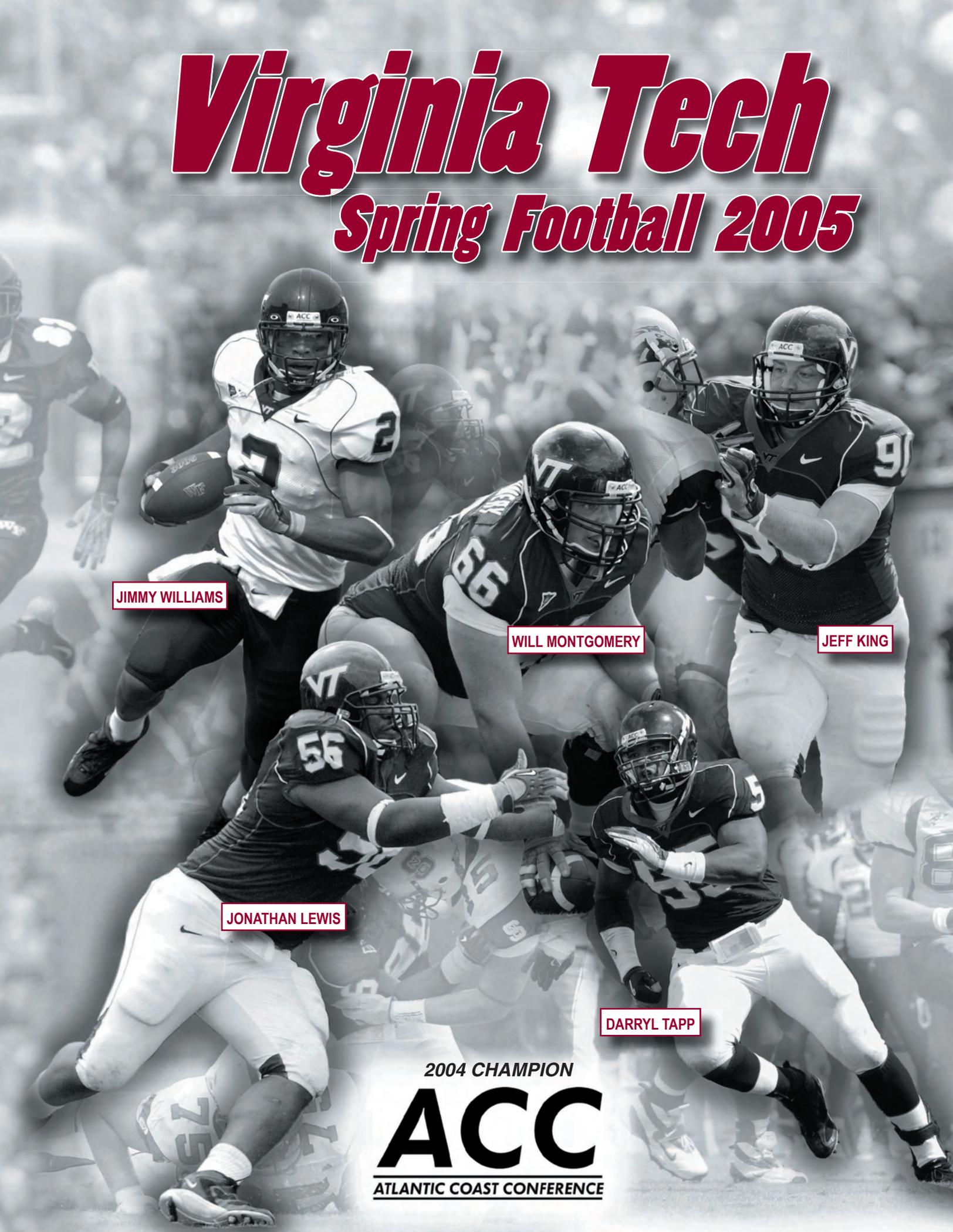


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A black and white action photograph of Virginia Tech football players during a game. The image is layered with semi-transparent copies of itself, creating a sense of motion and depth. Several players are highlighted with red-bordered white boxes containing their names. The background shows a blurred crowd of spectators.

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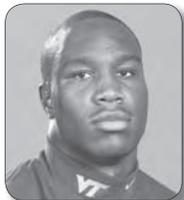
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2004 CHAMPION

ACC
ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

Underclassmen To Watch



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FB • r-Jr.



34 George Bell
TB • r-Fr.



59 Barry Booker
DT • r-So.



6 Andrew Bowman
LB • r-Fr.



89 Duane Brown
TE • r-So.



96 Noland Burchette
DE • r-Jr.



57 Tripp Carroll
C • r-So.



21 Chris Ceasar
CB • r-Jr.



87 David Clowney
FL • Jr.



98 Jared Develli
PK • So.



49 Chris Ellis
DE • r-So.



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CB • r-Fr.



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OT • r-Jr.



39 Jeremy Gilchrist
FL • r-Fr.



7 Sean Glennon
QB • So.



28 Corey Gordon
FS • r-So.



77 Brandon Gore
OG • r-Jr.



9 Vince Hall
LB • r-So.



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SE • So.



26 Kent Hicks
ROV • r-Fr.



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ROV • r-Jr.



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QB • r-Fr.



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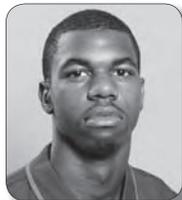
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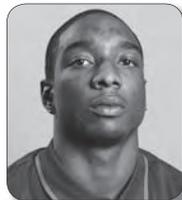
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CB • So.



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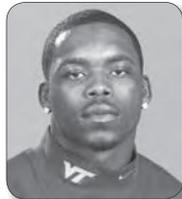
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C • r-Fr.



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ROV • r-Fr.



5 Marcus Vick
QB • r-Jr.



30 Cary Wade
ROV • r-Jr.



47 Brett Warren
LB • So.



51 Matt Welsh
OG • r-Fr.

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2005 Schedule

Day	Date	Opponent	Location	TV
Sat.	Sept. 3	at N.C. State	Raleigh, N.C.	
Sat.	Sept. 10	at Duke	Durham, N.C.	
Sat.	Sept. 17	OHIO	Blacksburg, Va.	
Sat.	Sept. 24	GEORGIA TECH*	Blacksburg, Va.	
Sat.	Oct. 1	at West Virginia	Morgantown, W. Va.	
Sat.	Oct. 8	MARSHALL (HC)	Blacksburg, Va.	
Thurs.	Oct. 20	at Maryland	College Park, Md.	ESPN
Thurs.	Oct. 27	BOSTON COLLEGE*	Blacksburg, Va.	ESPN
Sat.	Nov. 5	MIAMI*	Blacksburg, Va.	
Sat.	Nov. 19	at Virginia*	Charlottesville, Va.	
Sat.	Nov. 26	NORTH CAROLINA*	Blacksburg, Va.	
Sat.	Dec. 3	ACC Championship	Jacksonville, Fla.	ABC

*ACC game
Times & TV to be announced.

Media Information

ITINERARY: Spring practice is scheduled to run from March 23 through April 16. The annual Spring Game is scheduled for Saturday, April 16, at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field, beginning at approximately 2 p.m. Due to construction, media accommodations for the game are to be announced.

PRACTICE COVERAGE: Media representatives are welcome to cover Tech football practice, but they must notify the Virginia Tech Sports Information Office in advance for proper clearance. All practices, except for the Spring Game, are closed to the general public. The Hokies will workout at the football practice fields behind the Merryman Center, or in the event of inclement weather, in Rector Field House. Scrimmages are scheduled to be held at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field. Dates and times, listed on this page, are subject to change. Please note that the schedule does not include meeting and conditioning assignments.

INTERVIEWS: Interviews with coaches, players and staff are arranged through the Virginia Tech Sports Information Office (540) 231-6726. Player interviews are not allowed during practice.

PHOTOGRAPHERS: Cameramen and photographers may shoot only from the sidelines at practice. Please refrain from edging onto the playing field to avoid any injury to players and/or photographers.

2005 Spring Football Practice Schedule

SUNDAY March 20	MONDAY March 21	TUESDAY March 22	WEDNESDAY March 23 PRACTICE 1 4:15-6:30 p.m.	THURSDAY March 24	FRIDAY March 25 PRACTICE 2 4:15-6:30 p.m.	SATURDAY March 26 PRACTICE 3 10 a.m.-noon
March 27	March 28 PRACTICE 4 4:15-6:30 p.m.	March 29	March 30 PRACTICE 5 4:15-6:30 p.m.	March 31	April 1 PRACTICE 6 4:15-6:30 p.m.	April 2 PRACTICE 7 2-4 p.m. SCRIMMAGE
April 3	April 4 PRACTICE 8 4:15-6:30 p.m.	April 5	April 6 PRACTICE 9 4:15-6:30 p.m.	April 7	April 8 PRACTICE 10 4:15-6:30 p.m.	April 9 PRACTICE 11 Noon-2 p.m. SCRIMMAGE
April 10	April 11 PRACTICE 12 4:15-6:30 p.m.	April 12	April 13 PRACTICE 13 4:15-6:30 p.m.	April 14	April 15 PRACTICE 14 4:15-6:30 p.m.	April 16 PRACTICE 15 2 p.m. SPRING GAME

2005 Spring Outlook

Hokies Looking To Build on 2004 Success

This spring will be no more difficult than any other for 2004 Atlantic Coast Conference Coach of the Year Frank Beamer and his staff, but he will have to find a new offensive field general and heart for its defense after the departures of ACC Player of the Year, quarterback Bryan Randall, and second team All-ACC defensive tackle Jim Davis.

"We are starting over like any year and we need to understand what is possible but realize nothing is guaranteed," said Beamer. "A lot of great things happened last year, but that does not mean everything will be handed to you next year. We have to start over and find the personality and chemistry of this team."

The other needs are simple, veteran departures to the defensive secondary will require finding new safeties to be the eyes for the defense; the offensive line has been depleted and will need reinforcements; young talent will need to emerge on the defensive line; and a new punter and long snapper will have to be found to shore up Beamer's unique brand of special teams.

The Hokies will return 14 starters this off-season, eight on offense and six on defense, from a squad that finished 10-3, ranked No. 10 in the country, won the ACC

title in its inaugural season and made a trip to the Sugar Bowl. The 16-13 loss at the hands of the Auburn Tigers on Jan. 3, has the Hokies looking to rekindle their late season momentum.

"We are going to work this spring on getting our best personnel on the field," said Beamer. "It takes some time, but we need to get our

personnel right. There are a couple situations where we need to know who is going to be the go-to player we need as the starter and who is going to be the backup."

On offense, much of the focus will be on the quarterback position and finding who will pick up where Randall left off. Redshirt junior Marcus Vick will

return to the field this spring with hopes of carrying the torch, as will sophomore Sean Glennon and redshirt freshman Cory Holt.

A solid running game and a solid corps of offensive linemen, led by All-ACC tackle Jimmy Martin, will help whoever takes the lead. Replacements for departing seniors Jon Dunn and

James Miller will need to be found, but a young group of players are eager for the challenge.

"Our second group of offensive linemen's development will really be important this spring," said Beamer. "We are going to see who wants to step up and be a good player for us. We are going to try a few new faces at guard and look at Will Montgomery back at guard."

The defense will again be quick and aggressive, led by All-ACC defensive end Darryl Tapp. Gone are three out of four defensive secondary members from last season, including free safety Vincent Fuller. Returning is boundary corner Jimmy Williams, who decided to stay for his senior season instead of testing the professional ranks.

"We made some position changes because of our need at safety and it's going to show this spring," said Beamer. "We feel strongly about the abilities of players like Justin Hamilton and Robert Parker to be able



XAVIER ADIBI

to move and adapt quickly. We will need them to in order for us to be successful.”

The linebacking corps could be one of defensive coordinator Bud Foster’s fastest in recent years, led by a cadre of talented and youthful performers like redshirt sophomores Vince Hall and Xavier Adibi. Both have big play potential and will need to live up to their billing in their third spring in Blacksburg in order for the defense to maintain the blue-collar style Beamer enjoys seeing cause havoc on opposing offenses.

Tech will have to find replacements for departed seniors Vinnie Burns, the Hokies’ sure-footed, four-year starter at punter and long snapper Travis Conway.

Most of the kicking duties are strong with the return of starting place-kicker Brandon Pace and kickoff man Jared Develli. Both currently hold the No. 1 spots on the depth chart, but will be challenged by a talented group of reserves, which would like to get their names involved in the legendary schemes of BeamerBall.

The Offense

The loss of three starters may not seem like much, but when that includes your player of the year and arguably one of the toughest leaders ever to touch the Hokie stone at the gate of Lane Stadium, it takes on a new meaning.

Last season’s offense finished fourth in the ACC in total offense with 365.5 yards per game. It totaled 400 points in 13 games for 30.8 points per game average, eighth best all-time at Tech, and compiled the sixth highest total for touchdowns ever in a single season with 48.

Quarterback Bryan Randall became the all-time total offense leader in Virginia Tech history with 8,034 yards from

scrimmage and 1,242 plays.

Still, the cupboard is not empty for offense coordinator and offensive line coach Bryan Stinespring who, for the second time in four years, has to replace a premier quarterback from a prolific offense, and do it quickly.

Stinespring does benefit from having three strong candidates in Vick and Glennon, who have both seen in-game action during their brief careers, and Holt, who is eager to prove his worth after spending the last season as a redshirt.

“I have been really impressed with the level of competition of our quarterbacks so far this off-season,” said Beamer. “Several individuals tested very well and are showing the work ethic we expect and develops trust from their teammates.”

At running back, Stinespring returns his two top rushers from last season, as well as All-ACC tight end Jeff King and a group of talented wide receivers led by sophomore Eddie Royal and redshirt sophomore Josh Hyman.

Each veteran group adds a layer of security that allows Stinespring to remove a lot of pressure from his new quarterback, but he will need the young offensive line to improve through repetition this coming spring season.

Offensive Line

Graduated seniors Jon Dunn and James Miller flanked the right side of the line of scrimmage last year and key replacements need to be found this spring.

Stinespring, Tech’s offensive line coach, will look to a number of reserves to fill the hole left by the consistent duo. Moving redshirt senior Will Montgomery back to guard from center is the first move that will be tested this spring.

“With Dunn and Miller leaving it is a substantial

Quick Facts

Location: Blacksburg, Va.

Founded: 1872

Enrollment: 28,000

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: Atlantic Coast

Football Began: 1892

All-Time Football Record: 616-413-46 (111 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: 135-77-2 (18 years)

Overall Record: 177-100-4 (24 years)

2004 Record: 10-3 (including Sugar Bowl loss to Auburn)

Final Ranking: 9th (AP)

Conference Record (Finish): 7-1 (ACC champion)

Offensive System: Multiple

Defensive System: 4-3

Lettermen Returning: 44 (22 off., 20 def., 2 spec.)

Lettermen Lost: 19 (5 off., 11 def., 3 spec.)

Starters Returning: 14 (8 off., 6 def.)

Starters Lost: 8 (3 off., 5 def.)





JASON MURPHY

change to make, but I feel we have the youth and talent to do so this spring season," said Stinespring. "We are going to make some changes and shuffle some players around to give us an idea of who fits where and how to proceed."

As an honorable mention All-ACC center last season, Montgomery held together an offensive line that lost a big piece with the departure of Jake Grove in 2004. Montgomery's stoic work helped the Hokies to rush for 178 yards per game and pass for 187 per game.

Also returning this season is fellow honorable mention All-ACC honoree Jimmy Martin at left tackle and redshirt junior Jason Murphy at right guard. Both Martin and Murphy will give the Hokies a strong foundation to work with this spring and should help if Stinespring needs to shuffle players in order to maintain balance.

Senior Reggie Butler could also play into the mix on the right side. The 6-6, 344-pound Butler was listed as the No. 2 guard and tackle for the Hokies and will look to use his knowledge of both positions to crack the starting line-up at right tackle.

Still, look for a youth movement to be the overwhelming theme this spring with redshirt juniors Brandon Gore (left guard) and Danny McGrath (center) both battling for playing time.

At 6-5 and 340 pounds, Gore possesses the physical attributes to protect from the inside, while McGrath at 6-2, 283 pounds is a little more mobile and would serve well against the aggressive style ACC defensive lines.

"We will need for some of these younger players to come out and show they are ready to play," said Stinespring. "In order for us to continue to improve,

our depth has to increase at the No. 2 spots. We have the players, this is the time they need to show they are ready to take the next step forward."

At tackle, redshirt freshman Nick Marshman and redshirt junior Brandon Frye are both tall and athletic, but unproven.

With some of the best defensive ends in the country at the same camp, it will be up to them to prove they have what it takes to sustain their blocks against relentless rushers like Darryl Tapp and Noland Burchette.

"You are going to get better when you go against talented players," said Stinespring. "We have a talented, fast defense that gives us the ability to test our players on a day-to-day basis, which will only make them better as individuals."

Redshirt freshman Ryan Shuman could give McGrath some competition at center as well. The 6-3, 290-pound Fork Union product was impressive in fall workouts and will look to carry that success into the spring. Mike Parham will also get a look at both center and right guard.

The Hokies will be without the services of redshirt sophomore Tripp Carroll who will be unable to participate in spring drills due to off-season surgery.

Tight Ends

Last season, the tight ends entered camp with the hope of creating a viable offensive threat and opening the passing game. The mission was accomplished, but now it becomes that much harder to maintain. Luckily for position coach Danny Pearman, he has some solid depth to maintain the level of play.

No longer just a decoy, the tight ends in Stinespring's offense now pose a significant threat to opposing defenses.

Led by senior and All-Atlantic Coast Conference honoree Jeff King, the tight ends will play a significant role in transitioning this year's offense to a new quarterback's leadership.

"We have two solid tight ends coming back and now we pick up John Kinzer, so we should be solid, but we can't allow a drop off of our production," said Pearman. "The spring is all about getting as many repetitions as possible and it helps to have Jeff, who can work with Kinzer to move him along quicker."

Last season, King finished the year third on the team with 25 catches for 304 total yards and four touchdowns, all career highs, while starting all 13 games. He was second on the team in 2004 with 22 money plays, resulting in four touchdowns and 16 first downs, seven for clutch third-down conversions.

King will also be called upon to fill a larger leadership role in his final season in Blacksburg, following in the footsteps of Randall, Fuller and Davis from 2004.

Redshirt sophomore Duane Brown will move up from the No. 3 tight end to No. 2 after the departure of graduated senior Jared Mazetta. A powerful blocker with play-making ability, Brown could give the Hokies one of the best tight end tandems in the ACC.

Brown had three grabs for 64 yards and one touchdown in 13 games worth of action. He also saw time on special teams and had a season long 33-yard touchdown pass from sophomore Sean Glennon against Western Michigan for his first collegiate TD.

"This will be a big spring for Duane," said Pearman. "He is going to get a lot of work in spring drills and needs to continue to develop and work on playing at a high level consistently at high speed."

Moving to tight end this season will be redshirt

sophomore Kinzer who played fullback last season. He started four games in the offensive backfield for Tech and played in all 13 games.

