representative from the BIG EAST conference will meet a team from the Atlantic Coast Conference.
- The BIG EAST is in its second season of a deal to send a team to the Diamond Walnut San Francisco Bowl, played at Pacific Bell Park in San Francisco. A BIG EAST team will be pitted against a squad from the Mountain West Conference. Tech won the inaugural bowl, beating Air Force 20-13 on New Year's Eve of 2002.
- Tech holds the longest active bowl string in the BIG EAST. The Hokies have been to 10 straight bowls.



A SHOT AT THE NATIONAL TITLE

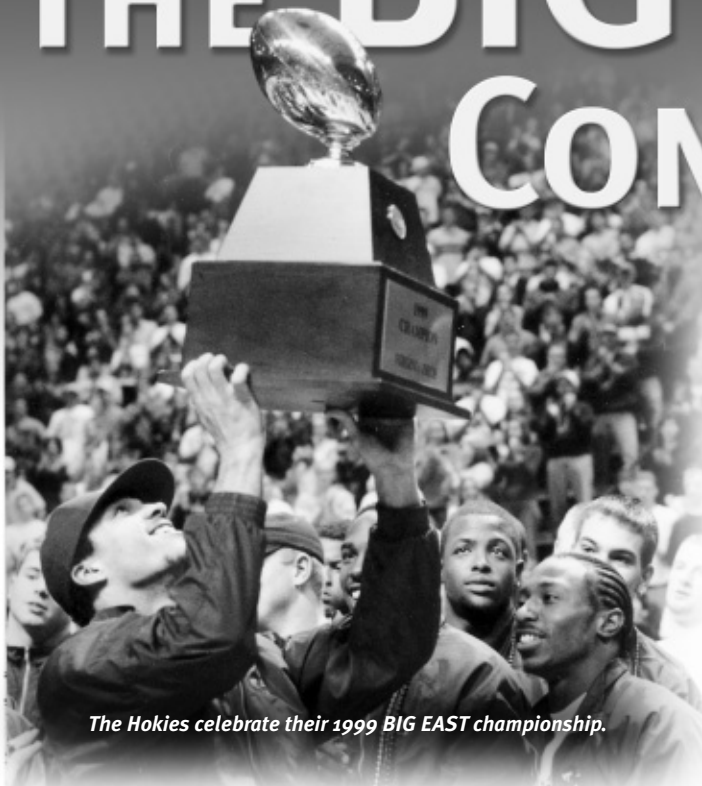
- The BIG EAST has been a charter member in each of the major bowl agreements, designed to help determine a national champion. It began with the Bowl Coalition in 1992 followed by The Bowl Alliance in 1995. The Bowl Championship Series began in 1998 and will continue this season.
- The Hokies have been to a bowl every year since the BIG EAST started round-robin play. A league team has played for a claim of the national championship eight times, including Virginia Tech following the 1999 season and Miami, which won the national title two years ago and was the runner-up last season.

EXPOSURE

- The league established its own regional television package in 1991 before a game was played. The BIG EAST Television Network immediately was the largest regional college football network in the country.
- Two years ago, the BIG EAST began new multi-year contracts with ABC and ESPN. Prior to the current deal, the BIG EAST enjoyed a five-year deal with CBS and ESPN.
- For the eighth straight season, ESPN Regional Television of Charlotte, N.C., will own telecasting rights for all telecasts not assigned to ABC or ESPN. ERT will produce and distribute additional games for a Game of the Week syndication, local markets and pay-per-view.
- Once again this season, BIG EAST Conference football will be viewed in over 33 cities, including the major television markets of New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Washington, D.C., Tampa, Miami, Pittsburgh, Baltimore and Indianapolis.



THE BIG EAST CONFERENCE



The Hokies celebrate their 1999 BIG EAST championship.

In the first 12 seasons of its existence, the BIG EAST has been a frequent contender for the national championship. Eight times a league squad has been in a bowl game, playing for a claim to the national crown. Last January, the Miami Hurricanes appeared in their second straight Bowl Championship Series title game.

What the BIG EAST has been able to achieve more recently is establishing its reputation as a conference with quality depth.

First, consider that a BIG EAST team has competed in the BCS championship game in three of the last four years. Miami captured the national championship two seasons ago with a win over Nebraska in the Rose Bowl and Virginia Tech battled Florida State in 2000 Nokia Sugar Bowl.

Also consider that the BIG EAST placed five of its eight teams in bowl games last season. Over the past three years, BIG EAST teams have compiled an 11-4 record in bowl games. That mark is the best bowl record of any conference that competes in the BCS.

The BIG EAST is proud of its football student-athletes for their academic achievements. Last year, three conference players were named to Verizon/CoSIDA Academic All-America First Team. The three award winners were: defensive lineman Matt Walters and linebacker Jonathan Vilma of Miami along with offensive lineman Vince Crochunis of Pittsburgh. Rutgers defensive back Nathan Jones was a second-team selection. All four also excelled on the field with Vilma and Jones garnering All-BIG EAST first-team honors.

Since its inception, the BIG EAST has been a national force, both on and off the field. Commissioner Michael Tranghese is in his second year as coordinator of the BCS. He has spearheaded the development of BIG EAST football since its beginning.

The BIG EAST Conference's entrance into football was announced on February 5, 1991. The league gained instant notice and credibility with its level of excellence on the field and its television and bowl relationships. The BIG EAST

has been a charter member of each of the major bowl agreements with conferences, beginning with The Bowl Coalition in 1992 followed by The Bowl Alliance in '95. The Bowl Championship Series began in '98 and continued this season.

Extensive television exposure and the BIG EAST have been synonymous terms. For football, the league established its own regional television package in 1991 before it had played a game. The BIG EAST Television Network immediately was the largest regional college football network in the country.

The BIG EAST is in the third year of broadcast deals with ABC and ESPN that run through the 2007 season. ABC telecasts five games per year. ESPN and ESPN2 will carry at least 10 games each season. Both agreements will mean that ABC or ESPN will telecast a BIG EAST game virtually every week of the year.

ESPN Regional Television owns broadcasting rights for all telecasts not assigned to ABC or ESPN. ERT, which took over for the BIG EAST Network in 1996, produces and distributes additional games, including a BIG EAST Game of the Week, through syndication, local markets and pay-per-view.

The BIG EAST has always aligned itself with prestigious bowl games. The league champion will go to the Tostitos Fiesta, FedEx Orange, Nokia Sugar or Rose Bowls as part of its membership in the Bowl Championship Series.

The BIG EAST and the Toyota Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, Fla., have a multi-year pact, which allows

the Gator Bowl to select a BIG EAST bowl-eligible team after the league's representative in the Bowl Championship Series has been determined.

The Insight Bowl, which is held in Phoenix, Ariz., is in its sixth year as a partner with the BIG EAST. The Continental Tire Bowl in Charlotte, N.C., and the Diamond Walnut San Francisco Bowl begin their second year with the BIG EAST in 2003.

BIG EAST teams have enjoyed plenty of success in recent years. League squads have played in 19 bowl games on or after New Year's Day. Virginia Tech is on a 10-year bowl streak, the longest active string in the conference. In addition to the 2001 national championship, Miami captured national titles in 1983, '87, '89 and '91. The Hurricanes played on New Year's Day every year from '84 to '95 before returning to that echelon for the last four seasons. Syracuse has been to the postseason in 12 of the last 16 years. West Virginia has gone to bowl games in seven of the past 10 seasons and Boston College has gone bowling seven times in the past 11 years, including the last four in a row.

Some of the same elements that were in place when The BIG EAST Conference was born in 1979 are present in BIG EAST football. The football members are a group of schools that, for the most part, were traditional rivals, but were never a formal league. They are: Boston College, University of Miami, University of Pittsburgh, Rutgers University, Temple University, Syracuse University, Virginia Tech and West Virginia University.

MICHAEL A. TRANGHESE



BIG EAST Conference Commissioner

Mike Tranghese opened the office doors of the BIG EAST when the league was born in 1979. He has helped guide the conference to national prominence while adhering to his unwavering commitment to create opportunities for BIG EAST student-athletes to succeed academically and athletically.

The 2003-04 academic year will be Tranghese's 14th as Commissioner. The BIG EAST Conference has flourished under his direction.

Tranghese has led the BIG EAST through membership expansions, a significant increase in the number of championships, the formation of BIG EAST football and numerous television negotiations. All of this has been accomplished in the face of an NCAA national landscape that seems to change regularly.

Tranghese has been an active leader nationally since becoming Commissioner on June 21, 1990. In 2000-01, he concluded a five-year term on the NCAA Men's Basketball Committee by serving as chair. Tranghese also has served as chair of the NCAA Men's Basketball Subcommittee on Television. He was on the NCAA's negotiating team that secured a record \$6 billion contract from CBS for broadcast rights to the men's basketball championship.

For the 2002 and 2003 football seasons, Tranghese will oversee the administration of the Bowl Championship Series, the group of major conferences and bowls that helps produce a national championship and the best possible bowl matchups.

In addition, he has served as chair of the Division I-A

Commissioners and the Collegiate Commissioners Association.

Shortly after being named Commissioner, Tranghese laid the groundwork and put together The BIG EAST Football Conference. In response to the beginning of significant conference realignment nationally, he coordinated an expansion, which included the University of Miami becoming a full league member in 1991-92 and being a key addition to the unique football group. Despite its youth as a league, the BIG EAST was a charter member of the Bowl Championship Series.

After establishing BIG EAST football, Tranghese guided the league through a critical time that many observers felt could have resulted in a permanent split among its members. In March, 1994, the conference added football members Rutgers University and West Virginia University as its 11th and 12th full-time members and maintained its overall structure.

Just four months later, the University of Notre Dame, clearly the nation's premier men's basketball independent, joined the BIG EAST. Rutgers, West Virginia and Notre Dame began BIG EAST competition in the 1995-96 academic year.

In 1999, football member Virginia Tech was admitted to the league as the 14th full member. It began competing in the BIG EAST in all sports in 2000-01.

The league's athletic directors unanimously appointed Tranghese in 1990 after his 11 years of service, the last nine as associate commissioner. As Commissioner, he has led the BIG EAST while maintaining the principles which have marked the conference's explosive rise to prominence — promoting and cultivating intercollegiate athletic programs in an environment of

integrity while pursuing excellence at the highest possible level.

Tranghese's career in college athletics began at American International College in his hometown of Springfield, Mass. He was the sports information director at Providence College where he garnered publicity for the immensely successful Friar teams of the 1970s under Dave Gavitt. As the media focus on Eastern college basketball and the growth of sports events on television increased, Gavitt and Tranghese were ready to take advantage. Gavitt became the BIG EAST's first Commissioner in 1979 and served until 1990 when Tranghese assumed the helm.

Under Tranghese, the BIG EAST championship slate has expanded from seven men's championships in 1979 to 20 men's and women's events in 1993. The recent addition of women's lacrosse increases the number of sports to 21.

His negotiating expertise also has resulted in a long-term partnership with Madison

Square Garden, host of the BIG EAST Men's Basketball Championship since 1983. The league and the Garden have agreed to be partners through 2011.

Today, Tranghese is an acknowledged leader in the area of television, including negotiation and technical production. The BIG EAST has been a long-time partner with CBS Sports and ESPN and has enjoyed multi-year agreements with both entities in basketball and football. Tranghese negotiated a new television package for football with ABC. That contract began in 2001.

Additionally, Tranghese was the force behind The BIG EAST Television Network which, for 10 years, was a benchmark for regional network television. In 1995, the league awarded ESPN, Inc., exclusive rights to all of its basketball and football games not broadcast on a national network.

Tranghese is a 1965 graduate of St. Michael's College in Winooski, Vt. He is married to Susan Huntemann.

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2002 BIG EAST HONORS

FINAL 2002 STANDINGS

	Conference		Overall	
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
Miami	7-0	1.000	12-1	.923
West Virginia	6-1	.857	9-4	.692
Pittsburgh	5-2	.714	9-4	.692
Virginia Tech	3-4	.429	10-4	.714
Boston College	3-4	.429	9-4	.692
Syracuse	2-5	.286	4-8	.333
Temple	2-5	.286	4-8	.333
Rutgers	0-7	.000	1-11	.083

BIG EAST BOWL RESULTS

Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, Tempe, Ariz.

Friday, January 3, 2003 • Ohio State 31, Miami 24 (2OT)

Diamond Walnut San Francisco Bowl

Tuesday, December 31, 2002 • Virginia Tech 20, Air Force 13

Continental Tire Bowl, Charlotte, N.C.

Saturday, December 28, 2002 • Virginia 48, West Virginia 22

Motor City Bowl, Detroit, Mich.

Thursday, December 26, 2002 • Boston College 51, Toledo 25

Insight Bowl, Phoenix, Ariz.

Thursday, December 26, 2002 • Pittsburgh 38, Oregon State 13



2002 FOOTBALL AWARDS

BIG EAST Offensive Players of the Year
KEN DORSEY, MIAMI
WILLIS McGAHEE, MIAMI

BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Year
DAN KLECKO, TEMPLE

BIG EAST Special Teams Players of the Year
ANDY LEE, PITTSBURGH
NATE JONES, RUTGERS

BIG EAST Rookie of the Year
LARRY FITZGERALD, PITTSBURGH

BIG EAST Coach of the Year
LARRY COKER, MIAMI

FIRST TEAM OFFENSE

Pos.	Player	School	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.
WR	Andre Johnson	Miami	6-3	227	Jr.
WR	Larry Fitzgerald**	Pittsburgh	6-3	210	Fr.
OT	Lance Nimmo	West Virginia	6-6	287	Sr.
OG	Bryan Anderson	Pittsburgh	6-5	310	Sr.
C	Brett Romberg	Miami	6-3	290	Sr.
OG	Sherko Haji-Rasouli	Miami	6-6	318	Sr.
OT	Mark Parenteau	Boston College	6-5	292	Sr.
TE	Kellen Winslow	Miami	6-5	233	So.
QB	Ken Dorsey**	Miami	6-5	200	Sr.
RB	Willis McGahee**	Miami	6-1	224	So.
RB	Avon Cobourne	Pittsburgh	5-9	190	Sr.
PK	Todd Sievers	Miami	6-3	214	Sr.
KR/PR	Nate Jones	Rutgers	5-10	175	Jr.

FIRST TEAM DEFENSE

Pos.	Player	School	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.
DL	William Joseph	Miami	6-5	297	Sr.
DL	Jerome McDougle	Miami	6-4	271	Sr.
DL	Claude Harriott	Pittsburgh	6-4	245	Jr.
DL	Dan Klecko**	Temple	6-1	276	Sr.
LB	Jonathan Vilma**	Miami	6-2	220	Jr.
LB	Gerald Hayes	Pittsburgh	6-3	245	Sr.
LB	Grant Wiley	West Virginia	6-1	230	Jr.
CB	Antrel Rolle	Miami	6-1	189	So.
CB	Torrie Cox**	Pittsburgh	5-10	185	Sr.
S	Maurice Sikes	Miami	5-11	193	Jr.
S	Sean Taylor	Miami	6-3	220	So.
P	Andy Lee	Pittsburgh	6-2	205	Jr.

SECOND TEAM OFFENSE

Pos.	Player	School	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.
WR	Jamel Riddle	Syracuse	5-7	173	Jr.
WR	David Tyree	Syracuse	6-2	198	Sr.
WR	Ernest Wilford	Virginia Tech	6-4	216	Sr.
OT	Rob Petitti	Pittsburgh	6-6	330	So.
OG	Anthony Davis	Virginia Tech	6-4	320	Sr.
C	Dan Koppen	Boston College	6-3	304	Sr.
OG	Ken Sandor	West Virginia	6-4	300	Sr.
OT	Carlos Joseph	Miami	6-6	334	So.
TE	Sean Ryan	Boston College	6-5	250	Jr.
QB	Rod Rutherford	Pittsburgh	6-3	215	Jr.
RB	Derrick Knight	Boston College	5-9	205	Jr.
RB	Lee Suggs	Virginia Tech	6-0	201	Sr.
PK	Sandro Sciortino	Boston College	5-10	201	Jr.
PK	Cap Poklemba	Temple	5-11	180	Sr.
KR/PR	Jamel Riddle	Syracuse	5-7	173	Jr.
KR/PR	DeAngelo Hall	Virginia Tech	5-11	200	So.

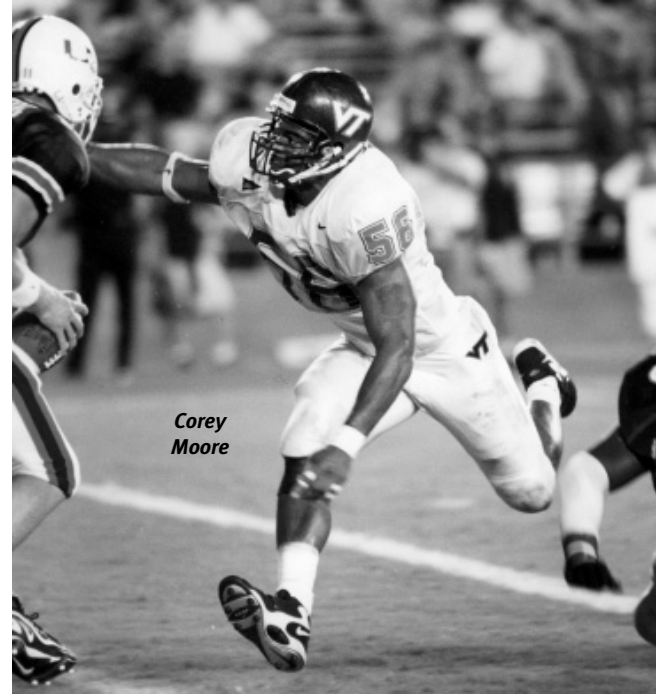
SECOND TEAM DEFENSE

Pos.	Player	School	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.
DL	Jamal Green	Miami	6-3	261	Sr.
DL	Louis Gachelin	Syracuse	6-2	284	Jr.
DL	Nathaniel Adibi	Virginia Tech	6-3	254	Jr.
DL	David Upchurch	West Virginia	6-3	280	Sr.
LB	D.J. Williams	Miami	6-2	247	Jr.
LB	Clifton Smith	Syracuse	6-3	251	Sr.
LB	James Davis	West Virginia	6-2	230	Jr.
CB	Shawn Seabrooks	Rutgers	5-10	190	Sr.
CB	DeAngelo Hall	Virginia Tech	5-11	200	So.
S	Willie Pile	Virginia Tech	6-3	205	Sr.
S	Angel Estrada	West Virginia	6-1	200	Sr.
P	Vinnie Burns	Virginia Tech	5-11	190	So.

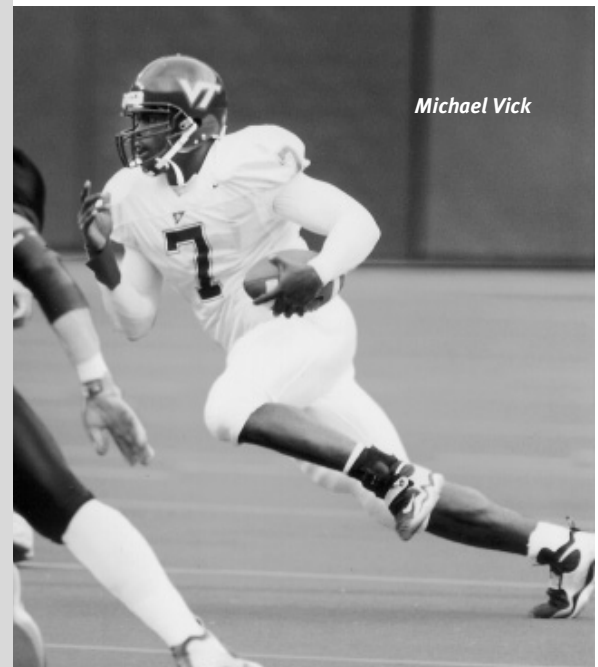
**- unanimous selection

VIRGINIA TECH YEAR-BY-YEAR ALL-BIG EAST HONORS

- 1991** — **First Team:** Eugene Chung, ot;
Second Team: William Boatwright, og; Tyronne Drakeford, cb;
Bo Campbell, return specialist.
- 1992** — **First Team:** Tyronne Drakeford, cb;
Second Team: Jim Pyne, c.
- 1993** — **First Team:** Jim Pyne, c; Tyronne Drakeford, cb;
Second Team: Antonio Freeman, wr; John Burke, te;
Ken Brown, lb.
- 1994** — **First Team:** Ken Brown, lb; Torrian Gray, s; Ryan Williams, pk;
Second Team: Antonio Freeman, wr & return specialist;
Cornell Brown, dl; Antonio Banks, db; William Yarborough, db.
- 1995** — **First Team:** Cornell Brown, dl; J.C. Price, dl;
George DelRicco, lb; William Yarborough, db; Chris Malone, og;
Second Team: Jim Druckenmiller, qb; Dwayne Thomas, rb;
Jay Hagood, ol; Billy Conaty, c; Brandon Semones, lb;
Torrian Gray, s.
Defensive Player of the Year: Cornell Brown
Coach of the Year: Frank Beamer
- 1996** — **First Team:** Jim Druckenmiller, qb; Billy Conaty, c;
Bryan Jennings, te; Ken Ox sendine, rb; Cornell Brown, dl;
Shayne Graham, pk;
Second Team: Jay Hagood, ol; T.J. Washington, ol;
Myron Newsome, lb; Brandon Semones, lb; Torrian Gray, s;
Antonio Banks, cb.
- 1996** — **Co-Offensive Player of the Year: Jim Druckenmiller**
Coach of the Year: Frank Beamer
- 1997** — **First Team:** Gennaro DiNapoli, ol; Todd Washington, ol;
Kerwin Hairston, dl; Pierson Prioleau, S; Shayne Graham, pk;
Jimmy Kibble, p.
Second Team: Ken Oxendine, rb; John Engelberger, dl;
Steve Tate, lb.
- 1998** — **First Team:** Shayne Graham, pk; Corey Moore, dl;
Loren Johnson, cb; Pierson Prioleau, s; Jimmy Kibble, p;
Second Team: Dwight Vick, ol; Derek Smith, ol;
John Engelberger, dl; Nathaniel Williams, dl; Jamel Smith, lb;
Keion Carpenter, s.
Defensive Player of the Year: Corey Moore.
- 1999** — **First Team:** Michael Vick, qb; Shyrone Stith, rb; Shayne Graham, pk;
Ricky Hall, pr/kr; Corey Moore, dl; John Engelberger, dl;
Anthony Midget, cb; Jimmy Kibble, p;
Second Team: André Davis, wr; Keith Short, c; Matt Lehr, og; Dave
Kadela, ot; Michael Hawkes, lb; Jamel Smith, lb; Ike Charlton, cb.
Offensive Player of the Year: Michael Vick
Defensive Player of the Year: Corey Moore
Special Teams Player of the Year: Shayne Graham
Rookie of the Year: Michael Vick
Coach of the Year: Frank Beamer
- 2000** — **First Team:** Dave Kadela, ot; Lee Suggs, rb; David Pugh, dl;
Ben Taylor, lb;
Second Team: Matt Lehr, og; Browning Wynn, te; Michael Vick, qb;
Carter Warley, pk; André Davis, kr/pr; Chad Beasley, dl;
Ronyell Whitaker, cb; Cory Bird, s.
Co-Offensive Player of the Year: Lee Suggs
- 2001** — **First Team:** André Davis, wr; David Pugh, dl; Ben Taylor, lb; Ronyell
Whitaker, cb;
Second Team: Chad Beasley, dl
Rookie of the Year: Kevin Jones, tb.
- 2002** — **Second Team:** Ernest Wilford, wr; Anthony Davis, og; Lee Suggs, rb;
DeAngelo Hall, kr/pr; Nathaniel Adibi, dl; DeAngelo Hall, cb;
Willie Pile, s; Vinnie Burns, p.



Corey Moore



Michael Vick

TECH IN THE BIG EAST

Year	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Finish
1991	5-6	1-0	—
1992	2-8-1	1-4	—
1993	9-3	4-3	4th
1994	8-4	5-2	2nd
1995	10-2	6-1	Champion
1996	10-2	6-1	Co-champion
1997	7-5	5-2	2nd
1998	9-3	5-2	Tied 2nd
1999	11-1	7-0	Champion
2000	11-1	6-1	2nd
2001	8-4	4-3	Tied 3rd
2002	10-4	3-4	Tied 4th

2002 BIG EAST STATISTICS

RUSHING	Team	Cl	G	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds/G
McGAHEE, Willis	UM	SO	13	282	1753	6.2	28	134.8
COBOURNE, Avon	WVU	SR	13	335	1710	5.1	17	131.5
KNIGHT, Derrick	BC	JR	13	259	1432	5.5	12	110.2
SHARPS, Tanardo	TU	SR	12	311	1276	4.1	8	106.3
SUGGS, Lee	VT	SR	14	257	1325	5.2	22	94.6
REYES, Walter	SU	SO	12	182	1135	6.2	17	94.6
MIREE, Brandon	UP	JR	13	214	943	4.4	4	72.5
WILSON, Quincy	WVU	JR	13	140	901	6.4	6	69.3
JONES, Kevin	VT	SO	13	160	871	5.4	9	67.0
MARSHALL, Rashe	WVU	SO	13	173	666	3.8	13	51.2

PASSING AVG/GAME	Team	Cl	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Avg/G
DORSEY, Ken	UM	SR	13	393	222	12	56.5	3369	28	259.2
ST. PIERRE, Bri	BC	SR	13	407	237	17	58.2	2983	18	229.5
RUTHERFORD, Rod	UP	JR	13	367	192	12	52.3	2783	22	214.1
MCGANN, Mike	TU	SO	12	353	173	22	49.0	1994	13	166.2
RANDALL, Bryan	VT	SO	14	248	158	11	63.7	2134	12	152.4
NUNES, Troy	SU	SR	9	198	115	7	58.1	1337	8	148.6
MARSHALL, Rashe	WVU	SO	13	259	139	5	53.7	1616	9	124.3
ANDERSON, R.J	SU	JR	9	134	58	8	43.3	899	4	99.9

TOTAL OFFENSE	Team	Cl	G	Rush	Pass	Plays	Total	Yds/G
DORSEY, Ken	UM	SR	13	-39	3369	416	3330	256.2
RUTHERFORD, Rod	UP	JR	13	398	2783	549	3181	244.7
ST. PIERRE, Bri	BC	SR	13	126	2983	475	3109	239.2
RANDALL, Bryan	VT	SO	14	507	2134	419	2641	188.6
MCGANN, Mike	TU	SO	12	200	1994	448	2194	182.8
MARSHALL, Rashe	WVU	SO	13	666	1616	432	2282	175.5
NUNES, Troy	SU	SR	9	24	1337	249	1361	151.2
McGAHEE, Willis	UM	SO	13	1753	0	282	1753	134.8
COBOURNE, Avon	WVU	SR	13	1710	0	335	1710	131.5
ANDERSON, R.J	SU	JR	9	108	899	187	1007	111.9

RECEPTIONS/GAME	Team	Cl	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg/C	Rec/G
FITZGERALD, L.	UP	FR	13	69	1005	12	14.6	5.31
WINSLOW, Kellen	UM	SO	13	57	726	8	12.7	4.38
JOHNSON, Andre	UM	JR	12	52	1092	9	21.0	4.33
COBB, Zamir	TU	SR	12	45	483	6	10.7	3.75
RIDDLE, Jamel	SU	JR	11	41	626	5	15.3	3.73
SLADE, Lamar	UP	SR	13	48	649	4	13.5	3.69
WILFORD, Ernest	VT	JR	14	51	925	7	18.1	3.64
HENDERSON, Miqu	WVU	SO	11	40	496	2	12.4	3.64
DILLARD, Sean	TU	SR	9	31	378	1	12.2	3.44
HEMMINGS, Keith	BC	SR	12	41	559	2	13.6	3.42

RECEIVE YDS/GAME	Team	Cl	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg/C	Yds/G
JOHNSON, Andre	UM	JR	12	52	1092	9	21.0	91.0
FITZGERALD, L	UP	FR	13	69	1005	12	14.6	77.3
WILFORD, Ernest	VT	JR	14	51	925	7	18.1	66.1
RIDDLE, Jamel	SU	JR	11	41	626	5	15.3	56.9
WINSLOW, Kellen	UM	SO	13	57	726	8	12.7	55.8
SLADE, Lamar	UP	SR	13	48	649	4	13.5	49.9
TYREE, David	SU	SR	12	36	559	3	15.5	46.6
HEMMINGS, Keith	BC	SR	12	41	559	2	13.6	46.6
BURKE, Jamal	BC	SR	11	33	498	3	15.1	45.3
HENDERSON, Miqu	WVU	SO	11	40	496	2	12.4	45.1

ALL PURPOSE	Team	Cl	G	Rush	Rcv	PR	KR	Yds	Avg/G
McGAHEE, Willis	UM	SO	13	1753	355	0	0	2108	162.2
COBOURNE, Avon	WVU	SR	13	1710	146	0	0	1856	142.8
KNIGHT, Derrick	BC	JR	13	1432	372	0	0	1804	138.8
SHARPS, Tanardo	TU	SR	12	1276	205	0	0	1481	123.4
SUGGS, Lee	VT	SR	14	1325	126	0	132	1583	113.1
RHODES, Damien	SU	FR	12	568	108	3	589	1268	105.7
REYES, Walter	SU	SO	12	1135	62	0	1	1198	99.8
JOHNSON, Andre	UM	JR	12	-2	1092	0	91	1181	98.4
RIDDLE, Jamel	SU	JR	11	38	626	316	0	980	89.1
MIREE, Brandon	UP	JR	13	943	123	0	0	1066	82.0

INTERCEPTIONS	Team	Cl	G	Int	Yds	TD
WILDS, Garnell	VT	JR	14	5	8	0
PILE, Willie	VT	SR	14	4	171	1
HALL, DeAngelo	VT	SO	13	4	124	1
TAYLOR, Sean	UM	SO	13	4	122	0
HAW, Brandon	RU	SR	12	4	17	0
ADDAE, Jahmile	WVU	SO	13	4	14	0
FULLER, Vincent	VT	SO	14	4	0	0
SIKES, Maurice	UM	JR	13	3	150	2
SPENCER, S.	UP	JR	13	3	49	0
PARENT, Ralph	BC	SO	13	3	35	0

PASS EFFICIENCY	Team	Cl	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Eff.
DORSEY, Ken	UM	SR	13	393	222	12	56.5	3369	28	145.9
RANDALL, Bryan	VT	SO	14	248	158	11	63.7	2134	12	143.1
RUTHERFORD, Rod	UP	JR	13	367	192	12	52.3	2783	22	129.3
ST. PIERRE, Bri	BC	SR	13	407	237	17	58.2	2983	18	126.0
NUNES, Troy	SU	SR	9	198	115	7	58.1	1337	8	121.1
MARSHALL, Rashe	WVU	SO	13	259	139	5	53.7	1616	9	113.7
ANDERSON, R.J.	SU	JR	9	134	58	8	43.3	899	4	97.5
MCGANN, Mike	TU	SO	12	353	173	22	49.0	1994	13	96.1

PUNT RETURN AVG	Team	Cl	G	Ret	Yds	TD	Avg
HALL, DeAngelo	VT	SO	13	22	352	2	16.0
PARRISH, Roscoe	UM	FR	13	27	392	0	14.5
RIDDLE, Jamel	SU	JR	11	23	316	1	13.7
BURKE, Jamal	BC	SR	11	24	286	1	11.9
SANDS, Ethenic	UM	SR	13	17	169	0	9.9
COBB, Zamir	TU	SR	12	23	222	0	9.7
FRAZIER, Lance	WVU	JR	13	30	208	0	6.9
SEABROOKS, Shawn	RU	SR	12	19	97	1	5.1

PUNTING	Team	Cl	G	Punt	Yds	Avg
LEE, Andy	UP	JR	13	73	3147	43.1
CAPSHAW, F.	UM	SR	13	54	2225	41.2
BURNS, Vinnie	VT	SO	14	64	2591	40.5
BARR, Mike	RU	SR	12	92	3707	40.3
SHAFER, Mike	SU	SR	12	69	2707	39.2
RINGWELSKI, Gar	TU	JR	11	47	1819	38.7
McMYLER, Kevin	BC	SR	13	56	2087	37.3
FAZZOLARI, Mark	WVU	SR	13	54	1993	36.9

SCORING	Team	Cl	G	TD	XPT	FG	Pts	Pts/G
McGAHEE, Willis	UM	SO	13	28	0	0	168	12.9
SUGGS, Lee	VT	SR	14	24	0	0	144	10.3
REYES, Walter	SU	SO	12	17	2	0	104	8.7
SCIORTINO, Sand	BC	JR	13	0	38	23	107	8.2
SIEVERS, Todd	UM	SR	13	0	66	13	105	8.1
COBOURNE, Avon	WVU	SR	13	17	0	0	102	7.8
KNIGHT, Derrick	BC	JR	13	14	0	0	84	6.5
JAMES, Todd	WVU	JR	13	0	46	11	79	6.1
MARSHALL, Rashe	WVU	SO	13	13	0	0	78	6.0
FITZGERALD, L.	UP	FR	13	12	0	0	72	5.5

SCORING (TDs)	Team	Cl	G	TD	Rush	Pass	Ret	PAT	Pts	Pts/G
McGAHEE, Willis	UM	SO	13	28	28	0	0	0	168	12.9
SUGGS, Lee	VT	SR	14	24	22	2	0	0	144	10.3
REYES, Walter	SU	SO	12	17	17	0	0	1	104	8.7
COBOURNE, Avon	WVU	SR	13	17	17	0	0	0	102	7.8
KNIGHT, Derrick	BC	JR	13	14	12	2	0	0	84	6.5
MARSHALL, Rashe	WVU	SO	13	13	13	0	0	0	78	6.0
FITZGERALD, L.	UP	FR	13	12	0	12	0	0	72	5.5
RHODES, Damien	SU	FR	12	9	7	1	1	1	56	4.7
JOHNSON, Andre	UM	JR	12	9	0	9	0	0	54	4.5
SHARPS, Tanardo	TU	SR	12	9	8	1	0	0	54	4.5

SEASON TEAM RANKINGS

SCORING OFFENSE	G	TD	XP	2XP	DXP	FG	Saf	Pts	Avg
Miami	13	70	66	0	0	13	1	527	40.5
Virginia Tech	14	56	51	1	0	12	2	429	30.6
West Virginia	13	52	47	0	0	11	2	396	30.5
Boston College	13	46	40	2	0	24	0	392	30.2
Syracuse	12	45	38	3	0	11	0	347	28.9
Pittsburgh	13	41	35	1	0	16	0	331	25.5
Temple	12	29	22	2	0	14	0	242	20.2
Rutgers	12	22	18	1	0	5	0	167	13.9

SCORING DEFENSE	G	TD	XP	2XP	DXP	FG	Saf	Pts	Avg
Pittsburgh	13	27	25	0	0	15	0	232	17.8
Virginia Tech	14	34	28	2	0	9	0	263	18.8
Miami	13	31	27	1	0	11	0	248	19.1
Boston College	13	31	29	1	0	12	0	253	19.5
West Virginia	13	39	34	1	0	10	1	302	23.2
Temple	12	46	41	1	0	10	1	351	29.2
Rutgers	12	51	44	1	0	13	3	397	33.1
Syracuse	12	52	47	1	0	15	0	406	33.8

PASS OFFENSE	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds/G
Miami	13	432	241	13	55.8	3695	8.6	32	284.2
Boston College	13	414	243	17	58.7	3010	7.3	18	231.5
Pittsburgh	13	371	194	12	52.3	2796	7.5	22	215.1
Syracuse	12	333	174	15	52.3	2252	6.8	12	187.7
Temple	12	380	186	23	48.9	2166	5.7	15	180.5
Rutgers	12	413	188	23	45.5	1948	4.7	12	162.3
Virginia Tech	14	272	168	11	61.8	2229	8.2	14	159.2
West Virginia	13	279	148	9	53.0	1753	6.3	11	134.8

PASS DEFENSE	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds/G
Miami	13	353	163	12	46.2	1556	4.4	8	119.7
Boston College	13	373	201	15	53.9	2237	6.0	12	172.1
Pittsburgh	13	400	210	15	52.5	2321	5.8	8	178.5
Rutgers	12	333	171	11	51.4	2376	7.1	25	198.0
Temple	12	356	210	11	59.0	2488	7.0	20	207.3
West Virginia	13	416	230	19	55.3	2777	6.7	17	213.6
Virginia Tech	14	443	230	24	51.9	2991	6.8	14	213.6
Syracuse	12	384	223	10	58.1	3645	9.5	22	303.8

RUSHING OFFENSE	G	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds/G
West Virginia	13	714	3687	5.2	39	283.6
Virginia Tech	14	659	2974	4.5	35	212.4
Syracuse	12	528	2265	4.3	30	188.8
Miami	13	455	2379	5.2	33	183.0
Boston College	13	492	2064	4.2	25	158.8
Pittsburgh	13	547	1860	3.4	15	143.1
Temple	12	474	1647	3.5	11	137.2
Rutgers	12	420	620	1.5	5	51.7

RUSHING DEFENSE	G	Rushes	Yards	Avg.	TD	Yds/G
Temple	12	459	1300	2.8	22	108.3
Pittsburgh	13	478	1527	3.2	17	117.5
Virginia Tech	14	495	1700	3.4	19	121.4
West Virginia	13	453	1584	3.5	19	121.8
Boston College	13	549	2166	3.9	17	166.6
Miami	13	582	2202	3.8	19	169.4
Syracuse	12	497	2063	4.2	26	171.9
Rutgers	12	525	2484	4.7	20	207.0

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Rush	Pass	Plays	Yards	Avg/P	TD	Yds/G
Miami	13	2379	3695	887	6074	6.8	65	467.2
West Virginia	13	3687	1753	993	5440	5.5	50	418.5
Boston College	13	2064	3010	906	5074	5.6	43	390.3
Syracuse	12	2265	2252	861	4517	5.2	42	376.4
Virginia Tech	14	2974	2229	931	5203	5.6	49	371.6
Pittsburgh	13	1860	2796	918	4656	5.1	37	358.2
Temple	12	1647	2166	854	3813	4.5	26	317.8
Rutgers	12	620	1948	833	2568	3.1	17	214.0

TOTAL DEFENSE	G	Rush	Pass	Plys	Yards	Avg	TD	Yds/G
Miami	13	2202	1556	935	3758	4.0	27	289.1
Pittsburgh	13	1527	2321	878	3848	4.4	25	296.0
Temple	12	1300	2488	815	3788	4.6	42	315.7
Virginia Tech	14	1700	2991	938	4691	5.0	33	335.1
West Virginia	13	1584	2777	869	4361	5.0	36	335.5
Boston College	13	2166	2237	922	4403	4.8	29	338.7
Rutgers	12	2484	2376	858	4860	5.7	45	405.0
Syracuse	12	2063	3645	881	5708	6.5	48	475.7

PUNT RETURNS	G	Ret	Yds	TD	Avg	SACKS BY	G	Tot	Yards
Virginia Tech	14	41	572	3	14.0	Miami	13	47	292
Syracuse	12	31	421	2	13.6	Virginia Tech	14	42	292
Miami	13	50	662	1	13.2	Pittsburgh	13	30	230
Boston College	13	35	345	1	9.9	Temple	12	26	208
Temple	12	30	257	0	8.6	Boston College	13	26	152
Rutgers	12	33	242	1	7.3	Syracuse	12	26	172
Pittsburgh	13	43	303	1	7.0	Rutgers	12	15	109
West Virginia	13	34	239	0	7.0	West Virginia	13	15	93

2002 BIG EAST DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

TACKLES	Team	Cl	G	Pos	Solo	Ast	Total	Avg/G	Sack
SMITH, Clifton	SU	SR	12	LB	89	48	137	11.4	2.0
BRACKETT, Gary	RU	SR	12	LB	82	48	130	10.8	4.0
HAYES, Gerald	UP	SR	13	LB	94	39	133	10.2	2.0
WILMA, Jonathan	UM	JR	13	LB	75	58	133	10.2	1.5
OTT, Josh	BC	JR	13	LB	81	47	128	9.8	0.0
WILEY, Grant	WVU	JR	13	LB	81	41	122	9.4	2.0
MORRIS, Tez	UP	FR	13	DB	71	48	119	9.2	1.0
ESTRADA, Angel	WVU	SR	13	DB	72	42	114	8.8	5.0
SEABROOKS, Shawn	RU	SR	12	DB	68	36	104	8.7	1.0
DAVIS, James	WVU	SR	13	LB	60	52	112	8.6	4.0
BAAQEE, Mikal	VT	SO	13	LB	68	44	112	8.6	3.5
DUMAS, Jameel	SU	JR	11	LB	58	36	94	8.5	0.5
CIURCIU, Vinny	BC	SR	13	LB	61	47	108	8.3	0.0
WILLIAMS, D.J	UM	JR	13	LB	55	53	108	8.3	4.0
WALLACE, Jamal	TU	SR	12	SAF	65	31	96	8.0	0.0
PARENT, Ralph	BC	SO	13	SAF	68	31	99	7.6	1.0
COLLINS, Ben	WVU	SR	13	LB	48	50	98	7.5	0.0
PILE, Willie	VT	SR	14	SAF	66	38	104	7.4	0.0
WALKER, Keeon	SU	SR	12	SS	70	18	88	7.3	2.0
MOORE, Lewis	UP	JR	13	LB	69	25	94	7.2	1.0
ADDAE, Jahmile	WVU	SO	13	DB	58	36	94	7.2	0.0
JONES, Nathan	RU	JR	12	DB	69	15	84	7.0	0.0
BENDER, Brian	RU	SR	12	LB	57	24	81	6.8	2.0
TAYLOR, Sean	UM	SO	13	DB	53	32	85	6.5	0.0
BESSETTE, Doug	BC	SR	12	SS	59	19	78	6.5	0.0
HUNTER, Will	SU	SR	12	CB	63	15	78	6.5	0.0
ROBINSON, Vegas	VT	JR	11	LB	54	17	71	6.5	0.0
LEFTWICH, Terra	TU	SR	12	CB	54	23	77	6.4	0.0
WALLACE, Rian	TU	FR	12	LB	51	25	76	6.3	1.0
COX, Torrie	UP	SR	13	DB	70	12	82	6.3	0.0
KLECKO, Dan	TU	SR	11	DL	46	22	68	6.2	10.0
FLORES, Brian	BC	JR	12	LB	43	31	74	6.2	0.0
SIKES, Maurice	UM	JR	13	DB	34	46	80	6.2	0.0
BEINECKE, Brian	UP	SR	13	LB	50	29	79	6.1	2.0
THAXTON, Jermai	WVU	SR	13	DB	42	37	79	6.1	0.0
HARRIOTT, Claude	UP	JR	13	DL	50	28	78	6.0	9.5
ALMONTE, Jairo	TU	SR	12	DB	40	31	71	5.9	0.0
KING, Brian	WVU	JR	13	DB	60	16	76	5.8	0.0
SCOTT, O'Neil	SU	SO	11	SAF	47	14	61	5.5	1.0
CROCHUNIS, Vince	UP	SO	13	DL	37	34	71	5.5	2.5
JACKSON, Yazid	TU	JR	12	DB	48	17	65	5.4	0.0
MANNING, Brandon	VT	SO	14	LB	37	38	75	5.4	1.0
ORR, Raheem	RU	SR	12	DE	39	23	62	5.2	4.5
GREGORY, Steven	SU	FR	11	CB	49	7	56	5.1	0.0
JOHNSON, Jarvis	RU	SO	12	DB	48	13	61	5.1	0.0
ROLLE, Antrel	UM	SO	13	CB	48	18	66	5.1	1.5

SACKS	Team	Cl	G	Pos	Solo	Ast	Yds	Total	Avg/G
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BIG EAST RECORDS

BIG EAST TEAM RECORDS HELD BY TECH

Most Rushes

Game 72 vs. Pittsburgh 9/11/93 (500 yards)

Rushing Touchdowns

Game 8 (tie) vs. Akron, 10/14/95

Season 46 2000

Passing Yards Gained

Game 504 vs. Syracuse 11/9/02 (23 of 35)

Passing Yards Gained – Two Teams

Game 907 Virginia Tech (504) vs. Syracuse (403) 11/9/02

Passing Yards Per Attempt

Season 10.93 1999 (2,177 yards on 199 attempts)

Passing Yards Per Completion

Season 18.61 1999 (2,177 on 117 completions)

Most Rushing First Downs

Season 162 2000

Most Punt Returns

Game 10 (tie) vs. Clemson 9/12/98 (129 yards)

Most Yards Per Punt Return

Game 41.3 (tie) vs. East Carolina 9/7/00 (3 for 124)

Season 18.2 2000 (39 for 711)

Punt Returns for Touchdowns

Game 2 vs. East Carolina 9/7/00

Most Points

Quarter 35 (tie) vs. Arkansas State 8/25/02

35 (tie) vs. Rutgers 10/9/99

Most Touchdowns

Game 11 (tie) vs. Akron 10/14/95

Most Field Goals Attempted

Game 6 vs. Miami 9/23/95

Most Interceptions

Game 6 (tie) vs. Rutgers 10/31/92

6 (tie) vs. Rutgers 11/21/98

Most Shutouts

Season 4 2001

Most Shutouts, Conference Games

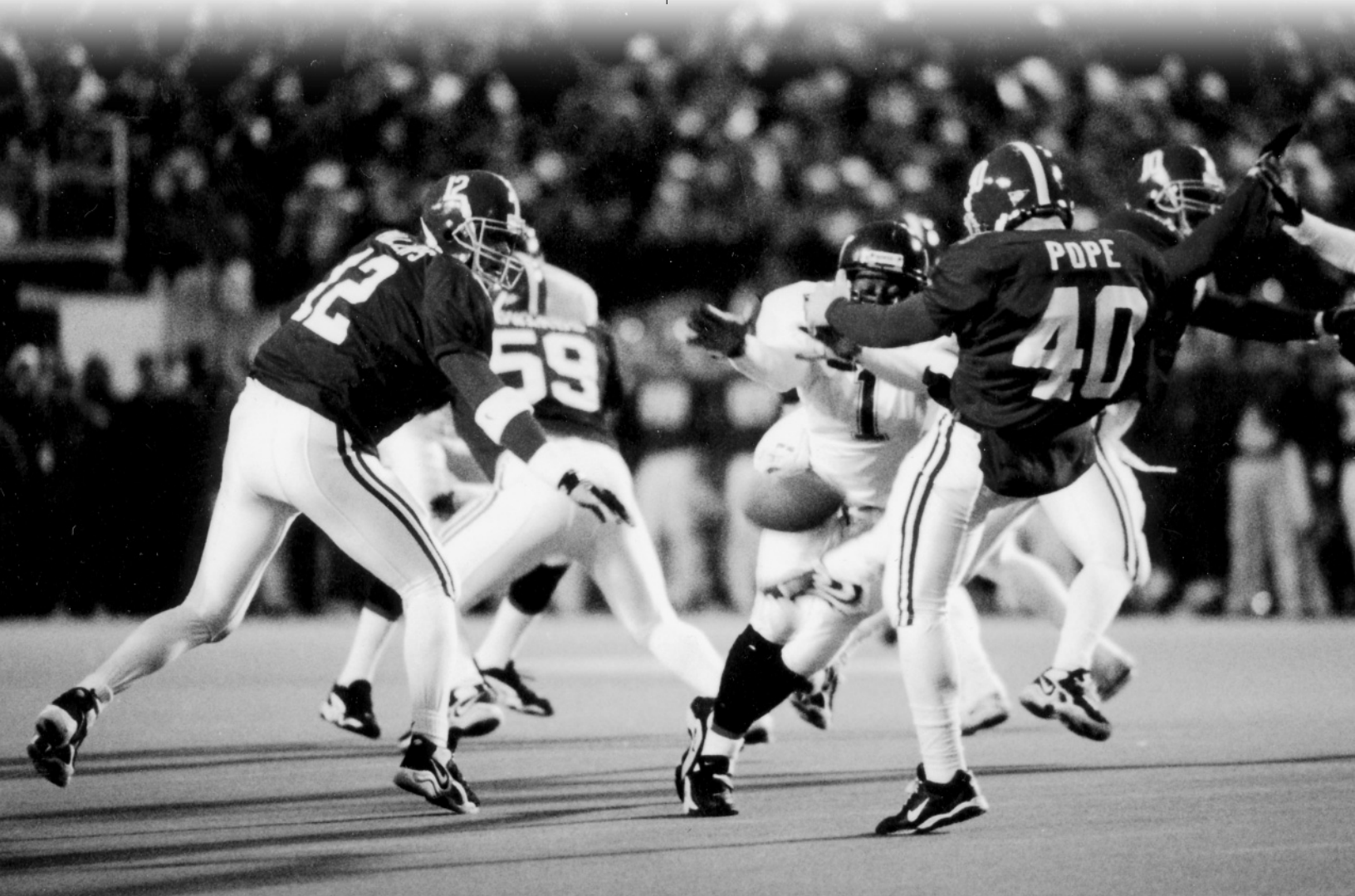
Season 3 (tie) 2001

Sacks

Season 58 1999 (449 yards)

Blocked Kicks

Season 12 1998



Keion Carpenter's blocked punt against Alabama was one of Tech's BIG EAST-record 12 blocked kicks in 1998.

BIG EAST INDIVIDUAL RECORDS HELD BY TECH

Per NCAA guidelines, all game, season and career records prior to 2002 do not include bowl games.

Yards Per Play

Game 16.63 Michael Vick vs. Rutgers 10/9/99 (19 for 316)
 Season 9.24 Michael Vick, 1999 (262 for 2,420 yards)

Rushing Quarterback Yards Gained

Game 210 Michael Vick vs. Boston College 9/30/00 (16 rushes)

Touchdowns Rushing

Career 53 Lee Suggs, 1999-02

Completion Percentage (Min. 10 completed)

Game 91.7 Michael Vick vs. Rutgers 10/9/99 (11 of 12, 248 yds)

Passing Yards

Game 504 Bryan Randall vs. Syracuse 11/9/02 (23 of 35)

Yards Gained

Game 279 Ernest Wilford vs. Syracuse 11/9/02 (8 catches)

Touchdown Catches

Game 4 Ernest Wilford vs. Syracuse 11/9/02

Points Scored

Season 168 (tie) Lee Suggs, 2000 (27 RuTD, 1 ReTD)
 Career 371 Shayne Graham, 1996-99 (68 FG, 167 PAT)

Touchdowns

Career 56 Lee Suggs, 1999-02 (53 rush, 3 rec.)

Field Goals Attempted

Game 6 Atle Larsen vs. Miami 9/23/95 (two made)
 Season 32 (tie) Shayne Graham, 1998 (22 made)
 Career 93 Shayne Graham, 1996-99 (68 made)

Field Goals Made

Career 68 Shayne Graham, 1996-99 (93 attempted)

PAT Kicks Percentage (Min. 9 attempts)

Game 100 (tie) Carter Warley vs. Arkansas State 8/25/02 (9 of 9)
 (tie) Ryan Williams vs. Pittsburgh 9/11/93 (9 of 9)

PAT Kicks Percentage (Min. 25 made)

Season 100 (tie) Carter Warley, 2001 (44 of 44)
 (tie) Shayne Graham, 1998 (37 of 37)
 (tie) Shayne Graham, 1996 (39 of 39)



Garnell Wilds grabs one of his record-tying three interceptions at Syracuse in 2002.

Consecutive PATs Made (includes bowl games)

Career 102 Shayne Graham, 1997-99

Points Scored by Kicking

Game 17 (tie) Shayne Graham vs. SW Louisiana 11/2/96
 (4 FG, 5 PAT)
 Career 371 Shayne Graham, 1996-99 (68 FG, 167 PAT)

Gain Per Punt Return

Season 22.0 André Davis, 2000 (18 returns for 396 yards)

Longest Interception Return

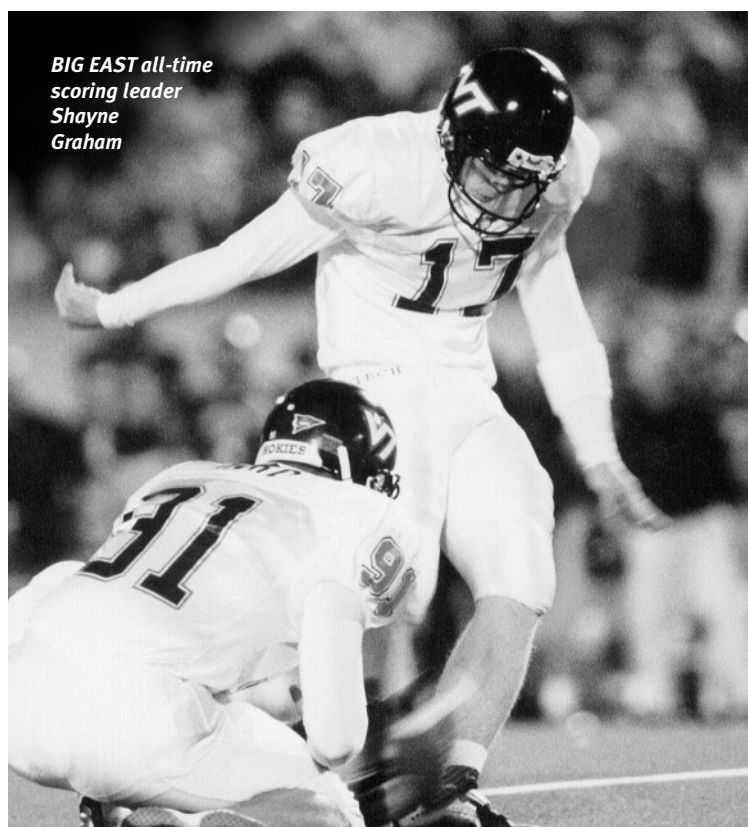
100 yds Keion Carpenter vs. Miami, 11/16/96

Most Interceptions

Game 3 (tie) Garnell Wilds vs. Syracuse
 (0 yards, 11/9/02)
 (tie) Willie Pile vs. Syracuse
 (11 yards, 10/21/00)
 (tie) Anthony Midget vs. Miami
 (5 yards, 11/13/99)
 (tie) Ike Charlton vs. West Virginia
 (29 yards, 10/31/98)
 (tie) Keion Carpenter vs. Pittsburgh
 (63 yards, 9/26/98)
 (tie) Lorenzo Ferguson vs. Clemson
 (40 yards, 9/12/98)

Quarterback Sacks

Career 36 Cornell Brown, 1993-96 (267 yards)



BIG EAST all-time
 scoring leader
 Shayne
 Graham

CONFERENCE BOWL TIES



The BIG EAST champion will participate in one of three BCS bowls (Orange, Fiesta or Sugar).



FEDEx ORANGE BOWL

Jan. 1, 2004
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Pro Player Stadium (75,172)
Title Sponsor: Federal Express



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Jan. 2, 2004
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Facility: Sun Devil Stadium (73,185)
Title Sponsor: Frito Lay



NOKIA SUGAR BOWL

Jan. 4, 2004
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FAX: 504/525-4867
Louisiana Superdome (72,000)
Title Sponsor: Nokia Mobile
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INSIGHT BOWL

Dec. 26, 2003
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480/350-0900
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Facility: Bank One Ballpark (43,463)
Title Sponsor: Insight Enterprises



CONTINENTAL TIRE BOWL

Dec. 27, 2003
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2815 Coliseum Drive, Suite 200
Charlotte, NC 28217
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www.continentaltirebowl.com
704/378-4428
FAX: 704/378-4465
Facility: Ericsson Stadium (73,637)
Title Sponsor: Continental Tire North
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DIAMOND WALNUT SAN FRANCISCO BOWL

Dec. 31, 2003
Gary Cavalli, Executive Director
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24 Willie Mays Place
San Francisco, CA 94102
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www.sanfranciscobowl.com
415/972-1812
FAX: 415/947-2925
Facility: Pacific Bell Park (40,000)
Title Sponsor: Diamond of California



TOYOTA GATOR BOWL

Jan. 1, 2004
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Jacksonville, Florida 32202
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www.gatorbowl.com
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Facility: Alltel Stadium (76,945)
Title Sponsor: Toyota Motor Sales of
America

DIVISION I-A FOOTBALL BOWL GAMES FOR 2003

Date	Bowl	Matchup	Site	TV	Time	Web Site	Venue
Dec. 16	New Orleans Bowl	Sun Belt champ vs. C-USA	New Orleans, La.	ESPN2	7 p.m.	neworleansbowl.com	Louisiana Superdome
Dec. 18	GMAC Bowl	C-USA No. 2 vs. MAC	Mobile, Ala.	ESPN2	8 p.m.	gmacbowl.com	Ladd Peebles Stadium
Dec. 22	Mazda Tangerine Bowl	ACC No. 4 vs. Big 12 No. 5/6/7	Orlando, Fla.	ESPN	5:30 p.m.	fcsports.com	Florida Citrus Bowl
Dec. 23	Fort Worth Bowl	Big 12 No. 8 vs. Conference USA	Fort Worth, Texas	ESPN	7:30 p.m.	TBA	Amon G. Carter Stadium
Dec. 24	Las Vegas Bowl	Mountain West No. 2 vs. Pac-10	Las Vegas, Nev.	ESPN	7:30 p.m.	lvbowl.com	Sam Boyd Stadium
Dec. 25	Conagra Foods Hawaii Bowl	C-USA vs. WAC	Honolulu, Hawaii	ESPN	8 p.m.	hawaiiibowl.com	Aloha Stadium
Dec. 26	Motor City Bowl	MAC No. 1/2 vs. Big Ten No. 7	Detroit, Mich.	ESPN	5 p.m.	motorcitybowl.com	USA Pontiac Silverdome
Dec. 26	Insight Bowl	Big East No. 3 or ND vs. Pac-10	Phoenix, Ariz.	ESPN	8:30 p.m.	tostitosfiestabowl.com	Bank One Ballpark
Dec. 27	Continental Tire Bowl	Big East vs. ACC	Charlotte, N.C.	ESPN	11 a.m.	continentaltirebowl.com	Ericsson Stadium
Dec. 29	Alamo Bowl	Big Ten No. 4 vs. Big 12 No. 4	San Antonio, Texas	ESPN	9 p.m.	alamobowl.com	Alamodome
Dec. 30	Houston Bowl	C-USA vs. Big 12 No. 5/6/7	Houston, Texas	ESPN	4:30 p.m.	houstonbowl.net	Reliant Stadium
Dec. 30	Silicon Valley Classic	WAC Selection vs. At Large	San Jose, Calif.	ESPN2	7:30 p.m.	bowlbythebay.com	Spartan Stadium
Dec. 30	Pacific Life Holiday Bowl	Pac-10 No. 2 vs. Big 12 No. 3	San Diego, Calif.	ESPN	8 p.m.	holidaybowl.com	Qualcomm Stadium
Dec. 31	Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl	Big Ten vs. SEC	Nashville, Tenn.	ESPN	12 p.m.	musiccitybowl.com	Adelphia Coliseum
Dec. 31	Sun Bowl	Big Ten No. 5 vs. Pac-10 No. 3	El Paso, Texas	CBS	2 p.m.	sunbowl.com	Sun Bowl
Dec. 31	AXA Liberty Bowl	C-USA No. 1 vs. Mountain West No. 1	Memphis, Tenn.	ESPN	3:30 p.m.	libertybowl.org	Liberty Bowl
Dec. 31	MainStay Independence Bowl	Big 12 No. 5/6/7 vs. SEC	Shreveport, La.	ESPN	7:30 p.m.	independencebowl.com	Independence Bowl
Dec. 31	Diamond Walnut San Francisco Bowl	Mountain West vs. Big East	San Francisco, Calif.	ESPN2	10:30 p.m.	sanfranciscobowl.com	Pac Bell Park
Jan. 1	Outback Bowl	Big Ten No. 3 vs. SEC	Tampa, Fla.	ESPN	11 a.m.	outbackbowl.com	Raymond James Stadium
Jan. 1	Toyota Gator Bowl	Big East No. 2 or ND vs. ACC No. 2	Jacksonville, Fla.	NBC	12:30 p.m.	gatorbowl.com	Alltel Stadium
Jan. 1	Capital One Bowl	Big Ten No. 2 vs. SEC	Orlando, Fla.	ABC	1 p.m.	fcsports.com	Citrus Bowl
Jan. 1	Rose Bowl	Big 10 vs. Pac-10	Pasadena, Calif.	ABC	5 p.m.	tournamentofroses.com	Rose Bowl
Jan. 1	FedEx Orange Bowl	BCS vs. BCS	Miami, Fla.	ABC	8 p.m.	orangebowl.org	Pro Player Stadium
Jan. 2	SBC Cotton Bowl	Big 12 No. 2 vs. SEC (or ND or Big East)	Dallas, Texas	FOX	2 p.m.	cottonbowl.org	Cotton Bowl
Jan. 2	Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl	ACC vs. SEC	Atlanta, Ga.	ESPN	4:30 p.m.	peachbowl.com	Georgia Dome
Jan. 2	Tostitos Fiesta Bowl	BCS vs. BCS	Tempe, Ariz.	ABC	8 p.m.	tostitosfiestabowl.com	Sun Devil Stadium
Jan. 3	Humanitarian Bowl	WAC vs. ACC No. 6	Boise, Idaho	ESPN	TBD	humanitarianbowl.com	Bronco Stadium
Jan. 4	Nokia Sugar Bowl	BCS vs. BCS	New Orleans, La.	ABC	8 p.m.	nokiasugarbowl.com	Louisiana Superdome



Ernest
Wilford

2003 OPPONENTS



Game
One

UCF

Sunday, Aug. 31
Lane Stadium/Worsham Field
Blacksburg, Va.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Orlando, Fla.
Enrollment: 42,000
President: Dr. John C. Hitt
Conference: Mid-American (East Division)
Nickname: Golden Knights
Colors: Black & Gold
Stadium (Capacity): Florida Citrus Bowl (70,188)
Surface: 419 Bermuda Grass
2002 Overall Record/Conference Record (Finish):
7-5/6-2 (2nd MAC East)
Director of Athletics: Steve Orsini
Office Phone: (407) 823-2261



COACHING STAFF



Mike Kruczek
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater):
Mike Kruczek (BC '76)
Record at School (Years):
33-23 (5 years)
Career Record (Years):
33-23 (5 years)
Best Time To Reach
Coach: Mornings
Office Phone:
(407) 823-5397

OUTLOOK

Offensive Set: Multiple
Defensive Set: 4-3
Lettermen Returning: 42
Lettermen Lost: 21
Starters Returning: 13
Starters Lost: 12
Offensive Starters Returning (Position): David Ashkinaz (OG), Alex Haynes (TB), Ryan Schneider (QB), Kyle Watkins (OT)
Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Atari Bigby (SS), Larry Brown (DT), Rashad Jeanty (DE), DeMarcus Johnson (DT), Omar Laurence (CB), Chad Mascoe (LB), Stanford Rhule (LB), Peter Sands (FS)
Returning Specialists (Position): Matt Prater (PK)



Atari Bigby

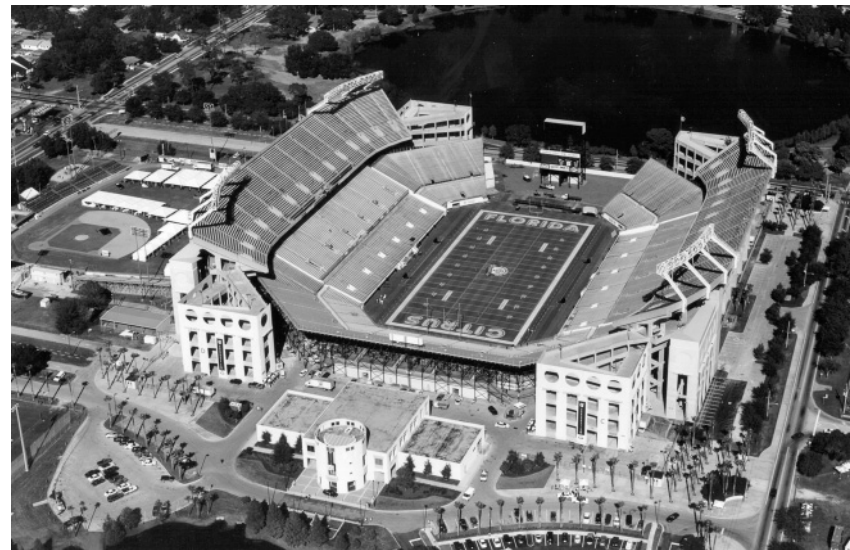


Ryan Schneider

Assistant Coaches (Position): Jamie Barresi (quarterbacks), Sean Beckton (receivers), Lorenzo Costantini (defensive line), Bill D'Ottavio (defensive coordinator, linebackers), John Fontes (defensive backs), Scott Fountain (tight ends, tackles, recruiting), Alan Gooch (running backs, assistant head coach), Robert McFarland (offensive coordinator, offensive line), Joe Robinson (special teams coordinator, linebackers)

2002 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Alex Haynes	204	1038	5.1	8		
Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
Ryan Schneider	430	265	61.6	3770	31	16
Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Tavaris Capers	43	456	10.6	5		
Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS		
Stanford Rhule	69	58	127	10-29		



Florida Citrus Bowl

2002 RESULTS

(7-5, 6-2 MAC)
aL 24-27 at Penn St.
aL 13-46 at Arizona St.
aL 21-26 at Marshall
hW 48-17 LIBERTY
aW 31-27 at WMU
hL 24-27 TOLEDO
hW 28-17 AKRON
hL 35-38 SYRACUSE
aW 45-21 at Buffalo
hW 32- 6 KENT STATE
aW 48-31 at Miami (Ohio)
hW 42-32 OHIO

2003 SCHEDULE

Aug. 31 at Virginia Tech
Sept. 13 FLORIDA ATLANTIC
Sept. 20 at Syracuse
Sept. 27 at Kent State
Oct. 4 BUFFALO
Oct. 11 at Ohio
Oct. 18 at Akron
Oct. 25 CENTRAL MICHIGAN
Nov. 1 at West Virginia
Nov. 8 at Eastern Michigan
Nov. 19 MARSHALL
Nov. 28 MIAMI (Ohio)
Dec. 4 MAC Championship



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Game
Two

JAMES MADISON

Saturday, Sept. 6
Lane Stadium/Worsham Field
Blacksburg, Va.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Harrisonburg, VA
Enrollment: 15,900
President: Dr. Linwood H. Rose
Conference: Atlantic 10 Football Conference
Nickname: Dukes
Colors: Purple & Gold
Stadium (Capacity): Bridgeforth Stadium (14,000)
Surface: Astro-turf
2002 Overall Record/Conference Record (Finish):
 5-7/3-6 A-10 (9th)
Director of Athletics: Jeff Bourne
Office Phone: (540) 568-6164



Jerame Southern



Leon Steinfeld

OUTLOOK

Offensive Set: Multiple I
Defensive Set: 4-3
Lettermen Returning: 51
Lettermen Lost: 9
Starters Returning: 19
Starters Lost: 3

Offensive Starters Returning (Position): Trent Bosley (OT), Rondell Bradley (TB), George Burns (OG), Sean Connaghan (TE), Harry Dunn (OT), Alan Harrison (WR), Mark Higgins (WR), Chris Iorio (FB), Matt LeZotte (QB), Matt Magerko (OG), Leon Steinfeld (C)

Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Ryan Bache (DT), Isai Bradshaw (LB), Sid Evans (DT), Rodney McCarter (CB), Dennard Melton (LB), Jerame Southern (DE), Cortez Thompson (CB), Trey Townsend (LB)

Returning Specialists (Position): Nick Englehart (P), Burke George (PK), Josh Haymore (LS)

2002 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Rondell Bradley	183	737	4.0	6

Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
Matt LeZotte	199	103	51.8	1481	3	8

Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Alan Harrison	35	705	20.1	3

Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS
Trey Townsend	74	44	118	10-16

COACHING STAFF



Mickey Matthews
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater):
Mickey Matthews (West Texas St., '76)
Record at School (Years):
21-25 (4 years)
Career Record (Years):
21-25 (4 years)
Best Time To Reach Coach:
11:30 a.m.-noon
Assistant Coaches (Position): Curt Newsome (assistant head coach,

offensive line), Eddie Davis (offensive coordinator, quarterbacks, wide receivers), Dick Hopkins (defensive coordinator, defensive backs), George Barlow (defensive line, recruiting coordinator), Kyle Gillenwater (linebackers), Amos Jones (tight ends, special teams), Darrius Smith (running backs), Casey Creehan (defensive ends)



Bridgeforth Stadium

2002 RESULTS

(5-7, 3-6 A-10 FB)

hL 28-31 HAMPTON
 hW 20-14 NEW HAMPSHIRE
 hW 16-13 FLORIDA ATLANTIC
 aW 24-21 (2OT) at Hofstra
 hL 26-30 VILLANOVA
 hL 6-17 MAINE
 aL 10-23 at Delaware
 aL 0-26 at Richmond
 hL 7-14 MASSACHUSETTS
 aW 15-11 at Rhode Island
 hW 34-31 (OT) WILLIAM & MARY
 aL 10-41 at Northeastern

2003 SCHEDULE

Aug. 30 LIBERTY
 Sept. 6 at Virginia Tech
 Sept. 20 HOFSTRA
 Sept. 27 at Massachusetts
 Oct. 4 at Villanova
 Oct. 11 RICHMOND
 Oct. 18 at William & Mary
 Oct. 25 at Maine
 Nov. 1 RHODE ISLAND
 Nov. 8 at New Hampshire
 Nov. 15 CHARLESTON SOUTHERN
 Nov. 22 NORTHEASTERN



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Game
Three

TEXAS A&M

Thursday, Sept. 18
Lane Stadium/Worsham Field
Blacksburg, Va.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: College Station, Texas
Enrollment: 45,083
President: Dr. Robert M. Gates
Conference: Big 12
Nickname: Aggies
Colors: Maroon & White
Stadium (Capacity): Kyle Field (82,600)
Surface: Natural grass
2002 Overall Record/Conference Record (Finish):
 6-6/3-5 Big 12 (T-5th)
Director of Athletics: Bill Byrne
Office Phone: (979) 845-5129



COACHING STAFF



Dennis Franchione
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater): Dennis Franchione (Pittsburg State '73)
Record at School (Years): First year
Career Record (Years): 155-73-2 (20 years)
Best Time To Reach Coach: Check with SID office

Assistant Coaches (Position): Kenith Pope (assistant head coach, wide receivers), Les Koenning, Jr. (offensive coordinator, quarterbacks), Carl Torbush (defensive coordinator, linebackers), Stan Eggen (defensive line), Lee Fobbs (running backs), Jim Bob Helduser (offensive line), Melvin Smith (safeties), Chris Thurmond (cornerbacks), Mark Tommerdahl (tight ends, special teams coordinator)

OUTLOOK

Offensive Set: Multiple Pro Sets
Defensive Set: 4-3
Lettermen Returning: 49
Lettermen Lost: 20
Starters Returning: 12
Starters Lost: 10
Offensive Starters Returning (Position): Dustin Long (QB), Jamaar Taylor (WR), Derek Farmer (RB), Alan Reuber (RT), Geoff Hangartner (C), Jami Hightower (LT), Thomas Carriger (TE)
Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Marcus Jasmin (NT), Linnis Smith (DE), Jared Morris (ILB), Byron Jones (CB), Jaxson Appel (FS)
Returning Specialists (Position): Cody Scates (P), Todd Pegram (PK), Terrence Thomas (KR)



Linnis Smith



Jamaar Taylor

2002 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Derek Farmer	172	739	4.3	7		
Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
Dustin Long	333	177	53.2	2509	19	16
Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Jamaar Taylor	44	760	17.3	3		
Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS		
Jared Morris	40	33	73	5.5-16		



Kyle Field

2002 RESULTS

(6-6, 3-5 Big 12)
 hW 31- 7 LA-LAFAYETTE
 aW 14-12 at Pittsburgh
 hL 3-13 VIRGINIA TECH
 hW 31- 3 LOUISIANA TECH
 hL 47-48 (OT) TEXAS TECH
 aW 41- 0 at Baylor
 aW 47-22 at Kansas
 hL 31-38 NEBRASKA
 aL 23-28 at Oklahoma St.
 hW 30-26 OKLAHOMA
 hL 27-33 (2OT) MISSOURI
 aL 20-50 at Texas

2003 SCHEDULE

Aug. 30 ARKANSAS STATE
 Sept. 6 UTAH
 Sept. 18 at Virginia Tech
 Sept. 27 PITTSBURGH
 Oct. 4 at Texas Tech
 Oct. 11 BAYLOR
 Oct. 18 at Nebraska
 Oct. 25 OKLAHOMA STATE
 Nov. 1 KANSAS
 Nov. 8 at Oklahoma
 Nov. 15 at Missouri
 Nov. 28 TEXAS
 Dec. 7 Big 12 Championship



Alan Cannon

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Storrs, Conn.
Enrollment: 23,419
President: Dr. Philip E. Austin
Conference: I-A Independent
Nickname: Huskies, UConn
Colors: National Flag Blue & White
Stadium (Capacity): Rentschler Field (40,000)
Surface: Natural grass
2002 Overall Record: 6-6
Director of Athletics: Jeff Hathaway
Office Phone: (860) 486-2725



COACHING STAFF



Randy Edsall
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater):
Randy Edsall (Syracuse '80)
Record at School (Years):
15-30 (4 years)
Career Record (Years):
15-30 (4 years)
Best Time To Reach Coach: Early afternoon, through SID
Office Phone:
(860) 486-2718

OUTLOOK

Offensive Set: Multiple
Defensive Set: 4-3
Lettermen Returning: 37
Lettermen Lost: 17
Starters Returning: 17
Starters Lost: 7
Offensive Starters Returning (Position): Shaun Feldeisen (WR), Ryan Krug (OT), Brian Markowski (OG), Billy Irwin (C), Grant Preston (OG), Dan Orlovsky (QB), Terry Caulley (TB), Deon Anderson (FB)
Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Tyler King (DE), Sean Mulcahy (DT), Uyi Osunde (DE), Alfred Fincher (LB), Maurice Lloyd (LB), Chris Meyer (SS), Terrance Smith (FS), Marlon Jones (CB)
Returning Specialists (Position): Adam Coles (P)



Dan Orlovsky



Uyi Osunde

Assistant Coaches (Position): Norries Wilson (offensive coordinator, centers, guards), Hank Hughes (defensive coordinator, defensive line), Rob Ambrose (quarterbacks), Torrian Gray (defensive backs), Lyndon Johnson (recruiting coordinator, outside linebackers), Vinny Marino (wide receivers), Dave McMichael (special teams coordinator, tackles, tight ends), Todd Orlando (linebackers), Terry Richardson (running backs)

2002 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Terry Caulley	220	1247	5.7	15		
Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
Dan Orlovsky	366	221	60.4	2488	19	11
Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Shaun Feldeisen	33	425	12.9	2		
Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS		
Maurice Lloyd	78	35	113	18-44		



Rentschler Field

2002 RESULTS

(6-6)
aL 16-24 at Boston College
hL 14-31 GEORGIA TECH
aW 24- 3 at Buffalo
hW 37-19 OHIO
hL 21-24 (OT) BALL STATE
aL 14-48 at Miami
hL 24-38 TEMPLE
aL 24-28 at Vanderbilt
hW 61-14 FLORIDA ATLANTIC
hW 63-21 KENT STATE
aW 38- 0 at Navy
aW 37-20 at Iowa State

2003 SCHEDULE

Aug. 30 INDIANA
Sept. 6 at Army
Sept. 13 BOSTON COLLEGE
Sept. 20 at Buffalo
Sept. 27 at Virginia Tech
Oct. 4 LEHIGH
Oct. 11 at N.C. State
Oct. 18 at Kent State
Oct. 25 AKRON
Nov. 1 WESTERN MICHIGAN
Nov. 8 RUTGERS
Nov. 15 at Wake Forest

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Game
Five

RUTGERS

Saturday, Oct. 4
Rutgers Stadium
Piscataway, N.J.**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Location: New Brunswick, N.J.
Enrollment: 33,358
President: Dr. Richard L. McCormick
Conference: BIG EAST
Nickname: Scarlet Knights
Color: Scarlet
Stadium (Capacity): Rutgers Stadium (41,500)
Surface: Grass
2002 Overall Record/Conference Record (Finish):
 1-11/0-7 BIG EAST (8th)
Director of Athletics: Robert E. Mulcahy, III
Office Phone: (732) 445-8610

**COACHING STAFF**

Greg Schiano
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater):
Greg Schiano (Bucknell, '88)
Record at School (Years):
3-20 (2 years)
Career Record (Years):
3-20 (2 years)
Office Phone:
(732) 445-5100
**Best Time To Reach
Coach:** Through SID

Assistant Coaches (Position): Darrell Hazell (assistant head coach/wide receivers), Craig Ver Steeg (offensive coordinator), Paul Ferraro (defensive coordinator), Darren Rizzi (special teams coordinator/running backs), Mark D'Onofrio (recruiting coordinator/linebackers), Mario Cristobal (offensive line), Scott Lakatos (secondary), Randy Melvin (defensive line), Joe Susan (tight ends)

OUTLOOK

Offensive Set: Pro Style
Defensive Set: 4-3
Lettermen Returning: 43
Lettermen Lost: 20
Starters Returning: 12
Starters Lost: 10
Offensive Starters Returning (Position): Brian Duffy (RG), Sameeh McDonald (LG), Ray Pilch (FB), Marty Pyszczyuka (C), Shawn Tucker (FL)
Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Brian Bender (LB), Gary Gibson (DT), Brandon Haw (DB), Brian Hohmann (LB), Jarvis Johnson (SS), Nate Jones (CB), Raheem Orr (DE)
Returning Specialists (Position): Ryan Sands (PK)



Nathan Jones



Marty Pyszczyuka

2002 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Markis Facyson	124	398	3.2	1

Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
Ted Trump	155	71	45.8	740	4	11

Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Shawn Tucker	21	195	9.3	1

Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS
Nathan Jones	69	15	85	2-7



Rutgers Stadium

2002 RESULTS**(1-11, 0-7 BIG EAST)**

hL 19-37 VILLANOVA
 hL 11-34 BUFFALO
 hW 44- 0 ARMY
 aL 3-23 at Pittsburgh
 aL 14-35 at Tennessee
 hL 0-40 WEST VIRGINIA
 aL 14-35 at Virginia Tech
 aL 14-45 at Syracuse
 hL 17-42 MIAMI
 hL 17-20 TEMPLE
 aL 0-42 at Notre Dame
 aL 14-44 at Boston College

2003 SCHEDULE

Aug. 30 BUFFALO
 Sept. 6 at Michigan State
 Sept. 13 at Army
 Sept. 27 NAVY
 Oct. 4 VIRGINIA TECH
 Oct. 11 at West Virginia
 Oct. 18 PITTSBURGH
 Oct. 25 at Temple
 Nov. 8 at Connecticut
 Nov. 15 BOSTON COLLEGE
 Nov. 22 at Miami
 Nov. 29 SYRACUSE



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Game
Six

SYRACUSE

Saturday, Oct. 11
Lane Stadium/Worsham Field
Blacksburg, Va.

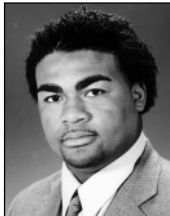
GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Syracuse, N.Y.
Enrollment: 10,000
Chancellor: Kenneth A. Shaw
Conference: BIG EAST
Nickname: Orangemen
Color: Orange
Stadium (Capacity): The Carrier Dome (49,550)
Surface: AstroTurf
2002 Overall Record/Conference Record (Finish):
4-8/2-5 BIG EAST
Director of Athletics: Jake Crouthamel
Office Phone: (315) 443-2385



OUTLOOK

Offensive Set: Pro Option
Defensive Set: 4-3/3-4
Lettermen Returning: 25
Lettermen Lost: 14
Starters Returning: 13
Starters Lost: 9
Offensive Starters Returning (Position): Lenny Cusumano (TE), Walter Reyes (RB), Nick Romeo (C), Kevin Sampson (RT), Matt Tarullo (RG), Adam Terry (LT)
Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Christian Ferrara (DT), Louis Gachelin (DT), Steve Gregory (CB), Rich Scanlon (LB), Josh Thomas (DE), James Wyche (DE), Jameel Dumas (LB)
Returning Specialists (Position): Collin Barber (K)



Louis Gachelin



Walter Reyes

COACHING STAFF



Paul Pasqualoni
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater):
Paul Pasqualoni
(Penn State, '72)
Record at School (Years):
95-47-1 (12 years)
Career Record (Years):
129-64-1 (17 years)
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Best Time To Reach Coach:
Contact Athletic
Communications
Assistant Coaches (Position): George DeLeone
(associate head coach, offensive coordinator, offensive line), Chris Rippon (defensive coordinator), Jerry Azzinaro (defensive line, recruiting coordinator), Steve Bush (quarterbacks), Steve Dunlap (associate head coach, linebackers), Dennis Goldman (wide receivers), Todd Littlejohn (defensive backs), David Walker (running backs), Chris White (tight ends, special teams coordinator)

2002 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Walter Reyes	182	1135	6.2	17		
Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
R.J. Anderson	134	58	58.1	899	4	8
Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Johnnie Morant	24	327	13.6	0		
Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS		
Jameel Dumas	57	35	92	1-4		



The Carrier Dome

2002 RESULTS

(4-8, 2-5 BIG EAST)
aL 21-42 at Brigham Young
hL 22-30 NORTH CAROLINA
hW 63-17 RHODE ISLAND
aL 34-37 (3OT) at Auburn
hL 24-48 PITTSBURGH
aL 16-17 at Temple
aL 7-34 at West Virginia
hW 45-14 RUTGERS
aW 38-35 at Central Florida
hW 50-42 (3OT) VIRGINIA TECH
aL 20-41 at Boston College
hL 7-49 MIAMI

2003 SCHEDULE

Sept. 6 at North Carolina
Sept. 13 LOUISVILLE
Sept. 20 CENTRAL FLORIDA
Sept. 27 TOLEDO
Oct. 11 at Virginia Tech
Oct. 18 BOSTON COLLEGE
Oct. 25 at Pittsburgh
Nov. 8 TEMPLE
Nov. 15 at Miami
Nov. 22 WEST VIRGINIA
Nov. 29 at Rutgers
Dec. 6 NOTRE DAME



Sue Edson

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Game
Seven

WEST VIRGINIA

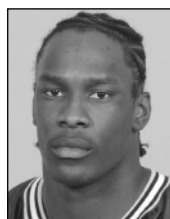
Wednesday, Oct. 22
Mountaineer Field
Morgantown, W. Va.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Morgantown, W. Va.
Enrollment: 22,450
President: David C. Hardesty, Jr.
Conference: BIG EAST
Nickname: Mountaineers
Colors: Old Gold and Blue
Stadium (Capacity): Mountaineer Field (63,500)
Surface: AstroPlay
2002 Overall Record/Conference Record (Finish):
 9-4/6-1 BIG EAST (2nd)
Director of Athletics: Ed Pastilong
Office Phone: (304) 293-5621



Grant Wiley



Quincy Wilson

COACHING STAFF

Rich Rodriguez
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater): Rich Rodriguez (WVU, '86)
Record at School (Years): 12-12 (2 years)
Career Record (Years): 57-48-2 (10 years)
Office Phone: (304) 293-4194

Best Time To Reach Coach: Through BIG EAST Conference call

Assistant Coaches (Position): Rick Trickett (assistant head coach, offensive line), Jeff Casteel (defensive coordinator, linebackers), Steve Brid (wide receivers), Tony Gibson (cornerbacks), Herb Hand (tight ends, recruiting coordinator), Calvin Magee (running backs), Bruce Tall (safeties), Bill Stewart (special teams, quarterbacks), Bill Kirelawich (defensive line)

OUTLOOK

Offensive Set: Spread
Defensive Set: 3-3 Stack
Lettermen Returning: 44
Lettermen Lost: 25
Starters Returning: 10
Starters Lost: 14
Offensive Starters Returning (Position): Josh Bailey (TE), Jeff Berk (OG), Tim Brown (OT), Miquelle Henderson (WR), Rasheed Marshall (QB)
Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Jahmile Addae (S), Lance Frazier (CB), Brian King (FS), Grant Wiley (LB)
Returning Specialists (Position): Todd James (K/P), Scott Fleming (DS), George Shehl (H)

2002 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Quincy Wilson	140	901	5.1	17

Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
Rasheed Marshall	259	139	53.7	1616	9	5

Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Miquelle Henderson	40	496	12.4	2

Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS
Grant Wiley	91	42	133	13.5-47



Mountaineer Field

2002 RESULTS

(9-4, 6-1 BIG EAST)
 hW 56- 7 UT CHATTANOOGA
 aL 17-34 at Wisconsin
 hW 35-32 at Cincinnati
 hW 37-17 EAST CAROLINA
 hL 17-48 MARYLAND
 aW 40- 0 at Rutgers
 hW 34- 7 SYRACUSE
 hL 23-40 MIAMI
 aW 46-20 at Temple
 hW 24-14 BOSTON COLLEGE
 aW 21-18 at Virginia Tech
 aW 24-17 at Pittsburgh
 nL 22-48 vs. Virginia
 (Continental Tire Bowl)

2003 SCHEDULE

Aug. 30 WISCONSIN
 Sept. 6 at East Carolina
 Sept. 13 CINCINNATI
 Sept. 20 at Maryland
 Oct. 2 at Miami
 Oct. 11 RUTGERS
 Oct. 22 VIRGINIA TECH
 Nov. 1 UCF
 Nov. 8 at Boston College
 Nov. 15 PITTSBURGH
 Nov. 22 at Syracuse
 Nov. 29 TEMPLE



Shelly Poe

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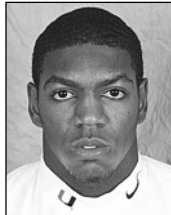
GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Coral Gables, Fla.
Enrollment: 14,978
President: Dr. Donna E. Shalala
Conference: BIG EAST
Nickname: Hurricanes
Colors: Orange, Green and White
Stadium (Capacity): Orange Bowl (72,319)
Surface: Grass
2002 Overall Record/Conference Record (Finish):
12-1/7-0 BIG EAST (1st)
Director of Athletics: Paul Dee
Office Phone: (305) 284-2689

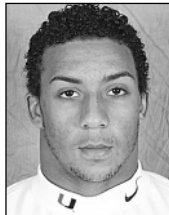


OUTLOOK

Offensive Set: Pro Set
Defensive Set: 4-3 Multiple
Lettermen Returning: 47
Lettermen Lost: 18
Starters Returning: 13
Starters Lost: 9
Offensive Starters Returning (Position): Kevin Beard (WR), Vernon Carey (RT), Quadtrine Hill (FB), Carlos Joseph (LT), Chris Myers (RG), Kellen Winslow (TE)
Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Kelly Jennings (CB), Roger McIntosh (SLB), Antrel Rolle (CB), Maurice Sikes (CB), Sean Taylor (FS), Jonathan Vilma (MLB), D.J. Williams (WLB)
Returning Specialists (Position): Mark Gent (PK), Chris Harvey (LS)



Jonathan Vilma



Kellen Winslow

2002 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Jason Geathers	68	419	5.9	3

Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
Derrick Crudup	26	15	57.7	226	2	0

Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Kellen Winslow	57	726	12.7	8

Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS
Jonathan Vilma	75	58	133	8-13



The Orange Bowl

COACHING STAFF



Larry Coker
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater):
Larry Coker (Northeastern Oklahoma State '73)
Record at School (Years):
24-1 (2 years)
Career Record (Years):
24-1 (2 years)
Office Phone:
(305) 284-2674
Best Time To Reach Coach: Weekdays, 1-2 p.m.

Assistant Coaches (Position): Art Kehoe (assistant head coach, offensive line), Rob Chudzinski (offensive coordinator), Randy Shannon (defensive coordinator), Vernon Hargreaves (linebackers), Curtis Johnson (wide receivers), Greg Mark (defensive line), Don Solding (special teams, running backs), Mark Stoops (defensive backs), Dan Werner (quarterbacks)

2002 RESULTS

(12-1, 7-0 BIG EAST)
hW 63-17 FLORIDA A&M
aW 41-16 at Florida
aW 44-21 at Temple
hW 38- 6 BOSTON COLLEGE
hW 48-14 CONNECTICUT
hW 28-27 FLORIDA STATE
aW 40-23 at West Virginia
aW 42-17 at Rutgers
aW 26- 3 at Tennessee
hW 28-21 PITTSBURGH
aW 49- 7 at Syracuse
hW 56-45 VIRGINIA TECH
nL 24-31 (2OT) Ohio State
(Fiesta Bowl)

2003 SCHEDULE

Aug. 28 at Louisiana Tech
Sept. 6 FLORIDA
Sept. 13 EAST CAROLINA
Sept. 20 at Boston College
Oct. 2 WEST VIRGINIA
Oct. 11 at Florida State
Oct. 18 TEMPLE
Nov. 1 at Virginia Tech
Nov. 8 TENNESSEE
Nov. 15 SYRACUSE
Nov. 22 RUTGERS
Nov. 29 at Pittsburgh



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Game
Nine

PITTSBURGH

Saturday, Nov. 8
Heinz Field
Pittsburgh, Pa.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Pittsburgh, Pa.
Enrollment: 33,544
Chancellor: Mark A. Nordenberg
Conference: BIG EAST
Nickname: Panthers
Colors: Blue and Gold
Stadium (Capacity): Heinz Field (65,000)
Surface: Natural grass
2002 Overall Record/Conference Record (Finish):
 9-4/5-2 BIG EAST (T2nd)
Director of Athletics: Jeff Long
Office Phone: (412) 648-8230



COACHING STAFF



Walt Harris
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater):
Walt Harris (Pacific, '68)
Record at School (Years):
36-35 (6 years)
Career Record (Years):
47-59 (9 years)
Office Phone:
(412) 648-8700
Best Time To Reach
Coach: Through SID Office

Assistant Coaches (Position): Bob Junko (assistant head coach, defensive tackles), J.D. Brookhart (offensive coordinator, receivers), Paul Rhoads (defensive coordinator, secondary), Dino Babers (running backs), Curtis Bray (linebackers), Bryan Deal (recruiting coordinator, specialists, quarterbacks), Tom Freeman (running game coordinator, offensive line), Bob Ligashesky (tight ends, special teams coordinator), Charlie Partridge (defensive ends)

OUTLOOK

Offensive Set: Pro Offense
Defensive Set: Multiple 8-man front
Lettermen Returning: 43
Lettermen Lost: 16
Starters Returning: 17
Starters Lost: 7

Offensive Starters Returning (Position): Larry Fitzgerald (WR), Dan LaCarte (LG), Brandon Miree (TB), Matt Morgan (RT), Rob Petitti (LT), Lousaka Polite (FB), Rod Rutherford (QB), Kris Wilson (TE)

Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Vince Crochunis (NT), Tyrone Gilliard (SS), Claude Harriott (DE), Lewis Moore (SLB), Tez Morris (FS), Shawntae Spencer (CB), Dan Stephens (DT)

Returning Specialists (Position): Andy Lee (P), David Abdul (PK)



Larry Fitzgerald



Claude Harriott

2002 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Brandon Miree	214	943	4.4	4

Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
Rod Rutherford	367	192	52.3	2783	22	12

Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Larry Fitzgerald	69	1005	14.6	12

Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS
Tez Morris	71	48	119	4-17



Heinz Field

2002 RESULTS

(9-4, 5-2 BIG EAST)

hW 27-14 OHIO U.
 hL 12-14 TEXAS A&M
 aW 26-20 at UAB
 hW 23- 3 RUTGERS
 hW 37-19 TOLEDO
 aW 48-24 at Syracuse
 aL 6-14 at Notre Dame
 hW 19-16 (OT) BOSTON COLLEGE
 aW 28-21 at Virginia Tech
 hW 29-22 TEMPLE
 aL 21-28 at Miami
 hL 17-24 WEST VIRGINIA
 nW 38-13 Oregon State
 (Insight Bowl)

2003 SCHEDULE

Sept. 6 KENT STATE
 Sept. 13 BALL STATE
 Sept. 20 at Toledo
 Sept. 27 at Texas A&M
 Oct. 11 NOTRE DAME
 Oct. 18 at Rutgers
 Oct. 25 SYRACUSE
 Nov. 1 at Boston College
 Nov. 8 VIRGINIA TECH
 Nov. 15 at West Virginia
 Nov. 22 at Temple
 Nov. 29 MIAMI



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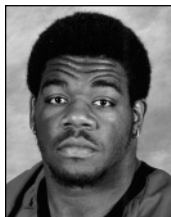
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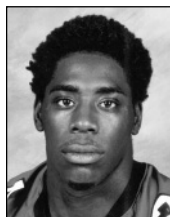
Athletics Web Site: www.pittsburghpanthers.com

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Philadelphia, Pa.
Enrollment: 30,000
President: Dr. David Adamany
Conference: BIG EAST
Nickname: Owls
Colors: Cherry and White
Stadium (Capacity):
 To be announced
2002 Overall Record/Conference Record (Finish):
 4-8/2-5 BIG EAST (T-6th)
Director of Athletics: Bill Bradshaw
Office Phone: (215) 204-9333



Troy Bennett



Makonnen Fenton

OUTLOOK

Offensive Set: Spread
Defensive Set: 4-2-5
Lettermen Returning: 42
Lettermen Lost: 23
Starters Returning: 10
Starters Lost: 13
Offensive Starters Returning (Position): Eric Carpenter (TE), Zamir Cobb (WR), Makonnen Fenton (RB), Joe Laudano (OG), Mike McGann (QB), Terrance Stubbs (WR)
Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Troy Bennett (LB), Yazid Jackson (CB), Rian Wallace (LB), Rodney Wormley (DE)
Returning Specialists (Position): Garvin Ringwelski (P)

2002 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Mike McGann	95	200	2.1	3		
Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
Mike McGann	353	173	49.0	1994	13	22
Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Zamir Cobb	45	483	10.7	6		
Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS		
Rian Wallace	51	25	76	6.5-11		

COACHING STAFF



Bobby Wallace
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater): Bobby Wallace (Mississippi St., '76)
Record at School (Years): 16-40 (5 years)
Career Record (Years): 98-76-1 (15 years)
Office Phone: (215) 204-0855
Best Time To Reach Coach: Contact SID

Assistant Coaches (Position): Raymond Monica (assistant head coach, defensive coordinator), David Brock (offensive coordinator), R.E. "Rocky" Hager (tight ends, recruiting coordinator), Rob Likens (wide receivers), Toby Neinas (defensive line), Spencer Prescott (outside linebackers), Nick Rapone (defensive backs), Blair Thomas (running backs), Jim Turner (offensive line)



Temple University is situated in the heart of Philadelphia.

2002 RESULTS

(4-8, 2-5 BIG EAST)
 hW 34-7 RICHMOND
 hL 3-35 OREGON STATE
 hL 21-44 MIAMI
 aL 21-42 at South Carolina
 hL 22-35 CINCINNATI
 hW 17-16 SYRACUSE
 aW 38-24 at Connecticut
 aL 10-20 at Virginia Tech
 hL 20-46 WEST VIRGINIA
 aL 22-29 at Pittsburgh
 aW 20-17 at Rutgers
 hL 14-36 BOSTON COLLEGE

2003 SCHEDULE

Aug. 30 at Penn State
 Sept. 6 VILLANOVA
 Sept. 20 at Cincinnati
 Sept. 27 at Louisville
 Oct. 4 at Middle Tennessee St.
 Oct. 11 BOSTON COLLEGE
 Oct. 18 at Miami
 Oct. 25 RUTGERS
 Nov. 8 at Syracuse
 Nov. 15 VIRGINIA TECH
 Nov. 22 PITTSBURGH
 Nov. 29 at West Virginia

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Game
Eleven

BOSTON COLLEGE

Saturday, Nov. 22
Lane Stadium/Worsham Field
Blacksburg, Va.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Chestnut Hill, Mass.
Enrollment: 14,500
President: Rev. William P. Leahy, S.J.
Conference: BIG EAST
Nickname: Eagles
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Stadium (Capacity): Alumni Stadium (44,500)
Surface: AstroTurf 2009
2002 Overall Record/Conference Record (Finish):
 9-4/3-4 BIG EAST (T-4th)
Director of Athletics: Gene DeFilippo
Office Phone: (617) 552-4680



COACHING STAFF



Tom O'Brien
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater):
Tom O'Brien (U.S. Naval Academy, '71)
Record at School (Years):
40-31 (6 years)
Career Record (Years):
40-31 (6 years)
Office Phone:
(617) 552-3010
Best Time To Reach Coach:
Sunday teleconference

Outlook

Offensive Set: Multiple
Defensive Set: 5-3
Lettermen Returning: 37
Lettermen Lost: 25
Starters Returning: 12
Starters Lost: 11
Offensive Starters Returning (Position): Augie Hoffmann (RG), Derrick Knight (RB), Sean Ryan (TE), Chris Snee (LG), Greg Toal (FB)
Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Tim Bulman (LT), Brian Flores (LB), Larry Lester (CB), Tom Martin (RT), Phil Mettling (RE), Josh Ott (LB)
Returning Specialists (Position): Francois Brochu (LS), Mike Fassel (PK), Rob Leuffen (P), Sandro Sciortino (PK)



Derrick Knight



Josh Ott

Assistant Coaches (Position): Jerry Petercuskie (assistant head coach, recruiting coordinator, special teams coordinator), Dana Bible (offensive coordinator, quarterbacks, wide receivers), Frank Spaziani (defensive coordinator), Don Horton (offensive line), Bill McGovern (linebackers), Jason Swepson (running backs), Keith Willis (defensive line), Kevin Lempa (defensive backs), Jim Bridge (tight ends)

2002 Statistical Leaders

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Derrick Knight	259	1432	5.5	12		
Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
Quinton Porter	7	6	85.7	27	0	0
Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Grant Adams	37	542	14.6	6		
Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS		
Josh Ott	81	47	128	8-13		



Alumni Stadium

2002 RESULTS

(9-4/3-4 BIG EAST)
 hW 24-16 CONNECTICUT
 hW 34-27 STANFORD
 aL 6-38 at Miami
 hW 43- 0 CENTRAL MICHIGAN
 hL 23-28 VIRGINIA TECH
 hW 46-21 NAVY
 aL 16-19 (OT) at Pittsburgh
 aW 14- 7 at Notre Dame
 aL 14-24 at West Virginia
 hW 41-20 SYRACUSE
 aW 36-14 at Temple
 hW 44-14 RUTGERS
 nW 51-25 vs. Toledo
 (Motor City Bowl)

2003 SCHEDULE

Aug. 30 WAKE FOREST
 Sept. 6 at Penn State
 Sept. 13 at Connecticut
 Sept. 20 MIAMI
 Sept. 27 BALL STATE
 Oct. 11 at Temple
 Oct. 18 at Syracuse
 Oct. 25 NOTRE DAME
 Nov. 1 PITTSBURGH
 Nov. 8 WEST VIRGINIA
 Nov. 15 at Rutgers
 Nov. 22 at Virginia Tech



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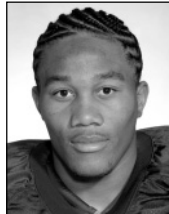
Game
Twelve

VIRGINIA

Saturday, Nov. 29, CARL SMITH CENTER,
HOME OF David A. Harrison III Field
at Scott Stadium, Charlottesville, Va.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Charlottesville, Va.
Enrollment: 18,848
President: John T. Casteen III
Conference: Atlantic Coast
Nickname: Cavaliers
Colors: Orange and Blue
Stadium (Capacity): Carl Smith Center, home of David A. Harrison III Field at Scott Stadium (61,500)
Surface: Prescription Athletic Turf
2002 Overall Record/Conference Record (Finish): 9-5/6-2 ACC (T-2nd)
Director of Athletics: Craig Littlepage
Office Phone: (434) 982-5100



Almondo Curry



Matt Schaub

OUTLOOK

Offensive Set: Multiple Pro Style
Defensive Set: Multiple Seven-Man Front
Lettermen Returning: 41
Lettermen Lost: 15
Starters Returning: 19
Starters Lost: 5
Offensive Starters Returning (Position): Matt Schaub (QB), Alvin Pearman (TB), Michael McGrew (WR), Elton Brown (OL), Kevin Bailey (OL), Kase Luzar (FB), Heath Miller (TE), Brian Bartelmes (OL), D'Brickashaw Ferguson (OL)
Defensive Starters Returning (Position): Raymond Mann (LB), Almondo Curry (DB), Art Thomas (DB), Chris Canty (DL), Andrew Hoffman (DL), Brennan Schmidt (DL), Darryl Blackstock (LB), Rich Bedesem (LB)
Returning Specialists (Position): Connor Hughes (PK), Tom Hagan (P)

2002 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Top Returning Rusher	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Wali Lundy	196	825	4.2	6		
Top Returning Passer	Att.	Com.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT
Matt Schaub	418	288	68.9	2976	28	7
Top Returning Receiver	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD		
Wali Lundy	58	435	7.5	48		
Top Returning Tackler	UT	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS		
Darryl Blackstock	66	41	107	14-62		

Carl Smith Center, home of David A. Harrison III Field at Scott Stadium

COACHING STAFF



Al Groh
Head Coach

Head Coach (Alma Mater): Al Groh (Virginia '67)
Record at School (Years): 14-12 (2 years)
Collegiate Career Record (Years): 40-52 (8 years)
NFL Career Record: 9-7 (1 year)
Office Phone: (434) 982-5900
Best Time To Reach Coach: Through Athletic Media Relations Office

Assistant Coaches (Position): Danny Rocco (assistant head coach, linebackers), Al Golden (defensive coordinator), Ron Prince (offensive coordinator, offensive line), Corwin Brown (special teams), Mike Groh (wide receivers, quarterbacks), Andy Heck (tight ends), Mike London (defensive line, recruiting coordinator), Bob Price (defensive backs), Kevin Ross (running backs)



2002 RESULTS

(9-5, 6-2 ACC)
hL 29-35 COLORADO STATE
aL 19-40 at Florida State
hW 34-21 SOUTH CAROLINA
hW 48-29 AKRON
aW 38-34 at Wake Forest
aW 27-22 at Duke
hW 22-17 CLEMSON
hW 37-27 NORTH CAROLINA
aL 15-23 at Georgia Tech
aL 14-35 at Penn State
hW 14- 9 N.C. STATE
hW 48-13 MARYLAND
aL 9-21 at Virginia Tech
nW 48-22 vs. West Virginia (Continental Tire Bowl)

2003 SCHEDULE

Aug. 30 DUKE
Sept. 6 at South Carolina
Sept. 13 at Western Michigan
Sept. 27 WAKE FOREST
Oct. 4 at North Carolina
Oct. 11 at Clemson
Oct. 18 FLORIDA STATE
Oct. 25 TROY STATE
Nov. 1 at N.C. State
Nov. 13 at Maryland
Nov. 22 GEORGIA TECH
Nov. 29 VIRGINIA TECH



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TROPHY GAMES

The Commonwealth Cup

The winner of the annual gridiron clash between Virginia Tech and the University of Virginia earns more than bragging rights in the state. In recent years, the winning team has also taken home the Commonwealth Cup. The Cup, now residing in Blacksburg after Tech's 21-9 win over the Cavaliers in Blacksburg last year, was created in 1996 by the universities to remain in the possession of the winner of the in-state rivalry each year.

The Commonwealth Cup, made of marble and cherry wood, is four feet high and weighs more than 100 pounds. The top of the Cup is silver-plated with the names of the two schools. The scores of all 84 games in the Tech-Virginia rivalry are engraved on the sides. A map of the Commonwealth of Virginia with Blacksburg and Charlottesville marked with stars has been etched on the front of the trophy, which was produced by Josten's.

Virginia Tech gained possession of the Cup first by defeating arch-rival Virginia, 26-9, at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field in 1996. The Cavaliers won it back in '97 with a 34-20 victory in Charlottesville, and retained it in 1998 with a 36-32 win, before turning it over to the Hokies following Tech's win in 1999. The Hokies have retained possession of the Commonwealth Cup each year since.

The first game in the Tech-UVa series was played in 1895, 108 years ago. Virginia Tech holds a 43-36-5 edge in the series. The Hokies will visit the Carl Smith Center, home of David A. Harrison III Field at Scott Stadium on Nov. 29 this fall for the 85th clash in this ever-intensifying rivalry.



The Hokies celebrate retaining the Commonwealth Cup (above) following a 31-7 win the last time Tech played at Virginia's Scott Stadium.

The Black Diamond Trophy

Virginia Tech began competing for another prize in 1997 when fellow BIG EAST Conference member West Virginia and the Hokies inaugurated the Black Diamond Trophy to commemorate that series.

The name "Black Diamond" refers to the region's history with the coal industry. The trophy is sponsored by Rish Equipment Company, which provides funding for athletic scholarships at both Tech and West Virginia.

Tech will attempt to bring home the trophy this year when it meets the Mountaineers in Morgantown on Oct. 22. West Virginia defeated Virginia Tech the first time the two schools competed for the trophy in 1997 and also last year in Blacksburg, by a score of 21-18. West Virginia leads the overall series, 27-20-1, while the Hokies have won four of six games since the Black Diamond Trophy was initiated.



SERIES VS. 2003 OPPONENTS

UCF

Tech leads 2-0-0

2000	aW	44-	21
2001	hW	46-	14

JAMES MADISON

Tech leads 5-0-0

1980	hW	38-	6
1988	hW	27-	6
1991	hW	41-	12
1992	hW	49-	20
1999	hW	47-	0

TEXAS A&M

Texas A&M leads 2-1-0

1976	aL	0-	19
1977	hL	6-	27
2002	aW	13-	3

CONNECTICUT

Tech leads 1-0-0

2001	hW	52-	10
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RUTGERS

Tech leads 10-3-0

1920	aL	6-	19
1953	aL	13-	20
1992	aL	49-	50
1993	hW	49-	42
1994	hW	41-	34
1995	aW	45-	17
1996	hW	30-	14
1997	aW	59-	19
1998	hW	47-	7
1999	aW	58-	20
2000	hW	49-	0
2001	aW	50-	0
2002	hW	35-	14

SYRACUSE

SU leads 9-7-0

1964	aL	15-	20
1985	hW	24-	14
1986	aW	26-	17
1987	hL	21-	35
1988	aL	0-	35
1992	aL	9-	28
1993	hW	45-	24
1994	aL	20-	28
1995	hW	31-	7
1996	aL	21-	52
1997	hW	31-	3
1998	aL	26-	28
1999	hW	62-	0
2000	aW	22-	14
2001	hL	14-	22
2002	aL(3OT)	42-	50

WEST VIRGINIA

WVU leads 27-20-1

1912	hW	41-	0
1915	aL	0-	19
1916	nL	0-	20
1917	nL	3-	27
1952	aL	7-	27
1953	nL	7-	12
1957	aL	0-	14
1958	nL	20-	21
1959	aW	12-	0
1960	nW	15-	0
1961	aL	0-	28

1962	nL	0-	14
1963	aW	28-	3
1964	hL	10-	23
1965	aL	22-	31
1966	hT	13-	13
1967	aW	20-	7
1968	hW	27-	12
1973	aL	10-	24
1974	hL	21-	22
1975	aL	7-	10
1976	hW	24-	7
1977	aL	14-	20
1978	hW	16-	3
1979	aL	23-	34
1980	hW	34-	11
1981	aL	6-	27
1982	hL	6-	16
1983	aL	0-	13
1984	hL	7-	14
1985	aL	9-	24
1986	hW	13-	7
1987	aL	16-	28
1988	hL	10-	22
1989	aW	12-	10
1990	hW	26-	21
1991	aW	20-	14
1992	hL	7-	16
1993	aL	13-	14
1994	hW	34-	6
1995	aW	27-	0
1996	hW	31-	14
1997	aL	17-	30
1998	hW	27-	13
1999	aW	22-	20
2000	hW	48-	20
2001	aW	35-	0
2002	hL	18-	21

MIAMI

Miami leads 15-5-0

1953	aL	0-	26
1966	nL	7-	14
1967	hL	7-	14
1968	aL	8-	13
1974	aL	7-	14
1980	nL	10-	20

1981	aL	14-	21
1982	hL	8-	14
1987	aL	13-	27
1992	hL	23-	43
1993	aL	2-	21
1994	aL	3-	24
1995	hW	13-	7
1996	aW	21-	7
1997	hW	27-	25
1998	aW	(ot)27-	20
1999	hW	43-	10
2000	aL	21-	41
2001	hL	24-	26
2002	aL	45-	56

PITTSBURGH

Tech leads 7-3-0

1993	aW	63-	21
1994	hW	45-	7
1995	aW	26-	16
1996	hW	34-	17
1997	aL	23-	30
1998	hW	27-	7
1999	aW	30-	17
2000	hW	37-	34
2001	aL	7-	38
2002	hL	21-	28

TEMPLE

Tech leads *13-3-0

1934	aL	0-	34
1984	aW	9-	7
1986	*nF	13-	29
1989	hW	23-	0
1990	aL	28-	31
1992	aW	26-	7
1993	hW	55-	7

1994	hW	41-	13
1995	nW	38-	16
1996	hW	38-	0
1997	aW	23-	13
1998	hL	24-	28
1999	aW	62-	7
2000	hW	35-	13
2001	aW	35-	0
2002	hW	20-	10

*Temple forfeited a game due to an ineligible player.

BOSTON COLLEGE

Tech leads 8-2-0

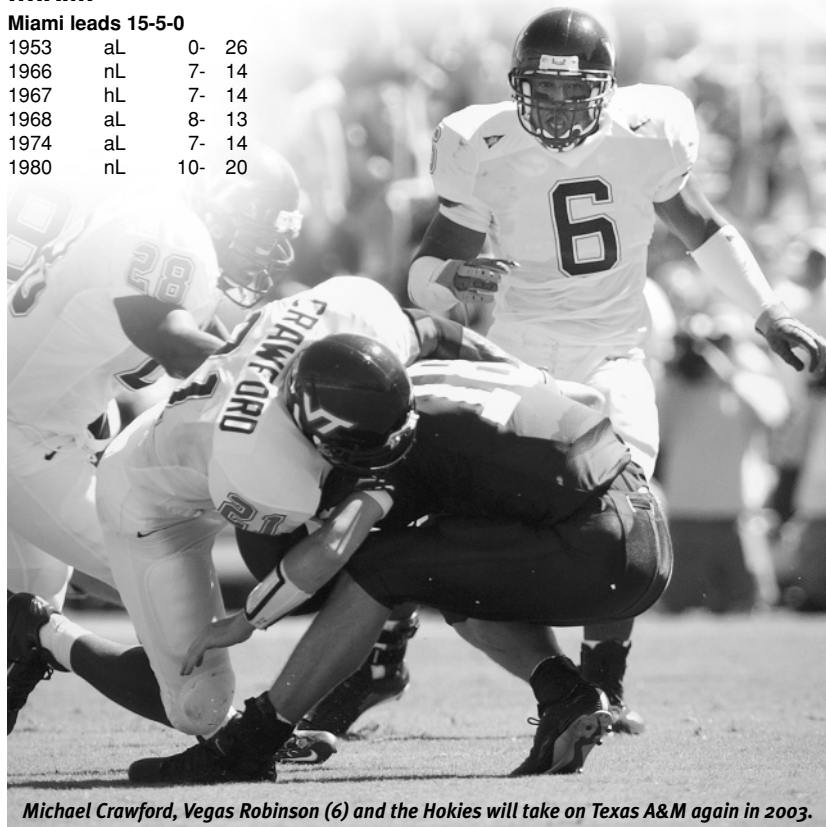
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1994	aW	12-	7
1995	hL	14-	20
1996	aW	45-	7
1997	hW	17-	7
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2000	aW	48-	34
2001	hW	34-	20
2002	aW	28-	23

VIRGINIA

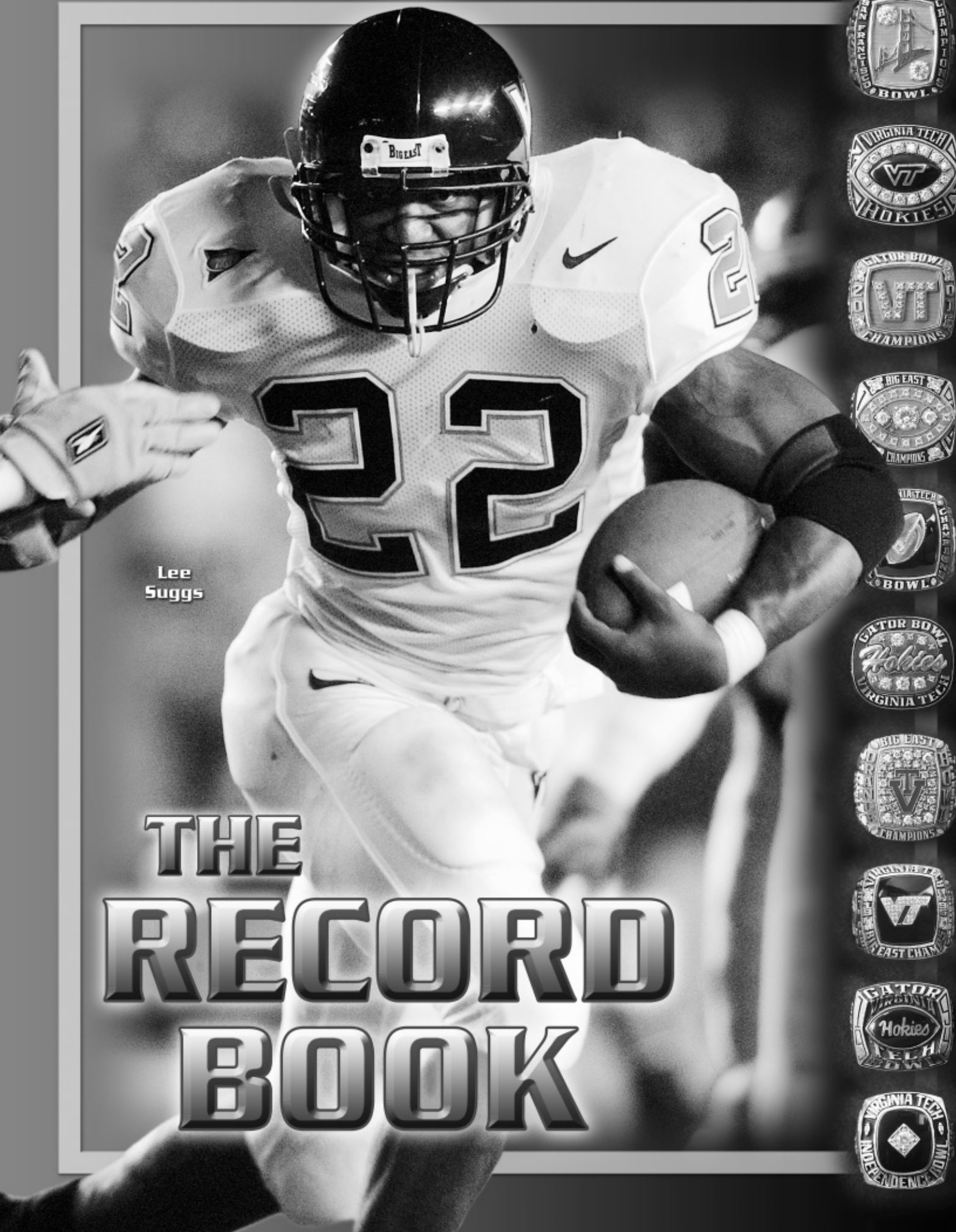
Tech leads 43-36-5

1895	aL	0-	38
1896	aL	0-	44
1899	aL	0-	28
1900	aL	5-	17
1901	hL	0-	16
1902	aL	0-	6
1903	nL	0-	21
1904	nL	0-	5
1905	aW	11-	0

1923	aW	6-	3
1924	hL	0-	6
1925	aL	0-	10
1926	hW	6-	0
1927	aL	0-	7
1928	hW	20-	0
1929	aW	32-	12
1930	hW	34-	13
1931	aT	0-	0
1932	hW	13-	0
1933	aT	6-	6
1934	hW	19-	6
1935	aT	0-	0
1936	hW	7-	6
1937	aW	14-	7
1938	hL	6-	14
1939	aW	13-	0
1940	nW	6-	0
1941	nL	0-	34
1942	nW	20-	14
1945	nL	13-	31
1946	nT	21-	21
1947	nL	7-	41
1948	nL	0-	28
1949	nL	0-	26
1950	nL	6-	45
1951	nL	0-	33
1952	nL	0-	42
1953	aW	20-	6
1954	nW	6-	0
1955	nW	17-	13
1956	nW	14-	7
1957	nL	7-	38
1958	nW	22-	13
1959	nW	40-	14
1960	nW	40-	6
1961	nW	20-	0
1962	nW	20-	15
1963	nW	10-	0
1964	aL	17-	20
1965	hW	22-	14
1966	aW	24-	7
1970	hL	0-	7
1971	aW	6-	0
1972	aL	20-	24
1973	hW	27-	15
1974	aL	27-	28
1975	hW	24-	17
1976	aW	14-	10
1977	hT	14-	14
1978	aL	7-	17
1979	aL	18-	20
1980	hW	30-	0
1981	aW	20-	3
1982	hW	21-	14
1983	aW	48-	0
1984	hL	23-	26
1985	aW	28-	10
1986	hW	42-	10
1987	aL	13-	14
1988	hL	10-	16
1989	aL	25-	32
1990	hW	38-	13
1991	aL	0-	38
1992	hL	38-	41
1993	aW	20-	17
1994	hL	23-	42
1995	aW	36-	29
1996	hW	26-	9
1997	aL	20-	34
1998	hL	32-	36
1999	aW	31-	7
2000	hW	42-	21
2001	aW	31-	17
2002	hW	21-	9



Michael Crawford, Vegas Robinson (6) and the Hokies will take on Texas A&M again in 2003.



Lee
Suggs

THE RECORD BOOK



VIRGINIA TECH IN THE NCAA Record Book

CURRENT INDIVIDUAL RECORD HOLDERS

GAME

Most Yards on Interception Returns
Ashley Lee, 182 vs. Vanderbilt, 1983

Highest Average Gain Per Interception
Ashley Lee, 91.0 vs. Vanderbilt, 1983

Most Field Goals Made by a Freshman
Mickey Thomas, 6 vs. Vanderbilt, 1989

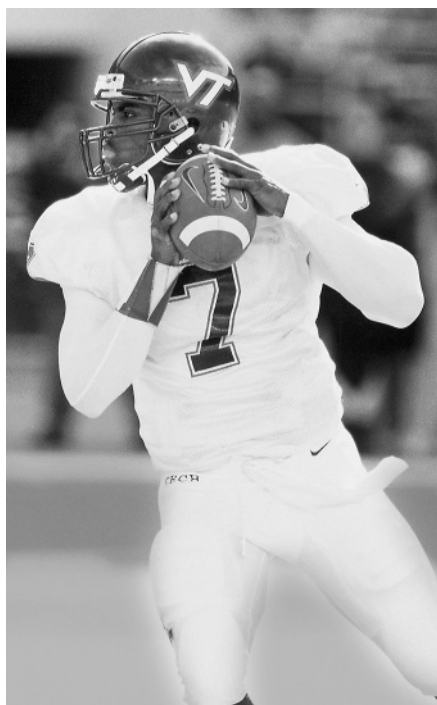
SEASON

Most Games Scoring a Touchdown
Lee Suggs, 14, 2002

Highest Passing Efficiency by a Freshman
Michael Vick, 180.4, 1999

CAREER

**Most Consecutive Games
Scoring a Touchdown**
Lee Suggs, 27, 2001-2003



Michael Vick's pass efficiency rating of 180.4 in 1999 led the nation and was the highest ever for a freshman in Division I-A.

STATISTICAL CHAMPIONS

TEAM

Scoring Defense

1983 – 1. Virginia Tech, 8.3 ppg.
1999 – 1. Virginia Tech, 10.5 ppg.

Scoring Offense

1999 – 1. Virginia Tech, 41.4 ppg.

Passing

1972 – 1. Virginia Tech, 304.4 ypg.

Rushing Defense

1982 – 1. Virginia Tech, 49.5 ypg.
1983 – 1. Virginia Tech, 69.4 ypg.
1995 – 1. Virginia Tech, 77.4 ypg.

Punt Return Yards

2000 – 1. Virginia Tech, 18.23

Interceptions

2002 – 1. Virginia Tech, 24

INDIVIDUAL

Total Offense

1972 – 1. Don Strock, 288.2 ypg.

Passing

1972 – 1. Don Strock, 3,243 yds.

Scoring

2000 – 1. Lee Suggs, 15.27 ppg.

Field Goals

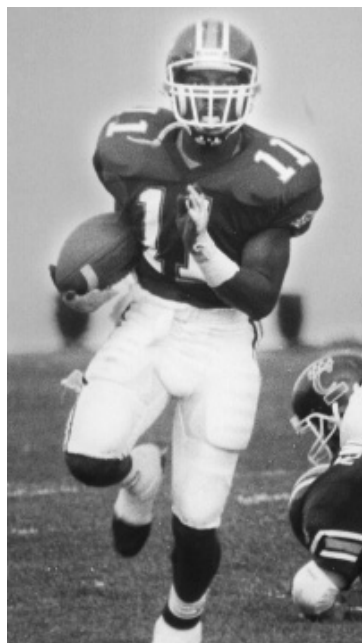
1986 – 1. Chris Kinzer, 2.0 pg.

Punt Returns

1991 – 1. Bo Campbell, 18.2 ypr.

Passing Efficiency

1999 – 1. Michael Vick, 180.4



In 1991, Bo Campbell (above) led Division I-A in punt returns. Don Strock (right) led the nation in both passing and total offense in 1972. Chris Kinzer (center) was the nation's top field goal kicker in 1986.



SCORING

INDIVIDUAL SCORING

Most Points Scored

Game	36	tb Tommy Francisco vs. VMI	1966
Season	168	tb Lee Suggs	2000
Career	371	pk Shayne Graham	1996-99

Most Touchdowns

Game	6	tb Tommy Francisco vs. VMI	1966
Season	28	tb Lee Suggs	2000
Career	56	tb Lee Suggs	1999-02

Most Points by Kicking

Game	18	Mickey Thomas vs. Vanderbilt	1989
Season	107	pk Shayne Graham	1999
Career	371	pk Shayne Graham	1996-99

Extra Points Attempted

Game	10	Jon Utin vs. VMI	1966
Season	57	Shayne Graham	1999
		Carter Warley	2000
Career	169	Shayne Graham	1996-99

Extra Points Made

Game	10	Jon Utin vs. VMI	1966
Season	56	Shayne Graham	1999
		Carter Warley	2000
Career	167	Shayne Graham	1996-99

Field Goals Attempted

Game	6	Wayne Latimer vs. Florida St.	1973
		Mickey Thomas vs. Vanderbilt	1989
		Atle Larsen vs. Miami	1995
Season	32	Shayne Graham	1998
Career	93	Shayne Graham	1996-99

Field Goals Made

Game	6	Mickey Thomas vs. Vanderbilt	1989
Season	22	Chris Kinzer	1986
		Shayne Graham	1998
Career	68	Shayne Graham	1996-99

Most Consecutive Field Goals Made

17	Chris Kinzer	1986
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Most Consecutive PAT Kicks Made

97	Shayne Graham	1997-99
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TEAM SCORING RECORDS

Most Points Scored

Game	77	vs. Akron (since 1950)	1995
	99	vs. Emory & Henry (all-time)	1919
Season	455		1999

Most Touchdowns

Game	11	vs. Akron	1995
Season	61		2000

Most Points by Kicking

Game	18	vs. Vanderbilt	1989
Season	107		1999

Extra Points Attempted

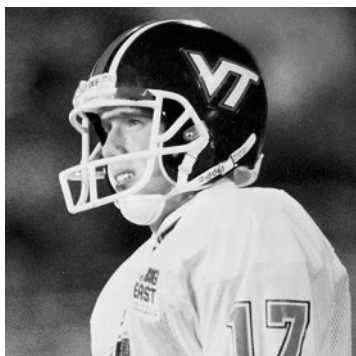
Game	10	vs. VMI	1966
		vs. Akron	1995
Season	57		1999 & 2000

Extra Points Made

Game	10	vs. VMI	1966
Season	56		1999 & 2000

Most Two-Point Conversions

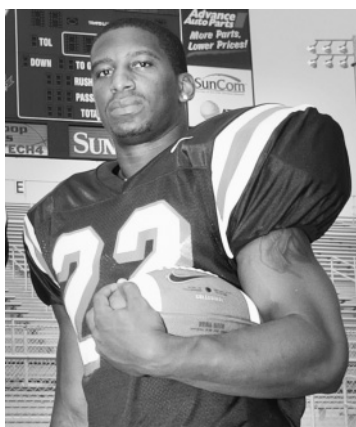
Game	4	vs. Richmond	1959
Season	7		1958



Shayne Graham

HIGHEST SCORING TEAMS

Year	Pts.	Avg.
1999	455	41.4
2000	443	40.3
1993	400	36.4
2001	359	32.6
1996	349	31.7
1998	343	31.2
2002	429	30.6
1905	305	30.5
1995	321	29.2
1997	321	29.2
1972	307	27.9
1994	304	27.6
1983	301	27.4
1956	264	26.4
1922	262	26.2
1974	278	25.3
1991	275	25.0



Lee Suggs

YEAR-BY-YEAR SCORING LEADERS

Year	Player	TDs	EPK/other	FGs	TP
1952	Dickie Beard	5			30
1953	Jack Williams	5			30
1954	Dickie Beard	4	15		39
1955	Don Divers	7			42
	Leo Burke	7			42
1956	Jimmy Lugar	8			48
1957	Barry Frazee	3	13	1	34
1958	Pat Henry	7	1		44
1959	Alger Pugh	11			66
1960	Terry Strock	7			42
1961	Terry Strock	3			18
	Warren Price	3			18
1962	Bob Schweickert	5			30
1963	Sonny Utz	10			60
1964	Sonny Utz	11			66
1965	Bobby Owens	7			42
1966	Tommy Francisco	14			84
1967	Jon Utin	0	17	10	47
1968	Jack Simcsak	0	24	9	51
1969	Terry Smoot	12			72
1970	Perry Tiberio	10			60
1971	James Barber	9			54
1972	James Barber	13			78
1973	Wayne Latimer	0	22	13	61
1974	Bruce Arians	11	1		68
1975	Roscoe Coles	10			60
1976	Roscoe Coles	9	1		56
1977	David Lamie	8			48
1978	Kenny Lewis	10			60
1979	Cyrus Lawrence	9			54
1980	Cyrus Lawrence	8			48
	Sidney Snell	8			48
1981	Don Wade	0	23	13	62
1982	Don Wade	0	14	9	41
1983	Don Wade	0	37	8	61
1984	Don Wade	0	24	12	60
1985	Maurice Williams	9			54
1986	Chris Kinzer	0	27	22	93
1987	Chris Kinzer	0	23	8	47
1988	Chris Kinzer	0	20	12	56
1989	Mickey Thomas	0	14	21	77
1990	Mickey Thomas	0	29	10	59
1991	Tony Kennedy	11			66
1992	Ryan Williams	0	28	12	64
1993	Dwayne Thomas	12			72
1994	Ryan Williams	0	27	17	78
1995	Atle Larsen	0	33	12	69
1996	Ken Oxendine	13			78
1997	Shayne Graham	0	35	19	92
1998	Shayne Graham	0	37	22	103
1999	Shayne Graham	0	56	17	107
2000	Lee Suggs	28			168
2001	Carter Warley	0	44	11	77
2002	Lee Suggs	24			144

CAREER SCORING LEADERS

Pos.	Name	Yrs. Played	TDs	EPK/other	FGs	TP	Pos.	Name	Yrs. Played	TDs	EPK/other	FGs	TP
pk	Shayne Graham	1996-99	0	167	68	371	wr	André Davis	1998-01	26			156
tb	Lee Suggs	1999-02	56			336	tb	Maurice Williams	1983-86	25			150
pk	Ryan Williams	1991-94	0	137	39	254	tb	Dwayne Thomas	1992-95	25			150
pk	Chris Kinzer	1985-88	0	93	47	234	pk	Wayne Latimer	1973-75	0	72	25	147
pk	Don Wade	1981-84	0	98	42	224	tb	Terry Smoot	1967-69	24			144
pk	Carter Warley	2000-	136		27	217	pk	Mickey Thomas	1989-91	0	44	31	137
rb	James Barber	1971-73	30			180	qb	Bob Schweickert	1962-64	22	1		134
tb	Cyrus Lawrence	1979-82	30			180	tb	Tommy Francisco	1964-66	22	1		134
rb	Roscoe Coles	1974-77	29	1		176	fb	Sonny Utz	1962-64	22			132
tb	Ken Oxendine	1994-97	27			162	tb	Eddie Hunter	1983-86	22			132
tb	Tony Kennedy	1989-92	26	1		158	tb	Shyrone Stith	1996-99	21			126

RUSHING

INDIVIDUAL RUSHING

Most Rushes

Game	42	tb Cyrus Lawrence vs. Memphis St.	1981
Season	325	tb Cyrus Lawrence	1981
Career	843	tb Cyrus Lawrence	1979-82

Most Net Yards

Game	223	tb Kenny Lewis vs. VMI	1978
Season	1403	tb Cyrus Lawrence	1981
Career	3767	tb Cyrus Lawrence	1979-82

Most Touchdowns Scored Rushing

Game	6	tb Tommy Francisco vs. VMI	1966
Season	27	tb Lee Suggs	2000
Career	53	tb Lee Suggs	1999-02

Highest Yards-Per-Carry Average

Season	6.3	tb André Kendrick	1999
(min. 100 carries)			
Career	5.42	tb Maurice Williams	1983-86
(min. 300 carries)			



Kenny Lewis



Maurice Williams averaged a Tech career-best 5.42 yards per carry.

YEAR-BY-YEAR SCORING LEADERS

Year	Player	Carries	Net Yds.	TDs
1952	Don Welsh	102	392	2
1953	Dickie Beard	60	349	1
1954	Dickie Beard	128	647	2
1955	Dickie Beard	92	382	2
1956	Bobby Wolfenden	74	459	4
1957	Corbin Bailey	89	366	0
1958	Pat Henry	78	375	5
1959	Alger Pugh	112	615	6
1960	Warren Price	98	350	5
1961	Warren Price	93	356	3
1962	Gerald Bobbitt	95	312	3
1963	Bob Schweickert	155	839	7
1964	Sonny Utz	175	777	10
1965	Bobby Owens	146	526	7
1966	Tommy Francisco	203	753	13
1967	Terry Smoot	68	356	4
1968	Terry Smoot	196	820	4
1969	Terry Smoot	246	940	11
1970	Perry Tiberio	184	764	8
1971	James Barber	93	501	9
1972	James Barber	186	624	13
1973	Phil Rogers	175	1036	1
1974	Phil Rogers	153	663	7
1975	Roscoe Coles	194	1045	10
1976	Roscoe Coles	209	1119	9
1977	Roscoe Coles	158	672	4
1978	Kenny Lewis	184	1020	10
1979	Cyrus Lawrence	177	791	9
1980	Cyrus Lawrence	271	1221	8
1981	Cyrus Lawrence	325	1403	8
1982	Billy Hite	145	622	3
1983	Otis Copeland	158	709	7
1984	Maurice Williams	149	574	6
1985	Maurice Williams	167	936	9
1986	Maurice Williams	166	1029	6
1987	Jon Jeffries	125	599	3
1988	Ralph Brown	140	514	4
1989	Vaughn Hebron	134	584	1
1990	Vaughn Hebron	133	640	3
1991	Tony Kennedy	143	684	10
1992	Vaughn Hebron	105	579	5
1993	Dwayne Thomas	214	1130	11
1994	Dwayne Thomas	142	655	5
1995	Dwayne Thomas	167	673	7
1996	Ken Oxendine	150	890	13
1997	Ken Oxendine	237	904	8
1998	Lamont Pegues	178	745	7
1999	Shyrone Stith	226	1119	13
2000	Lee Suggs	222	1207	27
2001	Kevin Jones	175	957	5
2002	Lee Suggs	257	1325	22



Terry Smoot

TEAM RUSHING

Rushing Attempts

Game	Most:	85 vs. N.C. State	1956
	Fewest:	17 vs. Virginia	1994
Season	Most:	728	1975

Most Net Yards Gained Rushing

Game	500	vs. Pittsburgh	1993
Season	3076	.....	1975

Most Touchdowns Scored Rushing

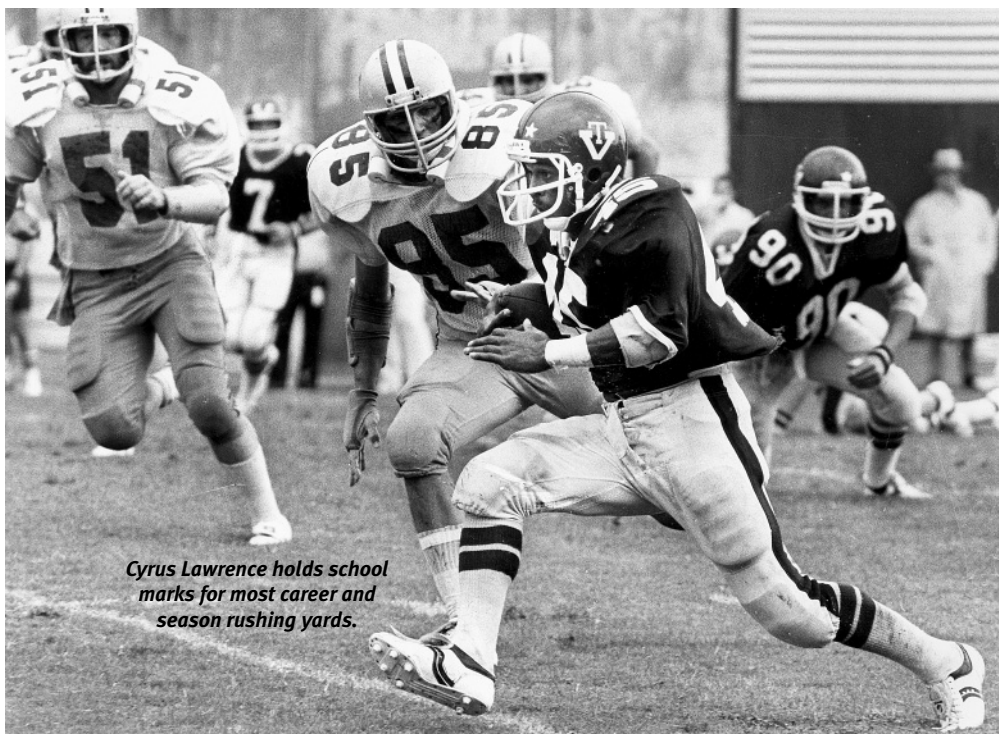
Game	8	vs. Akron	1995
Season	46	2000

Highest Yards-Per-Carry Average

Season	5.2	2000
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Most First Downs Rushing

Game	25	vs. South Carolina	1974
Season	171	1970



Cyrus Lawrence holds school marks for most career and season rushing yards.

100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

No.	Pos.	Player	Best	Year
16	tb	Cyrus Lawrence	202 vs. Virginia	1981
14	rb	Roscoe Coles	214 vs. Tulsa	1976
11	tb	Eddie Hunter	160 vs. VMI	1984
11	tb	Ken Oxendine	163 vs. Temple	1996
11	tb	Lee Suggs	197 vs. Rutgers	2002
10	tb	Kenny Lewis	223 vs. VMI	1978
9	rb-qb	Phil Rogers	168 vs. Houston	1975
8	tb	Terry Smoot	171 vs. VMI	1969
8	tb	Maurice Williams	190 vs. Louisville	1985
8	tb	Shyrone Stith	162 vs. Clemson	1999
7	hb	James Barber	164 vs. SMU	1973
7	tb	Vaughn Hebron	165 vs. Bowling Green	1990
7	tb	Dwayne Thomas	172 vs. Rutgers	1994
6	qb	Bob Schweickert	204 vs. Richmond	1963
6	fb	Mickey Fitzgerald	144 vs. West Va.	1977
6	tb	Kevin Jones	181 vs. Virginia	2001
4	fb	Sonny Utz	146 vs. Tampa	1964
4	tb	Jon Jeffries	160 vs. Cincinnati	1987
4	tb	Tony Kennedy	133 vs. East Carolina	1991
4	tb	Lamont Pegues	166 vs. Temple	1998
4	qb	Michael Vick	210 vs. Boston College	2000
3	tb	Perry Tiberio	170 vs. Duke	1969
3	tb	Tommy Francisco	133 vs. Wake Forest	1965
2	hb	Alger Pugh	129 vs. Wake Forest	1959
2	fb	Ken Edwards	197 vs. Florida St.	1968
2	fb	Paul Adams	113 vs. Virginia	1975
2	tb	Johnnie Edmonds	115 vs. Rhode Island	1980
2	tb	Otis Copeland	132 vs. Wake Forest	1983
2	tb	Desmar Becton	129 vs. Wm. & Mary	1983
2	tb	Ralph Brown	125 vs. Cincinnati	1988
2	qb	Al Clark	120 vs. Akron	1995
2	fb-tb	Marcus Parker	117 vs. East Carolina	1996
2	tb	Keith Burnell	111 vs. Boston College	2001
2	qb	Bryan Randall	132 vs. Miami	2002
1	hb	Dickie Longerbeam	164 vs. Virginia	1965
1	qb	Bobby Owens	158 vs. VMI	1965
1	qb	Tommy Stafford	105 vs. Tulane	1966
1	fb	George Constantinides	117 vs. Richmond	1967
1	tb	Rich Matijevich	119 vs. Wm. & Mary	1969
1	fb	George Heath	104 vs. S. Carolina	1974
1	qb	David Lamie	121 vs. Wm. & Mary	1977
1	qb	Steve Casey	101 vs. West Va.	1978
1	qb	Mark Cox	125 vs. VMI	1983
1	fb	Earnie Jones	116 vs. Vanderbilt	1985
1	fb	Phil Bryant	120 vs. Akron	1991
1	tb	Tommy Edwards	144 vs. Maryland	1993
1	tb	André Kendrick	162 vs. Pittsburgh	1999

Two 100-plus performances in same game:

Schweickert (204) & Utz (132) vs. Richmond	1963
Smoot (147) & Matijevich (119) vs. Wm. & Mary	1969
Tiberio (170) & Edwards (105) vs. Duke	1969
Barber (138) & Rogers (136) vs. Virginia	1973
Rogers (155) & Barber (124) vs. Florida State	1973
Coles (135) & Rogers (128) vs. Auburn	1975
Adams (113) & Coles (104) vs. Virginia	1975
Rogers (143) & Adams (109) vs. VMI	1975
Lewis (120) & Fitzgerald (112) vs. Wake Forest	1978
Lewis (161) & Fitzgerald (115) vs. Appalachian St.	1979
Lewis (108) & Lawrence (103) vs. Wm. & Mary	1979
Lawrence (169) & Edmonds (105) vs. James Madison	1980
Hunter (160) & Becton (114) vs. VMI	1984
Williams (165) & Hunter (159) vs. Wm. & Mary	1985
E. Jones (116) & Williams (102) vs. Vanderbilt	1985
Williams (159) & Hunter (125) vs. Syracuse	1986
Williams (143) & Hunter (130) vs. Virginia	1986
Williams (149) & Hunter (139) vs. Richmond	1986
Hebron (135) & Kennedy (114) vs. East Carolina	1989
Bryant (120) & Kennedy (114) vs. Akron	1991
Oxendine (135) & Clark (120) vs. Akron	1995
Clark (118) & Parker (101) vs. Rutgers	1997
Pegues (166) & Stith (117) vs. Temple	1998
Vick (210) & Suggs (145) vs. Boston College	2000
K. Jones (174) & Suggs (153) vs. Marshall	2002
Suggs (154) & K. Jones (144) vs. Boston College	2002
Suggs (197) & K. Jones (132) vs. Rutgers	2002

Three 100-plus performances in same game:

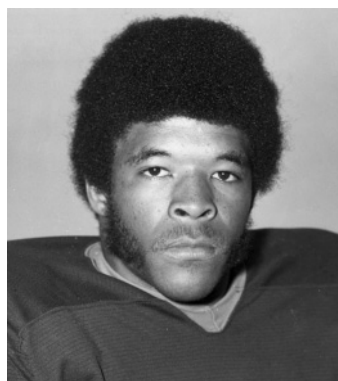
Rogers (120), Coles (111) & Heath (104) vs. South Carolina	1974
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Most in single season:

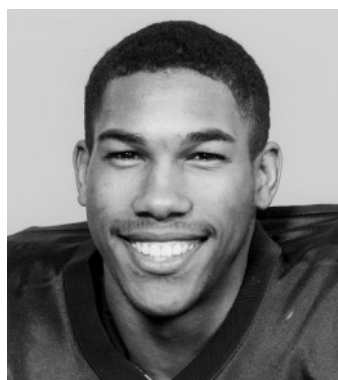
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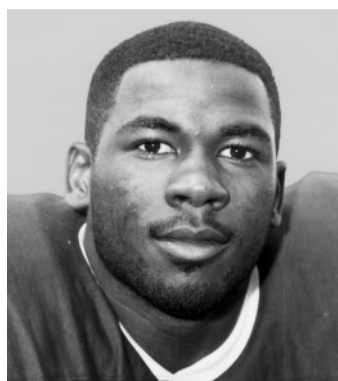
1957, '58, '60, '61, '72



Roscoe Coles



Ken Oxendine



Eddie Hunter

SINGLE-SEASON 1,000-YARD RUSHERS

Name	Year	Carries	Yards
Cyrus Lawrence	1981	325	1403
Lee Suggs	2002	257	1325
Cyrus Lawrence	1980	271	1221
Lee Suggs	2000	222	1207
Dwayne Thomas	1993	214	1130
Roscoe Coles	1976	209	1119
Shyrone Stith	1999	226	1119
Roscoe Coles	1975	194	1045
Phil Rogers	1973	175	1036
Maurice Williams	1986	166	1029
Kenny Lewis	1978	184	1020

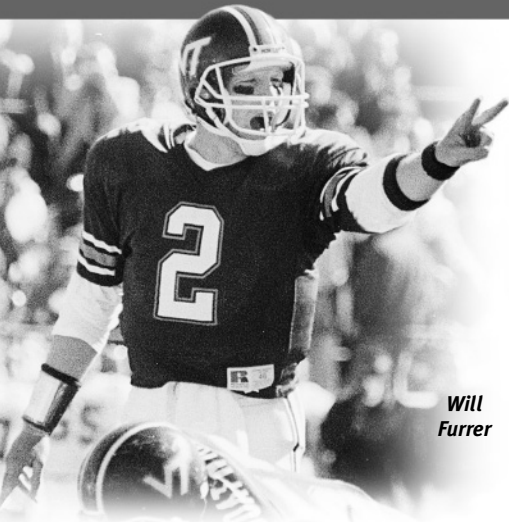


Dwayne Thomas

CAREER RUSHING LEADERS

Pos.	Name	Yrs. Played	Carries	Tot. Yds.
tb	Cyrus Lawrence	1979-82	843	3767
rb	Roscoe Coles	1974-77	656	3459
tb	Maurice Williams	1983-86	550	2981
tb	Lee Suggs	1999-02	535	2767
tb	Dwayne Thomas	1992-95	576	2696
tb	Ken Oxendine	1994-97	526	2645
tb	Eddie Hunter	1983-86	466	2523
rb-qb	Phil Rogers	1973-75	528	2461
tb	Vaughn Hebron	1989-92	481	2327
tb	Shyrone Stith	1996-99	448	2292
tb	Tony Kennedy	1989-92	535	2259
tb	Terry Smoot	1967-69	510	2116
rb	James Barber	1971-73	454	2052
fb	Paul Adams	1972-76	470	1984
tb	Kenny Lewis	1976-79	358	1928
tb	Kevin Jones	2001	335	1828
qb	Bob Schweickert	1962-64	337	1723
fb	Sonny Utz	1962-64	375	1605
tb	Tommy Francisco	1964-66	366	1555
fb	Mickey Fitzgerald	1976-79	303	1449
hb	Dickie Beard	1953-55	280	1378
tb	André Kendrick	1997-00	240	1317

PASSING



Will Furrer

INDIVIDUAL PASSING

Most Passes Attempted

Game	53	Don Strock vs. Houston	1972
Season	427	Don Strock	1972
Career	920	Will Furrer	1988-91

Most Passes Completed

Game	34	Don Strock vs. Houston	1972
Season	228	Don Strock	1972
Career	494	Will Furrer	1988-91

Most Yards Gained Passing

Game	527	Don Strock vs. Houston	1972
Season	3243	Don Strock	1972
Career	6009	Don Strock	1970-72

Most Touchdown Passes Thrown

Game	5	Bryan Randall vs. Syracuse ...	2002
Season	22	Maurice DeShazo	1993
Career	47	Maurice DeShazo	1991-94

Most Interceptions Thrown

Game	5	Don Strock vs. Kentucky	1971
		Steve Casey vs. Duke	1981
		Will Furrer vs. N.C. State	1991
		Maurice DeShazo vs. Virginia ...	1994
Season	27	Don Strock	1972
Career	47	Don Strock	1970-72

Highest Yards-Per-Game Average

Season	294.8	Don Strock	1972
Career	207.2	Don Strock	1970-72

Highest Yards-Per-Completion Average

Season	20.4	Michael Vick	1999
Career	14.4	Maurice DeShazo	1991-94 (min. 200 completions)

Highest Yards-Per-Attempt Average

Season	12.1	Michael Vick	1999 (min. 110 attempts)
Career	7.7	Maurice DeShazo	1991-94 (min. 200 attempts)

Highest Completion Percentage

Season	.637	Bryan Randall	2002 (min. 110 attempts)
Career	.565	Michael Vick	1999-2000 (min. 300 attempts)

YEAR-BY-YEAR PASSING LEADERS

Year	Player	Comp-Att	Yds.	TDs	Int.
1952	Johnny Dean	62-136	878	2	17
1953	Johnny Dean	26-62	314	0	6
1954	Billy Cranwell	18-37	316	7	6
1955	Billy Cranwell	25-54	458	4	5
1956	Jimmy Lugar	32-76	556	6	8
1957	Billy Cranwell	36-57	391	0	2
1958	Billy Holsclaw	70-127	1013	9	7
1959	Frank Eastman	32-68	548	10	8
1960	Warren Price	29-73	386	7	7
1961	Warren Price	37-93	381	5	5
1962	Pete Cartwright	26-60	266	3	3
1963	Bob Schweickert	62-116	687	6	8
1964	Bob Schweickert	52-109	833	9	3
1965	Bobby Owens	68-122	891	6	7
1966	Tommy Stafford	53-113	610	5	6
1967	Al Kincaid	64-132	556	3	6
1968	Al Kincaid	47-97	537	2	5
1969	Bob German	51-105	743	2	8
1970	Gil Schwabe	61-126	815	5	7
1971	Don Strock	195-356	2577	12	19
1972	Don Strock	228-427	3243	16	27
1973	Rick Popp	70-131	784	7	9
1974	Bruce Arians	53-118	952	3	3
1975	Phil Rogers	25-53	379	3	3
1976	Mitcheal Barnes	39-72	589	5	2
1977	David Lamie	43-107	752	0	10
1978	Steve Casey	61-118	678	2	4
1979	Steve Casey	105-190	1419	10	13
1980	Steve Casey	97-176	1119	13	14
1981	Steve Casey	79-163	1083	4	9
1982	Todd Greenwood	82-148	987	6	7
1983	Mark Cox	86-156	1188	9	7
1984	Mark Cox	86-164	983	5	8
1985	Todd Greenwood	85-169	919	7	9
1986	Erik Chapman	113-222	1627	10	6
1987	Erik Chapman	119-231	1340	10	14
1988	Will Furrer	128-279	1384	6	16
1989	Will Furrer	45-88	589	3	3
1990	Will Furrer	173-296	2122	19	11
1991	Will Furrer	148-257	1820	15	16
1992	Maurice DeShazo	101-215	1504	12	11
1993	Maurice DeShazo	129-230	2080	22	7
1994	Maurice DeShazo	164-296	2110	13	13
1995	Jim Druckenmiller	151-294	2103	14	11
1996	Jim Druckenmiller	142-250	2071	17	5
1997	Al Clark	110-192	1476	10	3
1998	Al Clark	72-148	1050	9	5
1999	Michael Vick	90-152	1840	12	5
2000	Michael Vick	87-161	1234	8	6
2001	Grant Noel	146-254	1826	16	11
2002	Bryan Randall	158-248	2134	12	11



Quarterback Don Strock was the nation's leading passer in 1972.

TEAM PASSING

Most Passes Attempted

Game	53	vs. Houston	1972
Season	440		1972

Most Passes Completed

Game	34	vs. Houston	1972
Season	233		1972

Most Yards Gained Passing

Game	527	vs. Houston	1972
Season	3348		1972

Most Touchdown Passes Thrown

Game	5	vs. Temple	1993
		vs. Syracuse	2002
Season	24		1993

Most Interceptions Thrown

Game	7	vs. Florida State	1959
Season	28		1972

Highest Yards-Per-Game Average

Season	304.4		1972
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Highest Yards-Per-Completion Average

Season	18.6		1999 (min. 100 completions)
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Highest Yards-Per-Attempt Average

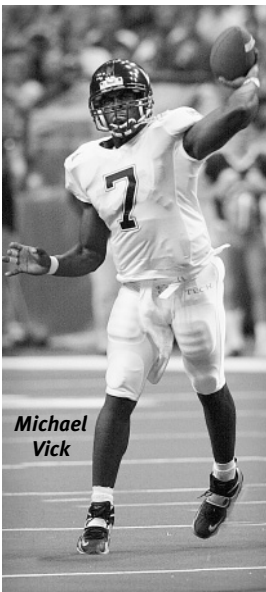
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Highest Completion Percentage

Season	.618		2002 (min. 200 attempts)
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Most First Downs Passing

Game	22	vs. Houston	1972
Season	152		1972

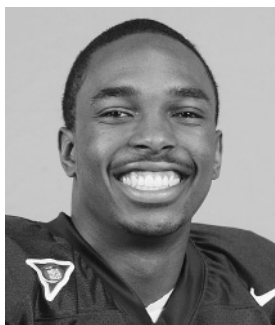


Michael Vick

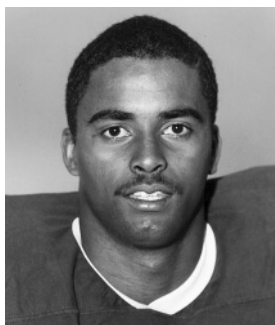
CAREER PASSING LEADERS

Name	Yrs. Played	Comp-Att	TDs	Tot. Yds.
Don Strock	1970-72	440-829	29	6009
Will Furrer	1988-91	494-920	43	5915
Maurice DeShazo	1991-94	397-745	47	5720
Jim Druckenmiller	1993-96	313-582	34	4383
Steve Casey	1978-81	342-647	29	4299
Mark Cox	1981-85	281-518	22	3526
Michael Vick	1999-00	177-313	20	3074
Erik Chapman	1985-87	234-458	20	2996
Todd Greenwood	1982-85	234-443	16	2721
Al Clark	1995-98	193-361	19	2622
Bryan Randall	2001-	170-282	12	2248
Grant Noel	1999-02	158-284	18	1971
Bob Schweickert	1962-64	133-266	18	1725
David Lamie	1975-78	79-190	4	1327
Bruce Arians	1972-74	78-174	6	1270
Billy Holsclaw	1956-58	87-169	11	1262

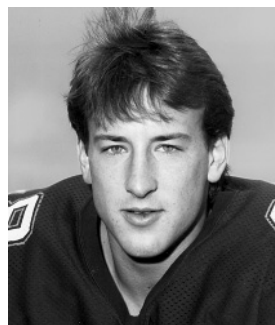
RECEIVING



André Davis



Donald Wayne Snell



Nick Cullen

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Most Passes Caught

Game	13	se Donald Snell vs. Cincinnati	1985
		se Nick Cullen vs. So. Miss.	1990
Season	51	se Ernest Wilford	2002
Career	121	se Antonio Freeman	1991-94

Most Yards Gained by Receiving

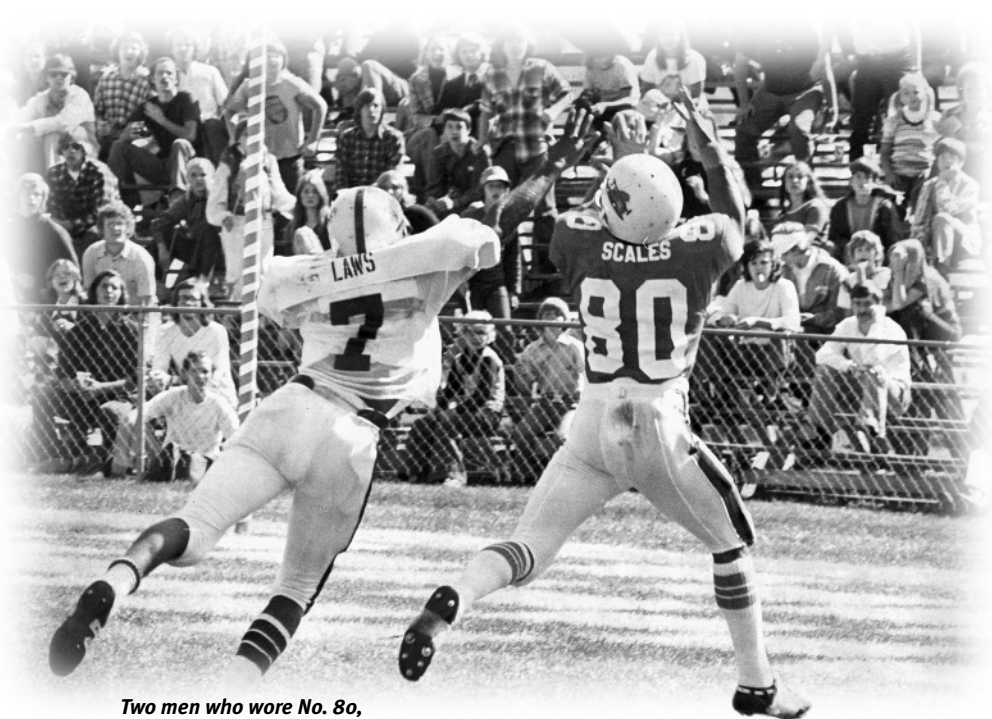
Game	279	se Ernest Wilford vs. Syracuse	2002
Season	962	fl André Davis	1999
Career	2272	wr Ricky Scales	1972-74

Most Touchdown Receptions

Game	4	se Ernest Wilford vs. Syracuse	2002
Season	9	se Antonio Freeman	1993
		fl André Davis	1999
Career	22	se Antonio Freeman	1991-94

Best Average Per Catch

Season	27.5	fl André Davis	1999
		(min. 20 catches)	
Career	20.1	wr Ricky Scales	1972-74



Two men who wore No. 80, Antonio Freeman (below) and Ricky Scales (above), stand one-two, respectively, in career receiving yards at Tech.



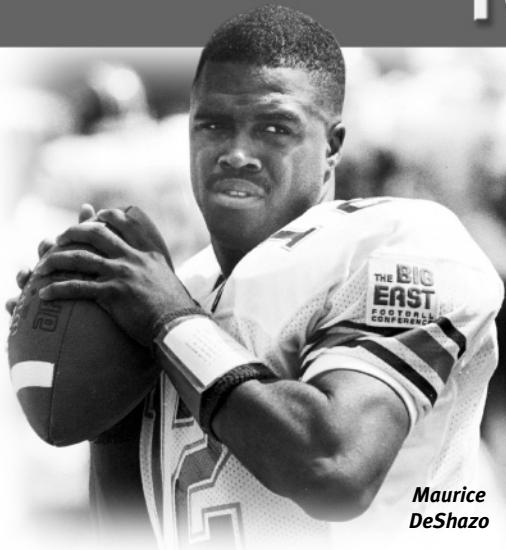
YEAR-BY-YEAR RECEIVING LEADERS

Year	Player	Cgt.	Yds.	TDs
1952	Bob Luttrell	11	142	0
1953	Tom Petty	10	216	0
1954	Tom Petty	9	236	0
1955	Roger Simmons	9	153	0
1956	Carroll Dale	8	157	3
1957	Carroll Dale	17	171	0
1958	Carroll Dale	25	459	6
1959	Carroll Dale	17	408	6
1960	Terry Strock	16	236	6
1961	Terry Strock	10	68	1
1962	Tommy Marvin	11	137	1
1963	Tommy Marvin	28	303	1
1964	Tommy Marvin	21	330	3
1965	Gene Fisher	30	387	2
1966	Ken Barefoot	22	267	4
1967	Ken Barefoot	26	225	2
1968	Danny Cupp	21	323	1
1969	Terry Smoot	18	161	1
1970	Jimmy Quinn	30	481	1
1971	Mike Burnop	46	558	2
1972	Ricky Scales	43	826	7
1973	Ricky Scales	36	772	7
1974	Ricky Scales	34	674	4
1975	Steve Galloway	18	378	4
1976	Moses Foster	20	429	5
1977	Ellis Savage	23	416	0
1978	Dennis Scott	21	300	1
1979	Sidney Snell	43	706	7
1980	Sidney Snell	43	568	8
1981	Mike Giacalone	28	514	7
1982	Mike Giacalone	37	405	2
1983	Mike Shaw	23	357	2
1984	Joe Jones	39	452	1
1985	Donald Snell	31	369	0
1986	Donald Snell	34	661	6
1987	Steve Johnson	38	475	3
1988	Myron Richardson	36	583	1
1989	Myron Richardson	27	450	4
1990	Marcus Mickel	38	409	0
1991	Bo Campbell	29	494	7
1992	Antonio Freeman	32	703	6
1993	Antonio Freeman	32	644	9
1994	Antonio Freeman	38	586	5
1995	Bryan Still	32	628	3
1996	Shawn Scales	30	510	4
1997	Marcus Parker	20	212	0
1998	Ricky Hall	37	650	8
1999	André Davis	35	962	9
2000	Emmett Johnson	34	574	3
2001	André Davis	39	623	7
2002	Ernest Wilford	51	925	7

CAREER RECEIVING LEADERS

Pos.	Name	Yrs. Played	Cgt.	TDs	Yds.
se	Antonio Freeman	1991-94	121	22	2207
wr	Ricky Scales	1972-74	113	18	2272
flk	André Davis	1998-01	103	18	1986
se	Mike Giacalone	1979-82	103	10	1384
se	Myron Richardson	1986-89	100	9	1541
se	Donald Snell	1983-86	92	7	1409
te	Mike Burnop	1970-72	90	5	1141
wb	Sidney Snell	1978-80	86	15	1274
te	Steve Johnson	1984-87	84	8	1058
se	Cornelius White	1993-96	78	7	1114
flk	Marcus Mickel	1988-91	77	1	868
flk	Bryan Still	1992-95	74	11	1458
se-wb	Jimmy Quinn	1969-71	72	4	1262
se	Ernest Wilford	2000-	71	8	1166
se	Nick Cullen	1987-90	70	5	946
wr	Donnie Reel	1970-72	68	5	1260
se	Bo Campbell	1989-92	68	9	1145
te	Ken Barefoot	1965-67	68	8	752
se	Carroll Dale	1956-59	67	15	1195
se	Jermaine Holmes	1992-95	67	7	993
se	Ricky Hall	1998-99	62	11	1048
flk	Steve Sanders	1990-93	60	5	960
te	Mike Shaw	1980-83	60	7	904
e	Tommy Marvin	1962-64	60	5	770
tb	Vaughn Hebron	1989-92	60	4	596

TOTAL OFFENSE



Maurice DeShazo



Michael Vick

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Most Plays

Game	57	qb Don Strock vs. Houston ...	1972
Season	480	qb Don Strock	1972
Career	1047	qb Will Furrer	1988-91

Most Yards

Game	516	qb Don Strock vs. Houston ...	1972
Season	3170	qb Don Strock	1972
Career	6105	qb Maurice DeShazo	1991-94

Most Yards Per Game

Season	288.2	qb Don Strock	1972
Career	202.4	qb Don Strock	1970-72

Most Yards Per Play

Season	9.3	qb Michael Vick	1999
Career	8.14	qb Michael Vick	1999-00



Jim Druckenmiller

YEAR-BY-YEAR TOTAL OFFENSE LEADERS

Year	Player	Plays	Yds.
1952	Johnny Dean	208	914
1953	Jack Williams		592
1954	Dickie Beard	131	729
1955	Billy Cranwell	120	593
1956	Jimmy Lugar	156	865
1957	Billy Cranwell	83	407
1958	Billy Holsclaw	230	1227
1959	Alger Pugh	146	859
1960	Warren Price	171	736
1961	Warren Price	186	737
1962	Bob Schweickert	80	513
1963	Bob Schweickert	271	1526
1964	Bob Schweickert	240	1409
1965	Bobby Owens	268	1417
1966	Tommy Stafford	278	1193
1967	Al Kincaid	251	765
1968	Terry Smoot	197	852
1969	Terry Smoot	246	940
1970	Gil Schwabe	159	773
1971	Don Strock	413	2404
1972	Don Strock	480	3170
1973	Phil Rogers	182	1221
1974	Bruce Arians	225	1195
1975	Phil Rogers	264	1141
1976	Roscoe Coles	209	1119
1977	David Lamie	229	1040
1978	Kenny Lewis	184	1020
1979	Steve Casey	295	1622
1980	Steve Casey	248	1287
1981	Cyrus Lawrence	325	1403
1982	Todd Greenwood	227	941
1983	Mark Cox	245	1403
1984	Mark Cox	209	1057
1985	Maurice Williams	167	936
1986	Erik Chapman	308	1583
1987	Erik Chapman	323	1246
1988	Will Furrer	337	1297
1989	Will Furrer	101	590
1990	Will Furrer	329	2046
1991	Will Furrer	280	1849
1992	Maurice DeShazo	315	1710
1993	Maurice DeShazo	313	2177
1994	Maurice DeShazo	379	2081
1995	Jim Druckenmiller	355	2160
1996	Jim Druckenmiller	324	2276
1997	Al Clark	287	1820
1998	Al Clark	217	1118
1999	Michael Vick	260	2425
2000	Michael Vick	265	1851
2001	Grant Noel	315	1812
2002	Bryan Randall	419	2641

TEAM RECORDS

Most Plays

Game	98	vs. Cincinnati	1985
Season	931	.....	2002

Most Yards

Game	675	vs. Pittsburgh	1993
Season	5203	2002

Most Yards Per Game

Season	451.8	1999
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Most Yards Per Play

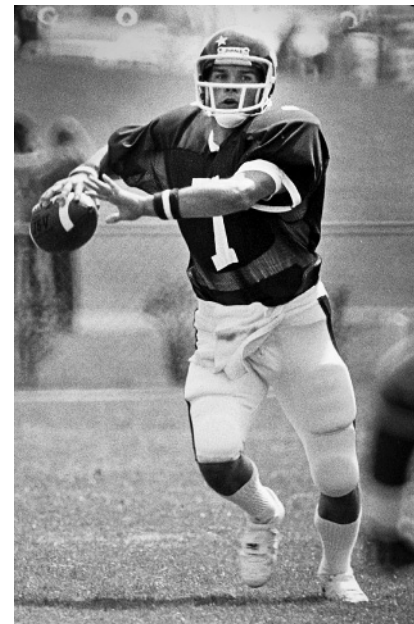
Season	6.6	1999
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First Downs

Game	34	vs. Akron	1991
Season	274	2002

CAREER TOTAL OFFENSE LEADERS

Pos.	Name	Yrs. Played	Plays	Tot. Yds.
qb	Maurice DeShazo	1991-94	1026	6105
qb	Don Strock	1970-72	974	5871
qb	Will Furrer	1988-91	1047	5782
qb	Steve Casey	1978-81	982	4987
qb	Jim Druckenmiller	1993-96	725	4634
qb	Michael Vick	1999-00	525	4276
qb	Mark Cox	1981-85	754	3890
tb	Cyrus Lawrence	1979-82	844	3767
rb	Roscoe Coles	1974-77	658	3458
qb	Bob Schweickert	1962-64	603	3448
qb	Al Clark	1995-98	547	3190
rb-qb	Phil Rogers	1973-75	589	3025
tb	Maurice Williams	1983-86	550	2981
qb	Bryan Randall	2001-	473	2859
tb	Erik Chapman	1985-87	640	2828
qb	Lee Suggs	1999-02	535	2767
tb	Dwayne Thomas	1992-95	576	2696
qb	Todd Greenwood	1982-85	604	2669
tb	Ken Oxendine	1994-97	526	2645
tb	Eddie Hunter	1983-86	471	2550
tb	Tony Kennedy	1989-92	546	2336
tb	Vaughn Hebron	1989-92	481	2327
tb	Shyrone Stith	1996-99	448	2292
tb	Terry Smoot	1967-69	512	2148



Steve Casey

INTERCEPTIONS



Tyronne Drakeford

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Most Interceptions

Game	3	hb Ron Davidson vs. Florida St.	1967
		s Lenny Smith vs. Wake Forest	1968
		hb John Bell vs. Florida St.	1973
		hb John Bell vs. West Va.	1974
		cb Paul Davis vs. Florida St.	1979
		cb Derek Carter vs. VMI	1982
		olb Lorenzo Ferguson vs. Clemson	1998
		fs Keion Carpenter vs. Pittsburgh	1998
		cb Ike Charlton vs. West Virginia	1998
		cb/s Anthony Midget vs. Miami	1999
		fs Willie Pile vs. Syracuse	2000
		cb Garnell Wilds vs. Syracuse	2002
Season	9	hb Ron Davidson	1967
Career	18	cb-fs Gene Bunn	1976-78

Most Yards Gained on Interception Runbacks

Game	*182	fs Ashley Lee vs. Vanderbilt	1983
Season	210	hb Johnny Watkins	1960
Career	351	fs Ashley Lee	1980-84

Most Touchdowns on Interception Runbacks

Game	2	lb Don Divers vs. VMI	1954
		fs Ashley Lee vs. Vanderbilt	1983
Season	2	lb Don Divers	1954
		lb Mike Widger	1968
		fs Ashley Lee	1983
Career	3	lb Don Divers	1954-56
		lb Mike Widger	1967-69

*NCAA record

TEAM INTERCEPTIONS

Most Interceptions

Game	6	vs. Florida State	1968
		vs. Rutgers	1992
		vs. Rutgers	1998
Season	27	.....	1967

Most Yards on Interceptions

Game	182	vs. Vanderbilt	1983
Season	594	.....	1954

Most Interception Touchdowns

Game	2	vs. VMI	1954
		vs. Vanderbilt	1983
		vs. South Carolina	1988
		vs. Rutgers	1998
Season	4	.....	1967, 1968, 1995, 1998

Gene Bunn's school record for career interceptions has stood since 1978.