"There is a big difference between blocking in space and blocking someone right on top of you at the line," said Pearman. "We need to take advantage of his speed and running ability, while developing his blocking technique and working on getting off the ball."

Kinzer totaled 26 yards on seven catches with two touchdowns as a fullback and will look to use his hands and blocking skills this spring at the line, filling the hole at the No. 3 tight end.

Quarterbacks

Replacing a player like Bryan Randall is not done overnight. The goal this spring season for quarterbacks coach Kevin Rogers is not to find the next Randall, but the next Virginia Tech quarterback.

He is in luck to have three strong-armed and athletic youths who are willing and able to step up to the challenge of taking over one of the ACC's most prolific offenses.

"There are three very talented and young players we need to evaluate coming into this spring that each want their shot," said Rogers. "This will be as tight a competition as any other position and I think all three have shown the level of commitment necessary."

Among the three candidates, redshirt junior Marcus Vick has the most in-game experience, after playing in 11 games as a redshirt sophomore in 2003. Vick enters spring as the No. 3 quarterback after missing last season.

Vick will join sophomore Sean Glennon and redshirt freshman Cory Holt. Both enter spring with all the credentials necessary to guide the Hokie attack, but neither has



SEAN GLENNON

significant playing time.

"Sean has really put forth the effort to get better this offseason and it shows," said Rogers. "We all know the athletic ability all these kids have, but putting the extra time on film, in the weight room and at practice will be important for their development."

Glennon has the upper hand, playing in four games as a true freshman last year as the No. 2 quarterback. He passed for 137 yards, while connecting on 8-of-11 attempts, with two touchdowns.

Holt follows the same mold as Glennon with a 6-4, 216-pound frame. He should push for snaps with the No. 1 and 2 offensive groups this spring.

Although the three players are talented and each with their

Virginia Tech Pre-Spring Two-Deep

OFFENSE

FL	19	Josh Hyman (5-11, 188, r-So.)
	17	Josh Morgan (6-1, 210, So.)
LT	52	Jimmy Martin (6-5, 305, Sr.)
	74	Brandon Frye (6-4, 292, r-Jr.)
LG	66	Will Montgomery (6-3, 301, r-Sr.)
	77	Brandon Gore (6-5, 340, r-Jr.)
C	69	Danny McGrath (6-2, 283, r-Jr.)
	58	Ryan Shuman (6-3, 290, r-Fr.)
RG	72	Jason Murphy (6-2, 303, r-Sr.)
	50	Mike Parham (6-0, 280, r-Jr.)
RT	61	Reggie Butler (6-6, 344, Sr.)
	67	Nick Marshman (6-5, 346, r-Fr.)
TE	90	Jeff King (6-5, 246, r-Sr.)
	89	Duane Brown (6-5, 280, r-So.)
	43	John Kinzer (6-2, 257, r-So.)
QB	7	Sean Glennon (6-3, 215, So.)
	14	Cory Holt (6-4, 216, r-Fr.)
	5	Marcus Vick (6-0, 212, r-Jr.)
TB	20	Mike Imoh (5-7, 195, Sr.)
	32	Cedric Humes (6-1, 233, r-Sr.)
FB	37	Jesse Allen (6-0, 244, r-Jr.)
	39	Carlton Weatherford (5-9, 226, r-So.)
FL	87	David Clowney (6-1, 179, Jr.)
	81	Justin Harper (6-3, 206, So.)
PK	46	Brandon Pace (5-10, 199, r-Jr.)
	23	Nic Schmitt (6-1, 254, r-Jr.)

DEFENSE

DE	96	Noland Burchette (6-2, 252, r-Jr.)
	49	Chris Ellis (6-4, 255, r-So.)
DT	99	Carlton Powell (6-2, 285, r-So.)
	71	Tim Sandidge (6-1, 310, r-Sr.)
DT	56	Jonathan Lewis (6-1, 308, Sr.)
	75	Kory Robertson (6-2, 331, r-So.)
DE	55	Darryl Tapp (6-1, 268, Sr.)
	41	Jordan Trott (6-4, 249, r-Sr.)
OLB	42	James Anderson (6-3, 222, r-Sr.)
	36	Aaron Rouse (6-3, 222, r-Jr.)
ILB	9	Vince Hall (6-0, 246, r-So.)
	47	Brett Warren (6-1, 224, So.)
ILB	11	Xavier Adibi (6-2, 224, r-So.)
	40	Blake Warren (6-3, 238, r-Sr.)
FS	25	D.J. Parker (5-11, 181, So.)
	27	Justin Hamilton (6-3, 230, r-Sr.)
	26	Kent Hicks (6-2, 208, r-Fr.)
LC	15	Roland Minor (6-0, 198, r-So.)
	18	Brandon Flowers (5-10, 186, r-Fr.)
ROV	30	Cary Wade (5-10, 184, r-Jr.)
	24	D.J. Walton (5-10, 193, r-Sr.)
RC	2	Jimmy Williams (6-3, 206, Sr.)
	47	Theodore Miller (6-2, 179, r-Fr.)
P	23	Nic Schmitt (6-1, 254, r-Jr.)
	46	Brandon Pace (5-10, 199, r-Jr.)

own unique abilities, it will be Randall's grasp of the offense and ability to teach the younger players which could be missed the most by Coach Rogers.

"Having Bryan here was like having a second coach at practice," said Rogers. "He was the best example we could have for these players on how to be a college quarterback. I am glad they got a year with him, because I think all three are better for it."

Running Backs

The offensive backs could be one of the deepest and most advanced groups on the team this spring. Position coach Billy Hite returns senior Mike Imoh and redshirt senior Cedric Humes, after both had career years in 2004.

Switching to his third position in four years, will be redshirt senior Justin Hamilton, who moves to the other side of the line of scrimmage to play safety in the Hokies depleted secondary.

While Imoh and Humes will both get their fair share of snaps in the preseason, it could be redshirt freshmen George Bell and Brandon Ore that steal the spotlight at tailback during spring workouts and scrimmages.

Both Bell and Ore spent last season on the sidelines developing their skills and improving their abilities under the watchful eyes of Hite, who hopes the four-man race for playing time will keep all four hungry.

"I am looking forward to getting Bell and Ore onto

the field again this spring," said Hite. "You could see them getting better every day at fall practice, and from that standpoint we have some good young talent."

Imoh had a spectacular season in 2004 setting a new career-high with 720 total rushing yards and six touchdowns last season. He also set a new Tech single-season record with 243 yards against North Carolina.

Humes came into spring practice a year ago as the heir apparent until an injury sidelined him until fall of 2004. After a rough start, he was able to get on track during the final games of the season, finishing with 605 total yards and five rushing touchdowns. He also grabbed eight passes for 46 yards.

While Ore could be considered more of an elusive back than the powerful, bruising style of Bell, both will add different elements to the Hokie ground attack as well as give Hite options in two-back sets or catching balls out of the backfield.

Both Bell and Ore could also see time as fullback while Hite tries to surround the next Hokie quarterback with solid weapons and protection.

Also in the mix will be senior John Candelas. The Blacksburg native saw action in five games last season, finishing with 166 yards on 32 carries. He had a career-high 84 yards on 14 carries against Florida A&M.

While not a big concern to the coaching staff, fullback does remain a question and a position still up for grabs. Last season, Hite experimented with redshirt sophomore John Kinzer, who has since been moved back to tight end, his position in high school.

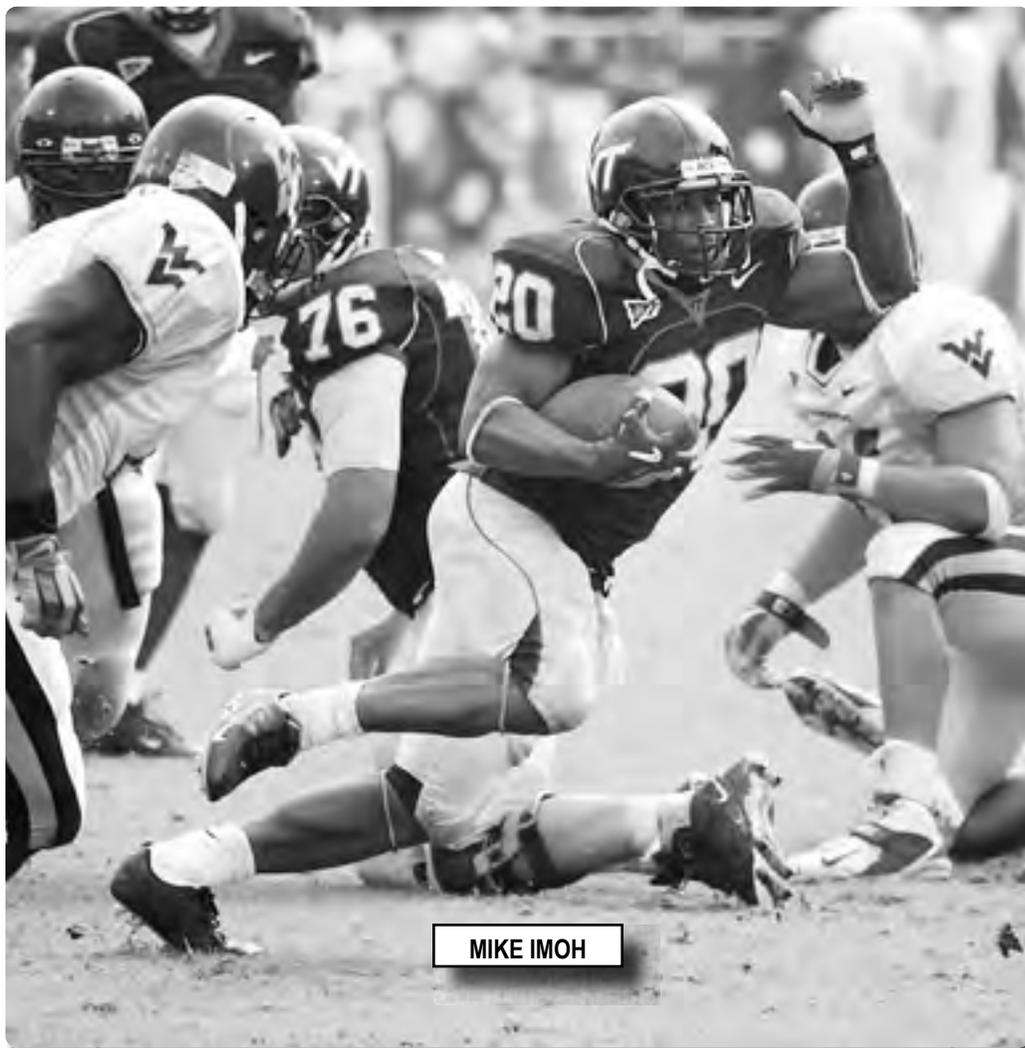
Redshirt junior Jesse Allen returns, and is penciled in as the starting fullback, but there will be competition with Ore, Bell or redshirt sophomore Carlton Weatherford.

Allen saw action on special teams and in the backfield in 10 games, starting two. He rushed for four yards on two attempts, but caught three passes for 24 yards and his first collegiate touchdown, a 9-yard strike by Randall during the 62-0 romp over Florida A&M.

Wide Receivers

At the wide receivers position, Coach Tony Ball returns some eager veterans and talented youth, as he tries to mold his unit with a focus on the fundamentals.

"There is a lot of competitiveness and they are young, young players and talented players and that's what you like," said Ball. "Competition breeds winners and you like that. It's a fact."



MIKE IMOH

This year's group will be called on to help bridge the gap with the departure of Bryan Randall to graduation. The 2005 spring will be critical to work on timing and chemistry with a new quarterback behind center.

The group will also be without the services of sophomore flanker Eddie Royal, who will miss spring camp after having surgery this past winter.

Royal started 11 out of 13 games last season for the Hokies. He led the team with 28 catches, was second in receiving yards with 470, and finished third with three touchdowns. His 80-yard touchdown grab against Georgia Tech was a season-long for the Hokies.

In Royal's absence, junior David Clowney and sophomore Justin Harper will get the majority of repetitions during spring practice, while redshirt freshman Jeremy Gilchrist waits in the wings.

Clowney started one game last season, but saw action in 12 out of 13 games, catching 20 balls for 263 yards and two touchdowns.

Harper saw action in 11 of Tech's 13 games in 2004, totaling 84 yards on five receptions and one touchdown off a 34-yard strike against Western Michigan from sophomore Sean Glennon.

At split end, redshirt sophomore Josh Hyman and sophomore Josh Morgan will contend for the starting nod from Coach Ball.

"There's a lot of competition among all our players this spring," said Ball. "We will be finding out who is putting in the work to get better, who makes the most improvement and who can help us win going into preseason."

Hyman had a spectacular rookie campaign, finishing second on the team with 27 catches for a team-high 491 yards. He played in all 13 of Tech's games, starting 12. Hyman also caught a team-high five touchdown passes,

including a 12-yard TD reception to put the Hokies up 10-7 at halftime of the BCA Football Classic against eventual national champion Southern California.

Morgan tied with Royal for the season long with an 80-yard strike against Auburn in the 2005 Sugar Bowl. On the year, Morgan totaled 15 receptions for 346 yards and three touchdowns.

In all, the rookie quartet of Royal, Hyman, Harper and Morgan totaled 1,309 of Tech's 2,435 receiving yards and 12 of the Hokies' 24 receiving touchdowns last season.

"We will be looking a lot at fundamentals, it's something that can't be overlooked," said Ball. "As a group we need to focus on our objectives. For the spring you set your guidelines and objectives as a group and then look at the individual. They are talented players, but not yet great football players so you have to find the way to get them where they need to be."

"I think they are still trying to find themselves," said Ball. "They have a way to go, but they are trying to find their roles. If that develops into a leadership role it will only make us better as a team."

The Defense

In what could be called a renaissance, the Hokie defense recaptured its past glory in 2004, once again establishing itself as one of the premier defenses in the country, headlined by an attacking and punishing style.

"As a defense, I would like to see us pick up where we left off," said defensive coordinator and linebackers coach Bud Foster. "I think we have a good mix of youth and veterans on this squad who could continue to improve this spring."

The Hokies finished the season second in the Atlantic Coast Conference in total



defense by allowing only 268 yards per game. They led the conference in scoring defense with only 12.8 points allowed per game.

This spring, only six out of 11 starters return. Biggest among the departures were the senior leaders who were the heart and soul of last season's defense. Tackle Jim Davis, defensive backs Eric Green, Vincent Fuller and rover James Griffin have all departed. They leave behind a strong legacy for this year's leaders.

"We have some holes to fill this spring and we need to find some playmakers in those spots," said coach Bud Foster. "The holes will basically be in the secondary, but I feel we have some young players with some experience who will have to be counted on."

Spearheaded by a

relentless pass rusher in Darryl Tapp, a shutdown corner in Williams and athletic linebackers Hall and Adibi, this team has all the makings of another potent Foster defense.

Adibi and Hall are both proven ball-hawks, disrupting passers and tailbacks last season as rookies. When grouped with redshirt senior James Anderson at whip linebacker and redshirt junior Cary Wade at rover, they make up one of the most talented crews in the ACC.

A majority of the eight platooned defensive linemen from last season return for the Hokies, as well as a group of talented underclassmen, which will be important to support a new-look secondary that includes redshirt freshman Kent Hicks and redshirt senior Justin Hamilton, who will transfer

his football knowledge to the defensive side of the ball.

There will be talent around the ball, but it will be young, with just over ten players in the two-deep with two or less years of playing experience. Redshirt sophomores Roland Minor at defensive back and Carlton Powell at defensive tackle headline the younger group.

Both played key roles in their rookie campaigns and will challenge this spring for more time with the No. 1 squad.

"I am really excited to see how these players who made big plays last year develop this spring," said Foster. "We need guys like Chris Ellis, Carlton Powell and Vince Hall to not be satisfied with last year, but keep working for a new season."

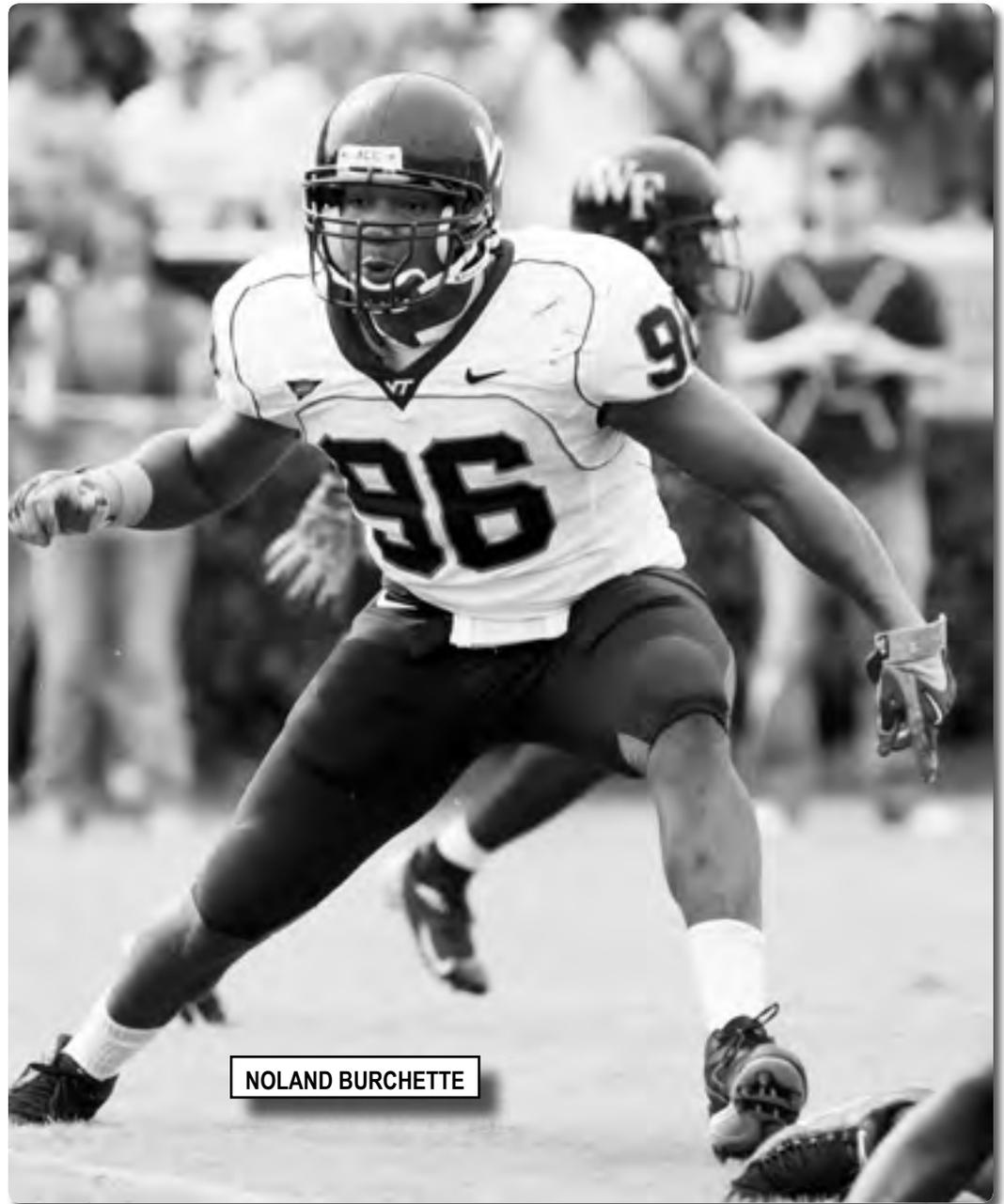
Defensive Line

The departure of graduated seniors Jim Davis, Kevin Lewis and Jason Lallis have position coach Charley Wiles looking to a deep group of underclassmen to fill the holes on the defensive line.