YEAR-BY-YEAR INTERCEPTION LEADERS

Year	Player	Int.	Yds.	TDs	Long
1952	Julian King	4	27	-	-
1953	Don Booth	2	53	1	-
	Leo Burke	2	35	0	-
1954	Dickie Beard	3	119	1	-
	Leo Burke	3	55	0	-
1955	Leo Burke	3	12	0	-
1956	Jimmy Lugar	3	58	0	37
1957	Carroll Dale	2	43	0	37
1958	Ken Byrd	2	43	0	-
	Billy Holsclaw	2	2	0	-
1959	Alger Pugh	5	103	0	59
1960	Johnny Watkins	4	210	1	88
1961	Buddy Perry	4	45	0	32
1962	Gerald Bobbitt	5	51	0	25
1963	Mike Cahill	4	32	0	11
1964	Vic Kreiter	2	19	0	12
1965	Billy Edwards	2	12	0	12
	Jimmy Richards	2	0	0	0
	George Foussekis	2	0	0	0
1966	Frank Beamer	4	22	0	22
1967	Ron Davidson	9	149	0	75
1968	Mike Widger	7	203	2	74
1969	Tim Bosiack	4	36	0	18
	Lenny Smith	4	29	0	27
	Mike Widger	4	9	0	5
1970	Ronnie Holsinger	5	82	0	66
1971	Kent Henry	5	57	0	25
1972	Jerry Scharnus	5	31	0	15
1973	John Bell	5	84	1	36
1974	John Bell	5	71	0	30
1975	Billy Hardee	7	83	0	31
1976	Gene Bunn	7	23	0	21
1977	Gene Bunn	6	69	0	32
1978	Gene Bunn	5	14	0	8
1979	Jerome Pannell	4	39	0	35
	Matt Mead	4	36	0	18
	Paul Davis	4	27	0	13
1980	Mike Scharnus	2	59	1	44
	Paul Davis	2	14	0	9
	Rick Miley	2	7	0	5
1981	Mike Johnson	4	75	0	55
	Gillett Ford	4	73	1	34
1982	Derek Carter	5	18	0	18
1983	Jake Clarke	4	44	0	33
	Mike Johnson	4	13	0	9
1984	Ashley Lee	7	155	0	44
1985	Carter Wiley	5	53	0	32
1986	Carter Wiley	3	15	0	15
	Billy Myers	3	9	0	9
1987	six players with 1 each (inc. Randy Cockrell	1	90	1	90)
1988	John Granby	4	27	0	27
1989	Roger Brown	3	55	1	55
	John Granby	3	53	0	44
	Randy Cockrell	3	14	0	9
1990	Tyronne Drakeford	3	22	0	22
1991	Tyronne Drakeford	5	1	0	1
1992	Tyronne Drakeford	7	121	1	40
1993	Antonio Banks	3	22	0	21
	Torrian Gray	3	48	0	46
1994	Torrian Gray	4	74	1	66
	William Yarborough	4	0	0	0
1995	William Yarborough	5	14	0	12
1996	Antonio Banks	4	63	0	45
1997	Keion Carpenter	4	52	0	32
1998	Keion Carpenter	5	92	1	40
	Ike Charlton	5	81	1	26
1999	Anthony Midget	4	5	0	3
2000	Willie Pile	6	22	1	11
2001	Willie Pile	4	77	0	53
2002	Garnell Wilds	5	8	0	8

CAREER INTERCEPTION LEADERS

Pos.	Name	Yrs. Played	Int.	TDs	Ret. Yds.
cb-s	Gene Bunn	1976-78	18	0	106
cb	Tyronne Drakeford	1990-93	16	1	144
s	Willie Pile	1999-02	14	2	270
hb	Ron Davidson	1966-68	13	0	174
s	Lenny Smith	1968-70	13	0	120
lb	Mike Widger	1967-69	12	3	220
cb	John Granby	1987-91	12	0	98
lb	Mike Johnson	1980-83	11	1	173
fs	Ashley Lee	1980-84	11	2	351
cb-fs	William Yarborough	1992-95	11	0	30
s-cb	John Bell	1972-74	10	1	155
cb	Billy Hardee	1973-75	10	1	168
cb	Derek Carter	1981-84	10	0	77
s	Keion Carpenter	1995-98	10	2	244
hb	Frank Beamer	1966-68	9	1	81
s	Carter Wiley	1984-87	9	1	143
s	Torrian Gray	1993-96	9	1	122

PUNT RETURNS

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Most Returns

Game	10	John Ludlow vs. Virginia	1982
		Bo Campbell vs. Akron	1989
Season	51	John Ludlow	1982
Career	136	John Ludlow	1979-82

Most Yardage on Returns

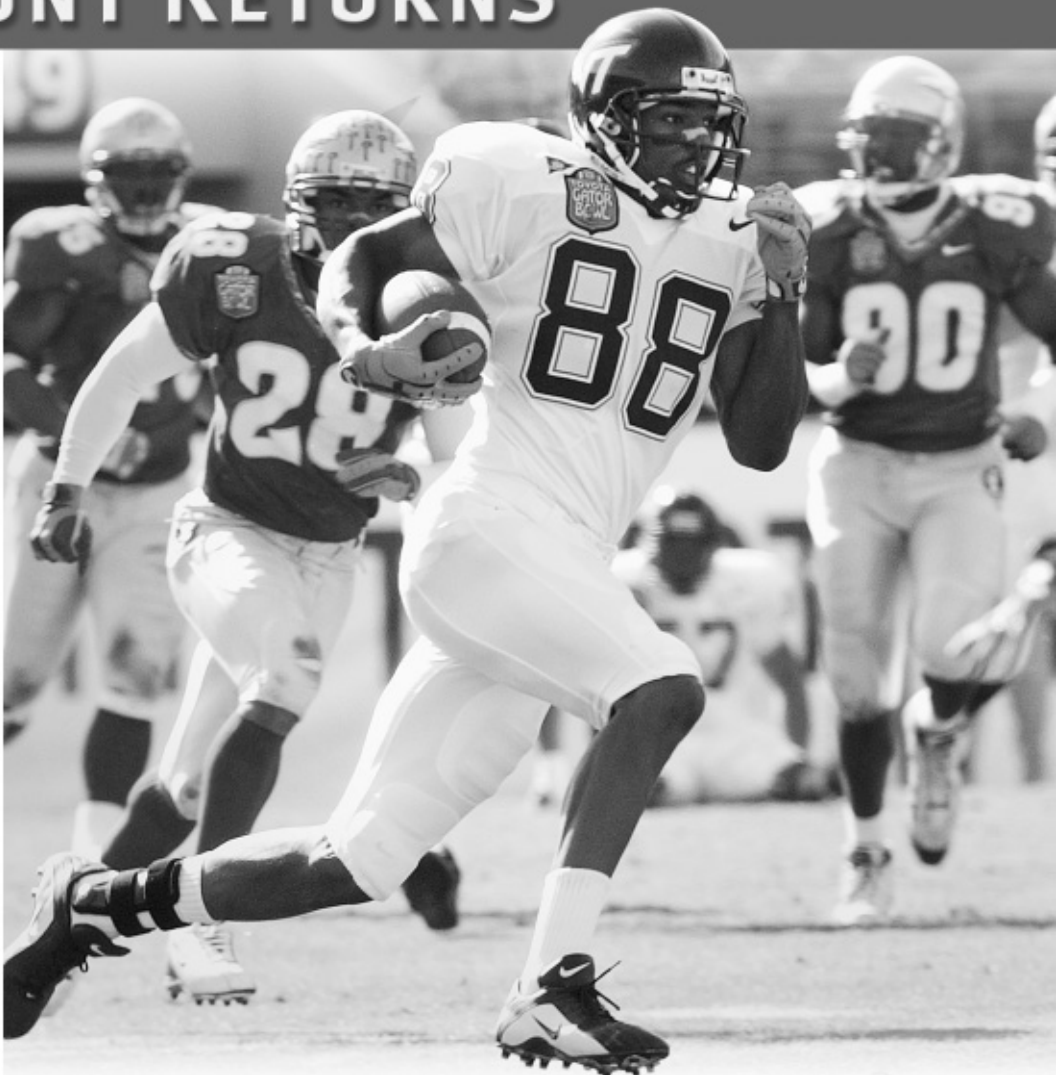
Game	164	Antonio Freeman vs. Pitt	1994
Season	510	Ricky Hall	1999
Career	872	André Davis	1998-01

Most TDs on Returns

Game	1	shared by many	
Season	3	Frank Loria	1966
		André Davis	2000
Career	4	Frank Loria	1965-67
		André Davis	1998-01

Best Return Average

Season	22.0	André Davis	2000
		(15 or more returns)	
Career	15.9	André Davis	1998-01



André Davis averaged 15.9 yards per return during his Tech career.

YEAR-BY-YEAR PUNT RETURN LEADERS

Year	Player	No.	Yds.	TDs
1952	Billy Anderson	23	375	1
1953	Billy Anderson	7	60	0
1954	Billy Anderson	13	122	0
1955	Dave Ebert	15	91	0
1956	Bobby Wolfenden	8	123	1
1957	Corbin Bailey	15	242	0
1958	Pat Henry	7	142	1
1959	Alger Pugh	12	129	0
1960	Bobby Watkins	14	182	1
1961	Terry Strock	9	83	0
1962	Mike Cahill	20	138	0
1963	Mike Cahill	18	138	0
1964	Tommy Francisco	9	58	0
1965	Frank Loria	15	145	0
1966	Frank Loria	16	248	3
1967	Frank Loria	30	420	1
1968	Ron Davidson	25	62	0
1969	Wayne Humphries	24	89	0
1970	Tim Bosiack	34	177	0
1971	Jerry Scharnus	25	238	0
1972	Jerry Scharnus	26	229	0
1973	Billy Hardee	6	118	0
1974	Billy Hardee	30	263	0
1975	Billy Hardee	27	148	1
1976	Greg Payne	16	156	1
1977	Henry Bradley	13	58	0
1978	Gene Bunn	6	42	0
1979	John Ludlow	13	114	0
1980	John Ludlow	37	220	0
1981	John Ludlow	35	219	0
1982	John Ludlow	51	284	0
1983	Derek Carter	37	289	0
1984	Billy Myers	34	335	0
1985	Billy Myers	24	142	0
1986	Billy Myers	27	236	0
1987	Myron Richardson	16	70	0
1988	Myron Richardson	25	142	0
1989	Bo Campbell	26	134	0
1990	Marcus Mickel	25	292	0
1991	Bo Campbell	15	273	0
1992	Bo Campbell	20	135	0
1993	Antonio Freeman	24	184	0
1994	Antonio Freeman	39	467	1
1995	Larry Green	23	208	0
1996	Angelo Harrison	22	189	0
1997	Angelo Harrison	10	90	0
1998	Angelo Harrison	38	376	0
1999	Ricky Hall	40	510	1
2000	André Davis	18	396	3
2001	André Davis	35	437	1
2002	DeAngelo Hall	22	352	2



Ricky Hall

TEAM RECORDS

Most Returns

Game	10	vs. VMI	1971
		vs. Virginia	1982
		vs. Clemson	1989
		vs. Clemson	1998
Season	53	.....	1982

Most Yardage on Returns

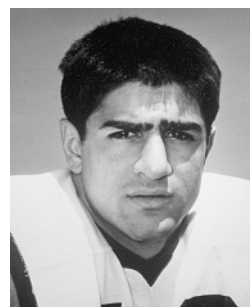
Game	164	vs. Pittsburgh	1994
Season	711	2000

Most TDs on Returns

Season	3	1966 & 2000
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Best Return Average

Season	18.2	(39 returns)	2000
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Frank Loria

CAREER PUNT RETURN LEADERS

Name	Yrs. Played	No.	Yds.	TDs	Avg.
André Davis	1998-01	55	872	4	15.9
John Ludlow	1979-82	136	837	0	6.2
Frank Loria	1965-67	61	813	4	13.3
Billy Myers	1984-87	90	750	0	8.3
Angelo Harrison	1995-98	73	697	0	9.5
Antonio Freeman	1991-94	63	651	1	10.3
Bo Campbell	1989-92	67	587	0	8.8
Billy Anderson	1952-54	43	557	1	13.0
Ricky Hall	1998-99	41	534	1	13.0
Billy Hardee	1973-75	63	529	1	8.4

KICKOFF RETURNS



Jon Jeffries

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Most Returns			
Game	9	James Barber vs. Tulsa	1971
		Billy Hardee vs. Alabama	1973
Season	33	Billy Hardee	1973
Career	67	Jon Jeffries	1987-91
Most Yardage on Returns			
Game	214	Marcus Mickel vs. Clemson	1989
Season	758	Billy Hardee	1973
Career	1447	Jon Jeffries	1987-91
Most TDs on Returns			
Season	1	shared by many	
Career	2	Terry Strock	1959-61
Best Return Average			
Season	34.3	Tommy Francisco	1965 (10 or more returns)
Career	24.8	Dickie Longerbeam	1965-68



Terry Strock

TEAM RECORDS

Most Returns			
Game	12	vs. Alabama	1973
Season	67		1950
Most Yardage on Returns			
Game	245	vs. South Carolina	1973
Season	1431		1973
Most TDs on Returns			
Season	2		1965
Best Return Average			
Season	27.4		1965

YEAR-BY-YEAR KICKOFF RETURN LEADERS

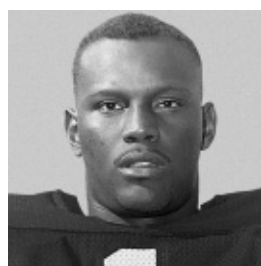
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1952	Don Booth	18	413	0
1953	Howie Wright	6	125	0
1954	Billy Anderson	5	96	0
1955	Dickie Beard	5	115	0
1956	Bobby Wolfenden	5	173	0
1957	Frank Eastman	5	60	0
1958	Jay Whitesell	5	192	1
1959	Alger Pugh	12	305	0
1960	Terry Strock	6	208	1
1961	Warren Price	13	273	0
1962	Sonny Utz	11	242	0
1963	Tommy Walker	7	259	1
1964	Tommy Francisco	15	301	0
1965	Dickie Longerbeam	12	404	1
1966	Tommy Francisco	9	145	0
1967	Dickie Longerbeam	14	317	0
1968	Ron Davidson	6	105	0
1969	Rich Matijevich	7	192	1
1970	Rich Matijevich	25	501	0
1971	Jimmy Quinn	14	324	0
1972	Don Testerman	11	294	0
1973	Billy Hardee	33	758	1
1974	Morris Blueford	15	305	0
1975	Roscoe Coles	14	312	0
1976	Ellis Savage	17	311	0
1977	Kenny Lewis	24	540	0
1978	Larry Fallen	23	526	1
1979	Billy Hite	8	156	0
1980	Sidney Snell	11	264	0
1981	Bob Thomas	9	172	0
1982	Bob Thomas	22	487	0
1983	Eddie Hunter	7	162	0
1984	Bob Thomas	14	278	0
1985	Eddie Hunter	12	265	0
1986	Eddie Hunter	19	462	1
1987	Jon Jeffries	22	561	1
1988	Jon Jeffries	15	311	0
1989	Marcus Mickel	25	546	1
1990	Marcus Mickel	15	285	0
1991	Jon Jeffries	16	273	0
1992	Tony Kennedy	16	386	1
1993	Dwayne Thomas	14	305	0
1994	Bryan Still	19	493	0
1995	Dwayne Thomas	13	238	0
1996	Shawn Scales	12	312	0
1997	Ike Charlton	18	373	0
1998	Shyrone Stith	14	282	0
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2000	André Kendrick	22	447	0
2001	Richard Johnson	12	267	0
2002	Richard Johnson	23	485	0



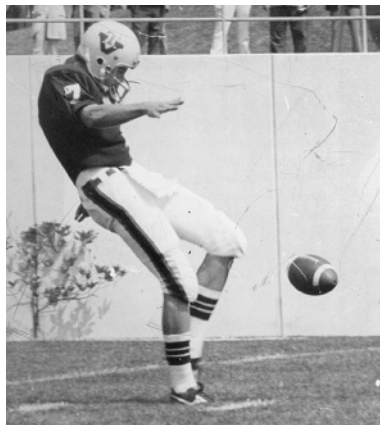
Bob Thomas (above) and Marcus Mickel (below) are ranked second and third in kickoff returns, respectively.

CAREER KICKOFF RETURN LEADERS

Name	Yrs. Played	No.	Yds.	TDs	Avg.
Jon Jeffries	1987-91	67	1447	1	21.6
Bob Thomas	1981-84	51	1088	0	21.3
Marcus Mickel	1988-91	47	963	1	20.5
Eddie Hunter	1983-86	38	889	1	23.4
Dickie Longerbeam	1965-68	34	842	1	24.8
Billy Hardee	1973-75	37	833	1	22.5
Tommy Francisco	1964-66	34	789	1	23.2
Rich Matijevich	1969-71	36	780	1	21.7
Richard Johnson	2001-	35	752	0	21.5
Sonny Utz	1962-64	33	741	0	22.5
Larry Fallen	1976-78	32	689	1	21.5



PUNTING



George Roberts



Dave Smigelsky

Most Punts			
Game	14	Jack Simcsak vs. Alabama	1968
Season	88	Gene Fisher	1967
Career	210	Jack Simcsak	1968-70
Most Yards Punting			
Game	564	Jack Simcsak vs. Alabama	1968
Season	3267	Gene Fisher	1967
Career	8257	Jack Simcsak	1968-70
Best Punting Average			
Season	45.1	Jimmy Kibble	1997
Career	41.8	George Roberts	1976-77

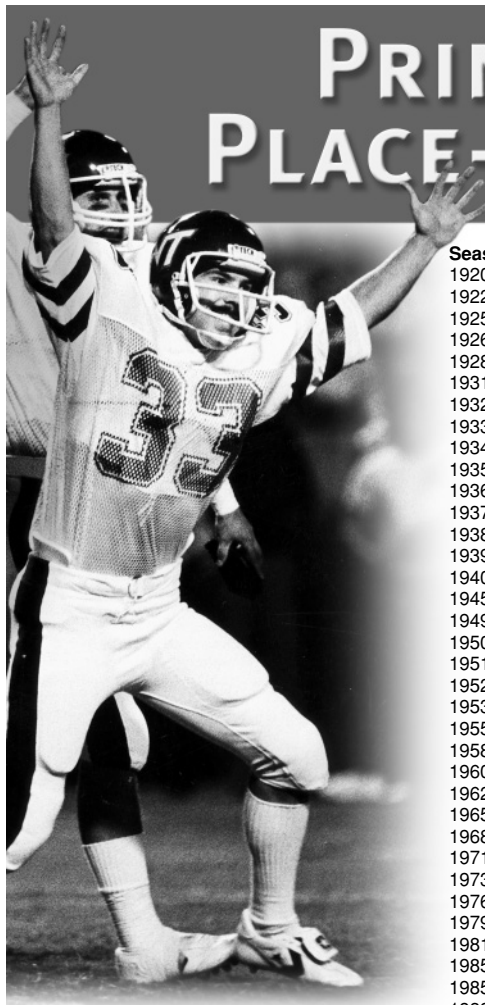
CAREER PUNTING LEADERS

Name	Yrs. Kicked	No.	Yds.	Avg.
George Roberts	1976-77	128	5345	41.8
Dave Smigelsky	1978-80	172	7065	41.1
Jimmy Kibble	1996-99	180	7372	41.0
Jack Williams	1951-53	157	6229	39.7
Robbie Colley	1991-94	169	6676	39.5
Jack Simcsak	1968-70	210	8257	39.3
Andy Hromyak	1970-72	115	4513	39.2
David Cox	1982-85	173	6785	39.2
Bruce McDaniel	1972-75	171	6675	39.0
Bill Renner	1981-82	141	5492	39.0
Gene Fisher	1965-67	205	7840	38.2
Bobby Wolfenden	1954-56	63	2386	37.9
Bob Schweickert	1962-64	112	4233	37.8

YEAR-BY-YEAR PUNTING LEADERS

Year	Player	No. Punts	Avg.
1952	Jack Williams	66	40.7
1953	Jack Williams	30	40.9
1954	Tom Petty	40	35.6
1955	Bobby Wolfenden	29	39.9
1956	Bobby Wolfenden	30	37.3
1957	Bobby Conner	25	34.8
1958	Carroll Dale	28	33.6
1959	Carroll Dale	36	32.8
1960	Terry Strock	47	37.2
1961	Terry Strock	35	36.5
1962	Jake Adams	25	38.8
1963	Bob Schweickert	45	39.1
1964	Bob Schweickert	42	37.7
1965	Gene Fisher	49	40.6
1966	Gene Fisher	68	37.9
1967	Gene Fisher	88	37.1
1968	Jack Simcsak	82	38.7
1969	Jack Simcsak	66	41.2
1970	Jack Simcsak	62	38.1
1971	Andy Hromyak	57	39.3
1972	Andy Hromyak	42	41.4
1973	Bruce McDaniel	55	40.3
1974	Bruce McDaniel	53	39.6
1975	Bruce McDaniel	60	37.9
1976	George Roberts	68	41.5
1977	George Roberts	60	42.1
1978	Dave Smigelsky	58	41.0
1979	Dave Smigelsky	58	42.3
1980	Dave Smigelsky	53	39.8
1981	Bill Renner	62	39.5
1982	Bill Renner	79	38.6
1983	David Cox	61	41.0
1984	David Cox	56	41.9
1985	David Cox	55	34.9
1986	Tony Romero	47	36.0
1987	Tony Romero	51	37.9
1988	Kelly Fitzgerald	39	36.7
1989	Chris Baucia	77	37.5
1990	Chris Baucia	66	38.5
1991	Jack Wiltshire	55	37.2
1992	Robbie Colley	57	38.1
1993	Robbie Colley	51	38.4
1994	Robbie Colley	57	42.1
1995	John Thomas	61	38.9
1996	Jimmy Kibble	32	37.3
1997	Jimmy Kibble	50	45.1
1998	Jimmy Kibble	52	41.5
1999	Jimmy Kibble	46	38.4
2000	Robert Peaslee	44	35.3
2001	Vinnie Burns	59	37.8
2002	Vinnie Burns	64	40.5

PRINCIPAL PLACE-KICKERS



Don Wade celebrates a game-winning field goal at Wake Forest in 1984.

Season(s)	Player	EP	FG	TP
1920-21	J.G. (Rip) Wallace	29		95
1922-24	Don Rutherford	31		107
1925	Paul Robertson	4		10
1926-28	J.B. (Scotty) MacArthur	26		
1928-30	Bird Hooper	21		41
1931	Heinie Groth	3		3
1932	Gene Hite	8		8
1933	Ray Mills	5		5
1934	George Sodaro	5		5
1935	Herman (Foots) Dickerson	5		47
1936	George Sodaro	6	1	9
1937	C.L. Shockey	6		6
1938	Frank Pierce	6		12
1939	Ward Boswell	5		5
1940-42	Roger McClure	39	9	74
1945-48	Bob Orr	35		35
1949	Ralph Beard	16		22
1950	Ronnie Raugh	5		5
1951				
1952	Don (Duckie) Welsh	14	1	29
1953-55	Dickie Beard	43	1	46
1955-57	Barry Frazee	32	2	38
1958-59	Chuck Stephens	17-27	2-4	23
1960-62	Aster (Cat) Sizemore	39-46	1-9	42
1962-64	Dickie Cranwell	43-49	8-17	67
1965-67	Jon Utin	63-69	20-36	123
1968-70	Jack Simcsak	59-64	21-48	122
1971-72	Dave Strock	50-56	22-42	116
1973-75	Wayne Latimer	72-77	25-55	147
1976-78	Paul Engle	54-58	16-42	102
1979-80	Dennis Laury	41-47	12-24	77
1981-84	Don Wade	98-107	42-70	224
1985	Tom Taricani	9-10	3-6	18
1985-88	Chris Kinzer	93-95	47-69	234
1989-91	Mickey Thomas	44-45	31-41	137
1991-94	Ryan Williams	137-147	39-57	254
1994-95	Atle Larsen	36-37	15-26	81
1996-99	Shayne Graham	167-169	68-93	371
2000-	Carter Warley	136-138	27-45	217

TEAM DEFENSE

SEASON HIGHS & LOWS SINCE 1950

	Fewest	Most
Total Defense		
Plays	552 in 1954 (9 games) 562 in 1955 (10 games) 691 in 1997 (11 games)	938 in 2002 (14 games)
Yards Allowed	1,973 in 1954 (9 games) 2,108 in 1957 (10 games) 2,401 in 1980 (11 games)	5,136 in 1973 (11 games)
Yards Per Game	210.8 in 1957 (10 games) 218.3 in 1980 (11 games)	466.9 in 1973
Yards Per Play	3.30 in 1966 (10 games) 3.34 in 1984 (11 games)	6.3 in 1973
Rushing Defense		
Rushing Attempts	363 in 1966 (10 games) 367 in 1983 (11 games)	610 in 1973 (11 games)
Yards Allowed	544 in 1982 (11 games)	3,453 in 1973
Yards Per Game	49.5 in 1982 (11 games)	313.9 in 1973
Yards Per Carry	1.4 in 1982 (11 games)	5.7 in 1973
TDs Rushing	2 in 1968 (10 games) in 1982 (11 games)	37 in 1973
Pass Defense		
Passing Attempts	108 in 1957 (10 games) 177 in 1952 (11 games)	443 in 2002 (14 games)
Completions	38 in 1957 (10 games) 87 in 1952 (11 games)	230 in 2002
Yards Allowed	485 in 1957 (10 games) 1,064 in 1952 (11 games)	2,991 in 2002
Yards Per Game	48.5 in 1957 (10 games) 96.7 in 1952 (11 games)	251.0 in 1993 (11 games)
Yards Per Attempt	4.5 in 1957 (10 games) 5.2 in 2001 (11 games)	8.3 in 1973 (11 games)
Yards Per Completion	10.0 in 1962 (10 games) 10.8 in 1983 (11 games)	16.0 in 1973
TDs Passing	2 in 1963 (10 games) 6 in 1975 & 1983 (11 games)	18 in 2000 (11 games)
Completion Pct.	35.2 in 1957 (10 games) 43.0 in 1980 (11 games)	57.7 in 1990 (11 games)
Scoring Defense		
Points Allowed	75 in 1954 (9 games) 90 in 1966 (10 games) 91 in 1983 (11 games)	430 in 1950 (10 games) 380 in 1973 (11 games)
Points Per Game	8.27 in 1983	43.0 in 1950 (10 games) 34.5 in 1973 (11 games)
TDs	11 in 1954 (9 games) in 1966 (10 games) in 1980, 1982 & 1983 (11 games)	52 in 1973
Punt Returns		
Returns Allowed	9 in 1999 (11 games)	44 in 1966 (10 games) 40 in 1970 & 1988 (11 games)
Yards Allowed	36 in 1999 (11 games)	529 in 1952 (11 games)
Yards Per Return	2.4 in 1986 (11 games)	14.5 in 1974 (11 games)*
TD Returns		2 in 1970 (11 games)*
Kickoff Returns		
Returns Allowed	19 in 1961 (9 games) 26 in 1968 (10 games) 23 in 1978 (11 games)	60 in 1993 (11 games) & 2002 (14 games)
Yards Allowed	368 in 1961 (9 games) 419 in 1953 (10 games) 404 in 1975 (11 games)	1,231 in 2002
Yards Per Return	15.3 in 1980 (11 games)	25.9 in 1968 (10 games) 25.8 in 1970 (11 games)
TD Returns		1 numerous seasons
First Downs		
FDs Allowed	111 in 1955 (10 games) 143 in 1980 (11 games)	252 in 1971 (11 games)
Rushing FDs Allowed	40 in 1967 (10 games) 46 in 1982 (11 games)	151 in 1973 (11 games)
Passing FDs Allowed	20 in 1957 (10 games) 34 in 1952 (11 games)	119 in 1992 (11 games) & 2002 (14 games)
FDs by Penalty	2 in 1952 (11 games)	26 in 1988 (11 games)
Fumbles		
Fumbles Caused	14 in 1992, 1997, 2000 (11 games)	48 in 1975 (11 games)
Fumbles Recovered	6 in 2000 (11 games)	29 in 1972 (11 games)

*Does not include blocked punts.

GAME HIGHS & LOWS SINCE 1950

	Fewest	Most
Total Defense		
Plays	37 by Richmond, 1963 West Virginia, 1966	100 by Wm. & Mary, 1971 Ohio, 1971 & Syracuse, 2002
Yards Allowed	63 vs. UAB, 1999	833 vs. Alabama, 1973
TDs		11 by Alabama, 1973
Rushing Defense		
Rushing Attempts	20 by Wake Forest, 1981	78 by Wake Forest, 1971
Yards Allowed	(-28) vs. Tampa, 1967 Arkansas St., 1997	748 vs. Alabama, 1973
TDs		9 by Alabama, 1973
Pass Defense		
Passing Attempts	2 by Clemson, 1956	58 by East Carolina, 1992
Completions	0 six times	36 by Marshall, 2002
Yards Allowed	0 vs. Clemson, 1950 West Virginia, 1957	498 vs. Maryland, 1993
TDs		6 by Vanderbilt, 1982
Punt Returns		
Returns	0 several times	9 by Syracuse, 1988
Yards Allowed	(-11) vs. VMI, 1969	187 vs. Maryland, 1950
TDs		1 numerous times
Kickoff Returns		
Returns	0 by Richmond, 1976	9 several times
Yards Allowed	(-1) vs. Wake Forest, 1979	205 vs. Houston, 1973 Fla. State, 1974
TDs		1 numerous times
First Downs		
FDs Allowed	4 vs. Pennsylvania, 1955	34 vs. Wm. & Mary, 1971
Rushing FDs Allowed	1 10 times	26 vs. Alabama, 1973
Passing FDs Allowed	0 eight times	22 vs. East Carolina, 1992
FDs by Penalty	0 numerous times	6 by Villanova, 1970
Fumbles		
Fumbles Caused		11 vs. Fla. State, 1958
Fumbles Recovered		5 several times

TACKLING RECORDS SINCE 1974

Most Tackles		
Game:	30	by lb Rick Razzano vs. Kentucky
Season:	177	by lb Rick Razzano
		by dt Scott Hill
Career:	634	by lb Rick Razzano
Most Unassisted Tackles		
Game:	21	by lb Rick Razzano vs. Richmond
Season:	102	by lb Rick Razzano
Career:	368	by lb Rick Razzano
Most Assisted Tackles		
Game:	15	by lb Ashley Lee vs. Richmond
		by lb Mike Johnson vs. Miami (Fla.)
Season:	110	by dt Scott Hill
Career:	266	by lb Rick Razzano
Most Quarterback Sacks		
Game:	4	by dt Bruce Smith vs. Duke
		by dt Bruce Smith vs. Wm. & Mary
		by de Morgan Roane vs. Wm. & Mary
Season:	22	by dt Bruce Smith
Career:	46	by dt Bruce Smith
Most Tackles for Loss (includes sacks)		
Season:	31	by dt Bruce Smith
Career:	71	by dt Bruce Smith

YEAR-BY-YEAR LEADING TACKLERS

1974	lb Rick Razzano	165	1989	ilb Bobby Martin	79
1975	lb Rick Razzano	177	1990	olb Archie Hopkins	89
1976	lb Rick Razzano	140	1991	de Wooster Pack	70
1977	lb Rick Razzano	152	1992	olb P.J. Preston	89
1978	lb Chip Keatley	102		ilb Melendez Byrd	89
1979	lb Chris Cosh	86	1993	lb Ken Brown	113
1980	lb Ashley Lee	95	1994	lb George DelRiccio	130
1981	lb Ashley Lee	146	1995	lb George DelRiccio	137
1982	lb Mike Johnson	148	1996	olb Brandon Semones	88
1983	lb Mike Johnson	135	1997	ilb Steve Tate	104
1984	lb Vince Daniels	113	1998	ilb Jamel Smith	99
1985	lb Paul Nelson	103	1999	ilb Jamel Smith	89
1986	lb Paul Nelson	104	2000	ilb Ben Taylor	103
1987	dt Scott Hill	177	2001	ilb Ben Taylor	121
1988	dt Horacio Moronta	81	2002	ilb Mikal Baaqee	112

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Highest Individual Total Offense Games (By Tech)

516 (527 pass, -11 rush)	Don Strock vs. Houston	1972
495 (504 pass, -9 rush)	Bryan Randall vs. Syracuse	2002
386 (376 pass, 10 rush)	Don Strock vs. Ohio U.	1971
386 (385 pass, 1 rush)	Don Strock vs. Wake Forest	1972
366 (290 pass, 76 rush)	Michael Vick vs. Boston College	1999
350 (355 pass, -5 rush)	Don Strock vs. Oklahoma State	1972

Highest Individual Total Offense Games (By Opponent)

516 (498 pass, 18 rush)	Scott Milanovich of Maryland	1993
445 (448 pass, -3 rush)	Glenn Foley of Boston College	1993
428 (394 pass, 34 rush)	Todd Ellis of South Carolina	1986
392 (406 pass, -14 rush)	Byron Leftwich of Marshall	2002
387 (403 pass, -16 rush)	Troy Nunes of Syracuse	2002

Highest Individual Passing Games (By Tech)

527 (34 of 53)	Don Strock vs. Houston	1972
504 (23 of 35)	Bryan Randall vs. Syracuse	2002
385 (25 of 47)	Don Strock vs. Wake Forest	1972
376 (19 of 31)	Don Strock vs. Ohio U.	1971
355 (20 of 40)	Don Strock vs. Oklahoma State	1972

Highest Individual Passing Games (By Opponent)

498 (29 of 52)	Scott Milanovich of Maryland	1993
448 (21 of 29)	Glenn Foley of Boston College	1993
407 (28 of 46)	David Priestley of Pittsburgh	1999
406 (31 of 49)	Byron Leftwich of Marshall	2002
403 (24 of 40)	Troy Nunes of Syracuse	2002

Most Passing Attempts (By Tech)

53 (34 for 527 yards)	Don Strock vs. Houston	1972
50 (27 for 268)	Will Furrer vs. Oklahoma	1991
48 (22 for 276)	Don Strock vs. Florida State	1972
47 (25 for 385)	Don Strock vs. Wake Forest	1972
45 (23 for 240)	Don Strock vs. Oklahoma State	1971
44 (29 for 349)	Don Strock vs. South Carolina	1972

Most Passing Attempts (By Opponent)

54 (28 for 269 yards)	Dean May of Louisville	1983
53 (28 for 312)	Gary Pajcic of Florida State	1966
53 (22 for 272)	Todd Ellis of South Carolina	1988
52 (29 for 498)	Scott Milanovich of Maryland	1993
52 (27 for 302)	Randy Joyce of Appalachian St.	1981
51 (25 for 234)	Ben Bennett of Duke	1983
51 (20 for 239)	Dan Darragh of William & Mary	1966
51 (20 for 209)	Chad Johnston of West Virginia	1996

Most Passing Completions (By Tech)

34 (of 53, 527 yards)	Don Strock vs. Houston	1972
29 (of 44, 349)	Don Strock vs. South Carolina	1972
27 (of 50, 268)	Will Furrer vs. Oklahoma	1991
25 (of 47, 385)	Don Strock vs. Wake Forest	1972
24 (of 43, 339)	Don Strock vs. William & Mary	1972
24 (of 34, 247)	Will Furrer vs. Southern Miss	1990
24 (of 37, 282)	Jim Druckenmiller vs. Rutgers	1996

Most Passing Completions (By Opponent)

31 (of 49, 406 yards)	Byron Leftwich of Marshall	2002
30 (of 47, 350)	Danny McCoin of Cincinnati	1986
30 (of 50, 332)	Marcus Crandell of East Carolina	1994
29 (of 52, 498)	Scott Milanovich of Maryland	1993
28 (of 53, 312)	Gary Pajcic of Florida State	1966
28 (of 54, 269)	Dean May of Louisville	1983
28 (of 46, 303)	Scott Zolak of Maryland	1990
28 (of 46, 407)	David Priestley of Pittsburgh	1999

Most Yards Rushing (By Tech)

223 (34 carries)	Kenny Lewis vs. VMI	1978
214 (28)	Roscoe Coles vs. Tulsa	1976
210 (16)	Michael Vick vs. Boston College	2000
204 (29)	Bob Schweickert vs. Richmond	1963
202 (38)	Cyrus Lawrence vs. Virginia	1981
197 (17)	Ken Edwards vs. Florida State	1968
197 (21)	Lee Suggs vs. Rutgers	2002

Most Yards Rushing (By Opponent)

239 (44 carries)	Paul Palmer of Temple	1986
233 (48)	Barry Redden of Richmond	1980
226 (21)	Wesley McFadden of Clemson	1987
223 (32)	Barry Redden of Richmond	1981
205 (39)	Willis McGahee of Miami	2002
201 (27)	Robert Newhouse of Houston	1971

Most Rushing Attempts (By Tech)

42 (179 yards)	Cyrus Lawrence vs. Memphis St.	1981
40 (194)	Cyrus Lawrence vs. Virginia	1980
38 (202)	Cyrus Lawrence vs. Virginia	1981
37 (181)	Kevin Jones vs. Virginia	2001
36 (169)	Cyrus Lawrence vs. Richmond	1981
36 (147)	Ken Oxendine vs. Miami, Fla.	1997

Most Rushing Attempts (By Opponent)

48 (233 yards)	Barry Redden of Richmond	1980
44 (239)	Paul Palmer of Temple	1986
39 (205)	Willis McGahee of Miami	2002
34 (149)	Larry Russell of Wake Forest	1971
34 (124)	Clinton Portis of Miami	2001
33 (137)	Mike Dingle of South Carolina	1990

Most Points Scored (By Tech)

36 (6 TDs)	Tommy Francisco vs. VMI	1966
30 (5 TDs)	Lee Suggs vs. UCF	2000
26 (4 TDs, 1 conversion)	George Constantinides vs. UR	1967
24 (4 TDs)	Terry Smoot vs. VMI	1969
24 (4 TDs)	Kenny Lewis vs. Tulsa	1978
24 (4 TDs)	Cyrus Lawrence vs. Wm. & Mary	1982
24 (4 TDs)	Tommy Edwards vs. Pittsburgh	1993
24 (4 TDs)	Lee Suggs vs. Rutgers	2000
24 (4 TDs)	Lee Suggs vs. Virginia	2000
24 (4 TDs)	Ernest Wilford vs. Syracuse	2002

Most Points Scored (By Opponent)

36 (6 TDs)	Willis McGahee of Miami	2002
26 (4 TDs, 2 PATs)	Jim Bakhtiar of Virginia	1957
24 (3 TDs, 6 PATs)	Dickie Lewis of Wm. & Mary	1950
24 (4 TDs)	Marvin Allen of Tulane	1987
24 (4 TDs)	Mike Dingle of South Carolina	1990
24 (4 TDs)	Chris Brantley of Rutgers	1992

Most Receptions (By Tech)

13 (133 yards)	Donald Snell vs. Cincinnati	1985
13 (170)	Nick Cullen vs. Southern Miss	1990
10 (106)	Sidney Snell vs. Virginia	1979
9 (213)	Ricky Scales vs. Wake Forest	1972
8 (84)	Gene Fisher vs. Richmond	1965
8 (90)	Gene Fisher vs. Geo. Washington	1965
8 (117)	Mike Burnop vs. Houston	1972
8 (138)	Sidney Snell vs. Wake Forest	1980
8 (81)	Bo Campbell vs. South Carolina	1991
8 (194)	Antonio Freeman vs. Temple	1993
8 (124)	Antonio Freeman vs. Syracuse	1994
8 (80)	André Davis vs. Pittsburgh	2001
8 (279)	Ernest Wilford vs. Syracuse	2002

Most Receptions (By Opponent)

14 (106 yards)	Frank Wycheck of Maryland	1990
13 (138)	Ron Sellers of Florida State	1966
13 (215)	Antonio Bryant of Pittsburgh	1999
12 (125)	Chuck Albertson of Wm. & Mary	1966
12 (188)	Latef Grim of Pittsburgh	1999
11 (182)	Fred Biletnikoff of Florida State	1964
11 (82)	Keith Edwards of Vanderbilt	1983
11 (70)	Keith Edwards of Vanderbilt	1984
11 (172)	Reggie Funderburk of Rutgers	1994
11 (164)	Curtis Jones of Marshall	2002

Most Receiving Yardage (By Tech)

279 (8 receptions)	Ernest Wilford vs. Syracuse	2002
213 (9)	Ricky Scales vs. Wake Forest	1972
194 (8)	Antonio Freeman vs. Temple	1993
171 (5)	Sidney Snell vs. VMI	1979
170 (13)	Nick Cullen vs. Southern Miss	1990
157 (6)	Antonio Freeman vs. Rutgers	1992

Most Receiving Yardage (By Opponent)

229 (8 receptions)	Ron Sellers of Florida State	1967
229 (9)	David Tyree of Syracuse	2002
215 (13)	Antonio Bryant of Pittsburgh	1999
193 (6)	Andre Johnson of Miami	2002
188 (12)	Latef Grim of Pittsburgh	1999
182 (11)	Fred Biletnikoff of Florida State	1964
180 (6)	Herman Moore of Virginia	1990

TEAM RECORDS

Total Offense (by Tech)

675	vs. Pittsburgh	9-11-93
641	vs. Maryland	9-25-93
638	vs. Akron	10-14-95
617	vs. William & Mary	10-29-83
606	vs. Connecticut	9-1-01
605	vs. Houston	10-7-72
591	vs. East Carolina	11-9-96
589	vs. Wake Forest	11-25-72

Total Offense (by Opponent)

833	Alabama	10-27-73
649	Maryland	9-25-93
646	Houston	11-13-71
617	Boston College	11-6-93
608	Florida State	11-14-70
606	Rutgers	10-31-92

Total Plays (by Tech)

98	vs. Cincinnati	8-31-85
96	vs. Wake Forest	11-22-75
95	vs. South Carolina	11-11-72
94	vs. Richmond	10-26-74
94	vs. Houston	10-7-72
94	vs. N.C. State	9-29-56

Total Plays (by Opponent)

100	Syracuse	11-9-02
100	Ohio Univ.	10-23-71
100	William & Mary	10-16-71
98	Cincinnati	10-19-91
93	South Carolina	10-6-73
92	Alabama	11-18-72

Rushing Attempts (by Tech)

87	vs. Wake Forest	11-22-75
87	vs. South Carolina	10-12-74
86	vs. Richmond	10-26-74
85	vs. N.C. State	9-29-56
81	vs. Virginia	10-27-56

Rushing Attempts (by Opponent)

78	Wake Forest	9-18-71
77	Kentucky	9-14-74
77	Alabama	11-18-72
74	Kentucky	9-13-75
73	SMU	9-21-74
73	Oklahoma State	10-14-72

Rushing Yards (by Tech)

500	vs. Pittsburgh	9-11-93
469	vs. Duke	11-15-69
467	vs. William & Mary	10-12-85
453	vs. Akron	10-14-95
451	vs. William & Mary	10-29-83

Rushing Yards (by Opponent)

748	Alabama	10-27-73
577	Maryland	12-2-50
500	SMU	9-29-73
461	Alabama	11-18-72
457	Houston	11-13-71

Rushing Touchdowns (by Tech)

8	vs. Akron	10-14-95
7	vs. VMI	11-24-66
	Pittsburgh	9-11-93
6	on 10 occasions	(most recent: vs. Marshall 9-12-02)
5	on 13 occasions	(most recent: vs. Virginia 11-25-00)

Rushing Touchdowns (by Opponent)

9	Alabama	10-27-73
8	Maryland	12-2-50
6	Miami	12-7-02
6	Alabama	11-18-72
6	Virginia	10-7-50

Passing Attempts (by Tech)

53	vs. Houston	10-7-72
51	vs. Cincinnati	8-31-85
50	vs. Oklahoma	9-28-91
49	vs. South Carolina	11-11-72
48	vs. Florida State	9-23-72

Passing Attempts (by Opponent)

58	East Carolina	9-12-92
57	Maryland	9-25-93
57	Appalachian State	10-23-82
56	Marshall	9-12-02
56	Appalachian State	10-24-81
56	Florida State	10-29-66

Passing Completions (by Tech)

34	vs. Houston	10-7-72
31	vs. South Carolina	11-11-72
28	vs. Southern Miss	10-27-90
27	vs. Oklahoma	9-28-91
26	vs. Cincinnati	8-31-85
26	vs. Wake Forest	11-25-72
24	vs. Florida State	9-29-90
24	vs. Duke	10-9-82
24	vs. William & Mary	10-28-72

Passing Completions (by Opponent)

36	Marshall	9-12-02
34	East Carolina	9-12-92
34	William & Mary	9-25-82
30	East Carolina	11-15-94
30	Cincinnati	9-6-86
30	Appalachian State	10-24-81

Passing Yards (by Tech)

527	vs. Houston	10-7-72
504	vs. Syracuse	11-9-02
413	vs. South Carolina	11-11-72
408	vs. Wake Forest	11-25-72
376	vs. Ohio Univ.	10-23-71
355	vs. Oklahoma State	10-14-72

Passing Yards (by Opponent)

498	Maryland	9-25-93
448	Boston College	11-6-93
442	Marshall	9-12-02
427	Pittsburgh	10-30-99
426	East Carolina	9-12-92
408	Florida State	10-14-89
403	Syracuse	11-9-02

Passing Touchdowns (by Tech)

5	vs. Syracuse	11-9-02
5	vs. Temple	10-16-93
4	vs. Rutgers	9-22-01
4	vs. Rutgers	10-9-99
4	vs. Maryland	9-25-93
4	vs. Ohio Univ.	10-21-72
4	vs. VMI	11-28-68

Passing Touchdowns (by Opponent)

6	Vanderbilt	11-13-82
5	Rutgers	10-31-92
5	Florida State	11-11-67
4	on nine occasions	(most recent: by Pittsburgh 10-28-00)

Total First Downs (by Tech)

34	vs. Akron	11-9-91
31	vs. Pittsburgh	9-11-93
30	vs. Virginia	11-21-92
30	vs. Houston	10-7-72
30	vs. Pittsburgh	10-28-00

Total First Downs (by Opponent)

34	William & Mary	10-16-71
32	Rutgers	10-31-92
31	Kentucky	9-13-75
31	Florida State	11-14-70
30	East Carolina	9-12-92
30	Alabama	10-27-73

Rushing First Downs (by Tech)

25	vs. South Carolina	10-12-74
24	vs. N.C. State	9-29-56
23	vs. Pittsburgh	9-11-93
23	vs. Wake Forest	11-19-77
23	vs. VMI	10-9-76

Rushing First Downs (by Opponent)

26	Alabama	10-27-73
23	Alabama	11-18-72
23	Wake Forest	9-18-71
22	Kentucky	9-13-75

Passing First Downs (by Tech)

22	vs. Houston	10-7-72
19	vs. Wake Forest	11-25-72
18	vs. South Carolina	11-11-72
17	vs. Duke	10-9-82
16	vs. Oklahoma State	10-14-72

Passing First Downs (by Opponent)

22	East Carolina	9-12-92
21	Marshall	9-12-02
21	Cincinnati	9-6-86
20	William & Mary	10-16-71

Kickoff Return Yardage (by Tech)

245	vs. South Carolina	10-6-73
240	vs. Alabama	10-27-73
214	vs. Clemson	9-16-89
213	vs. Alabama	11-18-72
206	vs. Maryland	12-2-50

Kickoff Return Yardage (by Opponent)

205	Florida State	11-16-74
205	Houston	10-12-73
203	VMI	11-28-68
203	Richmond	10-20-56
189	Rutgers	10-23-93

Punt Return Yardage (by Tech)

164	vs. Pittsburgh	10-22-94
154	vs. Richmond	10-21-67
152	vs. West Virginia	10-12-00
134	vs. Miami	11-4-67
134	vs. Virginia	10-22-60
129	vs. Clemson	9-12-98

Punt Return Yardage (by Opponent)

187	Maryland	12-2-50
171	Florida State	11-16-74
155	N.C. State	10-28-50
127	Kentucky	11-4-78
122	Southern Mississippi	9-17-88

Interceptions (by Tech)

6	vs. Rutgers	12-21-98
6	vs. Rutgers	10-31-92
6	vs. Florida State	11-2-68
5	on eight occasions	(most recent: vs. South Carolina 10-8-88)

Interceptions (by Opponent)

7	Florida State	10-10-59
5	on nine occasions	(most recent: by Virginia 11-19-94)

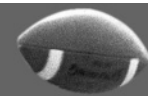
Interception Return Yardage (by Tech)

182	vs. Vanderbilt	11-12-83
169	vs. Rutgers	11-21-98
152	vs. Miami	12-7-02
151	vs. William & Mary	9-23-67
148	vs. Waynesburg	11-13-54

Interception Return Yardage (by Opponent)

132	Clemson	9-16-89
128	Quantico	9-30-50
108	Florida State	9-29-90
107	East Carolina	11-16-91
107	Virginia	11-10-79

SEASON RECORDS



TOTAL OFFENSE

Individual		Team	
3170	qb Don Strock, 1972	5203	in 2002
2641	qb Bryan Randall, 2002	4970	in 1999
2425	qb Michael Vick, 1999	4885	in 1993
2404	qb Don Strock, 1971	4690	in 2000
2276	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1996	4587	in 1996
2177	qb Maurice DeShazo, 1993	4534	in 1983
2160	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1995	4527	in 1972
2081	qb Maurice DeShazo, 1994	4233	in 1995
2046	qb Will Furrer, 1990	4182	in 1992
1851	qb Michael Vick, 2000	4163	in 1991
1849	qb Will Furrer, 1991	4157	in 1985

TOTAL PLAYS

Individual		Team	
480	qb Don Strock, 1972	931	in 2002
419	qb Bryan Randall, 2002	857	in 1972
413	qb Don Strock, 1971	853	in 1988
379	qb Maurice DeShazo, 1994	838	in 1974
355	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1995	834	in 1993
337	qb Will Furrer, 1988	833	in 1982
329	qb Will Furrer, 1990	828	in 1985
325	tb Cyrus Lawrence, 1981	812	in 1975
324	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1996	808	in 1983
323	qb Erik Chapman, 1987	803	in 1989

RUSHING ATTEMPTS

Individual		Team	
325	tb Cyrus Lawrence, 1981	728	in 1975
271	tb Cyrus Lawrence, 1980	710	in 1976
257	tb Lee Suggs, 2002	704	in 1974
246	tb Terry Smoot, 1969	659	in 2002
237	tb Ken Oxendine, 1997	649	in 1977
226	tb Shyrone Stith, 1999	621	in 1956
222	tb Lee Suggs, 2000	615	in 1983
214	rb Dwayne Thomas, 1993	599	in 1978
209	rb Roscoe Coles, 1976	597	in 1969
203	tb Tommy Francisco, 1966	587	in 1979
200	rb/qb Phil Rogers, 1975	586	in 1980

RUSHING YARDS

Individual		Team	
1403	tb Cyrus Lawrence, 1981	3076	in 1975
1325	tb Lee Suggs, 2002	3069	in 1983
1221	tb Cyrus Lawrence, 1980	2992	in 1993
1207	tb Lee Suggs, 2000	2975	in 2000
1130	rb Dwayne Thomas, 1993	2974	in 2002
1119	rb Roscoe Coles, 1976	2932	in 1974
1119	tb Shyrone Stith, 1999	2835	in 1956
1045	rb Roscoe Coles, 1975	2793	in 1999
1036	rb Phil Rogers, 1973	2757	in 1976
1029	tb Maurice Williams, 1986	2600	in 1978
1020	tb Kenny Lewis, 1978	2504	in 1996
957	tb Kevin Jones, 2001	2492	in 1979

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

Individual		Team	
27	tb Lee Suggs, 2000	46	in 2000
22	tb Lee Suggs, 2002	35	in 1999
13	tb Tommy Francisco, 1966	35	in 2002
13	rb James Barber, 1972	33	in 1974
13	tb Ken Oxendine, 1996	32	in 1956
13	tb Shyrone Stith, 1999	28	in 1993
11	tb Terry Smoot, 1969	27	in 1983
11	tb Dwayne Thomas, 1993	27	in 1996
10	fb Sonny Utz, 1964	24	in 1974
10	rb Roscoe Coles, 1975	24	in 1985
10	tb Kenny Lewis, 1978		
10	tb Tony Kennedy, 1991		

Quarterback Bryan Randall had Tech's second-best season of total offense in the Hokies' 2002 campaign.

PASSING ATTEMPTS

Individual		Team	
427	qb Don Strock, 1972	440	in 1972
356	qb Don Strock, 1971	368	in 1971
296	qb Will Furrer, 1990	329	in 1990
296	qb Maurice DeShazo, 1994	324	in 1988
294	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1995	317	in 1994
279	qb Will Furrer, 1988	313	in 1991
257	qb Will Furrer, 1991	313	in 1995
254	qb Grant Noel, 2001	291	in 2001
250	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1996	287	in 1989
248	qb Bryan Randall, 2002	281	in 1973
231	qb Erik Chapman, 1987	281	in 1985

PASSING COMPLETIONS

Individual		Team	
228	qb Don Strock, 1972	233	in 1972
195	qb Don Strock, 1971	202	in 1971
173	qb Will Furrer, 1990	192	in 1990
164	qb Maurice DeShazo, 1994	180	in 1991
158	qb Bryan Randall, 2002	174	in 1994
151	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1995	168	in 2002
148	qb Will Furrer, 1991	163	in 1995
146	qb Grant Noel, 2001	159	in 2001
142	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1996	150	in 1988
129	qb Maurice DeShazo, 1993	145	in 1973

PASSING YARDS

Individual		Team	
3243	qb Don Strock, 1972	3348	in 1972
2577	qb Don Strock, 1971	2695	in 1971
2134	qb Bryan Randall, 2002	2373	in 1990
2122	qb Will Furrer, 1990	2229	in 2002
2110	qb Maurice DeShazo, 1994	2214	in 1993
2103	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1995	2206	in 1995
2080	qb Maurice DeShazo, 1993	2185	in 1994
2071	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1996	2177	in 1999
1840	qb Michael Vick, 1999	2139	in 1991
1826	qb Grant Noel, 2001	2083	in 1996

PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

Individual		Team	
22	qb Maurice DeShazo, 1993	24	in 1993
19	qb Will Furrer, 1990	20	in 1990
17	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1996	18	in 1972
16	qb Don Strock, 1972	17	in 1996
16	qb Grant Noel, 2001	16	in 1959
15	qb Will Furrer, 1991	16	in 1991
14	qb Jim Druckenmiller, 1995	16	in 2001
13	qb Steve Casey, 1980	15	in 1992
13	qb Maurice DeShazo, 1994	14	in 1980
12	qb Don Strock, 1971	14	in 1994
12	qb Maurice DeShazo, 1992	14	in 1995
12	qb Michael Vick, 1999	14	in 1999
12	qb Bryan Randall, 2002	14	in 2002
10	qb Frank Eastman, 1959	13	in 1973
10	qb Steve Casey, 1979	12	in 1971
10	qb Erik Chapman, 1986	12	in 1987
10	qb Erik Chapman, 1987	12	in 1997
10	qb Al Clark, 1997	12	in 1998



Sidney Snell

PASS RECEPTIONS

Individual	
51	se Ernest Wilford, 2002
46	te Mike Burnop, 1971
43	wr Ricky Scales, 1972
43	wb Sidney Snell, 1979
43	wb Sidney Snell, 1980
39	te Joe Jones, 1984
39	fl André Davis, 2001
38	te Steve Johnson, 1987
38	fl Marcus Mickel, 1990
38	se Antonio Freeman, 1994
37	wr Donnie Reel, 1971
37	se Mike Giacalone, 1982
37	se Nick Cullen, 1990
37	se Ricky Hall, 1998

RECEIVING YARDS

Individual	
962	fl André Davis, 1999
925	se Ernest Wilford, 2002
826	wr Ricky Scales, 1972
772	wr Ricky Scales, 1973
706	wb Sidney Snell, 1979
705	wr Donnie Reel, 1971
703	se Antonio Freeman, 1992
674	wr Ricky Scales, 1974
661	se Donald Snell, 1986
650	se Ricky Hall, 1998
644	se Antonio Freeman, 1993
628	fl Bryan Still, 1995

RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

Individual	
9	se Antonio Freeman, 1993
9	fl André Davis, 1999
8	wb Sidney Snell, 1980
8	se Ricky Hall, 1998
7	wr Ricky Scales, 1972
7	wr Ricky Scales, 1973
7	wb Sidney Snell, 1979
7	se Mike Giacalone, 1981
7	se Bo Campbell, 1991
7	fl André Davis, 2001
7	se Ernest Wilford, 2002
6	se Carroll Dale, 1958
6	se Carroll Dale, 1959
6	hb Terry Strock, 1960
6	se Donald Snell, 1986
6	se Antonio Freeman, 1992
6	se Jermaine Holmes, 1995

TOTAL TOUCHDOWNS

Individual		Team	
28	tb Lee Suggs, 2000	61	in 2000
22	tb Lee Suggs, 2002	57	in 1999
14	tb Tommy Francisco, 1966	56	in 2002
13	rb James Barber, 1972	55	in 1993
13	tb Ken Oxendine, 1996	46	in 1996
13	tb Shyrone Stith, 1999	46	in 2001
12	tb Terry Smoot, 1969	41	in 1995
12	tb Dwayne Thomas, 1993	40	in 1956
12	fl André Davis, 1999	40	in 1983
11	hb Alger Pugh, 1959	39	in 1974
11	fb Sonny Utz, 1964	39	in 1998
11	qb Bruce Arians, 1974		
11	tb Tony Kennedy, 1991		

TOTAL POINTS

Individual		Team	
168	tb Lee Suggs, 2000	455	in 1999
144	tb Lee Suggs, 2002	443	in 2000
107	pk Shayne Graham, 1999	429	in 2002
103	pk Shayne Graham, 1998	400	in 1993
93	pk Chris Kinzer, 1986	359	in 2001
92	pk Shayne Graham, 1997	349	in 1996
84	tb Tommy Francisco, 1966	343	in 1998
78	rb James Barber, 1972	321	in 1997
78	pk Ryan Williams, 1994	321	in 1995
78	tb Ken Oxendine, 1996	307	in 1972
78	tb Shyrone Stith, 1999	305	in 1905
77	pk Mickey Thomas, 1989	304	in 1994
77	pk Carter Warley, 2000	301	in 1983
77	pk Carter Warley, 2001	278	in 1974
73	pk Dave Strock, 1972	275	in 1991
72	tb Terry Smoot, 1969	274	in 1985
72	tb Dwayne Thomas, 1993	270	in 1992
72	fl André Davis, 1999		

PUNTS

Individual		Team	
88	Gene Fisher, 1967	88	in 1967
82	Jack Simcsak, 1968	82	in 1968
79	Bill Renner, 1982	80	in 1982
77	Chris Baucia, 1989	79	in 1970
68	Gene Fisher, 1966	79	in 1989
68	George Roberts, 1976	74	in 1988
66	Jack Williams, 1952	71	in 1950
66	Jack Simcsak, 1969	69	in 1962
66	Chris Baucia, 1990	69	in 1966
64	Vinnie Burns, 2002	68	in 1976

PUNTING AVERAGE

Individual		Team	
45.1	Jimmy Kibble, 1997	42.3	in 1979
42.3	Dave Smigelsky, 1979	42.1	in 1994
42.1	George Roberts, 1977	42.0	in 1997
42.1	Robbie Colley, 1994	41.9	in 1984
41.9	David Cox, 1984	41.5	in 1976
41.5	George Roberts, 1976	41.4	in 1977
41.5	Jimmy Kibble, 1998	41.2	in 1969
41.4	Andy Hromyak, 1972	40.8	in 1998
41.2	Jack Simcsak, 1969	40.7	in 1952
41.0	Dave Smigelsky, 1978	40.4	in 1978
41.0	David Cox, 1983	40.3	in 1983
40.9	Jack Williams, 1953	39.8	in 1980
40.7	Jack Williams, 1952		

PUNT RETURNS

Individual		Team	
51	John Ludlow, 1982	53	in 1982
40	Ricky Hall, 1999	47	in 1998
39	Antonio Freeman, 1994	45	in 1969
38	Angelo Harrison, 1998	45	in 1983
37	John Ludlow, 1980	44	in 1980
37	Derek Carter, 1983	44	in 1994
35	John Ludlow, 1981	44	in 1996
35	André Davis, 2001	43	in 1970
34	Tim Bosiack, 1970	42	in 1984
34	Billy Myers, 1984	42	in 1999
30	Frank Loria, 1967	42	in 2001
30	Billy Hardee, 1974	41	in 1952
		41	in 2002

PUNT RETURN YARDAGE

Individual		Team	
510	Ricky Hall, 1999	711	in 2000
467	Antonio Freeman, 1994	589	in 1994
420	Frank Loria, 1967	572	in 1998
437	André Davis, 2001	572	in 2002
396	André Davis, 2000	560	in 2001
376	Angelo Harrison, 1998	558	in 1952
375	Billy Anderson, 1952	554	in 1967
352	DeAngelo Hall, 2002	537	in 1957
335	Billy Myers, 1984	518	in 1999
292	Marcus Mickel, 1990	451	in 1956
289	Derek Carter, 1983	446	in 1958
284	John Ludlow, 1982	437	in 1991
273	Bo Campbell, 1991	406	in 1996

KICKOFF RETURNS

Individual		Team	
33	Billy Hardee, 1973	67	in 1950
25	Rich Matijevich, 1970	64	in 1973
25	Marcus Mickel, 1989	50	in 1988
24	Kenny Lewis, 1977	48	in 1971
23	Larry Fallen, 1978	46	in 1974
23	Richard Johnson, 2002	45	in 1977
22	Bob Thomas, 1982	44	in 1952
22	Jon Jeffries, 1987	44	in 1987
22	André Kendrick, 2000	42	in 1970
20	Sterling Wingo, 1950	40	in 1972
19	Eddie Hunter, 1986		
19	Bryan Still, 1994		

KICKOFF RETURN YARDAGE

Individual		Team	
758	Billy Hardee, 1973	1431	in 1973
561	Jon Jeffries, 1987	1075	in 1950
546	Marcus Mickel, 1989	962	in 1971
540	Kenny Lewis, 1977	909	in 1987
526	Larry Fallen, 1978	872	in 1988
501	Rich Matijevich, 1970	866	in 1977
493	Bryan Still, 1994	832	in 1952
487	Bob Thomas, 1982	823	in 1965
485	Richard Johnson, 2002	804	in 1972
462	Sterling Wingo, 1950	795	in 1970
462	Eddie Hunter, 1986		

INTERCEPTIONS

Individual		Team	
9	hb Ron Davidson, 1967	27	in 1967
7	lb Mike Widger, 1968	25	in 1968
7	cb Billy Hardee, 1975	24	in 2002
7	cb Gene Bunn, 1976	23	in 1954
7	fs Ashley Lee, 1984	23	in 1998
7	cb Tyrone Drakeford, 1992	23	in 2000
6	s Lenny Smith, 1968	22	in 1984
6	cb Gene Bunn, 1977	21	in 1983
6	fs Willie Pile, 2000	20	in 1963
5	15 players tied with 5 each	19	in 1981
		19	in 1988
		19	in 2001

INTERCEPTION YARDAGE

Individual		Team	
210	hb Johnny Watkins, 1960	594	in 1954
203	lb Mike Widger, 1968	475	in 1998
182	fs Ashley Lee, 1983	423	in 1968
171	fs Willie Pile, 2002	409	in 2002
155	fs Ashley Lee, 1984	397	in 1967
149	hb Ron Davidson, 1967	355	in 1983
121	cb Tyrone Drakeford, 1992	350	in 1984
119	hb Dickie Beard, 1954	325	in 1960
116	s Kirk Alexander, 1991	323	in 1970
109	lb Don Divers, 1954	275	in 2001
106	hb Howie Wright, 1954	259	in 1989
103	hb Alger Pugh, 1959		

MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS

Overall record: *598-405-46 (109 seasons)
Overall winning seasons: 73
Overall losing seasons: 27
Overall .500 seasons: 9
Most wins in a season: 11 in 1999 & 2000
Most losses in a season: 10 in 1950
Most consecutive wins: 13 (Sept. 23, 1995 vs. Miami through Sept. 21, 1996 vs Rutgers ... Ended by Syracuse, Sept. 28, 1996)
Most consecutive losses: 10 (Sept. 30, 1950 vs. Quantico through Dec. 2, 1950 vs. Maryland ... Ended against Marshall, Sept. 15, 1951)
Most wins at home in a season: 7 in 1996
Most losses at home in a season: 4 in 1992
Most consecutive wins at home: 23 (Nov. 7, 1914 vs. Marshall through Oct. 9, 1920 vs. Emory & Henry ... Ended by Maryland, Oct. 23, 1920)
Most consecutive losses at home: 9 (Sept. 25, 1948 vs. George Washington through Oct. 27, 1951 vs. N.C. State ... Ended against Richmond, Nov. 17, 1951)
Most wins on the road in a season: 7 in 1963 & 1995 (includes neutral sites)
Most consecutive wins on the road: 9 (Sept. 30, 1995 vs. Pittsburgh through Sept. 14, 1996 vs. Boston College ... Ended by Syracuse, Sept. 28, 1996)
Most losses on the road in a season: 7 in 1950 (includes neutral sites)
Most consecutive losses on the road: 9 (Sept. 19, 1987 vs. Virginia through Sept. 24, 1988 vs. Syracuse ... Ended against Cincinnati, Oct. 15, 1988)
Undefeated seasons: 2; 1918 (7-0) & 1954 (8-0-1)
Winless seasons: 3; 1893 (0-2), 1948 (0-8-1) & 1950 (0-10)
Undefeated seasons at home: 54
Winless seasons at home: 6
Undefeated seasons on the road: 4; 1901, 1918, 1954 & 1995 (includes neutral sites)
Winless seasons on the road: 6 (includes neutral sites)
Most consecutive winning seasons: 14 (1901 through 1914)
Most consecutive losing seasons: 8 (1945 through 1952)
Overall record in season openers: 77-31-1
Overall record in season openers at home: 58-13-0
Most consecutive opening game wins: 40 (1903 through 1942)
Most consecutive opening game losses: 8 (1968 through 1975)
Most consecutive games scoring: 96 (Sept. 23, 1996 vs. Miami ... **still on-going at start of the 2003 season**)
Most shutouts in a season: 7 in 1905 & 1906
Most consecutive shutouts: 7 (Nov. 7, 1903 vs. UNC through Oct. 22, 1904 vs. William & Mary ... Ended by UNC, Oct. 29, 1904)
Most shutouts by opponents in a season: 5 in five different seasons
Most consecutive shutouts by opponents: 5 (Sept. 25, 1948 vs. George Washington through Oct. 23, 1948 vs. Duke ... Ended against Army, Oct. 30, 1948)
Most ties in a season: 3; 1924, 1933 & 1946
Most consecutive ties: 2; five different times

* Temple forfeited a win to Tech during the 1986 season because of an ineligible player. (This win is not recognized by the NCAA.)

LONGEST YARDS SINCE 1954

RUNNING PLAYS

Yds.	Player	Opponent	Date
96	qb Bob Schweickert	Wake Forest	11/10/62
89	rb Roscoe Coles	Auburn	10/4/75
88	fb Ken Edwards	Florida State	11/2/68
87	tb Kevin Jones	Temple	11/10/01
82	hb Phil Rogers	VMI	11/15/75
82	qb Michael Vick	Boston College	9/30/00
81	qb Al Clark	Rutgers	8/30/97
77	qb Warren Price	William and Mary	9/16/61
77n	tb Tommy Francisco	Wake Forest	9/18/65
77	qb David Lamie	William and Mary	10/8/77
76	fb George Constantinides	Richmond	10/21/67
76	fb Jarrett Ferguson	Syracuse	11/14/98
75	qb Michael Vick	Temple	11/20/99
74	qb Bob Schweickert	Tulane	11/3/62

PASS PLAYS

Yds.	Players (Opponent)	Date
91	qb Steve Casey to wb Sidney Snell (VMI)	11/17/79
88	qb Erik Chapman to se Donald Wayne Snell (UR)	11/8/86
87	qb Bryan Randall to se Ernest Wilford (Syracuse)	11/9/02
87n	qb Bryan Randall to te Keith Willis (Syracuse)	11/9/02
85n	qb Jim Druckenmiller to fl Bryan Still (Pittsburgh)	9/30/95
83	qb Treg Koel to se Antonio Freeman (West Va.)	9/26/92
80	hb Phil Rogers to wr Ricky Scales (Virginia)	10/20/73
80	qb Jim Druckenmiller to fl Bryan Still (Boston College)	9/7/95
80	qb Al Clark to fl Marcus Gildersleeve (Rutgers)	8/30/97
78	qb Don Strock to se Jimmy Quinn (Ohio Univ.)	10/23/71
78	qb Will Furrer to tb Vaughn Hebron (West Va.)	10/6/90
75	qb Bryan Randall to se Ernest Wilford (Syracuse)	11/9/02
74	qb Rick Popp to wr Billy Hardee (S. Carolina)	10/6/73
74	qb David Lamie to wb Dennis Scott (VMI)	11/18/78
74	qb Michael Vick to fl André Davis (Rutgers)	10/9/99

Keion Carpenter returns a punt 100 yards for a touchdown to clinch Tech's 21-7 victory at Miami in 1996.



OPPONENTS LONGEST PLAYS

Longest run from scrimmage: 97 yards, rb Larry Key of Florida State, Nov. 20, 1976, at Tallahassee.
Longest pass completion: 97 yards, qb Tim Hasselbeck to wr Dedrick Dewalt of Boston College, Nov. 26, 1999, at Blacksburg.
Longest kickoff return: 100 yards, Leon Bright of Florida State, Nov. 16, 1974, at Tallahassee and Jim Stewart of Tulsa, Nov. 6, 1976, at Blacksburg.
Longest punt return: 89 yards, Tommy Warner of Tulane, Sept. 20, 1957, at New Orleans.
Longest interception return: 99 yards, Marcus Mauney of West Virginia, Nov. 23, 1974, at Blacksburg.
Longest field goal: 56 yards, Ken Stadlin of Virginia, Sept. 29, 1984, at Blacksburg.
Longest punt: 78 yards, Mark Fazzolari of West Virginia, Nov. 6, 1999, at Morgantown.

PUNT RETURNS

Yds.	Player	Opponent	Date
95	Frank Loria	Miami (Fla.)	11/4/67
87	André Davis	East Carolina	9/7/00
82	Bob Schweickert	VMI	11/28/63
80	Frank Loria	Geo. Washington	9/24/66
80	Frank Loria	Florida State	10/29/66
80	Antonio Freeman	Pittsburgh	10/22/94
77n	Billy Hardee	Virginia	10/19/74
76	André Davis	West Virginia	10/12/00

KICKOFF RETURNS

Yds.	Player	Opponent	Date
100	Larry Fallen	Clemson	10/7/78
99	Tommy Walker	VMI	11/28/63
99	Eddie Hunter	South Carolina	10/11/86
96	Terry Strock	Virginia	10/21/61
96	Billy Hardee	South Carolina	10/6/73
95	Dickie Longbeam	Richmond	9/25/65
93	Tommy Francisco	VMI	11/25/65

INTERCEPTION RETURNS

Yds.	Player	Opponent	Date
100	s Keion Carpenter	Miami	11/16/96
98	lb Jamel Smith	Rutgers	11/21/98
96	fs Willie Pile	Miami	12/7/02
95	s Kirk Alexander	Cincinnati	10/19/91
94	s Ashley Lee	Vanderbilt	11/12/83
90	lb Randy Cockrell	Navy	10/3/87
88n	hb Johnny Watkins	William & Mary	10/15/60
88	fs Ashley Lee	Vanderbilt	11/12/83
87	lb Clarence Culpepper	William & Mary	9/23/67
85	lb Mike Johnson	Appalachian St.	10/23/82
85	rov Pierson Prioleau	Boston College	10/8/98

FIELD GOALS

Yds.	Player	Opponent	Date
61	c Wayne Latimer	Florida State	10/11/75
59	c Dave Strock	So. Mississippi	11/4/72
56	s Paul Engle	Virginia	10/15/77
55	c Jack Simcsak	Kentucky	10/11/69
55	c Dave Strock	So. Mississippi	11/4/72
53	s Shayne Graham	Clemson	9/12/98
55	c Wayne Latimer	Virginia	10/20/73
53	c Dave Strock	Oklahoma State	10/14/72
52	s Shayne Graham	Pittsburgh	10/30/99
51	c Wayne Latimer	Houston	10/12/73

PUNTS

Yds.	Player	Opponent	Date
78	Gene Fisher	at West Virginia	10/28/67
75	Jimmy Kibble	at Pittsburgh	11/22/97
71	Bill Renner	Appalachian State	10/24/81
70	Jack Simcsak	at Richmond	10/4/69

n: non-scoring plays c: conventional-style s: soccer style

THE LAST TIME ...

A punt was returned for a touchdown:

- VT Oct. 19, 2002 DeAngelo Hall vs. Rutgers, at Blacksburg, 51 yards.
- Opp. Oct. 10, 2002 Jamal Burke of Boston College, at Chestnut Hill, 83 yards.

A kickoff was returned for a touchdown:

- VT Oct. 10, 1992 Tony Kennedy vs. Louisville, at Louisville, 91 yards.
- Opp. Nov. 13, 1993 Jeyson Wilson of Syracuse, at Blacksburg, 86 yards.

A pass interception was returned for a touchdown:

- VT Dec. 7, 2002 Willie Pile vs. Miami, at Miami, 96 yards.
- Opp. Nov. 3, 2001 Shawntae Spencer of Pittsburgh, at Pittsburgh, 68 yards.

A punt was blocked:

- VT Nov. 30, 2002 Justin Hamilton vs. Virginia, at Blacksburg.
- Opp. Dec. 7, 2002 Quadtrine Hill of Miami, at Miami.

A punt was blocked for a touchdown:

- VT Nov. 30, 2002 Justin Hamilton blocked a Virginia punt and Darryl Tapp returned for a TD, at Blacksburg.
- Opp. Jan. 4, 2000 Tommy Polley of Florida State blocked punt and Jeff Chaney returned for a TD, at New Orleans.

A safety was recorded:

- VT Nov. 20, 2002 West Virginia punter ran out of end zone, at Blacksburg.
- Opp. Oct. 27, 2001 Tech quarterback tackled in end zone by Syracuse, at Blacksburg.

A fumble was recovered for a touchdown:

- VT Oct. 16, 1999 Tee Butler vs. Syracuse, at Blacksburg.
- Opp. Sept. 23, 1978 Tim Wood of Auburn, at Blacksburg.

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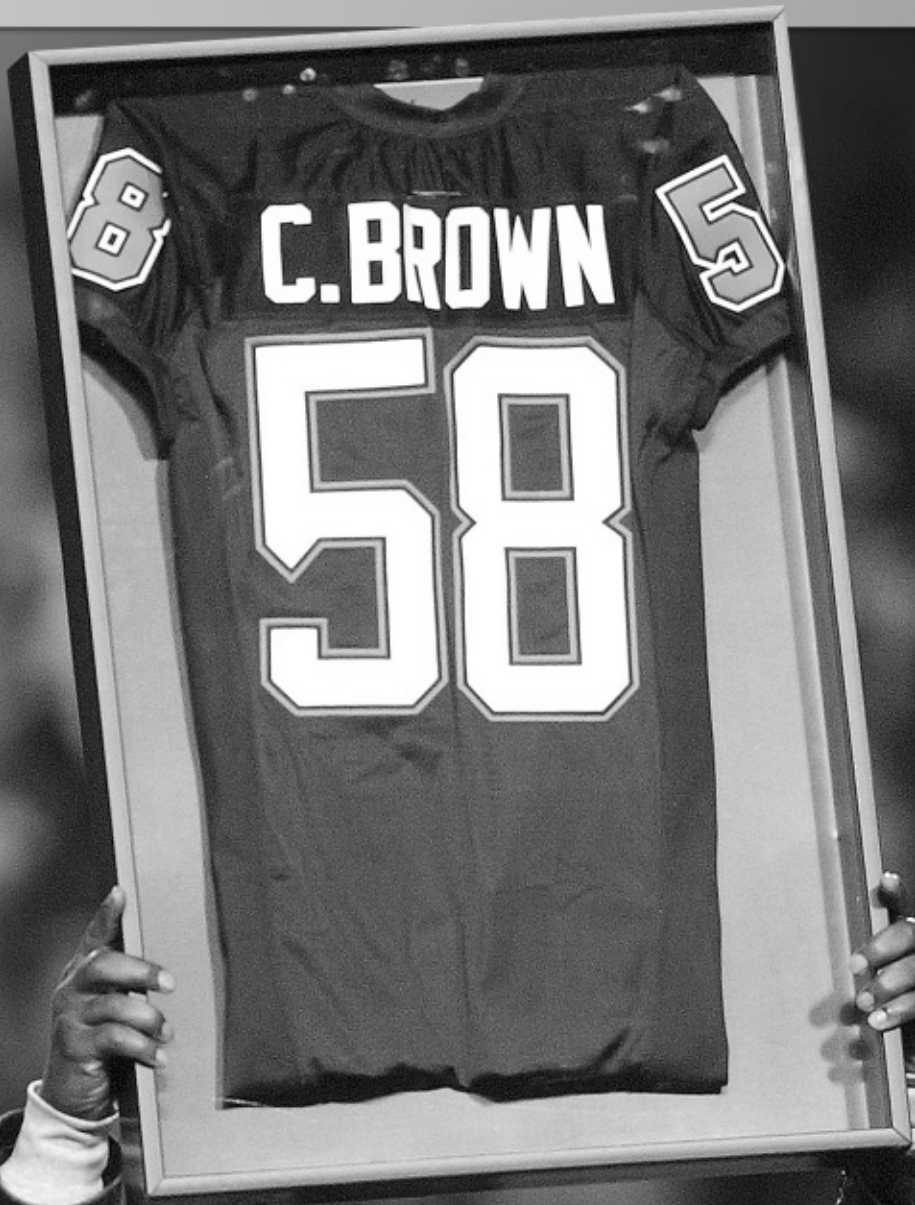
- VT Sept. 28, 2002 Alex Markogiannakis vs. Western Michigan, at Kalamazoo, returned fumble 25 yards.
- Opp. Oct. 12, 2000 Ben Meighan of West Virginia, at Blacksburg, returned fumble 36 yards.

Teammates rushed for 100 yards in same game:

- VT Oct. 19, 2002 Lee Suggs (132) and Kevin Jones (132) vs. Rutgers, at Blacksburg.
- Opp. Oct. 1, 1994 Malcolm Thomas (185) and Kirby Dar Dar (108) of Syracuse, at Syracuse.

A QB surpassed the century mark in rushing and passing in one game:

- VT Dec. 7, 2002 Bryan Randall (132 yards rushing, 165 yards passing) vs. Miami, at Miami.
- Opp. Sept. 28, 1996 Donovan McNabb (127 yds. rushing; 123 yds. passing) of Syracuse, at Syracuse.



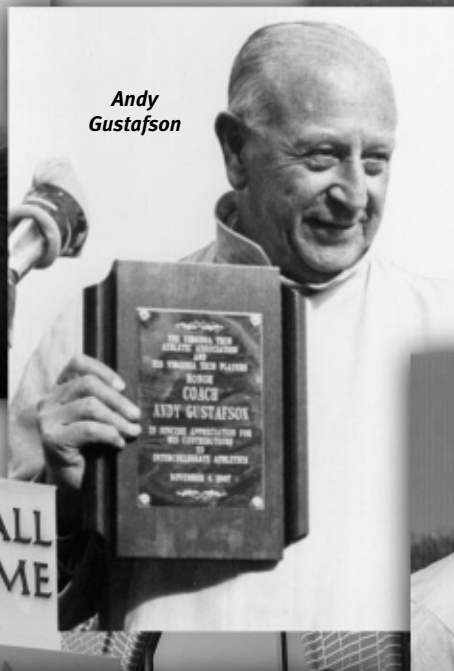
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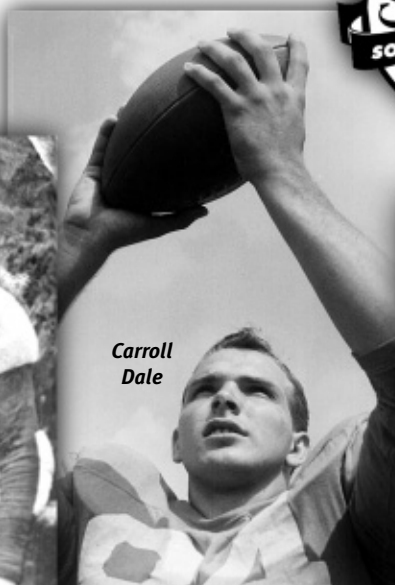
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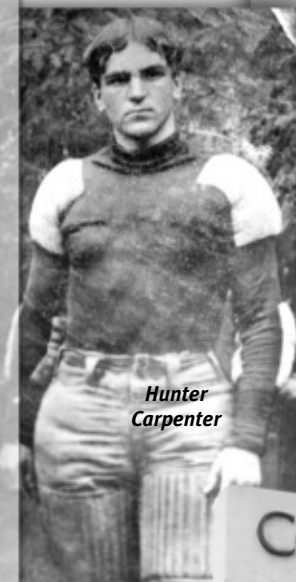
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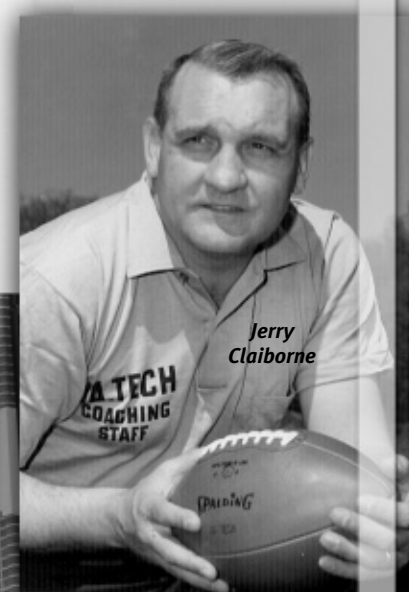
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HUNTER CARPENTER

back, 1900-03, '05
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CARROLL DALE

split end, 1956-59
inducted in 1987

FRANK LORIA

safety, 1965-67
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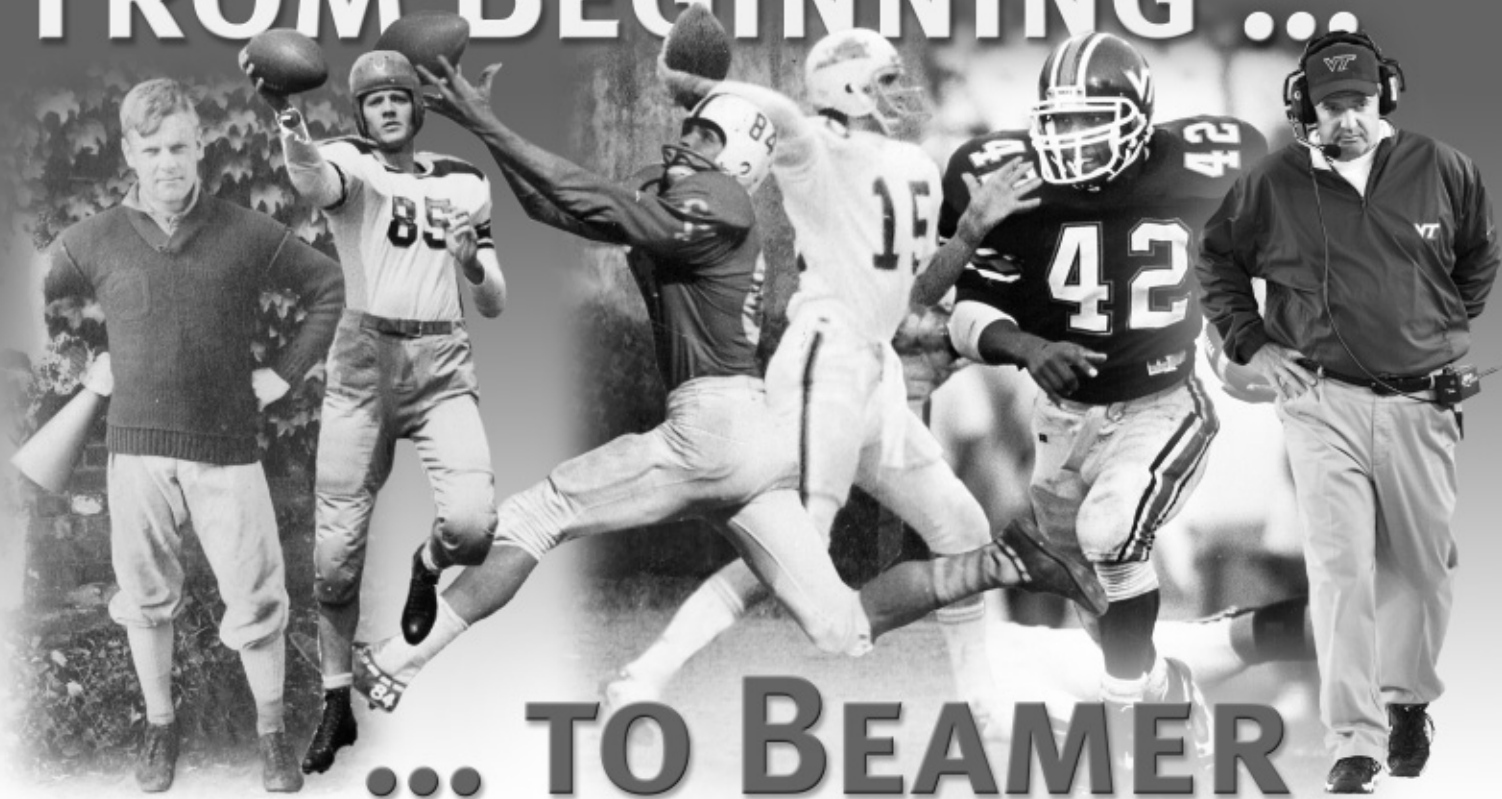
ANDY GUSTAFSON

coach, 1926-29
inducted in 1985

JERRY CLAIBORNE

coach, 1961-70
inducted in 1999

FROM BEGINNING ...