"We have some holes to fill with the seniors that left," said Wiles. "Losing this senior class is more difficult from the standpoint that they all were consistent and gave us good snaps in tough games to help give other players rest. We need to find guys this spring to step into those roles."

The Hokies return three out of four starters from last year's defensive line, including All-ACC performers Tapp and senior defensive tackle Jonathan Lewis, both of whom will be called on to take over leadership roles on this year's squad. The two complements each other well and combined for 37 quarterback hurries and two pass breakups in 2004.

Tapp had a breakout year in his third season on the field and was named All-ACC first team. He finished the year with 60 total tackles, 16.5 tackles for a loss and team-high 8.5 sacks.



NOLAND BURCHETTE

He also had one interception against Florida A&M.

For Lewis, it was his year to shine. He was named honorable mention All-ACC and, with his brother by his side at tackle, he finished with 40 tackles, 11 for a loss and five sacks.

"We are going to be working hard on the team concept again this spring," said Wiles. "In order for all of our guys to be successful, we have to be able to develop our depth, get everyone up to speed and get the younger players experience."

In 2004, Wiles utilized the amount of talent on the Hokie bench by platooning eight players on a regular basis, in order to keep players fresh and able to play at their peak levels more consistently. It will take some new faces in 2005 to maintain this style but with redshirt sophomores Carlton Powell and Kory Robertson, the future looks bright.

Powell finished the season No. 2 on the defensive tackle depth chart despite his 17 total tackles, six sacks and six quarterback hurries. Robertson finished with four tackles in

five games played last year, but should improve with repetitions in spring drills.

Also at tackle, look for redshirt senior Tim Sandidge to finish strong while working towards his final season in 2005. He totaled seven tackles in nine appearances, adding 1.5 tackles for a loss and three quarterback hurries.

"Our tackles have all the potential in the world," said Wiles. "Someone is going to have to step up and make a move this spring for us to maintain what we accomplished last season. These younger

players are going to have to contribute, and quickly.”

Redshirt sophomore Barry Booker and redshirt junior Chris Burnett both are over 6-2 and should give the Hokies some added size.

At the end position, redshirt junior Noland Burchette is one of two returning starters at end with Tapp on the opposite side. The bookends combined for 22.5 tackles for a loss last season and 11.5 sacks.

Burchette totaled 27 total tackles, 15 solo, in 12 games last season. He also had six tackles for a loss, an interception and two forced fumbles.

Also look for redshirt sophomore Chris Ellis to build on his 33-tackle, three-sack season in 2004. He will look to push Burchette and Tapp for starting time this spring. A tremendous athlete with a solid motor, he will give Wiles a potential three-way rotation at the starting slots.

Along the same lines, Wiles will look to get production from redshirt senior Jordon, sophomore Matt Tilley and transfer Orion Martin.

The group will need to focus on the team concept to be as successful as last season’s team. This will be one of the

critical things Wiles will be stressing this spring.

“Our seniors were great for us last year on and off the field, but we need that production this year as well,” said Wiles. “Last year, guys like Kevin Lewis and Jason Lallis gave us great efforts in their final years, even as reserves. We need to get that from this class too.”

Linebackers

Linebacker coach Foster will return mid-season starter Vince Hall and No. 2 inside linebacker Xavier Adibi this spring and hopes to solidify the

linebacking corps before the end of spring camp.

“I am very excited about Hall and Adibi because of what they have done, but truly because they can be a lot better,” said Foster. “They each have different things they can improve on, but we are working on getting them towards their potential and being complete linebackers like they can be.”

While he does have to replace three-year starter Mikal Baaqee, who was lost to graduation, he will be able to mix in some veteran returnees and talented youth to help bridge the gap of the familiarity with his style of defense.

Hall picked up some valuable experience and finished second on the team with 64 tackles, last season. He also totaled 4.5 tackles behind the line of scrimmage, one sack and three pass break-ups.

For his efforts he was named a third-team freshman All-American by *The Sporting News*, ACC Defensive Freshman of the Year by *The Sporting News* and to the Freshman All-ACC defensive team by *The Sporting News*.

Adibi played in only seven games last season due to a bicep injury suffered in the BCA Classic versus Southern California. He returned miraculously by mid-season and finished with 25 tackles, 21 of them solo. A natural playmaker, he had 4.5 tackles for a loss, two sacks, an interception and one forced fumble in limited action. He was also named to the All-ACC freshman defensive team by *The Sporting News*.

Coach Foster will need his reserves to step up to the challenge this season and maintain the level of intensity and blue-collar work ethic that helped the Hokies succeed last season. Redshirt senior Blake Warren and junior Chad Grimm are the elder statesmen of the



VINCE HALL

group and should help provide stability through consistency.

Warren played in all 13 games on special teams and as a back-up linebacker. He totaled 28 tackles, 2 of them solo, and intercepted two passes, including a 46-yard scamper against Florida A&M.

"Blake can help us in a lot of ways," said Foster. "He has great game instincts and can be a playmaker for us. He is a guy I am counting on to give us great depth, along with his brother Brett."

Led by redshirt freshman Andrew Bowman and redshirt sophomore Stevie Ray Lloyd, the talented younger group will try to push for time. Lloyd spent time as a reserve last season and on special teams. He totaled 11 tackles while playing in 12 out of 13 games last season.

Also in the mix are sophomores Brett Warren and D.J. Preston, and redshirt freshman Purnell Sturdivant. They all should improve with repetitions this spring.

Rovers and Whips

With the departure of seniors Mike Daniels and James Griffin to graduation, rovers and whips coach Jim Cavanaugh will have two large holes to fill.

"We have to replace some solid seniors with unseasoned players and this spring will help us to determine who wants the opportunity to play," said Cavanaugh. "We are going to see if players like Rouse can play both positions, and hopefully take advantage of his speed."

Ready to step in to fill the void are a talented and speedy group of sophomores and juniors eager to prove they have what it takes to play for one of the nation's premier defenses.

At the rover spot, redshirt junior Cary Wade and redshirt senior D.J. Walton have waited

in the wings for their time and will have that chance this spring.

Wade played in all 13 games for the Hokies last season recording six total tackles and one quarterback hurry as a reserve. Last season, Walton saw action in only two games, but totaled eight total tackles, five solo, off the bench.

Look for redshirt sophomore Corey Gordon, the 6-2 Gainesville, Fla., product, to add depth to the Hokie defense. Last season, Gordon saw spot time at free safety, recording four tackles in 10 games, including a half-tackle for loss.

At the whip spot, redshirt senior James Anderson and redshirt junior Aaron Rouse return after seeing the majority of the snaps last season.

"I would like to think this is one of our stronger spots on the defense this season," said Cavanaugh. "Both players were solid players last season. It could be a real strength."

Anderson made the move to starter last year during spring practice and should help to solidify one of the most experienced positions on the Hokie two-deep. The Chesapeake native finished the year seventh on the team with 48 total tackles, while starting 12 out of the Hokies' 13 games. One of the Hokies most versatile players, he led the Hokies with two forced fumbles, had 2.5 sacks, was fourth on the team with 6.5 tackles for a loss and grabbed his second career interception last season.

Rouse remained at the No. 2 whip spot most of the season, but saw significant time in all 13 games for Tech. He finished ninth on the team with 37 total tackles and one forced fumble. Rouse may also see time at rover as Cavanaugh looks to find how best to utilize the talented group to help the Hokies succeed.

Redshirt junior Robert Parker, moving from wide receiver to whip, is also expected to add his unique blend of size and speed to the rover position. A raw athletic specimen at 6-1, 212 pounds, the defensive coaching staff will try to capitalize on his mix of size and speed to disrupt opponent offenses.

"With Parker, we are trying to see if we can find a spot where he would fit," said Cavanaugh. "He is a very athletic kid and we are trying to see if his physical skills will lend him more to the defensive side of the ball."

Defensive Backs

Secondary coach Lorenzo Ward will have the difficult task of replacing graduated seniors Eric Green and Vincent Fuller, who helped Tech to hold offenses to only eight passing touchdowns all of last season.

"We have a lot of youth compared to this time last spring," said Ward. "We are not worried about our corners as much as we need to identify a safety this spring and work to develop them as quickly as possible."

Senior boundary corner Jimmy Williams returns for his final season after receiving All-ACC accolades last fall. He will be counted upon for his leadership on and off the field as well as helping to develop Tech's young cache of talented safeties and corners.

Last season, Williams led the ACC with 14 pass break-ups and was fourth on the Hokie defense with 60 tackles, 37 of them solo. He also had a team-high five interceptions for 81 yards, returning one for a score against Maryland on Nov. 18.

Solidifying the corner spot will be redshirt

sophomore Roland Minor and a redshirt freshman out of Delray Beach, Fla., Brandon Flowers.

Minor saw action in all 13 games last season, starting one, but was listed as the No. 2 corner most of the 2004 season. He totaled two interceptions last season, one for 64 yards and a touchdown against Georgia Tech on Oct. 28. He had 15 tackles, seven solo, and was second on the team with five passes broken up.

Sophomore D.J. Parker will also get some time at corner and possibly safety, after seeing most of last season as the No. 2 corner behind Green. He did see action in 12 out of Tech's 13 games, with 10 tackles and one forced fumble.

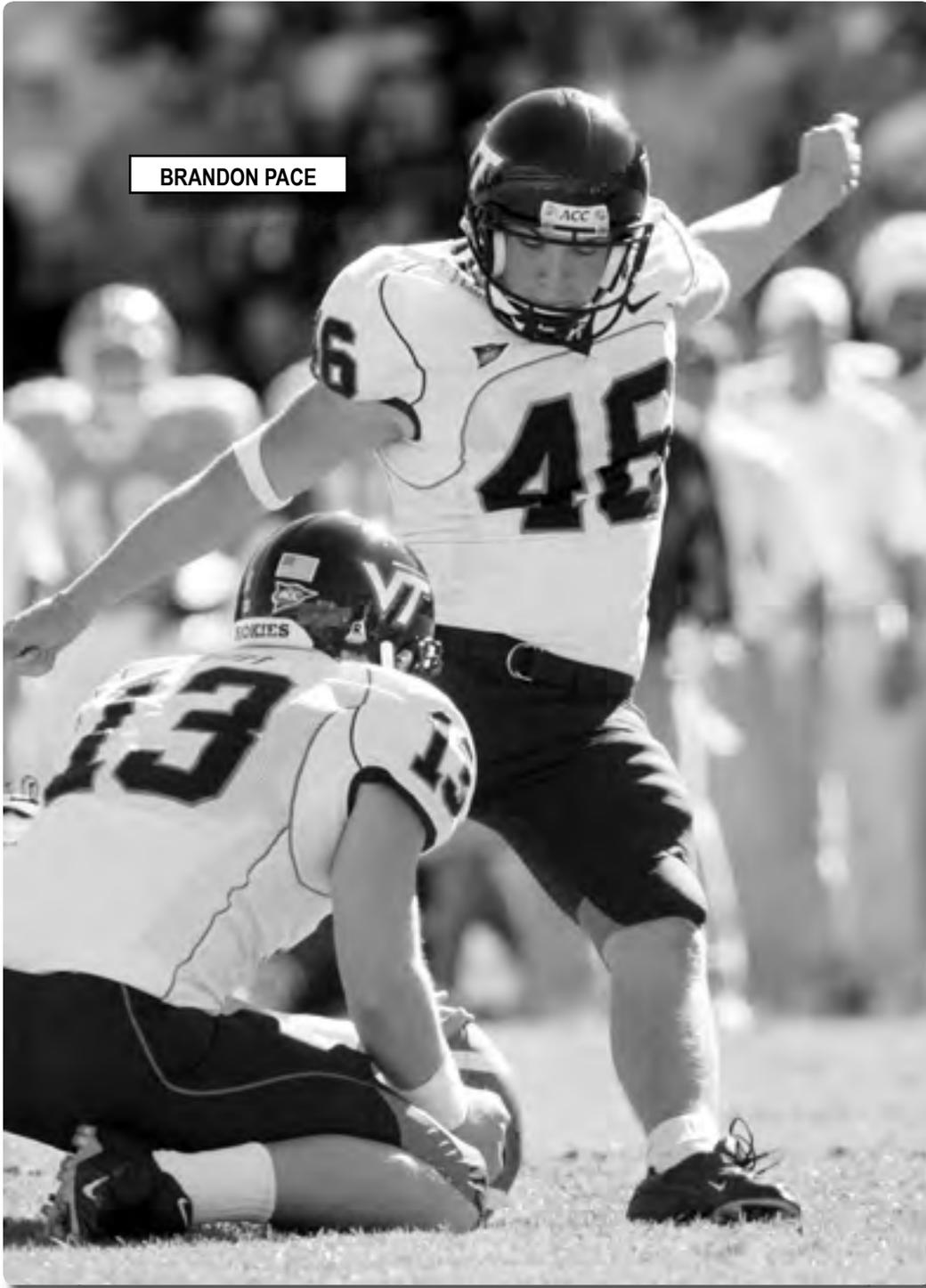
Ready to push for some time on the field this spring will be redshirt freshman Theodore Miller from Washington, D.C., and redshirt junior Brian McPherson. Both will be looking to get significant repetitions this spring with hopes of impressing the coaching staff enough for time next fall.

Coach Ward will have bigger shoes to fill at safety, but the future is bright with Parker, redshirt freshman Kent Hicks and offensive defectors Justin Hamilton and Brenden Hill all entering the mix.

Parker and Hicks have a leg up as far as experience, but if both Hamilton and Hill can become productive cogs in Foster's defense, safety could become an asset quickly.

"I like to see how they grasp the mental part of the position," said Ward. "If we can get the mental part across, I think any one of the four can handle the physical side of the position. Each of them has something different to work on or improve, but we feel they can all do the job."

BRANDON PACE



Special Teams

In a place where special teams are always a priority, losing a four-year starter at punter and long snapper serves as a viable concern for Coach Frank Beamer.

Tech will look to replace graduated seniors Vinnie Burns and Travis Conway, who both

leave Tech after setting a new standard for consistency the past four seasons. The Hokies do return redshirt junior placekicker Brandon Pace, sophomore kick-off man Jared Develli and kick returners Royal and Imoh.

Waiting for their chance are a talented and competitive group of kickers and utility men, each hoping the increased number of opportunities this

spring could open a door to more opportunities in games next fall.

Replacing Burns could be the toughest, if only from a consistency and experience point of view. Ready to take the challenge head on is redshirt junior Nic Schmitt. He only had one punt last season, a 43-yard rainbow against Maryland. He could also serve

as the holder this spring.

"Nic is going to get some time this spring to work on our kicking game," said Beamer. "Our whole kicking game will be looked at this spring and tweaked. We need a few players to step in and we will be having Nic spend a lot of time punting in practice."

Pace will enter spring as the No. 1 field goal and extra point kicker after a successful campaign in 2004. He hit 21-of-27 field goals, with a long of 46-yards. He also finished 43-of-44 on extra points, earning first-team All-ACC honors.

Develli served as the main kickoff man in 2004, averaging 62-yards per attempt and recording 29 touchbacks. Nearly half of his kicks ended in the opposing team's end zone.

"We have some pretty good kickers on this team and they are working to try and knock Pace and Develli out of the No. 1 spots," said Beamer. "Although it isn't a given, we have a lot of confidence in our kickers and their abilities."

Snappers redshirt junior Nick Leeson and redshirt sophomore Bart McMillin will battle to get on the field. Both will get a fair number of snaps during practice and scrimmages to determine who is better suited for the job.

Royal and Imoh both returned kick-offs and punt returns last season. With Royal out, however, Jimmy Williams, Hyman or Clowney could all get shots on returns.

In his rookie year, Royal finished the year with 25 punt returns for 274 yards and an 11-yard per attempt average. On kick-offs, he returned 12 for 346 yards and a 29-yard average.

Imoh returned only seven punts for 50 yards, but had 12 kickoff returns for 256 yards and a 21-yard per attempt average.

2005 Spring Roster

No.	Name	vl	Pos	DOB	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown	High School	H.S. Coach
11	Xavier Adibi	1	LB	10/18/84	6-2	224	r-So.	Hampton, Va.	Phoebus	Bill Dee
	Chris Albright	-	ROV	10/9/84	6-1	202	Jr.	Grantville, Pa.	Lower Dauphin	Rob Klack
37	Jesse Allen	1	FB	10/22/83	6-0	244	r-Jr.	Monson, Mass.	Pathfinder Regional	Chris Pope
42	James Anderson	3	LB	9/26/83	6-3	222	r-Sr.	Chesapeake, Va.	Deep Creek	David Cox
	Mason Baggett	-	OT	8/16/83	6-1	282	Jr.	Richmond, Va.	James River	Greg DeFrancesco
	Sam Beasley	-	FB	10/9/86	5-10	223	r-Fr.	Hillsville, Va.	Carroll County	Tom Hale
34	George Bell	-	TB	10/28/85	5-10	221	r-Fr.	Fayetteville, N.C.	Jack Britt	Richard Bailey
59	Barry Booker	-	DT	11/13/85	6-4	294	r-So.	Amherst, Va.	Amherst	Scott Abell
	Justin Born	-	WR	2/10/86	6-0	195	So.	Centreville, Va.	Westfield	Tom Verbanic
6	Andrew Bowman	-	LB	3/6/86	5-11	235	r-Fr.	Glen Allen, Va.	Hermitage	Patrick Kane
89	Duane Brown	1	TE	8/30/85	6-5	280	r-So.	Richmond, Va.	Hermitage	Patrick Kane
	Geravis Brown	-	CB	10/23/84	5-9	178	r-Jr.	Portsmouth, Va.	I.C. Norcom	Joe Langston
96	Noland Burchette	2	DE	3/23/83	6-2	252	r-Jr.	Richmond, Va.	Highland Springs	Scott Burton
	Derek Burks	-	LB	11/1/85	5-10	200	So.	Pulaski, Va.	Pulaski County	Jack Turner
60	Chris Burnett	-	DT	11/2/83	6-2	280	r-Jr.	Blue Ridge, Va.	Liberty-Bedford	Scott Abell
61	Reggie Butler	2	OT	8/21/82	6-6	344	Sr.	Keswick, Va.	Monticello	Brud Bicknell
44	John Candelas	-	TB	4/21/83	6-0	211	Sr.	Blacksburg, Va.	Blacksburg	Dave Crist
57	Tripp Carroll	1	C	9/18/84	6-3	298	r-So.	Charlotte, N.C.	Andrew Jackson (Fla.)	Gil Carroll
21	Chris Ceasar	-	CB	12/20/82	5-11	178	r-Jr.	Delray Beach, Fla.	Spanish River	Bill Bretherick
	Jason Champion	-	PK	1/10/86	6-3	170	r-Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	First Colonial	Sam Scarborough
16	Chris Clifton	3	SE	10/27/82	6-4	207	r-Sr.	Chesapeake, Va.	Deep Creek	David Cox
87	David Clowney	2	FL	7/8/85	6-1	179	Jr.	Delray Beach, Fla.	Atlantic	Chris Bean
	Josh DeMaury	-	OL	9/8/84	6-3	267	r-So.	Troutville, Va.	Lord Botetourt	Keith Robinson
98	Jared Develli	1	PK	12/28/85	6-1	230	So.	Stirling, Va.	Park View	Charlie Pierce
	Jud Dunlevy	-	PK	10/9/84	5-10	183	r-So.	Roanoke Rapids, N.C.	Roanoke Rapids	Tim Bennett
49	Chris Ellis	1	DE	2/11/85	6-4	255	r-So.	Hampton, Va.	Bethel	Tracy Parker
63	Rashad Ferebee	-	OG	3/18/84	5-8	273	Sr.	Norfolk, Va.	Granby	Dave Hudak
18	Brandon Flowerst†	-	CB	2/18/86	5-10	186	r-Fr.	Delray Beach, Fla.	Atlantic	Chris Bean
74	Brandon Frye	-	OT	1/23/83	6-4	292	r-Jr.	Myrtle Beach, S.C.	Myrtle Beach	Scott Early
	Jacob Gardner	-	LS	8/29/85	6-0	237	r-Fr.	Wytheville, Va.	George Wythe	Donnie Pruitt
39	Jeremy Gilchrist	-	FL	2/24/86	5-9	175	r-Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	Landstown	Chris Beatty
7	Sean Glennon	1	QB	9/5/85	6-3	215	So.	Centreville, Va.	Westfield	Tom Verbanic
28	Corey Gordon†	1	FS	6/9/84	6-2	220	r-So.	Gainesville, Fla.	Gainesville	Rick Swain
77	Brandon Gore	2	OG	11/7/83	6-5	340	r-Jr.	Warrenton, Va.	Liberty	Joe Trabucco
	Billy Gorham	-	FB	3/11/85	5-10	232	So.	Franco, Va.	Robert E. Lee	Gerry Pannoni
	Mike Green	-	FB	10/6/84	5-11	237	Fr.	Westville, N.J.	Deptford	Al Orio
98	Chad Grimm	-	LB	5/18/85	5-10	180	Jr.	Fairfax, Va.	Oakton	Pete Bendorf
9	Vince Hall	1	LB	12/3/84	6-0	246	r-So.	Chesapeake, Va.	Western Branch	Lew Johnston
27	Justin Hamilton	3	FS	9/17/82	6-3	230	r-Sr.	Clintwood, Va.	Clintwood	Bob Meade
	Jon Harman	-	DE	5/26/86	6-1	241	r-Fr.	Richmond, Va.	Benedictine	Ken Whitehurst
	Mark Harmon	-	LS	8/26/84	6-0	227	r-So.	Elida, Ohio	Elida	Chris Etzler
81	Justin Harpert†	1	SE	2/24/85	6-3	206	So.	Catawba, N.C.	Bandys	Randy Lowman
	Ryan Hash	1	CB	3/27/83	5-9	176	r-Jr.	Springfield, Va.	Robert E. Lee	Jerry Pannoni
	Omar Hashish	-	DE	11/2/84	6-2	250	r-So.	Vienna, Va.	James Madison	Gordon Lieb
26	Kent Hicks	-	ROV	12/12/85	6-2	208	r-Fr.	Culpeper, Va.	Culpeper	Randy Bove
82	Brenden Hill	1	ROV	7/7/84	6-1	197	r-Jr.	Newport News, Va.	Warwick	Tommy Reamon
12	Cory Holt†	-	QB	6/17/85	6-4	216	r-Fr.	Lexington, N.C.	Lexington	Billy Hunt
	Jonas Houseright	-	LB	5/17/85	5-11	192	r-Fr.	Gate City, Va.	Gate City	Nic Colobro
32	Cedric Humes	3	TB	8/7/83	6-1	233	r-Sr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	Princess Anne	Jeff Balance
19	Josh Hyman†	1	FL	4/18/83	5-11	188	r-So.	Chesapeake, Va.	Deep Creek	David Cox
20	Mike Imoh	2	TB	7/21/84	5-7	195	Sr.	Fairfax, Va.	Robinson	Mark Bendorf
	Jesse Irvin	-	LB/LS	4/24/86	6-0	185	r-Fr.	Wytheville, Va.	George Wythe	Donnie Pruitt
	Dustin Keys	-	PK	2/6/86	6-2	187	r-Fr.	Stafford, Va.	Brooke Point	Jeff Berry

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	Greg Kezmarsky	-	DE	10/1/83	6-3	239	Sr.	Voorhees, N.J.	Eastern	Dan Spittal
90	Jeff King	3	TE	2/19/83	6-5	246	r-Sr.	Pulaski, Va.	Pulaski County	Joel Hicks
	Scott King	-	DT	8/26/85	6-0	274	So.	Radford, Va.	Radford	Norm Lineburg
43	John Kinzer	1	FB	8/23/84	6-2	257	r-So.	Fairfax, Va.	Robinson	Mark Bendorf
53	Nick Leeson	1	DS	10/29/82	6-1	255	r-Jr.	Abingdon, Va.	Abingdon	Scott Allen
56	Jonathan Lewis	3	DT	7/12/84	6-1	308	Sr.	Richmond, Va.	Varina	Gary Chilcoat
35	Stevie Ray Lloyd	1	LB	4/9/85	5-11	235	r-So.	Lynchburg, Va.	Jefferson Forest	Terry Smith
	Zac Lowe	-	OG	12/25/84	6-1	273	Jr.	Bridgewater, Va.	Turner Ashby	Joe Taylor
88	Michael Malone	1	SE	3/9/84	6-3	211	r-Jr.	Friendswood, Texas	Friendswood	Steve Vanmeter
67	Nick Marshman	-	OT	2/13/85	6-5	346	r-Fr.	Harrisonburg, Va.	Turner Ashby	Joe Taylor
	Orion Martin	-	DE	9/2/85	6-1	243	r-Fr.	Martinsville, Va.	George Washington	Everett Woods
52	Jimmy Martin†	3	OT	10/19/82	6-5	305	Sr.	Chantilly, Va.	Chantilly	Bob Herb
64	John Massie††	-	OG	7/22/85	6-1	275	r-So.	Fairfax, Va.	West Springfield	Bill Renner
	Kevin McGlothlin	-	OL	9/19/85	6-1	300	So.	Pounding Mill, Va.	Richlands	Greg Mance
69	Danny McGrath	-	C	3/19/83	6-2	283	r-Jr.	Herndon, Va.	Herndon	Tom Meier
	Bart McMillin	-	DS	2/25/85	6-0	218	r-So.	Bristol, Tenn.	Tennessee	Greg Stubbs
29	Brian McPherson	-	CB	5/11/84	5-10	181	r-Jr.	Madison Heights, Va.	Amherst County	Mickey Crouch
47	Theodore Miller	-	CB	3/6/85	6-2	179	r-Fr.	Washington, D.C.	H.D. Woodson	Greg Fuller
15	Roland Minor	1	CB	8/1/84	6-0	198	r-So.	Washington, D.C.	H.D. Woodson	Greg Fuller
66	Will Montgomery	2	C	2/13/83	6-3	301	r-Sr.	Clifton, Va.	Centreville	Mike Skinner
	Vynggley Moore	-	FS	6/18/85	6-1	207	r-So.	Attleboro, Mass.	Attleboro	Cliff Sherman
17	Josh Morgan‡	1	SE	6/20/85	6-1	210	So.	Washington, D.C.	H.D. Woodson	Greg Fuller
72	Jason Murphy	2	OG	8/7/82	6-2	303	r-Sr.	Baltimore, Md.	Edmondson Westside	Pete Pompey
	Branden Ore	-	FB	2/17/86	5-11	207	r-Fr.	Chesapeake, Va.	Indian River	Cadillac Harris
46	Brandon Pace	2	PK	11/11/83	5-10	199	r-Jr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	Kellam	Chris Dewitt
50	Mike Parham	-	C	9/13/84	6-0	280	r-Jr.	Petersburg, Va.	Petersburg	Remus James
25	D.J. Parkert	1	CB	4/18/85	5-11	181	So.	Hampton, Va.	Phoebus	Bill Dee
80	Robert Parker	1	SE	3/10/84	6-1	212	r-Jr.	Chesapeake, Va.	Oscar Smith	Bill Lyons
	Jake Patten	-	FS	9/30/84	6-0	207	Jr.	Chantilly, Va.	Chantilly	Ken Kincaid
	Devin Perez‡	-	FB	6/1/85	5-7	240	r-Fr.	Sparta, N.J.	Pope John XXIII	Vic Paternostro
99	Carlton Powell	1	DT	8/14/85	6-2	285	r-So.	Chesapeake, Va.	Great Bridge	Noble Palmer
37	D.J. Preston	-	LB	8/25/86	6-1	205	So.	Martinsville, Va.	Magna Vista	Joe Beckelheimer
97	Cory Price	-	CB	4/9/85	5-11	184	Jr.	Blacksburg, Va.	Blacksburg	Dave Crist
75	Kory Robertson	-	DT	12/12/84	6-2	331	r-So.	Martinsville, Va.	Magna Vista	Joe Beckelheimer
36	Aaron Rouse	2	LB	1/8/84	6-3	222	r-Jr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	First Colonial	Sam Scarborough
4	Eddie Royal	1	FL	5/21/86	5-10	174	So.	Herndon, Va.	Westfield	Tom Verbanic
71	Tim Sandidge	3	DT	6/12/83	6-1	310	r-Sr.	Madison Heights, Va.	Amherst County	Mickey Crouch
23	Nic Schmitt	-	P/PK	1/5/84	6-1	254	r-Jr.	Salem, Va.	Salem	Willis White
58	Ryan Shuman	-	C	7/8/86	6-3	290	r-Fr.	Fork Union, Va.	Fork Union	Mickey Sullivan
	Watson Stelly†	-	OL	4/12/85	6-1	270	So.	Richmond, Va.	Benedictine	Gene Smith
	Purnell Sturdivant	-	ROV	3/19/86	5-10	209	r-Fr.	Norfolk, Va.	Lake Taylor	Hank Sawyer
55	Darryl Tapp	3	DE	9/13/84	6-1	268	Sr.	Chesapeake, Va.	Deep Creek	David Cox
	Grant Throckmorton	-	QB	10/27/84	6-3	217	So.	Wytheville, Va.	George Wythe	Donnie Pruitt
93	Matt Tilley	-	DE	6/20/86	6-2	257	So.	Dublin, Va.	Pulaski County	Jack Turner
41	Jordan Trott	2	DE	6/26/83	6-4	249	r-Sr.	Torrance, Calif.	Loyola	Steve Grady
5	Marcus Vick	1	QB	3/20/84	6-0	212	r-Jr.	Newport News, Va.	Warwick	Tommy Reamon
30	Cary Wade	2	ROV	5/12/84	5-10	184	r-Jr.	Fairfax, Va.	Robinson	Mark Bendorf
24	D.J. Walton	1	ROV	10/19/82	5-10	193	r-Sr.	Woodbridge, Va.	C.D. Hylton	Bill Brown
40	Blake Warren	3	LB	10/10/82	6-3	238	r-Sr.	Clifton, Va.	Centreville	Mike Skinner
47	Brett Warren	1	LB	3/7/85	6-1	224	So.	Clifton, Va.	Centreville	Mike Skinner
39	Carlton Weatherford	-	FB	1/5/85	5-9	226	r-So.	Danville, Va.	Tunstall	Buddy Brown
51	Matt Welsh	-	OG	9/12/84	6-4	290	r-Fr.	Clifton, Va.	Centreville	Mike Skinner
2	Jimmy Williams	3	CB	3/8/84	6-3	206	Sr.	Hampton, Va.	Bethel	Tracy Parker

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Coach Frank Beamer

Tech Alum Leads Hokies to 12th Straight Bowl, ACC Crown

Virginia Tech couldn't have asked for anyone better than Frank Beamer to guide its football program into the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Beamer, who was the consensus national coach of the year in 1999, may have done his best coaching job in 2004, guiding a young Tech team that was picked to finish sixth in the ACC to a league title and a BCS Bowl. The Hokies' first-year showing in their new conference earned Beamer ACC Coach of the Year honors. The team also won the league's 2004 Fall Sportsmanship Award for football, yet another tribute to the program Beamer and his staff have built.

When Beamer accepted the job as head football coach at his alma mater in 1987, 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 successful coaches on the college football scene.

Beamer finished his 18th season at Virginia Tech and his 24th year as a collegiate head coach ranked fourth among active Division I-A coaches in victories with 177. His Tech teams have posted a 111-37 record over the past 12 seasons and appeared in bowl games each year during that span, a feat equaled by just four other schools. Prior to winning the ACC championship, he guided the Hokies to three BIG EAST Conference championships and in 1999 helped direct Tech to the national championship game. Beamer's Hokies have earned the highest national rankings in the program's history, spending 61 weeks in the Top 10 of The Associated Press poll over the past six seasons. During one stretch that ended last season, Tech was ranked in 84 consecutive AP polls.

Winning has been just part of Frank Beamer's success story. He and his staff have earned a

reputation for getting the most out of their players.

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. In 2002, 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. This past season, the Hokies earned 10 wins, an ACC title, a Top 10 ranking and a Sugar Bowl bid despite having to replace 14 starters.

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 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.

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, Beamer 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.

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 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. Last April, he was presented a Humanitarian Award by the National Conference for Community and Justice for his contributions to fostering justice, equity and community in the Roanoke Valley.

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 has always 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 18 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 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 135-77-2. 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 24-year record is 177-100-4. That record places him fourth among active Division I-A coaches in wins.

The 58-year-old Beamer, the 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. In 2002, 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.

Last season, the Hokies ended No. 2 Miami's 39-game regular-season winning streak with a 31-7 victory. The Canes were the highest-ranked opponent Tech had ever beaten on the gridiron. The Hokies climbed as high as No. 3 in the polls before falling victim to inconsistent play during the final month of the season. Still, Tech earned eight wins for the 10th time in 11 seasons.

The 2004 season saw the Hokies bounce back to win their last eight games of the regular season, including victories against three nationally ranked teams



— No. 6 West Virginia, No. 16 Virginia and No. 9 Miami.

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.

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 an assistant at Mississippi State; and daughter Casey, a 2003 graduate of Virginia Tech.



Coach Frank Beamer and his wife, Cheryl, with Shane and Casey on the back patio of their Blacksburg home.

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 (six years)

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 champion, 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

2003 (8-6) Insight Bowl

2004 (10-3) ACC champion, Sugar Bowl

Record at Virginia Tech: 135-77-2 (18 years)

Overall head coaching record: 177-100-4 (24 years)

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)

2003 Insight (Virginia Tech vs. California)

2004 Sugar (Virginia Tech vs. Auburn)

Accomplishments Under Coach Beamer

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 five Division I schools to go to bowl games each of the last 12 seasons.
- earned four conference titles and four BCS bids in a 10-year span.
- compiled a school-record streak in the Associated Press Top 25 Poll at 84 consecutive 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 12 seasons.
- won an Atlantic Coast Conference Championship in their first season of competition.
- produced the ACC Coach of the Year and Player of the Year during their inaugural season.
- become the first team in BIG EAST history to win all the league's major awards in the same season.
- earned the highest national rankings in school football history, including three Top 10 finishes and back-to-back Top 6 finishes.
- finished in a final Top 25 poll nine times in the last 11 seasons.
- won more games (135) than under any other coaching staff.
- been to three times as many bowl games (12) than under any other coaching staff.
- won more bowl games (5) than under any other coaching staff.
- posted 12 straight seasons of seven or more wins for the first time in school history.
- had 90 of their last 111 games televised (81%).
- compiled a 72-25 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 nine Associated Press All-Americans over the last five seasons.
- had players win 10 major conference individual awards in the last seven years.

Coach Frank Beamer gets a celebratory shower after the Hokies' 16-10 win at Miami gave Virginia Tech the ACC Championship its first year in the league.



2004 Season in Review

Hokies Unite for Championship Season

The Virginia Tech football team entered the 2004 season looking to recapture the blue collar work ethic that had gotten it to the top of college football. The end to the 2003 season had left a bitter taste in the mouths of the 19 seniors set to play their final season in Chicago maroon and burnt orange. During spring conditioning, a wave of change came over the team spurred by the seniors. The goal was to rekindle the fire of the team by bringing it together.

The mission was simple: to unite the Hokies into an unselfish and disciplined unit, and guide the team through its inaugural season in the Atlantic Coast Conference. The proud Hokies had hopes of a league title and a trip to a Bowl Championship Series postseason game.

The task would be a tough one, as the Hokies were picked to finish sixth in the ACC preseason media poll and were missing from the preseason Associated Press poll for the first time in six years. To add to the challenge, the Hokies would face preseason No. 1 Southern California in the Black Coaches Association Classic to open the college football season.

The senior class and head coach Frank Beamer's staff felt this team still had something special. Led by quarterback Bryan Randall on offense and lineman Jim Davis on defense, the team had all the makings of a classic Hokie squad. And if the leadership could overcome the losses of running back Kevin Jones, defensive back DeAngelo Hall and center Jake Grove to the professional ranks, their chances for success appeared good.

The first game would be a rough one, as the Hokies entered their opener at FedEx Field in Landover, Md., home of the NFL's Washington Redskins, as underdogs to the top-ranked Trojans. USC withstood a spirited



ACC Commissioner John Swofford tosses the coin before Virginia Tech's first Atlantic Coast Conference football game.

effort from the Hokies to notch a hard-fought 24-13 win over Tech. The game was played in front of more than 91,000 fans, the largest crowd to ever watch the Hokies. The same USC team that had to rally to beat the scrappy Hokies will now play in the BCS National Championship against Oklahoma.

Tech stayed in the game and actually led for a large portion of it until USC scored late in the third quarter to take a lead it would never relinquish. Randall provided most of the offense for the Hokies in this one. He completed 14-of-24 passes for 153 yards, with one touchdown, and rushed for 82 yards.

After a week off to refocus, the Hokies were eager to return to the confines of familiar Lane Stadium/Worsham Field for a match-up with the Broncos of Western Michigan. Tech would dominate the Broncos in all phases of the game on the way to a 63-0 victory.