... TO BEAMER

The first 109 years of football at Virginia Tech

“It was not football and yet we had some fun ... suits were ordered, footballs of various descriptions bought and general enthusiasm prevailed.”

— *The Bugle, Virginia Tech’s Yearbook, describing the school’s first football practices in 1892*

Football at Virginia Tech officially kicked off on Oct. 21, 1892 when the school was known as Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College. Its start, however, was slow.

With VAMC President John McBryde’s approval and support, an athletic association was organized in September 1891. The major efforts of this organization during its early years were concentrated on football.

At the urging of a few interested students and faculty during the fall of 1891, a number of students assembled on campus to play pick-up games of the new sport. A year later, largely

through the efforts of Professor W.E. Anderson, Professor E.A. Smyth and cadets H.B. Pratt and J.W. Stull, Tech’s first football team was organized. Anderson played right tackle and served as the captain. Smyth was the “trainer” (or coach) and business manager.

It was necessary for the organizers to go into the barracks every day and beg men to come out to play because those who were not placed on the first team one day would refuse to return the next.

The first game was scheduled with St. Albans of Radford and played on the

Blacksburg campus on Oct. 21. The game resulted in a 14-10 victory for VAMC with Anderson scoring the first touchdown in Tech history. After studying a book of rules, Professor Smyth took the leading role as the team’s mentor. As a result, he came to be known as the father of modern football at Virginia Tech.

OLD HOKIE

In 1896, the words Polytechnic Institute were added to the college’s name and it became known as Virginia Polytechnic Institute, which in turn became Virginia Tech. With the change in names came other changes.

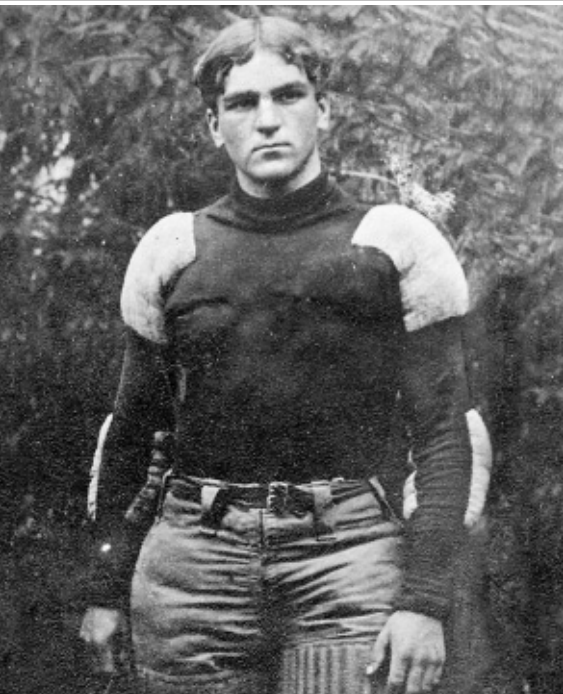
The school colors changed from black and gray to Chicago maroon and burnt orange. The colors were chosen by the Corps of Cadets and adopted as the official college colors in the fall of 1896. They were first

worn in a football game against Roanoke College on Oct. 26, 1896.

A student contest was held to produce a new school yell and O.M. Stull won a prize for his new yell, the now famous Old Hokie. Stull’s yell, in its original form, was:

Hoki! Hoki! Hoki Hy!
Tech! Tech! V.P.I. !
Sola-Rex Sola-Rah
Polytech-Vir-gin-i-a!
Rae, Ri, V.P.I.

At some point an ‘e’ was added to Hoki and the name stuck as a nickname for Tech teams and the school’s spirit. When asked about his yell, Stull admitted that the words he used had no hidden or symbolic meaning whatsoever, but had been thought up in an effort to grab attention. His effort was successful, as thousands of fans attending Tech athletic contests over the past century can testify.



Hunter Carpenter led his teams to some big wins in the early 1900s.

THE GREAT CARPENTER

A true Virginia Tech legend, Hunter Carpenter played in Blacksburg from 1900 to 1903 and again in 1905. His Tech career had intrigue, controversy and greatness.

Carpenter arrived at college at age 15 weighing 128 pounds. He waited two years before becoming Tech's starting right halfback. When he did get a chance to play, he used the alias Walter Brown because his father had forbidden him to play football. Not until his father saw him star in a 1900 game against VMI in Norfolk did he give approval to young Hunter's sport.

In 1903, Carpenter helped Tech defeat a powerful Navy club, 11-0. In that game, he kicked a 46-yard field goal and, according to published reports, played much of the game without jersey or stockings, which were torn from his body.

In 1905, he scored 82 points and helped boost Virginia Polytechnic Institute to a 9-1 record that included wins over Army, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. Carpenter scored five touchdowns in the South

Carolina game and helped the Hokies outscore their opponents 305 to 24.

Carpenter was never named to the All-America team because Walter Camp, who named the team at the time, said he would never name a player who he had not seen play. Others, including his former coach Sally Miles, placed him on a level with Red Grange and Jim Thorpe. He was named to the College Football Hall of Fame in 1957.

THE MILITARY CLASSIC OF THE SOUTH

For years, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and Virginia Military Institute clashed in the "Military Classic of the South." Both schools had corps of cadets and a

budding rivalry by the time the series was moved to Roanoke in 1913. Beginning in 1921, the VPI-VMI game was played on Thanksgiving Day and it became the centerpiece of a gala affair.

The Tech Corps of Cadets would march from the train station to the Hotel Patrick Henry and the VMI Corps would march to the Hotel Roanoke. On game day, both corps would march to Victory Stadium. The teams were playing for pride and a 22-inch high Chamber of Commerce trophy.

The VPI-VMI series continued as a Thanksgiving Day treat through 1969. The teams made their last appearance in Victory Stadium on a Saturday in 1971.

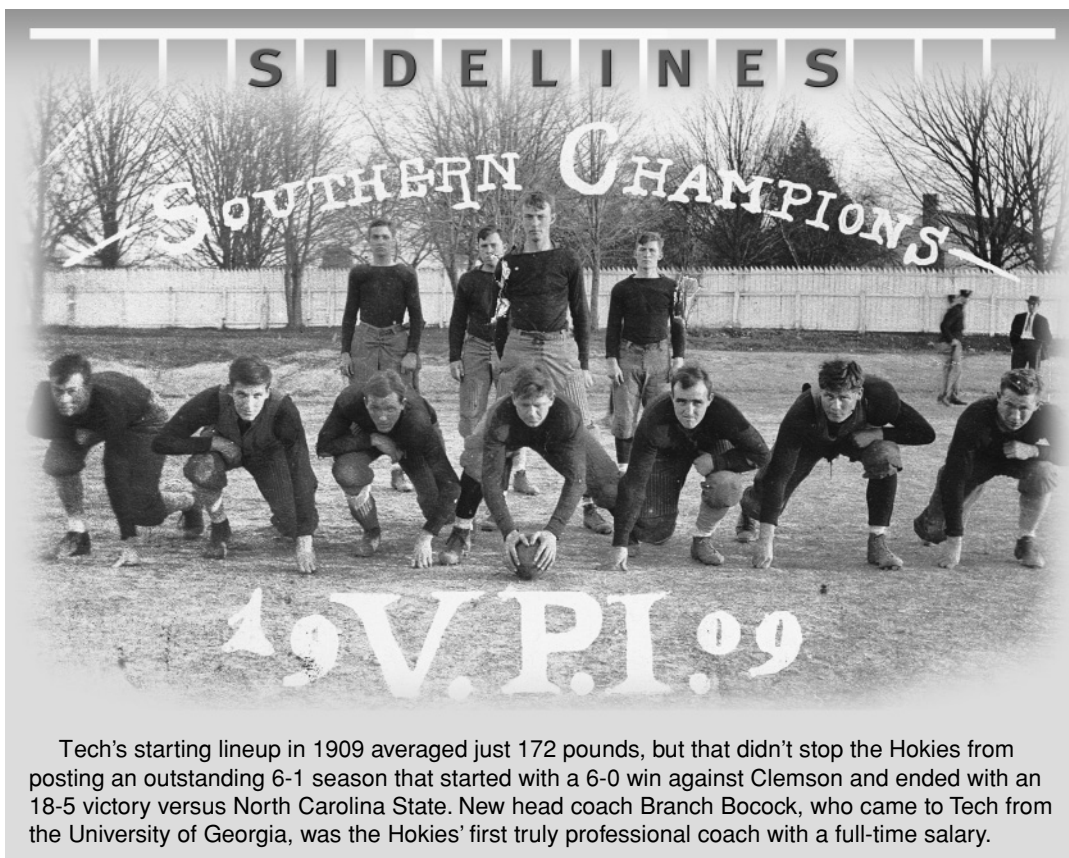
FAST COMPANY

During its early years, the Tech football team competed in the South Atlantic Conference. But things changed dramatically for the school with the announcement on Aug. 22, 1921, that it would be a charter member of the newly formed Southern Intercollegiate Conference.

The other charter members were Alabama, Auburn, Clemson, Georgia, Georgia Tech, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi State, North Carolina, North Carolina State, Tennessee, Virginia and Washington & Lee. In 1922, the league added Florida, LSU, Mississippi, South Carolina, Vanderbilt and Tulane. The University of the South joined the conference in 1923 and in December of that year, the league's name was officially changed to the Southern Conference.

The membership shifted over the years. In 1932 the 13 southern-most members formed the Southeastern Conference. In '36, six new members — The Citadel, William & Mary, Davidson, Furman, Richmond and Wake Forest — were added. Virginia withdrew in 1937, and George Washington and West Virginia joined in 1941 and 1950, respectively. In 1953, seven colleges withdrew to form the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Tech remained in the league until June 1965, when it withdrew to become an independent.



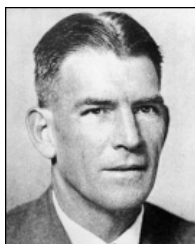
Tech's starting lineup in 1909 averaged just 172 pounds, but that didn't stop the Hokies from posting an outstanding 6-1 season that started with a 6-0 win against Clemson and ended with an 18-5 victory versus North Carolina State. New head coach Branch Bocock, who came to Tech from the University of Georgia, was the Hokies' first truly professional coach with a full-time salary.



Miles Stadium was the home of Virginia Tech football from 1926 until Lane Stadium opened in 1965.

PROMINENT PEOPLE

Several Virginia Tech players from the early days reached prominent positions in Southern football. The 1916 Tech team featured fullback Henry "Puss" Redd who was Tech's head coach from 1932-40. Teammate William "Monk" Younger played defense so well in New Haven against Yale that college football kingmaker Walter Camp labeled him "the Southern Panther." As Tech's athletic director in 1941, Younger saw his team upset defending national champion Georgetown, 3-0, on a field



Hank Crisp

goal by Roger McClure. The captain of the 1918 eleven, Hank Crisp, lost his right hand in a childhood accident, but became a star Tech running back and team captain. Crisp went on to become a coach and athletic director at Alabama and was the man who recruited Paul "Bear" Bryant to play for the Crimson Tide.

In 1926, a University of Pittsburgh graduate named Andy Gustafson took over the football reins at Tech and coached the Hokies' "Pony Express" backfield. Gustafson would go on to build the University of Miami football machine as head coach and athletic director.

FRANK PEAKE AND THE PONY EXPRESS

After Virginia Tech's freshman team won a game by a wide margin in 1925, a sports publicist nicknamed the team's offensive backfield the "Pony Express", taking off on Notre Dame's famed "Four Horsemen." The leader of that group was Frank Peake. He was joined by Scotty MacArthur, Herbert "Mac" McEver and Tommy Tomko.

Peake was a fleet back who loved the open field. He scored three touchdowns in his first varsity game against Roanoke College and two more in the

next game against Hampden-Sydney. When the Techmen played VMI in the season finale, he scored both touchdowns in Tech's 14-7 victory. As a junior, he rushed for almost 200 yards and scored the lone touchdown in Tech's 6-0 upset of the Colgate Red Raiders in New York. During one three-game stretch, he accumulated

rushing and return yardage of 306, 314 and 353 yards.

Peake's coach, Andy Gustafson,

said he had never seen Peake's equal under a punt. In the 1928 season, Peake injured a hip. Though still recovering, he came off the bench in the Virginia game to run back a punt for a touchdown on his first play of the game. Peake was named an All-Southern halfback his senior year and is still considered one of the greatest players ever to play the game for Tech.

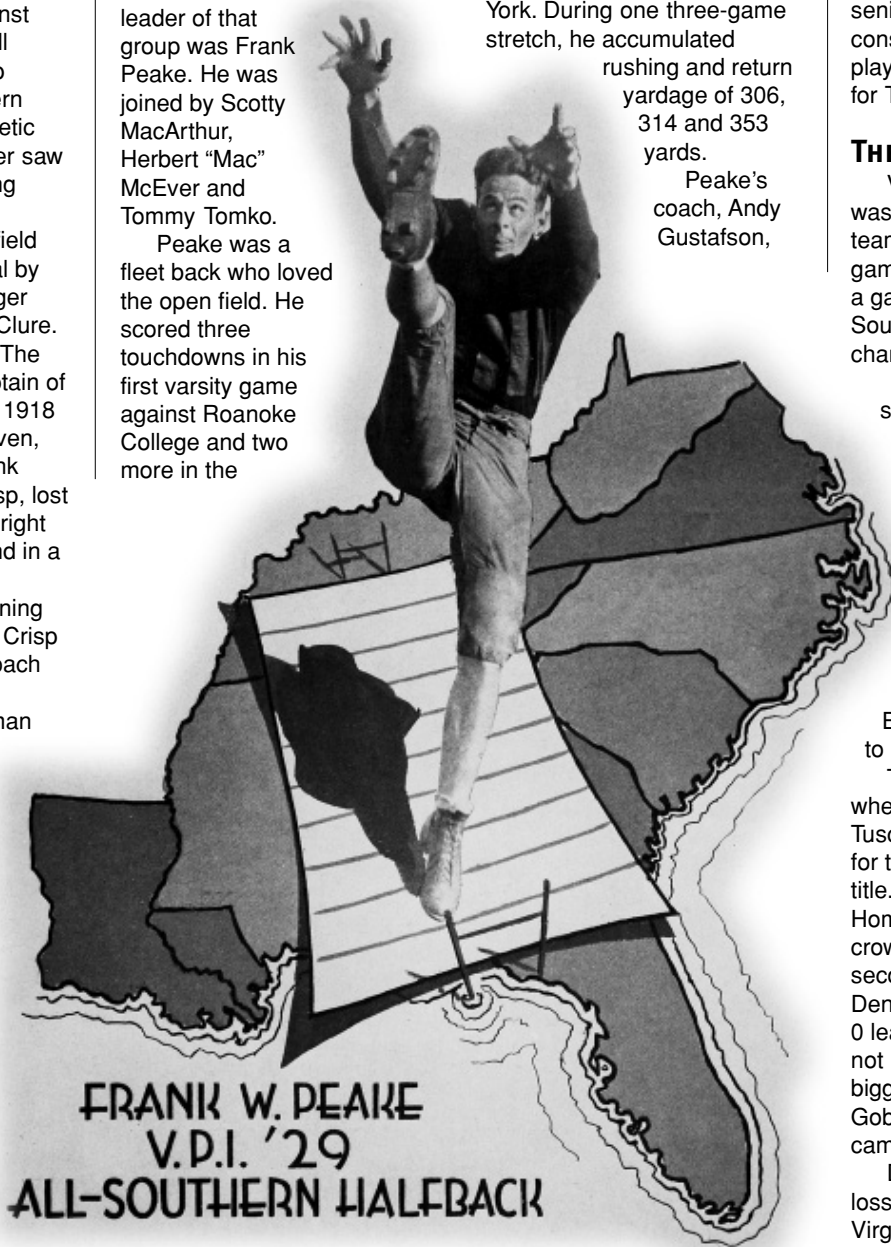
THE 1932 TEAM

Virginia Tech's 1932 eleven was one of Tech's finest teams. That team won eight games and lost to Alabama in a game that decided the Southern Conference championship.

The Techmen defeated several top teams in 1932. The Gobblers upset Georgia in Athens by a 7-6 count when team captain Bill Grinus blocked a Bulldogs' extra-point kick that would have tied the game. Tech also downed an undefeated Kentucky squad, 7-0, in Blacksburg to run its record to 5-0.

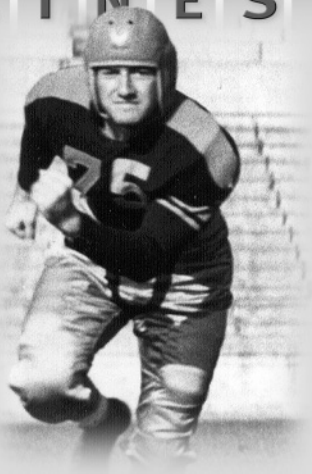
The next big game came when the team traveled to Tuscaloosa to play Alabama for the Southern Conference title. It was 'Bama's Homecoming game and the crowd of 11,000 was the second largest in the history of Denny Stadium. Tech took a 6-0 lead in the game, but could not hold the lead as Alabama's bigger offensive line wore the Gobblers down, and the Tide came back for a 9-6 victory.

Despite the disappointing loss, Tech went on to shut out Virginia and Washington & Lee to finish with an 8-1 record.



SIDELINES

Herb Thomas, Jr., led the Hokies in scoring in 1939 and 1940, but he earned his highest distinction on the battlefield. On Nov. 7, 1943, during fighting on Bougainville Island, Marine Sergeant Thomas gave his life to save the lives of the men in his squad. Thomas, who protected his comrades by diving on a live hand grenade, was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor posthumously.



THE BEARDLESS WONDERS

With several Tech players serving overseas in World War II, the 1945 team was filled with 17- and 18-year olds known as the "Beardless Wonders." The youngsters fared poorly, posting a 2-6 record on the season. One of the two wins engineered by Ralph Beard and his fellow wonders came against a coaching legend named Paul "Bear" Bryant.

The Tech offense had practiced against a defense called the Blackboard Six. Practicing against the Blackboard Six did not ready the offensive team for the opposition as Tech was whitewashed by other defenses in its first two games. Bryant's assistant at Maryland, Frank Moseley, soon to become Tech's own head coach, scouted the Hokies' early-season loss to William & Mary and told Bryant that Maryland need not worry about the Techmen.

Bryant eschewed preparations for the Tech game and looked ahead to his next opponent. When he came to Blacksburg, the Terrapin coach lined up his defense in the Blackboard Six, and Tech ran over Maryland in a 21-13 victory. The Beardless Wonders recorded Tech's only victory ever over "Bear" Bryant that day.

FRANK MOSELEY

When Frank Moseley was named head football coach and athletic director at Virginia Tech in 1951, *The Techgram*, the university newsletter, ran the headline, "Va. Tech Football – A Job To Do." The Techmen had posted an abysmal 1-25-3 record over the previous three years.

Coach Moseley brought to Blacksburg exactly what the Tech administration wanted in a coach. He had coached in winning programs. As an assistant at Maryland and Kentucky, he worked under "Bear" Bryant.

Moseley was tough and confident. The 1951 *Techgram* said that Moseley "... carries about him the air of a man who would do well in a battle with the devil himself." He coached toughness and preached physical conditioning and after the players went through his drills, many went out the back

Coach Frank Moseley with Paul "Bear" Bryant.

window. His staples were the running game and a stingy defense.

From 1951 to 1953, Moseley's teams won 12 games. In 1954, Tech went undefeated with an 8-0-1 mark and finished 16th in the final Associated Press poll. The coach was named the AP Coach of the Year in Virginia. In 1956, he was named the Southern Conference Coach of the Year. By July 1955, he had turned down three offers to coach elsewhere.

Moseley stayed and made a career as Tech's coach and athletic director. When he gave up the head coach's job after the 1960 season, he had a career mark of 54-42-4, which was the best mark of any Tech coach at the time. As athletic director, Moseley headed the Lane Stadium construction drive. He retired in 1978.

PREAS AND NUTTER

Buzz Nutter and George Preas wound up in the same place — on the 1958 National Football League champion Baltimore Colts. The two offensive linemen also came from the same place — Virginia Tech. The two players had different experiences,

however, in getting from Blacksburg to Baltimore.

Nutter played on the 1950-52 Gobbler teams that turned in a 7-25 three-year record. He became the first Tech player drafted by an NFL team and played for the Washington Redskins his first year. After being cut by the Redskins, he signed with the Colts. He played in Baltimore for 11 years and helped the team to NFL championships in 1958 and '59.

The right tackle on those championship teams was Preas, who passed up offers from Georgia Tech and Army to play in Blacksburg. He played on the outstanding 1954 Tech team. He was named to the All-Southern Conference second-team as a junior and the first-team as a senior. Preas set a league mark by starting 40 consecutive games in his career.

Preas was at tackle for the Colts in the '58 championship game. He helped clear the way for Alan Ameche's winning touchdown in sudden death of what is considered by many as the greatest NFL game. Preas played 11 years for Baltimore.





The 1954 team finished 8-0-1 and ranked 16th in the final Associated Press poll.

THE 1954 TEAM

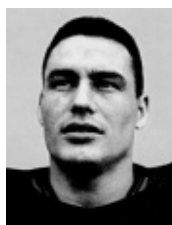
The 1954 Virginia Tech team was one of the school's best elevens. That year, the Techmen posted an 8-0-1 record and narrowly missed out on the Southern Conference championship won by a West Virginia team led by Sam Huff. One of the keys to the team's success was something that would become a staple of Tech football in the late 1990s — speed.

Halfbacks Billy Anderson and Howie Wright were two of the speedsters in the backfield. They were joined by Leo Burke and Dickie Beard. Beard was referred to as "The Cumberland Flash" and led the Southern Conference in rushing with 647 yards. He was named to the all-conference team and was voted The Associated Press Athlete of the Year in Virginia.

That tough '54 team also included end Tom Petty, who merited all-conference honors after catching five touchdown passes, and guard Billy Kerfoot, the team captain, who joined Petty on the all-conference team. Tackle George Preas, a future NFL standout, was also an all-league honoree.

Senior Johnny Dean and sophomore Billy Cranwell quarterbacked the team, and Don Divers played a key role

in the offensive and defensive backfields. That year, Divers intercepted two passes against VMI and returned both for touchdowns — a feat that would not be duplicated by a Tech player until Ashley Lee did it against Vanderbilt in 1983.



Don Divers

Tech knocked off Clemson in Death Valley that year and shut out Virginia. The squad's only blemish was a 7-7 Homecoming tie against William & Mary. Tech accumulated 366 yards in total offense against the Tribe but could only muster one fourth-quarter score. The Tribe scored its only points on an interception return for a touchdown.

CARROLL DALE

Carroll Dale, Virginia Tech Class of 1960, was one of the finest football players in school history. He was an outstanding collegian and a successful pro.

Despite playing in Moseley's run-oriented offense, Dale became Tech's all-time

leading receiver to that point with 64 career receptions for 1,195 yards and 15 touchdowns. The Tech end started the second game of his freshman year against Tulane and did not come out of the lineup for the rest of his college career.

In 1957, the *Saturday Evening Post* named Dale the best sophomore lineman in the nation. After his junior season, he was named the Southern Conference Player of the Year and a second-team Associated Press All-American. As a senior, Dale became the first Tech football player to gain first-team All-America honors. The consummate team player, Dale won the Southern Conference's Jacobs Blocking Trophy in both 1958 and 1959.

Dale went on to have an outstanding career in the National Football League. He spent five seasons with the Los Angeles Rams before being traded to Vince Lombardi's Green Bay Packers. He played on the 1965 NFL title team and the 1966 and 1967 Packer teams that won Super Bowls. He was named to the Pro Bowl in

1970 and made the game-winning catch. Dale returned to the Pro Bowl in 1971. He also played in Super Bowl IV for the Minnesota Vikings.

JERRY CLAIBORNE

Jerry Claiborne was hired by Athletic Director Frank Moseley in 1961 to run the Virginia Tech football program. In the 10 seasons he coached in Blacksburg, Claiborne eclipsed his boss' record and became the school's winningest coach to that point with a 61-39-2 mark.

Claiborne, like Moseley, was an assistant under Paul "Bear" Bryant. He coached Bryant's defense at Alabama after working with the defense for a Missouri team coached by Frank Broyles. Claiborne played safety and offensive end at Kentucky under Bryant.

Tech's new coach adhered to Moseley's principles of tough defense and a strong running game. Tech led the Southern Conference in total defense and pass defense in 1961 and 1962. In 1963, Tech was second in the nation in pass interceptions and fourth in punt return defense.

Claiborne was named the Southern Conference Coach of the Year in 1963 after the Techmen won their only outright league title. He took the 1966 and 1968 Tech squads to bowls.

From 1963-67, Virginia Tech was the 12th winningest program in the country under Claiborne. With 36 wins, 13 losses and one tie, the Gobblers were ranked right behind Notre Dame.

SIDELINES

Tech's football program started reaching more people during the 1950s. The Hokies' 1954 season opener against North Carolina State marked the first Tech game to be broadcast over the Virginia Tech radio network. In 1959, the Tech-Florida State game at Miles Stadium was televised regionally on 33 stations from Baltimore, Md., to Miami, Fla. It was the first football game ever televised from a Southern Conference stadium.

1963 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

The 1963 Gobblers captured Virginia Tech's only outright Southern Conference football championship. The '63 edition went 8-2 and featured the all-star running combination of quarterback Bob Schweickert and fullback Sonny Utz.

Tech beat nationally-ranked Florida State, 31-23, in Tallahassee that year. Newt Green, who was twice named to the all-conference team during his Tech career, blocked a punt against the Seminoles. Jake Adams, a fine end, caught the ball in the air and returned it 38 yards for a touchdown to help Tech seal its victory.

Schweickert, Utz, Green and lineman Gene Breen were all named first-team all-conference, while end Tommy Marvin was a second-team pick. Senior Mike Cahill led the club in interceptions and

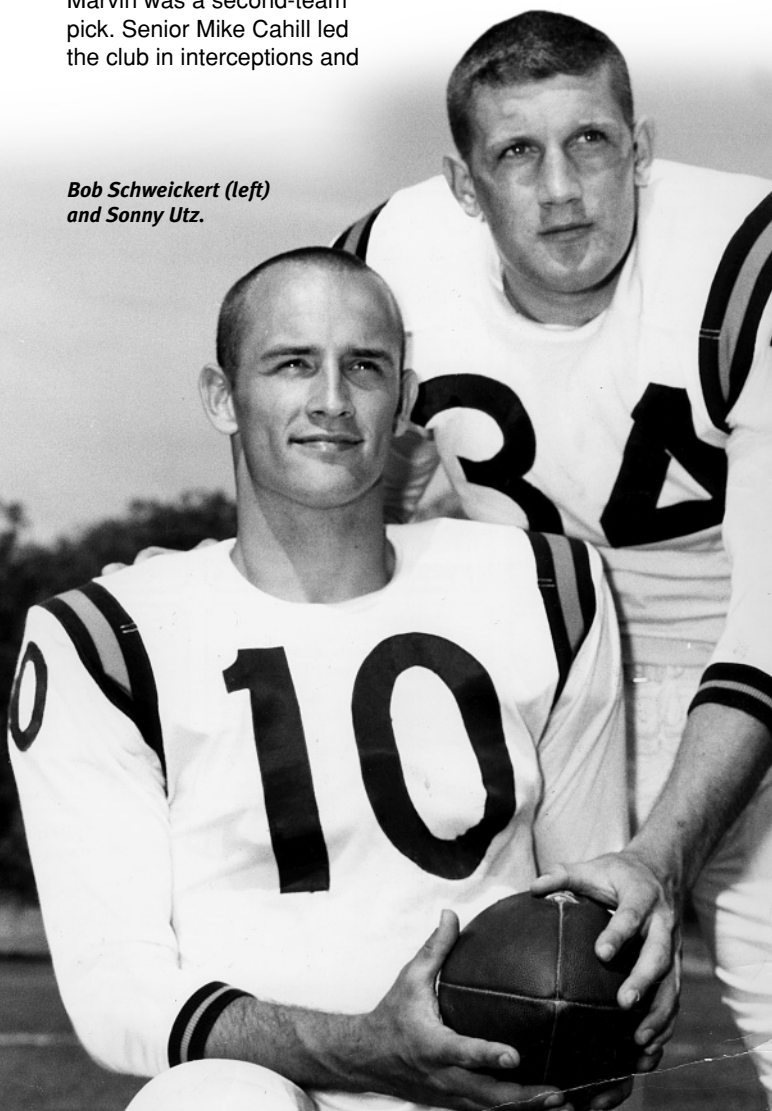
turned in a key defensive stop by picking off a two-point conversion pass to preserve a 14-13 win over Richmond. Running back Tommy Walker helped Tech win the season finale against VMI by catching a 26-yard scoring pass from Schweickert and running a kickoff back 99 yards.

SCHWEICKERT AND UTZ

Quarterback Bob Schweickert and fullback Sonny Utz drove the Tech offense in the early 1960s. Schweickert was Tech's "Mr. Outside," while Utz was "Mr. Inside." Together, they combined for over 6,000 yards of offense during their three varsity seasons.

Schweickert served notice of things to come in a late-season 1962 game at Tulane. The sophomore had missed four games with a shoulder

Bob Schweickert (left) and Sonny Utz.



SIDELINES

Tech and Florida State provided some of the biggest thrills for Hokie football fans during the 1960s. In 1964, Tech defeated the nationally 10th-ranked Seminoles, 20-11, at Miles Stadium in a game that featured the heroics of quarterback Bob Schweickert. Two years later, the Hokies and Seminoles treated a 1966 Tech homecoming crowd to a classic battle that saw the home team preserve a 23-21 victory with a goal-line stand and an interception in the final quarter. The thrills kept coming for Tech fans in 1968 when a 3-3 Tech team turned its season around with a stunning 40-22 upset of 14-point favorite FSU in Tallahassee. That win, fueled by linebacker-turned-tailback Kenny Edwards, keyed a five-game Tech winning streak that led to a Liberty Bowl bid.

injury, but that day in New Orleans he rushed for two touchdowns and passed for another. With Tech trailing, 17-14, Schweickert danced through the Green Wave defense on a game-winning 74-yard touchdown run.

The Tech quarterback danced around a lot of would-be tacklers during the '63 season when he helped lead the team to an 8-2 record and the school's only Southern Conference football title. On his way to being named the SC Player of the Year, Schweickert ran for 839 yards to set a conference record. His total offense mark of 1,526 yards that year also set a league standard.

Utz led Tech in scoring with 10 touchdowns during the '63 season and joined Schweickert on the all-conference team. Two of his TDs came in a road win against nationally-ranked Florida State.

The backfield duo returned in 1964 to lead the Techmen to a 6-4 record. Utz rushed for 777 yards to lead the squad, while Schweickert ran and threw for 1,409 yards of total offense. The highlight of the season came when Tech downed 10th-ranked Florida State, 20-11, at Miles Stadium. Schweickert punted eight times for a 47.4-yard average that day, prompting FSU coach Bill Peterson to say it was the first time a quarterback had ever beaten him with a foot.

FRANK LORIA

Statistics alone do not reveal the gridiron value of Frank Loria, Tech's first consensus All-American. The 5-9, 175-pound safety was a big hitter with a "sixth-sense".

Loria, who also excelled as a punt returner, helped the 1966 Tech team to an 8-1-1 regular-season record and a Liberty Bowl bid. The Clarksburg, W.Va., native was named All-America by The Associated Press and the Football Writers Association. That year, he returned three punts for touchdowns, including one 80 yards against Florida State that helped Tech beat the Seminoles, 23-21, in Blacksburg. He also saved the William & Mary game with a fourth-quarter interception.

His senior season, Loria was ranked eighth in the nation in punt returns and picked off three passes. Tech's star was named to the top six All-America first teams. For his career, Loria started all 31 games in which he was eligible to play on the varsity.

In 1970, a plane carrying the Marshall University football team crashed in West Virginia, killing all passengers. Assistant coach Frank Loria was on the plane. In 1972, Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership fraternity, dedicated an award in the memory of Frank Loria for the Tech student-athlete who exemplifies citizenship, leadership and athletic and academic achievement.

LIBERTY BOWL TEAMS

Coach Jerry Claiborne took Tech teams to the Liberty Bowl in 1966 and 1968. The Techmen went 8-1-1 in '66 to earn a spot opposite the Miami Hurricanes in the Memphis, Tenn., bowl. Two years later, Tech finished with five straight wins for a 7-3 regular-season mark that secured it a return trip to the Liberty Bowl to play the University of Mississippi.

Tech earned respect with its two bowl visits, but fell short of getting what it wanted most — a victory. Jimmy Richards blocked a Miami punt to set up a Tech touchdown in the 1966 game, but it wasn't enough as the Gobblers fell 14-7 to the ninth-ranked Hurricanes. In '68, Tech built a 17-0 first-quarter lead, only to see Ole Miss storm back behind a quarterback named Archie Manning for a 34-17 win.

The bowl experience left an indelible mark on at least one of the Tech players. Frank Beamer, a starting defensive back on the 1966 and '68 teams, would return to guide the school to unprecedented postseason success in the 1990s and beyond.

CHARLIE COFFEY

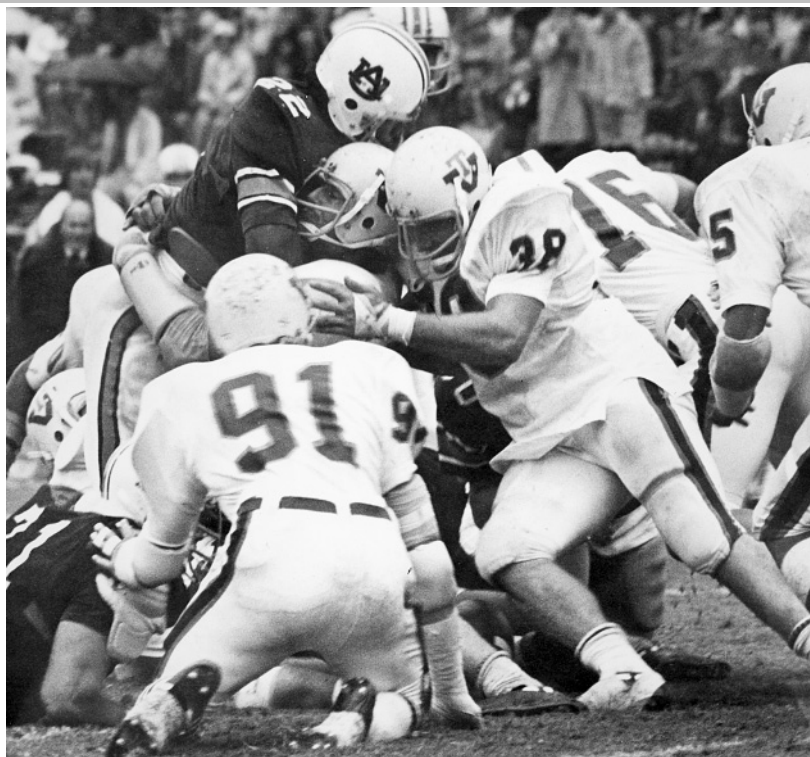
When Charlie Coffey arrived in Blacksburg in 1971, he set the program awash in orange, made a whirlwind media tour of the state to promote the Virginia Tech football team and improved the athletic facilities. Most significantly, the new coach broke with Tech tradition and installed a pass-happy offense.

Coffey, the defensive coordinator at Arkansas before coming to Tech, turned over his offense to Dan Henning. Henning, who had starred at William & Mary and went on to become the head coach of the Atlanta Falcons, put the ball in the air. He tutored a rangy right-hander by the name of Don Strock who smashed all of Tech's previous passing records. Strock threw to tight end Mike Burnop who caught a team-record 46 passes, and Donnie Reel who led the team in reception yardage with 705 in 1971. Tech's air excitement and Coffey's promotion prompted Hokie fans to purchase 1972 season tickets in record numbers to witness "Explosion '72."

The highlight of the '72 season came when Tech upset 19th-ranked Oklahoma State in Blacksburg. Dave Strock, Don's brother, kicked the game-winning field goal with 12 seconds remaining to lift Tech to a 34-32 victory. That season, Strock threw to Ricky Scales, J.B. Barber and Craig Valentine in addition to Burnop and Reel. He led the nation in passing and total offense, and his 3,170 yards passing was the fourth-highest total in NCAA history at the time.

After a disappointing 1973 campaign, Coffey left Blacksburg and took his aerial show with him.

Don Strock led the nation in passing and total offense in 1972.



Bill Houseright (center) and Rick Razzano (38) keyed a goal-line stand as Tech shocked Auburn in 1975.

THE 1975 SEASON

The Tech football program went from one extreme to the other when Jimmy Sharpe took the reins in 1974 and installed a wishbone offense.

The Techmen struggled to adjust at first, losing their first four games of '74. Then, in game five at South Carolina, things started to click. Three different Tech players rushed for over 100 yards as the Hokies surprised the Gamecocks, 31-17. The team went on to win four of its last seven games. Two of the losses came by one point and the other by seven.

In 1975, Sharpe's team posted Tech's best record of the decade and the school's best mark since 1966. Tech rebounded from two season-opening losses to win eight of its last nine games. That stretch produced some of the decade's most memorable wins.

Tech shocked Auburn, 23-16, at Jordan-Hare Stadium in Alabama. Running back Roscoe Coles had an 89-yard touchdown run and quarterback Phil Rogers threw for one touchdown and ran for another to lead the Tech offense. It was the defense, however, that saved the day. With two

minutes left in the contest, Auburn drove from its own 20-yard line to the Tech 5. Auburn had first and goal but could not score.

The Techmen gobbled up Auburn on two running plays before the Tigers threw an incomplete pass. On fourth down, the Auburn quarterback dropped back to pass, could not find an open receiver and was forced to run out of bounds. Linebacker Rick Razzano, noseguard Bill Houseright, tackle Tom Beasley and end Keith McCarter keyed that Tech defense.

Against Florida State in a Homecoming tilt, senior kicker Wayne Latimer boomed a school-record 61-yard field goal to knock off the Seminoles, 13-10. The defense stood tall again, holding FSU on downs from the Tech 12-yard line in the final minutes.

The defense also turned in the big play in a 24-17 win over Virginia that year. The Wahoos had the ball on Tech's 14-yard line with one minute left in the game when Beasley forced a fumble with a sack of UVa quarterback Scott Gardner.



SIDELINES



Tech's mascot has experienced some changes over the past 35 years, evolving from a Gobbler to a Fighting

Gobbler to a HokieBird. The first Gobbler mascot was a real, live gobbler introduced to the Tech sidelines by Floyd "Hard Times" Meade in 1912.



BILL DOOLEY

When Tech President Bill Lavery offered Bill Dooley the dual role of head football coach and athletic director in the winter of 1977, Tech fans were excited. Dooley had annually taken the best high school talent from the Old Dominion and brought it to Chapel Hill to build fine teams at the University of North Carolina.

Dooley was brought to Blacksburg to rebuild the Tech eleven. He would do that with a strong running game and a very good defense. Under Dooley, the nickname Hokies came to the forefront and the Gobblers faded away; the Gobbler mascot was transformed into the HokieBird; and a new VT logo was adopted.

Dooley started the 1978 season with some players he inherited from the previous staff. Safety Gene Bunn broke the school interception record in '78. Kenny Lewis, a fleet tailback, set a school single-game rushing record with 223 yards vs. VMI. Fullback Mickey Fitzgerald was a power runner and blocker who carried the nickname "The Incredible Hulk." Wingback Sidney Snell emerged under Dooley.

A strong recruiter, Dooley brought in running back Cyrus Lawrence, tight end Mike Shaw, defensive tackle Pedro Phillips, and offensive linemen Wally Browne and George Evans for the 1979 season.

Dooley would go on to compile the best record of any Tech head coach to that point. He would guide the Hokies to three bowl games and their first-ever bowl victory before leaving the program under a cloud of controversy following the 1986 season.

1980 PEACH BOWL

Virginia Tech got the decade rolling with an 8-3 regular-season record in 1980 and a date in Atlanta for the Peach Bowl. Coach Bill Dooley's Hokies opened the season with a 16-7 road victory over Wake Forest in front of a regionally-televised ABC-TV audience. The Techmen whitewashed archrival Virginia, 30-0, at Lane Stadium in front of the state's first 50,000 crowd for football. The Hokies then bested West Virginia, 34-11. Tech made its first bowl appearance since the 1968 season when it was invited to play 18th-ranked Miami in the Peach Bowl. The Hurricanes defeated the Dooley gang, 20-10, in a hard-fought game.

CYRUS LAWRENCE

On the second carry of his collegiate career, tailback Cyrus Lawrence ran 59 yards for a touchdown. It would be the longest run of his Tech career. But that didn't stop Lawrence from going on to become the Hokies' all-time rushing leader. He did it the hard way with four- and five-yard gains. He turned in just 14 runs of more than 20 yards while at Tech and had only three runs over 40 yards.

In 1980, Lawrence rushed for 1,221 yards in 10 games to set a Tech single-season rushing mark. The 1,221 yards ranked him eighth nationally. Lawrence set another school record with six 100-yard games.

Lawrence was tough enough to carry the ball 29 times a game his junior year after averaging 27 carries in '80. During the 1981 season, Lawrence gained 1,403 yards to break his own school record and finish seventh in the country. He gained 202 yards against Virginia.

The star back suffered a season-ending knee injury just four games into his senior season. He totaled 3,767 yards in his 35-game Tech career to establish the school's career record. He

averaged 107.6 yards rushing per game and turned in a school-record 16 100-yard rushing games in his career.

BRUUUUUUUCE

Coach Bill Dooley loved defense and Dooley, as well as Tech fans everywhere, loved Bruce Smith.

At 6-3, 276 pounds, Smith had tremendous agility and speed for a player of his size. During his four-year Tech career at tackle, Bruce became the most honored football player in school history at the time. As a junior in 1983, the Norfolk, Va., native recorded 22 quarterback sacks and was a first-team All-American.

Smith didn't get any easier to block his senior year as he registered 16 more sacks and made a career-high 69 tackles in leading Tech to an Independence Bowl appearance.

The "Sack Man" won the Outland Trophy as America's top lineman and was a consensus All-American. Smith had a career total of 71 tackles behind the line of scrimmage for losses, totaling more than five times the length of a football field (504 yards).

In 1985, the Buffalo Bills made Bruce Smith the No. 1 pick in the NFL draft.



Bruce Smith

THE KICK

With four seconds left in the New Peach Bowl at Atlanta on Dec. 31, 1986, Virginia Tech trailed North Carolina State, 24-22. Pass interference was called on the Wolfpack as it was defending Tech wingback David Everett.

The penalty moved the football to State's 23-yard line. The Hokies were within field goal range — the range of kicker Chris Kinzer.

State called a timeout to rattle the Tech sophomore. Tech finally snapped the ball for the 40-yard field goal attempt. Kinzer kicked and was knocked down on his follow through. The ball sailed through the uprights as time expired and Tech won, 25-24.

It was Tech's first bowl victory ever.

FRANK BEAMER

Frank Beamer roamed the Tech defensive backfield for teams that went to Liberty Bowls in 1966 and 1968. After he left Blacksburg, he embarked on a coaching career that included stops as an assistant at Maryland, The Citadel and Murray State. He was promoted to head coach at Murray State in 1981 and ran the Racer program for six years.

The ex-cornerback came back to Tech as the first alumnus to guide the Tech football program since 1945. In replacing the departed Bill Dooley, he brought back to Blacksburg the trademark defense that he learned as a Tech player under Jerry Claiborne and a healthy respect for the importance of special teams. He also brought back to Blacksburg some of the best teams in the land.

In his first five years on the job, Beamer's squads faced 29 bowl-bound teams and 18 Top 20 opponents. Nine of his first 27 games at the helm were against Top 10 teams. In 1987, the Tech slate was rated the most difficult in the nation.

Tech pulled off two big upsets over two of those top teams. The Hokies knocked off a Major Harris-led West



Mark Poindexter (17) and Eugene Chung (69) celebrate during Tech's big win over Virginia in 1990.

Virginia team in Morgantown, 12-10, in 1989, behind four Mickey Thomas field goals and a fired-up defense. The victory over the ninth-ranked Mountaineers started a three-game winning streak over West Virginia — the first time Tech had reeled off three consecutive wins over WVU.

The Hokies also registered a momentous victory over Virginia in the 1990 season finale. The Wahoos had been ranked No. 1 in the nation for

part of the season and 54,157 spectators, the largest football crowd in the history of the state at the time, came to see the two teams tangle. ESPN also came and televised the tilt nationally. Vaughn Hebron rushed for 142 yards to lead the Hokie offense, and quarterback Will Furrer threw three touchdown passes in the 38-13 win.

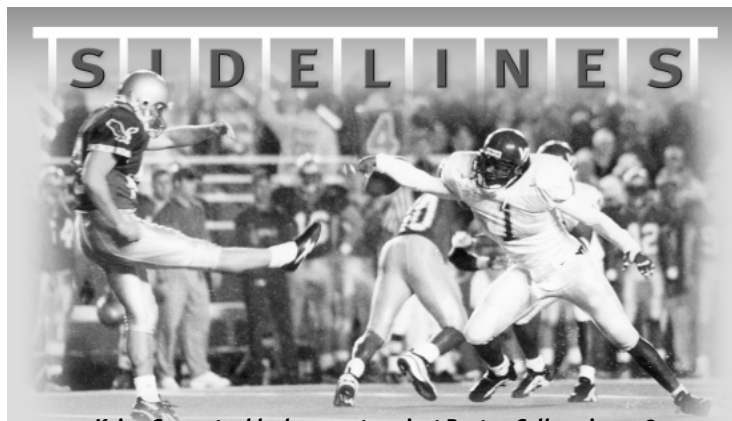
Those upsets were just a hint of things to come under Beamer.

THE 'BIG' BREAK

After competing as a football independent for 26 years, the Hokies became a charter member of the BIG EAST Football Conference in 1991. The football-only conference, which also included Boston College, Miami, Pittsburgh, Rutgers, Syracuse, Temple and West Virginia, was formally announced on Feb. 5, 1991, by Commissioner Michael Tranghese.

No team in the newly-formed league benefited from the alliance as much as Virginia Tech. The Hokies finally had a stage for their football program, and it would only be a short time before they seized the spotlight.

Starting in 1993, the first season of round-robin play in the conference, Tech began a nine-year span that saw it register the most wins of any team in the league. During that stretch, the Hokies were the only BIG EAST school to participate in a bowl each season. Tech would win the conference title in 1995 and 1999 and share it in 1996. The Hokies also would represent the league in the Bowl Championship Series each of those three seasons.



Keion Carpenter blocks a punt against Boston College in 1998.

One of the trademarks of Coach Frank Beamer's teams at Virginia Tech has been outstanding special teams — most notably, blocking kicks. In the 1990s, no Division I-A team blocked more kicks than the Hokies. Tech blocked a total of 63 kicks during the decade, including 31 punts, 18 PATs and 14 field goals. Blocked kicks played key roles in Tech bowl wins against Indiana in the 1993 Independence Bowl and versus Alabama in the 1998 Music City Bowl. From 1990 through 1999, thirty-one different Tech players blocked kicks while playing for Beamer.

HEADING TO ANOTHER LEVEL

Beamer's success at Tech was not immediate. And it did not come without hard times. Shortly after Beamer took over the reins in Blacksburg, the Tech football program was hit with NCAA sanctions for problems that occurred during the previous regime. Those sanctions included two years of scholarship reductions that impeded Beamer's success into the next decade. In 1992, the Hokies suffered through a gut-wrenching season that saw them hold fourth-quarter leads in seven of their 11 games, but win just two games. The final record was 2-8-1.

Out of the ashes of the 1992 season came a rebirth that would ultimately mark the beginning of the most successful period in the history of the program. During the spring of '93, the Hokies made some changes. They added some new faces to the coaching staff. They adopted an attacking style of defense that emphasized speed and aggressiveness. They fine-tuned the offense and turned it over to quarterback coach Rickey Bustle, who was elevated to offensive coordinator. Tech's faith in Frank Beamer was about to pay off.

The result was an 8-3 regular-season record and a rousing 45-21 victory over Indiana of the Big Ten in the Independence Bowl. It was the first year of round-robin play in the BIG EAST Conference, and the Hokies finished a surprising fourth. The Tech offense rewrote the school record book, accumulating 4,885 total yards, scoring 400 points and averaging 36.4 points per game.

1995 – SWEET SUCCESS

One of the most memorable seasons in Virginia Tech football history did not start out memorably.

First there was a 20-14 home loss to Boston College. Then there was a forgettable 16-0 home whitewashing at the hands of Cincinnati. With Miami — an opponent Tech had never beaten in 12 tries — on the horizon, prospects for a third straight bowl trip didn't appear to be bright.

As it turned out, that appearance was deceiving. Fueled by the leadership of a strong senior class, Tech defeated Miami for the first time ever, 13-7, in a heart-stopping finish. And the Hokies didn't stop there. They won their last nine regular-season games in a row capped by a sensational comeback victory over archrival Virginia. Along the way, the Hokies also collected

their first BIG EAST championship.

Not only did Tech get its third straight bowl trip, it got a big one. As the BIG EAST representative in the Bowl Alliance, the Hokies earned a trip to New Orleans for the Sugar Bowl. Over 25,000 Tech fans went along for the ride.

On New Year's Eve 1995, the Tech football program scored its biggest victory to date when it came from behind to defeat Texas, 28-10. The stirring victory capped a 10-2 season and helped the Hokies to their highest ever finish in the national polls at the time.

Tech followed by winning a school-record 10 regular-season games on the way to another 10-2 mark in 1996. The Hokies appeared in the Orange Bowl and held their own before losing to powerful Nebraska. Winning records and bowl games followed again in 1997 and 1998.

A STEPPING STONE

Of all the successful Tech football teams of the 1990s, the 1998 squad may have been the most surprising. It was supposed to be a rebuilding year for the men in orange and maroon. No one gave them a chance to win big or to challenge for the BIG EAST championship — but they did both.

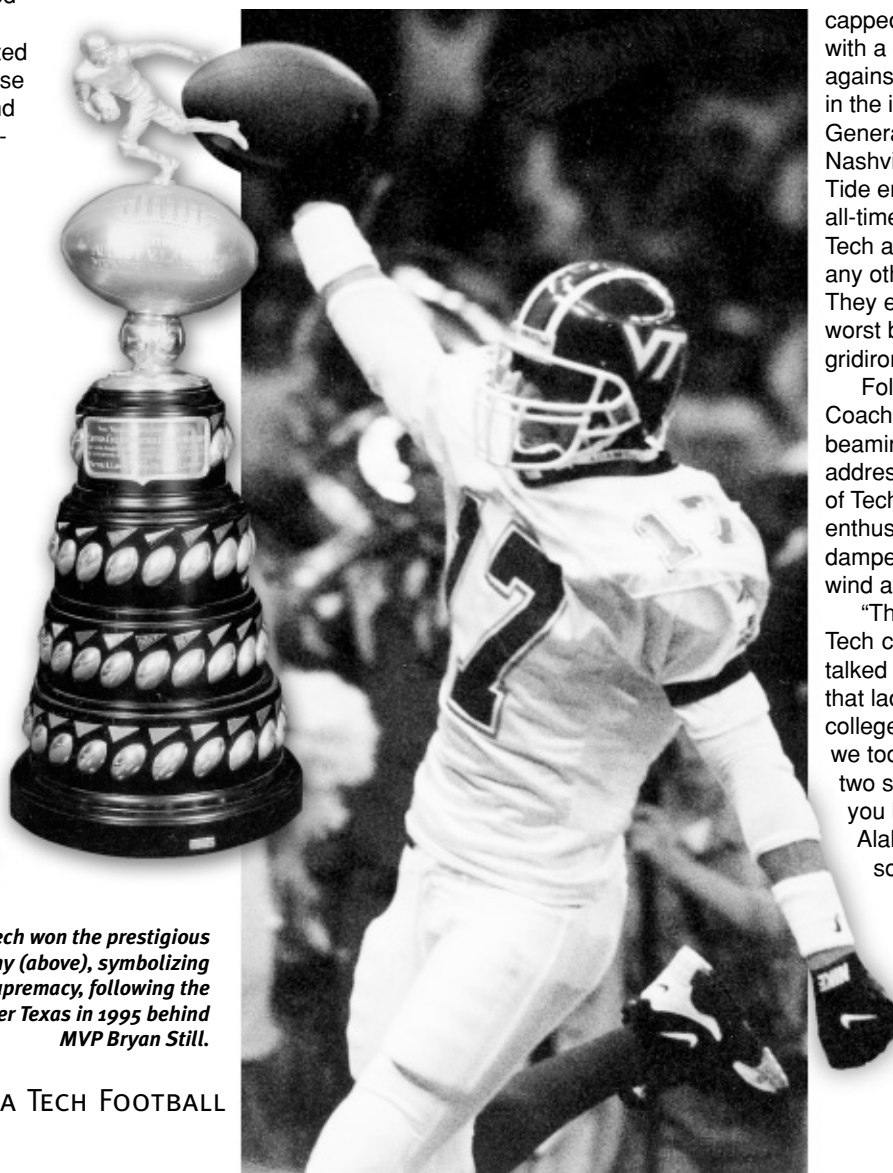
Tech fooled the experts that season and actually finished just three or four plays away from an unbeaten record. The Hokies "rebuilt" with a 9-3 record and suffered their three losses by a total margin of 10 points. In a showdown with Syracuse for the BIG EAST title, Tech lost in heart-breaking fashion at the Carrier Dome on the last play of the game.

The team benefited from both great leadership and great character. It bounced back from each tough loss to win its next game. The Hokies capped their unexpected run with a dominating 38-7 victory against tradition-rich Alabama in the inaugural American General Music City Bowl in Nashville, Tenn. The Crimson Tide entered the game with an all-time 10-0 record against Tech and more bowl wins than any other college program. They exited with the second-worst bowl loss in their storied gridiron history.

Following the game, Coach Frank Beamer was beaming with pride as he addressed the large following of Tech fans whose enthusiasm was never dampened by the evening's wind and freezing rain.

"This is for the future," the Tech coach said. "We've talked about trying to get up that ladder (to the top of the college football ranks). I think we took another step, maybe two steps, because when you beat a team like Alabama it means something."

For Virginia Tech it meant a lot. The victory set the stage for the Hokies' greatest football season ever.



Tech won the prestigious Lambert Trophy (above), symbolizing Eastern football supremacy, following the Sugar Bowl win over Texas in 1995 behind MVP Bryan Still.



ESPN GameDay came to Blacksburg twice in 1999.

SIGN OF THE TIMES

The sign was simple. It was written in block letters and taped to a door in the football offices. It read: "Preparing to Win a National Championship".

It seemed a bold thought for a program that just seven years earlier had produced only two wins. But Tech's 1999 team took it to heart. They lived and breathed that thought.

There were plenty of reasons for the Hokies to be excited about the '99 season. Thirteen starters were returning, including seven on defense. The special teams were loaded with experienced performers. The preseason rankings were Tech's highest ever. Season ticket sales were soaring. And there was this new kid at quarterback named Michael Vick.

All the excitement was tempered, however, by reminders of the recent past. A year earlier, Tech had started fast with a 5-0 record only to have its hopes dashed by an upset loss to Temple. Memories of that loss served as fuel to stay focused in 1999.

From the first day of practice, the 1999 squad set out to take the season one

game at a time, to prepare the same way for each opponent. And that is exactly what they did — 11 games in a row.

The season unfolded in storybook fashion with Vick and All-American defensive end Corey Moore playing leading roles. Among the prominent chapters were a hard-fought 31-11 Thursday night victory against Clemson on ESPN, a stunning 62-0 victory against Syracuse and a fifth-consecutive win against the Miami Hurricanes, this

time by a score of 43-10. The Hokies defeated state-rival Virginia on the road, 31-7, and escaped with an unforgettable, last-second 22-20 victory at West Virginia. Along the way, Tech was visited by the ESPN GameDay crew twice and drew media attention from coast-to-coast. The Hokies rose to No. 2 in both national polls and capped their first ever 11-0 regular season with a convincing 38-14 win over Boston College.

As for the sign, it remained posted on the office door throughout the season.

A SHOT AT THE TITLE

Tech's reward for its first unbeaten, untied regular-season mark since 1918 was an invitation to the Nokia Sugar Bowl where the Hokies would battle No. 1 Florida State for the title of national champions. The Tech football program was breaking new ground once again with yet-another first under Coach Frank Beamer.

Before a crowd of 79,280 — the largest crowd ever to view a Sugar Bowl game at

the Superdome — the two teams staged a grand finale to the season.

Although Tech's offense was able to gobble up yardage in the early going, the Hokies were stung by uncharacteristic mistakes in the kicking game. FSU struck quickly from touchdowns on a blocked punt and a punt return. With six minutes left in the first half, Tech trailed 28-7.

A defensive stand deep in Tech territory gave the Hokies one last chance in the first half. Sparked by quarterback Michael Vick, Tech marched 80 yards. Vick capped the drive with a 3-yard TD run to narrow the score to 28-14 at the half.

Vick's touchdown started a run of 22 straight points that vaulted Tech into a 29-28 lead in the third quarter. In the end, however, it was the Seminoles' ability to produce big plays that made the difference. Led by MVP Peter Warrick, FSU scored 18 unanswered points in the fourth quarter to gain its first 12-0 season and its second national title with a 46-29 win.

Tech's 1999 dream season did not end the way it had hoped, but the Hokies proved without a doubt that they belonged in the top echelon of college football.

SIDELINES

Following the 1999 season, Corey Moore became Virginia Tech's most honored football player ever. The senior defensive end earned the Bronko Nagurski Award as college football's defensive player of the year and won the Lombardi Award as the college football lineman of the year. He became just the second Tech player to gain unanimous All-America honors and was named the *Football News*' Defensive Player of the Year. He finished the season with 60 tackles, 17 quarterback sacks, 11 additional tackles for loss, 25 hurries, three pass deflections, three fumbles caused and a fumble return for a touchdown.



MICHAEL VICK

Although his stay in Blacksburg was relatively brief, Michael Vick's impact on the Virginia Tech football program figures to be long-lasting.

During the mercurial quarterback's two seasons under center, the Hokies enjoyed unprecedented success. Tech posted back-to-back 11-1 seasons, appeared in a national championship game and finished with its highest-ever national rankings. The two-year period produced skyrocketing ticket sales, increased contributions and an incredible flurry of media exposure that extended from coast-to-coast. All but two of Vick's games at Tech were televised. Every home game of his career was played before a sellout crowd.

Vick didn't create all the success and exposure single-handedly. He had plenty of help. But every time he took the field, he generated the type of excitement that comes with special players.

Tech's coaches realized early-on that Vick was a special player. However, it wasn't until the 1999 season that they found out just how special he would be.

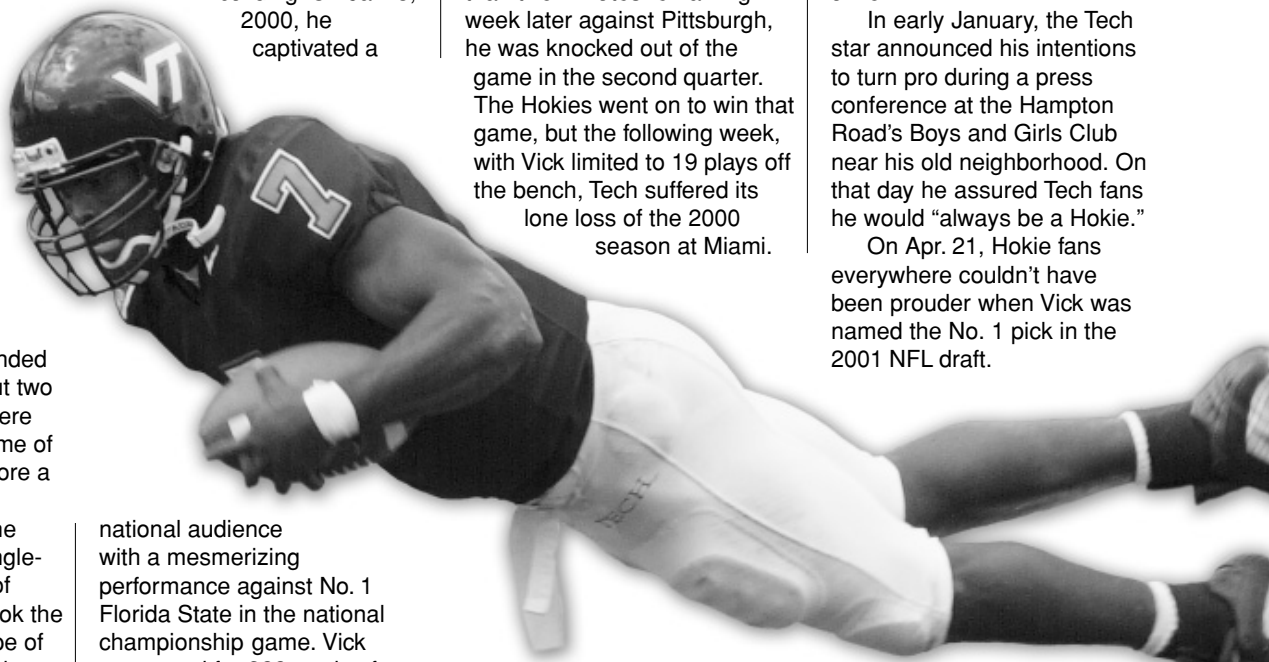
Coach Frank Beamer promised to redshirt Vick during his first year at Tech and held to that promise during a rash of injuries at quarterback early in the 1998 season. Bolstered by the redshirt season, the 6-1, 207-pound left-hander from Newport News, Va., made the most anticipated debut in school history when the Hokies opened their 1999 season against James Madison.

In his first collegiate game, Vick dazzled the fans with three touchdown runs in just over a quarter of play. The last of those three scores ended with a national highlight reel flip into the end zone. It was the first of many highlights for the young quarterback.

Vick accounted for five first-half touchdowns in a win at Rutgers. He stunned West Virginia with his last-minute heroics to set up a game-

winning field goal. His 75-yard touchdown run against Temple was shown coast-to-coast. He accounted for four more touchdowns and 366 yards of offense in the regular-season finale against Boston College.

Vick's reputation was building. On Jan. 3, 2000, he captivated a



national audience with a mesmerizing performance against No. 1 Florida State in the national championship game. Vick accounted for 322 yards of offense against the Seminoles' vaunted defense, and even though FSU came on to win the game in the final quarter, he was the talk of a nation. In the blink of an eye, Michael Vick became a household name.

The honors rolled in. Vick won an ESPY as the nation's top college player. He was awarded the first-ever Archie Griffin Award as the nation's most valuable player in college football. He finished third in the balloting for the Heisman Trophy and second in the voting for The Associated Press Player of the Year. He was named first-team All-America by The Sporting News and second team by the AP.

By the time his sophomore season began, Vick had appeared on practically every preseason magazine cover and been touted as a Heisman favorite. Early on, he filled the highlights again with his quick feet and powerful arm. There was an amazing 82-yard touchdown run at Boston College and a pair of long TD passes against West Virginia.

As the season progressed, however, swarming defenses and a troublesome high ankle sprain began to take their toll.


Vick bounced back from six sacks to ice Tech's first win at Syracuse since 1986 with a 55-yard touchdown run with less than two minutes remaining. A week later against Pittsburgh, he was knocked out of the game in the second quarter. The Hokies went on to win that game, but the following week, with Vick limited to 19 plays off the bench, Tech suffered its lone loss of the 2000 season at Miami.

After starting a home victory against Virginia, Vick returned to form in the Toyota Gator Bowl, helping the Hokies to a 41-20 victory over Clemson and gaining MVP honors in the process. It would be his last game in a Tech uniform.

In early January, the Tech star announced his intentions to turn pro during a press conference at the Hampton Road's Boys and Girls Club near his old neighborhood. On that day he assured Tech fans he would "always be a Hokie."

On Apr. 21, Hokie fans everywhere couldn't have been prouder when Vick was named the No. 1 pick in the 2001 NFL draft.

SIDELINES



It took Lee Suggs just two full seasons at tailback to completely rewrite Virginia Tech's career records for touchdowns. In fact, Suggs nearly did it in one season when he ran for 27 touchdowns and scored 28 as a sophomore in 2000. He led the Division I-A ranks in both scoring and touchdowns that year, shattering the Tech season mark for touchdowns (14) along the way. Suggs broke the Tech career marks for rushing touchdowns and total touchdowns during the first game of the 2001 season, before suffering a season-ending knee injury in the same game. He returned in 2002 to add 24 more touchdowns and finished his career as the all-time Tech and BIG EAST Conference leader in rushing touchdowns (53) and total touchdowns (56). Suggs scored at least one TD in an NCAA Division I -A record 27 consecutive games.

HOKIE ALL-AMERICANS

Virginia Tech's unanimous All-America selections



JIM PYNE

Center • 1993

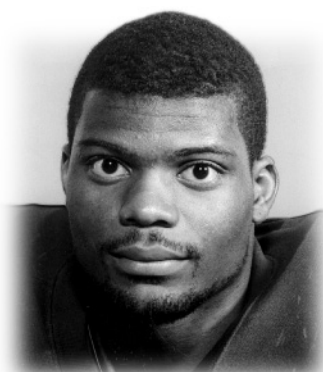
In 1993, Jim Pyne achieved something even Bruce Smith failed to do — earn unanimous All-America honors. Pyne helped pave the way for a Virginia Tech offensive unit that

set school season marks for total offense and scoring in 1993.

The Hokies averaged 444.1 yards and 36.4 points per game and finished 14th nationally in total offense, 11th in scoring offense and 10th in rushing.

Pyne was named first-team All-America by AP, UPI, Walter Camp, the Football Writers Association and the Football Coaches Association (Kodak). He was one of the 12 semifinalists for the Lombardi Award, which goes to the nation's top lineman.

In four seasons at Tech, Pyne played more than 2,700 snaps and allowed just one quarterback sack. He started 35 consecutive games and 41 of the 42 games in which he played.



COREY MOORE

Defensive End
1998, 1999 (Unanimous)

Following an outstanding senior season, Corey Moore became the most honored football player in school history. Moore was voted first-team on all six major All-America teams to become the Hokies' second unanimous All-American.

He also won the 1999 Bronko Nagurski Trophy as college football's defensive player of the year and captured the Lombardi Award as the college football lineman of the year.

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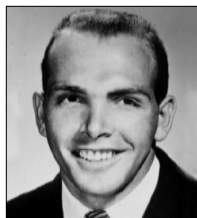
He posted a BIG EAST record 17 sacks during the '99 season to go with 11 other tackles behind the line and 60 total tackles.

Moore also earned All-America honors as a junior in 1998. That season, Moore's first as a starter, he led the BIG EAST with 13.5 sacks, contributed 67 tackles, hurried the quarterback 20 times and blocked three kicks.

He gained first-team All-America recognition from the Football Coaches Association in '98. Moore was a second-team pick by the AP and *The Sporting News* and a third-team choice of *Football News*. He was named the most valuable player in the Hokies' 38-7 victory over Alabama in the 1998 Music City Bowl. Moore was named the BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Year in both 1998 and '99.

HOKIE ALL-AMERICANS

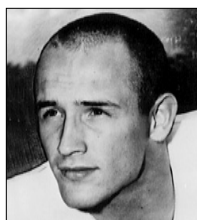
Virginia Tech's first-team honorees



CARROLL DALE

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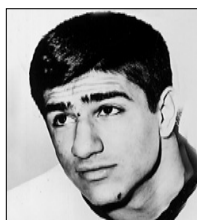
After earning second-team Associated Press All-America honors as a junior in 1958, Carroll Dale went on to become the first Virginia Tech football player to earn first-team All-America honors following the 1959 season. Dale was named to the Football Writers Association (*LOOK Magazine*) and Newspaper Enterprise Association first teams as a senior and was once again a second-team choice by AP. A two-way end for the Hokies, Dale earned most of his notoriety as a receiver. He led Tech in receiving four straight years and finished the '59 season with 17 receptions for 408 yards and six touchdowns.



BOB SCHWEICKERT

QB • 1964

One of the finest triple-threat quarterbacks in the history of the Southern Conference, Bob Schweickert was named to the *LOOK* All-America team picked by the Football Writers Association following the 1964 season. Schweickert fought off injuries during the '64 season to rush for 576 yards and nine touchdowns and pass for 833 yards and nine more TDs. He led the team in total offense with 1,409 yards and also handled the punting duties with a 37.7-yard average. Schweickert played a big role in Tech wins against Florida State and North Carolina State during the season. As a junior in 1963, he was named the Southern Conference Player of the Year and earned third-team All-America honors from The Associated Press.



FRANK LORIA

S • 1966, 1967 (Consensus)

Defensive safety Frank Loria was the first Tech football player to gain first-team All-America honors in back-to-back seasons and became the Hokies' first consensus All-America pick in 1967. As a junior in 1966, Loria helped Tech to the Liberty Bowl as a defender and punt return man. He ranked as one of the team's top hitters and contributed three interceptions from his safety position. Loria also contributed three touchdowns on punt returns, including a pair of 80-yard runbacks. He was named to first-team A-A squads picked by The Associated Press and the Football Writers Association and was a second-team selection by the Helms Athletic Foundation. Loria was named to six major All-America squads following a 1967 season in which he made big play after big play. He finished the year with three interceptions and 420 yards on punt returns, including a 95-yard return for a touchdown against Miami. His first-team honors came from AP, United Press International, Newspaper Enterprise Association, the Football Coaches Association, the Football Writers Association and the Walter Camp Foundation.



MIKE WIDGER

LB • 1968

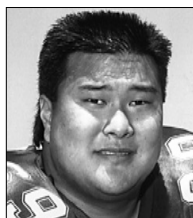
Mike Widger capped an incredible junior season by earning first-team All-America honors from The Associated Press and the Football Writers Association. Widger compiled a record 825 tackling points and was among the national leaders in pass interceptions (7) and return yardage (203 yards). He returned two of his interceptions for touchdowns and scored another TD after pulling the football loose from a Kansas State running back and racing 46 yards to the end zone. He was named the *Sports Illustrated* National Lineman of the Week after helping Tech to a 17-6 win at South Carolina. Widger posted 15 unassisted tackles, 14 assists and trapped Gamecock quarterback Tommy Suggs five times behind the line for losses of 41 yards.



BRUCE SMITH

DT • 1983, 1984 (Consensus)

Bruce Smith was named to first-team All-America squads picked by the Football Coaches Association (Kodak) and the Newspaper Enterprise Association after registering an incredible 22 quarterback sacks as a junior in 1983. Smith, who also was named to The Associated Press second team that year, finished the '83 season with a total of 55 tackles, 31 of which were behind the line scrimmage for losses of 223 yards. As a senior in 1984, Smith accumulated 16 sacks and nine other tackles behind the line despite being double and triple teamed. He finished the year with 69 total tackles and was a consensus All-America pick, making first teams selected by AP, the Football Writers of America, Kodak and Walter Camp. He missed being a unanimous A-A when UPI named him second team. Smith capped his honors by winning the Outland Trophy as the nation's top interior lineman. He was the first player picked in the 1985 NFL draft.



EUGENE CHUNG

OT • 1991

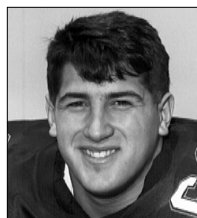
When Eugene Chung was named to the Football Writers Association All-America team following his senior season, he became the first Tech offensive lineman to win first-team All-America honors. Chung started every game at tackle for the Hokies in 1991, allowing just one quarterback sack in 730 plays. He was rated the top collegiate offensive lineman in the NFL draft by *The Sporting News* and was listed as one of the five most-draftable players overall in the college ranks by the NFL Scouting Combine. The Washington Gridiron Club honored Chung as the National Lineman of the Year.



CORNELL BROWN

DE • 1995 (Consensus), 1996

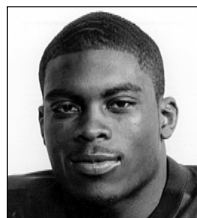
Cornell Brown became the first Virginia Tech football player to gain consensus All-America honors as a junior when he was named to five first teams in 1995. Brown, who was named the BIG EAST Conference Defensive Player of the Year after leading the league in sacks with 14, was a first-team A-A pick by AP, UPI, the Football Writers Association, *The Sporting News* and *Football News*. He finished the year with 103 total tackles, 25 of them behind the line of scrimmage. He was selected National Defensive Player of the Year by *Football News* and was one of five finalists for the Defensive Player of the Year selected by the Football Writers' Association of America. In 1996, Brown missed three games, but still earned first-team honors from Walter Camp and second-team recognition from AP. He posted eight sacks, five other tackles behind the line, 19 quarterback hurries and 58 total tackles during the '96 season.



BILLY CONATY

C • 1996

Considered one of the top offensive linemen in school history, Bill Conaty saw action on 98 percent of Virginia Tech's offensive plays in 1996 and went on to earn first-team All-America honors from *The Sporting News*. Conaty helped the Hokies to a 10-2 record and a trip to the Orange Bowl that season, grading a winning percentage in 10 of the 12 games and leading the squad with 65 knockdown blocks. He finished his career by setting an all-time school record for starts and consecutive starts with 48.



MICHAEL VICK

QB • 1999

In a spectacular freshman season that saw him lead Virginia Tech to its first-ever 11-0 regular season and its first appearance in the national championship game, Michael Vick became the first Tech freshman football player to earn first-team All-America honors. Vick was named first-team by *The Sporting News*. He also was a second-team pick by The Associated Press. The redshirt freshman quarterback was third in the voting for the 1999 Heisman Trophy and second in the voting for the AP Player of the Year. Vick led Division I-A in passing efficiency (180.37), setting an NCAA record for a freshman in the process. He was voted both the BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year. He completed 59.2 percent of his passes for 1,840 yards and 12 touchdowns. He also contributed 585 yards and eight TDs rushing.



ANDRÉ DAVIS

PR • 2000

A year after showing he had big-play ability as a receiver, André Davis proved he also was dangerous as a punt returner. Davis finished the 2000 season second in the Division I-A ranks in punt returns and earned first-team All-America honors on the American Football Coaches Association team as a return specialist. Davis returned 18 punts for 396 yards for a school-record average of 22 yards per return. He tied another school season mark when he returned three punts for touchdowns. His 87-yard TD return against East Carolina was the second-longest in school history. He also had a 76-yard touchdown return against West Virginia and a 71-yard return versus Boston College.

André Davis earned first-team All-America honors as a punt returner in 2000.

VIRGINIA TECH ALL-AMERICANS

(listed by year)

UNANIMOUS ALL-AMERICANS

- 1993 Jim Pyne, c
- 1999 Corey Moore, de

CONSENSUS ALL-AMERICANS

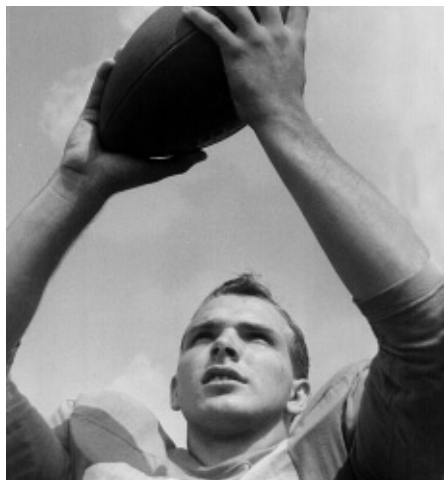
- 1967 Frank Loria, s
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- 1995 Cornell Brown, de

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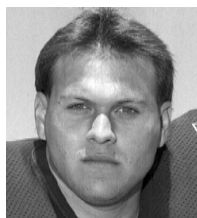
- 1958 Carroll Dale, se
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- 1966 Frank Loria, s
George Foussekis, de
- 1967 Frank Loria, s
- 1968 Mike Widger, lb
- 1972 Don Strock, qb
- 1981 Robert Brown, de
- 1983 Bruce Smith, dt
- 1984 Bruce Smith, dt
- 1986 Chris Kinzer, pk
- 1991 Eugene Chung, ot
- 1993 Jim Pyne, c
- 1995 Cornell Brown, de
J.C. Price, dt
- 1996 Cornell Brown, de
Billy Conaty, c
- 1997 Pierson Prioleau, rov
- 1998 Corey Moore, de
Derek Smith, ot
- 1999 Corey Moore, de
Michael Vick, qb
John Engelberger, de
Jamel Smith, lb
Anthony Midget, cb
- 2000 André Davis, pr
Matt Lehr, og
Lee Suggs, tb
Ben Taylor, lb
- 2001 Ben Taylor, lb
Ronyell Whitaker, cb
David Pugh, dt
- 2002 Willie Pile, fs
Jake Grove, c

HOKIE ALL-AMERICANS

Virginia Tech's second- and third-team honorees



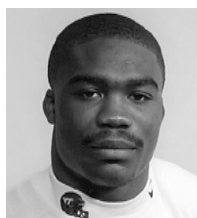
Carroll Dale



Chris Kinzer



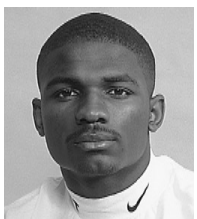
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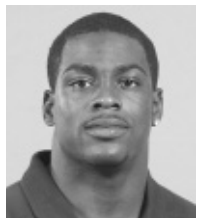
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CARROLL DALE

E • 1958
2nd-team Associated Press

GEORGE FOUSSEKIS

DE • 1966
2nd-team Associated Press

DON STROCK

QB • 1972
3rd-team Associated Press

ROBERT BROWN

DE • 1981
2nd team-Newspaper Enterprise Association

CHRIS KINZER

PK • 1986
2nd-team Associated Press
2nd-team United Press International

J.C. PRICE

DT • 1995
3rd-team Associated Press

PIERSON PRIOLEAU

ROV • 1997
3rd-team *Sporting News*

DEREK SMITH

OT • 1998
3rd-team *Football News*

JOHN ENGELBERGER

DE • 1999
2nd-team Associated Press

JAMEL SMITH

LB • 1999
2nd-team Associated Press

ANTHONY MIDGET

CB • 1999
3rd-team *Sporting News*

MATT LEHR

OG • 2000
2nd-team Walter Camp

LEE SUGGS

TB • 2000
3rd-team Associated Press
3rd-team *Football News*

BEN TAYLOR

LB • 2000
3rd-team Associated Press
LB • 2001
2nd-team Associated Press
2nd-team *Football News*
3rd-team *Sporting News*

RONYELL WHITAKER

CB • 2001
3rd-team Associated Press

DAVID PUGH

DT • 2001
3rd-team *Sporting News*

WILLIE PILE

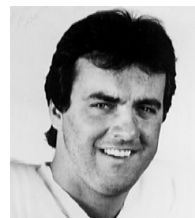
FS • 2002
2nd-team *Sporting News*

JAKE GROVE

C • 2002
4th-team *Sporting News*



George Foussekis



Don Strock



Robert Brown



John Engelberger



Jamel Smith



Lee Suggs



Ben Taylor



Willie Pile



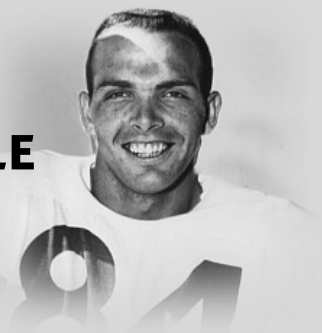
Jake Grove

RETIRED FOOTBALL NUMBERS

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CARROLL DALE

A native of Wise, Va., Carroll Dale entered Virginia Tech in 1956 as an offensive and defensive end. After seeing varsity action as a reserve in the first game of the '56 season, Dale went on to start the remaining 39 games of his college career and became Tech's first bona fide All-American. As a junior in 1958, he was named the Southern Conference Player of the Year and won the Jacobs Blocking Trophy. In 1959, Dale was captain of the Tech team and earned first-team All-America honors from the Football Writers of America and the Newspaper Enterprise Association. He was named to The Associated Press second-team All-America squad in both 1958 and 1959. Dale led the Hokies in pass receiving each of his four seasons and finished his Tech career with 67 pass receptions for 1,195 yards and 15 touchdowns. He went on to a professional football career that lasted more than a decade and included a stint with the Green Bay Packers. During his time with the Packers, Dale started on three consecutive championship teams for legendary coach Vince Lombardi. Dale was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in South Bend, Ind., in 1987.



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FRANK LORIA

Despite his 5-9, 175-pound frame, Frank Loria was one of the most tenacious football players ever to play for Virginia Tech. Loria, who started every game at safety from 1965-67, rapidly established himself as one of Tech's all-time greats with his uncanny ability to diagnose plays and pass patterns. He played every defensive play of his sophomore season. During his junior year, he helped the Hokies to the Liberty Bowl and earned first-team All-America honors from The Associated Press and the Football Writers Association. As a senior in 1967, Loria became Tech's first consensus All-American, making seven first-team All-America squads. He also was named a first-team Academic All-American. Loria finished his Tech career with seven interceptions and still holds Tech records for most touchdowns on punt returns for a season (3) and career (4) and the best punt return average for a career (13.3 ypr). His 95-yard punt return for a touchdown against Miami in 1967 is still the longest in school history. After his playing career, Loria joined the coaching staff at Marshall University where he became the offensive coordinator. In 1970, at age 23, he died in an airplane tragedy that claimed the lives of the Marshall football team and staff. He was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame on Dec. 7, 1999.



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BRUCE SMITH

Known as "The Sack Man" of Virginia Tech football and hailed by thunderous roars of "BRUUUUUCE" during games at Lane Stadium, Bruce Smith capped his sensational college career in 1984 as the most honored player in Hokie history at the time. As a Tech player, Smith had a career total of 71 tackles behind the line of scrimmage for losses totaling more than five times the length of a football field (504 yards). Smith had 46 career quarterback sacks, including 22 during his junior season in 1983 when he was named first-team All-America by Kodak (coaches) and the Newspaper Enterprise Association. In 1984, the Norfolk, Va., native won the Outland Trophy as America's top lineman and was a consensus All-American. Smith was the No. 1 player picked in the 1985 National Football League draft. During a 15-year career with the Buffalo Bills, he established himself as one of the greatest defensive players ever to play the game. Smith signed with the Washington Redskins before the 2000 season and is still a force to reckon with in the NFL.



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JIM PYNE

Center Jim Pyne became Virginia Tech's first unanimous All-American when he made all five major teams that were selected in 1993. Pyne clinched the unanimous vote when he made The Associated Press team. He had already become the Hokies' third consensus All-American by making teams picked by the Football Writers of America, the Walter Camp Foundation, United Press International and the Coaches' Association for Kodak. In addition to All-America honors, Pyne was named winner of the Dudley Award as Virginia's Player of the Year. During his four seasons at Tech, he established himself as one of the Hokies' top linemen of all time, leading the charge for the 1993 team that rewrote the school record books for scoring and total offense. Pyne started 35 consecutive games and 41 of the 42 Tech games in which he played. He allowed just one quarterback sack by the man he was assigned to block during more than 2,700 career snaps. Pyne spent nine seasons as an NFL lineman.