The Hokies pounced early in this game and were never challenged. Promising freshman Eddie Royal showed a glimpse of things to come with an 11-yard touchdown run in the first quarter to open the scoring. Royal took a reverse pitch from Randall and streaked around

the right side for his first collegiate score. He would add a touchdown reception later in the game.

The Broncos had a couple of scoring opportunities in the first half but could not convert. Trailing the Hokies 21-0, WMU drove 79 yards to the Tech 5-yard line before being forced to attempt a field goal. Tech's Jim Davis broke through and deflected the attempt.

Defensive lineman Jason Lallis also made the highlight reel in a bizarre play when Western Michigan quarterback Ryan Cubit threw a pass that was deflected and landed in the arms of offensive guard Mark Ottney. Ottney tried to advance up the field, but Lallis stripped him of the ball and strolled into the end zone from 28 yards away.

Tech and the Hokie faithful had waited over 50 years for their next game: their first as a member of the ACC against the Blue Devils of Duke. Despite the threat of rain and cold weather in the wake of Hurricane Ivan, Virginia Tech's tilt with Duke on Sept. 18 had the feel of one big party. The Hokies celebrated with 65,115 of their closest friends

and some fireworks in a 41-17 victory over the Blue Devils.

The biggest crowd-pleaser of the day came in the second quarter with the Hokies holding a 10-7 lead and five minutes remaining in the half. Tech's defense had just held Duke to its third straight three-and-out series and took over at the Blue Devil 34 after Duke's punt. On first down, Randall pitched the ball to receiver Richard Johnson on a reverse. Johnson, a former high school quarterback, looked downfield and lofted a perfect pass to freshman Josh Hyman in the end zone. Hyman got behind his man and made a leaping catch for the score.

With the momentum recaptured after a tough loss to the Trojans, the Hokies were riding a two-game winning streak entering a match-up with the Wolfpack of North Carolina State and its top-ranked defensive unit.

A series of special team letdowns and Brandon Pace's missed 43-yard field goal as time expired, left Tech behind 17-16 at the end of the game. The Hokies began their last drive at their own 5-yard line with no timeouts and 2:44 left on the clock. Tech was able to move 69 yards in 10 plays, converting a

crucial 4th-and-3 along the way. With three seconds left on the clock, the field goal unit took the field. The snap and hold were fine, but the kick floated just inches to the right of the post. The tough loss gave the Hokie faithful a glimpse of how difficult the new ACC schedule would be every week.

N.C. State came into the game as the nation's top-rated defense and showed it against the Hokies. The Wolfpack registered 10 sacks, taking 78 yards away from Tech in the process.

After the difficult loss to the Wolfpack, Beamer rallied the troops for the Black Diamond Trophy game against neighboring rival West Virginia. Last season's 28-7 loss at Morgantown festered with the Hokies all year and the seniors had marked the game as a must-win in order for the season to be successful. It would be one of the most physical games the Hokies would play all season, but in the end, the No. 6-ranked Mountaineers would fall, as would their national title hopes, 19-13.

The tight contest was not decided until WVU's final drive. Starting at their own 11 with 41 seconds on the clock, the Mountaineers completed a 33-yard pass to their 44 and got 15 yards added on thanks to a penalty. But just moments later, WVU quarterback Rasheed Marshall was intercepted by Tech's Vincent Fuller to end the threat and the game.

Defense was the name of the game throughout as the two rivals squared off. The Hokies held the Mountaineers to three-and-out on each of their first four possessions. On the fourth of those, the Mountaineers opted to go for it on fourth-and-one from the Tech 46. WVU tailback Kay-Jay Harris took the hand off and was drilled by Fuller. Fuller's hit jarred the ball loose and linebacker Mikal Baaqee recovered.

Tech's lone touchdown came when Davis blocked a field goal and Fuller picked up the loose ball and sprinted 74 yards for the score. Tailback Mike Imoh was the sparkplug for Tech, getting the first start of his career and finishing with 115

yards rushing on 30 carries.

The junior running back was just hitting his stride, and carried the momentum of his first career 100-yard rushing game into the Hokies' match-up with the Demon Deacons of Wake Forest. His 7-yard touchdown run with 2:10 left in that game, followed by the Hokies' goal line stand in the final seconds, enabled Virginia Tech to escape with a 17-10 victory over Wake Forest at Groves Stadium in Winston-Salem, N.C.

The Hokies led the game 10-7 going into the fourth quarter, but Wake Forest kicker Ryan Plackemeier tied the game with a 20-yard field goal with 6:15 left. After that, Tech's offense put together its best drive of the second half, led by Randall. The senior hit tight end Jeff King for a 24-yard gain to the Tech 48. He then ran the ball on three of the Hokies' next five plays, getting Tech to the Wake Forest 11 on a 21-yard run off a quarterback draw. Imoh ran for four yards on the next play, and then scored to end the drive. His 7-yard touchdown run pushed him to the 100-yard mark for the second consecutive week.

The Hokies were beginning to find chemistry on offense, and stalwart Randall had a big game, throwing for four touchdowns, in a 62-0 win over the Florida A&M Rattlers on Oct. 16. Nine different Hokies scored as a sold out Homecoming crowd of 65,115 braved the 38-mph winds to watch the Hokies improve to 5-2 on the year.

Randall completed 9-of-14 for 115 yards before being lifted late in the second quarter with the Hokies up 41-0. He completed touchdown passes to David Clowney, King, Hyman and Jesse Allen before taking a seat so that backup quarterback Sean Glennon could get some work.

Next, Tech traveled to Atlanta, Ga., to face the Yellow Jackets of Georgia Tech in an ESPN Thursday night game that would not be a pleaser for the home crowd. The Hokies scored 22 points in the final six minutes of the game to rally from a 14-0 deficit and stun the other Tech, 34-20.

The 25 points in the fourth quarter marked the most fourth-quarter points ever scored by a Beamer team, surpassing the 23 points the Hokies scored against Miami in the fourth quarter in 1999. The comeback was Tech's first fourth-quarter comeback since 2000 when then-reserve quarterback Dave Meyer rallied the Hokies from a 34-27 deficit to a 37-34 win over Pittsburgh.

Georgia Tech took a 20-12 lead with 5:28 left in the game thanks to a 34-yard field goal by kicker Travis Bell. That lead was short-lived as the Hokies' offense finally got the spark it needed on its ensuing possession. On first-and-10 from the 20, Bryan Randall tossed a pass to Eddie Royal and the rookie cut across the field, sprinting 80 yards for the touchdown, marking the season's longest play by the offense. The Hokies tied the game when Randall found Richard Johnson all alone in the end zone for a two-point conversion.

Tech's defense forced Georgia Tech to go three-and-out on the Yellow Jackets' next possession, and the Hokies wasted little time in scoring again. On the third play of the drive, Randall read a Georgia Tech blitz and found a wide-open Josh Morgan, who went 51 yards for what turned out to be the game-winning touchdown.

Virginia Tech was now in serious contention for an ACC title, but would have to finish the season with four tough opponents, three nationally-ranked foes and unranked North Carolina, which was fresh off an upset of then No. 4-ranked Miami.

Big games, however, were bringing out the best in the Hokies. At UNC, it was Jim Davis who made the play of the game when the Hokies needed it most. His critical quarterback sack late in the fourth quarter forced North Carolina to attempt a 54-yard field goal that fell short, allowing the Hokies to escape with a 27-24 victory at Kenan Stadium in Chapel Hill, N.C.

The victory, the Hokies fifth straight since the loss to N.C. State, made Tech bowl eligible with a 7-2 overall record on the

season. The Hokies also moved to 4-1 in the ACC and were tied for first place in the league standings.

Tech's stats against the Tar Heels were highlighted by tailback Mike Imoh's record-breaking performance. The 5-7, 196-pounder from Fairfax, Va., finished with a school record 243 yards on 32 carries and scored two touchdowns. He also caught one pass for three yards and returned three kickoffs for 48 yards, accounting for 287 all-purpose yards.

With the offense and defense clicking on all cylinders as the Hokies got a week off to prepare for the final three games of the season against conference foes, Maryland, Virginia and Miami.

The Terrapins of Maryland took the brunt of a rested and hungry Tech defensive unit that forced four first-half turnovers, allowing the Hokies to score early and often. Tech rolled to a 55-6 victory in another Thursday night ESPN game, this time at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

Tech's defense contributed four interceptions and a fumble recovery while holding the Terps to 197 yards of total offense. Meanwhile, Randall threw for two touchdowns and ran for another.

The win set up a game with the Virginia Cavaliers for more than just in-state bragging rights. It was also for a guaranteed share of the ACC Championship. The Cavaliers had been highly touted all year, and would be the Hokies' biggest challenge of the season since facing No. 1-ranked Trojans.

It was the Hokies who kept their ACC hopes alive with a 24-10 victory over the Cavaliers in Blacksburg. Tech's defense dominated for most of the game and the offense finally came around in the second half as the Hokies improved to 9-2 and 6-1 in front of 65,115 fans.

As expected, the game was tight, with the teams playing to a scoreless tie in the first half. Virginia finally broke through with a 32-yard touchdown pass in the third quarter. After a field goal by Pace, Tech held Virginia to three-and-out on its next possession. The Hokies took advantage of a 27-yard

punt and started at the Virginia 45-yard line. On the first play, Randall found Hyman streaking down the left sideline and hit him in stride for the 45-yard touchdown, giving the Hokies a 10-7 lead.

Tied at 10, the Hokies went ahead for good in the fourth quarter when Randall hooked up with Hyman again, this time for a 32-yard score. Tailback Cedric Humes sealed the victory with a 37-yard TD run with 5:08 remaining.

Randall completed 16-of-22 passes and finished with an even 200 yards passing. He surpassed Don Strock as Tech's all-time leading passer with a 12-yard completion to Jeff King in the fourth quarter.

Riding a seven-game winning streak, the Hokies traveled to Miami to face a talented and speedy Hurricane squad that had its sites set on a share of the conference crown and a trip to a BCS Bowl. Despite the fact that UM had suffered two unexpected losses, the Hokies never dismissed the challenge they were facing.

Miami remembered a 31-7 loss at the hands of the Hokies last season. This 'Canes team was looking for revenge, but they were left empty handed. Thanks to a dominating defensive performance and a couple of touchdown passes by Randall, Virginia Tech completed its first trip through the ACC by knocking off No. 9 Miami 16-10 to claim the conference championship and earn the league's automatic berth into the Bowl Championship Series. The win gave the Hokies a 10-2 overall record and 7-1 conference mark.

Tech took the lead for good in the fourth quarter and then used its defense to slam the door on the Hurricanes. Early in the fourth, Royal returned a punt 18 yards to the Miami 39-yard line, giving the Hokies terrific field position. On the next play, Randall hit Royal slanting across the middle and the shifty freshman found his way to the end zone for the deciding touchdown.

Miami's last hopes were

dashed by the signature series for Tech's defense. The Hurricanes took over at their own 12-yard line for what would be their final drive with 1:14 to go. Miami quarterback Brock Berlin completed an 8-yard pass to Sinorice Moss on first down, but Tech's Davis batted down Berlin's next two passes and Tapp swatted away the final attempt to seal the Hurricanes' fate. Randall took a knee twice as the Hokies ran out the final 57 seconds.

Tech got a huge game from Humes. The redshirt junior took over for Imoh early in the game and rushed for 110 yards on 27 carries to help give the Hokies a 297-190 edge in total offense.

With the Miami win, Tech secured the ACC title and the right to play No. 3 Auburn in the Nokia Sugar Bowl. While the outcome wasn't what Tech fans had hoped for, the Hokies showed they belonged, dropping a tight 16-13 contest. Randall threw two long scoring passes to Morgan and the Hokies held a high-powered Auburn offense to three field goals and a score.

Sugar Bowl

Auburn 16, Virginia Tech 13

Virginia Tech	0	0	0	13	-	13
Auburn	6	3	7	0	-	16

AU (8:44 re 1st) — Vaughn 23 FG
 AU (1:10 re 1st) — Vaughn 19 FG
 AU (1:50 re 2nd) — Vaughn 24 FG
 AU (10:39 re 3rd) — Aromashodu 5 pass from Campbell (Vaughn kick)
 VT (6:58 re 4th) — Morgan 29 pass from Randall (Randall pass failed)
 VT (2:01 re 4th) — Morgan 80 pass from Randall (Pace kick)

Team Stats	VT	AU
First downs	19	14
Rushes-yds.	22-76	43-110
Passing yds	299	189
Return yds.	71	39
Passes	21-38-2	11-16-1
Punts-avg.	5-35.2	4-43.0
Fumbles-lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-yds.	7-57	4-35
Time of poss.	26:26	33:34
Sacks by	2-17	1-11



Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT Randall 9-45, Imoh 6-16, Humes 6-10, Hamilton 1-5; AU Brown 14-68, C. Williams 19-61, Campbell 6-(-3).
 Passing — VT Randall 21-38-2-299; AU Campbell 11-38-1-189.
 Receiving — VT Hyman 5-71, Morgan 3-126, Royal 3-37, King 3-12, Clowney 2-23, Mazzetta 1-20, Humes 1-10, Hamilton 1-6, Harper 1-2, Imoh 1-(-8); AU Taylor 5-87, Mix 2-68, C. Williams 2-(-6), Wallace 1-35, Aromashodu 1-5.



Eddie Royal's touchdown catch against Miami was the deciding score of the game.

2004 Season Superlatives

Tech Individual Game Highs

Rushes	32	Mike Imoh at North Carolina (Nov 06, 2004)
Yards Rushing	243	Mike Imoh at North Carolina (Nov 06, 2004)
TD Rushes	2	Cedric Humes vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004) Mike Imoh at North Carolina (Nov 06, 2004) Mike Imoh vs Maryland (Nov 18, 2004)
Long Rush	47	Mike Imoh at North Carolina (Nov 06, 2004)
Pass attempts	38	Bryan Randall vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Pass completions	21	Bryan Randall vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Yards Passing	304	Bryan Randall at Georgia Tech (Oct 28, 2004)
TD Passes	4	Bryan Randall vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004)
Long Pass	80	Bryan Randall at Georgia Tech (Oct 28, 2004) Bryan Randall vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Receptions	6	Eddie Royal vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004)
Yards Receiving	126	Josh Morgan vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
TD Receptions	2	Josh Hyman vs Virginia (Nov 27, 2004) Josh Morgan vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Long Reception	80	Eddie Royal at Georgia Tech (Oct 28, 2004) Josh Morgan vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Field Goals	4	Brandon Pace vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004)
Long Field Goal	46	Brandon Pace vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004)
Punts	7	Vinnie Burns at Miami (Dec 04, 2004)
Punting Avg	48.5	Vinnie Burns vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Long Punt	60	Vinnie Burns vs Duke (Sep 18, 2004)
Long Punt Return	58	Eddie Royal vs N.C. State (Sep 25, 2004)
Long Kickoff Return	48	Eddie Royal vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Tackles	13	Mikal Baaqee at Wake Forest (Oct 09, 2004)
Sacks	2.5	Darryl Tapp vs Duke (Sep 18, 2004)
Tackles For Loss	3.5	Chris Ellis vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004) Jimmy Williams vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Interceptions	2	Roland Minor at Georgia Tech (Oct 28, 2004)

Tech Team Game Highs

Rushes	54	vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004)
Yards Rushing	310	vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004)
Yards Per Rush	5.7	vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004)
TD Rushes	4	vs Maryland (Nov 18, 2004)
Pass attempts	38	vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Pass completions	21	vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Yards Passing	332	vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Yards Per Pass	13.3	vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
TD Passes	4	vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004) vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004)
Total Plays	81	vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004)
Total Offense	487	vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Yards Per Play	8.1	vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Points	63	vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Sacks By	5	vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004)
First Downs	29	vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004)
Penalties	14	vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004)
Penalty Yards	132	vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004)
Turnovers	3	at Georgia Tech (Oct 28, 2004)
Interceptions By	4	vs Maryland (Nov 18, 2004)

Opponent Individual Game Highs

Rushes	28	Pearman, A., vs Virginia (Nov 27, 2004)
Yards Rushing	147	Pearman, A., vs Virginia (Nov 27, 2004)
TD Rushes	1	Adams, D., vs Duke (Sep 18, 2004) Stone, M., vs N.C. State (Sep 25, 2004) McLendon, T.A., vs N.C. State (Sep 25, 2004) Marshall, R., vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004) Barclay, C., at Wake Forest (Oct 09, 2004) Daniels, P.J., at Georgia Tech (Oct 28, 2004) C Scott, at North Carolina (Nov 06, 2004) Moss, T., at Miami (Dec 04, 2004)
Long Rush	78	Pearman, A., vs Virginia (Nov 27, 2004)
Pass attempts	31	Berlin, B., at Miami (Dec 04, 2004)
Pass completions	19	Leinart, Matt, vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004) Cubit, Ryan, vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Yards Passing	272	Leinart, Matt, vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004)
TD Passes	3	Leinart, Matt, vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004)
Long Pass	53	Leinart, Matt, vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004) Randolph, C., at Wake Forest (Oct 09, 2004) Jason Campbell, vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Receptions	8	Jennings, Greg, vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Yards Receiving	127	Bush, Reggie, vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004)
TD Receptions	3	Bush, Reggie, vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004)
Long Reception	53	Bush, Reggie, vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004) Morton, N., at Wake Forest (Oct 09, 2004) Anthony Mix, vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Field Goals	3	John Vaughn, vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
Long Field Goal	53	Deraney, J., vs N.C. State (Sep 25, 2004)
Punts	9	McDonald, T., vs Duke (Sep 18, 2004) Brady, P., vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004)
Punting Avg	49.0	Plackemeier, R., at Wake Forest (Oct 09, 2004)
Long Punt	70	Miller, Damon, vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004)
Long Punt Return	28	J Pollock, at North Carolina (Nov 06, 2004)
Long Kickoff Return	54	Weeks, M., vs Virginia (Nov 27, 2004)
Tackles	16	Doughty, Sammy, vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004)
Sacks	3.0	Lawson, M., vs N.C. State (Sep 25, 2004)
Tackles For Loss	4.0	Patterson, Mike, vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004)
Interceptions	1	Tatupu, Lofa, vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004) Tithof, Paul, vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004) Talley, J., vs Duke (Sep 18, 2004) Kitchen, J., vs Duke (Sep 18, 2004) Jones, A., vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004) Wicks, E., vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004) Butler, J., at Georgia Tech (Oct 28, 2004) J. Rosegreen, vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005) Derrick Graves, vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)

Opponent Team Game Highs

Rushes	46	vs Virginia (Nov 27, 2004)
Yards Rushing	188	vs Virginia (Nov 27, 2004)
Yards Per Rush	5.0	at North Carolina (Nov 06, 2004)
TD Rushes	2	vs N.C. State (Sep 25, 2004)
Pass attempts	39	vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Pass completions	26	vs Western Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Yards Passing	272	vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004)
Yards Per Pass	11.8	vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)
TD Passes	3	vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004)
Total Plays	75	vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004)
Total Offense	373	vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004)
Yards Per Play	6.4	vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004)
Points	24	vs Southern California (Aug 28, 2004) at North Carolina (Nov 06, 2004)
Sacks By	10	vs N.C. State (Sep 25, 2004)
First Downs	19	at Georgia Tech (Oct 28, 2004)
Penalties	11	vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004) vs Maryland (Nov 18, 2004)
Penalty Yards	119	vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004)
Turnovers	5	vs Florida A&M (Oct 16, 2004) vs Maryland (Nov 18, 2004)
Interceptions By	2	vs Duke (Sep 18, 2004) vs West Virginia (Oct 02, 2004) vs Auburn (Jan. 3, 2005)

2004 Statistics

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	10-3-0	6-1-0	4-0-0	0-2-0
CONFERENCE	7-1-0	3-1-0	4-0-0	0-0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	3-2-0	3-0-0	0-0-0	0-2-0

Date	Opponent	Score	Attend
† Aug 28, 2004	vs #1 Southern California	L 13-24	91,665
Sep 11, 2004	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W 63-0	65,115
* Sep 18, 2004	DUKE	W, 41-17	65,115
* Sep 25, 2004	N.C. STATE	L, 16-17	65,115
Oct 02, 2004	#6 WEST VIRGINIA	W, 19-13	65,115
* Oct 09, 2004	at Wake Forest	W, 17-10	32,433
Oct 16, 2004	FLORIDA A&M	W, 62-0	65,115
* Oct 28, 2004	at Georgia Tech	W, 34-20	48,398
* Nov 06, 2004	at North Carolina	W, 27-24	58,000
* Nov 18, 2004	MARYLAND	W, 55-6	65,115
* Nov 27, 2004	#16 VIRGINIA	W, 24-10	65,115
* Dec 04, 2004	at #9 Miami	W, 16-10	62,205
% Jan 03, 2005	vs #3 Auburn	L, 13-16	77,349

* - Atlantic Coast Conference Game
 † - BCA Football Classic
 % - Nokia Sugar Bowl

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Virginia Tech	72	146	84	98	400
Opponents	33	48	40	46	167

RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Mike Imoh	10	158	780	60	720	4.6	6	47	47
Cedric Humes	13	130	631	26	605	4.7	5	37	37
Bryan Randall	13	136	779	268	511	3.8	3	35	35
Justin Hamilton	13	75	349	13	336	4.5	3	24	24
John Candelas	5	32	166	0	166	5.2	0	14	14
Josh Hyman	13	1	16	0	16	16.0	0	16	16
Eddie Royal	12	1	11	0	11	11.0	1	11	11
Richard Johnson	13	2	5	0	5	2.5	0	5	5
Jesse Allen	10	2	4	0	4	2.0	0	2	2
Vinnie Burns	12	1	0	11	-11	-11.0	0	0	-0.9
David Clowney	12	1	0	20	-20	-20.0	0	0	-1.7
Team	13	13	0	26	-26	-2.0	0	0	-2.0
TOTAL	13	552	2741	424	2317	4.2	18	47	178.2
OPPONENTS	13	462	1865	367	1498	3.2	8	78	115.2

PASSING	G	Effic	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
Bryan Randall	13-13	134.47	306-170-9	55.6	2264	21	80	174.2
Sean Glennon	4-0	237.35	11-8-0	72.7	137	2	34	34.2
Team	13-0	0.00	1-0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Richard Johnson	13-0	715.60	1-1-0	100.0	34	1	34	2.6
TOTAL	13	139.42	319-179-9	56.1	2435	24	80	187.3
OPPONENTS	13	100.97	332-180-19	54.2	1986	8	53	152.8

TEAM STATISTICS	VT	OPP
SCORING	400	167
Points Per Game	30.8	12.8
FIRST DOWNS	259	177
Rushing	127	77
Passing	108	84
Penalty	24	16
RUSHING YARDAGE	2317	1498
Yards gained rushing	2741	1865
Yards lost rushing	424	367
Rushing Attempts	552	462
Average Per Rush	4.2	3.2
Average Per Game	178.2	115.2
TDs Rushing	18	8
PASSING YARDAGE	2435	1986
Att-Comp-Int	319-179-9	332-180-19
Average Per Pass	7.6	6.0
Average Per Catch	13.6	11.0
Average Per Game	187.3	152.8
TDs Passing	24	8
TOTAL OFFENSE	4752	3484
Total Plays	871	794
Average Per Play	5.5	4.4
Average Per Game	365.5	268.0
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	31-726	47-1022
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	47-439	32-301
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	19-365	9-155
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	23.4	21.7
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	9.3	9.4
INT RETURN AVERAGE	19.2	17.2
FUMBLES-LOST	23-10	30-13
PENALTIES-YARDS	100-831	102-832
Average Per Game	63.9	64.0
PUNTS-YARDS	60-2339	83-3492
Average Per Punt	39.0	42.1
Net punt average	34.0	36.8
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	30:57	29:03
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	65/171	55/186
3rd-Down Pct	38%	30%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	4/10	8/16
4th-Down Pct	40%	50%
SACKS BY-YARDS	34-183	36-247
MISC YARDS	32	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	48	18
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	21-27	14-22
PAT-ATTEMPTS	45-46	17-17
ATTENDANCE	455805	201036
Games/Avg Per Game	7/65115	4/50259
Neutral Site Games		2/84507

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	|-----Tackles-----|				TFL/Yds	|-Sacks-|	|-----Pass Def-----|			|-Fumbles-|		Blkd	Saf
	GP	Solo	Ast	Total			Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	Rcv-Yds	FF			Kick
45 Mikal Baaqee	13	30	41	71	3.5-8	.	.	1	1	3-0	.	.	
9 Vince Hall	13	21	43	64	4.5-11	1.0-3	.	3	7	.	1	.	
55 Darryl Tapp	13	26	34	60	16.5-82	8.5-54	1-0	1	23	2-0	1	1	
2 Jimmy Williams	13	37	23	60	5.5-13	.	5-81	14	1	.	.	.	
22 James Griffin	13	31	25	56	3.5-5	0.5-2	1-11	5	.	.	1	.	
8 Vincent Fuller	13	28	23	51	1.0-2	.	3-12	4	.	.	1	.	
42 James Anderson	13	21	27	48	6.5-19	2.5-11	1-14	1	.	.	2	.	
56 Jonathan Lewis	13	18	22	40	11.0-35	5.0-26	.	1	14	2-0	.	.	
36 Aaron Rouse	13	16	21	37	2.5-15	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
1 Eric Green	13	20	16	36	1.5-1	.	1-47	5	1	.	.	.	
49 Chris Ellis	13	15	18	33	7.5-33	3.0-11	.	3	14	1-0	1	.	
48 Brandon Manning	13	12	18	30	1.0-1	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
95 Jim Davis	13	16	12	28	12.0-48	5.0-27	.	5	12	1-0	1	3	
40 Blake Warren	13	12	16	28	0.5-0	.	2-86	1	1	.	.	.	
31 Mike Daniels	13	14	13	27	1.5-2	.	.	2	1	.	.	.	
96 Noland Burchette	12	15	12	27	6.0-24	3.0-17	.	.	11	1-0	2	.	
11 Xavier Adibi	7	21	4	25	4.5-20	2.0-14	1-0	.	2	.	1	.	
70 Kevin Lewis	12	3	15	18	.	.	1-13	.	6	1-0	.	.	
33 Chad Cooper	13	9	8	17	1.0-8	1.0-8	.	.	1	.	.	.	
99 Carlton Powell	13	7	10	17	6.0-16	.	6	1	.	.	.	.
15 Roland Minor	13	7	8	15	.	.	2-63	5	.	.	.	.
91 Jason Lallis	13	7	6	13	2.0-8	2.0-8	.	1	2	2-32	.	.	
35 Stevie Ray Lloyd	12	5	6	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25 D.J. Parker	12	7	3	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
24 D.J. Walton	2	5	3	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
71 Tim Sandidge	9	3	4	7	1.5-3	0.5-2	.	.	3	.	.	.	
47 Brett Warren	12	3	4	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30 Cary Wade	13	4	2	6	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.
27 Justin Hamilton	13	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
75 Kory Robertson	5	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.
54 Bob Ruff	13	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
62 Travis Conway	12	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28 Corey Gordon	10	1	3	4	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
38 Vinnie Burns	12	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98 Jared Develli	13	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
59 Barry Booker	1	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	1	.	1	.
82 Brenden Hill	9	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
80 Robert Parker	12	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
41 Jordan Trott	1	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
83 Jud Dunlevy	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52 Jimmy Martin	13	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
21 Chris Ceasar	4	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17 Josh Morgan	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26 Ryan Hash	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
60 Chris Burnett	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	2	.	.	.
44 John Candelas	5	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90 Jeff King	13	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
18 Brandon Flowers	1	1	.	1	.	.	1-38	1	.	.	.	.
32 Cedric Humes	13	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3 Bryan Randall	13	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM Team	13	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TOTAL	13	439	457	896	100-355	34-183	19-365	55	111	13-32	15	4	
OPPONENTS	13	480	480	960	84-414	36-247	9-155	37	4	10-0	14	3	



RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Eddie Royal	12-11	28	470	16.8	3	80	39.2
Josh Hyman	13-12	27	491	18.2	5	45	37.8
Jeff King	13-13	25	304	12.2	4	35	23.4
David Clowney	12-1	20	263	13.1	2	38	21.9
Josh Morgan	12-1	15	346	23.1	3	80	28.8
Jared Mazzetta	13-7	14	182	13.0	1	22	14.0
Richard Johnson	13-0	8	99	12.4	1	32	7.6
Cedric Humes	13-4	8	46	5.8	0	11	3.5
Mike Imoh	10-9	8	4	0.5	0	13	0.4
John Kinzer	13-4	7	26	3.7	2	8	2.0
Justin Hamilton	13-0	6	31	5.2	0	11	2.4
Justin Harper	11-0	5	84	16.8	1	34	7.6
Duane Brown	13-0	3	64	21.3	1	33	4.9
Jesse Allen	10-2	3	24	8.0	1	13	2.4
Chris Clifton	6-1	1	10	10.0	0	10	1.7
Sean Glennon	4-0	1	-9	-9.0	0	0	-2.2
TOTAL	13	179	2435	13.6	24	80	187.3
OPPONENTS	13	180	1986	11.0	8	53	152.8

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Eddie Royal	25	274	11.0	0	58
Richard Johnson	13	91	7.0	0	17
Mike Imoh	7	50	7.1	0	32
Team	1	10	10.0	0	10
Jimmy Williams	1	14	14.0	0	14
TOTAL	47	439	9.3	0	58
OPPONENTS	32	301	9.4	1	28

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Eddie Royal	12	346	28.8	0	48
Mike Imoh	12	256	21.3	0	42
Josh Hyman	3	66	22.0	0	33
David Clowney	2	45	22.5	0	26
Jeff King	1	9	9.0	0	9
Blake Warren	1	4	4.0	0	4
TOTAL	31	726	23.4	0	48
OPPONENTS	47	1022	21.7	0	54

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Jimmy Williams	5	81	16.2	1	34
Vincent Fuller	3	12	4.0	0	12
Roland Minor	2	63	31.5	1	64
Blake Warren	2	86	43.0	1	46
James Griffin	1	11	11.0	0	11
Xavier Adibi	1	0	0.0	0	0
Darryl Tapp	1	0	0.0	0	0
Eric Green	1	47	47.0	0	47
Kevin Lewis	1	13	13.0	0	13
Brandon Flowers	1	38	38.0	1	38
James Anderson	1	14	14.0	0	14
TOTAL	19	365	19.2	4	64
OPPONENTS	9	155	17.2	1	34

FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Jason Lallis	2	32	16.0	1	28
Vincent Fuller	0	0	0.0	1	0
TOTAL	2	32	16.0	2	28
OPPONENTS	0	0	0.0	0	0

SCORING	TD	FGs	PATs				DXP	Saf	Points
			Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass			
Brandon Pace	0	21-27	43-44	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	106
Mike Imoh	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	36
Josh Hyman	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	30
Cedric Humes	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	30
Jeff King	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
Eddie Royal	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
Josh Morgan	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
Justin Hamilton	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
Bryan Randall	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-2	0	0	18
David Clowney	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
John Kinzer	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Richard Johnson	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	0	8
Jesse Allen	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Duane Brown	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Justin Harper	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Jared Mazzetta	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Roland Minor	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Brandon Flowers	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Vincent Fuller	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Jimmy Williams	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Blake Warren	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
Nic Schmitt	0	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	2
Team	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	1	2
TOTAL	48	21-27	45-46	0-0	1	1-2	0	1	400
OPPONENTS	18	14-22	17-17	0-0	0	0-1	0	0	167

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
Bryan Randall	13	442	511	2264	2775	213.5
Mike Imoh	10	158	720	0	720	72.0
Cedric Humes	13	130	605	0	605	46.5
Justin Hamilton	13	75	336	0	336	25.8
John Candelas	5	32	166	0	166	33.2
Sean Glennon	4	11	0	137	137	34.2
Richard Johnson	13	3	5	34	39	3.0
Josh Hyman	13	1	16	0	16	1.2
Eddie Royal	12	1	11	0	11	0.9
Jesse Allen	10	2	4	0	4	0.4
Vinnie Burns	12	1	-11	0	-11	-0.9
David Clowney	12	1	-20	0	-20	-1.7
Team	13	14	-26	0	-26	-2.0
TOTAL	13	871	2317	2435	4752	365.5
OPPONENTS	13	794	1498	1986	3484	268.0

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Blk
Brandon Pace	21-27	77.8	0-0	7-8	10-13	4-6	0-0	46	0

FG SEQUENCE	Virginia Tech	OPPONENTS
Southern Cal	(35),(42)	35,(41)
Western Mich.	-	22,27,33
Duke	(21),(28)	(45)
N.C. State	33,(23),(32),(37),43	(53)
West Virginia	(30),(46),(29),34,(35)	40
Wake Forest	47,(26)	38,(20)
Florida A&M	(44),(32)	-
Georgia Tech	(30)	(46),(34)
North Carolina	39,(24),(36)	(30),54
Maryland	(27),(34)	(42),(33)
Virginia	(31)	45,(19)
Miami	(45)	(23)
Auburn	23	(23),(19),(24)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	Blkd
Vinnie Burns	57	2296	40.3	60	2	5	18	0
Team	2	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	2
Nic Schmitt	1	43	43.0	43	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	60	2339	39.0	60	2	5	18	2
OPPONENTS	83	3492	42.1	70	9	1	18	1

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
Eddie Royal	12	11	470	274	346	0	1101	91.8
Mike Imoh	10	720	4	50	256	0	1030	103.0
Cedric Humes	13	605	46	0	0	0	651	50.1
Josh Hyman	13	16	491	0	66	0	573	44.1
Bryan Randall	13	511	0	0	0	0	511	39.3
Justin Hamilton	13	336	31	0	0	0	367	28.2
Josh Morgan	12	0	346	0	0	0	346	28.8
Jeff King	13	0	304	0	9	0	313	24.1
David Clowney	12	-20	263	0	45	0	288	24.0
Richard Johnson	13	5	99	91	0	0	195	15.0
Jared Mazzetta	13	0	182	0	0	0	182	14.0
John Candelas	5	166	0	0	0	0	166	33.2
Jimmy Williams	13	0	0	14	0	81	95	7.3
Blake Warren	13	0	0	0	4	86	90	6.9
Justin Harper	11	0	84	0	0	0	84	7.6
Duane Brown	13	0	64	0	0	0	64	4.9
Roland Minor	13	0	0	0	0	63	63	4.8
Eric Green	13	0	0	0	0	47	47	3.6
Brandon Flowers	1	0	0	0	0	38	38	38.0
Jesse Allen	10	4	24	0	0	0	28	2.8
John Kinzer	13	0	26	0	0	0	26	2.0
James Anderson	13	0	0	0	0	14	14	1.1
Kevin Lewis	12	0	0	0	0	13	13	1.1
Vincent Fuller	13	0	0	0	0	12	12	0.9
James Griffin	13	0	0	0	0	11	11	0.8
Chris Clifton	6	0	10	0	0	0	10	1.7
Sean Glennon	4	0	-9	0	0	0	-9	-2.2
Vinnie Burns	12	-11	0	0	0	0	-11	-0.9
Team	13	-26	0	10	0	0	-16	-1.2
TOTAL	13	2317	2435	439	726	365	6282	483.2
OPPONENTS	13	1498	1986	301	1022	155	4962	381.7

Saturday, Aug. 28, 2004 • FedEx Field • Landover, Md. • BCA Football Classic • Att.: 91,665

Young Hokies Give Top-Ranked Trojans a Scare, 24-13



Bryan Randall had 235 yards of total offense against top-ranked USC.

Virginia Tech	3	7	0	3	—	13
Southern California	7	0	7	10	—	24

SC (5:59 re 1st)	- Bush 35 pass from Leinart (Killeen kick)
VT (1:42 re 1st)	- FG Pace 35
VT (6:19 re 2nd)	- Hyman 12 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
SC (1:55 re 3rd)	- Bush 53 pass from Leinart (Killeen kick)
VT (7:55 re 4th)	- FG Pace 42
SC (5:35 re 4th)	- Bush 29 pass from Leinart (Killeen kick)
SC (0:54 re 4th)	- FG Killeen 41

Team Stats	VT	USC
First Downs	18	16
Rushes-yds.	34-141	29-101
Passing yds.	153	272
Return yds.	10	92
Passes	14-29-1	19-29-0
Punts-avg.	5-45.8	5-42.8
Fumbles-lost	1-1	3-0
Penalties-yds.	6-50	7-60
Time of poss.	31:31	28:29
Sacks by	2-12	5-28

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Randall 17-82, Hamilton 8-33, Humes 9-26; USC, White 15-78, Bush 9-27, Smith 1-(-1), Leinart 4-(-3).

Passing — VT, Randall 14-29-1-153; USC, Leinart 19-29-0-272.

Receiving — VT, King 4-65, Johnson 3-27, Humes 2-9, Mazzetta 1-22, Hyman 1-12, Kinzer 1-8, Clowney 1-7, Hamilton 1-3; USC, Bush 5-127, Smith 4-68, Kirtman 3-32, Holmes 2-12, McFoy 2-11, Jarrett 2-8, Webb 1-14.

LANDOVER, Md. — No. 1 USC rallied behind the big plays of tailback Reggie Bush to hold off Virginia Tech 24-13 in the season-opening Black Coaches Association Football Classic at sold out FedEx Field.

The crowd of 91,665 was predominately Tech fans and provided a boost as the Hokies took a 10-7 lead in the second quarter and made it stand until the final two minutes of the third quarter. USC, which earned a share of the national championship in 2003, finally regained the lead when Bush hauled in a 53-yard scoring pass.