RETIRED FOOTBALL JERSEYS

Last season, the Virginia Tech athletics department developed a new policy on retiring jerseys. This special honor is bestowed to acknowledge an individual

who has won an established national award in their sport, while allowing the number to continue to be worn by others. Tech will no longer retire numbers.

In 2002, three football jerseys were retired in ceremonies at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

The jersey of Michael Vick was retired Sept. 1 prior to

the LSU game, Frank Beamer's jersey was retired Sept. 12, prior to the Marshall game, and Cornell Brown's was retired on Nov. 20, during the West Virginia game.



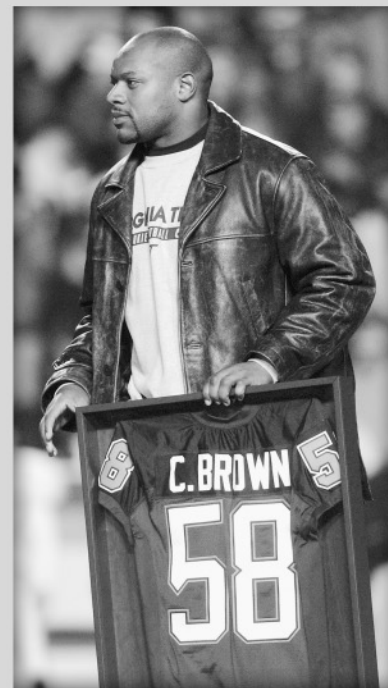
FRANK BEAMER

Winner of eight national coach of the year awards following the 1999 season



MICHAEL VICK

Winner of the 2000 ESPY as College Football's Performer of the Year



CORNELL BROWN

Named the Football News 1995 National Defensive Player of the Year



Coach Frank Beamer addresses the crowd at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field during a Sept. 12, 2002 ceremony retiring his jersey.

THE OUTLAND TROPHY

Bruce Smith was named college football's top lineman in 1984

Bruce Smith, "The Sack Man" of Virginia Tech football, capped his sensational college career in 1984 by winning the Outland Trophy as America's top lineman.

The big announcement was made by Wilt Browning at a press luncheon in Tech's Bowman Room. Browning, a sports columnist of *The Greensboro Daily News* and a committee member of the Football Writers' Association of America, began by reading a long list of former Outland Trophy winners. He then said, "Add to that list today, the 1984 winner — Bruce Smith of Virginia Tech."

Smith, bright and articulate, was at his very best as he answered newsmen's questions that day.

What about the double-teaming and triple-teaming he received from opposing blockers throughout his senior season?

"Oh, it didn't bother me that much," Smith replied. "I took it as a compliment. But it did upset my mother."

Reporting in *The Roanoke Times & World News*, Bill Brill wrote: "The human side of Smith was reflected at the news conference. Not many collegians feel comfortable behind a microphone, but Bruce not only handled himself with aplomb, he also demonstrated the qualities that make him a special person."

Browning explained how the nine-member Outland committee selected Smith as the nation's top lineman. The



Greensboro writer said a factor that influenced his decision to vote for Smith was a release that quoted opposing coaches and players about the Hokie tackle. "The one thing though, that stuck in my mind was the statistic on his tackles for losses," Browning

said. "In four years at Virginia Tech, he accounted for losses totaling more than five times the length of a football field (504 yards). That's amazing."

Smith was a consensus All-American and was the first Virginian to win one of the national awards (including the Heisman and the Lombardi).

WHAT FOOTBALL PEOPLE WERE SAYING ABOUT BRUCE:

"Bruce Smith is a man eater. In my years in coaching college football, I don't remember a defensive lineman who is more difficult to block."

— *Al Groh, Wake Forest coach*

"There is no question that Bruce Smith is the premier pass rusher in college football."

— *Don Nehlen, West Virginia coach*

"Smith and I talked about my family, his family, world affairs, just about everything. We had plenty of time to get to know each other. He spent the afternoon with me. I've played against a lot of great defensive players and Smith has got to be one of the best, if not the best."

— *Ben Bennett, Duke quarterback*

"I've never seen anyone like Bruce Smith in college. He's the best pass rusher in my time."

— *Wally English, Tulane coach*

"Smith is a one-man wrecking crew."

— *Billy Reed, The Louisville (Ky.) Courier-Journal*



LOMBARDI & NAGURSKI AWARDS



Corey Moore won two top trophies in 1999

When Corey Moore first came to the Virginia Tech campus, all people saw was a guy who had been labeled as “too small” his whole life. What they ended up getting was one of the best defensive ends to ever play the position in college football.

In his first year as a starter, he was named the BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Year after posting 13.5 sacks and 69 tackles. He followed that campaign up with a senior season people will be talking about for years to come. The Brownsville, Tenn., native recorded 17.0 sacks and 11 tackles for loss.

In three years on campus, Moore amassed 35.0 sacks for losses totaling 292 yards. He also left town as the most decorated player ever to put on the Hokie uniform. He won the 1999 Bronko Nagurski Award as college football’s defensive player of the year. Moore also

won the 1999 Lombardi Award as college football’s lineman of the year. He became Tech’s second-ever unanimous All-American, joining Jim Pyne. Moore won the Dudley Award as the top college player in Virginia, the BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Year award again and was selected as *Football News*’ Defensive Player of the Year.

But through all of the awards and accolades, Moore always stayed humble, directing the spotlight toward his teammates.

“I’m very uncomfortable with all of the attention, but I don’t want to be rude,” Moore said. “I just think it’s unfortunate that everyone wants to throw all the attention on me when the defensive line as a whole deserves the attention.”

Moore will always be remembered as a terror on the field and the exact opposite off the field.

“Corey Moore is a special player,” Coach Frank Beamer said, “but more importantly, he is a great person.”

At 6-foot, 225 pounds, Moore was constantly questioned about his size, but his heart and athleticism more

than made up for that. Despite being double and even triple-teamed most of his senior year, Moore was a wrecking ball on the top-rated defense in America and helped lead the Hokies to their first 11-0 regular season.

WHAT FOOTBALL PEOPLE WERE SAYING ABOUT COREY:

“Moore is everything he’s built up to be ... We couldn’t stop the guy. Good players like that will themselves in the fourth quarter to make big plays.”

— Tommy Bowden, Clemson coach

“He has the speed of a cornerback. This is the fastest potential (NFL) speed linebacker I ever remember.”

— Charlie Casserly, former general manager of the Washington Redskins

“I’ve seen no better. This guy is just unbelievable. This guy is Superman.”

— Lee Corso, ESPN analyst

“He was almost on me as fast as I got the ball.”

— Brandon Streeeter, Clemson quarterback

HOKIE ALL-STARS

BLUE-GRAY ALL-STAR CLASSIC

Montgomery, Alabama

1939 H.W. Gosney
1954 Tom Petty, E
1954 George Preas, L
1954 Howie Wright, HB
1954 Frank Mosely, Coach
1955 Jack Prater, C
1958 Billy Holsclaw, QB
1959 Carroll Dale, SE
1963 Jake Adams, E
1964 Bob Schweickert, QB
1964 Sonny Utz, FB
1964 Jerry Claiborne, Coach
1967 Donald Thacker, DE
1969 Mike Widger, LB
1970 Jack Simcsak, P
1972 Mike Burnop, TE
1972 Don Strock, QB
1972 Craig Valentine, WR
1972 Charlie Coffey, Coach
1975 Phil Rogers, RB
1976 Tom Beasley, DL
1978 Gene Bunn, CB
1979 Kenny Lewis, RB
1979 Doug McDougald, DL
1979 Bill Dooley, Coach
1982 Padro Phillips, DT
1983 Mike Johnson, LB
1983 Mike Shaw, TE
1983 Bill Dooley, Coach
1984 Ashley Lee, FS
1984 Jesse Penn, DE
1984 Bruce Smith, DE
1987 Carter Wiley, S
1989 Roger Brown, CB
1991 William Boatwright, OL
1991 Will Furrer, QB
1991 Frank Beamer, Coach
1992 Vaughn Hebron, RB



Derrius Monroe and Emmett Johnson at the 2002 Rotary Gridiron Classic in Orlando, Fla.

EAST-WEST SHRINE FOOTBALL CLASSIC

Palo Alto, California

1967 Frank Loria, DB
1969 Jerry Green, OT
1980 Doug McDougald, DL
1994 Tyronne Drakeford, CB
1995 Ken Brown, OLB
1995 Antonio Freeman, WR
1998 Marcus Parker, FB
1998 Shawn Scales, WR
1999 Pierson Prioleau, S
2002 Ben Taylor, LB
2002 David Pugh, DT
2003 Willie Pile, FS
2003 Ronyell Whitaker, CB

ROTARY GRIDIRON CLASSIC

Orlando, Florida

1999 Loren Johnson, CB
1999 Pierson Prioleau, S
2000 Carl Bradley, DT
2000 Anthony Midget, CB/S
2000 Jamel Smith, LB
2002 Chad Beasley, DT
2002 Derrius Monroe, DE
2002 Emmett Johnson, WR

HULA BOWL MAUI ALL-STAR FOOTBALL CLASSIC

Honolulu, Hawaii

1968 Frank Loria, DB
1973 Don Strock, QB
1982 Robert Brown, DE
1992 Eugene Chung, OG
1992 Damian Russell, FS
1994 Jim Pyne, OL
1995 Ken Brown, LB
1998 Ken Oxendine, RB
1998 Shawn Scales, WR
1999 Pierson Prioleau, S
2000 Jimmy Kibble, P/PK
2001 Matt Lehr, OG
2001 Dave Kadela, OT
2001 Frank Beamer, Coach

SENIOR BOWL

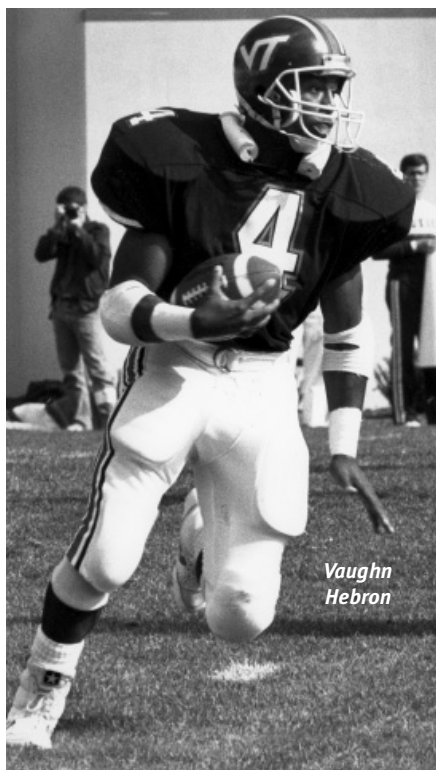
Mobile, Alabama

1956 Jim Locke, T
1960 Carroll Dale, E
1961 Allen Whittier, T
1961 Mike Zeno, G
1964 Jake Adams, E
1965 Bob Schweickert, B
1965 Sonny Utz, B
1968 Ken Barefoot, E
1985 Joe Jones, TE
1992 Eugene Chung, OL
1992 John Granby, DB
1992 Will Furrer, QB
1992 Damian Russell, DB
1994 Tyronne Drakeford, DB
1994 Jim Pyne, OL
1995 Antonio Freeman, WR
1996 J.C. Price, DL
1997 Cornell Brown, DL
1997 Jim Druckenmiller, QB
1997 Torrian Gray, DB
1997 Jay Hagood, OL
1998 Todd Washington, OL
1999 Derek Smith, OL
2000 Shayne Graham, PK
2000 Corey Moore, DE
2000 Nathaniel Williams, DT
2001 Cory Bird, DB
2003 Anthony Davis, OT

ALL-SOUTHERN CONFERENCE HONORS

Virginia Tech's All-Southern Conference football players from 1933-1964:

1933 — Red Negri, end; Al Casey, back
1934 — Dave Thomas, end
1935 — Herman "Foots" Dickerson, fullback
1946 — John Maskas, tackle
1951 — Second team: Ki Luczak, center
1952 — Second team: Buzz Nutter, linebacker
1953 — Second team: George Preas, tackle; Harold Grizzard, guard
1954 — First team: Tom Petty, end; George Preas, tackle;
Dickie Beard, back;
Second team: Howie Wright, back
1955 — First team: Jim Locke, guard; Jack Prater, center;
Second team: Grover Jones, end; Dickie Beard, back
1956 — First team: Jimmy Lugar, back;
Second team: Grover Jones, end; John Hall, center;
Bobby Wolfenden, back
1957 — Second team: Carroll Dale, end; Jim Burks, tackle;
Corbin Bailey, back
1958 — First team: Carroll Dale, end; Billy Holsclaw, back;
Second team: Jim Burks, tackle; Nick Mihalas, center
1959 — First team: Carroll Dale, end; Mike Zeno, guard; Alger Pugh, back;
Second team: Bernie Vishneski, tackle
1960 — First team: Allen Whittier, tackle; Mike Zeno, guard;
Second team: Don Oakes, tackle; Warren Price, back
1961 — First team: Gene Breen, tackle;
Second team: Joe Moss, tackle; Warren Price, back
1962 — First team: Newt Green, guard;
Second team: Kyle Albright, end
1963 — First team: Gene Breen, tackle; Newt Green, guard; Bob Schweickert, back; Sonny Utz, back;
Second team: Tommy Marvin, end
1964 — First team: Tommy Marvin, end; Bob Schweickert, back; Sonny Utz, back;
Second team: Ken Whitley, linebacker



Vaughn Hebron



Buzz Nutter, an All-Southern Conference linebacker at Tech as well as an offensive lineman, went on to star in the NFL.

TECH SPORTS HALL OF FAME

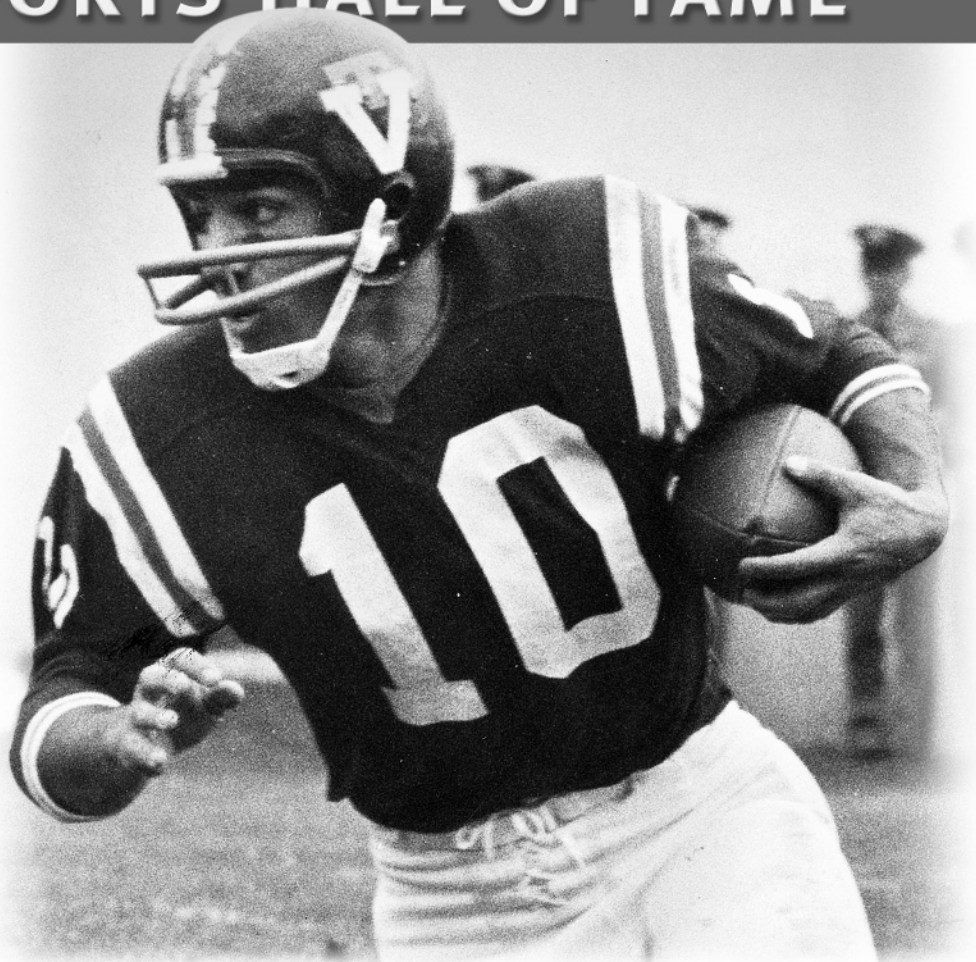
The Virginia Tech Sports Hall of Fame was established in 1982 to honor and preserve the memory of athletes, coaches, administrators and staff members who have made outstanding contributions to athletics at the university. A total of 111 individuals have been inducted to the Tech Hall of Fame during special annual ceremonies held each fall. Following is a list of the inductees. Although many of the athletes competed in more than one sport, only their primary sport(s) is listed.

1982

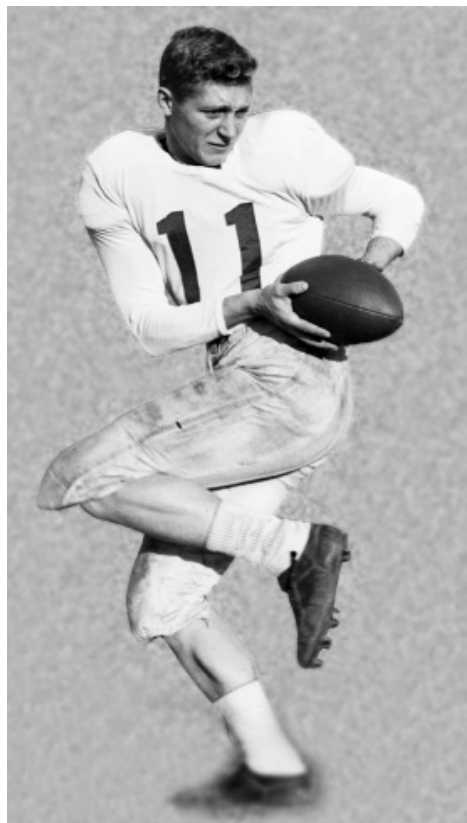
- Hunter Carpenter Football
- Carroll Dale Football
- Frank Loria Football
- C.P. Miles Football, Coach,
Administrator
- Frank Moseley Football Coach,
Administrator
- Chris Smith Basketball

1983

- G.F. (Red) Laird Baseball Coach
- H.M. McEver Football, Coach,
Administrator
- Johnny Oates Baseball
- Frank Peake Football
- George Preas Football
- Bob Schweickert Football



Safety Frank Loria was Tech's first consensus All-American and a charter member of the Tech Sports Hall of Fame.



Leo Burke

1984

- Allan Bristow Basketball
- Paul (Buddy) Dear Baseball,
Basketball
- William (Monk) Younger Football,
Coach, Administrator

1985

- Leo Burke Football, Baseball
- Tim Collins Golf
- Madison (Buzz) Nutter Football
- Don Strock Football
- John Wetzel Basketball

1986

- Harry Bushkar Basketball, Baseball
- Mel Henry Football, Basketball,
Baseball
- George Parrish Football, Basketball
- Henry Redd Football,
Coach
- Howie Wright Football, Baseball

1987

- Dickie Beard Football
- Glen Combs Basketball
- Hank Crisp Football
- Ed Motley Trainer
- Sonny Utz Football

1988

- Tom Beasley Football
- Dr. Wilson Bell Baseball
- Brandon Glover Wrestling
- Mike Widger Football

1989

- George Foussekis Football
- Stuart Johnson Track
- Leland (Lee) Melear Basketball,
Baseball
- Herb Thomas Football

1990

- Bob Ayersman Basketball
- Bill Buchanan Tennis, Coach,
Staff
- Jack Burrows Tennis
- Dick Esleeck Football, Coach
- Jerry Gaines Track
- Bill Grossmann Swimming
- Ken Whitley Football, Wrestling

1991

- Mac Banks Track
- Al Casey Football
- Lewis Mills Basketball
- Joe Moran Football
- Wendy Weisend Sports Information

1992

William Grinus, Jr. Football
 Earl (Bus) Hall Basketball
 H.V. (Byrd) Hooper Football,
 Baseball
 James Franklin Powell Football,
 Baseball
 Keith Neff Track
 Howard Pardue Basketball
 Franklin Stubbs Baseball

1993

Lucy Hawk Banks Track
 Roy Beskin Tennis
 Bucky Keller Basketball
 Bill Matthews Basketball,
 Coach,
 Administrator
 Jack Prater Football,
 Coach,
 Administrator

1994

Milton Andes Wrestling
 Richard Bullock Team Physician
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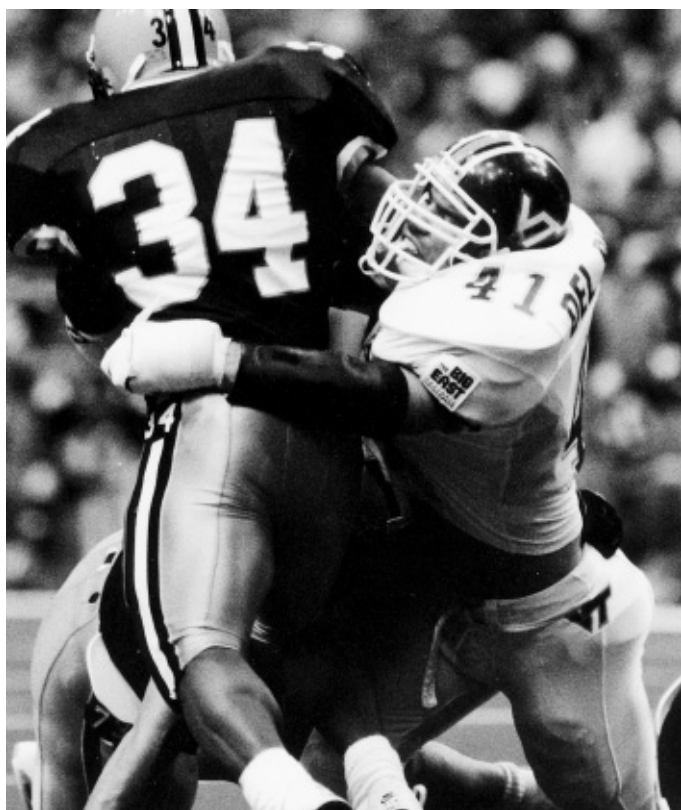
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TECH COACHING RECORDS

(Listed in order of number of victories)

Name	Seasons	W	L	T	Pct.	Years
Frank Beamer	16	117	69	2	.628	1987-
Bill Dooley	9	†64	37	1	.632	1978-86
Jerry Claiborne	10	61	39	2	.608	1961-70
Frank Moseley	10	54	42	4	.560	1951-60
H.B. Redd	9	43	37	8	.534	1932-40
Branch Bocock	6	34	14	2	.680	1909-10; 1912-15
Ben Cabbage	5	30	12	6	.688	1921-25
Andy Gustafson	4	22	13	1	.625	1926-29
Jimmy Sharpe	4	21	22	1	.489	1974-77
Charles Bernier	3	18	6	1	.740	1917-19
C.P. Miles	2	14	3	2	.737	1905-06
James Kitts	3	13	13	3	.500	1941; 1946-47
Charlie Coffey	3	12	20	1	.379	1971-73
A.C. Jones	2	9	4	1	.679	1895-96
H.M. McEver §	2	9	8	1	.528	1942, '45
O.E. Neale	2	8	7	3	.528	1930-31
C.R. Williams	1	7	2	0	.778	1907
Jack Ingersell	1	7	2	0	.778	1916
A.B. Morrison, Jr.	1	6	1	0	.857	1901
L.W. Reiss	1	6	1	2	.778	1911
C.A. Lueder	1	5	1	0	.833	1903
Charles Firth	1	5	2	0	.714	1897
John C. O'Conner	1	5	3	0	.625	1904
R.M. Brown	1	5	4	0	.556	1908
J.A. Massie	1	4	1	0	.800	1894
James Morrison	1	4	1	0	.800	1899
Stanley Sutton	1	4	6	0	.400	1920
J.L. Ingles	1	3	2	0	.600	1898
R.R. Brown	1	3	2	1	.583	1902
Dr. Davis	1	3	3	1	.500	1900
E.A. Smyth	2	1	3	0	.250	1892-93
Robert McNeish	3	1	25	3	.086	1948-50

† Includes a forfeit by Temple during the 1986 season.

§ Shared head coaching duties with S.D. Tilson in 1942 when team finished 7-2-1.

COACHES, CAPTAINS & RECORDS

Coach	Year	(W-L-T)	Captain(s)	Coach	Year	(W-L-T)	Captain(s)
E.A. Smyth	1892	(1-1-0)	W.E. Anderson	Jerry Claiborne	1967	(7-3-0)	Bob Griffith, Frank Loria
E.A. Smyth	1893	(0-2-0)	S.V. Lovenstein	Jerry Claiborne	1968	(7-4-0)	Frank Beamer, Ron Davidson, Waddey Harvey
J.A. Massie	1894	(4-1-0)	T.D. Martin	Jerry Claiborne	1969	(4-5-1)	Jerry Green, Pete Dawyot, Steve Bocko
A.C. Jones	1895	(4-2-0)	J.L. Ingles	Jerry Claiborne	1970	(5-6-0)	Jim Pigninelli, Perry Tiberio
A.C. Jones	1896	(5-2-1)	J.L. Ingles	Charlie Coffey	1971	(4-7-0)	Game Captains
Charles Firth	1897	(5-2-0)	H.A. Johnson	Charlie Coffey	1972	(6-4-1)	Game Captains
J.L. Ingles	1898	(3-2-0)	C.M. Wood	Charlie Coffey	1973	(2-9-0)	Game Captains
Dr. James Morrison	1899	(4-1-0)	W.F. Cox	Jimmy Sharpe	1974	(4-7-0)	Randy Vey, Charlie Martin
Dr. Davis	1900	(3-3-1)	J.B. Huffard	Jimmy Sharpe	1975	(8-3-0)	Doug Thacker, Phil Rogers
Dr. A.B. Morrison, Jr.	1901	(6-1-0)	C.J.B. DeCamps	Jimmy Sharpe	1976	(6-5-0)	Paul Adams, Mitcheal Barnes, Tom Beasley
R.R. Brown	1902	(3-2-1)	C.H. Carpenter	Jimmy Sharpe	1977	(3-7-1)	Rick Razzano, Roscoe Coles, Bill Houseright, George Roberts
Dr. C.A. Lueder	1903	(5-1-0)	C.P. Miles	Bill Dooley	1978	(4-7-0)	Dennis Scott, Chip Keatley
J.C. O'Connor	1904	(5-3-0)	G.C. Wilson	Bill Dooley	1979	(5-6-0)	Kenny Lewis, Mickey Fitzgerald, Mike Faulkner, Danny Hill
C.P. Miles	1905	(9-1-0)	T.W. Lewis	Bill Dooley	1980	(8-4-0)	Sidney Snell, Paul Davis, Lewis Stuart
C.P. Miles	1906	(5-2-2)	J.A. Nutter	Bill Dooley	1981	(7-4-0)	Steve Casey, Robert Brown
C.R. Williams	1907	(7-2-0)	C.E. Diffendal	Bill Dooley	1982	(7-4-0)	Padro Phillips, Rick Miley, Mark Udinski
R.M. Brown	1908	(5-4-0)	Joe Luttrell	Bill Dooley	1983	(9-2-0)	Mike Johnson, Tony Paige
Branch Bocock	1909	(6-1-0)	E.R. Hodgson	Bill Dooley	1984	(8-4-0)	Ashley Lee, Bruce Smith, Joe Jones
Branch Bocock	1910	(6-2-0)	V.B. Hodgson	Bill Dooley	1985	(6-5-0)	Kent Thomas, Rainer Coleman
L.W. Reiss	1911	(6-1-2)	A.G. Gibbs	Bill Dooley	1986	(10-1-1)*	Maurice Williams, Curtis Taliaferro
Branch Bocock	1912	(5-4-0)	W.H. Burruss	Frank Beamer	1987	(2-9-0)	Erik Chapman, Steve Johnson, Kevin Keeffe, Carter Wiley
Branch Bocock	1913	(7-1-1)	L.A. Pick	Frank Beamer	1988	(3-8-0)	Todd Grantham, Randy Cockrell, Scott Hill, Horacio Moronta, Bobby Martin
Branch Bocock	1914	(6-2-1)	M.F. Peak, Jr.	Frank Beamer	1989	(6-4-1)	Scott Hill, Randy Cockrell, Bobby Martin, Brian McCall
Branch Bocock	1915	(4-4-0)	V.F. Dixon	Frank Beamer	1990	(6-5-0)	Nick Cullen, Jimmy Whitten, Archie Hopkins, Al Chamblee
Jack Ingersell	1916	(7-2-0)	J.S. Caffee	Frank Beamer	1991	(5-6)	Phil Bryant, Eugene Chung, William Boatwright, Wooster Pack
Charles Bernier	1917	(6-2-1)	H.T. Parrish	Frank Beamer	1992	(2-8-1)	Mark Poindexter, Rusty Pendleton, Melendez Byrd, Jerome Preston
Charles Bernier	1918	(7-0-0)	H. Crisp, D. Roden	Frank Beamer	1993	(9-3)	Jim Pyne, Tyronne Drakford, John Burke, Joe Swarm, Bernard Basham
Charles Bernier	1919	(5-4-0)	J.T. Hardwick	Frank Beamer	1994	(8-4)	Ken Brown, Maurice DeShazo, Antonio Freeman, Damien McMahon, Ranall White
Stanley Sutton	1920	(4-6-0)	H.B. Redd	Frank Beamer	1995	(10-2)	J.C. Price, George DelRicco, Hank Coleman, Mike Bianchin, Jermaine Holmes
Ben Cubbage	1921	(7-3-0)	S.D. Tilson	Frank Beamer	1996	(10-2)	Jim Druckenmiller, Billy Conaty, Myron Newsome, Cornell Brown, Waverly Jackson, Brandon Semones
Ben Cubbage	1922	(8-1-1)	H.J. Hardwick	Frank Beamer	1997	(7-5)	Gennaro DiNapoli, Kerwin Hairston, Ken Oxendine, Marcus Parker, Steve Tate, Todd Washington
Ben Cubbage	1923	(6-3-0)	H.M. Sutton	Frank Beamer	1998	(9-3)	Al Clark, Pierson Prioleau, Keion Carpenter, Derek Smith, Dwight Vick
Ben Cubbage	1924	(4-2-3)	S.O. Graham	Frank Beamer	1999	(11-1)	Corey Moore, Keith Short, Michael Hawkes, Anthony Midget, John Engelberger
Ben Cubbage	1925	(5-3-2)	J.H. Moran	Frank Beamer	2000	(11-1)	Cory Bird, Matt Lehr, Phillip Summers, André Kendrick, Dave Meyer
Andy Gustafson	1926	(5-3-1)	J.H. Moran	Frank Beamer	2001	(8-4)	Ben Taylor, Jarrett Ferguson, Chad Beasley, André Davis
Andy Gustafson	1927	(5-4-0)	V.E. Miles	Frank Beamer	2002	(10-4)	Shawn Witten, Anthony Davis, Willie Pile, Lee Suggs
Andy Gustafson	1928	(7-2-0)	A.E. Bailey				
Andy Gustafson	1929	(5-4-0)	L.B. Nutter				
O.E. Neale	1930	(5-3-1)	H.V. Hooper				
O.E. Neale	1931	(3-4-2)	C.E. Brown				
H.B. Redd	1932	(8-1-0)	W. Grinus, Jr.				
H.B. Redd	1933	(4-3-3)	Bill Porterfield				
H.B. Redd	1934	(5-5-0)	George Smith				
H.B. Redd	1935	(4-3-2)	Louis Fittro				
H.B. Redd	1936	(5-5-0)	Dave Jones				
H.B. Redd	1937	(5-5-0)	C.L. Shockey				
H.B. Redd	1938	(3-5-2)	Frank Pierce				
H.B. Redd	1939	(4-5-1)	Dave Pitts, Jim Coleman				
H.B. Redd	1940	(5-5-0)	John Henderson, William Zydiak				
J.R. Kitts	1941	(6-4-0)	William M. Tate				
H.M. McEver	1942	(7-2-1)	W. James, S.D. Tilson				
H.M. McEver	1945	(2-6-0)	Floyd Bowles				
James Kitts	1946	(3-4-3)	Elmer Wilson				
James Kitts	1947	(4-5-0)	Bill Barbour, Bobby Smith				
Robert McNeish	1948	(0-8-1)	Tom Burns, Oren Hopkins				
Robert McNeish	1949	(1-7-2)	Jack Ittner, Bruce Fisher				
Robert McNeish	1950	(0-10-0)	Ron Casto				
Frank Moseley	1951	(2-8-0)	(none)				
Frank Moseley	1952	(5-6-0)	(none)				
Frank Moseley	1953	(5-5-0)	(none)				
Frank Moseley	1954	(8-0-1)	Billy Kerfoot, Howie Wright				
Frank Moseley	1955	(6-3-1)	Dickie Beard, Jack Prater				
Frank Moseley	1956	(7-2-1)	Don Divers				
Frank Moseley	1957	(4-6-0)	Corbin Bailey				
Frank Moseley	1958	(5-4-1)	Jim Burks				
Frank Moseley	1959	(6-4-0)	Carroll Dale				
Frank Moseley	1960	(6-4-0)	Allen Whittier				
Jerry Claiborne	1961	(4-5-0)	Terry Strock, Joe Moss				
Jerry Claiborne	1962	(5-5-0)	Dave Gillespie, Aster Sizemore				
Jerry Claiborne	1963	(8-2-0)	Gene Breen, Newt Green				
Jerry Claiborne	1964	(6-4-0)	Vic Kreiter, Darrell Page, Bob Schweickert				
Jerry Claiborne	1965	(7-3-0)	Billy Edwards, Bobby Owens, Mike Saunders				
Jerry Claiborne	1966	(8-2-1)	Dave Farmer, Tommy Groom, Sands Woody				

* Includes a forfeit by Temple.

YEAR-BY-YEAR SCORES & RESULTS

1890s

1892 (1-1)

Coach: E.A. Smyth

O 21 hW 14-10 St. Albans
O 29 aL 0-10 St. Albans
VT 14-20

1893 (0-2)

Coach: E.A. Smyth

O 21 aL 0-6 Emory & Henry
N 11 nL7 6-34 Randolph-Macon
VT 6-40

1894 (4-1)

Coach: Joseph Massie

O 20 hW 16-0 Emory & Henry
O 29 hW 36-0 Roanoke College
N 10 hW 42-0 St. Albans
N 17 aW 12-0 St. Albans
N 30 nL8 6-10 VMI
VT 112-10

1895 (4-2)

Coach: A.C. Jones

O 05 aL 0-38 Virginia
O 12 hW 12-0 St. Albans
O 26 aW 30-0 W&L
N 09 aW 16-2 Roanoke YMCA
N 16 nL9 5-32 UNC
N 28 nW3 6-4 VMI
VT 69-76

1896 (5-2-1)

Coach: A.C. Jones

O 10 hW 20-0 Alleghany Inst.
O 20 hW 12-0 Roanoke College
O 24 nT10 0-0 UNC
O 31 aL 0-44 Virginia
N 02 nW3 46-0 Hampden-Sydney
N 14 aL 4-6 Tennessee
N 16 nW11 52-0 Maryville College
N 26 nW1 24-0 VMI
VT 158-50

1897 (5-2)

Coach: Charles Firth

O 16 hW 54-0 King College
O 30 nW10 4-0 UNC
N 02 hW 41-0 Roanoke College
N 06 nL4 4-18 Maryland
N 13 aW 36-0 Richmond
N 15 aW 10-0 Hampden-Sydney
N 25 nL1 0-18 Tennessee
VT 149-36

1898 (3-2)

Coach: J. Lewis Ingles

N 04 nL5 6-28 UNC
N 05 aW 17-0 Guilford
N 07 nL3 0-23 Maryland
N 11 hW 58-0 King College
N 12 hW 29-0 Bellevue
VT 110-51

1899 (4-1)

Coach: James Morrison

O 13 hW 21-0 St. Albans
O 27 aW 5-0 Tennessee
N 11 aL 0-28 Virginia
N 18 nW1 45-0 Roanoke College
N 25 nW1 35-0 W&L
VT 106-28

E.R. Hodgson was a captain of the 1909 Tech squad.

1900s

1900 (3-3-1)

Coach: Dr. Davis

O 06 hW 21-0 St. Albans
O 20 aW 16-6 St. Albans
O 25 aW 18-2 N.C. State
O 27 aT 0-0 UNC
N 14 aL 5-17 Virginia
N 24 nL9 5-12 Clemson
N 25 nL1 0-5 VMI
VT 65-42

1901 (6-1)

Coach: A.B. Morrison

S 28 aW 16-0 Roanoke College
O 12 hW 11-0 W&L
O 19 aW 32-6 Georgetown
O 26 hL 0-16 Virginia
O 31 nW12 17-11 Clemson
N 16 nW2 18-0 Maryland
N 28 nW4 21-0 VMI
VT 115-33

1902 (3-2-1)

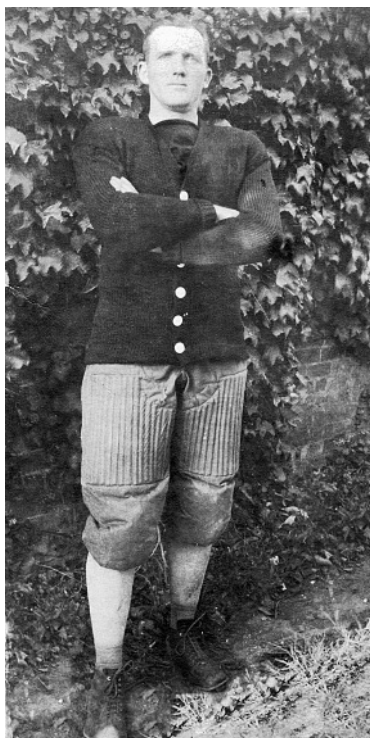
Coach: R.R. Brown

O 11 nL3 0-6 W&L
O 18 hW 11-6 N.C. State
O 25 nT1 0-0 UNC
N 08 hW 28-0 Georgetown
N 15 aL 0-6 Virginia
N 27 nW4 50-5 VMI
VT 89-23

1903 (5-1)

Coach: C. A. Lueder

O 14 hW 29-0 St. Albans
O 17 hW 21-0 N.C. State
O 24 nL2 0-21 Virginia
N 07 nW4 21-0 UNC
N 21 aW 11-0 Navy
N 25 nW1 26-0 Davidson
VT 108-21



Virginia Tech's first football team opened play on Oct. 21, 1892 with a 14-10 win over St. Albans.

1904 (5-3)

Coach: John O'Connor

O 01 hW 18-0 Richmond
O 07 hW 24-0 W&L
O 12 hW 32-0 Nashville
O 22 hW 30-0 Wm & Mary
O 29 hL 0-6 UNC
N 05 nL2 0-5 Virginia
N 19 aL 0-11 Navy
N 24 nW1 17-5 VMI
VT 121-27

1905 (9-1)

Coach: C.P. Miles

S 30 hW 86-0 Roanoke College
O 06 hW 12-0 Cumberland
O 14 aW 16-6 Army
O 21 hW 56-0 Gallaudet
O 28 nW2 35-6 UNC
N 04 aW 11-0 Virginia
N 11 hW 15-0 W&L
N 18 nW1 34-0 South Carolina
N 25 aL 6-12 Navy
N 30 nW2 34-0 VMI
VT 305-24

1906 (5-2-2)

Coach: C.P. Miles

O 06 nW1 12-0 Wm & Mary
O 08 hW 28-0 Wm & Mary
O 13 aT 0-0 Clemson
O 27 nT2 0-0 UNC
N 03 hW 18-0 Roanoke College
N 10 nL4 0-10 Bucknell
N 17 hW 10-0 Davidson
N 24 aL 0-5 Navy
N 29 nW2 6-0 N.C. State
VT 74-15

1907 (7-2)

Coach: C.R. Williams

O 05 hW 33-0 Roanoke College
O 12 hW 18-0 Hampden-Sydney
O 19 nW3 5-0 W&L
O 20 nL1 5-12 Davidson
N 02 nW2 20-0 Georgetown
N 09 nW1 22-0 VMI
N 16 hW 34-0 G-W
N 23 aL 0-12 Navy
N 28 nW2 20-6 UNC
VT 157-30

1908 (5-4)

Coach: R.M. Brown

O 03 hW 50-0 Hampden-Sydney
O 10 aW 6-0 Clemson
O 17 aL 4-10 Princeton
O 24 nW1 10-0 VMI
O 31 nW3 15-4 W&L
N 10 nW2 10-0 UNC
N 14 hL 0-6 G-W
N 21 aL 4-15 Navy
N 26 nL4 5-6 N.C. State
VT 104-41

1909 (6-1)

Coach: Branch Bocock

O 02 hW 6-0 Clemson
O 13 aL 6-8 Princeton
O 23 aW 52-0 Richmond
O 30 nW3 34-6 W&L
N 06 nW2 15-0 UNC
N 13 aW 17-8 G-W
N 25 nW4 18-5 N.C. State
VT 148-27

1910s

1910 (6-2)

Coach: Branch Bocock

O 01 hW 18-0 Hampden-Sydney
O 05 hW 16-6 Davidson
O 15 hW 13-0 Western Md.
O 22 aL 0-3 Navy
O 29 nW1 23-0 W&L
N 05 nW2 20-0 UNC
N 12 nL3 16-5 G-W
N 24 nL4 3-5 N.C. State
VT 109-19

1911 (6-1-2)

Coach: L.W. Reiss

S 30 hW 16-0 Hampden-Sydney
O 06 nW4 12-0 Maryland
O 14 aL 0-33 Yale
O 21 hW 94-0 Roanoke College
O 28 nT1 5-5 W&L
N 04 nT2 0-0 UNC
N 11 hW 36-11 Tennessee
N 18 hW 10-3 Morris Harvey
N 30 nW4 3-0 N.C. State
VT 176-52

1912 (5-4)

Coach: Branch Bocock

S 30	hW	40- 0	Roanoke College
O 05	hW	42- 7	Hampden-Sydney
O 12	aL	0-31	Princeton
O 19	hW	44- 0	Western Md.
O 26	nW19	26- 0	UNC
N 02	nL	0-10	MCV
N 09	nL1	6-20	W&L
N 16	hW	41- 0	West Virginia
N 28	aL	3-24	Georgetown
			VT 202-92

1913 (7-1-1)

Coach: Branch Bocock

S 27	hW	26- 0	Roanoke College
O 04	hW	14- 0	Hampden-Sydney
O 11	hW	34-13	Mississippi
O 18	hW	20-12	VPI Stars
O 25	nW5	14- 7	UNC
N 01	nL1	0-21	W&L
N 08	hW	47- 0	Marshall
N 15	hW	14- 0	Morris Harvey
N 27	nT1	6- 6	VMI
			VT 175-59

1914 (6-2-1)

Coach: Branch Bocock

S 26	hW	35- 0	King College
O 03	hW	13- 0	Randolph-Macon
O 10	hW	22- 0	Hampden-Sydney
O 17	nL16	0-13	W. Va. Wesleyan
O 24	hT	7- 7	Roanoke College
O 31	nL1	6- 7	W&L
N 07	hW	54- 6	Marshall
N 14	nW1	3- 0	N.C. State
N 26	nW1	3- 0	VMI
			VT 143-33

1915 (4-4)

Coach: Branch Bocock

S 26	hW	26- 0	Roanoke College
O 02	hW	19- 3	Randolph-Macon
O 09	hW	19- 0	Hampden-Sydney
O 16	nL1	0-13	W&L
O 23	aL	0-20	Navy
O 30	aL	0-45	Cornell
N 13	aL	0-19	West Virginia
N 25	nW1	27- 9	VMI
			VT 91-109

1916 (7-2)

Coach: Jack Ingersoll

S 30	hW	13- 0	Richmond
O 07	hW	10- 0	Hampden-Sydney
O 14	nL16	0-20	West Virginia
O 20	aL	0-19	Yale
O 28	nW4	40- 0	N.C. State
N 04	nW1	14- 7	UNC
N 11	hW	52- 0	Wake Forest
N 18	hW	41- 0	Roanoke College
N 30	nW1	23-14	VMI
			VT 193-60

1917 (6-2-1)

Coach: Charles Bernier

O 06	hW	12- 0	Hampden-Sydney
O 13	hW	59- 6	Emory & Henry
O 20	hW	13- 7	Davidson
O 27	aL	0-28	Georgetown
N 03	hW	50- 0	Wake Forest
N 10	nL13	3-27	West Virginia
N 17	nT4	7- 7	N.C. State
N 24	hW	70- 0	Roanoke College
N 29	nW1	6- 0	VMI
			VT 220-75

Tech's Mac McEver picks up yardage in the 1929 game against Virginia.

1918 (7-0)

Coach: Charles Bernier

O 19	hW	30- 0	Belmont Ath. Club
O 26	hW	33- 6	Camp Humphreys
N 02	nW1	13- 0	W&L
N 09	hW	27- 0	Wake Forest
N 16	nW4	25- 0	N.C. State
N 23	aW	18- 7	UNC
N 28	nW1	6- 0	VMI
			VT 152-13

1919 (5-4)

Coach: Charles Bernier

O 04	hW	13- 0	Hampden-Sydney
O 11	hW	21- 0	Richmond
O 18	aL	7-33	Georgetown
O 25	aW	6- 0	Maryland
N 01	nL3	0- 3	W&L
N 08	hW	40- 0	Wake Forest
N 15	nL4	0- 3	N.C. State
N 22	hW	99- 0	Emory & Henry
N 27	nL1	0-13	VMI
			VT 186-52

1920 (4-6)

Coach: Stanley Sutton

S 25	hW	35- 0	Hampden-Sydney
O 02	hW	21- 0	Wm & Mary
O 09	hW	75- 6	Emory & Henry
O 16	aL	6-19	Rutgers
O 23	hL	0- 7	Maryland
O 30	nL3	0-13	W&L
N 06	aW	21- 0	Richmond
N 11	nL4	6-14	N.C. State
N 20	nL17	0-28	Centre
N 25	nL1	7-24	VMI
			VT 171-111

1921 (7-3)

Coach: B.C. Cabbage

S 24	hW	14- 6	Hampden-Sydney
O 01	hW	14- 0	Wm & Mary
O 08	aL	0-14	Centre
O 15	aW	34- 0	Richmond
O 22	nL18	7-10	Maryland
O 29	nL3	0- 3	W&L
N 05	hW	54- 7	Morris Harvey
N 11	nW4	7- 3	N.C. State
N 19	hW	35- 0	Roanoke College
N 24	nW1	26- 7	VMI
			VT 191-50



1922 (8-1-1)

Coach: B.C. Cabbage

S 23	hW	38- 0	Hampden-Sydney
S 30	hW	25- 0	King College
O 07	hW	20- 6	Wm & Mary
O 14	nL2	6-10	Centre
O 21	aT	7- 7	Davidson
O 28	hW	73- 0	Catholic U.
N 04	hW	21- 0	Maryland
N 11	nW4	24- 0	N.C. State
N 18	nW3	41- 6	W&L
N 30	nW1	7- 3	VMI
			VT 262-32

1923 (6-3)

Coach: B.C. Cabbage

S 29	hW	29- 0	Hampden-Sydney
O 06	hW	7- 0	Davidson
O 13	aL	17-21	3rd Corps Area
O 20	nW18	16- 7	Maryland
O 27	nL3	0-12	W&L
N 03	hW	25- 6	Clemson
N 10	nW4	16- 0	N.C. State
N 17	aW	6- 3	Virginia
N 29	nL1	0- 6	VMI
			VT 116-55

1924 (4-2-3)

Coach: B.C. Cabbage

S 27	hW	28- 0	Richmond
O 04	hW	10- 0	Hampden-Sydney
O 11	nT2	0- 0	Auburn
O 17	nW18	12- 0	Maryland
O 25	nT3	0- 0	W&L
N 01	aW	50- 6	Clemson
N 08	aL	3- 6	N.C. State
N 15	hL	0- 6	Virginia
N 27	nT1	0- 0	VMI
			VT 103-18

1925 (5-3-2)

Coach: B.C. Cabbage

S 19	hW	10- 0	Lynchburg College
S 26	hT	0- 0	Roanoke College
O 03	hW	13- 3	Hampden-Sydney
O 10	aL	0-19	Auburn
O 17	nW18	3- 0	Maryland
O 24	nL3	0-20	W&L
O 31	nW2	6- 0	South Carolina
N 07	hT	0- 0	N.C. State
N 14	aL	0-10	Virginia
N 26	nW1	7- 0	VMI
			VT 39-52

1926 (5-3-1)

Coach: A.F. Gustafson

S 25	hW	47- 0	Roanoke College
O 02	hW	30- 0	Hampden-Sydney
O 09	aL	0-21	Dartmouth
O 16	nW4	24- 8	Maryland
O 23	hW	6- 0	Virginia
O 30	aT	13-13	Kentucky
N 06	nL2	0-19	South Carolina
N 13	nL3	0-13	W&L
N 25	nW1	14- 7	VMI
			VT 134-81

1927 (5-4)

Coach: A.F. Gustafson

S 24	hW	21- 2	Roanoke College
O 01	hW	13- 0	Hampden-Sydney
O 08	aW	6- 0	Colgate
O 15	nL4	7-13	Maryland
O 22	aL	0- 7	Virginia
O 29	aL	13-14	Chattanooga
N 05	nW2	35- 0	South Carolina
N 12	hW	21- 0	W&L
N 24	nL1	9-12	VMI
			VT 125-48

1928 (7-2)

Coach: A.F. Gustafson

S 29	hW	34- 7	Roanoke College
O 06	hW	32- 7	Hampden-Sydney
O 13	aL	14-35	Colgate
O 20	aW	16-14	UNC
O 27	hW	54- 0	King College
N 03	nW4	9- 6	Maryland
N 10	hW	20- 0	Virginia
N 17	aW	13- 7	W&L
N 29	nL1	6-16	VMI
			VT 198-92

1929 (5-4)

Coach: A.F. Gustafson

S 28	hW	19- 0	Roanoke College
O 05	hW	37- 6	Hampden-Sydney
O 12	aL	8-14	Pennsylvania
O 19	nW2	25-14	Wm & Mary
O 26	aL	13-38	UNC
N 02	nW3	36- 6	W&L
N 09	aW	32-12	Virginia
N 16	nL4	0-24	Maryland
N 28	nL1	0-14	VMI
			VT 170-128

1930s

1930 (5-3-1)

Coach: O.E. Neale

S 24	hW	9- 0	Roanoke College
O 04	hL	21-39	UNC
O 11	aL	0-40	Vanderbilt
O 18	nW2	7- 6	Wm & Mary
O 25	aW	20-19	Davidson
N 01	aT	0- 0	W&L
N 08	hW	34-13	Virginia
N 15	nL4	7-13	Maryland
N 27	nW1	24- 0	VMI
			VT 122-130

1931 (3-4-2)

Coach: O.E. Neale

S 26	hW	33- 0	King College
O 03	aL	0-40	Georgia
O 10	hW	18- 6	Davidson
O 17	nT2	6- 6	Wm & Mary
O 24	aL	6-20	Kentucky
O 31	hL	0-20	Maryland
N 07	nL1	0- 6	W&L
N 14	aT	0- 0	Virginia
N 26	nW1	13- 6	VMI
			VT 76-104

1932 (8-1)

Coach: Henry B. Redd

S 24	hW	32- 7	Roanoke College
O 01	aW	7- 6	Georgia
O 08	aW	23- 0	Maryland
O 15	nW2	7- 0	Wm & Mary
O 22	hW	7- 0	Kentucky
O 29	aW	32- 6	W&L
N 05	aL	6- 9	Alabama
N 12	hW	13- 0	Virginia
N 24	nW1	26- 0	VMI
			VT 153-28

1933 (4-3-3)

Coach: Henry B. Redd

S 23	hW	7- 0	Roanoke College
S 30	aL	0-27	Tennessee
O 07	nW4	14- 0	Maryland
O 14	nW2	13- 7	Wm & Mary
O 21	aW	7- 0	Richmond
O 28	hL	0-12	South Carolina
N 04	hT	7- 7	W&L
N 11	aL	0-27	Alabama
N 18	aT	6- 6	Virginia
N 30	nT1	0- 0	VMI
			VT 54-86

1934 (5-5)

Coach: Henry B. Redd

S 22	hW	21- 0	Roanoke College
S 29	aL	0-34	Temple
O 06	hL	13-20	Florida
O 13	nW2	6- 0	Wm & Mary
O 20	nL4	9-14	Maryland
O 27	aL	7-13	W&L
N 03	aL	0-20	South Carolina
N 10	nW21	7- 6	N.C. State
N 17	hW	19- 6	Virginia
N 29	nW1	13- 0	VMI
			VT 95-113

1935 (4-3-2)

Coach: Henry B. Redd

S 21	hW	7- 0	Roanoke College
S 28	hL	7-28	Clemson
O 05	nL23	0- 7	Maryland
O 12	nT2	0- 0	Wm & Mary
O 26	nW6	15- 0	W&L
N 02	hW	27- 0	South Carolina
N 09	nL21	0- 6	N.C. State
N 16	aT	0- 0	Virginia
N 28	nW1	12- 6	VMI
			VT 68-47

1936 (5-5)

Coach: Henry B. Redd

S 17	hW	16- 7	Roanoke College
S 26	aL	0-20	Clemson
O 03	nL1	0- 6	Maryland
O 10	nW2	14- 0	Wm & Mary
O 17	aL	0-14	South Carolina
O 24	aL	0-13	N.C. State
O 31	hW	20- 7	Richmond
N 07	aL	0-27	W&L
N 14	hW	7- 6	Virginia
N 26	nW1	6- 0	VMI
			VT 63-100

1937 (5-5)

Coach: Henry B. Redd

S 18	hW	27- 7	Roanoke College
S 25	nL15	0-25	Duke
O 02	aL	0-27	Tennessee
O 09	nL2	0-12	Wm & Mary
O 16	aL	7-13	N.C. State
O 23	hW	19- 7	W&L
O 30	hW	31- 0	Hampden-Sydney
N 06	aL	7-12	Richmond
N 13	aW	14- 7	Virginia
N 25	nW1	12- 6	VMI
			VT 117-116

1938 (3-5-2)

Coach: Henry B. Redd

S 17	hW	33- 0	Emory & Henry
S 24	nL15	0-18	Duke
O 01	aL	0-39	Army
O 08	nW2	27- 0	Wm & Mary
O 15	hL	6-14	Virginia
O 22	aL	0- 6	W&L
O 29	hW	7- 0	N.C. State
N 05	aL	0- 7	UNC
N 11	aT	0- 0	Richmond
N 24	nT1	2- 2	VMI
			VT 75-86

1939 (4-5-1)

Coach: Henry B. Redd

S 23	hW	26- 0	Randolph-Macon
S 30	aL	0-20	Marshall
O 07	nL4	6-13	UNC
O 14	nT2	6- 6	Wm & Mary
O 21	hW	28- 0	Centre
O 28	nL3	0- 6	W&L
N 04	hW	20- 7	Furman
N 11	aL	0-13	Richmond
N 18	aW	13- 0	Virginia
N 30	nL1	7-19	VMI
			VT 106-84

1940s

1940 (5-5)

Coach: Henry B. Redd

S 21	hW	34-12	Catawba
S 28	aL	7-13	Marshall
O 05	hL	7-13	Richmond
O 12	nL2	13-20	Wm & Mary
O 19	aL	4-46	Georgetown
O 26	nW3	21- 0	W&L
N 02	nW4	6- 0	Virginia
N 09	hW	38-21	Furman
N 16	aW	10- 6	Centre
N 21	nL1	0-14	VMI
			VT 140-145

1941 (6-4)

Coach: James R. Kitts

S 20	hW	22- 2	Catawba
S 27	nL17	14-37	Kentucky
O 04	hW	3- 0	Georgetown
O 11	nL2	7-16	Wm & Mary
O 18	aW	16- 0	Davidson
O 25	nW3	13- 3	W&L
N 01	nL4	0-34	Virginia
N 08	nW5	14-13	N.C. State
N 20	nL3	10-15	VMI
N 29	hW	13- 0	Richmond
			VT 112-120

1942 (7-2-1)

Coaches: S.D. Tilson/H.M. McEver

S 19	hW	28-14	Catawba
S 26	aW	7- 6	Furman
O 03	hL	7-21	Wm & Mary
O 10	hW	16- 0	Davidson
O 17	nT1	21-21	Kentucky
O 24	nW3	19- 6	W&L
O 31	nW4	20-14	Virginia
N 07	aW	16- 7	Richmond
N 14	aL	7-19	Army
N 26	nW1	20- 6	VMI
			VT 161-114

1945 (2-6)

Coach: H.M. McEver

O 06	nL1	0-14	UNC
O 13	nL2	0-38	Wm & Mary
O 20	hW	21-13	Maryland
O 27	nL1	13-31	Virginia
N 03	aL	0- 6	N.C. State
N 10	aL	0-35	Clemson
N 17	hW	44- 6	Richmond
N 22	nL1	0- 7	VMI
			VT 78-150

1946 (3-4-3)

Coach: James R. Kitts

S 28	aT	14-14	UNC
O 05	nT1	21-21	Virginia
O 12	aL	0-49	Wm & Mary
O 18	aL	0- 6	Maryland
O 26	hW	14- 6	N.C. State
N 02	hL	7-14	Clemson
N 09	nW3	13- 7	W&L
N 16	aT	7- 7	Richmond
N 28	nW1	20- 7	VMI
			VT 96-131

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1947 (4-5)

Coach: James R. Kitts

S 27	hW	20- 6	Furman
O 04	nL1	7-41	Virginia
O 11	nL2	7-21	Wm & Mary
O 18	aL	0-40	Army
O 25	hL	19-21	Maryland
O 31	aW	42- 6	G-W
N 08	nW3	27-14	W&L
N 15	hW	26-14	Richmond
N 27	nL1	14-28	VMI
			VT 162-191

1948 (0-8-1)

Coach: Robert C. McNeish

S 25	hL	0-13	G-W
O 02	nL1	0-28	Virginia
O 09	nL18	0-28	Maryland
O 16	hL	0-30	Wm & Mary
O 23	nL1	0- 7	Duke
O 30	aL	7-49	Army
N 06	nL3	7-14	W&L
N 13	aT	7- 7	Richmond
N 25	nL1	7-33	VMI
			VT 28-209

1949 (1-7-2)

Coach: Robert C. McNeish

S 17	nL22	14-33	Quantico
S 24	hL	7-34	Maryland
O 01	aL	13-39	Wm & Mary
O 08	nL1	0-26	Virginia
O 15	hL	14-24	G-W
O 22	aL	7-55	Duke
O 29	nL4	13-14	N.C. State
N 05	nT3	6- 6	W&L
N 12	aW	28-13	Richmond
N 24	nT1	28-28	VMI
			VT 130-272

1950s

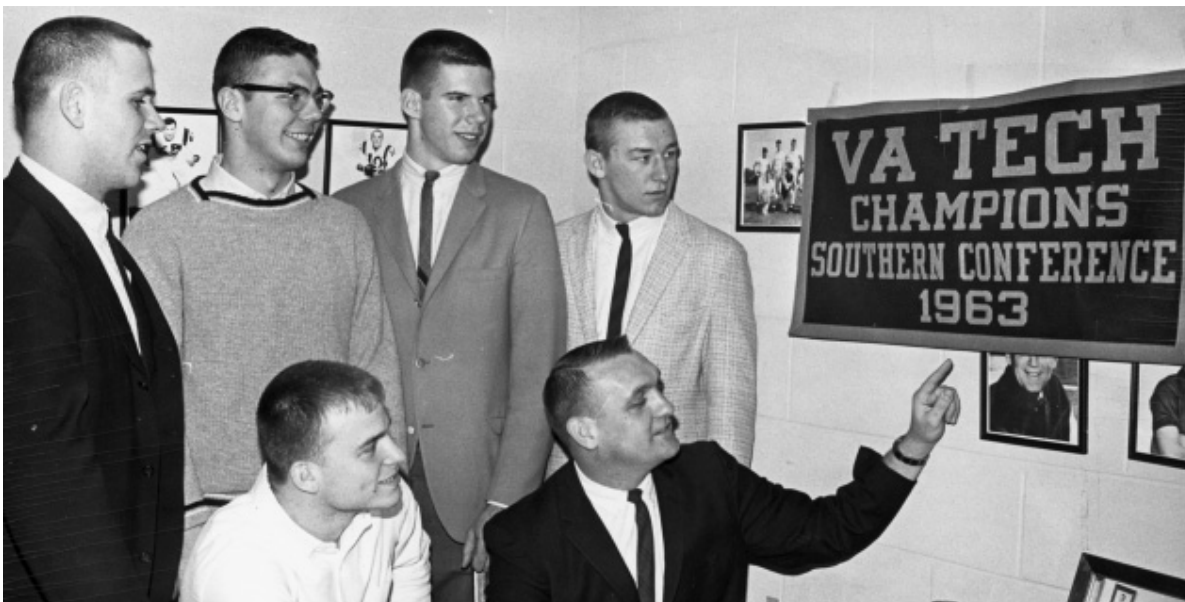
1950 (0-10)

**Coaches: Robert C. McNeish/
Allan M. Learned**

S 30	hL	21-61	Quantico
O 07	nL1	6-45	Virginia
O 13	aL	7-42	G-W
O 21	hL	0-54	Wm & Mary
O 28	aL	6-34	N.C. State
N 04	aL	7-25	W&L
N 11	hL	12-32	Richmond
N 18	nL5	6-47	Duke
N 23	nL1	0-27	VMI
D 02	aL	7-63	Maryland
			VT 72-430

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Coach Jerry Claiborne led the Hokies to a Southern Conference championship in 1963.

1951 (2-8)

Coach: Frank O. Moseley

S 15	nW6	18-12	Marshall
S 29	hL	20-32	Davidson
O 06	nL1	0-33	Virginia
O 12	nL22	13-38	G-W
O 20	nL4	6-55	Duke
O 27	hL	14-19	N.C. State
N 03	nL2	0-60	W&L
N 10	aL	7-28	Wm & Mary
N 17	hW	20-14	Richmond
N 22	nL1	7-20	VMI
			VT 105-311

1952 (5-6)

Coach: Frank O. Moseley

S 13	nW6	19-14	Marshall
S 20	aW	27-14	Davidson
S 27	aW	14-7	The Citadel
O 04	nL1	0-42	Virginia
O 11	aL	0-33	Alabama
O 18	hL	0-6	G-W
O 25	aL	27-34	W&L
N 01	aW	20-2	Richmond
N 08	hL	15-35	Wm & Mary
N 15	aL	7-27	West Virginia
N 27	nW1	26-7	VMI
			VT 155-221

1953 (5-5)

Coach: Frank O. Moseley

S 19	nW6	7-0	Marshall
S 26	aW	20-6	Virginia
O 03	aL	13-20	Rutgers
O 10	hW	21-7	Richmond
O 17	aL	7-13	Wm & Mary
O 24	hW	32-12	W&L
O 30	nW1	22-0	The Citadel
N 07	nL6	7-12	West Virginia
N 13	aL	0-26	Miami (Fla.)
N 26	nL1	13-28	VMI
			VT 142-124

1954 (8-0-1)

Coach: Frank O. Moseley

S 18	hW	30-21	N.C. State
S 25	nW2	32-0	Wake Forest
O 02	aW	18-7	Clemson
O 16	aW	19-12	Richmond
O 23	nW1	6-0	Virginia
O 30	hT	7-7	Wm & Mary
N 05	aW	20-13	G-W
N 13	hW	20-6	Waynesburg
N 25	nW1	46-9	VMI
			VT 198-75

1955 (6-3-1)

Coach: Frank O. Moseley

S 17	aL	0-13	Wake Forest
S 24	aW	33-0	Pennsylvania
O 01	aW	14-7	Wm & Mary
O 08	aW	24-20	Florida State
O 15	hT	7-7	Richmond
O 22	nW1	17-13	Virginia
O 29	hL	7-13	G-W
N 05	nL1	16-21	Clemson
N 12	nW6	34-26	N.C. State
N 24	nW1	39-13	VMI
			VT 191-133

1956 (7-2-1)

Coach: Frank O. Moseley

S 15	nW6	37-2	East Carolina
S 22	aL	14-21	Tulane
S 29	nW4	35-6	N.C. State
O 06	aW	20-7	Florida State
O 13	hW	34-7	Wm & Mary
O 20	aW	46-14	Richmond
O 27	nW1	14-7	Virginia
N 03	aL	6-21	Clemson
N 10	hT	13-13	Wake Forest
N 22	nW1	45-0	VMI
			VT 264-98

1957 (4-6)

Coach: Frank O. Moseley

S 20	aW	14-13	Tulane
S 28	aL	0-14	West Virginia
O 05	aL	7-13	Wm & Mary
O 12	hW	21-14	Villanova
O 19	nL2	7-38	Virginia
O 26	aL	7-20	Florida State
N 02	hW	42-7	Richmond
N 09	aW	10-3	Wake Forest
N 16	nL1	0-12	N.C. State
N 28	nL1	6-14	VMI
			VT 114-148

1958 (5-4-1)

Coach: Frank O. Moseley

S 20	nW1	28-12	West Texas State
S 27	nL4	6-13	Wake Forest
O 04	hW	27-15	Wm & Mary
O 11	nW1	22-13	Virginia
O 18	aL	0-28	Florida State
O 25	nL2	20-21	West Virginia
N 01	aT	14-14	N.C. State
N 08	hW	27-23	Richmond
N 15	aL	0-41	Southern Miss
N 27	nW1	21-16	VMI
			VT 165-196

1959 (6-4)

Coach: Frank O. Moseley

S 19	nL4	13-15	N.C. State
S 26	aL	18-27	Wake Forest
O 03	nW1	20-14	Wm & Mary
O 10	hL	6-7	Florida State
O 17	nW2	40-14	Virginia
O 24	aW	24-14	Villanova
O 31	hW	51-29	Richmond
N 07	aW	26-21	West Texas State
N 14	aW	12-0	West Virginia
N 26	nL1	12-37	VMI
			VT 222-178

1960s

1960 (6-4)

Coach: Frank O. Moseley

S 17	aL	14-29	N.C. State
S 24	nW2	15-0	West Virginia
O 01	aL	7-13	Clemson
O 08	hW	22-13	Wake Forest
O 15	aW	27-0	Wm & Mary
O 22	nW1	40-6	Virginia
O 29	aW	20-0	Richmond
N 05	hL	7-9	Davidson
N 11	aL	8-21	G-W
N 24	nW1	13-12	VMI
			VT 173-103

1961 (4-5)

Coach: Jerry Claiborne

S 16	nW1	20-6	Wm & Mary
O 07	aL	0-28	West Virginia
O 14	aL	14-27	Tulane
O 21	nW1	20-0	Virginia
O 28	hW	10-7	Florida State
N 04	aL	0-11	Richmond
N 11	aL	15-24	Wake Forest
N 17	hW	14-3	G-W
N 23	nL1	0-6	VMI
			VT 93-112

1962 (5-5)

Coach: Jerry Claiborne

S 15	aL	0-3	Wm & Mary
S 22	nW1	15-14	G-W
S 29	nL2	0-14	West Virginia
O 06	nW1	20-15	Virginia
O 13	hW	13-7	Richmond
O 20	aL	12-20	Army
O 27	aL	7-20	Florida State
N 03	aW	24-22	Tulane
N 10	hW	37-8	Wake Forest
N 22	nL1	9-14	VMI
			VT 137-137

1963 (8-2)

Coach: Jerry Claiborne

S 21	aL	14-33	Kentucky
S 28	aW	27-0	Wake Forest
O 05	nW1	10-0	Virginia
O 11	aW	22-8	G-W
O 19	hW	28-13	Wm & Mary
O 26	aW	31-23	Florida State
N 02	aW	14-13	Richmond
N 09	aL	7-13	N.C. State
N 16	aW	28-3	West Virginia
N 28	nW1	35-20	VMI
			VT 216-126

1964 (6-4)

Coach: Jerry Claiborne

S 19	aW	18-14	Tampa
S 26	nL1	21-38	Wake Forest
O 03	aL	17-20	Virginia
O 10	hW	33-0	G-W
O 17	hL	10-23	West Virginia
O 24	hW	20-11	Florida State
O 31	aW	27-20	Wm & Mary
N 07	hW	28-19	N.C. State
N 14	aL	15-20	Syracuse
N 26	nW1	35-13	VMI
			VT 224-178

1965 (7-3)

Coach: Jerry Claiborne

S 18	nW1	12-3	Wake Forest
S 25	aW	25-7	Richmond
O 02	hW	9-7	Wm & Mary
O 09	aW	17-12	G-W
O 16	aL	10-21	Vanderbilt
O 23	hW	22-14	Virginia
O 30	aL	6-7	Florida State
N 06	aL	22-31	West Virginia
N 13	hW	21-19	Villanova
N 25	nW1	44-13	VMI
			VT 188-134

1966 (8-2-1)

Coach: Jerry Claiborne

S 17	aL	0-13	Tulane
S 24	hW	49-0	G-W
O 01	hT	13-13	West Virginia
O 08	aW	7-0	Kentucky
O 15	nW2	21-6	Vanderbilt
O 22	aW	24-7	Virginia
O 29	hW	23-21	Florida State
N 05	aW	11-0	Wake Forest
N 12	aW	20-18	Wm & Mary
N 24	nW1	70-12	VMI
			VT 238-90

Liberty Bowl

(Dec. 10, 1966 at Memphis, Tenn.)
nL VT 7-14 Miami (Fla.)

1967 (7-3)

Coach: Jerry Claiborne

S 16	aW	13-3	Tampa
S 23	hW	31-7	Wm & Mary
S 30	aW	15-3	Kansas State
O 07	hW	3-0	Villanova
O 14	aW	24-14	Kentucky
O 21	hW	45-14	Richmond
O 28	aW	20-7	West Virginia
N 04	hL	7-14	Miami (Fla.)
N 11	aL	15-38	Florida State
N 23	nL1	10-12	VMI
			VT 183-112

1968 (7-4)

Coach: Jerry Claiborne

S 21	nL14	7-14	Alabama
S 28	aW	12-0	Wm & Mary
O 05	hL	19-34	Kansas State
O 12	hW	7-6	Wake Forest
O 18	aL	8-13	Miami (Fla.)
O 26	hW	27-12	West Virginia
N 02	aW	40-22	Florida State
N 09	hW	31-18	Richmond
N 16	aW	17-6	South Carolina
N 28	nW1	55-6	VMI
VT 223-131			

Liberty Bowl

(Dec. 14, 1968 at Memphis, Tenn.)
nL VT 17-34 Mississippi

1969 (4-5-1)

Coach: Jerry Claiborne

S 20	hL	13-17	Alabama
S 27	aL	10-16	Wake Forest
O 04	aL	10-17	Richmond
O 11	hL	6-7	Kentucky
O 18	hL	16-17	South Carolina
O 25	aW	21-7	Buffalo
N 01	nW1	48-7	Wm & Mary
N 08	hT	10-10	Florida State
N 15	nW4	48-12	Duke
N 27	nW1	52-0	VMI
VT 234-110			

1970s

1970 (5-6)

Coach: Jerry Claiborne

S 12	hL	0-7	Virginia
S 19	nL14	18-51	Alabama
S 26	hL	20-21	Memphis State
O 03	aL	7-24	South Carolina
O 10	aL	9-28	Wake Forest
O 17	hW	17-14	Tulsa
O 24	hW	31-14	Buffalo
O 31	aW	35-14	Wm & Mary
N 07	hW	34-7	Villanova
N 14	aL	8-34	Florida State
N 21	nW1	20-14	VMI
VT 199-228			

1971 (4-7)

Coach: Charlie Coffey

S 18	hL	VT 9-20	Wake Forest
S 25	aL	16-24	Okla. State
O 02	hL	3-17	Florida State
O 09	aL	39-46	Tulsa
O 16	hW	41-30	Wm & Mary
O 23	hW	37-29	Ohio Univ.
O 30	aL	27-33	Kentucky
N 06	aW	6-0	Virginia
N 13	aL	29-56	Houston
N 20	hL	8-17	Southern Miss
N 27	nW1	34-0	VMI
VT 249-272			

1972 (6-4-1)

Coach: Charlie Coffey

S 16	aL	20-24	Virginia
S 23	aL	15-27	Florida State
S 30	hW	13-10	SMU
O 07	hT	27-27	Houston
O 14	hW	34-32	Okla. State
O 21	aW	53-21	Ohio Univ.
O 28	nL2	16-17	Wm & Mary
N 04	hW	27-14	Southern Miss
N 11	hW	45-20	South Carolina
N 18	aL	13-52	Alabama
N 25	aW	44-9	Wake Forest
VT 307-253			

Ron Zollicoffer's catch as time expired gave Tech a win over William & Mary in 1978.

1973 (2-9)

Coach: Charlie Coffey

S 08	hL	24-31	Wm & Mary
S 15	aL	26-31	Kentucky
S 22	aL	10-24	West Virginia
S 29	aL	6-37	SMU
O 06	hL	24-27	South Carolina
O 12	aL	27-54	Houston
O 20	hW	27-15	Virginia
O 27	aL	6-77	Alabama
N 03	aL	16-49	Memphis State
N 10	hW	36-13	Florida State
N 17	hL	21-22	VMI
VT 223-380			

1974 (4-7)

Coach: Jimmy Sharpe

S 14	hL	7-38	Kentucky
S 21	aL	25-28	SMU
S 28	hL	12-49	Houston
O 05	nL2	17-22	VMI
O 12	aW	31-17	South Carolina
O 19	aL	27-28	Virginia
O 26	hW	41-7	Richmond
N 01	aL	7-14	Miami (Fla.)
N 09	aW	34-15	Wm & Mary
N 16	aW	56-21	Florida State
N 23	hL	21-22	West Virginia
VT 278-261			

1975 (8-3)

Coach: Jimmy Sharpe

S 13	aL	8-27	Kentucky
S 20	aL	11-17	Kent State
S 27	hW	21-9	Richmond
O 04	aW	23-16	Auburn
O 11	hW	13-10	Florida State
O 18	hW	24-17	Virginia
O 25	aL	7-10	West Virginia
N 01	nW4	24-7	Wm & Mary
N 08	aW	34-28	Houston
N 15	hW	33-0	VMI
N 22	hW	40-10	Wake Forest
VT 238-151			

1976 (6-5)

Coach: Jimmy Sharpe

S 04	aW	23-6	Wake Forest
S 11	aL	0-19	Texas A&M
S 18	hW	16-7	Southern Miss
O 02	hL	15-27	Wm & Mary
O 09	nW2	37-7	VMI
O 16	aW	14-10	Virginia
O 23	hW	42-14	Kent State
O 30	hW	24-7	West Virginia
N 06	hL	31-35	Tulsa
N 13	aL	0-16	Richmond
N 20	aL	21-28	Florida State
VT 223-176			



1977 (3-7-1)

Coach: Jimmy Sharpe

S 17	hL	VT 6-27	Texas A&M
S 24	aL	20-21	Memphis State
O 01	hL	13-31	Clemson
O 08	nW2	17-8	Wm & Mary
O 15	hT	14-14	Virginia
O 22	aL	14-17	Richmond
O 29	aL	0-32	Kentucky
N 05	hL	21-23	Florida State
N 12	aL	14-20	West Virginia
N 19	hW	28-10	Wake Forest
N 26	hW	27-7	VMI
VT 174-210			

1978 (4-7)

Coach: Bill Dooley

S 09	hL	33-35	Tulsa
S 16	aW	28-6	Wake Forest
S 23	hL	7-18	Auburn
S 30	hW	22-19	Wm & Mary
O 07	aL	7-38	Clemson
O 14	hW	16-3	West Virginia
O 21	aL	7-17	Virginia
O 28	aL	0-35	Alabama
N 04	hL	0-28	Kentucky
N 11	aL	14-24	Florida State
N 18	hW	28-2	VMI
VT 162-225			

1979 (5-6)

Coach: Bill Dooley

S 08	aW	15-14	Louisville
S 15	hW	41-32	Appalachian St.
S 22	hW	35-14	Wm & Mary
S 29	hL	10-17	Florida State
O 06	hL	14-19	Wake Forest
O 13	hL	0-21	Clemson
O 20	hW	34-0	Richmond
O 27	aL	7-31	Alabama
N 03	aL	23-34	West Virginia
N 10	aL	18-20	Virginia
N 17	hW	27-20	VMI
VT 224-222			

1980s

1980 (8-4)

Coach: Bill Dooley

S 06	aW	16-7	Wake Forest
S 13	hW	35-7	East Tenn. St.
S 20	hW	7-3	Wm & Mary
S 27	hW	38-6	James Madison
O 04	aL	10-13	Clemson
O 11	hW	34-7	Rhode Island
O 18	hW	30-0	Virginia
O 25	aL	7-18	Richmond
N 01	hW	34-11	West Virginia
N 08	aL	7-31	Florida State
N 15	nW4	21-6	VMI
VT 239-109			

Peach Bowl

(Jan. 2, 1981 at Atlanta, Ga.)
nL VT 10-20 Miami (Fla.)

1981 (7-4)

Coach: Bill Dooley

S 12	hW	28-12	Richmond
S 19	hW	47-3	Wm & Mary
S 26	hW	30-14	Wake Forest
O 03	hW	17-13	Memphis State
O 10	aL	7-14	Duke
O 17	aL	6-27	West Virginia
O 24	hW	34-12	Appalachian St.
O 31	aW	29-3	Kentucky
N 14	aL	14-21	Miami (Fla.)
N 21	hL	0-6	VMI
N 28	aW	20-3	Virginia
VT 232-128			

1982 (7-4)

Coach: Bill Dooley

S 04	aW	20-9	Richmond
S 18	hL	8-14	Miami (Fla.)
S 25	hW	47-3	Wm & Mary
O 02	hL	10-13	Wake Forest
O 09	aW	22-21	Duke
O 16	hL	6-16	West Virginia
O 23	hW	34-0	Appalachian St.
O 30	hW	29-3	Kentucky
N 13	aL	0-45	Vanderbilt
N 20	nW4	14-3	VMI
N 25	hW	21-14	Virginia
VT 211-141			

1983 (9-2)

Coach: Bill Dooley

S 10	hL	6-13	Wake Forest
S 17	aW	17-10	Memphis State
S 24	hW	28-0	VMI
O 01	hW	31-0	Louisville
O 08	hW	27-14	Duke
O 15	aL	0-13	West Virginia
O 22	hW	38-0	Richmond
O 29	hW	59-21	Wm & Mary
N 05	aW	26-10	Tulane
N 12	hW	21-10	Vanderbilt
N 19	aW	48-0	Virginia
VT 301-91			

1984 (8-4)

Coach: Bill Dooley

S 08	aW	21-20	Wake Forest
S 15	hL	7-14	West Virginia
S 22	hW	21-13	Richmond
S 29	hL	23-26	Virginia
O 06	nW4	54-7	VMI
O 13	hW	27-0	Duke
O 20	hW	38-14	Wm & Mary
O 27	aW	9-7	Temple
N 03	hL	13-6	Tulane
N 10	aL	10-17	Clemson
N 17	aW	23-3	Vanderbilt
VT 246-127			

Independence Bowl

(Dec. 15, 1984 at Shreveport, La.)
nL VT 7-23 Air Force

1985 (6-5)

Coach: Bill Dooley

A 31	aL	14-31	Cincinnati
S 07	hL	14-24	Richmond
S 14	hL	17-20	Clemson
S 28	hW	24-14	Syracuse
O 05	aL	9-24	West Virginia
O 12	hW	40-10	Wm & Mary
O 19	aW	28-10	Virginia
O 26	aL	18-35	Florida
N 02	hW	31-10	Memphis State
N 09	hW	41-17	Louisville
N 16	aW	38-24	Vanderbilt
VT 274-219			

1986 (10-1-1)*

Coach: Bill Dooley

S 06	hL	20-24	Cincinnati
S 13	aW	20-14	Clemson
S 20	aW	26-17	Syracuse
S 27	hW	37-10	East Tenn. St.
O 04	hW	13-7	West Virginia
O 11	hT	27-27	South Carolina
O 18	Fn4	13-29	Temple
O 25	hW	42-10	Virginia
N 01	hW	17-15	Kentucky
N 08	aW	17-10	Richmond
N 15	hW	29-21	Vanderbilt
VT 261-184			

New Peach Bowl

(Dec. 31, 1986 at Atlanta, Ga.)
nW VT 25-24 N.C. State

* Temple forfeited game because of an ineligible player.



Frank Beamer began his Tech coaching career with the '87 Hokies.

1987 (2-9)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 12	hL	10-22	Clemson
S 19	aL	13-14	Virginia
S 26	hL	21-35	Syracuse
O 03	hW	31-11	Navy
O 10	aL	10-40	South Carolina
O 17	hL	23-32	East Carolina
O 24	aL	38-57	Tulane
O 31	aL	7-14	Kentucky
N 07	aL	16-28	West Virginia
N 14	aL	13-27	Miami (Fla.)
N 21	hW	21-20	Cincinnati
VT 203-300			

1988 (3-8)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 03	aL	7-40	Clemson
S 10	hW	27-16	East Carolina
S 17	aL	13-35	Southern Miss
S 24	aL	0-35	Syracuse
O 01	hL	10-22	West Virginia
O 08	hL	24-26	South Carolina
O 15	aW	41-14	Cincinnati
O 29	hL	10-16	Virginia
N 05	aL	3-13	Louisville
N 12	aL	14-41	Florida State
N 19	hW	27-6	James Madison
VT 176-264			

1989 (6-4-1)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 02	hW	29-3	Akron
S 09	aT	17-17	South Carolina
S 16	hL	7-27	Clemson
S 23	hW	23-0	Temple
O 07	aW	12-10	West Virginia
O 14	hL	7-41	Florida State
O 21	aL	10-14	East Carolina
O 28	hW	30-13	Tulane
N 04	hW	18-0	Vanderbilt
N 11	aL	25-32	Virginia
N 18	aW	25-23	N.C. State
VT 203-180			

1990s

1990 (6-5)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 01	aL	13-20	Maryland
S 08	hW	21-7	Bowling Green
S 15	aW	24-23	East Carolina
S 22	hL	24-35	South Carolina
S 29	aL	28-39	Florida State
O 06	hW	26-21	West Virginia
O 20	aL	28-31	Temple
O 27	hW	20-16	Southern Miss
N 03	hW	20-16	N.C. State
N 10	aL	3-6	Georgia Tech
N 24	hW	38-13	Virginia
VT 245-227			

1991 (5-6)

Coach: Frank Beamer

A 31	hW	41-12	James Madison
S 07	aL	0-7	N.C. State
S 21	aL	21-28	South Carolina
S 28	aL	17-27	Oklahoma
O 05	aW	20-14	West Virginia
O 12	nL20	20-33	Florida State
O 19	hW	56-9	Cincinnati
O 26	hW	41-13	Louisville
N 09	hW	42-24	Akron
N 16	hL	17-24	East Carolina
N 23	aL	0-38	Virginia
VT 275-229			

1992 (2-8-1)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 05	hW	49-20	James Madison
S 12	aL	27-30	East Carolina
S 19	aW	26-7	Temple
S 26	hL	7-16	West Virginia
O 10	aL	17-21	Louisville
O 17	hT	13-13	N.C. State
O 24	hL	23-43	Miami (Fla.)
O 31	aL	49-50	Rutgers
N 07	aL	9-28	Syracuse
N 14	hL	12-13	Southern Miss
N 21	hL	38-41	Virginia
VT 270-282			

1993 (9-3)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 04	hW	33-16	Bowling Green
S 11	aW	63-21	Pittsburgh
S 18	aL	2-21	Miami (Fla.)
S 25	hW	55-28	Maryland
O 02	aL	13-14	West Virginia
O 16	hW	55-7	Temple
O 23	hW	49-42	Rutgers
O 30	hW	31-12	East Carolina
N 06	aL	34-48	Boston College
N 13	hW	45-24	Syracuse
N 20	aW	20-17	Virginia
VT 400-250			

Independence Bowl

(Dec. 31, 1993 at Shreveport, La.)
nW VT 45-20 Indiana

1994 (8-4)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 03	hW	34-7	Arkansas State
S 10	aW	24-14	Southern Miss
S 17	aW	12-7	Boston College
S 22	hW	34-6	West Virginia
O 01	aL	20-28	Syracuse
O 08	hW	41-13	Temple
O 15	aW	27-20	East Carolina
O 22	hW	45-7	Pittsburgh
O 29	aL	3-24	Miami (Fla.)
N 12	hW	41-34	Rutgers
N 19	hL	23-42	Virginia
VT 304-202			

Gator Bowl

(Dec. 30, 1994 at Gainesville, Fla.)
nL VT 23-45 Tennessee

1995 (10-2)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 07	hL	14-20	Boston College
S 16	hL	0-16	Cincinnati
S 23	hW	13-7	Miami (Fla.)
S 30	aW	26-16	Pittsburgh
O 07	aW	14-0	Navy
O 14	hW	77-27	Akron
O 21	aW	45-17	Rutgers
O 28	aW	27-0	West Virginia
N 04	hW	31-7	Syracuse
N 11	nW	1838-16	Temple
N 18	aW	36-29	Virginia
VT 321-155			

Sugar Bowl

(Dec. 31, 1995 at New Orleans, La.)
nW VT 28-10 Texas

1996 (10-2)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 07	aW	21-18	Akron
S 14	aW	45-7	Boston College
S 21	hW	30-14	Rutgers
S 28	aL	21-52	Syracuse
O 12	hL	38-0	Temple
O 26	hW	34-17	Pittsburgh
N 02	hW	47-16	SW Louisiana
N 09	hW	35-14	East Carolina
N 16	aW	21-7	Miami (Fla.)
N 23	hW	31-14	West Virginia
N 29	hW	26-9	Virginia
VT 349-168			

Orange Bowl

(Dec. 31, 1996 at Miami, Fla.)
nL VT 21-41 Nebraska

1997 (7-5)

Coach: Frank Beamer

A 30	aW	59-19	Rutgers
S 13	hW	31-3	Syracuse
S 20	aW	23-13	Temple
S 27	hW	50-0	Arkansas State
O 04	hL	17-24	Miami (Ohio)
O 11	hW	17-7	Boston College
O 25	aL	17-30	West Virginia
N 01	hW	37-0	UAB
N 08	hW	27-25	Miami (Fla.)
N 22	aL	23-30	Pittsburgh
N 28	aL	20-34	Virginia
VT 321-185			

Gator Bowl

(Jan. 1, 1998 at Jacksonville, Fla.)
nL VT 3-42 North Carolina

1998 (9-3)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 05	hW	38-3	East Carolina
S 12	aW	37-0	Clemson
S 19	aW	27-20	Miami (Fla.) (OT)
S 26	hW	27-7	Pittsburgh
O 08	hW	17-0	Boston College
O 17	hL	24-28	Temple
O 24	aW	41-0	UAB
O 31	hW	27-13	West Virginia
N 14	aL	26-28	Syracuse
N 21	hW	47-7	Rutgers
N 28	hL	32-36	Virginia
VT 343-142			

Music City Bowl

(Dec. 29, 1998 at Nashville, Tenn.)
nW VT 38-7 Alabama

1999 (11-1)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 04	hW	47-0	James Madison
S 11	hW	31-10	UAB
S 23	hW	31-11	Clemson
O 02	aW	31-7	Virginia
O 09	aW	58-20	Rutgers
O 16	hW	62-0	Syracuse
O 30	aW	30-17	Pittsburgh
N 06	aW	22-20	West Virginia
N 13	hW	43-10	Miami (Fla.)

N 20	aW	62-7	Temple
N 26	hW	38-14	Boston College
VT 455-116			

Sugar Bowl

(January 4, 2000 at New Orleans, La.)
nL VT 29-46 Florida State

2000s

2000 (11-1)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 02	hW	52-23	Akron
S 07	aW	45-28	East Carolina
S 16	hW	49-0	Rutgers
S 30	aW	48-34	Boston College
O 07	hW	35-13	Temple
O 12	hW	48-20	West Virginia
O 21	aW	22-14	Syracuse
O 28	hW	37-34	Pittsburgh
N 04	aL	21-41	Miami
N 11	aW	44-21	UCF
N 25	hW	44-21	Virginia
VT 443-249			

Gator Bowl

(January 1, 2001 at Jacksonville, Fla.)
nW VT 41-20 Clemson

2001 (8-4)

Coach: Frank Beamer

S 01	hW	52-10	Connecticut
S 08	hW	31-0	Western Michigan
S 22	aW	50-0	Rutgers
S 29	hW	46-14	UCF
O 06	aW	35-0	West Virginia
O 13	hW	34-20	Boston College
O 27	hL	14-22	Syracuse
N 03	aL	7-38	Pittsburgh
N 11	aW	35-0	Temple
N 17	aW	31-17	Virginia
D 01	hL	24-26	Miami
VT 359-147			

Gator Bowl

(January 1, 2002 at Jacksonville, Fla.)
nL VT 17-30 Florida State

2002 (10-4)

Coach: Frank Beamer

A25	hW	63-7	Arkansas State
S 01	hW	26-8	LSU
S 12	hW	47-21	Marshall
S 21	aW	13-3	Texas A&M
S 28	aW	30-0	Western Michigan
O 10	aW	28-23	Boston College
O 19	hW	35-14	Rutgers
O 26	hW	20-10	Temple
N 02	hL	21-28	Pittsburgh
N 09	aL	42-50	Syracuse (3OT)
N 20	hL	18-21	West Virginia
N 30	hW	21-9	Virginia
D 07	aL	45-56	Miami
VT 429-263			

San Francisco Bowl

(Dec. 31, 2002 at San Francisco, Calif.)
nW VT 20-13 Air Force

NEUTRAL SITES

1. Roanoke
2. Richmond
3. Lynchburg
4. Norfolk
5. Winston-Salem, N.C.
6. Bluefield, W. Va.
7. Bedford
8. Staunton
9. Charlotte, N.C.
10. Danville
11. Knoxville, Tenn.
12. Columbia, S.C.
13. Huntington, W. Va.
14. Birmingham, Ala.
15. Greensboro, N.C.
16. Charleston, W. Va.
17. Louisville, Ky.
18. Washington, D.C.
19. Raleigh, N.C.
20. Orlando, Fla.
21. Portsmouth
22. Alexandria
23. Baltimore, Md.

TECH AND THE AP RANKINGS

All-time games versus teams in the Associated Press poll

Date	VT Rank	Opponent	Rank	W/L	Score
10/26/46	-	N.C. State	12	hW	14-6
10/18/47	-	Army	7	hL	19-21
10/23/48	-	Duke	16	nL	0-7
10/30/48	-	Army	5	aL	7-49
10/4/52	-	Virginia	16	nL	0-42
10/11/52	-	Alabama	18	aL	0-33
11/07/53	-	West Virginia	7	nL	7-12
9/29/56	-	N.C. State	20	nW	35-6
11/3/56	15	Clemson	13	aL	6-21
11/16/57	-	N.C. State	19	nL	0-12
11/28/57	-	VMI	17	nL	6-14
10/1/60	-	Clemson	7	aL	7-13
10/24/64	-	Florida State	10	hW	20-11
12/10/66	-	Miami	9	nL	7-14
9/21/68	-	Alabama	7	nL	7-14
10/18/68	-	Miami	12	aL	8-13
11/2/68	-	Florida State	18	aW	40-22
9/20/69	-	Alabama	15	hL	13-17
11/13/71	-	Houston	18	aL	29-56
9/23/72	-	Florida State	17	aL	15-27
10/14/72	-	Oklahoma State	19	hW	34-32
11/18/72	-	Alabama	2	aL	13-52
10/12/73	-	Houston	14	aL	27-54
10/27/73	-	Alabama	2	aL	6-77
9/11/76	-	Texas A&M	14	aL	0-19
9/17/77	-	Texas A&M	7	hL	6-27
10/29/77	-	Kentucky	7	aL	0-32
11/5/77	-	Florida State	15	hL	21-23
10/28/78	-	Alabama	3	aL	0-35
9/29/79	-	Florida State	12	hL	10-17
10/27/79	-	Alabama	1	aL	7-31
11/8/80	-	Florida State	3	aL	7-31
1/2/81	-	Miami	20	nL	10-20
11/14/81	-	Miami	12	aL	14-21



Tech's defense kept the pressure on West Virginia quarterback Major Harris on the way to a 12-10 victory over the ninth-ranked Mountaineers in 1989.

Date	VT Rank	Opponent	Rank	W/L	Score
9/18/82	-	Miami	15	hL	8-14
10/16/82	-	West Virginia	13	hL	6-16
10/15/83	-	West Virginia	4	aL	0-13
10/26/85	-	Florida	2	aL	18-35
12/31/86	-	N.C. State	18	nW	25-24
9/12/87	-	Clemson	10	hL	10-22
11/14/87	-	Miami	3	aL	13-27
9/3/88	-	Clemson	4	aL	7-40
10/1/88	-	West Virginia	7	hL	10-22
10/8/88	-	South Carolina	8	hL	24-26
11/12/88	-	Florida State	5	aL	14-41
9/16/89	-	Clemson	7	hL	7-27

Date	VT Rank	Opponent	Rank	W/L	Score
10/7/89	-	West Virginia	9	aW	12-10
10/14/89	-	Florida State	19	hL	7-41
11/1/89	-	Virginia	18	aL	25-32
9/29/90	-	Florida State	2	aL	28-39
11/10/90	-	Georgia Tech	7	aL	3-6
11/24/90	-	Virginia	17	hW	38-13
9/28/91	-	Oklahoma	6	aL	17-27
10/12/91	-	Florida State	1	nL	20-33
11/16/91	-	East Carolina	14	hL	17-24
11/23/91	-	Virginia	20	aL	0-38
10/17/92	-	N.C. State	21	hT	13-13
10/24/92	-	Miami	1	hL	23-43
11/7/92	-	Syracuse	10	aL	9-28
9/18/93	-	Miami	3	aL	2-21
10/2/93	-	West Virginia	25	aL	13-14
11/20/93	25	Virginia	23	aW	20-17
12/31/93	22	Indiana	21	nW	45-20
10/29/94	13	Miami	6	aL	3-24
11/19/94	14	Virginia	16	hL	23-45
9/23/95	-	Miami	17	hW	13-7
11/4/95	-	Syracuse	20	hW	31-7
11/18/95	20	Virginia	13	aW	36-29
12/31/95	13	Texas	9	nW	28-10
11/16/96	21	Miami	18	aW	21-7
11/23/96	17	West Virginia	23	hW	31-14
11/29/96	17	Virginia	20	hW	26-9
12/31/96	10	Nebraska	6	nL	21-41
10/25/97	19	West Virginia	21	aL	17-30
1/1/98	-	North Carolina	7	nL	3-42
10/31/98	20	West Virginia	21	hW	27-13
11/28/98	20	Virginia	16	hL	32-36
10/2/99	8	Virginia	24	aW	31-7
10/16/99	4	Syracuse	16	hW	62-0
11/13/99	2	Miami	19	hW	43-10
11/26/99	2	Boston College	22	hW	38-14
1/4/00	2	Florida State	1	nL	29-46
11/4/00	2	Miami	3	aL	21-41
1/1/01	6	Clemson	16	nW	41-20
12/1/01	14	Miami	1	hL	24-26
1/1/02	15	Florida State	24	nL	17-30
9/1/02	16	LSU	14	hW	26-9
9/12/02	11	Marshall	16	hW	47-21
9/21/02	7	Texas A&M	19	aW	13-3
12/7/02	18	Miami	1	aL	45-56

MISCELLANEOUS RANKINGS INFORMATION

Virginia Tech's first ranking in the AP poll	Oct. 4, 1954 — #19
Longest consecutive-poll streak	70 — Jan. 5, 1999 (final postseason) through present (2002 final postseason)
Highest regular season ranking	#2 — During the 1999 and 2000 seasons
Highest final ranking	#2 after the 1999 season
First game against a ranked opponent	Oct. 26, 1946 vs. #12 N.C. State — W, 14-6 at Blacksburg, Va.
First game between two ranked teams	Nov. 3, 1956 — #15 Virginia Tech vs. #13 Clemson — L, 21-6 at Clemson, S.C.
Highest ranked opponent defeated	#9 West Virginia on Oct. 7, 1989 — W, 12-10 at Morgantown, W.Va. and #9 Texas on Dec. 31, 1995 — W, 28-10 at New Orleans, La.
Virginia Tech has faced #1 six times	Oct. 27, 1979 vs. Alabama — L, 31-7 at Tuscaloosa, Ala. Oct. 12, 1991 vs. Florida State — L, 33-20 at Orlando, Fla. Oct. 24, 1992 vs. Miami — L, 43-23 at Blacksburg, Va. Jan. 4, 2000 vs. Florida State — L, 46-29 at New Orleans, La. Dec. 1, 2001 vs. Miami — L, 26-24 at Blacksburg, Va. Dec. 7, 2002 vs. Miami — L, 56-45 at Miami, Fla.

Games when the Hokies were ranked by The Associated Press

Date	VT Rank	Opponent	Rank	W/L	Score	Date	VT Rank	Opponent	Rank	W/L	Score	Date	VT Rank	Opponent	Rank	W/L	Score
10/16/54	16	Richmond	-	aW	19-12	10/31/98	20	West Virginia	21	hW	27-13	1/1/01	6	Clemson	16	nW	41-20
10/23/54	14	Virginia	-	nW	6-0	11/14/98	16	Syracuse	-	aL	26-28	9/1/01	9	Connecticut	-	hW	52-10
10/30/54	14	William & Mary	-	hT	7-7	11/21/98	23	Rutgers	-	hW	47-7	9/8/01	9	Western Michigan	-	hW	31-0
11/5/54	18	George Washington	-	aW	20-13	11/28/98	20	Virginia	16	hL	32-36	9/22/01	9	Rutgers	-	aW	50-0
11/13/54	15	Waynesburg	-	nW	20-6	9/4/99	11	James Madison	-	hW	47-0	9/29/01	8	UCF	-	hW	46-14
11/25/54	16	VMI	-	nW	46-9	9/11/99	11	UAB	-	hW	31-10	10/6/01	8	West Virginia	-	aW	35-0
10/20/56	18	Richmond	-	aW	46-14	9/23/99	8	Clemson	-	hW	31-11	10/13/01	6	Boston College	-	hW	34-20
10/27/56	16	Virginia	-	nW	14-7	10/2/99	8	Virginia	24	aW	31-7	10/27/01	5	Syracuse	-	hL	14-22
11/3/56	15	Clemson	13	aL	6-21	10/9/99	5	Rutgers	-	aW	58-2	11/3/01	12	Pittsburgh	-	aL	7-38
11/6/93	25	Boston College	-	aL	34-48	10/16/99	4	Syracuse	16	hW	62-0	11/10/01	23	Temple	-	hW	35-0
11/20/93	25	Virginia	23	aW	20-17	10/30/99	3	Pittsburgh	-	aW	30-17	11/17/01	18	Virginia	-	aW	31-17
12/31/93	22	Indiana	21	nW	45-20	11/6/99	3	West Virginia	-	aW	22-20	12/1/01	14	Miami	1	hL	24-26
9/3/94	21	Arkansas State	-	hW	34-7	11/13/99	2	Miami	19	hW	43-10	1/1/01	15	Florida State	24	nL	17-30
9/10/94	21	Southern Miss	-	aW	24-14	11/20/99	2	Temple	-	aW	62-7	8/25/02	16	Arkansas State	-	hW	63-7
9/17/94	18	Boston College	-	aW	12-7	11/26/99	2	Boston College	22	hW	38-14	9/1/02	16	LSU	14	hW	26-8
9/22/94	14	West Virginia	-	hW	34-6	1/4/00	2	Florida State	1	nL	29-46	9/12/02	11	Marshall	16	hW	47-21
10/1/94	14	Syracuse	-	aL	20-28	9/2/00	11	Akron	-	hW	52-23	9/21/02	7	Texas A&M	19	aW	13-3
10/8/94	20	Temple	-	hW	41-13	9/7/00	10	East Carolina	-	aW	45-28	9/28/02	5	Western Michigan	-	aW	30-0
10/15/94	19	East Carolina	-	aW	27-20	9/16/00	8	Rutgers	-	hW	49-0	10/10/02	4	Boston College	-	aW	28-23
10/22/94	17	Pittsburgh	-	hW	45-7	9/30/00	4	Boston College	-	aW	48-3	10/19/02	3	Rutgers	-	hW	35-14
10/29/94	13	Miami	6	aL	3-24	10/7/00	3	Temple	-	hW	35-13	10/26/02	3	Temple	-	hW	20-10
11/12/94	16	Rutgers	-	hW	41-34	10/12/00	3	West Virginia	-	hW	48-20	11/2/02	3	Pittsburgh	-	hL	21-28
11/19/94	14	Virginia	16	hL	23-45	10/21/00	2	Syracuse	-	aW	22-14	11/9/02	8	Syracuse (3OT)	-	aL	42-50
12/30/94	17	Tennessee	-	nL	23-45	10/28/00	2	Pittsburgh	-	hW	37-34	11/20/02	13	West Virginia	-	hL	18-21
9/7/95	20	Boston College	-	hL	14-20	11/4/00	2	Miami	3	aL	21-41	11/30/02	22	Virginia	-	hW	21-9
11/11/95	21	Temple	-	nW	38-16	11/11/00	8	UCF	-	aW	44-21	12/7/02	18	Miami	1	aL	45-56
11/18/95	20	Virginia	13	aW	36-29	11/25/00	6	Virginia	-	hW	42-21	12/31/02	21	Air Force	-	nW	20-13
12/31/95	13	Texas	9	nW	28-10												
9/7/96	15	Akron	-	aW	21-18												
9/14/96	19	Boston College	-	aW	45-7												
9/21/96	18	Rutgers	-	hW	30-14												
9/28/96	18	Syracuse	-	aL	21-52												
11/9/96	25	East Carolina	-	hW	35-14												
11/16/96	21	Miami	18	aW	21-7												
11/23/96	17	West Virginia	23	hW	31-14												
11/29/96	17	Virginia	20	hW	26-9												
12/31/96	10	Nebraska	6	nL	21-41												
9/13/97	22	Syracuse	-	hW	31-3												
9/20/97	18	Temple	-	aW	23-13												
9/27/97	14	Arkansas State	-	hW	50-0												
10/4/97	14	Miami (Ohio)	-	hL	17-24												
10/11/97	23	Boston College	-	hW	17-7												
10/25/97	19	West Virginia	21	aL	17-30												
11/1/97	23	UAB	-	hW	37-0												
11/8/97	20	Miami	-	hW	27-25												
11/22/97	19	Pittsburgh	-	aL	23-30												
9/26/98	21	Pittsburgh	-	hW	27-7												
10/8/98	17	Boston College	-	aW	17-0												
10/17/98	14	Temple	-	hL	24-28												
10/24/98	23	UAB	-	aW	41-0												



Eric Green blocks a Miami punt that was returned for a touchdown in Tech's narrow 24-26 loss to the top-ranked and eventual national champion Hurricanes in 2001.

VIRGINIA TECH'S DECADE OF EXCELLENCE IN THE NATIONAL POLLS

Tech has been a regular in the national polls the past 10 seasons, finishing as high as No. 2 in the final AP poll following the 1999 season.

1993

Date of Poll	AP	ESPN
10/24	NR	#24
10/31	#25	#23
11/7	NR	NR
11/14	#25	#23
11/21	#22	#20
11/28	#22	#22
Final Regular Season	#22	T-#20
Final Postseason	#22	#20

1994			1995			1996			1997			1998			1999			2000			2001			2002		
Date of Poll	AP	USAT /ESPN	Date of Poll	AP	USAT /ESPN	Date of Poll	AP	USAT /ESPN	Date of Poll	AP	USAT /ESPN	Date of Poll	AP	USAT /ESPN	Date of Poll	AP	USAT /ESPN	Date of Poll	AP	USAT /ESPN	Date of Poll	AP	USAT /ESPN	Date of Poll	AP	USAT /ESPN
Pre.	#22	#19	Pre.	#24	NR	Pre.	#16	#15	Pre.	NR	#25	Pre.	NR	NR	Pre.	#11	#10	Pre.	#9	#9	Pre.	#16	#16	Pre.	#16	#16
8/30	#21	no poll	8/28	#24	no poll	8/25	#14	no poll	8/25	NR	no poll	9/6	NR	NR	8/29	#11	#10	8/28	#11	#10	8/27	#9	#9	8/26	#16	#16
9/4	#21	#18	9/3	#20	#22	9/1	#15	#14	8/31	NR	#22	9/13	NR	#21	9/5	#11	#11	9/3	#10	#9	9/2	#9	#9	9/2	#12	#10
9/11	#18	#16	9/10	NR	NR	9/8	#19	#19	9/7	#22	#19	9/20	#21	#19	9/12	#10	#10	9/10	#8	#8	9/9	#9	#9	9/8	#11	#9
9/18	#14	#12	9/17	NR	NR	9/15	#18	#16	9/14	#18	#14	9/27	#19	#16	9/19	#8	#8	9/17	#5	#4	9/23	#8	#7	9/15	#7	#7
9/25	#14	#10	9/24	NR	NR	9/22	#18	#16	9/21	#14	#12	10/4	#17	#15	9/26	#8	#7	9/24	#4	#4	9/30	#8	#6	9/22	#5	#5
10/2	#20	#17	10/1	NR	NR	9/29	NR	#23	9/28	#14	#12	10/11	#14	#10	10/3	#5	#5	10/1	#3	#3	10/7	#6	#5	9/29	#4	#4
10/9	#19	#14	10/8	NR	NR	10/6	NR	#23	10/5	#23	#20	10/18	#23	#21	10/10	#4	#4	10/8	#3	#2	10/14	#6	#4	10/6	#4	#4
10/16	#17	#13	10/15	NR	NR	10/13	NR	#23	10/12	#22	#19	10/25	#20	#17	10/17	#4	#4	10/15	#2	#2	10/21	#5	#4	10/13	#3	#3
10/23	#13	#10	10/22	NR	NR	10/20	NR	#21	10/19	#19	#17	11/2	#15	#14	10/24	#3	#3	10/22	#2	#2	10/28	#12	#12	10/20	#3	#3
10/30	#17	#16	10/29	NR	NR	10/27	NR	#20	10/26	#23	#22	11/9	#16	#12	10/31	#3	#3	10/29	#2	#2	11/4	#23	#22	10/27	#3	#3
11/6	#16	#12	11/5	#21	#19	11/3	#25	#17	11/2	#20	#18	11/16	#23	#20	11/7	#2	#2	11/5	#8	#8	11/11	#18	#17	11/3	#8	#7
11/13	#14	#11	11/12	#20	#18	11/10	#21	#13	11/9	#19	#17	11/23	#20	#19	11/14	#2	#2	11/12	#7	#7	11/18	#16	#15	11/10	#13	#13
11/20	#18	#16	11/19	#13	#11	11/17	#17	#9	11/16	#19	#15	11/30	#25	#24	11/21	#2	#2	11/19	#6	#5	11/25	#14	#13	11/17	#13	#12
11/27	#17	#15	11/26	#13	#11	11/24	#17	#9	11/23	NR	#21	Final Regular Season	NR	NR	11/28	#2	#2	11/26	#6	#5	12/2	#15	#16	11/24	#22	#19
Final Regular Season	#17	#15	Final Regular Season	#13	#11	Final Regular Season	#10	#9	Final Regular Season	NR	NR	Final Postseason	NR	NR	Final Regular Season	#2	#2	Final Regular Season	#6	#5	Final Regular Season	#15	#16	Final Regular Season	#21	#19
Final Postseason	NR	#24	Final Postseason	#10	#9	Final Postseason	#13	#12	Final Postseason	NR	NR	Final Postseason	23	19	Final Postseason	#2	#3	Final Postseason	#6	#6	Final Postseason	#18	#18	Final Postseason	#18	#14

TECH VS. ALL OPPONENTS

All-time record: 598-405-46 (1,049 games, 109 seasons)

(2003 opponents in bold type)

	Times Series Last Meeting			Score	W	L	T	Times Series Last Meeting			Score	W	L	T	
	Met	Began	Year					Met	Began	Year					
Air Force	2	1984	2002	20-13	1	1	0	Marshall	8	1913	2002	47-21	6	2	0
Akron	5	1989	2000	52-23	5	0	0	Maryland	30	1897	1993	55-28	13	17	0
Alabama	11	1932	1998	38-7	1	10	0	Maryville College	1	1896	1896	52-0	1	0	0
Alabama-Birmingham	3	1997	1999	31-10	3	0	0	Medical College of Va.	1	1912	1912	0-10	0	1	0
Alleghany Institute	1	1896	1896	20-0	1	0	0	Memphis State	6	1970	1985	31-10	3	3	0
Appalachian State	3	1979	1982	34-0	3	0	0	Miami, Fla.	20	1953	2002	45-56	5	15	0
Arkansas State	3	1994	2002	63-7	3	0	0	Miami, Ohio	1	1997	1997	17-24	0	1	0
Army	6	1905	1962	12-20	1	5	0	Mississippi	2	1913	1969	17-34	1	1	0
Auburn	4	1924	1978	7-18	1	2	1	Morris-Harvey	3	1911	1921	54-7	3	0	0
Bellevue	1	1898	1898	29-0	1	0	0	Nashville	1	1904	1904	32-0	1	0	0
Belmont Athletic Club	1	1918	1918	30-0	1	0	0	Navy	10	1903	1995	14-0	3	7	0
Boston College	10	1993	2002	28-23	8	2	0	Nebraska	1	1996	1996	21-41	0	1	0
Bowling Green	2	1990	1993	33-16	2	0	0	North Carolina	27	1895	1998	3-42	12	9	6
Bucknell	1	1906	1906	0-10	0	1	0	North Carolina State	44	1900	1992	13-13	23	17	4
Buffalo	2	1969	1970	31-14	2	0	0	Ohio University	2	1971	1972	53-21	2	0	0
Camp Humphreys	1	1918	1918	33-6	1	0	0	Oklahoma	1	1991	1991	17-27	0	1	0
Catawba	3	1940	1942	28-14	3	0	0	Oklahoma State	2	1971	1972	34-32	1	1	0
Catholic University	1	1922	1922	73-0	1	0	0	Pennsylvania	2	1929	1955	33-0	1	1	0
Central Florida	2	2000	2001	46-14	2	0	0	Pittsburgh	10	1993	2002	21-28	7	3	0
Centre	5	1920	1940	10-6	2	3	0	Princeton	3	1908	1912	0-31	0	3	0
Chattanooga	1	1927	1927	13-14	0	1	0	Quantico Marines	2	1949	1950	21-61	0	2	0
Cincinnati	7	1946	1995	0-16	3	4	0	Randolph-Macon	4	1893	1939	26-0	3	1	0
Citadel	2	1952	1953	22-0	2	0	0	Rhode Island	1	1980	1980	34-7	1	0	0
Clemson	28	1900	2001	41-20	10	17	1	Richmond	51	1897	1986	17-10	37	10	4
Colgate	2	1927	1928	14-35	1	1	0	Roanoke College	28	1894	1937	27-7	26	0	2
Connecticut	1	2001	2001	52-10	1	0	0	Roanoke YMCA	1	1895	1895	16-2	1	0	0
Cornell	1	1915	1915	0-45	0	1	0	Rutgers	13	1920	2002	35-14	10	3	0
Cumberland	1	1905	1905	12-0	1	0	0	Saint Albans	9	1893	1903	29-0	8	1	0
Dartmouth	1	1926	1926	0-21	0	1	0	SMU	3	1972	1974	25-28	1	2	0
Davidson	14	1903	1960	7-9	10	3	1	South Carolina	20	1905	1991	21-28	7	11	2
Duke	11	1937	1984	27-0	4	7	0	Southern Mississippi	8	1958	1994	24-14	4	4	0
East Carolina	12	1956	2000	45-28	8	4	0	Southwestern Louisiana	1	1996	1996	47-16	1	0	0
East Tennessee State	2	1980	1986	37-10	2	0	0	Syracuse	16	1964	2002	42-50(OT)	7	9	0
Emory & Henry	6	1893	1938	33-0	5	1	0	Tampa	2	1964	1967	13-3	2	0	0
Florida	2	1934	1985	18-35	0	2	0	Temple	16	1934	2002	20-10	13	3	0
Florida State	31	1955	2002	17-30	10	20	1	Tennessee	7	1896	1994	23-45	2	5	0
Furman	4	1939	1947	20-6	4	0	0	Texas	1	1995	1995	28-10	1	0	0
Gallaudet	1	1905	1905	56-0	1	0	0	Texas A&M	3	1976	2002	13-3	1	2	0
George Washington	19	1907	1966	49-0	11	8	0	Third Corps Area	1	1923	1923	17-21	0	1	0
Georgetown	8	1901	1941	3-0	4	4	0	Tulane	9	1956	1989	30-13	5	4	0
Georgia	2	1931	1932	7-6	1	1	0	Tulsa	4	1970	1978	33-35	1	3	0
Georgia Tech	1	1990	1990	3-6	0	1	0	Vanderbilt	9	1930	1989	18-0	6	3	0
Guilford	1	1898	1898	17-0	1	0	0	Villanova	5	1957	1970	34-7	5	0	0
Hampden-Sydney	24	1896	1937	31-0	24	0	0	Virginia	84	1895	2002	21-9	43	36	5
Houston	5	1971	1975	34-28	1	3	1	VMI	79	1894	1984	54-7	49	25	5
Indiana	1	1993	1993	45-20	1	0	0	VPI Stars	1	1913	1913	20-12	1	0	0
James Madison	5	1980	1999	47-0	5	0	0	Wake Forest	32	1916	1984	21-20	20	11	1
Kansas State	2	1967	1968	19-34	1	1	0	Washington & Lee	48	1895	1953	32-12	23	20	5
Kent State	2	1975	1976	42-14	1	1	0	Waynesburg	1	1954	1954	20-6	1	0	0
Kentucky	19	1926	1987	7-14	6	11	2	West Texas State	2	1958	1959	26-21	2	0	0
King College	6	1897	1931	33-0	6	0	0	West Virginia Wesleyan	1	1914	1914	0-13	0	1	0
Louisiana State	1	2002	2002	26-8	1	0	0	West Virginia	48	1912	2002	18-21	20	27	1
Louisville	6	1979	1992	17-21	4	2	0	Western Maryland	2	1910	1912	44-0	2	0	0
Lynchburg College	1	1925	1925	10-0	1	0	0	Western Michigan	2	2001	2002	30-0	2	0	0
								William & Mary	61	1904	1985	40-10	39	18	4
								Yale	2	1911	1916	0-19	0	2	0

FOOTBALL TEAM AWARDS

Players who have led the Hokies under Coach Beamer

Most Valuable Player

1989	Scott Hill, Randy Cockrell
1990	Jimmy Whitten, Will Furrer
1991	Phil Bryant
1992	Jerome Preston
1993	Maurice DeShazo
1994	Cornell Brown
1995	Cornell Brown
1996	Jim Druckenmiller
1997	Al Clark, Marcus Parker
1998	Corey Moore, Al Clark
1999	Michael Vick
2000	Lee Suggs
2001	Ben Taylor
2002	Lee Suggs

Outstanding Senior

1989	Sean Lucas
1990	Darwin Herdman
1991	Greg Daniels
1992	Mark Poindexter
1993	Steve Sanders
1994	Kevin Martin
1995	Bryan Still
1996	Waverly Jackson, Bryan Jennings
1997	Michael Stuewe
1998	Loren Johnson
1999	Carl Bradley
2000	Cory Bird
2001	Browning Wynn
2002	Lee Suggs

Outstanding Defensive Lineman

1989	Scott Hill
1990	Jimmy Whitten
1991	Wooster Pack
1992	Jerome Preston
1993	J.C. Price
1994	Cornell Brown
1995	J.C. Price
1996	Cornell Brown
1997	Kerwin Hairston
1998	John Engelberger
1999	Corey Moore
2000	David Pugh
2001	David Pugh
2002	Nathaniel Adibi

Outstanding Linebacker

1989	Randy Cockrell
1990	Archie Hopkins
1991	P.J. Preston
1992	Ken Brown
1993	Ken Brown
1994	George DelRicco
1995	George DelRicco
1996	Myron Newsome
1997	Steve Tate
1998	Jamel Smith
1999	Jamel Smith
2000	Ben Taylor
2001	Ben Taylor
2002	Mikal Baaqee

Outstanding Defensive Back

1989	Damien Russell
1990	Damien Russell
1991	Damien Russell
1992	Tyronne Drakeford
1993	Scott Jones
1994	William Yarborough
1995	William Yarborough
1996	Torrian Gray
1997	Pierson Prioleau
1998	Pierson Prioleau
1999	Anthony Midget
2000	Ronyell Whitaker
2001	Ronyell Whitaker, Willie Pile, Kevin McCadam
2002	Willie Pile

Outstanding Specialist

1989	Mickey Thomas
1990	Chris Baucia, Marcus Mickel
1991	Bo Campbell
1992	James Depoy, Brian Reaves
1993	Robbie Colley
1994	Robbie Colley
1995	Atle Larsen
1996	Shawn Scales
1997	Shayne Graham
1998	Jimmy Kibble
1999	Shayne Graham
2000	Carter Warley
2001	Wayne Ward
2002	Vinnie Burns

Outstanding Offensive Lineman

1989	Eugene Chung
1990	Eugene Chung
1991	Eugene Chung
1992	Jim Pyne
1993	Jim Pyne
1994	Jay Hagood, Chris Malone
1995	Billy Conaty
1996	Billy Conaty
1997	Gennaro DiNapoli
1998	Derek Smith
1999	Keith Short
2000	Matt Lehr
2001	Matt Wincek, Steve DeMasi
2002	Jake Grove

Outstanding Offensive Back

1989	Vaughn Hebron
1990	Vaughn Hebron, Phil Bryant
1991	Phil Bryant
1992	Tony Kennedy
1993	Dwayne Thomas
1994	Dwayne Thomas
1995	Dwayne Thomas
1996	Ken Oxendine, Brian Edmonds
1997	Ken Oxendine
1998	Shyrone Stith
1999	Shyrone Stith
2000	Lee Suggs
2001	Jarrett Ferguson
2002	Lee Suggs

Outstanding Receiver

1989	Myron Richardson
1990	Nick Cullen
1991	Bo Campbell
1992	Antonio Freeman
1993	Antonio Freeman
1994	Bryan Still
1995	Jermaine Holmes
1996	Bryan Jennings
1997	Shawn Scales
1998	Ricky Hall
1999	André Davis
2000	Emmett Johnson
2001	André Davis
2002	Ernest Wilford

Blacksburg Sports Club

Paul Frederick Cobb Award

This award is given in memory of former Tech player Freddie Cobb, who was awarded the Navy Cross for heroism in Vietnam. It goes to the most spirited player.

1993	Jim Petrovich
1994	William Ferrell
1995	Chris Malone, Jeff Holland
1996	Shaine Miles
1997	Danny Wheel
1998	Tyron Edmond
1999	Jimmy Kibble
2000	Tee Butler, Benny Wolfe
2001	Brian Welch
2002	Ronyell Whitaker

John William Schneider Award

This is given in memory of former player William Schneider, who was killed in an automobile crash. It goes to a player who excels in athletics, scholarship and leadership.

1989	Rich Fox
1990	Lamar Smith
1991	Will Furrer
1992	Kirk Alexander
1993	Marcus McClung
1994	Chris Peduzzi
1995	Lawrence Lewis, Jim Baron
1996	Brandon Semones
1997	Korey Irby
1998	Ken Handy
1999	Greg Shockley, Steven Hunt
2000	Dave Kadela
2001	Bob Slowikowski
2002	Willie Pile

Lawrence R. White Award

This award is given in honor of the late Lawrence White, a former Tech linebacker who excelled in the weight room and was a positive role model for all Tech football players. It is given to the team's

most outstanding strength and conditioning athlete.

1997	Todd Washington
1998	Dwight Vick
1999	Michael Hawkes
2000	Josh Redding
2001	Larry Austin
2002	Anthony Davis

Wes Worsham Award

Named for long-time Tech supporter Wes Worsham, this award is given to a player who exceeds expectations and surprises everyone with his performance.

1997	Brad Baylor
1998	Ryan Smith
1999	Tim Schneck
2000	Josh Redding
2001	Dan Wilkinson
2002	Lamar Cobb

Edward G. Ferrell Award

This award is given in honor of the late Eddie Ferrell, whose hard work, sense of humor, devotion and unselfishness touched thousands of athletes during his 28-year career as a trainer at Tech. It is given to the player who best exemplifies hard work and unselfishness.

1998	Lamont Pegues, Angelo Harrison
1999	Nathaniel Williams
2000	Anthony Lambo
2001	Chad Beasley
2002	Luke Owens

Williams-Moss Award

Named in honor of John E. Williams, a former Dean of the College, and Joseph S. Moss, a former player and coach at Tech. The award goes to the player who demonstrates the highest quality of leadership and character.

1999	Chris Cyrus
2000	Nick Sorensen
2001	Jarrett Ferguson
2002	Billy Hardee

Paul Torgersen Award

Given in honor of former Tech President Paul Torgerson who has served the university with distinction for three decades in a variety of capacities. The award goes to a player who shows a commitment to hard work and great effort every time he takes the field.

1999	John Engelberger
2000	Cullen Hawkins
2001	Jake Houseright
2002	Shawn Witten

TECH'S BOWL GAMES

1947 SUN BOWL

Cincinnati 18, Virginia Tech 6

EL PASO, Texas — The University of Cincinnati Bearcats swept to three second-half touchdowns to defeat Virginia Tech, 18-6, in the 12th annual Sun Bowl. The game marked Tech's first-ever bowl appearance and the first bowl game in which a football team from the commonwealth of Virginia had participated.

Tech had a chance to take an early lead on the heavily-favored Bearcats, but stalled two yards short of the goal. Quarterback Harry Walton set up the early threat with a 25-yard run to the Cincinnati 23. Walton then caught a pass from halfback Ralph Beard to move the ball to the Bearcats' 2-yard line. From there, the big Cincinnati line held on four straight running plays.

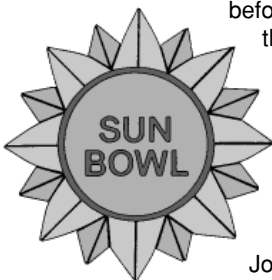
The game remained scoreless until the third quarter when quick-opening plays from the T-formation began clicking for the Bearcats. Cincinnati halfback Hal Johnson spun through the center of the line for a 13-yard touchdown run midway through the third quarter. Keyed by a 19-

yard run by All-American halfback Roger Stephens, UC scored again on its next possession. Fullback Al Sabato plunged the final yard for the touchdown.

Tech mounted another threat late in the third quarter, marching to the UC 23 before having a pass intercepted in the end zone. The Hokies held the Bearcats and bounced right back. Aided by a pair of costly Cincinnati penalties, Tech marched inside the UC 5, and Beard scored on a fourth-down run from the 1.

An interception return by Johnson to the Tech 25 helped Cincinnati put the game away in the fourth quarter. The Bearcats promptly moved the ball to the Tech 3, where Don McMillan carried it in for the final touchdown. The Hokies blocked all three UC extra point kicks during the game.

Cincinnati's vaunted running attack produced a total of 369 yards as the Bearcats piled up 463 yards of total offense. Tech managed 13 first downs — just three less than UC — despite gaining only 34 yards on the ground and 85



JANUARY 1, 1947 • EL PASO, TEXAS
KIDD FIELD AT SUN BOWL STADIUM • ATT: 10,000

Cincinnati	0	0	12	6	—	18
Virginia Tech	0	0	0	6	—	6

Scoring
Cincinnati — touchdowns, Johnson, Sabato and McMillan
Virginia Tech — touchdown, Beard

Team Statistics	UC	VT
First Downs	16	13
Rushing yds.	369	34
Passing yds.	94	85
Total off.	463	119
Passes	5-19-3	4-15-2
Punting avg.	19	41
Fumbles	0	0
Penalty yds.	85	29

through the air. The Hokies' defense contributed three interceptions in the game and lineman John Maskas blocked his seventh punt of the season.

The bowl week was marked by "unusual" weather. Three-inches of snow fell atop frozen rain the day before the game, and when kickoff time rolled around, the teams took the field under cloudy skies and below-freezing temperatures. According to one newspaper account, "blankets, fur caps, galoshes, ski suits, stocking caps and all types of winter wear were much in evidence" among the crowd of 10,000.



For its first bowl appearance, Tech traveled west to El Paso, Texas, to face Cincinnati in the Sun Bowl on January 1, 1947.

1966 LIBERTY BOWL

Miami 14, Virginia Tech 7

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The Miami Hurricanes, getting second wind from a third-quarter roughing the kicker penalty, rebounded for two touchdowns in the second half to score a come-from-behind 14-7 win over Virginia Tech in the eighth annual Liberty Bowl.

In a game dominated primarily by defense, Tech got the early edge when Jimmy Richards blocked Miami's first punt of the game. The block gave the Hokies possession at the Miami 21. It took Tech just five plays to cash in on the opportunity with a 2-yard touchdown run by tailback Tommy Francisco. Jon Utin's extra-point kick gave Tech a 7-0 lead.

The Hokies got two more golden opportunities during the first half, marching inside the Miami 30 on both occasions. Both times Tech came up empty handed, seeing one drive stall on a clipping penalty and the other end on a dropped pass at the goal line and a fumbled snap. Although Tech dominated the first half, the failed chances would come back to haunt the Hokies.

Tech's relentless defense held the Hurricanes to just 16 yards of total offense during the first half. But Miami, ranked ninth with wins over Southern Cal, Georgia and Florida, slowly turned the tide in the second half. First, the 'Canes stopped a Tech threat with a 42-yard interception return. The play did not lead to a touchdown, but it changed the momentum of the game, as well as the battle for field position.

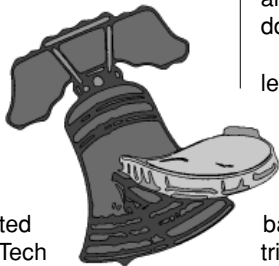
On its next possession, Miami got the spark it needed for its offense. After a drive stalled at the Hokies' 41, the Hurricanes got new life when a roughing the kicker penalty against Tech gave them a first down at the Tech 26. Five plays later UM quarterback Bill Miller found halfback Joe Mira for a 7-yard touchdown pass, and Ray Harris tied the game with his extra point at the 4:20 mark of the third quarter.

By the midway point of the third quarter, Miami's size and strength were starting to make a difference

on defense. UM All-American defensive end Ted Hendricks and company kept the Hokies bottled up in their own territory and allowed just one second-half first down.

Miami's winning drive marked the only lengthy offensive push by either team all day. The Hurricanes started at their own 30 and made the march in 10 plays, including a key 38-yard pass from Miller to end Jim Cox that put the ball at the Tech 5. It took the 'Canes four tries to score, with fullback Doug McGee diving over from the one on fourth down.

A Liberty Bowl record 39,101 tickets were sold for the game, but only 25,012 braved the 36-degree weather. The game was televised nationally by ABC and was not blacked out in the Memphis area.



DECEMBER 10, 1966 • MEMPHIS, TENN.
MEMPHIS MEMORIAL STADIUM • ATT: 25,012

Miami	0	0	7	7	—	14
Virginia Tech	7	0	0	0	—	7

VT (7:34 re 1st) — Francisco 1 run (Utin kick)
UM (4:20 re 3rd) — Mira 7 pass from Miller (Harris kick)
UM (8:05 re 4th) — McGee 1 run (Harris kick)

Team Statistics	UM	VT
First Downs	11	7
Rushing yds.	55	36
Passing yds.	108	75
Total off.	163	111
Passes	10-28-0	6-16-1
Punts-avg.	8-30.1	11-39.3
Fumbles lost	1	2
Penalties-yds.	7-80	6-57

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Francisco 21-55, Garcia 3-15, Piland 4-10, Beamer 1-(-12), Stafford 8-(-16), Barker 3-(-16); UM, McGee 12-36, Acuff 6-25, Mira 11-9, Cassidy, 2-4, Domke 1-4, McGuirt 1-1, Miller 11-(-24).
Passing — VT, Stafford 4-13-1-59, Barker 2-3-0-16; UM, Miller 9-26-0-99, Olivo 1-2-0-9.
Receiving — VT, Cupp 1-35, Barefoot 4-34, Piland 1-6; UM, Cox 5-77, Russo 2-15, Mira 2-14, Smith 1-2.



Miami quarterback Bill Miller finds himself alone in the backfield with Don Thacker (67) and other Tech defenders.

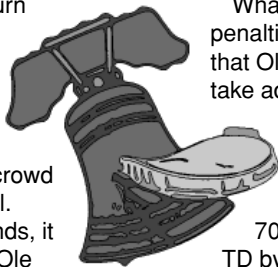
1968 LIBERTY BOWL

Mississippi 34, Virginia Tech 17

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Virginia Tech's second visit to the Liberty Bowl played out much like its first — the Hokies built an early lead, then saw the game turn on a play in the kicking game. This time it was the University of Mississippi and sophomore quarterback Archie Manning who tamed the Hokies, 34-17, before 46,206 fans, the largest crowd in the 10-year history of the bowl.

For 13 minutes and 11 seconds, it appeared that Tech would blow Ole Miss out of cold, blustery Memorial Stadium. Scoring on a 58-yard run by Ken Edwards on a quick-snap, trick play on the game's second offensive play, Tech shocked the Rebels with its ground attack. The Hokies recovered a fumble on Mississippi's first offensive play and got their second touchdown just three plays later on a 7-yard run by Terry Smoot. Before the quarter was over, Jack Simcsak added a 29-yard field goal for a 17-0 Tech lead.

Eager to capitalize on their momentum, the Hokies attempted an on-side kick following Simcsak's field goal. The ploy took Ole Miss by surprise, but the ball failed to travel the required 10 yards and the Rebels took over at the Tech 49. Manning quickly turned Mississippi's good fortune into a touchdown with a 21-yard scoring pass to end Hank Shows.



Just like that, the momentum of the game turned, and when it did, it turned completely.

What followed was a rash of Tech penalties, fumbles and interceptions that Ole Miss was all too happy to take advantage of.

Eventually, a 79-yard touchdown run by tailback Steve Hindman on the first play of the second half and a 70-yard interception return for a TD by monster man Bob Bailey gave Mississippi the victory. Hindman finished the game with 121 yards on 15 carries and was named the MVP.

Tech continued to battle, making two goal-line stands in the second half. But the Hokies could not overcome their three fumbles, two interceptions and 120 yards in penalties.



Tech's Kenny Edwards (33) heads to the end zone for a touchdown in the 1968 Liberty Bowl.

DECEMBER 14, 1968 • MEMPHIS, TENN.
MEMPHIS MEMORIAL STADIUM • ATT: 46,206

Virginia Tech	17	0	0	0	—	17
Mississippi	0	14	7	13	—	34

VT (14:23 re 1st) — Edwards 58 run (Simcsak kick)
 VT (12:43 re 1st) — Smoot 7 run (Simcsak kick)
 VT (1:49 re 1st) — FG Simcsak 29
 UM (14:30 re 2nd) — Shows 21 pass from Manning (Brown kick)
 UM (4:28 re 2nd) — Felts 23 pass from Manning (Brown kick)
 UM (14:41 re 3rd) — Hindman 79 run (Brown kick)
 UM (11:54 re 4th) — Bailey 70 interception return (Brown kick)
 UM (9:09 re 4th) — FG Brown 46
 UM (0:00 re 4th) — FG Brown 26

Team Statistics	UM	VT
First Downs	7	14
Rushes-yds.	46-185	60-330
Passing yds.	141	2
Passes	12-28-1	1-7-2
Punts-avg.	5-37.4	7-40.8
Fumbles-lost	3-2	5-3
Penalties-yds.	4-30	12-120

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Edwards 12-119, Smoot 21-91, Kincaid 15-55, Constantinides 4-45, Humphries 5-8, Tiberio 2-5, Longerbeam 1-7; UM, Hindman 15-121, Bowen 19-65, Felts 1-0, Manning 11-(-1).

Passing — VT, Kincaid 0-4-1-0, Humphries 1-3-1-2; UM, Manning 12-28-1-141.

Receiving — VT, Crigger 1-2; UM, Shows 6-70, Hindman 3-32, Felts 1-23, Bowen 1-8, Franks 1-8.

1981 PEACH BOWL

Miami 20, Virginia Tech 10

ATLANTA, Ga. —Explosive Miami of Florida fought off a gallant Virginia Tech comeback to defeat the Hokies, 20-10, in the 13th annual Peach Bowl game.

The Hurricanes scored two touchdowns in the first 16 minutes of the game and appeared to be on their way to an easy triumph after thwarting two Tech threats with interceptions at the goal line. The Hokies, however, had other ideas, holding 18th-ranked Miami to just two field goals the rest of the way.

Over 14,000 Tech fans cheered the Hokies on as they closed the gap to 14-10. First, place-kicker Dennis Laury booted a Peach Bowl record-tying 42-yard field goal with just 29 seconds remaining in the first half. Then, midway through the third quarter, tailback Cyrus Lawrence capped an 80-yard Tech drive with a 1-yard scoring plunge. The big play in the



drive was a 44-yard pass from quarterback Steve Casey to tight end Rob Purdham.

Suddenly, the Hurricanes' lead was just four. But poor field position, penalties and the tough Miami defense prevented Tech from getting any closer.

Lawrence, who lost out in the most valuable offensive player voting to UM quarterback Jim Kelly, rushed for 134 yards on 27 carries. Kelly completed 11 of 22 passes for 179 yards and a touchdown.

The Hokie defense, which limited UM to six points after the 13:47 mark of the second quarter, was led by freshman linebacker Ashley Lee's 15 tackles. Safety Mike Scharnus contributed eight tackles and an interception, while end Robert Brown and linebacker Mike Johnson were in on eight tackles each.

JANUARY 2, 1981 • ATLANTA, GA.
ATLANTA-FULTON COUNTY STADIUM • ATT: 45,384

Miami	7	7	3	3	—	20
Virginia Tech	0	3	7	0	—	10

UM (12:37 re 1st) — Brodsky 15 pass from Kelly (Miller kick)
UM (13:47 re 2nd) — Hobbs 12 run (Miller kick)
VT (0:29 re 2nd) — FG Laury 42
VT (8:52 re 3rd) — Lawrence 1 run (Laury kick)
UM (0:29 re 3rd) — FG Miller 31
UM (6:27 re 4th) — FG Miller 31

Team Statistics	UM	VT
First Downs	19	7
Rushes-yds.	40-157	50-180
Passing yds.	179	119
Total off.	336	299
Passes	11-22-1	9-24-2
Punts-avg.	5-37.0	6-38.1
Fumbles-lost	4-1	3-0
Penalties-yds.	6-66	7-72

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Lawrence 27-134, Dovel 9-41, Casey 13-8, Paige 1-(-3); UM, Roan 16-86, Hobbs 10-66, Neal 4-17, Rush 2-5, Jornea 2-1, Griffin 2-5, Kelly 5-(-21).

Passing — VT, Casey 9-23-1-119, Lawrence 0-1-1-0; UM, Kelly 11-22-1-79.

Receiving — VT, Purdham 2-56, Giacalone 2-30, Hite 2-15, McKee 1-8, Snell 1-8, Dovel 1-2; UM, Brodsky 4-80, Baratta 2-34, Belk 1-27, Walker 2-26, Rodriguez 1-7, Hobbs 1-5.



Padro Phillips (94) and Ahsley Lee stop a Miami runner (above), while tailback Cyrus Lawrence (45) celebrates his 1-yard touchdown plunge that cut the Hurricanes' lead to 14-10 in the third quarter.

1984 INDEPENDENCE BOWL

Air Force 23, Virginia Tech 7

SHREVEPORT, La. — Quarterback Bart Weiss got Air Force's wishbone attack going in the second half and led the Falcons to a 23-7 victory over Virginia Tech in the Independence Bowl.

Tech took a 7-3 lead in the first quarter on a 10-play, 72-yard drive that featured a 32-yard run by tailback Eddie Hunter. Maurice Williams, who alternated at the tailback spot with Hunter, capped the march with a 3-yard touchdown run.



The complexion of the game changed drastically midway through the second quarter when the Falcons forced and recovered a fumble at the Tech 3.

Halfback Jody Simmons took a pitchout to the left and put Air Force ahead.

The Hokies missed a great chance to regain the lead before the half, and found themselves trailing 10-7, despite having 192 yards of offense and 11 first downs to Air Force's 73 yards and three first downs.

The news got worse for Tech in the second half when Weiss got the Falcons' ground attack going. Neither team scored

in the third quarter, but Air Force controlled the football for all but eight plays of the quarter. The Falcons got a break in the fourth quarter when a halfback pass by Hunter was intercepted. From their own 38, the Falcons scored on a classic wishbone drive that ate up seven minutes

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INDEPENDENCE STADIUM • ATT: 41,100

Virginia Tech	7	0	0	0	—	7
Air Force	3	7	0	13	—	23

AF (6:05 re 1st) — FG Maetos 35
VT (1:42 re 1st) — Williams 3 run (Wade kick)
AF (8:50 re 2nd) — Simmons 3 run (Maetos kick)
AF (6:00 re 4th) — Brown 2 run (Maetos kick)
AF (2:08 re 4th) — Weiss 13 run (kick failed)

Team Statistics	VT	AF
First Downs	17	15
Rushes-yds.	42-207	55-221
Passing yds.	102	49
Total off.	309	270
Passes	11-26-2	6-7-0
Punts-avg.	4-40.0	6-42.5
Fumbles-lost	2-2	2-0
Penalties-yds.	11-112	4-30

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Hunter 12-75, Williams 12-60, M. Cox 10-33, Bowe 4-23, Becton 3-18, Greenwood 1-(-2); AF, Weiss 29-93, Evans 15-58, Simmons 5-27, Pittman 1-24, Brown 3-8, Knorr 1-6.

Passing — VT, M. Cox 6-17-1-50, Greenwood 5-8-0-52, Hunter 0-1-1-0; AF, Weiss 6-7-0-49.

Receiving — VT, Rider 4-45, Nelson 3-24, Jones 2-21, Howell 1-7, Bowe 1-5; AF, Simmons 2-7, Coleman 1-16, Fleming 1-14, Brennan 1-9, Brown 1-3.

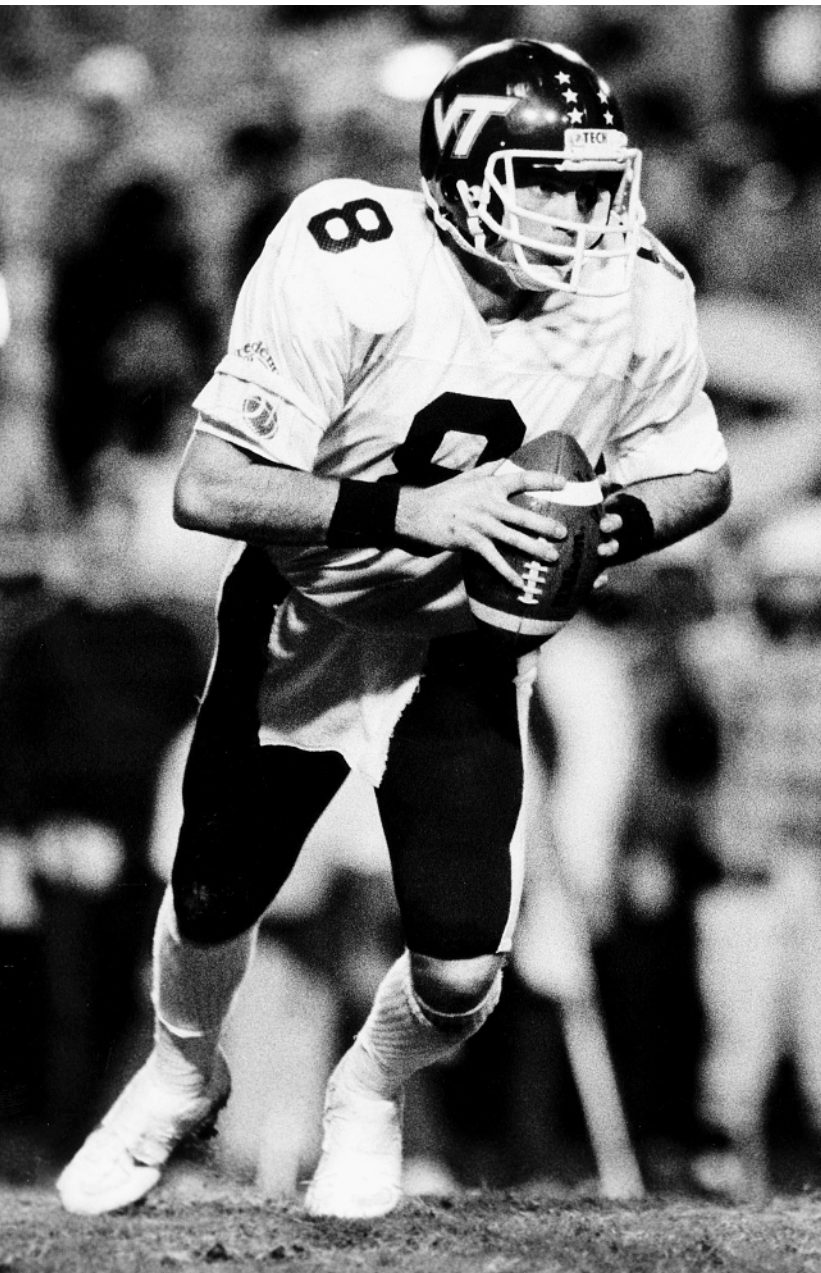
and put them ahead 17-7 with just six minutes remaining in the game.

Tech's comeback hopes ended when a fumble at its own 30 set up another Air Force score. Weiss, who was named the game's most valuable offensive player, put the finishing touches on the Falcons' win with a 13-yard touchdown run.

Tech linebacker Vince Daniels, who was credited with 15 tackles, was named the game's most valuable defensive player.

Quarterback Mark Cox (left) looks for running room in the 1984 Independence Bowl.

Vince Daniels (below) chases down an Air Force ballcarrier.



1986 PEACH BOWL

Virginia Tech 25, N.C. State 24

ATLANTA, Ga. — Virginia Tech earned its first-ever bowl victory in dramatic fashion when Chris Kinzer's 40-yard field goal as time expired gave the Hokies a heart-stopping 25-24 comeback win over North Carolina State in the Peach Bowl.

Tech started the winning drive at its own 20 with a full complement of timeouts and 1:53 on the clock. Quarterback Erik Chapman moved the ball to the Tech 44 with a pair of first down passes to tight end Steve Johnson. But another completion, followed by four running plays, left the Hokies facing a fourth-and-three at the State 37 with just 20 seconds left. Again it was Chapman to Johnson, this time for nine yards and a first down on the Wolfpack 28.

With 15 seconds left, Tech opted for a long pass. The Hokies were penalized for holding on the incompleteness, moving the ball back to the 38. Chapman once again went to the air on a deep pattern to wingback David Everett. Another flag fell, but this time it was a 15-yard pass interference call against State.

The penalty moved the ball to the 23 with four seconds left. Out trotted Kinzer, whose field goals had already been the difference in five wins and a tie during the regular season. Earlier in the game, he had connected on a 46-yarder, the second longest in Peach Bowl history at the time.

The Wolfpack called a time out, but anyone who knew Kinzer knew it would not matter. Although flattened on his follow through, the Tech kicker was right on target as the final second disappeared in what had been one of the wildest and most exciting finishes in any bowl game.

Tech's last-minute comeback was actually the Hokies' second rally of the game. At one point, State led 21-10 with just six minutes left

in the third quarter. The Tech defense turned the tide by forcing fumbles on two consecutive Wolfpack possessions. Both times the Hokies were able to capitalize on State's mistakes, with Chapman directing the team to a pair of touchdowns. Chapman's 6-yard

touchdown pass to Johnson with 9:36 remaining in the game put Tech on top, 22-21.

State put together its only scoring drive of the second half to regain the lead on a Mike Cofer field goal with 7:12 left in the game. Then, after halting a Tech drive, the 'Pack threatened to put the game away when Kelly Hollodick faked a punt and ran for a crucial first down at the Hokie 35.

Linebacker Jamel Agemy kept Tech's hopes alive with back-to-back tackles behind the line. Two plays later State was forced to punt, and the Hokies began their winning drive. Just seconds after Kinzer's kick cleared the goalpost, thousands of Tech fans stormed the field to celebrate.



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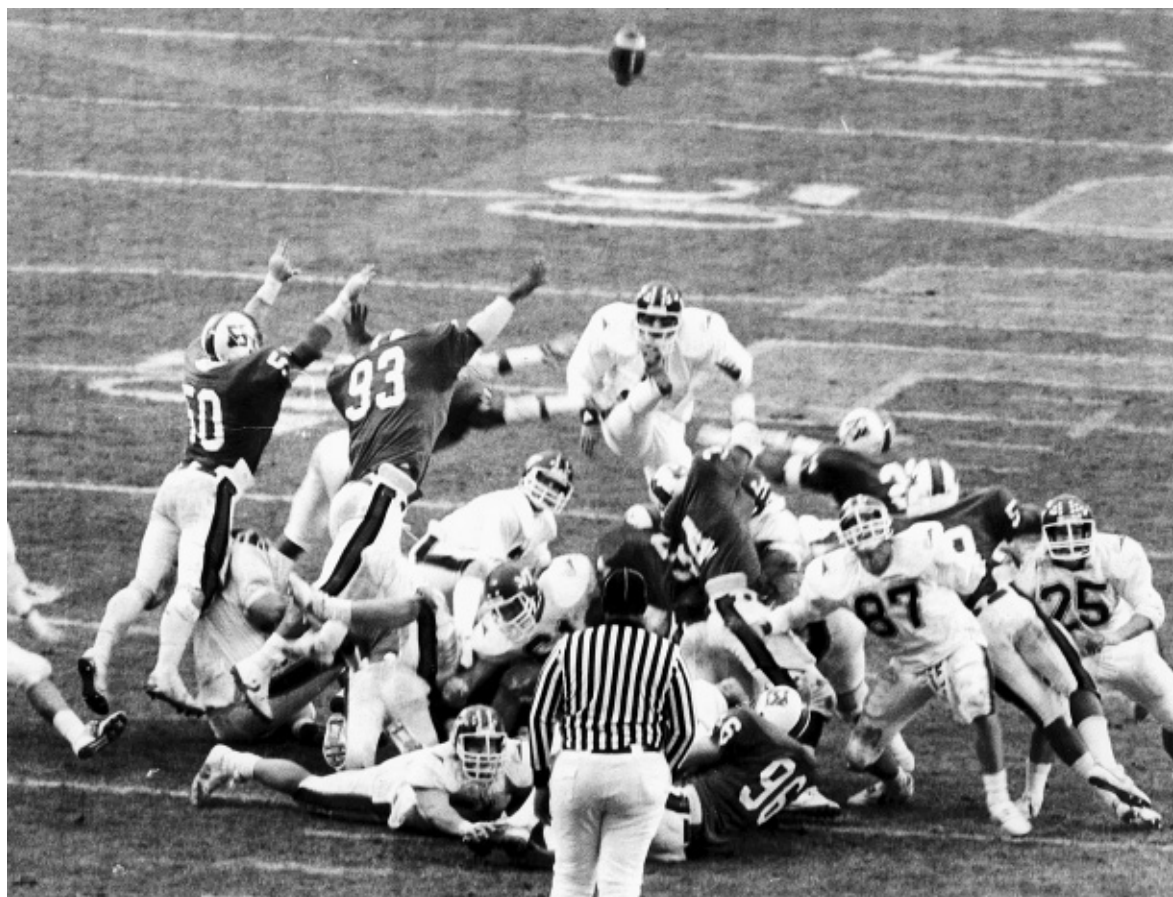
Virginia Tech	10	0	6	9	—	25
N.C. State	7	14	0	3	—	24

VT (11:04 re 1st) — Hunter 1 run (Kinzer kick)
NCSU (6:41 re 1st) — Bulluck recover blocked punt in end zone (Cofer kick)
VT (1:06 re 1st) — FG Kinzer 46
NCSU (8:55 re 2nd) — Worthen 25 pass from Kramer (Cofer kick)
NCSU (4:31 re 2nd) — Britt 5 pass from Kramer (Cofer kick)
VT (0:33 re 3rd) — Williams 1 run (pass failed)
VT (9:36 re 4th) — Johnson 6 pass from Chapman (run failed)
NCSU (7:12 re 4th) — FG Cofer 33
VT (0:00 re 4th) — FG Kinzer 40

Team Statistics	VT	NCSU
First Downs	29	16
Rushes-yds.	60-287	37-132
Passing yds.	200	155
Total off.	487	287
Passes	20-30-2	12-19-0
Return yds.	14	15
Punts-avg.	2-34.0	5-42.0
Fumbles-lost	1-1	2-2
Penalties-yds.	5-51	3-25

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Hunter 22-113, Williams 16-129, Jones 7-32, Donnelly 3-10, Everett 1-6, Chapman 11-(-3); NCSU, Crite 14-101, Crumpler 9-21, Hollodick 1-5, Kramer 10-4, Harris 4-1.
Passing — VT, Chapman 20-30-2-200; NCSU, Kramer 12-19-0-155.
Receiving — VT, S. Johnson 6-54, M. Williams 4-39, Snell 4-37, Hunter 2-34, Donnelly 2-19, Everett 1-12, Richardson 1-5; NCSU, Worthen 5-70, Jeffires 3-44, Crumpler 2-27, F. Harris 1-9, Britt 1-5.



Chris Kinzer boots the last-second field goal that gave Tech its first-ever bowl victory.

1993 INDEPENDENCE BOWL

Virginia Tech 45, Indiana 20



Defensive end J.C. Price chases down the Indiana quarterback John Paci.

SHREVEPORT, La. — In a stunning turn of events, Virginia Tech scored two touchdowns in the final 35 seconds of the first half to spark an unforgettable 45-20 victory over No. 20 Indiana in the Poulan Weed Eater Independence Bowl.

Tech led the New Year's Eve bowl game by one point (14-13) just before the half, but Indiana was rallying. With 35 seconds left and the ball on the Tech 49, IU quarterback John Paci dropped back to pass and was hit by Hokie defenders George DelRicco and DeWayne Knight. The ball popped loose and eventually bounced into the hands of Tech end Lawrence Lewis who sprinted the final 20 yards to the end zone.

Suddenly, the Tech lead was 21-13 and the Hokies had a big momentum boost going into the locker room. But the half wasn't quite over.

Indiana returned the ensuing kickoff to the Tech 42, then Paci completed a 9-yard pass. The Hokies thought time expired and started trotting off the field. The officials ruled, however, that IU had called timeout with one second remaining.

The Hoosiers lined up for a 51-yard field goal. When the ball was snapped, Tech's Jeff Holland pushed through the line and tipped the kick. The ball caromed in the air and Hokie defensive back Antonio

Banks settled under it at the 20. Banks started to his right, then reversed his field as blockers formed. A block by teammate Torrian Gray at the IU 15 cleared the last obstacle, and Banks strutted into the end zone untouched with an 80-yard return.

Just like that, the No. 22 Hokies sealed a win in their first bowl appearance of the Frank Beamer era. Tech's 21 points were the most ever scored in the second quarter of the 18-year bowl game.

Tech quarterback Maurice DeShazo won the Outstanding Offensive Player award after completing 19 of 33 passes for 193 yards and two touchdowns. One of his scoring tosses was a 42-yard strike to split end Antonio Freeman, who finished the day with five catches for 66 yards.

Banks, who had an interception, a fumble recovery and nine tackles to go with his touchdown return, was named the Outstanding Defensive Player. The Hokies were credited with seven quarterback sacks in the game and allowed an Independence Bowl record-low 11 first downs, including just six during the first three quarters.

A blocked field goal by Jeff Holland (74) led to a key 80-yard touchdown return for the Hokies.

DECEMBER 31, 1993 • SHREVEPORT, LA.
INDEPENDENCE STADIUM • ATT: 33,819

Virginia Tech	7	21	0	17	—	45
Indiana	7	6	0	7	—	20

IU (5:36 re 1st) — Lewis 75 pass from Paci (Manolopoulos kick)
VT (0:09 re 1st) — D. Thomas 13 pass from DeShazo (Williams kick)
VT (11:14 re 2nd) — Swarm 6 run (Williams kick)
IU (8:47 re 2nd) — FG Manolopoulos 26
IU (5:25 re 2nd) — FG Manolopoulos 40
VT (0:23 re 2nd) — Lewis 20 fumble return (Williams kick)
VT (0:00 re 2nd) — Banks 80 blocked FG return (Williams kick)
VT (9:37 re 4th) — Freeman 42 pass from DeShazo (Williams kick)
VT (9:21 re 4th) — Edwards 5 run (Williams kick)
VT (6:00 re 4th) — FG Williams 42
IU (4:26 re 4th) — Lewis 42 pass from Dittoe (Manolopoulos kick)

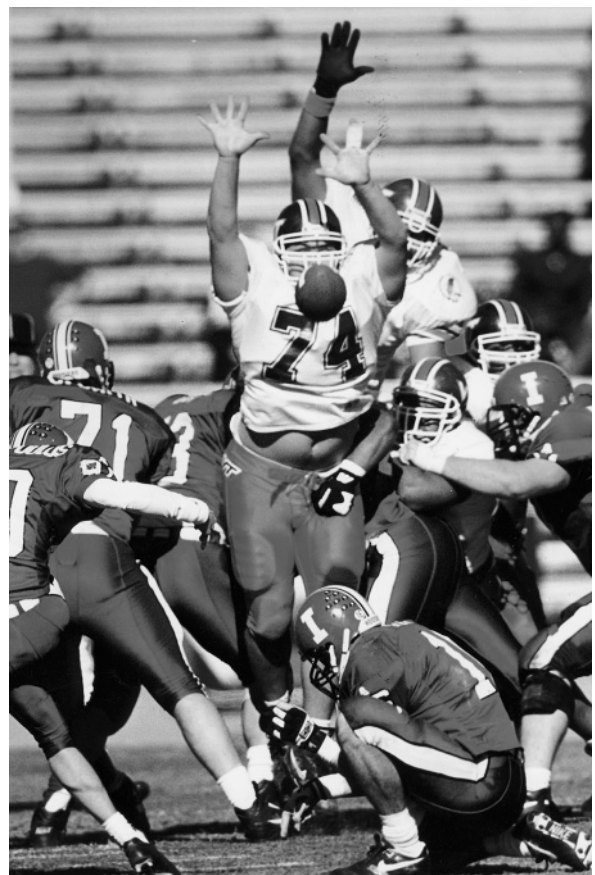
Team Statistics	VT	IU
First downs	17	11
Rushes-yds.	48-125	31-20
Passing yds.	193	276
Return yds.	38	61
Passes	19-33-2	17-37-2
Punts-avg.	8-39	7-38
Fumbles-lost	2-1	2-2
Penalties-yds.	8-84	7-55
Time of poss.	32:48	27:12
Sacks by	7-42	2-12

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Thomas 24-65, Swarm 9-40, Edwards 5-15, R. White 4-3, DeShazo 5-1, Druckenmiller 1-1; IU, Thurman 1-37, Chaney 11-34, Batts 3-10, Glover 3-6, Thomas 1-(-4), Paci 5-(-26), Dittoe 7-(-37).

Passing — VT, DeShazo 19-33-2-193; IU, Paci 10-22-1-171, Dittoe 7-14-1-105, DiGiulio 0-1-0-0.

Receiving — VT, Freeman 5-66, Thomas 4-27, Burke 3-26, C. White 2-35, Sanders 2-15, Swarm 1-13, Edmonds 1-6, Still 1-5; IU, Lewis 6-177, Hales 2-49, Matthews 2-35, Glover 2-1, Chaney 2-(-1), Baety 1-9, Hobbs 1-4, Eggebrecht 1-2.



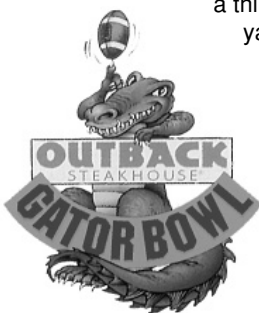
1994 GATOR BOWL

Tennessee 45, Virginia Tech 23

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Quick-striking Tennessee got off to a big lead early and went on to defeat Virginia Tech, 45-23, in the transplanted Outback Steakhouse Gator Bowl game at Ben Hill Griffin Stadium on the University of Florida campus.

Tech backed itself into a corner early, throwing an interception on the game's second play. The Volunteers kept the Hokies there with a variety of big plays that resulted in a 35-10 halftime advantage. Overall, UT had seven plays of 20 or more yards and a total of 495 yards of offense.

Tennessee capitalized on the early interception for its first touchdown, then got its second on a 36-yard scoring pass by quarterback Payton Manning — whose father, Archie, directed Mississippi to a bowl win over Tech in 1968. The Vols used a 75-yard end-around to set up their third TD and a 21-0 advantage just 17 minutes into the game.



When the Hokies finally got going, they piled up 426 yards of offense, including 237 yards through the air. Tech also got a game-high 102 yards rushing from tailback Dwayne Thomas. Thomas had a 1-yard burst for a touchdown in the second quarter and ran 27 yards to set up a third-quarter TD, which came on a 7-yard option run by quarterback Maurice DeShazo.

Any hopes the Hokies had of a second-half rally were erased by a dropped touchdown pass by a Tech receiver and a 5-yard TD run by Tennessee running back James Stewart. Stewart was named the game's MVP after running for three touchdowns and passing for another.

A contingent of 18,000-plus Tech fans were among the 62,200 spectators who made the trip from Jacksonville to Gainesville for the game. The site of the game was moved to Gainesville due to renovations being made to Gator Bowl Stadium after Jacksonville was awarded an NFL franchise.

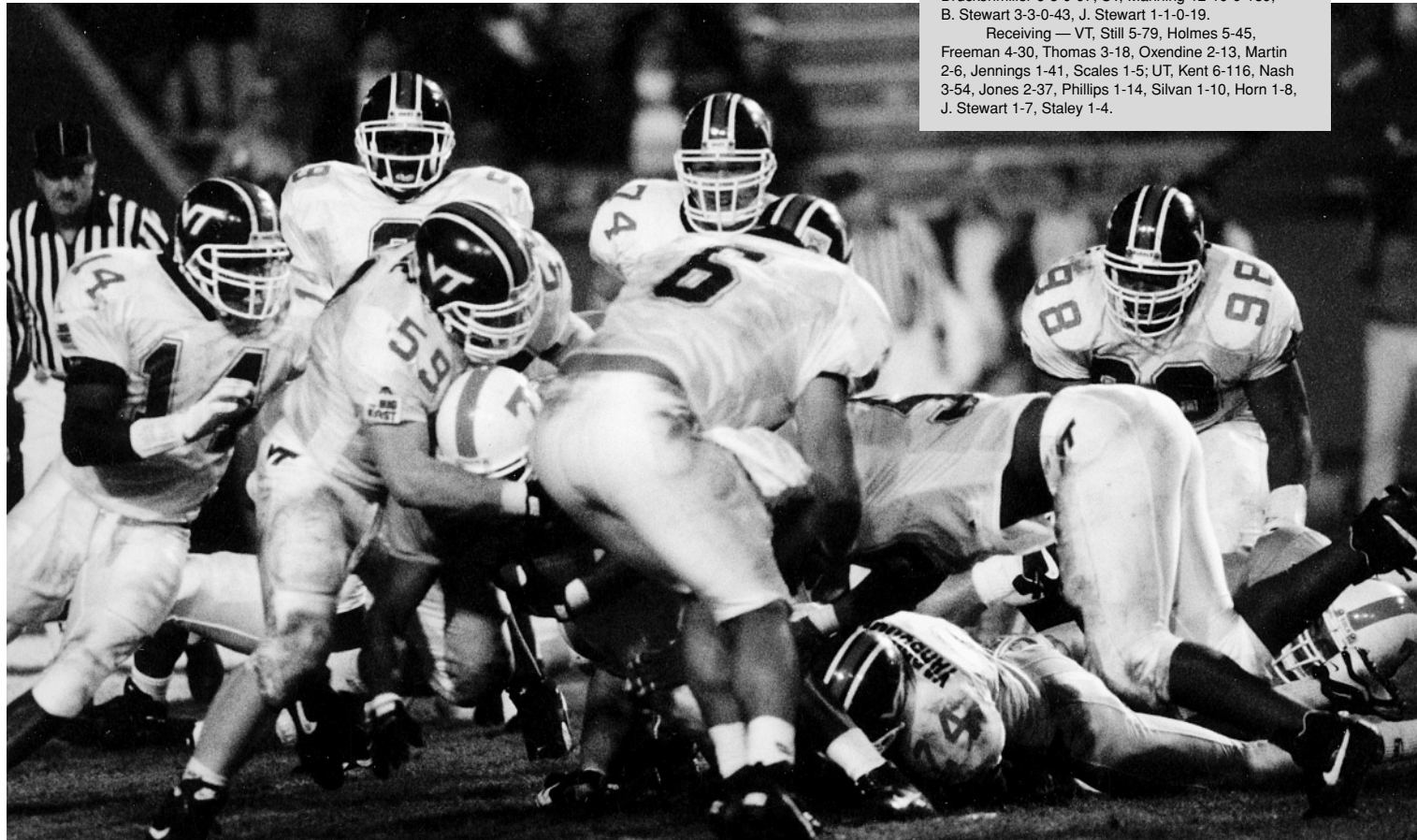
DECEMBER 30, 1994 • GAINESVILLE, FLA.
BEN HILL GRIFFIN STADIUM • ATT: 62,200

Virginia Tech	0	10	6	7	—	23
Tennessee	14	21	0	10	—	45

UT (11:41 re 1st) — J. Stewart 1 run (Becksvort kick)
 UT (1:08 re 1st) — Nash 36 pass from Manning (Becksvort kick)
 UT (13:23 re 2nd) — Graham 1 run (Becksvort kick)
 VT (5:17 re 2nd) — Thomas 1 run (Williams kick)
 UT (3:22 re 2nd) — J. Stewart 1 run (Becksvort kick)
 UT (2:13 re 2nd) — Jones 19 pass from J. Stewart (Becksvort kick)
 VT (0:03 re 2nd) — FG Williams 28
 VT (7:03 re 3rd) — DeShazo 7 run (Williams kick)
 UT (13:17 re 4th) — J. Stewart 5 run (Becksvort kick)
 UT (9:41 re 4th) — FG Becksvort 19
 VT (4:13 re 4th) — Still 9 pass from Druckenmiller (Williams kick)

Team Statistics	VT	UT
First downs	22	18
Rushes-yds.	43-189	47-245
Passing yds.	237	250
Return yds.	18	112
Passes	23-38-2	16-23-0
Punts-avg.	5-43	5-43
Fumbles-lost	5-1	0-0
Penalties-yds.	3-25	7-58
Time of poss.	29:05	30:55
Sacks by	2-16	0-0

Individual Leaders
 Rushing — VT, Thomas 19-102, DeShazo 11-39, Edmonds 5-29, Still 1-8, Oxendine 4-7, Parker 1-3, Edwards 1-1, Druckenmiller 1-0; UT, J. Stewart 22-87, Jones 1-76, B. Stewart 2-31, Graham 8-30, Manning 2-29, Pilow 5-4, Phillips 2-3, Nash 1-1, Ford 2-1, Kerney 1-0, Wheaton 1-(-13).
 Passing — VT, DeShazo 17-30-2-140, Druckenmiller 6-8-0-97; UT, Manning 12-19-0-189, B. Stewart 3-3-0-43, J. Stewart 1-1-0-19.
 Receiving — VT, Still 5-79, Holmes 5-45, Freeman 4-30, Thomas 3-18, Oxendine 2-13, Martin 2-6, Jennings 1-41, Scales 1-5; UT, Kent 6-116, Nash 3-54, Jones 2-37, Phillips 1-14, Silvan 1-10, Horn 1-8, J. Stewart 1-7, Staley 1-4.



Eight Hokie defenders surround a Tennessee ballcarrier during the 1994 Gator Bowl game.

1995 SUGAR BOWL

Virginia Tech 28, Texas 10

NEW ORLEANS, La. — Virginia Tech scored one of the most stirring victories in the university's athletic history when it came from behind to defeat Texas, 28-10, in the 1995 Nokia Sugar Bowl.

A crowd of 70,283 at the Superdome saw Tech spot the favored Longhorns a 10-0 lead and then race back behind the sensational play of flanker Bryan Still. The momentum changed dramatically when Still returned a punt 60 yards for a Tech touchdown with 2:34 left in the first half. In the second half, it was more of the same.

Still caught a 27-yard pass from quarterback Jim Druckenmiller at the Texas 2-yard line to set up a touchdown run by Marcus Parker that put the Hokies ahead 14-10. Then, Still got behind the Texas defenders and pulled in a 54-yard touchdown pass from Druckenmiller. That play spelled doom for the Longhorns and helped earn Still the game's MVP award.

Tech's defense blitzed Texas into submission. Led by All-America end Cornell Brown, the Hokies sacked Texas quarterback James Brown five times and came up with three pass interceptions.



The defense also accounted for Tech's last touchdown when a Brown sack forced a fumble that was picked up and returned 20 yards for a TD by tackle Jim Baron.

The Tech defense, No. 1 in the nation against the rush, held the Longhorns to 226 total yards. Texas stars Ricky Williams and Shon Mitchell were held to 62 and 57 yards, respectively.

Offensively, Tech finished the game with 371 yards of offense. Druckenmiller led the way, completing 18 of 34 passes for 266 yards. Still and tight end Bryan Jennings were each on the receiving end of six passes totaling 119 and 77 yards, respectively.

The win was the 10th straight for Tech, which earned the appearance with its first BIG EAST Conference championship. The Hokies had tremendous fan support at the game. The Tech Ticket Office sold its complete allotment of 15,000 tickets in

just four days; it was estimated that nearly 25,000 Tech fans were on hand for the victory.