Tech trimmed the Trojans' margin to 14-13 on a 42-yard field goal by Brandon Pace with just under eight minutes remaining,

but the Hokies' upset bid was cut short by another big play from Bush. The sophomore USC tailback, who was limited to 27 yards on the ground, did major damage in the passing game, grabbing five passes for 127 yards and three TDs, the last of which came with 5:35 left.

Tech quarterback Bryan Randall led a Tech team that dominated the first half of the contest. Randall rushed for 82 yards in the game and had the Hokies headed in the right direction again in the second half until an offensive pass interference call changed the momentum of the game. USC took advantage of the shift, scoring in just two plays on its next possession to gain the lead for good.



Josh Hyman scored on a 12-yard touchdown pass to put the Hokies up 10-7 over the defending national champions in front of 91,665 fans.

Game Notes

- The sell-out crowd of 91,665 was the largest ever to see a game at FedEx Field and the largest ever to see Virginia Tech play football. Previously, the largest crowd Tech had played in front of was a turnout of 83,746 at Texas A&M's Kyle Field in 2002.
- Tech quarterback Bryan Randall (Williamsburg, Va.) passed for 153 yards against USC. His performance moved him up two spots on the Hokies' career passing list. Randall, who now has 4,397 career passing yards at Tech, passed Steve Casey (4,299) and Jim Druckenmiller (4,383) on the list and now stands in fourth place.
- All four touchdowns in the Tech-USC game were scored on passing plays. The last time Tech played a game in which all the touchdowns came on passing plays was in 1992 against Southern Mississippi. During that game, each team had a passing TD in a 13-12 USM victory at Blacksburg. There were four field goals in that game.

Saturday, Sept. 11, 2004 • Lane Stadium/Worsham Field • Blacksburg, Va. • Att.: 65,115

Freshmen Help Hokies Tame Broncos in 63-0 Roundup

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Virginia Tech showed its youth in its home opener against Western Michigan, and in this case it was good. Five freshmen combined for six touchdowns as the Hokies snapped a four-game losing streak

with a 63-0 victory against the visiting Broncos.

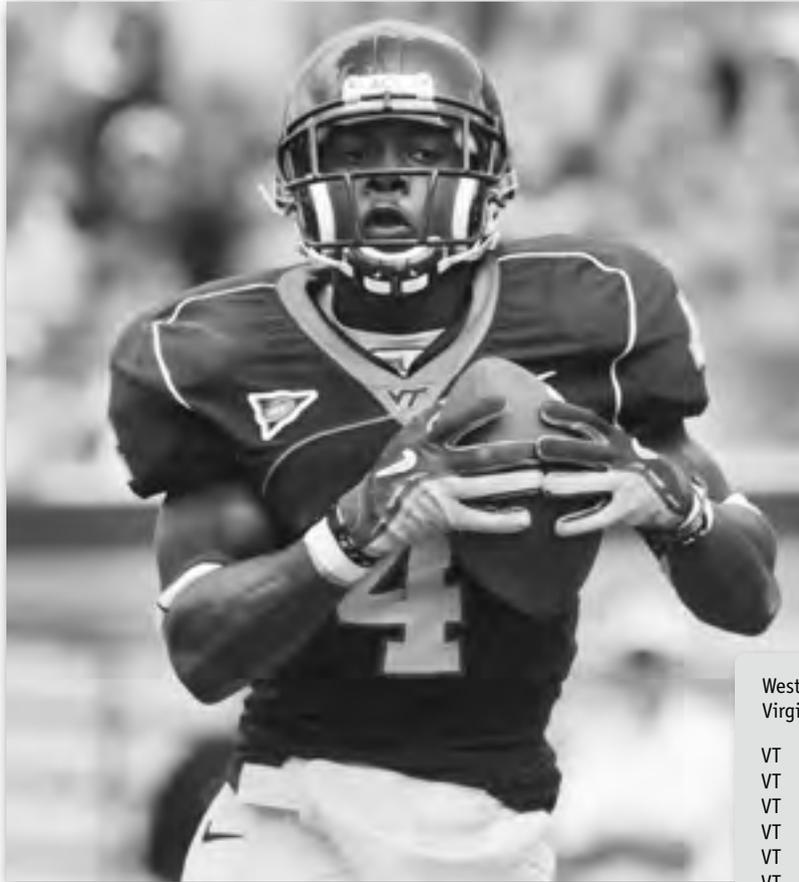
Tech put together a solid game in all phases. The offense piled up 487 total yards, while the defense contributed two touchdowns and kept WMU out of the end zone

for the third time in three meetings. Tech's special teams added two blocked kicks to go with kicker Brandon Pace's nine successful extra points and punter Vinnie Burns' 48.5-yard average.

Quarterback Bryan Randall passed for 253 yards and two touchdowns, while his freshman backup Sean Glennon went 4-for-4 for 79 yards and two TDs in his first college action. Freshman Eddie Royal rushed for

a touchdown and hauled in a 35-yard scoring pass to help Tech take a 28-0 lead at the half.

Tech's last two touchdowns came from players who were touching the football for the first time in a college game. True freshman cornerback Brandon Flowers picked off a pass and returned it 38 yards to the end zone, while redshirt freshman Duane Brown caught a 33-yard TD pass on his first Tech reception.



Senior defensive end Jason Lallis sneaked out of a scrum with a loose ball to score on a 28-yard fumble return.

Freshman Eddie Royal scored a touchdown on a 35-yard reception and another on an 11-yard reverse in Tech's 63-0 victory over WMU.

Game Notes

- The 63-0 win against WMU marked the largest margin of victory for a Tech football team since 1922 when the Hokies defeated Catholic University 73-0. Previously, Tech's widest margin of victory under Coach Frank Beamer was a 62-0 win against Syracuse in 1999.
- Linebacker **Vince Hall** (Chesapeake, Va.) made his first collegiate start in the WMU game and registered a team-leading 10 tackles. **Eddie Royal** (Herndon, Va.) was also a first-time starter for the Hokies. Royal opened at flanker and contributed two touchdowns in the first half, one on an 11-yard reverse and the other on a 35-yard pass reception.
- Local product **John Candelas**, a junior tailback from Blacksburg High School, led Tech in rushing against the Broncos with a personal-best 52 yards on 10 carries.

Western Michigan	0	0	0	0	—	0
Virginia Tech	7	21	21	14	—	63

- VT (11:28 re 1st) - Royal 11 run (Pace kick)
- VT (14:51 re 2nd) - Humes 21 run (Pace kick)
- VT (10:31 re 2nd) - Hamilton 1 run (Pace kick)
- VT (2:12 re 2nd) - Royal 35 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
- VT (4:40 re 3rd) - Kinzer 3 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
- VT (4:16 re 3rd) - Lallis 28 fumble recovery (Pace kick)
- VT (1:17 re 3rd) - Harper 34 pass from Glennon (Pace kick)
- VT (14:53 re 4th) - Flowers 38 interception return (Pace kick)
- VT (5:22 re 4th) - Brown 33 pass from Glennon (Pace kick)

Team Stats	WMU	VT
First Downs	17	23
Rushes-yds.	31-109	35-155
Passing yds.	163	332
Return yds.	24	103
Passes	26-39-2	19-25-1
Punts-avg.	6-40.5	2-48.5
Fumbles-lost	3-2	0-0
Penalties-yds.	10-60	8-80
Time of poss.	32:25	27:35
Sacks by	1-1	1-1

Individual Leaders

Rushing — WMU, Marks 13-64, Bonds 7-24, Riley 6-13, Baggett

2-11, Cubit 3-(-3); VT, Candelas 10-52, Humes 10-51, Hamilton 12-41, Royal 1-11, Randall 2-0.

Passing — WMU, Cubit 19-30-1-113, Baggett 7-9-1-50; VT, Randall 15-21-1-253, Glennon 4-4-0-79.

Receiving — WMU, Jennings 8-64, Walker 6-55, LeMay 4-21, Jackson 3-20, Marks 2-2, DeVree 1-5, Riley 1-1, Ottney 1-(-5); VT, Hyman 4-89, Harper 3-57, Royal 2-67, Morgan 2-31, Humes 2-14, Kinzer 2-6, Brown 1-33, Johnson 1-32, King 1-12, Glennon 1-(-9).

Saturday, Sept. 18, 2004 • Lane Stadium/Worsham Field • Blacksburg, Va. • Att.: 65,115

Virginia Tech Wins Its First ACC Football Game 41-17

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Virginia Tech football entered a new era as the Hokies knocked off Duke 41-17 in their first league game as a member of the Atlantic Coast Conference.

It took Tech awhile to get going, but once it did, the injury-riddled Blue Devils had trouble slowing the Hokies down. After falling behind 7-0 in the first quarter, Tech ran off 34 unanswered points, including 24 in the second quarter.

Quarterback Bryan Randall and flanker Richard Johnson sparked the offense. Randall ran for a team-high 93 yards, with 30 coming on a touchdown run that put Tech up 24-7 at the half. Johnson threw a touchdown pass during the second quarter and hauled in TD toss from Randall in the third quarter. Tech finished with 422 yards of offense.

Defensively, end Darryl Tapp registered 2.5 sacks as the Hokies limited Duke to 197 yards

of total offense, including just 89 yards through the air. The Blue Devils never gave up the

battle despite being successful on just one of 15 third-down conversions.



Darryl Tapp's 2.5 sacks helped the Hokies overpower Duke.

Richard Johnson threw and caught TD passes against the Blue Devils.

Duke	7	0	0	10	—	17
Virginia Tech	0	24	10	7	—	41

- D (6:57 re 1st) - Adams 28 run (Brooks kick)
- VT (14:55 re 2nd) - Hamilton 1 run (Pace kick)
- VT (10:21 re 2nd) - FG Pace 21
- VT (5:00 re 2nd) - Hyman 34 pass from Johnson (Pace kick)
- VT (1:05 re 2nd) - Randall 30 run (Pace kick)
- VT (11:12 re 3rd) - FG Pace 28
- VT (3:04 re 3rd) - Johnson 11 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
- D (14:17 re 4th) - FG Brooks 45
- VT (5:45 re 4th) - Humes 1 run (Pace kick)
- D (0:44 re 4th) - Wright 35 pass from Dukes (Brooks kick)

Team Stats	D	VT
First Downs	11	21
Rushes-yds.	42-108	45-250
Passing yds.	89	172
Return yds.	51	147
Passes	6-20-2	13-25-2
Punts-avg.	9-37.8	5-46.8
Fumbles-lost	1-0	3-0
Penalties-yds.	5-31	13-101
Time of poss.	31:05	28:55
Sack by	2-10	4-21

4-26, Dukes 8-7, Schneider 3-(-5), Dapolito 4-(-6); VT, Randall 12-93, Humes 17-74, Hamilton 13-64, Hyman 1-16, Johnson 1-5, Team 1-(-2).

Passing — D, Dukes 3-10-1-73, Dapolito 2-8-1-7, Schneider 0-1-0-0, McDonald 1-1-0-9; VT, Randall 12-24-2-138, Johnson 1-1-0-34.

Receiving — D, Wright 2-68, Roland 1-9, Patrick 1-5, Dukes 1-4, Elliott 1-3; VT, Hyman 4-89, King 2-21, Royal 2-19, Clowney 2-11, Humes 1-11, Johnson 1-11, Mazzetta 1-10.

Individual Leaders

Rushing — D, Fryer 12-32, Adams 1-28, Boyle 10-26, Ball

Game Notes

- Redshirt freshman fullback **John Kinzer** (Fairfax, Va.) made his first collegiate start in the Duke game. Tech started its first two games in a two-tight end set that did not include a fullback.
- Flanker Richard Johnson's (Baltimore, Md.) 34-yard touchdown pass to split end **Josh Hyman** (Baltimore, Md.) marked Johnson's first collegiate pass completion. The pass was the first touchdown pass by a non-quarterback at Tech since tailback André Kendrick connected with André Davis for a 35-yard score against UAB in 1999. When Johnson caught an 11-yard touchdown pass in the third quarter of the Duke game, he became the first Tech player to throw a touchdown pass and catch a TD pass in the same game since 1981 when fullback Tony Paige accomplished the feat against Wake Forest.
- None of the Hokies' seven scoring drives lasted longer than 3:10 on the clock. Tech came away with points on each of its five trips inside the red-zone.
- The game marked the first time Tech had beaten Duke in a conference game. Tech was previously 0-6 against Duke in the old Southern Conference.

Saturday, Sept. 25, 2004 • Lane Stadium/Worsham Field • Blacksburg, Va. • Att.: 65,115

Hokies Fall Just Short in 17-16 Defensive Struggle

BLACKSBURG, Va. — North Carolina State stymied Virginia Tech with an attacking defense that registered 10 quarterback sacks, but the Wolfpack's 17-16 victory wasn't assured until a 43-yard game-winning field goal attempt by the Hokies' Brandon Pace sailed just wide on the final play of the game.

In a game dominated by defensive play, the Hokies scratched their way to a 10-3 lead before State used three straight tackles behind the line to force a Tech punt from the 1 late in the second quarter. Boosted by good field position, the Pack moved 34 yards for a game-tying touchdown

with less than two minutes left in the half.

NCSU took advantage of a critical turnover by the Hokies at their own 5-yard line to grab a 17-10 advantage in the third quarter. The State defense, meanwhile, limited Tech to just 35 yards of total offense over the first three quarters.

Tech battled back during the final quarter to pick up a pair of field goals, then mounted a final drive to the State 24 to set up Pace's attempt. The Hokies' defense gave Tech a chance to win by holding the Wolfpack to just one first down and 18 total yards during the final 10 minutes of the game.



Fullback John Kinzer scored Tech's first touchdown on a 4-yard reception.



Vince Hall puts pressure on the N.C. State quarterback.

Game Notes

- Tech's loss to N.C. State snapped a string of 28 consecutive wins during the month of September dating back to 1996.
- Virginia Tech's 192 yards of total offense was the lowest output by the Hokies since netting 185 yards against North Carolina in the 1998 Gator Bowl game, following the 1997 season. The 36 yards net rushing against the Wolfpack was Tech's lowest total since rushing for just 15 yards at Pittsburgh in 2001.
- Quarterback Bryan Randall (Williamsburg, Va.) started his 29th straight game, setting a school record for the most consecutive starts by a quarterback at Tech during the modern era (since 1950). Steve Casey set the previous record by starting 28 straight games from 1979-81.
- True freshman **Eddie Royal** (Herndon, Va.) returned three punts in the game for 107 yards. Royal had a long return of 58 yards.

North Carolina State	3	7	7	0	—	17
Virginia Tech	0	10	0	6	—	16

- NCS (12:32 re 1st) - FG Deraney 53
- VT (14:17 re 2nd) - Kinzer 4 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
- VT (9:56 re 2nd) - FG Pace 23
- NCS (1:14 re 2nd) - McLendon 1 run (Deraney kick)
- NCS (4:31 re 3rd) - Stone 1 run (Deraney kick)
- VT (12:15 re 4th) - FG Pace 32
- VT (8:10 re 4th) - FG Pace 37

Team Stats	NCS	VT
First Downs	12	13
Rushes-yds.	39-145	43-36
Passing yds.	78	156
Return yds.	23	166
Passes	11-26-0	6-17-0
Punts-avg.	8-43.2	6-38.0
Fumbles-lost	1-1	2-1
Penalties-yds.	10-65	3-14
Time of poss.	26:44	33:16
Sacks by	10-78	0-0

- Individual Leaders**
- Rushing** — NCS, McLendon 24-93, Stone 6-23, R. Washington 1-21, Davis 2-6, Hall 2-2, B. Washington 4-0; VT, Imoh 14-74, Humes 5-2, Johnson 1-0, Hamilton 3-(-1), Burns 1-(-11), Randall 19-(-28).
- Passing** — NCS, Davis 4-10-1-64, Stone 2-7-0-14; VT, Randall 11-25-0-156.
- Receiving** — NCS, R. Washington 2-28, Williams 2-14, McLendon 1-23, Hicks 1-13; VT, Royal 2-47, Kinzer 2-3, Clowney 1-38, King 1-25, Morgan 1-23, Hamilton 1-11, Hyman 1-8, Brown 1-5, Humes 1-(-4).

Saturday, Oct. 2, 2004 • Lane Stadium/Worsham Field • Blacksburg, Va. • Att.: 65,115

Hokies Hand No. 6 Mountaineers First Loss, 19-13

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Virginia Tech went back to the basics in posting a 19-13 victory against nationally sixth-ranked West Virginia at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field. The Hokies used a stout defense, good special teams play and a solid ground game to hand

the visiting Mountaineers their first loss of the season.

The key play in the contest came late in the second quarter when Tech defensive tackle Jim Davis blocked a WVU field goal attempt and safety Vincent Fuller picked up the loose ball

and returned it 74 yards for a touchdown. The play came with just 1:14 remaining in the half and gave the Hokies a 13-0 advantage. Brandon Pace connected on four of his five field goal attempts to account for Tech's other scoring.

Tech controlled the football for over 12 minutes of the third quarter, but West Virginia was still able to get on the board thanks

to an interception return for a touchdown. The Mountaineers cut the Hokies' lead to 19-13 with 11:43 remaining, but managed just 36 yards of offense on its last three possessions. Still, the victory wasn't assured until Tech's Fuller intercepted a Rasheed Marshall pass with 18 seconds remaining in the game.



Vincent Fuller's 74-yard blocked FG return (above) and four field goals by Brandon Pace (right) were all the points Tech needed to beat WVU 19-13.



West Virginia	0	0	6	7	—	13
Virginia Tech	3	10	3	3	—	19

VT	(0:22 re 2nd)	- FG Pace 30
VT	(4:32 re 2nd)	- FG Pace 46
VT	(1:14 re 2nd)	- Fuller 74 blocked FG return (Pace kick)
VT	(10:41 re 3rd)	- FG Pace 29
WV	(2:55 re 3rd)	- Wicks 34 interception return (pass failed)
VT	(13:42 re 4th)	- FG Pace 35
WV	(11:43 re 4th)	- Marshall 46 run (Cooper kick)

Game Notes

- The West Virginia win marked the first time the Hokies had won a game without scoring an offensive touchdown since 1994. That year, Tech defeated Boston College 12-7 thanks to a pair of field goals and a pass interception return for a TD.
- **Mike Imoh** (Fairfax, Va.) earned his first start at tailback and responded with the first 100-yard rushing game of his career. Imoh carried 30 times for 115 yards. He was the first Tech player to run for 100 yards or more in his first start since Kevin Jones in 2001. Imoh finished the game with 206 all-purpose yards.
- The Tech defense kept West Virginia from getting a successful third-down conversion. The Mountaineers were 0-for-13 on third-down attempts.
- Tech posted its first blocked field goal for a touchdown since 2001 at Pittsburgh. The block was the second blocked field goal of the year for tackle Jim Davis (Highland Springs, Va.).