DECEMBER 31, 1995 • NEW ORLEANS, LA.
LOUISIANA SUPERDOME • ATT: 70,283

Virginia Tech	0	7	7	14	—	28
Texas	7	3	0	0	—	10

UT (4:32 re 1st) — Fitzgerald 4 pass from Brown (Dawson kick)
 UT (13:19 re 2nd) — FG Dawson 52
 VT (2:34 re 2nd) — Still 60 punt return (Larsen kick)
 VT (2:32 re 3rd) — Parker 2 run (Larsen kick)
 VT (12:28 re 4th) — Still 54 pass from Druckenmiller (Larsen kick)
 VT (5:08 re 4th) — Baron 20 fumble return (Larsen kick)

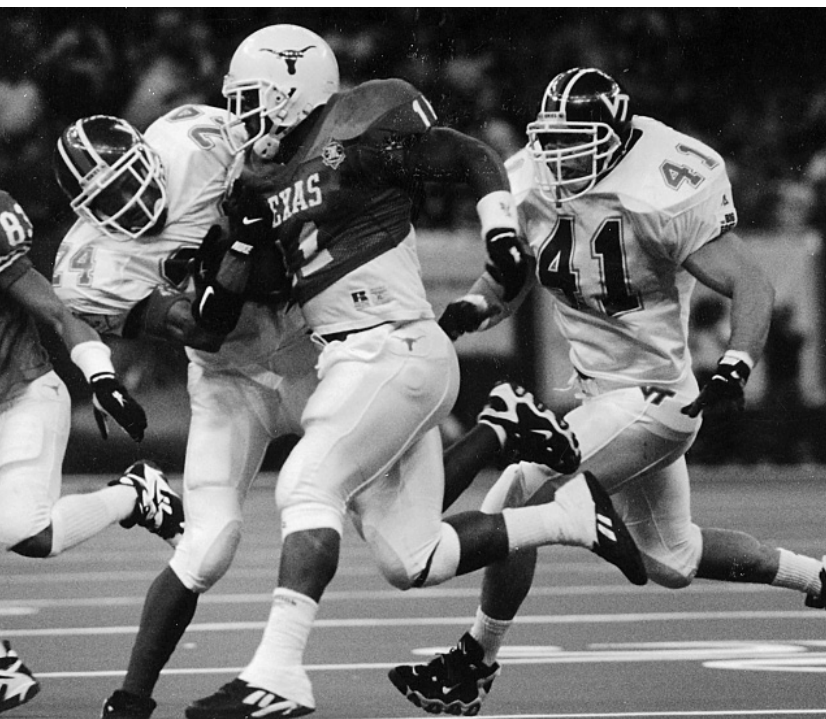
Team Statistics	VT	TEXAS
First Downs	20	15
Rushes-yds.	32-105	33-78
Passing yds.	266	148
Return yds.	84	42
Passes	18-24-1	14-37-3
Punts-avg.	8-37.0	9-40.0
Fumbles-lost	5-2	2-1
Penalties-yds.	11-99	9-91
Time of poss.	30:25	29:35
Sacks by	5-36	2-1

Individual Leaders

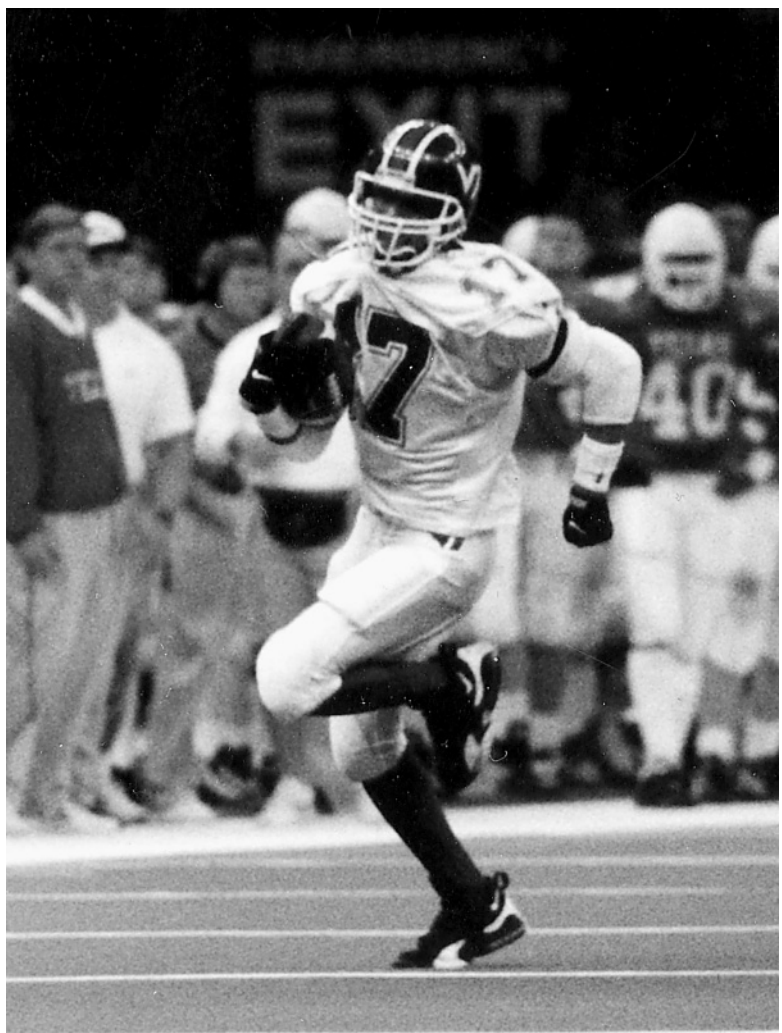
Rushing — VT, D. Thomas 15-62, Oxendine 8-31, Edmonds 3-10, Parker 2-4, Druckenmiller 3-1, Whipple 1-(-3); TEX, Williams 12-62, Mitchell 15-59, Brown 6-(-43).

Passing — VT, Druckenmiller 18-34-1-266; TEX, Brown 14-36-3-148, McLemore 0-1-0-0.

Receiving — VT, Still 6-119, Jennings 6-77, Holmes 2-30, Edmonds 2-16, White 1-16, Parker 1-8; TEX, M. Adams 6-92, Fitzgerald 3-21, Davis 2-27, Williams 1-6, McGarity 1-1, Mitchell 1-1.



William Yarborough and George DelRicco (above) drag down Texas running back Ricky Williams, part of the Longhorns' renowned BMW offense. Sugar Bowl MVP Bryan Still returns a punt for a touchdown (right) that started Tech's comeback.



1996 ORANGE BOWL

Nebraska 41, Virginia Tech 21

MIAMI, Fla. — Virginia Tech's second venture into Bowl Alliance territory wasn't as successful as the first, but the Hokies' 41-21 loss to power-packed Nebraska was much closer than the final score indicated.

Nebraska out-gained Tech by just seven yards, 415 to 408, in total offense and managed to lead by only three points with less than one minute remaining in the third quarter. In the end, it was the Nebraska depth that wore down the Hokies.

A crowd of 51,212 at Pro Player Stadium saw Tech quarterback Jim Druckenmiller throw three touchdown passes despite a fierce rush by the Cornhusker defenders. Tech opened the scoring with 3:14 left in the first quarter when Marcus Parker scored on a 19-yard screen pass from Druckenmiller.

Nebraska answered with a 25-yard field goal by Kris Brown and a 5-yard

scoring run by quarterback Scott Frost. Then came the play that may have been most crucial in the Hokies' defeat. Druckenmiller fumbled when hit and

Nebraska's Jason Peter scooped up the ball and ran 31 yards into the end zone. That made the score 17-7, Nebraska.

Tech came right back, scoring with just 19 seconds left in the half on a 6-yard pass from Druckenmiller to Shawn Scales, who took the ball away from a Cornhusker defender. The score was 24-21 in favor of Nebraska after Druckenmiller's 33-yard

scoring pass to Cornelius White late in the third quarter. But Nebraska then salted the victory away, scoring the final 17 points.

Tailback Ken Oxendine was voted Tech's Most Valuable Player after running for 150 yards on 20 carries — the fifth-best individual rushing performance in the bowl's history. Druckenmiller wound up completing 16 of 33 passes for 214 yards. The Hokies' top defensive player was safety Torrian Gray who had a total of 12 tackles.



Jim Druckenmiller (above) threw three TD passes against Nebraska and Ken Oxendine (right) ran for 150 yards in the 1996 Orange Bowl.



DECEMBER 31, 1996 ▶ MIAMI, FLA.
PRO PLAYER STADIUM ▶ ATT: 51,212

Virginia Tech	7	7	7	0	—	21
Nebraska	0	17	14	10	—	41

VT (3:14 re 1st) — Parker 19 pass from Druckenmiller (Graham kick)
 UN (13:25 re 2nd) — FG Brown 25
 UN (9:14 re 2nd) — Frost 5 run (Brown kick)
 UN (3:36 re 2nd) — Peter 31 fumble ret (Brown kick)
 VT (0:19 re 2nd) — Scales 6 pass from Druckenmiller (Graham kick)
 UN (9:54 re 3rd) — Benning 33 run (Brown kick)
 VT (4:58 re 3rd) — White 33 pass from Druckenmiller (Graham kick)
 UN (0:20 re 3rd) — Benning 6 run (Brown kick)
 UN (7:52 re 4th) — FG Brown 37
 UN (3:26 re 4th) — Frost 22 run (Brown kick)

Team Statistics	VT	UN
First downs	22	25
Rushes-yds.	39-193	49-279
Passing yds.	214	136
Return yds.	95	147
Passes	16-33-0	11-22-0
Punts-avg.	5-34	2-45
Fumbles-lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties-yds.	5-89	3-16
Time of poss.	31:02	28:58
Sacks by	0-0	3-24

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Oxendine 20-150, Parker 8-22, Druckenmiller 9-18, Stith 2-3; UN, Benning 15-95, Frost 9-62, Green 7-52, Sims 8-48, Makovicka 4-12, Turman 2-8, Schuster 4-2.
 Passing — VT, Druckenmiller 16-33-0-214; UN, Frost 11-22-0-136.
 Receiving — VT, Jennings 4-58, Oxendine 3-60, Parker 3-28, White 2-38, Stuewe 2-23, Scales 2-7; UN, Wiggins 3-36, Lake 2-27, Cheatham 1-23, Brown 1-23, S. Jackson 1-11, V. Jackson 1-9, Holbein 1-5, Benning 1-2.

1998 GATOR BOWL

North Carolina 42, Virginia Tech 3

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Highly-rated North Carolina outplayed Virginia Tech in every phase of the game to score a 42-3 victory in the Toyota Gator Bowl game at Alltel Stadium.

The Tar Heels, ranked seventh by the AP and fifth by the coaches, impressed a crowd of 54,116 by passing for 318 yards and grinding out 124 more yards on the ground. Tech, meanwhile, was held to a total of 185 yards, its lowest total of the season.

Two of Carolina's first-half touchdowns came on defensive plays. The Tar Heels blocked a punt in the first quarter and Dré Bly returned it six yards for a touchdown. Then in the second period, Tech quarterback Al Clark fumbled in the end zone and Greg Ellis fell on it for another UNC touchdown.

The Hokies never could get their offense on track, losing three of their six fumbles. Tech's only points came on a 40-yard field goal by Shayne Graham late in the third quarter.

Clark, recovering from a postseason knee operation, had to give way to reserve Nick Sorensen at the start of the second half. Sorensen went on to be voted Tech's Player of the Game by the media.

Tech was the winner in one category. For the fifth straight year, Hokie fan support far exceeded that of their bowl opponent. The Hokies sold almost twice as many tickets as the Tar Heels.



JANUARY 1, 1998 ▶ JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
ALLTEL STADIUM ▶ ATT: 54,116

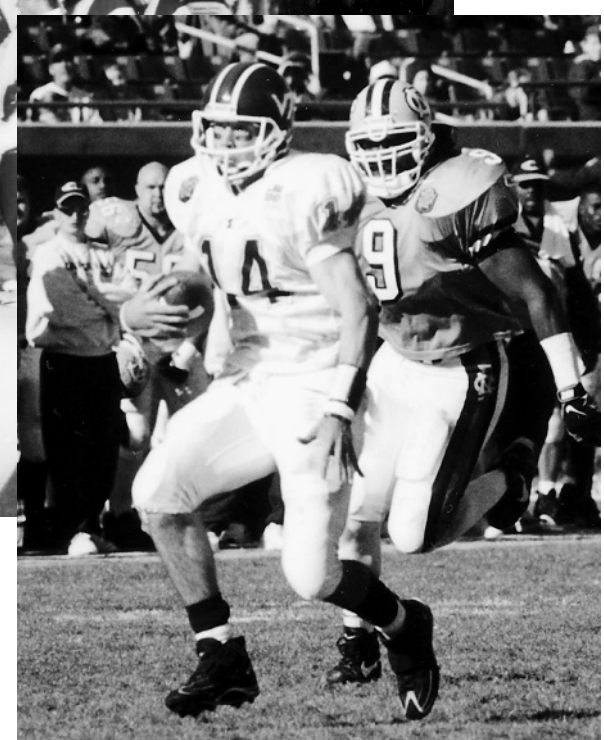
Virginia Tech	0	0	3	0	—	3
North Carolina	16	6	6	14	—	42

UNC (9:15 re 1st) — FG McGee 29
 UNC (6:07 re 1st) — Barnes 62 pass from Keldorf (McGee kick)
 UNC (1:03 re 1st) — Bly 6 blocked punt return (kick failed)
 UNC (14:53 re 2nd) — Ellis fumble recovery in end zone (pass failed)
 UNC (9:43 re 3rd) — Linton 1 run (kick failed)
 VT (4:37 re 3rd) — FG Graham 40
 UNC (14:55 re 4th) — Barnes 14 pass from Keldorf (McGee kick)
 UNC (5:01 re 4th) — Carrick 4 pass from Keldorf (McGee kick)

Team Statistics	VT	UNC
First downs	14	18
Rushes-yds.	40-95	37-109
Passing yds.	90	318
Return yds.	11	25
Passes	13-25-0	18-29-0
Punts-avg.	6-30.8	3-40.3
Fumbles-lost	6-3	0-0
Penalties-yds.	4-36	6-61
Time of poss.	30:29	29:31
Sacks by	2-9	5-40

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Oxendine 10-39, Scales 1-29, Pegues 7-27, Sorensen 10-19, Parker 4-2, Hawkins 1-1, Clark 7-(-22); UNC, Linton 20-68, Geter 7-25, D. Williams 5-24, Keldorf 5-(-8).
 Passing — VT, Clark 9-17-0-66, Sorensen 4-8-0-24; UNC, Keldorf 17-28-0-290, Schmitz 1-1-0-28.
 Receiving — VT, Parker 4-32, Stuewe 2-24, Harrison 4-21, Scales 1-13, Ellison 1-3, Oxendine 1-(-3). UNC, Barnes 3-89, Linton 6-81, Crumpler 5-77, N. Brown 2-39, Simmons 1-28, Carrick 1-4.



Tech fans take over Jacksonville (above) for a Gator Bowl pep rally on New Year's Eve. The Hokies are well known for their tremendous bowl following, and for the fifth straight year, took more fans to a bowl game than their opponent. Nick Sorensen (right) was named Tech's MVP for the game.

1998 MUSIC CITY BOWL

Virginia Tech 38, Alabama 7

DEC. 29, 1998 • NASHVILLE, TENN.
VANDERBILT STADIUM • ATT: 41,600

Virginia Tech	7	3	14	14	—	38
Alabama	0	7	0	0	—	7

VT (12:25 re 1st) — Clark 43 run (Graham kick)
 UA (9:13 re 2nd) — Vaughn 5 pass from Zow
 (Pflugner kick)
 VT (6:41 re 2nd) — FG Graham 44
 VT (8:16 re 3rd) — Pegues 1 run (Graham kick)
 VT (5:08 re 3rd) — Stith 4 run (Graham kick)
 VT (13:31 re 4th) — Pegues 1 run
 (Graham kick)
 VT (7:33 re 4th) — Midget 27 interception return
 (Graham kick)

Team Statistics	VT	UA
First downs	15	15
Rushes-yds	43-207	32-50
Passing yds.	71	224
Return yds.	78	-3
Passes	7-14-1	19-35-3
Punts-avg.	3-46.7	6-29.0
Fumbles-lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-yds.	5-31	10-94
Time of poss.	23:43	36:17
Sacks by	3-13	4-27

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Stith 10-71, Clark, 9-55, Pegues 15-41, Kendrick 3-27, Harrison 1-9, Ward 2-4, J. Ferguson 3-0; UA, Alexander 21-55, McClintock 3-3, Zow 8-(-8).

Passing — VT, Clark 7-14-71-1; UA, Zow 19-35-224-3.

Receiving — VT, Harrison 2-11, J. Ferguson 1-14, Stith 1-9, Hall 1-20, E. Johnson 1-8, Pegues 1-9; UA Alexander 8-87, Vaughn 3-55, Milons 2-17, Jackson 2-20, Hall 2-14, BOWENS 1-16, Locke 1-15.



Al Clark got the Hokies on the board early with this 43-yard touchdown run.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A sellout crowd of 41,600, who braved freezing rain and a wind chill that dipped to 14 degrees, watched as Virginia Tech beat Alabama, 38-7, in the inaugural American General Music City Bowl in Nashville, Tenn.

The win was Tech's first-ever football victory against Alabama, snapping a 10-game losing streak against the Crimson Tide. The winning margin was the largest ever in a bowl game for the Hokies, while the losing margin was the second-worst in a bowl game for the Tide.

Quarterback Al Clark got Tech off to a quick start with a 43-yard touchdown run on the fourth play of the game. But for the rest of the first half, the Hokies failed to take advantage of opportunities. A 44-yard Shayne Graham field goal near the end of the second quarter enabled Tech to take a 10-7 lead at halftime.

Things changed dramatically for the Hokies in the second half as they began to make the most of every opportunity, thanks in large part to the play of defensive end Corey Moore.

Moore forced Alabama quarterback Andrew Zow to throw an interception to Tech linebacker Phillip Summers early in

the third quarter. That led to a 1-yard touchdown run by Lamont Pegues, which gave the Hokies a 17-7 lead. Moore then blocked an Alabama punt to set up another Tech rushing touchdown — this time a 4-yard burst by Shyrone Stith.

Tech polished things off in the fourth quarter. The Hokies recovered a fumbled

punt at the Alabama 19 and marched in for another TD by Pegues. Tech defensive back Anthony Midget put the finishing touches on with a 27-yard interception return for a touchdown.



Tech blocked two punts against the Crimson Tide, including this one by Corey Moore (56).

★ 2000 SUGAR BOWL ★

Florida State 46, Virginia Tech 29

NEW ORLEANS, La. — Playing on the biggest stage in school history — the national championship game — Virginia Tech proved it belonged among the nation's elite, but fell short in its drive to capture the coveted national crown. In the end, the Hokies simply could not overcome their own mistakes and the big plays of the Florida State Seminoles during a 46-29 loss in the Nokia Sugar Bowl.

In one of the best championship games in recent history, Tech rallied from a 21-point first-half deficit to take the lead from the top-ranked Seminoles going into the fourth quarter. The Hokies had the momentum of 22-straight points heading into the final



period, but that momentum turned in FSU's favor on a crucial fourth-and-one play with just over 14 minutes remaining in the game.

The Seminoles picked up the first down and went on to take the lead with a touchdown at the 12:59 mark. A Tech fumble led to an FSU field goal less than three minutes later, and the Seminoles iced the game with another TD with 7:42 remaining.

Tech showed no fear against its highly-touted opponent, driving 76 yards to the FSU 4 on its first possession of the game only to fumble. It was the first of several costly mistakes.

Florida State scored on a blocked punt and a punt return on the way to building a 28-7 lead.

Sensational freshman quarterback Michael Vick directed an 80-yard scoring drive just before the half to get the Hokies closer at 28-14. Tech added 15 more points in the third quarter to go ahead, 29-28.

Vick accounted for 323 yards of total offense. He constantly avoided FSU's rush with a dazzling display of footwork that led to 97 yards rushing and a touchdown. Vick added 225-yards passing and another TD.

JANUARY 4, 2000 ▶ NEW ORLEANS, LA.
LOUISIANA SUPERDOME ▶ ATT: 79,280

Virginia Tech	7	7	15	0	—	29
Florida State	14	14	0	18	—	46

FSU (3:22 re 1st) — Warrick 64 pass from Weinke (Janikowski kick)
 FSU (2:14 re 1st) — Chaney 6 blocked punt return (Janikowski kick)
 VT (0:30 re 1st) — Davis 49 pass from Vick (Graham kick)
 FSU (13:45 re 2nd) — Dugans 63 pass from Weinke (Janikowski kick)
 FSU (11:40 re 2nd) — Warrick 59 punt return (Janikowski kick)
 VT (0:37 re 2nd) — Vick 3 run (Graham kick)
 VT (7:54 re 3rd) — FG Graham 23
 VT (5:57 re 3rd) — Kendrick 29 run (pass failed)
 VT (2:13 re 3rd) — Kendrick 6 run (pass failed)
 FSU (12:59 re 4th) — Dugans 14 pass from Weinke (Warrick pass from Weinke)
 FSU (10:26 re 4th) — FG Janikowski 32
 FSU (7:42 re 4th) — Warrick 43 pass from Weinke (Janikowski kick)

Team Statistics	VT	FSU
First downs	24	15
Rushes-yds.	52-278	23-30
Passing yds.	225	329
Return yds.	88	80
Passes	15-29-0	20-34-1
Punts-avg.	6-29	7-44
Fumbles-lost	3-3	2-0
Penalties-yds.	6-65	7-59
Time of poss.	36:25	23:35
Sacks by	4-31	7-37

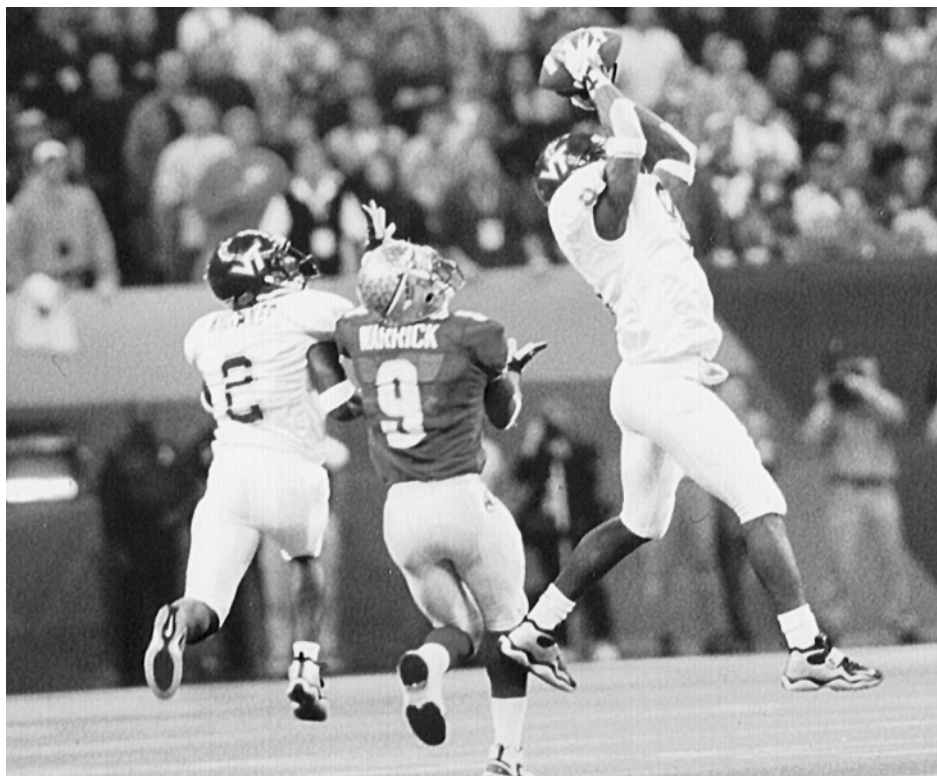
Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Vick 23-97, Kendrick 12-69, Stith 11-68, Davis 1-16, Johnson 1-12, Sorensen 1-7, Ferguson 1-5, Hawkins 1-4, Graham 1-0; FSU, Chaney 4-43, Minor 9-39, Team 3(-7), Weinke 7(-41).
 Passing — VT, Vick 15-29-0-225; FSU, Weinke 20-34-1-329.
 Receiving — VT, Davis 7-108, Hawkins 2-49, Kendrick 2-27, Johnson 1-23, Wynn 1-7, Ferguson 1-6, Carter 1-5; FSU, Warrick 6-163, Dugans 5-99, Minnis 2-25, Minor 2-23, Morgan 2-10, Chaney 2-5, Boldin 1-4.

Tech out-gained the Seminoles, 503 yards to 359, but 170 of FSU's total yards came on three long touchdown passes.



Michael Vick (above) wowed the nation with his performance in the national championship game against Florida State. Great plays such as Anthony Midget's interception (right) had the Hokies leading going into the fourth quarter.



2001 GATOR BOWL

Virginia Tech 41, Clemson 20

Thanks to big plays from a Michael Vick-led offense and a strong defensive performance, Virginia Tech exorcised its Jacksonville demons and rang in the new year by defeating Clemson 41-20 in front of 68,741 fans at the 56th annual Gator Bowl. With the win, Tech snapped its two-game losing streak in Gator Bowl games.

The Hokies held Clemson to three-and-out on the Tigers' first possession, forcing them to punt. Clemson snapper Henry Owen, though, tossed back a poor snap to Jamie Somaini who was tackled for a loss at the Clemson 23.

The Hokies then took advantage of the great field position. On their first play, quarterback Michael Vick hit fullback Jarrett Ferguson with a perfect strike up the middle and Ferguson coasted into the end zone for the touchdown.

Vick accounted for Tech's second touchdown as well. Near the end of the first quarter, the redshirt sophomore led the Hokies on a 59-yard march that ended with him scoring on a 6-yard run — on third-and-goal — with 1:08 left in the quarter.

Clemson sliced into Tech's lead in the second quarter, but the Hokies answered, getting three plays for 45 yards or more and all three led to touchdowns.

A 49-yard pass play from Vick to André Kendrick on third-and-2 put the Hokies at the Clemson 4, and two plays later, tailback Lee Suggs scored from the 3. The extra point capped a seven-play, 78-yard drive and gave the Hokies a 21-10 lead that they took into the locker room at halftime.

On Tech's first possession of the

second half, Vick hit André Davis for a 55-yard gain to the Clemson 1 and Suggs scored from a yard out on the next play — his second of three scores on the day.

After a Clemson field goal made the score 27-13, the Hokies answered with another big play and another touchdown. A 45-yard run by Kendrick got the Hokies into Clemson territory, and four plays later, Ferguson polished off the drive — and the Tigers — with a 5-yard touchdown run.



On the other side of the ball, Tech kept Clemson quarterback Woody Dantzler on the run — backwards — all day long. The Hokies held Clemson to 88 yards rushing, sacked

Clemson's quarterbacks six times and picked off two passes.

Vick finished the game with 224 yards of total offense and earned the game's most valuable player award. He completed 10 of 18 passes for 205 yards, with one touchdown and one interception. He averaged more than 20 yards per completion.

JANUARY 1, 2001 ▶ JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
ALLTEL STADIUM ▶ ATT: 68,741

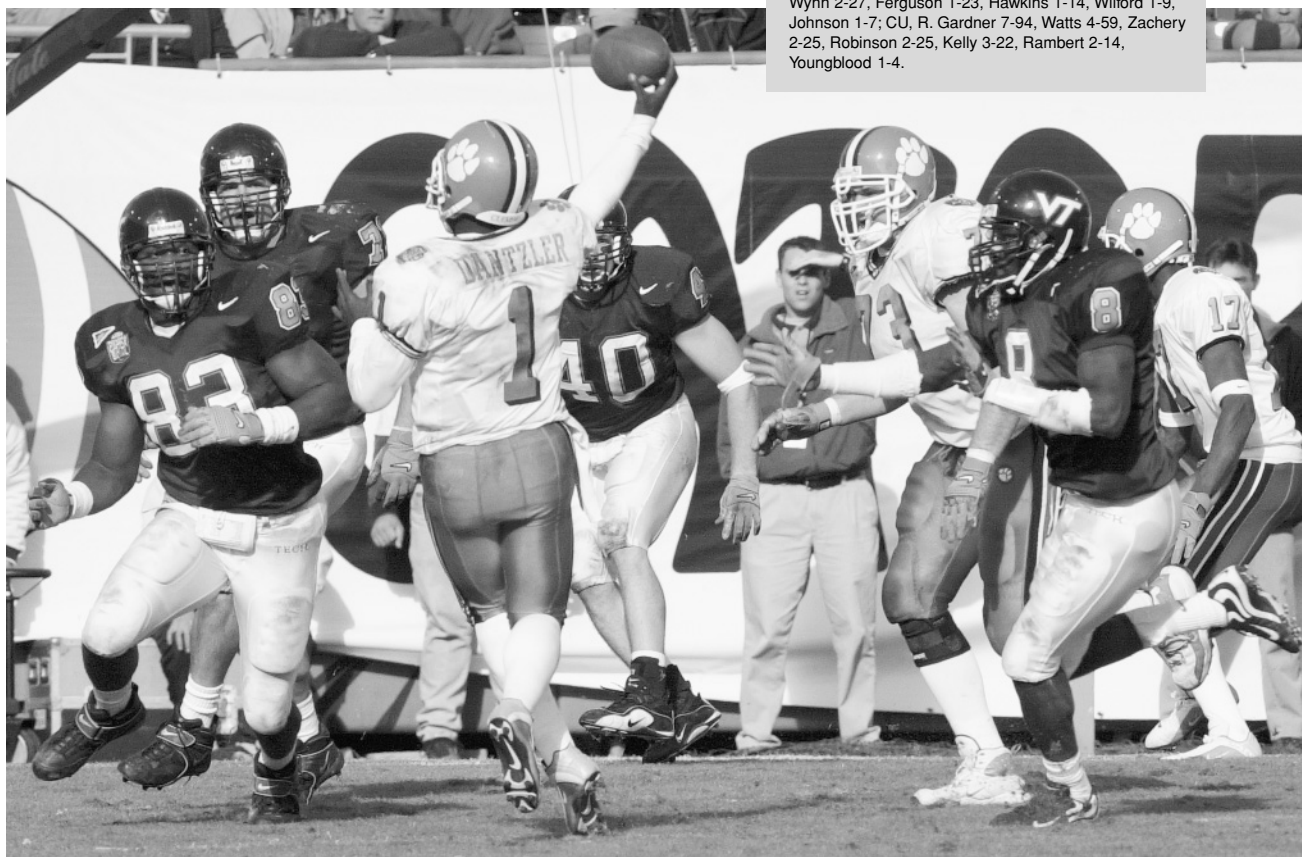
Clemson	0	10	3	7	—	20
Virginia Tech	14	7	13	7	—	41

VT (13:23 re 1st) — Ferguson 23 pass from Vick (Warley kick)
 VT (1:08 re 1st) — Vick 6 run (Warley kick)
 CU (2:34 re 2nd) — Zachery 23 pass from Dantzler (Hunt kick)
 CU (5:45 re 2nd) — Hunt 28 FG
 VT (2:26 re 2nd) — Suggs 3 run (Warley kick)
 VT (12:19 re 3rd) — Suggs 1 run (kick failed)
 CU (7:19 re 3rd) — Hunt 26 FG
 VT (5:14 re 3rd) — Ferguson 5 run (Warley kick)
 CU (7:19 re 4th) — Gardner 23 pass from Simmons (Hunt kick)
 VT (3:41 re 4th) — Suggs 5 run (Warley kick)

Team Stats	VT	CU
First downs	19	21
Rushes-yds.	47-211	35-88
Passing yds.	205	243
Return yds.	31	0
Passes	10-18-1	21-44-2
Punts-avg.	2-32.0	5-38.4
Fumbles-lost	2-2	2-0
Penalties-yds.	2-20	7-50
KO ret.-yds.	4-96	5-94
Interceptions-yds.	2-27	1-0
Time of poss.	31:36	28:24
3rd downs	5 of 11	5 of 16
4th downs	0 of 1	1 of 3
Sacks by	6-28	2-22

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Suggs 20-73, Kendrick 4-52, Ferguson 6-26, Ward 4-24, Vick 9-19, Burnell 1-6, Hawkins 2-6, Johnson 1-5; CU, Dantzler 18-81, Zachery 5-15, Rambert 4-7, Kelly 2-3, team 1-(-8), Simmons 5-(-10).
 Passing — VT, Vick 10-18-1-205; CU, Dantzler 15-32-1-180, Simmons 6-12-1-63.
 Receiving — VT, A. Davis 2-70, Kendrick 2-55, Wynn 2-27, Ferguson 1-23, Hawkins 1-14, Wilford 1-9, Johnson 1-7; CU, R. Gardner 7-94, Watts 4-59, Zachery 2-25, Robinson 2-25, Kelly 3-22, Rambert 2-14, Youngblood 1-4.



The Tech defense harassed Tiger QB Woody Dantzler all game long.

2002 GATOR BOWL

Florida State 30, Virginia Tech 17

Despite 158 yards receiving from André Davis in the final game of his career, Virginia Tech couldn't hold off the big-play capabilities of Florida State, falling to the Seminoles, 30-17, in front of 72,202 fans at the 57th annual Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, Fla., on New Year's Day.

In a game eerily similar to the 1999 Sugar Bowl game in which the Hokies and Seminoles battled for the national championship, Tech led after three quarters. A 55-yard touchdown pass from Tech quarterback Grant Noel to Davis with 40 seconds left in the third quarter gave the Hokies a 17-13 lead.

But then the big plays by FSU killed Tech. On the first play of the fourth quarter, FSU quarterback Chris Rix found Javon Walker on a 77-yard scoring play that gave the Seminoles a 20-17 lead.

The Hokies drove to the Seminole 32 on their next possession, but tailback Kevin Jones was stopped on fourth-and-1, giving FSU the ball on downs. On the next play,

Rix hit Walker again, this time for 50 yards to the Tech 18. That led to a 35-yard field goal by Xavier Beitia with 10:13 left in the game that gave the Seminoles a 23-17 lead.

The Seminoles put the game away late in the fourth quarter. A 23-yard touchdown pass from Rix to Walker accounted for the final margin.

Rix threw for 326 yards and two touchdowns, while Walker caught four passes for 195 yards — a new Gator Bowl record — and two touchdowns.

Noel completed 15-of-27 for 269 yards for Tech. Davis was the Hokies' MVP in the game, catching five passes for 158

yards and a score.

The loss marked the end of the careers of 22 Tech seniors. That senior class went down as the winningest class in school history with a 39-9 record.

The Gator Bowl appearance marked Tech's ninth-straight bowl game, a feat matched by only six other college teams.



JANUARY 1, 2002 ▶ JACKSONVILLE, FLA.
ALTEL STADIUM ▶ ATT: 72,202

Virginia Tech	3	0	14	0	-	17
Florida State	0	10	3	17	-	30

VT (10:56 re 1st) – Warley 36 FG
 FSU (6:32 re 2nd) – Rix 1 run (Beitia kick)
 FSU (1:26 re 2nd) – Beitia 50 FG
 VT (10:02 re 3rd) – Jones 5 run (Warley kick)
 FSU (1:42 re 3rd) – Beitia 47 FG
 VT (0:40 re 3rd) – Davis 55 pass from Noel (Warley kick)
 FSU (14:48 re 4th) – Walker 77 pass from Rix (Beitia kick)
 FSU (10:13 re 4th) – Beitia 35 FG
 FSU (2:14 re 4th) – Walker 23 pass from Rix (Beitia kick)

Team Stats	VT	FSU
First downs	16	19
Rushes-yds.	40-43	39-104
Passing yds.	269	326
Return yds.	23	19
Passes	15-29-1	12-25-1
Punts-avg.	7-29.9	4-40.5
Fumbles-lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties-yds.	4-30	4-25
KO ret.-yds.	6-127	4-52
Interceptions-yds.	1-9	1-6
Time of poss.	31:09	28:51
3rd downs	3 of 14	4 of 12
4th downs	0 of 2	1 of 1
Sacks by	4-34	5-33

Individual Leaders

Rushing – VT, K. Jones 23-55, J. Ferguson 3-13, Burnell 2-1, Noel 12(-26); FSU, G. Jones 23-120, Maddox 3-6, Gardner 1(-3), Rix 12(-19).
 Passing – VT, Noel 15-27-0-269, Randall 0-1-1-0, Johnson 0-1-0-0; FSU, Rix 12-25-1-326.
 Receiving – VT, A. Davis 5-158, J. Ferguson 5-32, Slowikowski 2-36, E. Johnson 2-21, Parham 1-22; FSU, J. Walker 4-195, Bell 3-43, C. Thorpe 2-48, T. Gardner 2-21, N. Maddox 1-29.



Kevin Jones heads into the end zone for the Hokies' first touchdown of the game (above). André Davis (right) later scores on a 55-yard pass from Grant Noel.

2002 SAN FRANCISCO BOWL

Virginia Tech 20, Air Force 13

Virginia Tech rallied from a 10-point deficit and then held off Air Force on the game's final drive to win the inaugural Diamond Walnut San Francisco Bowl 20-13 at Pacific Bell Park. With the win, Tech finished the season 10-4, marking the third time in four years that the Hokies had posted 10 or more victories.

Things looked shaky in the early going when the Hokies found themselves on the wrong end of a 10-0 score just eight minutes into the game. From there on, however, Tech's defense held the Falcons in check, allowing just three points.

A pass interception by Tech linebacker Vegas Robinson set up the Hokies' first touchdown, which came on a 16-yard run by tailback Lee Suggs with 2:26 left in the first quarter. Place-kicker Carter Warley booted a 23-yard field goal with 33 seconds in the half to tie the game.

Tech took the lead for good in the third quarter with a 60-yard drive that was capped by Suggs' second touchdown of the game — a 1-yard run. The two teams traded field goals the rest of the way, setting up the Falcons' final drive.

Air Force began that final push on its own 18 and moved all the way to the Tech 10. Two incompletions left the Falcons with seven seconds on the clock and a chance for one last play. Air Force quarterback Chance Harridge dropped back to pass on the final play, but failed to find anyone open. He tried to scramble for the end zone and was met head-on by Tech cornerback Ronyell Whitaker at the four. A desperation lateral attempt was stuffed, and the Hokies' victory celebration began. The big play was Whitaker's second on the final drive. Earlier, he batted away a sure touchdown pass at the goal line.

Tech quarterback Bryan Randall was named the game's most valuable offensive player. Randall completed 18-of-23 passes for 177 yards and did not have any turnovers.

Defensively, Tech held Air Force's top-ranked rushing attack to 227 yards, 87 below its average. The Falcons completed just 4 of 19 passes during the game and were intercepted twice by the Hokies.



DECEMBER 31, 2002 • SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.
PACIFIC BELL PARK • ATT: 25,966

Air Force	10	0	0	3	—	13
Western Michigan	7	3	7	3	—	0

AF (12:00 re 1st) — Ward 15 run (Ashcroft kick)
AF (7:36 re 1st) — FG Ashcroft 45
VT (2:26 re 1st) — Suggs 16 run (Warley kick)
VT (0:33 re 2nd) — FG Warley 23
VT (4:55 re 3rd) — Suggs 1 run (Warley kick)
AF (9:58 re 4th) — FG Ashcroft 21
VT (4:11 re 4th) — FG Warley 37

Team Stats	AF	VT
First downs	17	21
Rushing yds.	227	101
Passing yds.	91	177
Return yds.	22	30
Passes	4-19-2	18-23-0
Punts-avg.	3-31	3-40
Fumbles-lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties-yds.	7-73	3-25
Time of poss.	30:25	29:35
Sacks by	2-19	0-0

Individual Leaders

Rushing — AF, Butler 17-75, Harridge 18-70, Palmer 4-22, Ward 2-20, Massie 5-17, Clark 2-10, Stephens 2-4, Heier 1-4, Cole 1-3, Gehrsitz 1-2; VT, Suggs 19-70, Jones 11-35, Easlick 2-16, Randall 8-(-20).

Passing — AF, Harridge 4-19-2-91; VT, Randall 18-23-0-177.

Receiving — AF, Park 1-17, Waller 1-20, Strecker 1-18, Heier 1-6; VT, Wilford 5-50, Witten 4-48, Parham 4-35, Jones 2-7, Willis 1-20, Easlick 1-10, Hamilton 1-7.



Tailback Lee Suggs (22) ran for two touchdowns and freshman free safety Jimmy Williams (18) posted a team-leading 10 tackles in the inaugural Diamond Walnut San Francisco bowl.

BOWL SUPERLATIVES

LONGEST RUN FROM SCRIMMAGE: 77 yds., tb Maurice Williams vs. N.C. State, 1986 Peach
Opponent: 79 yds., tb Steve Hindman, Mississippi, 1968 Liberty (TD)

LONGEST PASS COMPLETION: 55 yds., qb Michael Vick to fl André Davis vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator;
qb Grant Noel to fl André Davis vs. Florida State, 2002 Gator (TD)
Opponent: 77 yds., qb Chris Rix to se Javon Walker, Florida State, 2002 Gator (TD)

LONGEST PUNT RETURN: 60 yds., Bryan Still vs. Texas, 1995 Sugar (TD)
Opponent: 59 yds., Peter Warrick, Florida State, 2000 Sugar (TD)

LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN: 63 yds., André Kendrick vs. Florida State, 2000 Sugar
Opponent: 51 yds., Jermaine Chaney, Indiana, 1993 Independence

LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN: 27 yds., cb Anthony Midget vs. Alabama, 1998 Music City (TD);
cb Ronyell Whitaker vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator
Opponent: 70 yds., mon Robert Bailey, Mississippi, 1968 Liberty (TD)

LONGEST PUNT: 62 yds., Gene Fisher vs. Miami, 1966 Liberty
Opponent: 63 yds., Mark Simon, Air Force, 1984 Independence

LONGEST FIELD GOAL: 46 yds., Chris Kinzer vs. N.C. State, 1986 Peach
Opponent: 52 yds., Phil Dawson, Texas, 1995 Sugar

MOST RUSHING CARRIES: 27, tb Cyrus Lawrence vs. Miami, 1981 Peach
Opponent: 29, qb Bart Weiss, Air Force, 1984 Independence

MOST RUSHING YARDS: 150, tb Ken Oxendine vs. Nebraska, 1996 Orange
Opponent: 121, tb Steve Hindman, Mississippi, 1968 Liberty

MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS: 3, tb Lee Suggs vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator
Opponent: 3, James Stewart, Tennessee, 1994 Gator

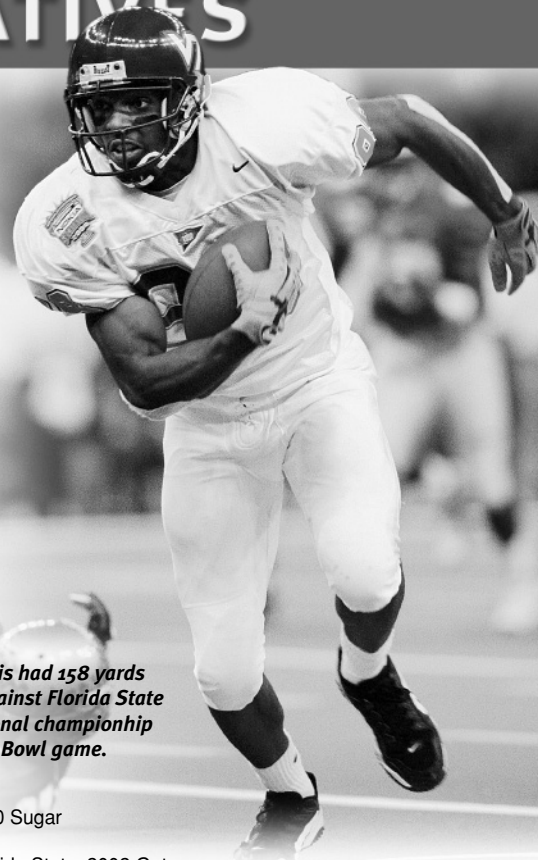
MOST PASSING ATTEMPTS: 34, Jim Druckenmiller, 1995 Sugar
Opponent: 36 James Brown, Texas, 1995 Sugar

MOST PASSING COMPLETIONS: 20, Erik Chapman vs. N.C. State, 1986 Peach
Opponent: 20, Chris Weinke, Florida State, 2000 Sugar

MOST PASSING YARDS: 269, Grant Noel vs. Florida State, 2002 Gator
Opponent: 329, Chris Weinke, Florida State, 2000 Sugar

MOST TOUCHDOWN PASSES THROWN: 3, Jim Druckenmiller vs. Nebraska, 1996 Orange
Opponent: 4, Chris Weinke, Florida State, 2000 Sugar

André Davis had 158 yards receiving against Florida State in the national championship Sugar Bowl game.



BOWL RESULTS

1947 Sun Bowl
Cincinnati 18, Virginia Tech 6

1966 Liberty Bowl
Miami (Fla.) 14, Virginia Tech 7

1968 Liberty Bowl
Mississippi 34, Virginia Tech 17

1980 Peach Bowl
Miami (Fla.) 20, Virginia Tech 10

1984 Independence Bowl
Air Force 23, Virginia Tech 7

1986 Peach Bowl
Virginia Tech 25, N. C. State 24

1993 Independence Bowl
Virginia Tech 45, Indiana 20

1994 Gator Bowl
Tennessee 45, Virginia Tech 23

1995 Sugar Bowl
Virginia Tech 28, Texas 10

1996 Orange Bowl
Nebraska 41, Virginia Tech 21

1998 Gator Bowl
North Carolina 42, Virginia Tech 3

1998 Music City Bowl
Virginia Tech 38, Alabama 7

2000 Sugar Bowl
Florida State 46, Virginia Tech 29

2001 Gator Bowl
Virginia Tech 41, Clemson 20

2002 Gator Bowl
Florida State 30, Virginia Tech 17

2002 San Francisco Bowl
Virginia Tech 20, Air Force 13

MOST RECEPTIONS: 7, fl André Davis vs. Florida State, 2000 Sugar
Opponent: 7, wr Rod Gardner, Clemson, 2001 Gator

MOST YARDS ON RECEPTIONS: 158, fl André Davis vs. Florida State, 2002 Gator
Opponent: 195, se Javon Walker, Florida State, 2002 Gator

MOST TOUCHDOWNS BY RECEPTIONS: 1, 10 different players
Opponent: 2, fl Thomas Lewis, Indiana, 1993 Independence; wr Octavus Barnes, North Carolina, 1998 Gator; wr Peter Warrick, Florida State, 2000 Sugar; wr Ron Dugans, Florida State, 2000 Sugar; se Javon Walker, Florida State, 2002 Gator

MOST YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE: 322, qb Michael Vick vs. Florida State, 2000 Sugar
Opponent: 307, qb Chris Rix, Florida State, 2002 Gator

MOST POINTS: 18, tb Lee Suggs vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator
Opponent: 20, wr Peter Warrick, Florida State, 2000 Sugar

MOST FIELD GOALS MADE: 2, Chris Kinzer vs. N.C. State, 1986 Peach; **Carter Warley vs. Air Force (2002 SFBowl)**
Opponent: 3, Xavier Beitia, Florida State, 2002 Gator

MOST TACKLES: 15, lb Ashley Lee vs. Miami, 1981 Peach; lb Vince Daniels vs. Air Force, 1984 Independence
Opponent: 17, lb Pat Teague, N.C. State, 1986 Peach

MOST INTERCEPTIONS: 2, db Floyd Bowles vs. Cincinnati, 1947 Sun; rov Torrian Gray vs. Texas, 1995 Sugar
Opponent: 1, 18 different players

MOST INTERCEPTION RETURN YARDS: 27, cb Anthony Midget vs. Alabama, 1998 Music City;
cb Ronyell Whitaker vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator
Opponent: 70, mon Robert Bailey, Mississippi, 1968 Liberty

MOST KICKOFF RETURN YARDS: 118, Richard Johnson vs. Florida State, 2002 Gator
Opponent: 89, Troy Russell, N.C. State, 1986 Peach

MOST PUNT RETURN YARDS: 88, Ike Charlton vs. Florida State, 2000 Sugar
Opponent: 89, Shawn Summers, Tennessee, 1994 Gator

BEST PUNTING AVERAGE: 46.7 yds., Jimmy Kibble vs. Alabama, 1998 Music City
Opponent: 44.5 yds., Jesse Kosch, Nebraska, 1996 Orange

100-YARD RUSHING PERFORMANCES: Ken Oxendine (150 yds. vs. Nebraska, 1996 Orange);
Cyrus Lawrence (134 yds., vs. Miami, 1981 Peach; Maurice Williams (129 yds., vs. N.C. State, 1986 Peach); Ken Edwards (119 yds., vs. Mississippi, 1968 Liberty); Eddie Hunter (113 yds., vs. N.C. State, 1986 Peach); Dwayne Thomas (102 yds., vs. Tennessee, 1994 Gator)
Opponent: Steve Hindman (121 yds., Mississippi, 1968 Liberty); Mal Crite (101 yds., N.C. State, 1986 Peach); Greg Jones (120 yds., Florida State, 2002 Gator)

BLOCKED PUNTS: John Maskas (vs. Cincinnati, 1947 Sun); Jimmy Richards (vs. Miami, 1966 Liberty, set up TD); Keion Carpenter (vs. Alabama, 1998 Music City); Corey Moore (vs. Alabama, 1998 Music City, set up TD)
Opponent: Derrick Taylor (N.C. State, 1986 Peach, resulted in TD); Quinton Savage (North Carolina, 1998 Gator, resulted in TD); Tommy Polley (Florida State, 2000 Sugar, resulted in TD); Marcello Church (Florida State, 2002 Gator, set up TD)

MISCELLANEOUS TOUCHDOWNS: 1, Lawrence Lewis vs. Indiana, 1993 Independence, returned fumble 20 yds.; Antonio Banks vs. Indiana, 1993 Independence, returned blocked field goal 80 yds.; Jim Baron vs. Texas, 1995 Sugar, returned fumble 20 yds.
Opponent: 1, Brian Bulluck, N.C. State, 1986 Peach, recovered blocked punt for TD; Jason Peter, Nebraska, 1996 Orange, returned fumble 31 yds.; Dré Bly, North Carolina, 1998 Gator, returned blocked punt 6 yds.; Greg Ellis, North Carolina, 1998 Gator, recovered fumble for TD.

TEAM BOWL MARKS

TECH OFFENSIVE HIGH AND LOW MARKS

	BEST	WORST
FIRST DOWNS	29 vs. N.C. State, 1986 Peach	7 vs. Miami, 1966 Liberty
Rushing	15 vs. N.C. State, 1986 Peach	4 vs. Miami, 1966 Liberty
Passing	13 vs. N.C. State, 1986 Peach	0 vs. Mississippi, 1968 Liberty
RUSHING YARDS	330 vs. Mississippi, 1968 Liberty	34 vs. Cincinnati, 1947 Sun
PASSING YARDS	269 vs. Florida State, 2002 Gator	2 vs. Mississippi, 1968 Liberty
TOTAL OFFENSE	503 vs. Florida State, 2000 Sugar	111 vs. Miami, 1966 Liberty
OFFENSIVE PLAYS	90 vs. N.C. State, 1986 Peach	56 vs. Miami, 1966 Liberty
Rushing Att.	60 twice (1968 Liberty, 1986 Peach)	32 vs. Texas, 1995 Sugar
Passing Att.	38 vs. Tennessee, 1994 Gator	7 vs. Mississippi, 1968 Liberty
PASSES COMPLETED	23 vs. Tennessee, 1994 Gator	1 vs. Mississippi, 1968 Liberty
PASSES HAD INTERCEPTED	0 four times (1996 Orange, 1998 Gator, 2000 Sugar, 2002 SF)	2 vs. seven teams
FUMBLES LOST	0 three times (1947 Sun, 1981 Peach, 1998 Music City)	3 three times (1968 Liberty, 1998 Gator, 2000 Sugar)
YARDS PENALIZED	20 vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator	120 vs. Mississippi, 1968 Liberty
POINTS SCORED	45 vs. Indiana, 1993 Independence	3 vs. North Carolina, 1998 Gator
RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS	5 vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator	0 twice (1996 Orange, 1998 Gator)
PASSING TOUCHDOWNS	3 vs. Nebraska, 1996 Orange	0 vs. eight teams
POINTS IN A QUARTER	21 vs. Indiana, 1993 Independence (2nd quarter)	
POINTS IN A HALF	28 vs. Indiana, 1993 Independence (1st half) vs. Alabama, 1998 Music City (2nd half)	0 vs. four teams

TECH DEFENSIVE HIGH AND LOW MARKS

	BEST	WORST
FIRST DOWNS	11 twice (1966 Liberty, 1993 Independence)	25 vs. Nebraska, 1996 Orange
Rushing	3 twice (1966 Liberty, 1993 Independence)	15 vs. Nebraska, 1996 Orange
Passing	2 vs. Air Force, 1984 Independence	13 vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator
RUSHING YARDS	20 vs. Indiana, 1993 Independence	369 vs. Cincinnati, 1947 Sun
PASSING YARDS	49 vs. Air Force, 1984 Independence	329 vs. Florida State, 2000 Sugar
TOTAL OFFENSE	163 vs. Miami, 1966 Liberty	495 vs. Tennessee, 1994 Gator
OFFENSIVE PLAYS	56 vs. N.C. State, 1986 Peach	79 vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator
Rushing Att.	23 vs. Florida State, 2000 Sugar	55 vs. Air Force, 1984 Independence
Passing Att.	7 vs. Air Force, 1984 Independence	44 vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator
PASSES COMPLETED	4 vs. Air Force, 2002 San Francisco Bowl	21 vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator
PASSES INTERCEPTED	3 three times (1947 Sun, 1995 Sugar, 1998 Music City)	0 vs. six teams
FUMBLES RECOVERED	2 vs. three teams	0 vs. eight teams
POINTS GIVEN UP	7 vs. Alabama, 1998 Music City	46 vs. Florida State, 2000 Sugar
POINTS GIVEN UP (QUARTER)		21 vs. Tennessee, 1994 Gator
POINTS GIVEN UP (HALF)	0 three times (1966 Liberty, 1995 Sugar, 1998 Music City)	35 vs. Tennessee, 1994 Gator
RUSHING TDS ALLOWED	0 six times (1986 Peach, 1993 Independence, 1995 Sugar, 1998 Music City, 2000 Sugar, 2001 Gator)	4 twice (1994 Gator, 1996 Orange)
PASSING TDS ALLOWED	0 vs. four teams	4 vs. Florida State, 2000 Sugar

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN DRIVE BY TECH: 80 yards vs. Miami, 1981 Peach; vs. Tennessee, 1994 Gator; vs. Nebraska, 1996 Orange (twice); vs. Florida State, 2000 Sugar (twice); vs. Clemson, 2001 Gator

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN DRIVE BY AN OPPONENT: 99 yards by Miami, 1981 Peach



Anthony Midget (shown returning an interception for a touchdown) and the rest of the Tech defense held Alabama to seven points in the 1998 Music City Bowl.

In the national championship 2000 Sugar Bowl game (left), the Hokies put up a school bowl-record 503 yards of total offense.

HOKIES ON TELEVISION

Overall Television Record	84-46
Last Five Seasons	41-12
Under Coach Beamer	70-34
Home Television Record	43-15
Away Television Record	34-21
Neutral Television Record	7-10

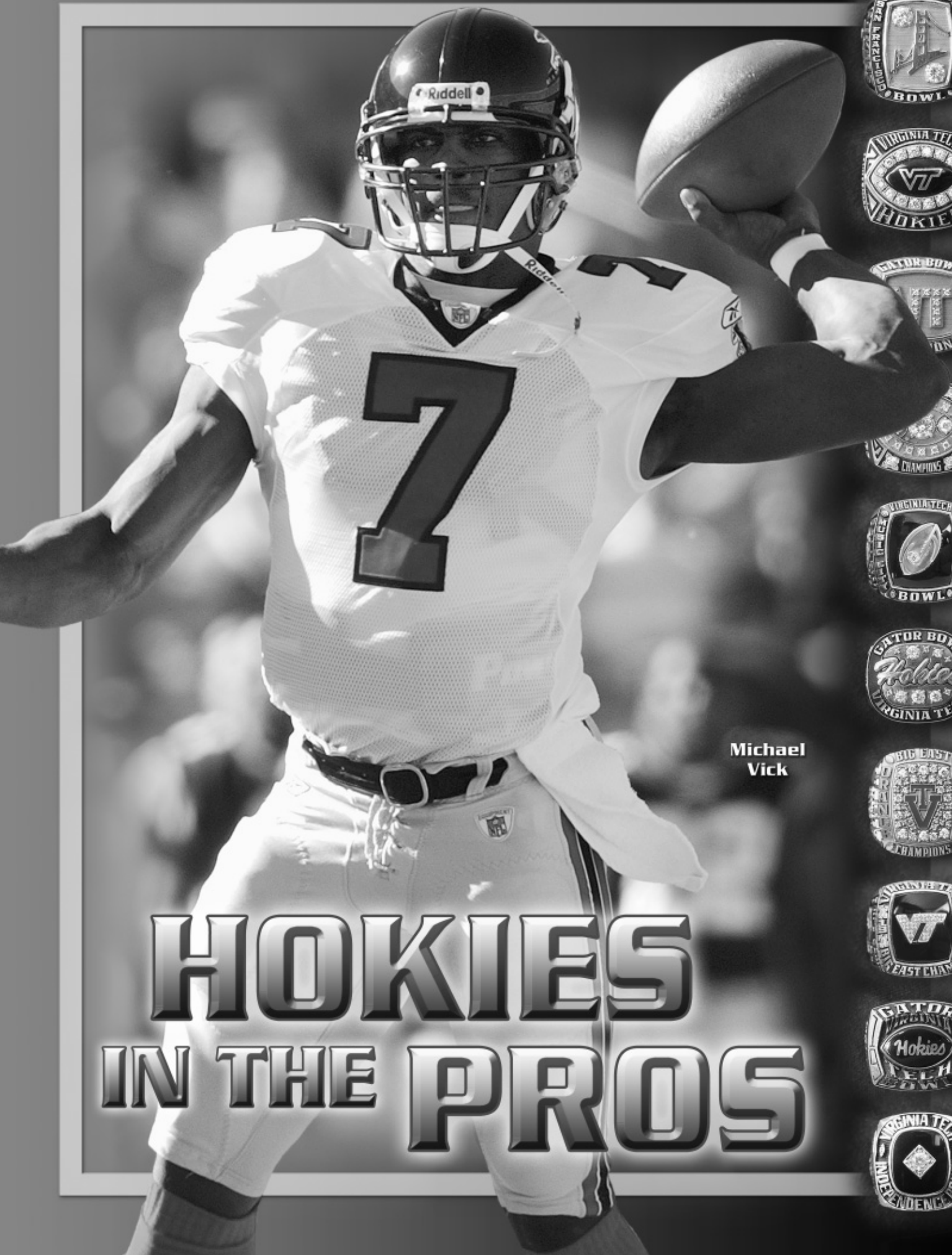
Virginia Tech on ESPN	20-4
Virginia Tech on ESPN2	11-3
Virginia Tech on ABC	7-11
Virginia Tech on CBS	7-7
Virginia Tech on NBC	1-2
Virginia Tech on the BIG EAST Network	15-8

Season	Opponent	Results	Date	Television	
2002	vs. Arkansas State	(hW, 63-7)	8/25	Syndicated/ERT	
	vs. LSU	(hW, 26-8)	9/1	ABC (national)	
	vs. Marshall	(hW, 47-21)	9/12	ESPN (national)	
	vs. Texas A&M	(aW, 13-3)	9/21	ABC (regional)	
	vs. Western Michigan	(aW, 30-0)	9/28	BIG EAST Network (regional)	
	vs. Boston College	(aW, 28-23)	10/10	ESPN (national)	
	vs. Pittsburgh	(hL, 21-28)	11/2	ESPN2 (national)	
	vs. Syracuse	(aL, 42-50 3OT)	11/9	ESPN (national)	
	vs. West Virginia	(hL, 18-21)	11/20	ESPN2 (national)	
	vs. Virginia	(hW, 21-9)	11/30	ESPN (national)	
	vs. Miami	(aL, 45-56)	12/7	ABC (national)	
vs. Air Force	(nW ¹¹ , 20-13)	12/31	ESPN2 (national)		
2001	vs. Connecticut	(hW, 52-10)	9/1	Syndicated/ERT	
	vs. Western Michigan	(hW, 31-0)	9/8	ESPN2 (national)	
	vs. Rutgers	(aW, 50-0)	9/22	BIG EAST Network (regional)	
	vs. UCF	(hW, 46-14)	9/29	Sunshine Network (Florida)	
	vs. West Virginia	(aW, 35-0)	10/6	ESPN2 (national)	
	vs. Boston College	(hW, 34-20)	10/13	ESPN2 (national)	
	vs. Syracuse	(hL, 14-22)	10/27	BIG EAST Network (regional)	
	vs. Pittsburgh	(aL, 7-38)	11/3	BIG EAST Network (regional)	
	vs. Virginia	(aW, 31-17)	11/17	ESPN (national)	
	vs. Miami	(hL, 24-26)	12/1	ABC (national)	
	vs. Florida State	(nL ⁹ , 17-30)	1/1	NBC (national)	
2000	vs. Akron	(hW, 52-23)	9/2	BIG EAST Network (regional)	
	vs. East Carolina	(aW, 45-28)	9/7	ESPN (national)	
	vs. Rutgers	(hW, 49-0)	9/16	BIG EAST Network (regional)	
	vs. Boston College	(aW, 48-34)	9/30	CBS (split national)	
	vs. Temple	(hW, 35-13)	10/7	Syndicated/ERT	
	vs. West Virginia	(hW, 48-20)	10/12	ESPN (national)	
	vs. Syracuse	(aW, 22-14)	10/21	ESPN (national)	
	vs. Pittsburgh	(hW, 37-34)	10/28	CBS (regional)	
	vs. Miami	(aL, 21-41)	11/4	CBS (national)	
	vs. UCF	(aW, 44-21)	11/11	Syndicated/ERT	
	vs. Virginia	(hW, 42-21)	11/25	ESPN (national)	
vs. Clemson	(nW ⁹ , 41-20)	1/1/01	NBC (national)		
1999	vs. Clemson	(hW, 31-11)	9/23	ESPN (national)	
	vs. Virginia	(aW, 31-7)	10/2	ESPN2 (national)	
	vs. Rutgers	(aW, 58-20)	10/9	Syndicated/ERT	
	vs. Syracuse	(hW, 62-0)	10/16	ESPN (national)	
	vs. Pittsburgh	(aW, 30-17)	10/30	ESPN2 (national)	
	vs. West Virginia	(aW, 22-20)	11/6	CBS (national)	
	vs. Miami	(hW, 43-10)	11/13	ESPN (national)	
	vs. Temple	(aW, 62-7)	11/20	ESPN2 (national)	
	vs. Boston College	(hW, 38-14)	11/26	CBS (national)	
	vs. Florida State	(nL ⁷ , 29-46)	1/4/00	ABC (national)	
	1998	vs. East Carolina	(aW, 38-3)	9/5	Home Team Sports (regional)
vs. Miami		(aW, 27-20 OT)	9/19	ESPN (national)	
vs. Pittsburgh		(hW, 27-7)	9/26	ESPN2 (national)	
vs. Boston College		(aW, 17-0)	10/8	ESPN (national)	
vs. West Virginia		(hW, 27-13)	10/31	BIG EAST Network (regional)	
vs. Syracuse		(aL, 26-28)	11/14	ESPN2 (national)	
vs. Virginia		(hL, 32-36)	11/28	ESPN (national)	
vs. Alabama		(nW ¹⁰ , 38-7)	12/29	ESPN (national)	
1997		vs. Rutgers	(aW, 59-19)	8/30	ESPN (national)
		vs. Syracuse	(hW, 31-3)	9/13	ESPN (national)
		vs. Boston College	(hW, 17-7)	10/11	BIG EAST Network (regional)
	vs. West Virginia	(aL, 17-30)	10/25	CBS (regional)	
	vs. Miami	(hW, 27-25)	11/8	ESPN2 (national)	
	vs. Virginia	(aL, 20-34)	11/29	ESPN (national)	
	vs. North Carolina	(nL ⁹ , 3-42)	1/1/98	NBC (national)	
	1996	vs. Boston College	(aW, 45-7)	9/14	ESPN (national)
		vs. Rutgers	(hW, 30-14)	9/21	BIG EAST Network (regional)
		vs. Syracuse	(aL, 21-52)	9/28	CBS (regional)
		vs. Pittsburgh	(hW, 34-17)	10/26	BIG EAST Network (regional)
vs. East Carolina		(hW, 35-14)	11/9	ESPN2 (national)	
vs. Miami		(aW, 21-7)	11/16	CBS (regional)	
vs. West Virginia		(hW, 31-14)	11/23	ESPN2 (national)	
vs. Virginia		(hW, 26-9)	11/29	CBS (national)	
vs. Nebraska		(nL ⁸ , 41-21)	12/31	CBS (national)	
1995		vs. Boston College	(hL, 14-20)	9/7	ESPN (national)
		vs. Miami	(hW, 13-7)	9/23	BIG EAST Network (regional)
	vs. Pittsburgh	(aW, 26-16)	9/30	BIG EAST Network (regional)	
	vs. West Virginia	(aW, 27-0)	10/28	BIG EAST Network (regional)	
	vs. Syracuse	(hW, 31-7)	11/4	ABC (regional)	
	vs. Virginia	(aW, 36-29)	11/18	ABC (regional)	
	vs. Texas	(nW ⁷ , 28-10)	12/31	ABC (national)	

Season	Opponent	Results	Date	Television
1994	vs. Boston College	(aW, 12-7)	9/17	BIG EAST Network (regional)
	vs. West Virginia	(hW, 34-6)	9/22	ESPN (national)
	vs. Syracuse	(aL, 20-28)	10/1	ABC (regional)
	vs. Miami	(aL, 3-24)	10/29	ABC (regional)
	vs. Virginia	(hL, 23-42)	11/19	BIG EAST Network (regional)
	vs. Tennessee	(nL ⁵ , 23-45)	12/30	WTBS (cable)
	1993	vs. Miami	(aL, 2-20)	9/18	Sunshine Network (Florida)
vs. West Virginia		(aL, 13-14)	10/2	BIG EAST Network (regional)
vs. Boston College		(aL, 34-48)	11/6	BIG EAST Network (regional)
vs. Syracuse		(hW, 45-24)	11/13	BIG EAST Network (regional)
vs. Virginia		(aW, 20-17)	11/20	Jefferson-Pilot (regional)
vs. Indiana	(nW ³ , 45-20)	12/31	ESPN (national)	
1992	vs. East Carolina	(aL, 27-30)	9/12	Pirate Network (regional)
	vs. Temple	(aW, 26-7)	9/19	BIG EAST Network (regional)
	vs. Miami	(hL, 23-43)	10/24	BIG EAST Network (regional)
vs. Syracuse	(aL, 9-28)	11/7	BIG EAST Network (regional)	
1991	vs. West Virginia	(aW, 20-14)	10/5	BIG EAST Network (regional)
	vs. Florida State	(nL ⁵ , 20-33)	10/12	BIG EAST Network (regional)
	vs. Virginia	(aL, 0-38)	11/23	Jefferson-Pilot (regional)
1990	vs. Maryland	(aL, 13-20)	9/1	Jefferson-Pilot (regional)
	vs. Virginia	(hW, 38-13)	11/24	ESPN (national)
1989	vs. Akron	(hW, 29-3)	9/2	SportsChannel America (cable); WJPR
	vs. Clemson	(hL, 7-27)	9/16	WJPR (state)
	vs. Temple	(hW, 23-0)	9/23	WJPR (state)
	vs. Florida State	(hL, 7-41)	10/14	WJPR (state)
	vs. Tulane	(hW, 30-13)	10/28	SportsChannel America (cable); WJPR
vs. Vanderbilt	(aW, 18-0)	11/4	WJPR (state)	
1988	vs. Clemson	(aL, 7-40)	9/3	Jefferson-Pilot (regional)
	1986	vs. Clemson	(aW, 20-14)	9/13	Jefferson-Pilot (regional)
vs. Syracuse		(aW, 26-17)	9/20	Creative Sports Marketing (regional)
vs. West Virginia		(hW, 13-7)	10/4	Creative Sports Marketing (regional)
vs. Temple		(nF ⁴ , 13-29)	10/18	WDBJ, WRLH, WHSV, WTVZ (state)
vs. Richmond		(aW, 17-10)	11/8	WDBJ, WRLH, WHSV, WTVZ (state)
vs. N.C. State	(nW ² , 25-24)	12/31	Mizlou (national)	
1985	vs. Syracuse	(hW, 24-14)	9/28	Home Team Sports (regional)
	vs. William & Mary	(hW, 40-14)	10/12	Home Team Sports (regional)
	vs. Louisville	(hW, 41-17)	11/9	Home Team Sports (regional)
1984	vs. West Virginia	(hL, 7-14)	9/15	USA Network (cable)
	vs. Duke	(hW, 27-0)	10/13	Home Team Sports (regional)
	vs. Air Force	(nL ³ , 7-23)	12/15	Mizlou Network, ESPN (cable)
1983	vs. West Virginia	(aL, 0-13)	10/15	CBS (regional)
1982	vs. Miami	(hL, 8-14)	9/18	CBS (regional)
	vs. Duke	(aW, 22-21)	10/9	CBS (regional)
	vs. Virginia	(hW, 21-14)	11/25	WTBS (cable)
1981	vs. VMI	(hL, 0-6)	11/21	ABC (regional)
1980	vs. Wake Forest	(aW, 16-7)	9/6	ABC (regional)
	vs. Florida State	(aL, 7-31)	11/8	ABC (regional)
	vs. Miami	(nL ² , 10-20)	1/2/81	CBS (national)
1979	vs. Florida State	(hL, 10-17)	9/29	ABC (regional)
1978	vs. Clemson	(aL, 7-38)	10/7	ABC (regional)
1968	vs. Mississippi	(nL ¹ , 17-34)	12/14	ABC (national)
1966	vs. Florida State	(hW, 23-21)	10/29	ABC (regional)
	vs. Miami	(nL ¹ , 7-14)	12/10	ABC (national)
1959	vs. Florida State	(hL, 6-7)	10/10	WLSL/Chesley Co. (regional)

NEUTRAL GAMES AND SITES

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| 1. Liberty Bowl; Memphis, Tenn. | 7. Sugar Bowl; New Orleans, La. |
| 2. Peach Bowl; Atlanta, Ga. | 8. Orange Bowl; Miami, Fla. |
| 3. Independence Bowl; Shreveport, La. | 9. Gator Bowl; Jacksonville, Fla. |
| 4. Oyster Bowl; Norfolk, Va. (reg. season) | 10. Music City Bowl; Nashville, Tenn. |
| 5. Orlando, Fla. (reg. season) | 11. San Francisco Bowl; |
| 6. Gator Bowl; Gainesville, Fla. | San Francisco, Calif. |



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HOKIES IN THE PROS



VIRGINIA TECH'S Pride and Joy



Special Teams are an integral part of Hokie football and one of the units is called "Pride and Joy." These NFL players are also a source of pride and joy due to their commitment to Virginia Tech on and off the field. Virginia Tech has recently constructed a display in the Hall of Legends in the Merryman Athletic Center to honor such former players.

John Engelberger was a dominating defensive end who went from walk-on to four-year starter at Tech, to second-round NFL Draft pick, earning All-America honors and his college degree along the way.

Waddy Harvey was a standout who started three seasons at defensive tackle and won the coveted Williams Award for leadership and character before joining the Buffalo Bills. Frank and Cheryl Beamer sponsored Harvey for recognition on the Pride and Joy display.

Before starting an NFL career, Jim Pyne, a powerful center in the early 1990s, started 41 games and allowed just one sack in over 2,700 snaps on his way to becoming the Hokies' first unanimous All-American.

Michael Vick was an electrifying quarterback who made a lasting impact on college football while helping Virginia Tech to a national championship game and back-to-back 11-1 seasons before becoming the top NFL pick in 2001.

A two-time All-American, Cornell Brown became the first Virginia Tech football player to gain consensus All-America honors as a junior when he was named to five first teams in 1995. He was selected National Defensive Player of the Year by *Football News* in 1995.

Jim Pyne was the first player chosen in the NFL's 1998 expansion draft.

PRIDE AND JOY



TECH PLAYERS IN THE PROS

The following former Hokies are either presently or were a member of a National Football League team or competed in the United States Football League:

(players in **bold** were active as of June 1, 2003)

Antonio Banks Oakland Raiders
Minnesota Vikings

Ken Barefoot Detroit Lions
Washington Redskins

Chad Beasley **Cleveland Browns**

Tom Beasley Washington Redskins
Pittsburgh Steelers

Cory Bird **Indianapolis Colts**

Andy Bowling Atlanta Falcons

Carl Bradley St. Louis Rams

Gene Breen Green Bay Packers

Cornell Brown **Baltimore Ravens**

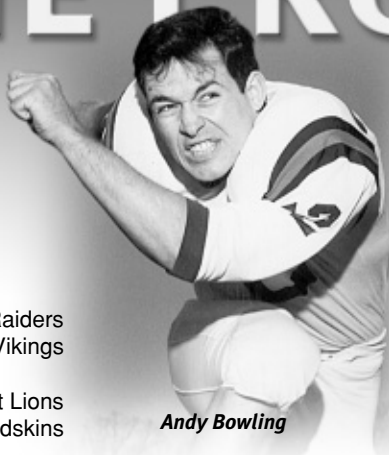
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Robert Brown Green Bay Packers

Roger Brown New England Patriots
New York Giants
Green Bay Packers

Phil Bryant Philadelphia Eagles
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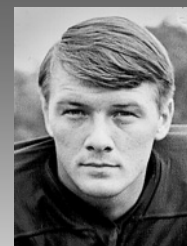
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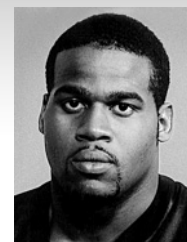
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Cornell Brown



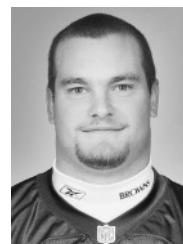
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Carl Bradley



Antonio Banks



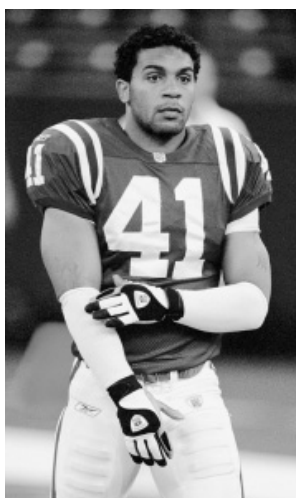
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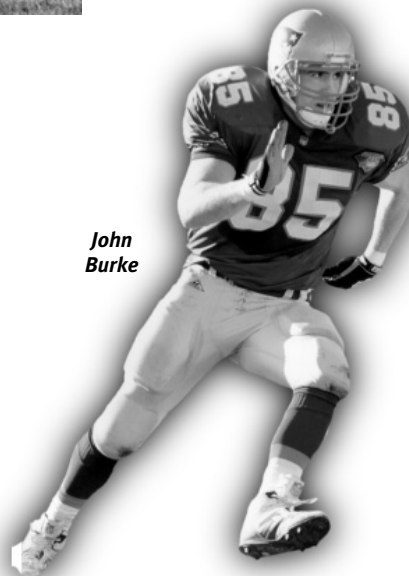
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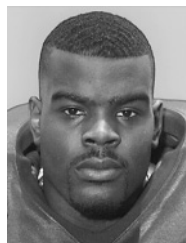
John Burke



Gene Breen



Roger Brown



Ken Brown



Phil Bryant

HOKIES IN THE PROS

Keith Burnell **Green Bay Packers**
(graduated from Tech, then played his final season at Delaware)

Keion Carpenter **Atlanta Falcons**
 Buffalo Bills

Al Chamblee Tampa Bay Buccaneers

Ike Charlton **Jacksonville Jaguars**
 Seattle Seahawks

Eugene Chung Philadelphia Eagles
 Kansas City Chiefs
 Indianapolis Colts
 Green Bay Packers
 San Francisco 49ers
 Jacksonville Jaguars
 New England Patriots

Billy Conaty **Buffalo Bills**

Ray Crittenden San Diego Chargers
 New England Patriots

Carroll Dale Minnesota Vikings
 Green Bay Packers
 Los Angeles Rams

André Davis **Cleveland Browns**

Anthony Davis **Tampa Bay Buccaneers**

Gennaro DiNapoli **Tennessee Titans**
 Oakland Raiders

Tyrone Drakeford ... Washington Redskins
 New Orleans Saints
 San Francisco 49ers

Jim Druckenmiller **Indianapolis Colts**
 Miami Dolphins
 San Francisco 49ers

Bill Ellenbogen New York Giants

John Engelberger .. **San Francisco 49ers**

Mike Faulkner New York Jets

Mickey Fitzgerald New York Giants
 Atlanta Falcons



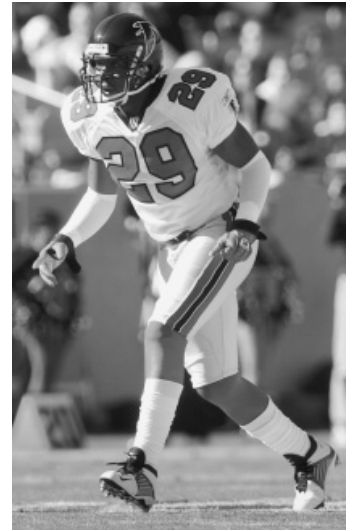
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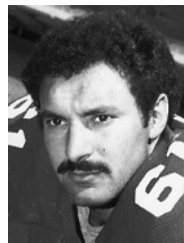


Jim Druckenmiller

Ray Crittenden



John Engelberger



Bill Ellenbogen



Mickey Fitzgerald

Antonio Freeman Philadelphia Eagles
Green Bay Packers

Will Furrer Jacksonville Jaguars
St. Louis Rams
Denver Broncos
Phoenix Cardinals
Chicago Bears

Shayne Graham Carolina Panthers
Buffalo Bills

John Granby Denver Broncos

Torrian Gray Minnesota Vikings

Jay Hagood New York Jets

Ricky Hall Denver Broncos
Kansas City Chiefs



John Granby



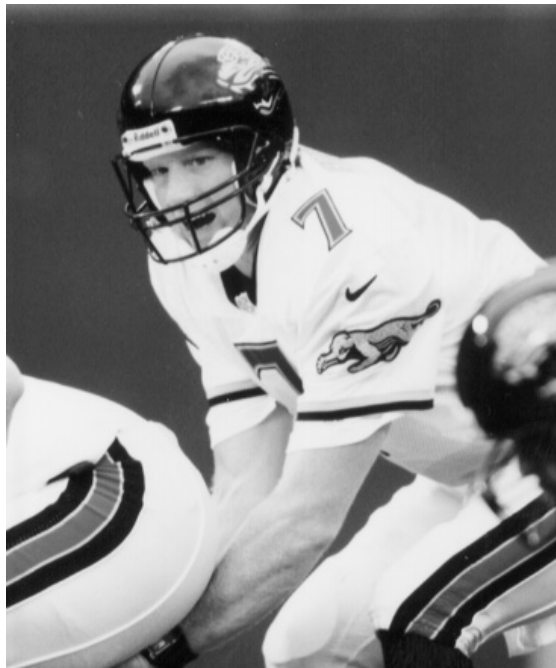
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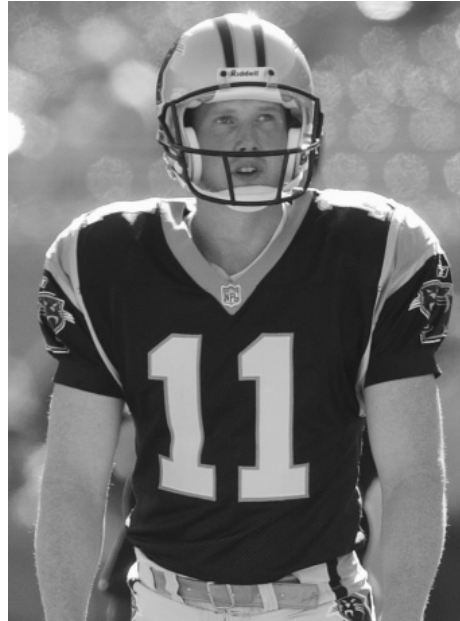
Ricky Hall



Torrian Gray



Will Furrer



Shayne Graham

ANTONIO FREEMAN

Drafted as a punt returner in the third round of the 1995 NFL Draft, Antonio Freeman has far exceeded expectations. He departed Green Bay prior to last season as the fifth-ranking receiver in team annals with 417 catches. He also ranks third in career touchdown receptions with 57 (behind Don Hutson, 99, and Sterling Sharpe, 65) and fourth in 100-yard receiving games with 20. The Baltimore native teamed with Packer quarterback Brett Favre to form the most prolific active quarterback-to-wide receiver duo in the league. The pair collaborated for 57 touchdown passes, ranking fifth in NFL history. This past year, in his first with the Philadelphia Eagles, he caught 46 passes for 600 yards and four touchdowns. His 81-yard touchdown reception in Super Bowl XXXI is the longest in Super Bowl history.



Statistics	Games	Starts	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	TD
Career Totals	117	91	463	7110	15.4	84t	61
Playoff Totals	15	11	53	823	15.5	81t	12



Mike Johnson

Billy Hardee Baltimore Stars
Atlanta Falcons
New York Jets

Waddey Harvey Buffalo Bills

Michael Hawkes Dallas Cowboys
St. Louis Rams
Carolina Panthers

Vaughn Hebron Denver Broncos
Philadelphia Eagles

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Waverly Jackson Indianapolis Colts
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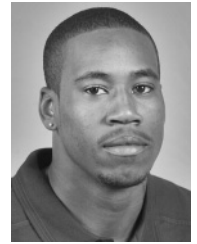
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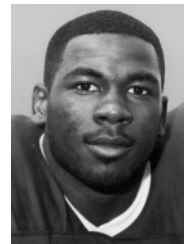
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Waddey Harvey



Michael Hawkes



Eddie Hunter

Following is a list of former Tech players who were drafted by or went to camp with NFL teams, but never played:

Terrell Parham • New Orleans Saints
Shawn Witten • New York Jets
Browning Wynn • Indianapolis Colts
Larry Austin • Houston Texans
Jarrett Ferguson • Buffalo Bills
Anthony Lambo • Baltimore Ravens
Dave Meyer • Green Bay Packers
Josh Redding • Indianapolis Colts
Jamel Smith • St. Louis Rams
Jimmy Kibble • New England Patriots
Keith Short • New York Jets
Nathaniel Williams • Buffalo Bills
Marcus Parker • Cincinnati Bengals
Michael Stuewe • Detroit Lions
Brian Edmonds • Seattle Seahawks
Myron Newsome • Carolina Panthers
J.C. Price • Carolina Panthers
Cornelius White • Tampa Bay Buccaneers
Jim Baron • Detroit Lions
Mike Bianchin • New York Jets
Jermaine Holmes • Tampa Bay Buccaneers
Atle Larsen • Phoenix Cardinals
Dwayne Thomas • Tampa Bay Buccaneers
William Yarborough • Miami Dolphins
Hank Coleman • Philadelphia Eagles

George DelRizzo • Cincinnati Bengals
Robbie Colley • San Francisco 49ers
DeWayne Knight • Philadelphia Eagles
Steve Sanders • Chicago Bears
Bernard Basham • New England Patriots
Chris Barry • Philadelphia Eagles
P.J. Preston • San Francisco 49ers
Bo Campbell • Miami Dolphins
Tony Kennedy • Dallas Cowboys
Jerome Preston • N.Y. Giants
William Boatwright • Philadelphia Eagles
Greg Daniels • Philadelphia Eagles
Marcus Mickel • Chicago Bears
Michael Sturdivant • Seattle Seahawks
Nick Cullen • Philadelphia Eagles
Sean Lucas • Tampa Bay Buccaneers
Randy Cockrell • Miami Dolphins
Skip Pavlik • Pittsburgh Steelers
Carter Wiley • Atlanta Falcons
Earnie Jones • Pittsburgh Steelers
Curtis Taliaferro • Atlanta Falcons
Donald Wayne Snell • Seattle Seahawks
Maurice Williams • Tampa Bay Buccaneers
Allan Thomas • New England Patriots
Ashley Lee • Atlanta Falcons
Billy Leeson • Dallas Cowboys
Vincent Johnson • Dallas Cowboys
Nigel Bowe • Dallas Cowboys
Leon Gordon • New York Giants

Tom Hartman • Washington Redskins
Derek Carter • Philadelphia Eagles
Jake Clarke • Dallas Cowboys
James Patterson • Washington Redskins
Alonzo Smith • Denver Broncos
Tony McKee • Dallas Cowboys
Billy Hite • Dallas Cowboys
Padro Phillips • Seattle Seahawks
Cyrus Lawrence • Seattle Seahawks
Wally Browne • Washington Redskins
Rob Purdham • Kansas City Chiefs
Mike Scharnus • Chicago Bears
Mike Kovac • Dallas Cowboys
Larry Fallen • New Orleans Saints
James Johnson • L.A. Rams
Henry Bradley • Atlanta Falcons
Roscoe Coles • Pittsburgh Steelers
Paul Adams • New England Patriots
Phil Rogers • St. Louis Cardinals
Mike Burnop • Buffalo Bills
Jerry Green • Buffalo Bills
Kenny Edwards • Buffalo Bills
Terry Smoot • Pittsburgh Steelers
Frank Loria • Denver Broncos
Tommy Francisco • Denver Broncos
Donnie Bruce • Oakland Raiders
Billy Edwards • Dallas Cowboys
Sonny Utz • Dallas Cowboys
Mike Zeno • Boston Patriots

Steve Johnson Dallas Cowboys
New England Patriots

Jock Jones Philadelphia Eagles
Phoenix Cardinals
Cleveland Browns

Joe Jones Indianapolis Colts

Victor Jones Detroit Lions
Tampa Bay Buccaneers

Dave Kadela Jacksonville Jaguars
Atlanta Falcons

Matt Lehr Dallas Cowboys

Kenny Lewis New York Jets

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Anthony Midget Tampa Bay Buccaneers

Derrius Monroe Dallas Cowboys

Corey Moore Miami Dolphins
Buffalo Bills

Grant Noel Baltimore Ravens

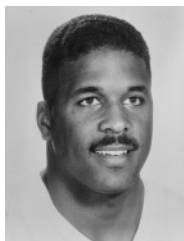
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Pittsburgh Steelers

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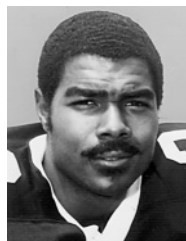
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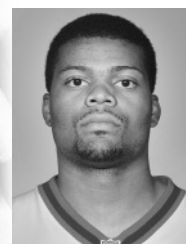
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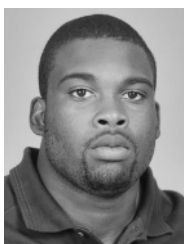
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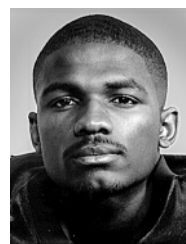
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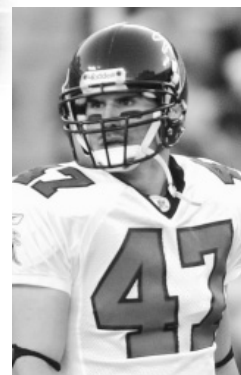
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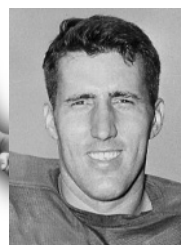
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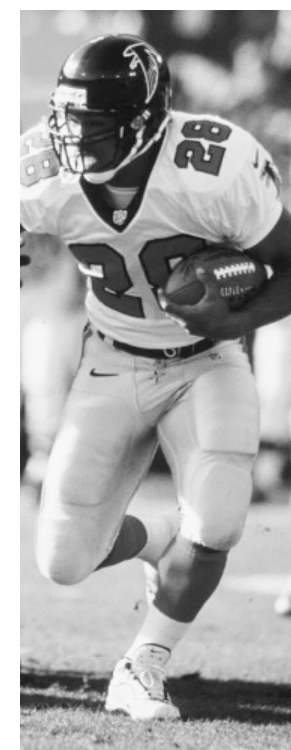
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Jesse Penn



Ken Oxendine

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George Preas Baltimore Colts

Pierson Prioleau **Buffalo Bills**
San Francisco 49ers

David Pugh **Indianapolis Colts**

Jim Pyne Cleveland Browns
Detroit Lions
Tampa Bay Buccaneers

Rick Razzano Cincinnati Bengals

Bill Renner Green Bay Packers

Jimmy Richards New York Jets

George Roberts Atlanta Falcons
San Diego Chargers
Miami Dolphins

Damien Russell San Francisco 49ers

Ricky Scales Houston Oilers

Shawn Scales Pittsburgh Steelers
San Francisco 49ers

Bob Schweickert New York Jets

Mike Shaw Pittsburgh Maulers

Bob Slowikowski **Dallas Cowboys**

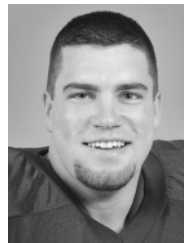
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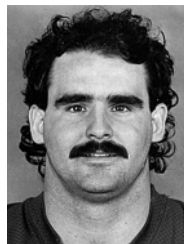
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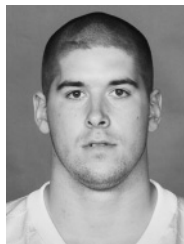
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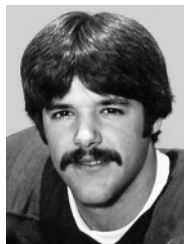
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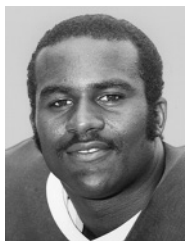
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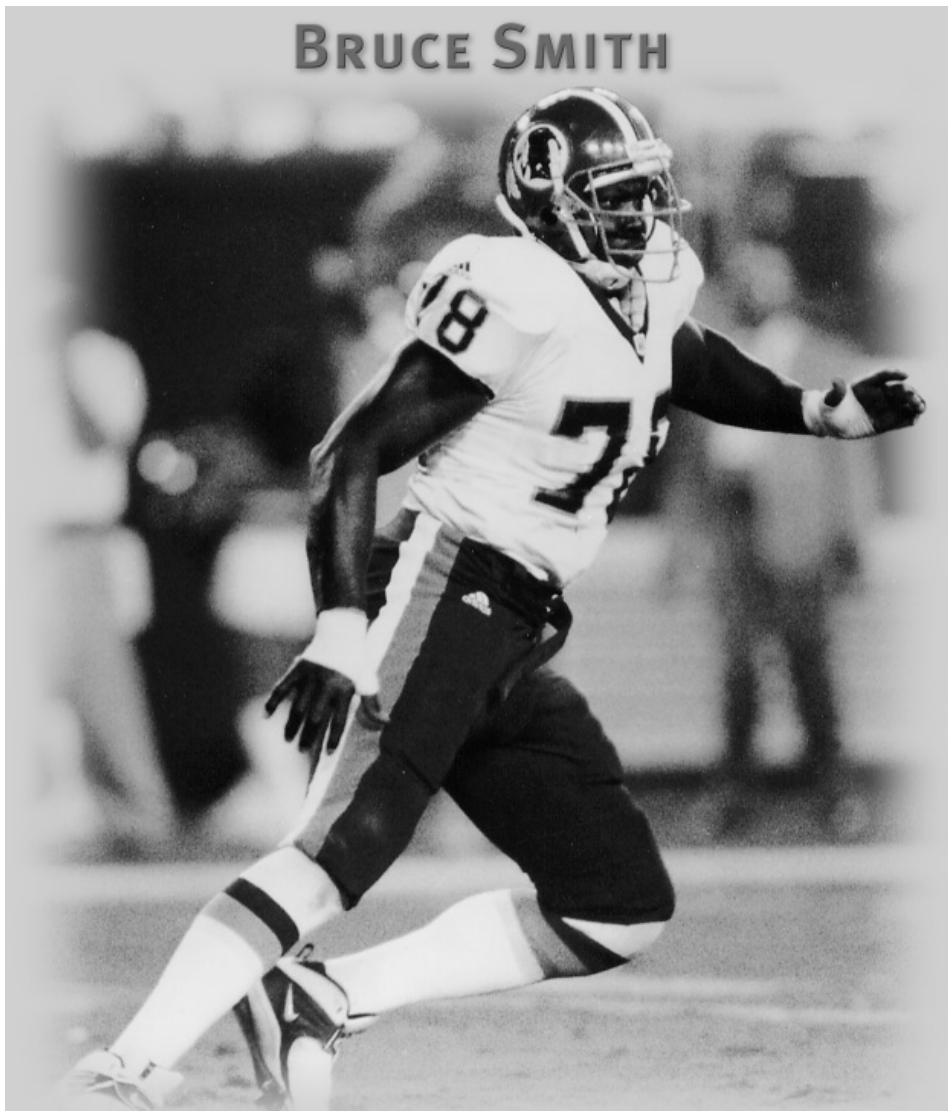
Bryan Still San Diego Chargers

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Jacksonville Jaguars

Don Strock Cleveland Browns
Miami Dolphins

Lee Suggs Cleveland Browns

BRUCE SMITH



Widely regarded as one of the game's most dominant defensive players ever, Smith is one of a very select few who can change the complexion of a game by himself. Entering his 19th season in the NFL, the Norfolk, Va., native has been selected to the Pro Bowl 11 times and was the game's MVP in 1987. He trails only Reggie White (13) and Jerry Rice (12) in selections. Smith led the AFC in sacks with 13.5 sacks in '96 and 14 in '97. He was one sack shy of the AFC leader in 1989, '90 and '93 and just 1/2 sack shy in '86, '87 and '88. Smith was named the NFL's Defensive Player of the Year by AP, UPI and several publications in 1996 and 1990. He also earned defensive player of the year honors from NEA and Pro Football Weekly in 1993. He is the Buffalo Bills' all-time sack leader (171.0) and his career total of 195.0 sacks trails only Reggie White (198.0) for the NFL's all-time lead in that category. In 2000, his first year with the Washington Redskins, Smith recorded 10.0 sacks and had nine sacks a year ago.

Statistics	Games	Starts	Tackles	Solo	Ast.	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	TD
Career Totals	263	259	1,308	967	341	195.0	15	1
Playoff Totals	20	20	71	60	11	14.5	0	0



Nick Sorensen



Bryan Still



Shyrone Stith

HOKIES IN THE NFL DRAFT

Year	Player	Pos.	Rd.	Pick	Overall	Team
1937	Herman "Foots" Dickerson	B	7th			Chicago Cardinals
1944	John Maskas	T	12th			Boston *
1948	Frank Ballard	G	15th	95		Buffalo (AAFC)
1951	Sterling Wingo	B	28th			L.A. Rams
1953	Madison "Buzz" Nutter	C	12th			Washington
1954	Tom Hughes	T	25th			Cleveland
1955	George Preas	G	5th			Baltimore
1955	Johnny Dean	B	7th			San Francisco
1955	Howie Wright	B	21st			Chicago Cardinals
1955	Jim Locke	T	27th			Baltimore
1955	Tom Petty	E	30th			Washington
1957	Bob Wolfenden	B	13th			L.A. Rams
1957	Hilmer Olson	C	16th			Detroit
1957	Tom Datzell	T	22nd			Chicago Bears
1958	Russ Moon	T	24th			Chicago Bears
1959	Jim Burks	T	26th			Philadelphia
1960	Carroll Dale	E	8th			L.A. Rams #
1961	Don Oakes	T	3rd			Philadelphia &
1961	Mike Zeno	G	16th			L.A. Rams @
1961	Bernie Vishneski	T	16th			N.Y. Giants
1963	Gene Breen	T	15th			Green Bay ^
1964	Jake Adams	E	13th			St. Louis \$
1965	Bob Schweickert	B	3rd			San Francisco †
1965	Sonny Utz	FB	6th			Dallas †
1967	Andy Bowling	LB	4th	105		St. Louis
1967	Tommy Francisco	HB	14th	347		Denver
1967	Donnie Bruce	G	16th	409		Oakland
1968	Ken Barefoot	TE	5th	113		Washington
1968	Jim Richards	DB	8th	210		N.Y. Jets
1969	Jim "Waddey" Harvey	T	8th	183		Buffalo
1969	Rick Piland	G	13th	335		Kansas City
1970	Ken Edwards	RB	6th	134		Buffalo
1971	Jack Simcsak	P	17th	425		Denver
1973	Don Strock	QB	5th	111		Miami
1975	Ricky Scales	WR	13th	327		Houston
1975	Ken Lambert	DB	16th	402		Houston
1976	Phil Rogers	RB	7th	21	203	St. Louis
1977	Tom Beasley	DT	3rd	4	60	Pittsburgh
1980	Doug McDougald	DE	5th	14	124	New England
1980	Kenny Lewis	RB	5th	15	125	Oakland

Year	Player	Pos.	Rd.	Pick	Overall	Team
1982	Robert Brown	LB	4th	15	98	Green Bay
1984	Mike Johnson	LB	1st	supplemental		Cleveland
1984	Tony Paige	FB	6th	9	149	N.Y. Jets
1985	Bruce Smith	DE	1st	1	1	Buffalo
1985	Jesse Penn	LB	2nd	16	44	Dallas
1985	Ashley Lee	DB	8th	5	201	Atlanta
1985	Joe Jones	TE	10th	18	270	Dallas
1985	Al Young ††	DB	11th	19	299	N.Y. Giants
1987	Eddie Hunter	RB	8th	1	196	N.Y. Jets
1987	Curtis Talianferro	LB	8th	13	208	Atlanta
1988	Steve Johnson	TE	6th	17	154	New England
1988	Carter Wiley	DB	12th	1	306	Atlanta
1988	Victor Jones	LB	12th	5	310	Tampa Bay
1990	Jock Jones	LB	8th	19	212	Cleveland
1990	Roger Brown	DB	8th	22	215	Green Bay
1991	Al Chamblee	LB	12th	8	314	Tampa Bay
1992	Eugene Chung	OT	1st	13	13	New England
1992	Will Furrer	QB	4th	23	107	Chicago
1992	Damien Russell	DB	6th	11	151	San Francisco
1992	William Boatwright	G	7th	19	187	Philadelphia
1992	John Granby	DB	12th	26	334	Denver
1994	Tyronne Drakeford	CB	2nd	33	62	San Francisco
1994	John Burke	TE	4th	18	121	New England
1994	Jim Pyne	C	7th	6	200	Tampa Bay
1995	Antonio Freeman	WR	3rd	26	90	Green Bay
1995	Ken Brown	LB	4th	26	124	Denver
1996	Bryan Still	WR	2nd	11	41	San Diego
1996	J.C. Price	DT	3rd	27	88	Carolina
1997	Jim Druckenmiller	RB	1st	26	26	San Francisco
1997	Torrian Gray	S	2nd	19	49	Minnesota
1997	Antonio Banks	CB	4th	17	113	Minnesota
1997	Cornell Brown	DE	6th	31	194	Baltimore
1998	Todd Washington	C	4th	12	104	Tampa Bay
1998	Gennaro DiNapoli	G	4th	17	109	Oakland
1998	Ken Oxendine	FB	7th	12	201	Atlanta
1998	Marcus Parker	RB	7th	13	202	Cincinnati
1999	Pierson Priouleau	S	4th	15	110	San Francisco
1999	Derek Smith	OT	5th	32	165	Washington
2000	John Engelberger	DT	2nd	4	35	San Francisco
2000	Ike Charlton	CB	2nd	21	52	Seattle
2000	Corey Moore	LB	3rd	27	89	Buffalo
2000	Anthony Midget	CB	5th	5	134	Atlanta
2000	Shyrone Stith	RB	7th	37	243	Jacksonville
2001	Michael Vick	QB	1st	1	1	Atlanta
2001	Cory Bird	S	3rd	29	91	Indianapolis
2001	Matt Lehr	OG	5th	6	137	Dallas
2002	André Davis	WR	2nd	15	47	Cleveland
2002	Ben Taylor	LB	4th	13	111	Cleveland
2002	Kevin McCadam	SS	5th	13	148	Atlanta
2002	David Pugh	DT	6th	10	182	Indianapolis
2002	Bob Slowikowski	TE	6th	39	211	Dallas
2002	Chad Beasley	DT	7th	7	218	Minnesota
2002	Derrius Monroe	DE	7th	13	224	New Orleans
2002	Jarrett Ferguson	FB	7th	40	251	Buffalo
2003	Lee Suggs	RB	4th	18	115	Cleveland
2003	Willie Pile	FS	7th	38	252	Kansas City

* — Maskas was also drafted by the Buffalo franchise of the All-America Football Conference (AAFC) in the 10th round with the 74th overall pick in 1947.

— Dale was also drafted by the Minneapolis franchise of the AFL in 1960.

& — Oakes was also drafted by the Boston franchise of the AFL in the 21st round of the 1961 draft.

@ — Zeno was also drafted by the Boston franchise of the AFL in the fourth round of the 1961 draft.

^ — Breen was also drafted by the San Diego franchise of the AFL in the 16th round of the 1963 draft.

\$ — Adams was also drafted by the Kansas City franchise of the AFL in the 12th round of the 1964 draft.

† — Schweickert was also drafted by the New York Jets of the AFL in the fourth round of the 1965 draft.

! — Utz was also drafted by the New York Jets of the AFL in the 13th round of the 1965 draft.

†† — Young only played basketball at Virginia Tech.

Virginia Tech running back Lee Suggs was taken in the fourth round of this year's NFL draft by the Cleveland Browns.



SUPER BOWL & PRO BOWL HOKIES

TECH PLAYERS IN THE SUPER BOWL

Name	Pos.	Team	Super Bowl	Champion
Tom Beasley	DT	Pittsburgh Pittsburgh	XIII XIV	Yes Yes
Cornell Brown	LB	Baltimore	XXXV	Yes
Roger Brown	CB	New York Giants	XXV	Yes
John Burke	TE	New England	XXXI	No
Carroll Dale	WR	Green Bay Green Bay Minnesota	I II VIII	Yes Yes No
Tyronne Drakeford	CB	San Francisco	XXIX	Yes
Antonio Freeman	WR	Green Bay Green Bay	XXXI XXXII	Yes No
Vaughn Hebron	RB	Denver Denver	XXXII XXXIII	Yes Yes
Ken Oxendine	RB	Atlanta	XXXIII	No
Rick Razzano	LB	Cincinnati	XVI	No
Jim Richards	S	New York Jets	III	Yes
Bruce Smith	DE	Buffalo Buffalo Buffalo Buffalo	XXV XXVI XXVII XXVIII	No No No No
Nick Sorensen	S	St. Louis	XXXVI	No
Don Strock	QB	Miami Miami	XVII XIX	No No
Todd Washington	OL	Tampa Bay	XXXVII	Yes



Bruce Smith played in four Super Bowls and 11 Pro Bowls as a member of the Buffalo Bills.



Former Virginia Tech football players are making their mark in the NFL. Michael Vick was voted to the Pro Bowl following last season while fellow Hokie Cornell Brown won a Super Bowl ring with the Baltimore Ravens in 2001.

HOKIES IN THE PRO BOWL

Name	Pos.	Team	Year
Carroll Dale	WR	Green Bay Green Bay Green Bay	1969 1970 1971
Antonio Freeman	WR	Green Bay	1999
Mike Johnson	LB	Cleveland	1991
Buzz Nutter	C	Pittsburgh	1963
Don Oakes	T	Boston	1968
Bruce Smith	DE	Buffalo Buffalo Buffalo Buffalo Buffalo Buffalo Buffalo Buffalo Buffalo Buffalo	1988 1989 1990 1991 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999
Michael Vick	QB	Atlanta	2002*

** indicates player was voted to the Pro Bowl, but did not participate due to injury.*



THE UNIVERSITY

BLACKSBURG, VIRGINIA COLLEGE TOWN, U.S.A.



One of America's best college towns, Blacksburg is a perfect setting for Virginia Tech.

Located in Southwest Virginia on a plateau between the Blue Ridge and Alleghany Mountains, Blacksburg combines the laid-back lifestyle of a small town with the amenities one would expect to find around a major center of higher education. Together, the town and university have worked hard to create a progressive community that ranks among the nation's elite living environments.

Virginia Tech and the Town of Blacksburg gained national and international attention by creating the world's first "electronic village." Businesses and industries have been drawn by the potential of the quaint town.

Established in 1798 by John and William Black, the town is surrounded by scenic mountain views that distinguish the area. Since its founding, Blacksburg has grown to become the largest town in Virginia.

Blacksburg can be peaceful and quiet or bustling and filled with excitement — all in the same day! Last fall, popular television network MTV chose to feature Blacksburg and Virginia Tech as the focus of a Homecoming show.

The nearly 36,000 residents (including students) enjoy a close proximity to a variety of recreation areas such as the Blue Ridge Parkway, Appalachian Trail, Claytor Lake and the New River. The region features a moderate climate and four distinct seasons.

Blacksburg's location (adjacent to major interstate highways) provides convenient access to most points in the southern and eastern parts of the country.

More information on Blacksburg can be found on the Web site of the Blacksburg Electronic Village, www.bev.net or the town's Web site, www.blacksburg.va.us.

THIS IS VIRGINIA TECH

A research university in action

The top research institution in the commonwealth, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University is a comprehensive university of national and international prominence. Virginia's premiere land-grant university, Virginia Tech has grown from a small college of 132 students into the largest institution of higher education in the state during its 131-year history.

Recognizing that higher education is a key force behind the quality of American life, economic competitiveness, and our democratic form of government, President Charles W. Steger has challenged the university to become one of the country's top 30 research institutions by the end of the decade. Tech is currently ranked 49th in the nation.

Among recent research innovations, Tech teamed with Wake Forest University to establish the Virginia Tech-Wake Forest University School of Biomedical Engineering and Sciences to offer M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in biomedical engineering (BME) and to be the focus of collaborative research. The university's Virginia Bioinformatics Institute is leading the way in helping scientists merge computers and biotechnology to sort through complicated genetic material to speed research. And the university's partnership with the University of Virginia and Carilion Health System to form the Carilion Biomedical Institute is improving health care worldwide and increasing economic development opportunities in Southwest Virginia.

In other areas, Virginia Tech has one of the most comprehensive and successful programs to support state and local economic development,

according to a study conducted by the Southern Growth Policies Board and funded in part by the National Science Foundation. The study report, *Innovation U: New University Roles in a Knowledge Economy*, named the nation's 12 most successful universities in terms of outreach, economic development and technology transfer practices.

Virginia Tech was established in 1872 as an all-male military school dedicated to the original land-grant mission of teaching agriculture and engineering. Today, the

co-educational institution, which operates a European studies center based in Switzerland and educational, research and outreach/Extension facilities throughout Virginia, has recognized programs in music, business, architecture and the humanities, as well as its traditional strengths in the sciences, engineering and technology.

While participation in the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets is now voluntary, the corps, which has approximately 700 cadets, remains a proud tradition of the university.

Virginia Tech is one of only three public universities in the nation with a military component and a large civilian population.

Virginia Tech is organized into eight colleges – Agriculture and Life Sciences, Architecture and Urban Studies, Science, Pamplin College of Business, Engineering, Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, Natural Resources and Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine. Together, the colleges offer about 175 bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs to



approximately 26,000 students, who hail from countries throughout the world.

The university's 2,600-acre main campus is home to more than 100 buildings, hundreds of research laboratories, the Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center and an airport. Adjoining the campus is the 120-acre Corporate Research Center, home to more than 100 companies and 1,800 employees who take advantage of the university's research and faculty expertise. Within five miles of campus is a 1,700-acre research farm.

Virginia Tech follows the dictates of its motto, *Ut Prosim* ("That I May Serve"), focusing



VIRGINIA TECH CENTERED ON THE LEADING EDGE

The essence of a comprehensive research university is making discoveries at the limits of our current knowledge. Since frontiers often exist at the boundaries of intersecting disciplines, interdisciplinary research centers are important to the evolution of new knowledge. Learn more about Virginia Tech centers at www.research.vt.edu/resmag/crossing/.

FUEL CELLS

Virginia Tech has a critical mass of research expertise to bring fuel cell technology closer to reality. The Materials Research Institute is developing new polymers for the proton exchange membranes within fuel cells. Institute researchers are creating inexpensive materials that are more conductive, longer lasting and stronger for both hydrogen and methanol-based fuel cells. The Center for Automotive Fuel Cell Systems is working to bring fuel cell technology into everyday use by focusing on the performance and systems integration of fuel cell stacks and associated subsystems in vehicles. Tech engineering students have already built a hybrid fuel cell powered SUV that meets manufacturer requirements for power and performance. The Energy Management Institute helps

building designers assess the opportunities for using fuel cell systems in buildings and is working with College of Architecture and Urban Studies faculty members to optimize a system so that it meets the needs of a home or a cluster of homes. The new Future Energy Electronics Center is focused on fuel cell and distributed energy power conversions. The eventual goal is to capture hydrogen from the sun rather than from petroleum. To that end, the Center for Energy and the Global Environment evaluates various solar photovoltaic (PV) designs and cell characteristics and maintains a PV facility that has supplied a part of the electricity in Whittemore Hall for the past 15 years. Meanwhile, researchers from physics, chemistry, and chemical engineering and the Center for Self-Assembled Nanostructures and Devices are working to create organic thin-film solar cells that will be flexible and lightweight.

POWER

The Center for Power Electronics Systems was established in 1998 as one of the nation's few National Science Foundation Engineering Research Centers. Its vision is to provide the nation with the capabilities to become a world leader in power electronics. The

widespread application of efficient and cost-effective power electronics technology would result in a 35 percent reduction in energy consumption — the equivalent to the total electric energy produced by 840 power plants. The CPES program is centered on an integrated systems approach to standardize power electronics components and packaging techniques in the form of highly Integrated Power Electronics Modules suitable for automated manufacturing and mass production.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

With support from the National Science Foundation, the Center for Wireless Telecommunications is developing a flexible and rapidly deployable "last mile" broadband wireless network. The goal is to provide a communications system that can be moved into a disaster area and quickly integrated with surviving federal, state, and local fiber networks. The wireless network can become a common electronic meeting ground for the disaster relief community. Also conducting research and education in wireless communication is the Mobile and Portable Radio Research Group, established in 1990 as one of the first wireless research programs in the country. MPRG provides design and analysis tools and

techniques for international and U.S. manufacturers, government, and consumer service providers and regulatory agencies. Research projects are propagation measurement and modeling, wireless systems implementation, spread spectrum systems development, and wireless communication systems design and analysis.

GERONTOLOGY

Understanding issues facing older adults in today's world requires a multidisciplinary approach. Celebrating its 25th year in 2003, the Center for Gerontology is composed of a core faculty and more than 50 faculty member affiliates. The center's primary mission is to foster and facilitate multidisciplinary research that enhances the quality of life of older adults. In support of this mission, the center focuses primarily on research in family gerontology, health and aging, and elder rights. Recent projects concentrate on older adults' relationships with family and friends, care giving in rural areas, coping with chronic illness, health care decision making, assisted living environments, retention of nursing home employees, and quality indicators of community-based services, elder abuse and public guardianship.

on its land-grant missions of instruction, research, and solving the problems of society through outreach and Extension activities. Through the generation of new knowledge and the outreach mandate, the university disseminates practical knowledge through the classroom and to society as a whole. It is a university that puts knowledge to work.

INSTRUCTION

Eight colleges offer more degree programs than any other university in the state, with 62 undergraduate and 115 graduate programs. In addition, the university is one of the nation's leaders in integrating instructional technology into the curriculum, requiring all entering students to have a computer. The university's Math Emporium has been hailed as an innovative way to break the credit-for-contact model of classroom instruction.



RESEARCH

With annual research expenditures of about \$232 million and more than 100 research centers, Virginia Tech consistently ranks among the top institutions in industry-supported research and in the top 10 in the number of patents issued each year.

The university's faculty and students are involved in more than 4,000 research projects in fields ranging from biotechnology to

nanotechnology, from the environment and energy to food and health, and from transportation to computing information.

OUTREACH

Virginia Tech is involved in a multitude of projects as part of its outreach mission. For example, it spawns economic development, helps global marketing efforts, investigates better uses for strip-mined land, helps clean the Chesapeake Bay and other state waterways, provides design and planning assistance to communities and directs reforestation in Senegal. University scientists developed the vaccine that is the standard for preventing brucellosis in cattle around the world.

Outreach efforts also focus on education and distance learning techniques — satellite videoconferencing, multimedia, interactive video, interactive computer conferencing and web-based courses, for example — to meet the various needs of working adults and other nontraditional students. Professionals, organizations and communities also tap Virginia Tech's vast resources, expertise and research results through Continuing Education, which offers hundreds of programs annually.

Virginia Cooperative Extension, operated jointly in the commonwealth by Virginia Tech and Virginia State University, has been helping people improve their economic, cultural and social well-being for nearly 90 years. And while Extension has a long history of helping make America's agricultural powerhouse more productive and economical, it also does important work — from helping people learn healthy nutritional practices to counseling families in financial distress — in the state's urban as well as rural areas. With 107 city/county offices, and more than 61,000 volunteers, more than one million participants benefit annually from Extension's non-formal educational. Extension has touched virtually every life in the state in some way.



VIRGINIA TECH AT A GLANCE

- Eight colleges and a graduate school
- 60+ bachelor's degree programs
- 115 master's and doctoral degree programs
- 16:1 student-faculty ratio
- Main campus includes 100 buildings, 2,600 acres of land and an airport
- Computing and communications complex for worldwide information access
- Currently ranked 49th among the nation's research institutions
- Has adjacent corporate research park

STUDENT POPULATION

- The most popular majors for incoming first year students in the fall of 2003 were university studies, engineering, biology, business, computer science, psychology, communication, political science, architecture, and animal and poultry sciences.
- Eighty countries and 42 states, plus Washington, D. C., the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico are represented in the student population. Fifty-seven percent of the student population is male, while 43 percent is female.

MORE FUN FACTS ABOUT VIRGINIA TECH

- Just how big is Virginia Tech? There are 334 buildings consisting of 8,041,248 square feet under 100 acres of roof.
- It's a good thing students have 15 minutes to get to class. The campus, located on 2,600 acres, has 20 miles of sidewalks.
- Ten miles of electric cables keep the lights on and the computers humming.
- With 8,681 students housed in 36 residence halls, Tech has the 14th largest housing program in the country.
- Creating a true global village, voice, video and high-speed Ethernet service is delivered to each room.
- Virginia Tech has the 11th largest dining program in the country, serving 17,000 students, faculty and staff 3.6 million meals per year.

Campus Landmarks



The focus of student campus activity and the hub of much of the performing and visual arts at the university, Squires Student Center contains theatres, the Perspective Art Gallery, the Black Cultural Center, pool tables, bowling lanes, restaurants, ballrooms and administrative offices for many student organizations. The original student center, built in 1937, has undergone several major renovations, but the facade of the original building is visible in the second-floor lobby area.



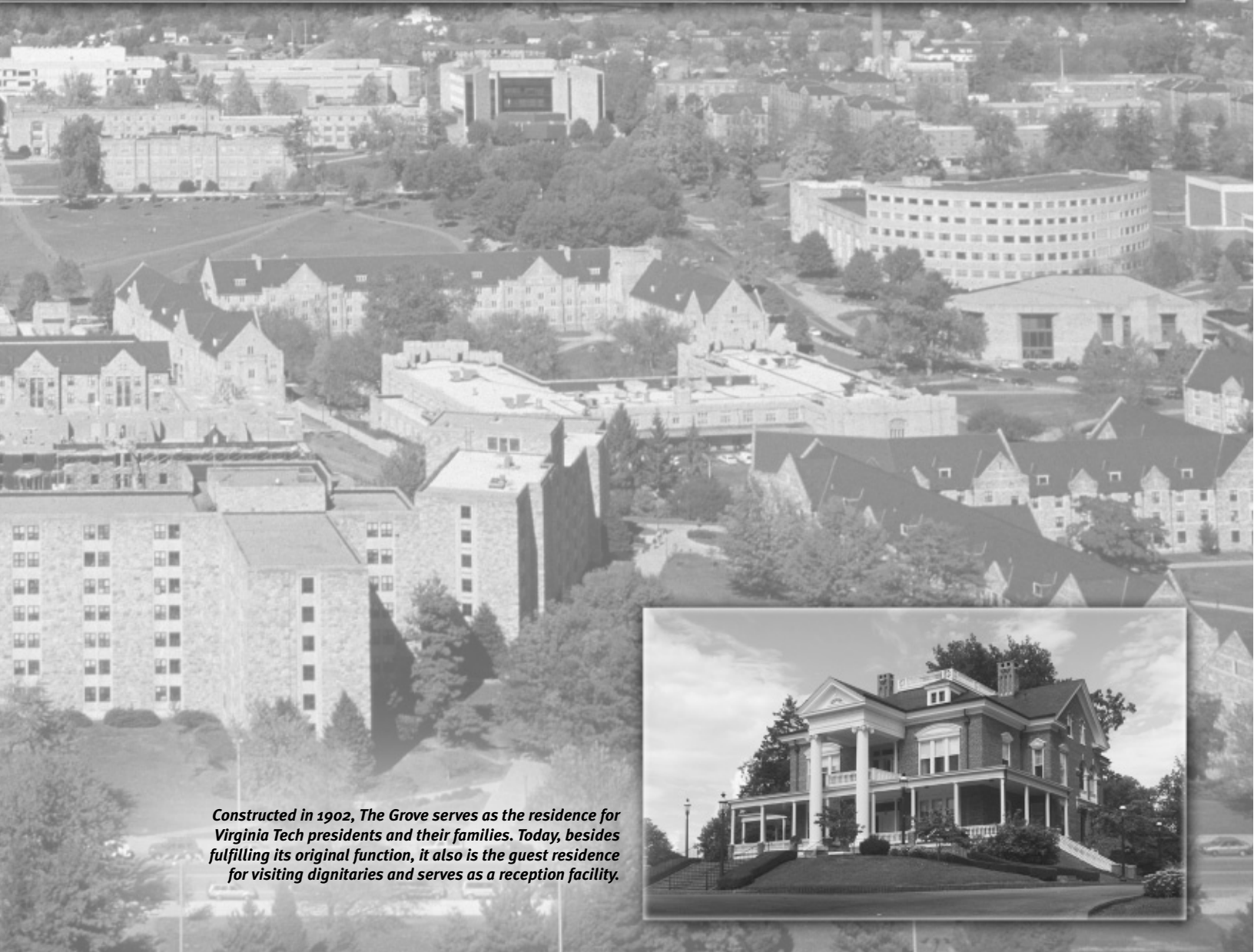
The Duck Pond provides a peaceful respite for students, faculty, staff and visitors — as well as for flocks of ducks and geese. The pond was created in 1937. A smaller lake, just north of the Duck Pond, is known as the Ice Pond — so called because it was the source of ice for the campus until a refrigeration plant opened in 1898-99.



Col. William B. Preston established the Smithfield estate — named for his wife, Susanna Smith — in 1772 after an earlier settlement known as Draper's Meadow was wiped out in an Indian massacre. The oldest part of the existing house was built in 1790. A state historic landmark, Smithfield is open for tours April through November. Call 540/951-2060 for details.



Torgersen Hall, home to Virginia Tech's Advanced Communications and Information Technology Center, provides a high-tech environment in which researchers, teachers and students can interact in innovative and effective ways. The building includes high-tech auditoriums; observational booths for watching and taping experimental teaching techniques; the CAVE, Tech's sophisticated virtual reality environment for advanced research and learning; and an electronic reading room occupying the arch that spans the Mall.



Constructed in 1902, The Grove serves as the residence for Virginia Tech presidents and their families. Today, besides fulfilling its original function, it also is the guest residence for visiting dignitaries and serves as a reception facility.

DR. CHARLES W. STEGER



Few people within the university community are unaware of Virginia Tech's national leadership aspirations. Setting his sights on joining the nation's truly elite universities, President Charles W. Steger laid down the challenge to become ranked among the top 30 research universities by decade's end and energized the university community in the process. "If you're not moving quickly forward, you might as well be standing still," he said when announcing the goal shortly after becoming president.

Current state funding cuts of historic proportions have not slowed the speed nor dampened his resolve. Virginia Tech achieved double digit growth in research expenditures for the past two years hitting \$232 million in fiscal year 2002, which propelled the institution back into the nation's Top 50 research universities. Nonetheless, the president admits that such meteoric achievements become doubly difficult against the backdrop of state funding losses.

"Virginia Tech intends to make progress despite the budget reductions and we will be well positioned to move quickly once the crisis passes," he noted in a letter to the university community last year.

Under Steger's leadership, the university completed in 2001 a strategic plan creating the outline for national leadership of a comprehensively engaged university. This blueprint calls for innovative plans to educate the whole student, strengthen research and scholarship, and expand outreach and service.

University President

The university recently completed a campus wide restructuring of colleges and departments in concert with the strategic plan.

The signature initiative of his administration likely will be the Virginia Bioinformatics Institute, an interdisciplinary research center formed by the convergence of computer science and biological research. Populated by world-class researchers, the VBI already has built a contract base of more than \$20 million. Harnessing and manipulating huge arrays of data the VBI studies molecular, cellular, and environmental interactions that affect human health, agricultural systems, and the environment. Two major buildings for VBI are under construction along Washington Street near the vet school that will house some of the most powerful computers available.

Within the past year the university has joined hands to form the Virginia Tech-Wake Forest School of Biomedical Engineering. The Via College of Osteopathic Medicine begins operations this year with its first class of 150 students at the Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center. The nation's newest medical school is an affiliate of the university and will cooperate on joint research projects in human health.

Although state funding for operations continues to slide, the university currently oversees a mini building boom with \$268 million in construction underway. Among facilities under construction are Chemistry/Physics, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Bioinformatics, Hotel/Alumni/Conference Center, Student Services, Career Services, a dairy facility, and several classroom modifications. Steger had chaired the executive committee of the successful

2002 statewide bond campaign, which partially funds some of the building projects.

Demand for a Tech education remains high among the nation's best students with the average GPA for an entering freshman hitting an all time high of 3.6 and average SAT of 1186. Applications for admission remain at record highs, about 18,000 each year.

During the last two years, educational, economic development, and infrastructure projects in Southside Virginia hit critical mass. The Institute for Advanced Learning & Research in Danville became reality. The institute, under Tech's guidance, has the lead role for a regional partnership in developing new educational opportunities, broadband infrastructure, business development, and community development in this hard hit sector of the commonwealth.

A registered architect and former dean of Tech's College of Architecture and Urban Studies, Steger was the architect of a different sort as the leader of the university's successful fund raising campaign. Under his leadership as vice president for development and university relations, the Campaign for Virginia Tech raised \$337 million. Last year, the university raised a record \$70 million.

Steger's ties to Virginia Tech span four decades as a student, professor, dean, vice president, and now president. While on the faculty, he twice won teaching excellence awards. When he became



dean of the college in 1981, he was the youngest architecture dean in the nation at 33 years of age.

President Steger sits on the boards of a number of organizations including; the Carilion Biomedical Institute; Virginia Agriculture and Consumer Services; Virginia Advance Shipbuilding and Carrier Integration Board; Governor's Virginia Preparedness and Security Panel; Virginia Innovative Technology Authority, Chair; Virginia Space Grant Consortium, President; Virginia Council of Presidents, Chair; and World Institute for Disaster Risk Management, President.

He is a fellow in the American Institute of Architects and recently received the William C. Noland Award for distinguished service and accomplishments from the Virginia Society of the AIA. The First Virginia Chapter of the National Society of Fundraising Executives recognized him as Outstanding Fundraising Executive of 1999.

Steger received his Bachelor and Master of Architecture and a Ph.D., in Environmental Science and Engineering from Virginia Tech.

This story was contributed by Larry Hincker, Associate Vice President for University Relations.

JIM WEAVER

Director of Athletics



James C. Weaver, whose innovative ideas and work as a reformer have made him one of college athletics' most popular administrators, is the director of athletics at Virginia Tech.

Weaver, 58, was appointed on September 24, 1997 and has been a tireless leader in behalf of Tech athletics. In his years on the job at Tech, Weaver has taken steps to place increased emphasis on projects benefiting student-athletes. He created a comprehensive awards program for letterwinners and has initiated and funded an annual awards banquet.

Among Weaver's biggest accomplishments thus far has been getting Tech admitted into an all-sports conference. Tech entered competition in the BIG EAST Conference for most sports during the 2000-2001 season.

A top personal priority for Weaver is the continuing improvement of Tech's facilities. When it comes to athletic facilities, Weaver has a simple philosophy. "As soon as you sit still in terms of facilities, you have taken a step backward," he says.

To meet a growing demand for Virginia Tech football, Weaver spearheaded the construction of the south end zone project to expand seating capacity to 65,115 for the 2002 season. The \$37 million expansion project includes an 11,000-seat double deck and provides 15 luxury suites, as well as club level seating and amenities.

A north end zone addition was completed prior to the 2001 season. That section added over 5,000 permanent seats.

Future renovations on the west side of Lane Stadium call for the removal of fencing that

surrounds the stadium and replacing it with an actual entrance, the construction of additional luxury suites, two private club seating areas, new concession stands, a new ticket office, new athletic fund offices, an Athletics Hall of Fame and a new student academic services area.

Virginia Tech contracted with GreenTech, Inc., of Richmond, Va., to install its highly innovative, ITM natural grass sports field system in Lane Stadium/Worsham Field prior to the 2001 season.

Under Weaver's direction, lighted football practice fields — conveniently located in the center of the athletics complex — were completed during the spring of 2001.

The installation of 1,000 permanent seats and restroom facilities is currently underway at McComas Field, a regulation-size field for the men's and women's varsity soccer teams as well as women's lacrosse. The stadium will be completed prior to this fall. The lighted game field is adjacent to two full-size practice fields.

Weaver was the key figure in reaching a four-year agreement with Virginia in bringing the basketball games back to campuses for the first time since 1976. He also realigned the senior

administrative staff to further promote the development of a broad-based athletics department. A dormant Monogram Club was revitalized under his direction, providing Hokie letterwinners of all eras a renewed link to Tech athletics. He also toughened the Hokies' non-conference football schedules, a move that gained real favor from Tech fans.

Weaver renegotiated Tech's multimedia rights contract with ISP Sports, creating a new business relationship and enhanced revenue for the athletics department. In the Fall of 2000, Weaver arranged a joint venture with ISP to commit \$2 million to purchase new scoreboards, upgraded sound systems, a 21x28 L.E.D. video display screen at Lane Stadium and two 9x12 wall mount L.E.D. video screens in Cassell Coliseum.

This year, Weaver represented the BIG EAST at the NCAA's Sportsmanship Summit and he is the BIG EAST AD representative on the Bowl Championship Series committee.

Weaver came to Tech from Western Michigan University where he was director of athletics from January, 1996 until he came to Blacksburg. Prior to that, he was AD for three and a half years at UNLV,

where he reconstructed a troubled athletic department.

Weaver brings a "Penn State mentality" to the position. He says that various schools' interest in him as a reformer through the years can be traced to Penn State and its reputation for how it conducts business in intercollegiate athletics.

It was with the Nittany Lions' football team that Weaver first made a name for himself in athletics. He was a center and linebacker on Penn State teams coached by the legendary Rip Engle and Joe Paterno.

A native of Harrisburg, Pa., Weaver was recruited to Penn State by Engle. He played three seasons under Engle and one under Paterno, who is still the coach of the Nittany Lions.

Weaver graduated from Penn State in 1967 with a bachelor's in psychology and rehabilitation education. He received a master's in college counselor education, also from Penn State, in 1968.

Weaver started a coaching career as an assistant at Penn State for six seasons.

He later was the offensive coordinator at Iowa State and head coach for one season at Villanova in 1974. He also spent five years as an assistant professor at Clarion State and three years as director of franchise sales at Athletic Attic.

Prior to landing the athletic director's job at UNLV, Weaver spent nine years at the University of Florida, which was sanctioned by the NCAA in 1983. He was a strong force at Florida in the field of compliance and concluded his time there as associate athletic director.

Weaver drew rave reviews at UNLV for his fund-raising expertise. He generated nearly \$15 million in his time there.

While at Western Michigan, Weaver announced creation of a \$7 million football center, stabilized fluctuating revenues and installed a CHAMPS Life Skills program.

Weaver and his wife Traci have four sons — Josh, Paul, Cole and Craig.



Jim and Traci Weaver hold their young son Craig, while Paul (left), Josh and Cole (right) gather around.

SENIOR STAFF

SHARON McCLOSKEY

Senior Associate Athletics Director and Senior Woman Administrator



Responsibilities: Department administrator for football and men's and women's basketball. Oversees strength and conditioning, sports medicine and equipment room.

Joined VT Staff: 1984

Record at Virginia Tech:

Senior associate athletics director (since 1995) and senior woman administrator (since 1988); interim athletics director (1997); assistant athletics director (1992-95); first woman in college athletics to hold position of recruiting coordinator in Division I (1988-92); Virginia Tech

football office receptionist and recruiting secretary (1984-88)

Education: Virginia Tech, 1979

Of Note: As recruiting coordinator, McCloskey proved to be one of the most innovative people in the field. She completely reorganized the schedule for official recruiting visits by making academics the highlight of the visit. All aspects of university life were included in the visit for the prospective student-athlete. She lined up various meetings with professors and department heads and

key figures on campus.

McCloskey is one of the few women in college athletics who has been an advance person for away football games. It is her responsibility to arrange for hotel rooms, meals, meeting rooms, police escorts and air and ground transportation for the team.

As Tech's liaison for NCAA certification, a process the NCAA uses to ensure integrity in collegiate athletics, McCloskey coordinates periodic department self-study and review teams.

DAVID CHAMBERS

Senior Associate Athletics Director for External Affairs



Responsibilities: Directly supervises marketing and promotions, sports information, the ticket office, hokiesports.com and *hokiesports — the newspaper*. Chambers is the department's liaison with ISP Sports, the exclusive multi-media and advertising rights holder for Virginia Tech athletics.

Joined VT Staff: 1998

Prior to Virginia Tech:

Associate director of athletics at UNLV (1993-98); director of NCAA compliance at UNLV (1992-93); NCAA legislative assistant (1990-92);

administrative assistant, University of Iowa Department of Athletics (1985-86).

Education: Wake Forest, 1989 (juris doctor); University of Iowa, 1985 (master's); University of Iowa, 1983 (undergraduate).

Of Note: Chambers was a member of the Iowa football team, and played on three postseason bowl squads: Rose, Peach and Gator. A former quarterback, he moved to defense and lettered at strong safety in 1982 and 1983. At Iowa, he played with Oklahoma

coach Bob Stoops and was coached by Hayden Fry, Bill Snyder and Barry Alvarez. Chambers received his master's degree in educational measurement and statistics. He was named to the Big 10 All-Academic squad in 1983 and received the prestigious Forest Evashevski Scholarship Achievement Award, as well as the R.E. Romey Memorial Scholarship and the Ben Trickey Memorial Scholarship.

Chambers became licensed to practice law in North Carolina in February, 1990.

TOM GABBARD

Associate Athletics Director for Internal Affairs



Responsibilities: Tom Gabbard is in charge of new construction and maintenance, supervises Tech's facilities managers and game operations and is responsible for the sports of golf, men's and women's tennis and men's and women's track and cross country. He is overseeing the construction of the new south end zone addition to Lane Stadium and all the other construction projects in the athletics department.

Facilities upgrading over the last five years has been continuous, and will have on-going emphasis in the future. Over \$97 million of facilities upgrades have

either been completed or planned since Gabbard and Jim Weaver arrived at Virginia Tech.

Joined VT Staff: 1998

Prior to Virginia Tech:

Assistant athletics director for administration at UNLV (1996-1998); director of administration at UNLV (1992-96);

Education: University of Florida, 1968 (BSBA)

Of Note: Gabbard has directed NCAA regionals and conference championships at both Virginia Tech and UNLV. He is currently a member of the BIG EAST golf committee.

Gabbard and Weaver were instrumental in several

major facilities projects at UNLV, including the construction of the Lied Athletic Complex, Wilson Baseball Stadium, Fertitta Tennis Complex and the Redd Basketball Offices.

Gabbard came into athletics due to his experience with building construction. He had a 20-year real estate career in Florida before joining Weaver's staff at UNLV.

Gabbard is a Vietnam veteran (1970-71) who achieved the rank of first lieutenant in the U.S.

Army's artillery branch.

Family: Wife Nancy; children Eric and Cyndi (Haggerty); three grandchildren.

JON JAUDON

Associate Athletics Director for Administration



Responsibilities: Jon Jaudon is responsible for the areas of sport administration, compliance and student life, while also serving as the department's liaison to the provost's office for athletic academic advising. He oversees the sports of baseball, lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, softball, men's and women's swimming and diving, volleyball and wrestling.

Joined VT Staff: 1999

Prior to Virginia Tech:

Assistant athletics director, University of Texas at Austin (1997-1999); academic

counselor at UT Austin (1991-1997); academic counselor at University of Florida (1985-1991)

Education: University of Florida, 1985 (master's); University of Florida, 1983 (undergraduate)

Of Note: At Texas, Jaudon oversaw the academic programs for all of men's athletics. During his tenure at Texas, he personally counseled athletes in football, basketball and baseball.

Texas enjoyed unprecedented academic success during Jaudon's

years of service. In 1996, Jaudon earned the James W. Vick Texas Excellence Award for academic advising.

A native of Bradenton, Fla., Jaudon worked as an academic counselor at the University of Florida before going to Texas.

Jaudon is a member of the BIG EAST baseball committee. He also coached baseball at Sante Fe Community College (1983-85).

Family: Wife Marcia, daughter Megan and son Jared.

MANAGEMENT STAFF



John Ballein
Associate Director of
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Operations



Randy Butt
Assistant Director of
Athletics for Financial Affairs



Tim East
Assistant Director of
Athletics for Marketing &
Promotions



Mike Gentry
Assistant Director of
Athletics for Athletic
Performance



Mike Goforth
Director of Athletic Training



Chris Helms
Coordinator of Student-Athlete
Academic Support Services



Megan Armbruster
Director of Student Life



Pam Linkous
Human Resources
Coordinator



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Director of Development
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Peg Morse
Director of Internet Services



Tim Parker
Assistant Director of
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Carmela Smith
Administrative Staff
Assistant



Dave Smith
Sports Information
Director



Sandy Smith
Assistant Athletics Director
for Ticketing Services



Cara Walters
Facilities and Game
Operations Manager



Russ Whitenack
Director of
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VIRGINIA TECH ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

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Coordinator of Accounting Services



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Coordinator of Computer Services



DR. LARRY KILLOUGH

FACULTY CHAIRMAN OF ATHLETICS

Dr. Larry N. Killough, the KPMG Professor in the Virginia Tech Accounting and Information Systems department for 33 years, has been the university's faculty chairman of athletics since September 1991.

Since taking over the faculty chairman's duties, Killough has worked closely with the members of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the BIG EAST Conference, the old Metro Conference and the Atlantic 10 Conference in matters relating to Tech athletics.

Killough received his B.S., in accounting from the University of Tennessee, an MBA from Temple University and his Ph.D., from the University of Missouri.

He came to Tech in 1971 as an assistant professor of accounting and has risen to his present position as KPMG Peat Marwick Professor.

Prior to coming to Tech, he taught in accounting departments at Temple and Missouri. He also was a senior accountant for Arthur Young and Company, an internal auditor for Fairmont Foods Company and an internal consultant on information systems for R.C.A. Communications, Inc.

Killough has won many awards, including the College of Business Outstanding Teaching Award and a similar award for Doctoral Teaching. He was voted Educator of the Year in 1978 by the Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Killough has co-authored eight books on accounting and has published numerous journals and research papers.



Casey Underwood
Facilities Manager



Jean Vaughan
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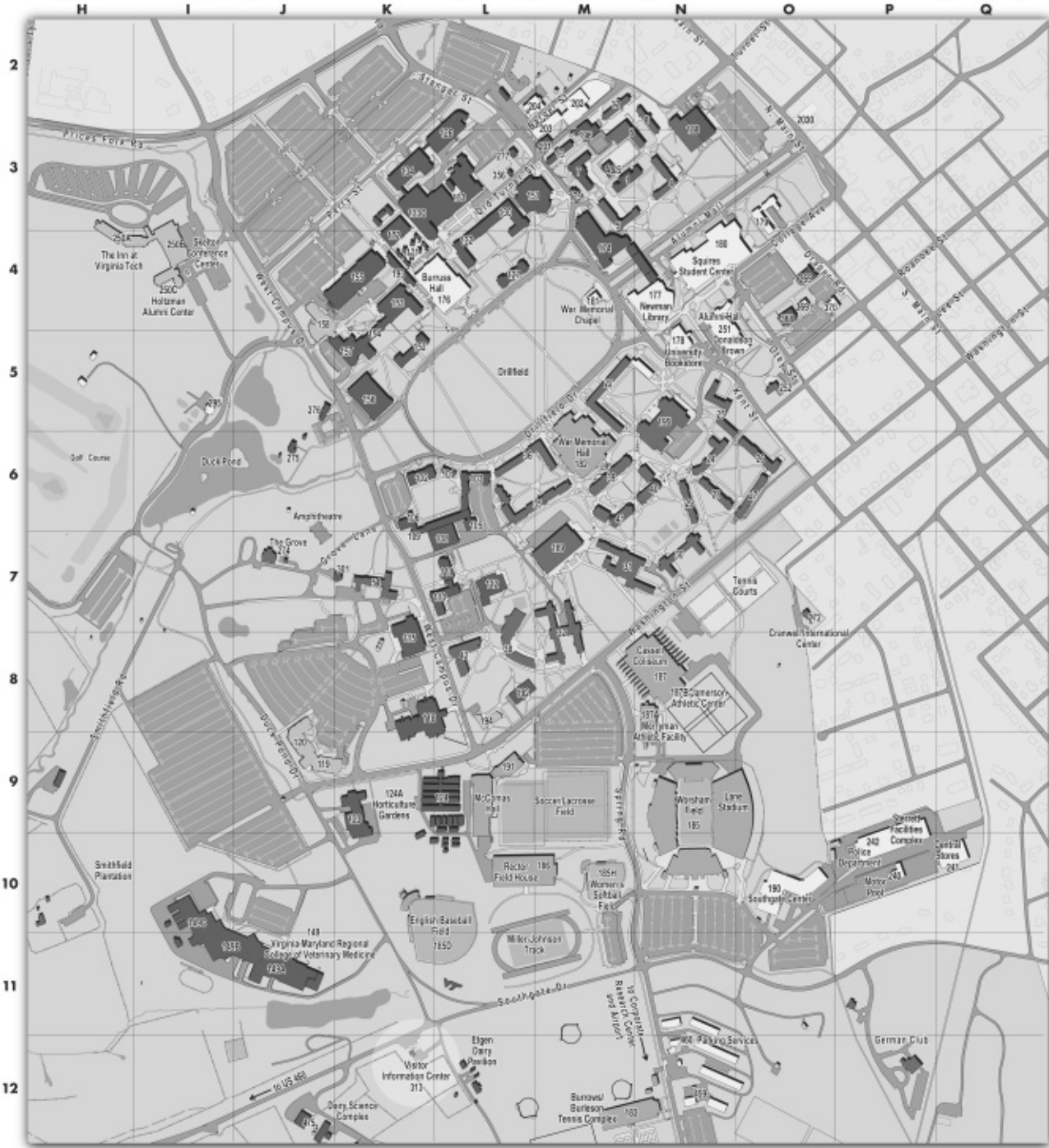


June Oblinger Shott and Director of Development for Intercollegiate Athletics Lu Merritt unveil a plaque at a ceremony dedicating the June Oblinger Shott Media Center in Lane Stadium's new South End Zone facility in 2002.

MEDIA INFORMATION



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J-9...119...Bioinformatics Phase I
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J-9...123...Food Science and Technology

L-9...124...Greenhouses
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L-3...130...Hilden Hall
L-4...132...Norris Hall
K-3...133...Randolph Hall
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K-3...134...Whitemore Hall
J-11...149...Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine
J-11...149A...William E. Lavery Health Research Center
I-11...149B...Richard B. Talbot Educational Resources Center
I-10...149C...Harry T. Peters Animal Clinic
M-3...151...McBryde Hall
K-6...152...Williams Hall
K-4...153...Pamplin Hall
K-5...154...Robson Hall
K-4...155...Derring Hall

K-5...156...Davidson Hall
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J-4...158...Chemistry/Physics Building
K-4...171...Burhard Hall
L-3...172...Cowgill Hall
M-4...174...Torgerson Hall
M-3...175...Performing Arts Building
L-4...176...Burnus Hall
N-4...177...Newman Library
N-5...178...University Bookstore
O-3...179...Henderson Hall
N-4...180...Squires Student Center
M-6...182...War Memorial Hall
N-12...183...Burrows/Burleson Tennis Center
N-9...185...Lane Stadium/Worsham Field
K-10...185D...English Field
M-10...185H...Women's Softball Field
L-10...186...Rector Field House
N-8...187...Cassell Coliseum
N-8...187A...Meryman Athletic Facility

N-8...187B...Jamerson Athletic Center
N-2...188...Shultz Hall
M-7...189...Dietrick Hall
O-10...190...Southgate Center
L-9...191...McComas Hall
L-9...192...Student Services Building
K-4...193...Burke Johnston Student Center
L-8...194...Career Services Building
N-5...195...Owens Hall
M-2...196...Art and Design Learning Center
M-2...202...Power Plant
M-2...203...Military Building
O-2...203B...Virginia Museum of Natural History
M-2...204...Air Conditioning Facility
P-10...240...Motor Pool
O-10...241...Central Stores
P-10...242...Police Department
P-10...242...Strettt Facilities Complex
H-4...250A...The Inn at Virginia Tech
I-4...250B...Skelton Conference Center
I-4...250C...Holzman Alumni Center

N-4...251...Alumni Hall
O-5...251...Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center
O-5...252...University Club
O-4...269...Armory
O-7...272...Cranwell International Center
J-7...274...The Grove
J-6...275...Solitude
J-5...276...Wright House
L-3...277...Price House/Women's Resource Center
I-5...295...Golf Course Clubhouse
K-7...301...Wallace Annex
K-12...313...Visitor Information Center
L-3...356...Smith House
O-4...368...Architecture Annex
O-4...369...Media Annex
P-4...370...Media Building
N-12...459...Health and Safety Building
N-12...460...Parking Science
J-12...475...Dairy Science Complex

2003 MEDIA INFORMATION

THE PRESS BOX

The press box at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field comprises five levels. Newspaper and television reporters, the radio network crews and statisticians work on the eighth level. Space in other areas is assigned as follows: Sixth level-University President's box; Seventh level-Athletic Fund Box; Ninth level-Public address announcer, scoreboard operators, Tech coaches' phones, private boxes; Roof-Television broadcast booth, team coaches' show and film crews, phones for visiting team's coaches and overflow area for media or pro scouts. The press box is accessible by an elevator which is centrally located underneath the west stands and runs to levels six through nine. Steps from the ninth level provide access to the roof area. Admission to the press box is by credential only. Smoking is not allowed in the stands or in any enclosed area of Lane Stadium, including the press box and rest rooms.

PRESS CREDENTIALS

Requests for press credentials are screened with care due to the demand for credentials and to ensure a working press box. Traditional print, television and radio (media agency) regularly assigned to cover Virginia Tech and the visiting school will receive first priority, as well as

national news-gathering agencies. Credentials for on-line Internet sites will be granted to Virginia Tech operated Web sites, the visiting team's official athletics department Web site and the BIG EAST Conference's official Web site.

Requests should be made in writing on company letterhead at least 10 days prior to the game to guarantee consideration. Requests should be directed to Dave Smith, sports information director. Requests the week of the game will be honored on a space-available basis and will be left at the Will Call window at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field if they cannot be mailed.

Spouses, dates, equipment carriers and non-workers are restricted from the press box, sidelines and locker rooms. Any abuse of a working credential will result in the media agency losing credential privileges.

In some instances due to space limitations meeting the criteria identified below does not guarantee credentials for every game.

ACCREDITATION GUIDELINES

- Only full-time, salaried employees intending to provide actual game coverage may receive a credential.
- A requesting media agency must represent a collective, organizational editorial voice, not simply the offerings of a single individual.

• Membership in a writer's association does not automatically qualify an agency for credentials.

• A media agency may assign one of its credentials to its on-line entity.

• An on-line entity, not associated with a traditional media agency, may qualify for one credential, subject to the following conditions:

An on-line entity may receive a credential only if its own full-time staff writes a majority percentage of that site's own material.

On-line entities that focus primarily on Virginia Tech Athletics and also sponsor message boards or chat rooms, may receive credentials provided they adhere to a policy that requires that a posted message or opinion is identified with the actual name and city of the individual.

Any on-line service that is recognized as an outlet intended primarily for the purpose of delivering news related to the recruitment of student-athletes will not qualify for credentials.

On-line entities will not receive photography credentials.

On-line entities (other than those identified above) registering 20,000 legitimate unique users per month in each of the past 12 months will be given first consideration.

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including live game play-by-play and statistics, of any home game is the exclusive property of Virginia Tech and/or its rights holder(s). "Real-time" is defined as "live continual coverage or description of an event."

MEDIA WILL CALL

In most cases, credentials will be mailed. Credentials may be picked up through Friday on a game week from secretary Donna Smith at the Sports Information Office. Credentials not mailed or picked up will be held at the Will Call window located a few steps from the main entrance to the west stands of Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

PHOTO CREDENTIALS

The NCAA has established a control policy to keep the field free from congestion. Only photographers on assignment and members of the television media are given photo credentials. Freelance or amateur photographers will not be issued credentials. All photographers must work outside the 30-yard lines as prescribed by the NCAA. Photographers and TV crews are not permitted in the bench area.

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ETHERNET ACCESS

When a new computer or any other network-enabled equipment is brought into Athletics, the user of that equipment must register the MAC (Media Access Control) address with Brad Tilley (231-

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PHONE LINES/ETHERNET

Long distance telephones will be located on the working press tables in the eighth level of press box. These phones require collect calls or a credit card for billing and are designated for pool use.

For photographers who need to transmit electronically, a photo work room, with two pool phone lines, will be available in the June Oblinger Shott Media Center, on the ground level beneath the south end zone.

Newsmen or photographers desiring their own phone line or ethernet portal should submit installation requests to Virginia Tech Communications Network Services (Shannon Hall at (540) 231-4350 or 6460, ehall@vt.edu). Charges apply.

If you request your own line, please notify the sports

information office (231-6726, sidsec@vt.edu) so we can give CNS the proper location. Make your requests well in advance of the game.

Wireless users must also register their MAC addresses with CNS before they can access the wireless system in the press box area in Lane Stadium.

PARKING

Game day media parking is available on a limited basis in a media-designated lot near the Burrows-Burleson Tennis Center. The entrance to this lot is on Tech Center Drive off of Southgate Drive. Requests for parking credentials should be submitted to Dave Smith, sports information director. If you plan to visit the Tech campus during the week, parking information is available on page 327.

PRESS BOX SERVICES

Complete team and individual statistics, a play-by-play, drive chart, defensive stats and postgame coaches' quotes will be provided. An inside public address announcer keeps the media abreast of play-by-play, records that are broken and game notes. A pregame meal is served, starting approximately one and one-half hours before kickoff and refreshments are available throughout the game. Postgame stats will be faxed upon request.

POSTGAME INTERVIEWS

With the construction of the south end zone, all postgame interviews take place in the June Oblinger Shott Media Center, located on the ground level, beneath the new edifice. After a short cool-down period, Coach Frank Beamer and selected players will meet with the news media after each home game. A separate room, located directly across the hall from the Tech interview room, is available for interviews with the coaches and players from the visiting team. Directions to both interview areas will be available in the press box or through the SID Office. Media access to visiting players will be determined by the visiting SID.

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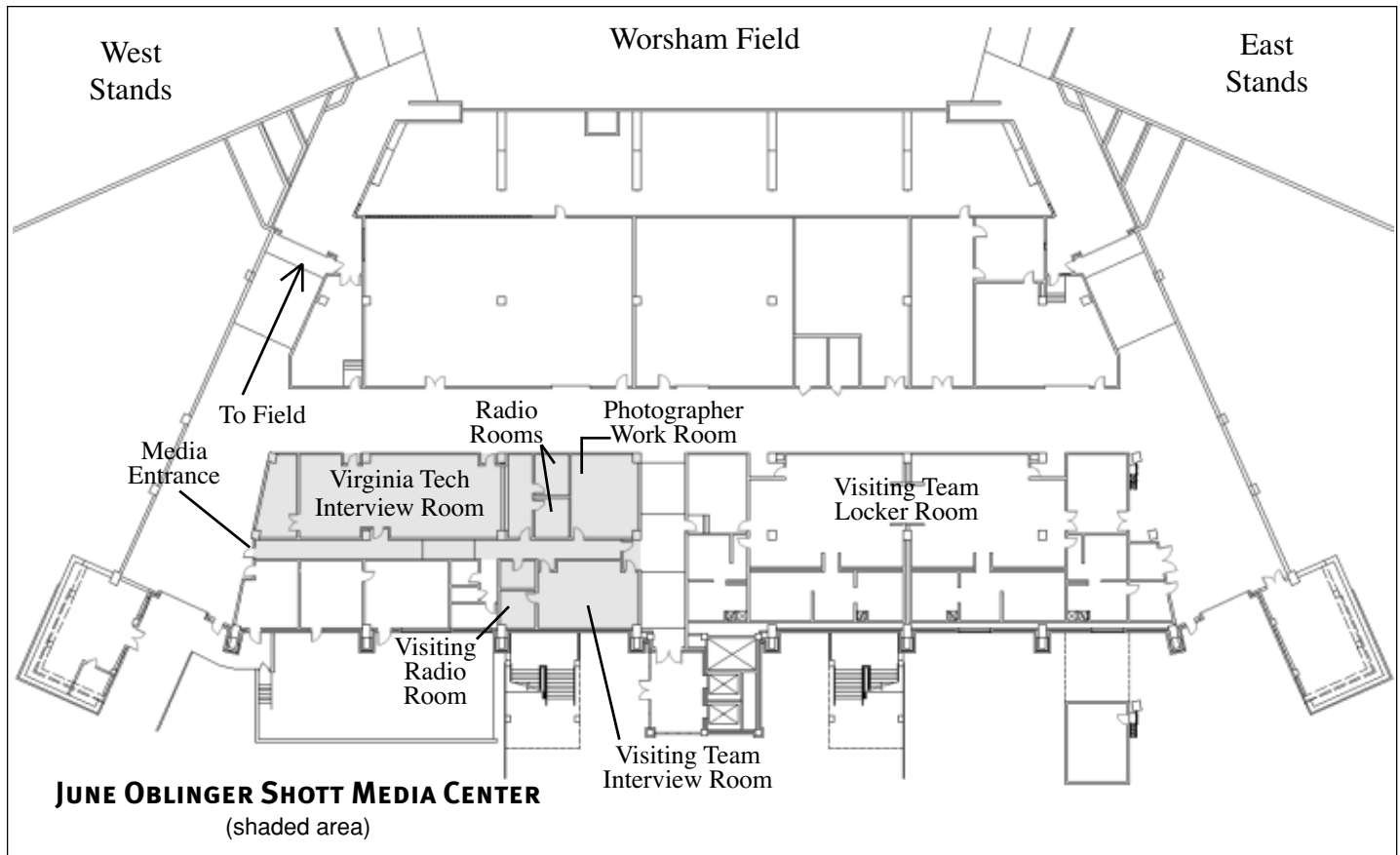
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Notes, releases, statistics and other pertinent information are available on Tech's official Web site (hokiesports.com). Because of easy access to information on the Web site, members of the media no longer receive weekly releases by mail. Tech's football statistics will be available on the same day of home games and the day after road games. Official defensive statistics are generally available by 6 p.m., the day after all games. Notes on the upcoming game will be updated late Monday afternoon.

BIG EAST ON THE WEB

The BIG EAST site on the Internet is available at www.bigeast.org. The site contains current information on all facets of the BIG EAST Conference. In addition, in-game scores for football contests involving BIG EAST teams will be updated in-progress. Please contact Rob Carolla in the BIG EAST media relations department for more information.

INTERVIEW POLICY

Virginia Tech's coaches and players will be available

throughout the season for interviews with accredited members of the news media. It is important, however, that all requests for interviews be made through the Tech Sports Information Office.

All requests for players to appear at the press luncheons must be submitted to Bryan Johnston by noon on Monday of that week. He can be contacted at (540) 231-3387 or by email at blj@vt.edu. Any other requests for individual interviews, whether by phone or after practice, need to be submitted by noon on Monday as well. Player availability for the press luncheons is determined by the players' class and lifting schedule. Some requested players may not be available. In that case, all efforts will be made to get the player at some point during the week.

Any media person wishing to come to practice and talk to a specific player or coach needs to contact the SID Office the day before to allow time to contact the desired people.

At no time will a players' phone number be given out and media are asked not to call the players at home or ask for their contact information.

WEEKLY PRESS INTERVIEW SESSION

On Tuesdays prior to each Tech game, Coach Frank Beamer and select members of the Tech team will be available to meet accredited media in the Bowman Room, located on the fourth floor of the Jamerson Athletic Center. A light lunch will be served at approximately 12:30 p.m. Coach Beamer will begin the interview session at 1 p.m., followed by player interviews at approximately 1:20. The interview session will conclude by 2:30 p.m.

The press luncheon for the West Virginia game, which will be on a Wednesday, has yet to be determined. An announcement regarding that press conference will be made at a later date. No sessions are held on the weeks prior to an open date.

Accredited media members who are unable to attend the Tuesday media session in person can still participate. Please contact the Sports Information Office by 11 a.m., the day of the event for details.

BIG EAST TELECONFERENCE

The BIG EAST football coaches will be featured on a

weekly teleconference, beginning on Monday, Aug. 25 and continuing each Monday through Nov. 24. Each coach will be available for 10 minutes. The teleconference number will be mailed to media members who cover Virginia Tech football. Members of the media can also secure the number by contacting The BIG EAST Conference Office at (401) 453-0660.

TALKING TO COACH BEAMER

The best way to reach Coach Frank Beamer is on the BIG EAST Teleconference on Mondays and at his weekly press interview session on Tuesdays. Any additional interview requests should be made through the Sports Information Office at (540) 231-6726.

SATELLITE FEED

Both Virginia Tech and the BIG EAST provide weekly satellite feeds with highlights and coaches interviews. Additional information is available through the SID office.

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DAVE SMITH
Sports Information Director

Dave Smith is beginning his 29th year with the Virginia Tech Athletics Department and his 13th full-time season with the Hokie football team. He has been involved with the football team each of his 28 years at Tech.

He deals with the head coach Frank Beamer and the rest of the Virginia Tech coaching staff, as well as overseeing the day-to-day working of the sports information office. Smith also travels with the team to road games.

All interview requests for Beamer or any coach should be made through Smith by calling (540) 231-6726.

Smith is a 1970 graduate of Virginia Tech with a degree in English.

BRYAN JOHNSTON
Assistant
Sports Information Director

Bryan Johnston is in his fifth year with the Virginia Tech Athletics Department and his fourth with the Hokie football team.

His main duties with the football team include acting as the liaison between the media and the Tech football players and setting up the weekly press conferences, as well as travelling with the team to road games.

All interview requests for any player should be made through Johnston by calling (540) 231-3387.

A native of Chesapeake, Va., Johnston is a 1999 graduate of the University of South Carolina with a degree in sport administration.

DAVID KNACHEL
Assistant
Sports Information Director

Dave Knachel is in his eighth year as an assistant SID at Virginia Tech, and has been photographing Hokie sports for 23 years, since he came to the university as a student in 1981.

Prior to joining the Tech staff in 1996, he worked for local newspapers. He also volunteers extensively in many capacities with Special Olympics Virginia.

Knachel is responsible for photographic coverage of all 21 sports at Tech and designing athletic department publications as well.

Media requests for digital images of Tech players, coaches and administrators should be made to Knachel by calling (540) 231-1838 or by e-mailing him at dknachel@vt.edu.

ABOUT OUR NAME

While the full name of the school is Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, the school is commonly referred to as "Virginia Tech." Founded in 1872, as Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College, the university changed its name to Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1896. Fans of the athletic department, as well as media covering the Hokies, shortened the name to VPI, but it eventually became Virginia Tech. The "State University" was added on in 1970 to bring the official title to what it is today.

Those covering Hokie athletics are asked to refer to the university as simply "Virginia Tech."

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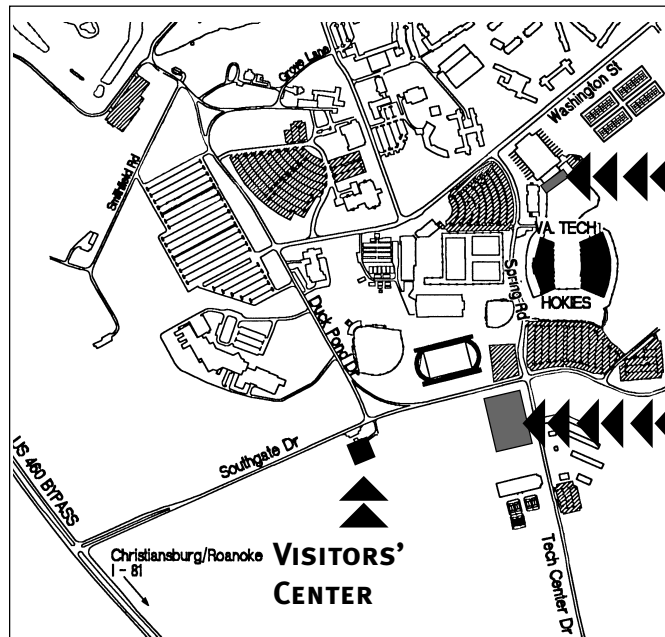
Pittsburgh Marriott City Center
112 Washington Place
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
(412) 471-4000

TEMPLE

Loews Hotel
1200 Market Street
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(215) 627-1200

VIRGINIA

Doubletree Hotel
2530 Seminole Trail
Charlottesville, VA 22901
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JAMERSON ATHLETIC CENTER

The Virginia Tech Sports Information Office is located on the fourth floor of the Jamerson Athletic Center, behind Cassell Coliseum.

GAME DAY MEDIA PARKING

(Media parking pass required)
When entering from Southgate Drive, turn right onto Tech Center Drive. Media parking is located on the right as you drive up the hill.

VISITOR PARKING (Non-game days)

Visitor parking permits are available at the Information/Visitors Center on Southgate Drive (Rt. 314) just off the 460 Blacksburg Bypass.

GETTING TO CAMPUS

The campus is located in Blacksburg, Va., about 40 miles southwest of Roanoke, Va. To reach the campus from Interstate 81, take Exit 118-B (Christiansburg) onto U.S. Route 460 West. Follow the 460 Blacksburg Bypass and turn right onto Rt. 314.

BY AIR

Roanoke Regional Airport in Roanoke, Va., is served by major domestic airlines. Limousine services provide transportation between the airport and campus. Private planes may land at the Virginia Tech Airport, near campus.

HOKIE SPIRIT!

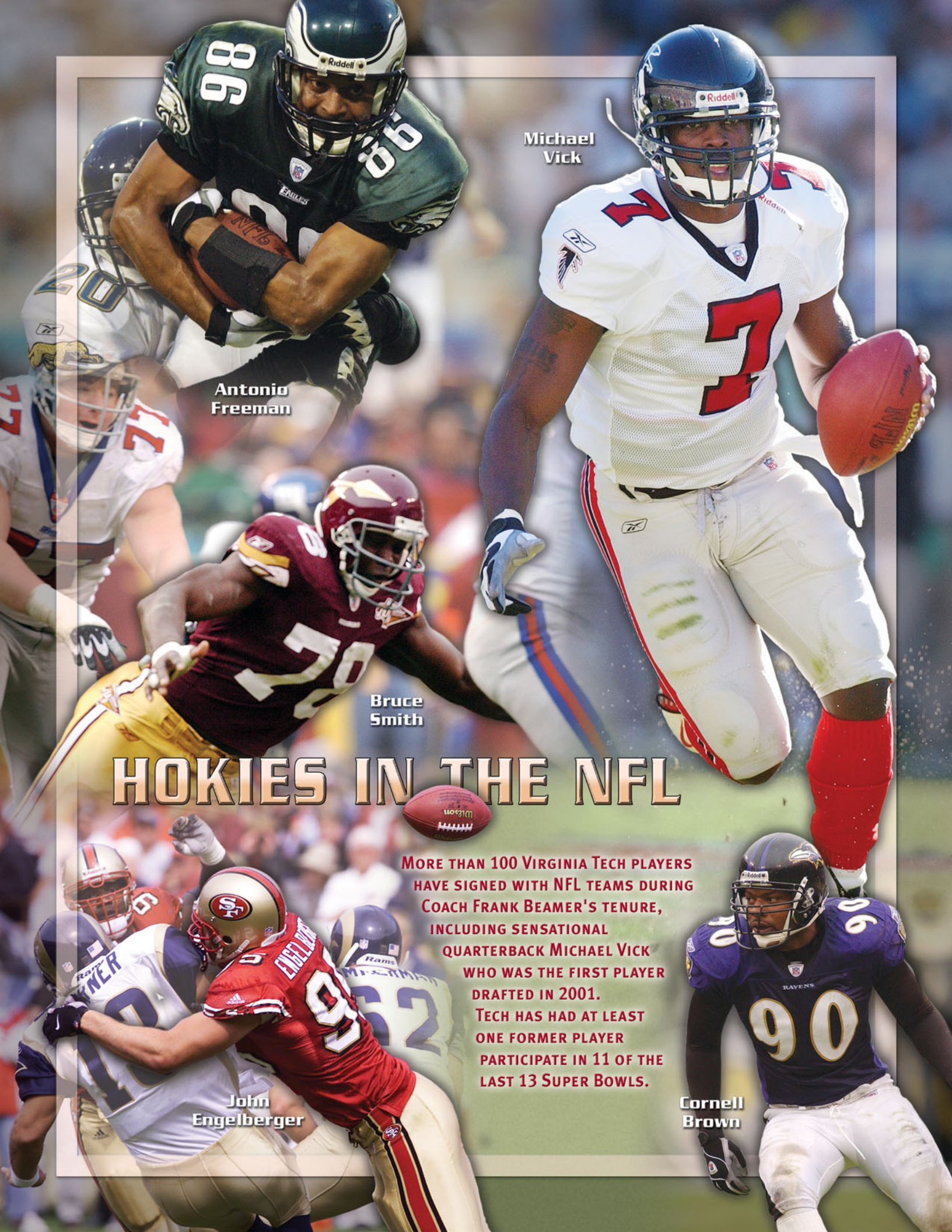


Spirit units at Virginia Tech include (clockwise, from above) the Highy-Tighties, the cheerleaders, Tech's lovable mascot — the HokieBird, the Marching Virginians and the HighTechs.

WHAT IS A HOKIE?

That's the most often-asked question in Virginia Tech athletics. The answer leads all the way back to 1896 when Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College changed its name to Virginia Polytechnic Institute. With the change came the necessity for writing a new cheer and a contest for such a purpose was held by the student body. Senior O.M. Stull won first prize for his "Hokie" yell which still is used today. Later, when asked if "Hokie" had any special meaning, Stull explained the word was solely the product of his imagination and was used only as an attention-getter for his yell. It soon became a nickname for all Tech teams and for those people loyal to Tech athletics. The official school colors — Chicago maroon and burnt orange — also were introduced in 1896. They were chosen because they made a "unique combination" not worn elsewhere at the time.





Michael
Vick

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Freeman

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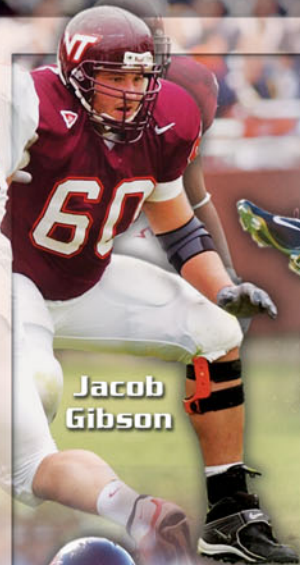
HOKIES IN THE NFL



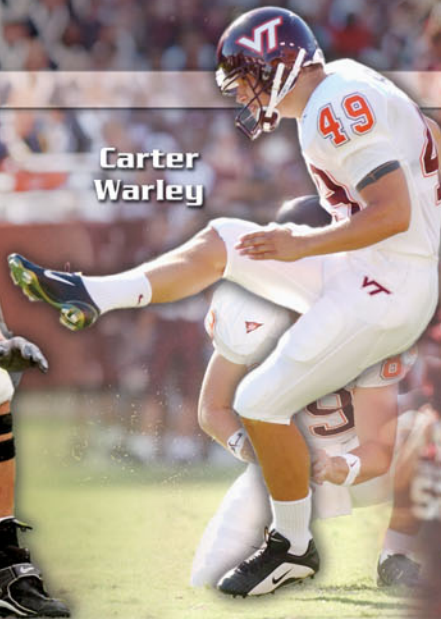
**MORE THAN 100 VIRGINIA TECH PLAYERS
HAVE SIGNED WITH NFL TEAMS DURING
COACH FRANK BEAMER'S TENURE,
INCLUDING SENSATIONAL
QUARTERBACK MICHAEL VICK
WHO WAS THE FIRST PLAYER
DRAFTED IN 2001.
TECH HAS HAD AT LEAST
ONE FORMER PLAYER
PARTICIPATE IN 11 OF THE
LAST 13 SUPER BOWLS.**

John
Engelberger

Cornell
Brown



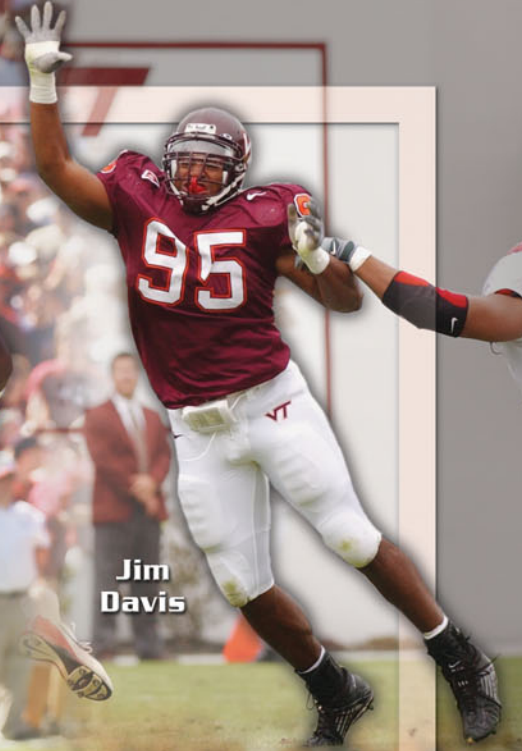
Jacob Gibson



Carter Warley



Vegas Robinson



Jim Davis



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Garnell Wilds



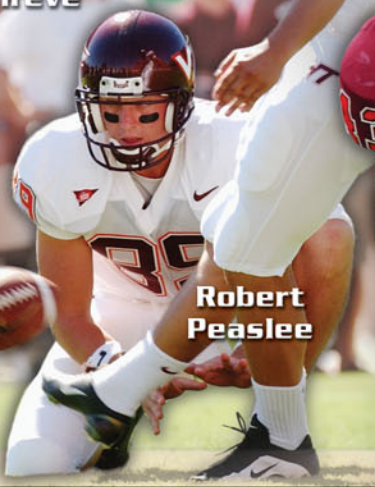
Steve Canter



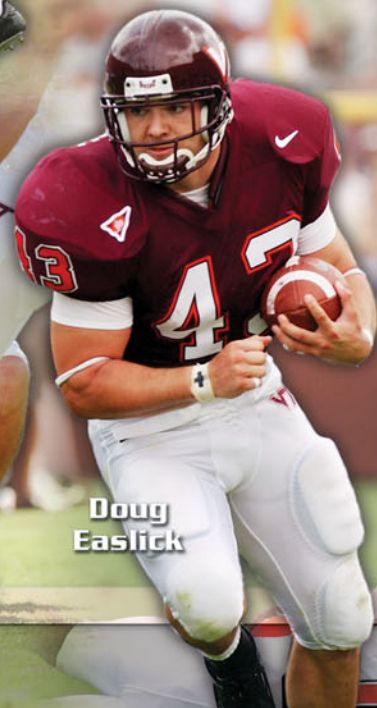
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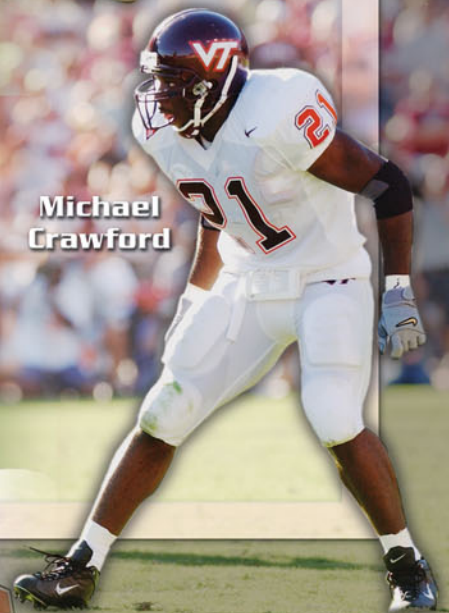
Chris Shreve



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Michael Crawford