Team Stats

	WV	VT
First Downs	10	21
Rushes-yds.	36-134	47-192
Passing yds.	113	142
Return yds.	85	134
Passes	10-21-1	15-34-2
Punts-avg.	9-43.9	6-34.0
Fumbles-lost	3-1	2-0
Penalties-yds.	11-119	14-132
Time of poss.	24:08	35:52
Sacks by	1-9	2-5

Individual Leaders

Rushing — WV, Marshall 16-74, Colson 12-47, Harris 7-22, Jackson 1-(-9); VT, Imoh 30-115, Randall 12-70, Humes 2-6, Hamilton 2-3, Team 1-(-2).

Passing — WV, Marshall 9-19-1-82, Team 0-1-0-0, Hales 1-1-0-32; VT, Randall 16-34-2-142.

Receiving — WV, Henry 5-42, Jackson 2-52, Henderson 2-11, Colson 1-9; VT, Royal 6-45, King 2-19, Imoh 2-13, Hyman 1-32, Morgan 1-15, Mazzetta 1-9, Clowney 1-4, Johnson 1-3, Hamilton 1-2.

Wake Forest

Saturday, Oct. 9, 2004 • Groves Stadium • Winston-Salem, N.C. • Att.: 32,433

Team Effort Gives Tech 17-10 Win on First ACC Road Trip

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — Signal-caller Bryan Randall engineered a 78-yard touchdown drive in the final minutes and the Virginia Tech defense stopped Wake Forest at the Tech 5 in the final seconds to cap a heart-stopping 17-10 victory in the Hokies' first Atlantic Coast Conference road game.

Wake Forest trailed the entire game until mounting a 12-play drive midway through the fourth quarter that resulted in a game-tying field goal by Ryan Plackemeier.

The Deacons' were forced to settle for the field goal after three tries at the end zone from the Tech 8.

Tech began what proved to be the winning drive at its own 22 with 6:08 remaining in the game. Randall made four big plays on the drive, completing a 24-yard pass to tight end Jeff King on the second play and racing 12 yards for a first down on a third-and-seven two plays later. Randall added back-to-back runs of 12 and 21 yards to move the ball to the WFU 11.

Tailback Mike Imoh finished his second-straight 100-yard rushing game with a 7-yard TD run.

Wake Forest got the ball back at its own 31 with 2:05 remaining. Eleven plays later, the Deacs were at the Hokies' 5 when Tech rover Mike Daniels broke up a fourth-down pass.



Mikal Baaqee (above) had 13 tackles, and Mike Imoh's 7-yard plunge into the end zone (left) provided the winning points against Wake Forest.



Game Notes

- **Mike Imoh's** (Fairfax, Va.) game-winning touchdown was the sixth TD of his career, but his first rushing touchdown. Imoh caught four passes for touchdowns during his first two seasons with the Hokies and also had a kickoff return for a TD.
- Tech's 18:09 time of possession in the first half of its game at Wake Forest was the most at the break in its first six games of the season.
- Cornerback **Jimmy Williams** (Hampton, Va.) recorded his second interception of the season in the second quarter. It was Williams' fifth career pick.
- Tight end **Jeff King** (Pulaski, Va.) caught his first touchdown pass of the year and the third of his career to put Tech ahead in the first quarter. Tech's tight ends caught four passes in the game, all for first downs.

Virginia Tech	7	3	0	7	—	17
Wake Forest	0	7	0	3	—	10

VT (9:56 re 1st)	- King 5 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
VT (7:37 re 2nd)	- FG Pace 26
WF (0:25 re 2nd)	- Barclay 1 run (Plackemeier kick)
WF (6:15 re 3rd)	- FG Plackemeier 20
VT (2:10 re 4th)	- Imoh 7 run (Pace kick)

Team Stats	VT	WFU
First Downs	19	17
Rushes-yds.	50-210	41-139
Passing yds.	119	208
Return yds.	52	13
Passes	12-18-0	15-26-1
Punts-avg.	4-44.2	6-49.0
Fumbles-lost	3-2	0-0
Penalties-yds.	3-26	7-42
Time of poss.	31:11	28:49
Sacks by	4-21	3-29

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Imoh 29-100, Hamilton 8-58, Randall 10-46, Humes 1-10, Team 2-(-4); WF, Barclay 19-84, Andrews 4-24, Mauk 8-16, Marion 3-12, Idlette 1-6, Randolph 6-(-3).

Passing — VT, Randall 12-18-0-119; WF, Randolph 14-24-0-180, Mauk 1-2-1-28.

Receiving — VT, King 3-37, Royal 2-15, Harper 1-25, Morgan 1-18, Mazzetta 1-16, Hamilton 1-8, Hyman 1-3, Kinzer 1-1, Imoh 1-(-4); WF, Morton 5-114, Marion 4-47, Anderson 3-26, Barclay 1-9, Tereshinski 1-7, Andrews 1-5.

Saturday, Oct. 16, 2004 • Lane Stadium/Worsham Field • Blacksburg, Va. • Att.: 65,115

Hokies Roll Over Rattlers 62-0 on Homecoming

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Virginia Tech scored on its first eight possessions and rolled to a 62-0 Homecoming victory in its first-ever football meeting with Florida

A&M University at Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

Quarterback Bryan Randall got things started early for the Hokies with a touchdown pass to flanker

David Clowney on the home team's first offensive play of the game.

Randall went on to toss four first-half TD passes as Tech built a 48-0 lead by the intermission. The Tech offense piled up 483 total yards, including a season-high 310 yards on the ground.

Defensively, the Hokies broke up 11 passes, intercepted three passes, recovered two fumbles and posted five quarterback sacks.

Tech held the Rattlers to 27 yards on 30 plays during the first half and finished the contest with 199 yards of total offense.



A touchdown by Blake Warren (above) on an interception return and an interception by tackle Kevin Lewis (right) highlighted the shutout over A&M.



Game Notes

- When Bryan Randall (Williamsburg, Va.) connected with **David Clowney** (Delray Beach, Fla.) for a TD on Tech's first offensive play of the game, it marked the first time the Hokies had scored a TD on their first offensive play since 2000 when Michael Vick threw a touchdown pass against Clemson in the Gator Bowl.
- **Jeff King** (Pulaski, Va.) caught a touchdown pass against the Rattlers to become the first Tech tight end to grab TD pass in back-to-back games since Greg Daniels did it in 1990 against West Virginia and Temple.
- Defensive end **Darryl Tapp** (Chesapeake, Va.) had a quarterback sack, caused a fumble, recovered a fumble and intercepted a pass during the first eight minutes of the Tech-FAMU game.
- Defensive tackle Kevin Lewis (Richmond, Va.) posted his first collegiate pass interception against the Rattlers. Lewis becomes the seventh defensive tackle to pick off a pass during the Beamer era, joining his younger brother, **Jonathan**, who had an interception last season.

Florida A&M	0	0	0	0	—	0
Virginia Tech	24	24	14	0	—	62

- VT (13:40 re 1st) - Clowney 16 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
- VT (9:18 re 1st) - Imoh 2 run (Pace kick)
- VT (16:51 re 1st) - King 10 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
- VT (3:30 re 1st) - FG Pace 44
- VT (13:33 re 2nd) - FG Pace 32
- VT (7:55 re 2nd) - Hyman 20 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
- VT (7:10 re 2nd) - Allen 9 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
- VT (4:55 re 2nd) - Humes 3 run (Pace kick)
- VT (12:40 re 3rd) - Humes 1 run (Schmitt kick)
- VT (10:47 re 3rd) - Bl. Warren 46 interception return (Schmitt kick)

Team Stats	FAMU	VT
First Downs	13	29
Rushes-yds.	37-60	54-310
Passing yds.	139	173
Return yds.	0	139
Passes	19-38-3	13-21-0
Punts-avg.	6-40.5	0-0.0
Fumbles-lost	8-2	2-1
Penalties-yds.	8-73	8-55
Time of poss.	29:07	30:53
Sacks by	0-0	5-26

1-0, Team 1-(-9); VT, Humes 17-120, Candelas 14-84, Hamilton 10-59, Imoh 8-42, Randall 1-23, Allen 2-4, Team 1-(-2), Clowney 1-(-20).

Passing — FAMU, Dougherty 11-26-3-62, Driscoll 8-12-0-77; VT, Randall 9-14-0-115, Glennon 4-7-0-58.

Receiving — FAMU, Wright 5-47, Miller 5-39, Parrish 2-23, Thomas 2-7, Kiser 2-0, Morgan 1-14, Williams 1-7, Pompey 1-2; VT, Clowney 2-34, Johnson 2-26, Allen 2-22, Mazzetta 2-16, Brown 1-26, Hyman 1-20, King 1-10, Clifton 1-10, Morgan 1-9.

Individual Leaders

Rushing — FAMU, Dougherty 20-45, Pompey 8-11, Arline 3-9, Edwards 1-4, Driscoll 3-0, Sharpe

Thursday, Oct. 28, 2004 • Bobby Dodd Stadium/Grant Field • Atlanta, Ga. • Att.: 48,398

Tech Comeback Stuns Yellow Jackets in 34-20 Road Win

ATLANTA, Ga. — Virginia Tech erupted for 22 points in the final six minutes of play to complete its second-biggest comeback under Coach Frank Beamer with a 34-20 win at Georgia Tech's Bobby Dodd Stadium.

The Hokies committed three turnovers during the first half and fell behind when the Yellow Jackets scored two touchdowns within a span of 46 seconds. Georgia Tech led 17-7 at the half and held a 20-12 advantage following a field goal with 5:44 remaining.

Virginia Tech quarterback Bryan Randall engineered the Hokies' comeback with the help of freshman receivers Eddie Royal and Josh Morgan. Randall hit Royal for an 80-yard touchdown pass and tossed a two-point conversion to senior Richard Johnson to tie the game. A 51-yard TD pass to Morgan put the visitors ahead. An

interception return for a touchdown by redshirt freshman Roland Minor with 56 seconds left completed a 25-point fourth-quarter scoring barrage by the Hokies.

Randall finished with 304 yards and three touchdowns through the

air and 64 more yards on the ground. After being held to 153 yards of total offense in the first half, the Hokies piled up 311 yards during the final two quarters.



David Clowney's diving catch (above) of a 34-yard Bryan Randall pass got the scoring started for the Hokies in Atlanta, and Xavier Adibi (left) and his teammates kept the Yellow Jackets out of the end zone in the second half to allow the Hokies to come back from 14 points down for the win.

Game Notes

- Virginia Tech's win at Georgia Tech equaled the second-biggest comeback win for the Hokies during Coach Frank Beamer's tenure. The Hokies overcame a 14-point deficit in a 22-14 victory at Syracuse in 2000. The biggest deficit Tech has erased under Beamer was 15 points at Virginia in 1995. The Hokies won that game 36-29 after trailing 29-14.
- Virginia Tech's 25 fourth-quarter points were the most for the Hokies in the final quarter of a game since 1972 when Tech scored 27 points in the fourth quarter of a 44-9 win at Wake Forest. The most fourth-quarter points previously scored during Coach Frank Beamer's 18 seasons had been 23 points during a 43-10 win over Miami in 1999.
- The Georgia Tech game marked the first time since 1981 that Virginia Tech scored 30 or more points in a game without having at least one rushing touchdown. The Hokies had three passing touchdowns and an interception return for a TD against the Yellow Jackets. In 1981, the Hokies scored all three of their touchdowns on passes during a 30-14 victory against Wake Forest.
- Quarterback Bryan Randall (Williamsburg, Va.) registered a season-high 304 yards passing against the Yellow Jackets. It was his third career passing game of 300 or more yards. Randall passed for 504 yards against Syracuse in 2002 and had 398 yards versus Cal in last year's Insight Bowl.

Virginia Tech	0	7	2	25	—	34
Georgia Tech	0	17	0	3	—	20

GT (9:46 re 2nd)	- Johnson 9 pass from Ball (Bell kick)
GT (9:00 re 2nd)	- Daniels 13 run (Bell kick)
VT (5:14 re 2nd)	- Clowney 34 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
GT (0:35 re 2nd)	- FG Bell 46
VT (4:09 re 3rd)	- Team safety
VT (11:11 re 4th)	- FG Pace 30
GT (5:44 re 4th)	- FG Bell 34
VT (5:28 re 4th)	- Royal 80 pass from Randall (Johnson pass from Randall)
VT (3:10 re 4th)	- Morgan 51 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
VT (0:56 re 4th)	- Minor 64 interception return (Pace kick)

Team Stats	VT	GT
First Downs	17	19
Rushes-yds.	33-142	40-160
Passing yds.	304	179
Return yds.	79	35
Passes	18-31-1	14-29-2
Punts-avg.	6-42.7	6-45.8
Fumbles-lost	4-2	4-2
Penalties-yds.	10-108	8-65
Time of poss.	28:13	31:47
Sacks by	4-23	1-3

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Imoh 22-77, Randall 9-64, Humes 1-3, Team 1-(-2); GT, Ball 15-60, Woods 9-57, Daniels 14-53, Grant 2-(-4).

Passing — VT, Randall 18-31-1-304; GT, Ball 14-29-2-179.

Receiving — VT, Clowney 4-65, Royal 3-91, Hyman 3-34, Imoh 3-0, Morgan 2-79, Mazzetta 1-21, Kinzer 1-8, Humes 1-6; GT, Curry 4-51, Johnson 4-51, Williams 2-45, Woods 2-16, Bilbo 2-16.

Saturday, Nov. 6, 2004 • Kenan Stadium • Chapel Hill, N.C. • Att.: 58,000

Imoh Breaks Rushing Mark in 27-24 Win Over Tar Heels

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Virginia Tech used its running game to build a 13-point advantage and held on for a key 27-24 Atlantic Coast Conference victory over the University of North Carolina at Kenan Stadium. It marked the fifth time this season that a Tech

game had not been decided until the final minutes of play.

Junior tailback Mike Imoh turned in the best single game rushing performance in school history and scored two touchdowns to help Tech to a 27-14 lead late in the third

quarter. Even then, it took a clutch quarterback sack by senior Jim Davis and a first down run by Imoh during the final 90 seconds to secure the win.

Beating the Hokies at their own game, UNC cut the Tech margin to three with a field goal and a blocked punt for a touchdown. The Tar Heels got the ball with a chance to tie or

win with 6:05 remaining. North Carolina moved all the way to the Tech 24 before Davis' sack on a third-down play forced UNC to attempt a 54-yard field goal. The field goal fell short, but the victory still wasn't assured until Imoh reeled off runs of 4 and 9 yards that gave the Hokies a first down that allowed them to run out the clock.



Mike Imoh rushed for a Tech-record 243 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Hokies to an important ACC road win over North Carolina.

Virginia Tech	7	10	10	0	—	27
North Carolina	7	7	3	7	—	24

UNC (12:00 re 1st) - Scott 48 run (Barth kick)
 VT (6:35 re 1st) - Imoh 5 run (Pace kick)
 UNC (12:32 re 2nd) - Wright 49 pass from Durant (Barth kick)
 VT (5:20 re 2nd) - Randall 1 run (Pace kick)
 VT (1:13 re 2nd) - FG Pace 24
 VT (10:34 re 3rd) - FG Pace 36
 VT (3:40 re 3rd) - Imoh 13 run (Pace kick)
 UNC (0:45 re 3rd) - FG Barth 30
 UNC (10:30 re 4th) - Walker 1 blocked punt return (Barth kick)

Team Stats

	VT	UNC
First Downs	23	13
Rushes-yds.	51-270	26-131
Passing yds.	100	165
Return yds.	20	45
Passes	7-18-0	14-21-1
Punts-avg.	3-27.3	3-39.3
Fumbles-lost	2-0	0-0
Penalties-yds.	4-35	7-56
Time of poss.	36:03	23:57
Sacks by	3-22	4-22

Individual Leaders

Rushing — VT, Imoh 32-243, Humes 2-13, Randall 12-11, Hamilton 3-7, Team 2(-4); UNC, Scott 15-122, Pollock 2-5, Durant 8-3, Hedgecock 1-1.
Passing — VT, Randall 7-18-0-100; UNC, Durant 14-20-1-165, Hall 0-1-0-0.
Receiving — VT, Royal 4-84, Morgan 1-12, Imoh 1-3, Hamilton 1-1; UNC, Pollock 6-40, Wright 2-59, Mason 2-42, Scott 2-14, Holley 2-10.

Game Notes

- Tailback **Mike Imoh** (Fairfax, Va.) ran for 243 yards on 32 carries against UNC. Imoh's yardage total was the highest in a game for a Tech player, surpassing the previous school record of 241 yards set last year by Kevin Jones at Pittsburgh. Imoh's 32 rushing carries were also a personal best. The junior posted two rushing touchdowns in a game for the first time. Last season, Imoh caught two touchdown passes in a game.
- During the UNC game, Tech had a punt blocked for a touchdown for the first time since the 2000 Sugar Bowl when Florida State's Tommy Polley blocked a punt and Jeff Chaney returned it for a TD.
- After posting 209 yards of total offense against Tech in the first half, UNC was held to just 87 total yards during the second half. Tar Heel tailback Chad Scott's 48-yard run during the first quarter was the longest run allowed by the Hokies' defense all season.
- Fullback **Jesse Allen** (Monson, Mass.) made his first collegiate start against the Heels.

Thursday, Nov. 18, 2004 • Lane Stadium/Worsham Field • Blacksburg, Va. • Att.: 65,115

Tech Hits on All Cylinders in 55-6 Thursday Night Victory



Jimmy Williams scored on a 34-yard interception return in the 55-6 win.

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Virginia Tech continued its Thursday night magic, turning two early Maryland turnovers into touchdowns and racing to a 55-6 Atlantic Coast Conference victory in front of another Lane Stadium/Worsham Field sellout and a national ESPN audience.

Tech posted its ninth-straight win in an ESPN Thursday night game by forcing five turnovers and converting them into 31 points. The Hokies posted an interception and fumble recovery during the first four minutes of the game. Both led to touchdown runs by tailback Mike Imoh, who left the

game with a strained hamstring following his second TD.

Imoh's departure didn't slow down the Hokies' running game, which accounted for 239 yards in the game. Quarterback Bryan Randall contributed two touchdown passes and added a 1-yard touchdown run, while tight ends Jeff King and Jared Mazzetta combined for five receptions, including two for TDs.

Tech's defense intercepted four passes, with cornerback Jimmy Williams returning one for a touchdown. The Hokies held the Terrapins to 56 yards on the ground and 197 yards overall.



Justin Hamilton scored on a 5-yard TD run.

Maryland	3	0	0	3	—	6
Virginia Tech	21	20	14	0	—	55

- VT (12:21 re 1st) - Imoh 1 run (Pace kick)
- VT (11:00 re 1st) - Imoh 6 run (Pace kick)
- MD (2:33 re 1st) - FG Novak 42
- VT (0:25 re 1st) - King 35 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
- VT (14:56 re 2nd) - Hamilton 5 run (Pace kick)
- VT (4:47 re 2nd) - FG Pace 27
- VT (1:00 re 2nd) - Mazzetta 15 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
- VT (0:00 re 2nd) - FG Pace 34
- VT (1:54 re 3rd) - Randall 1 run (Pace kick)
- VT (0:23 re 3rd) - Williams 34 interception return (Pace kick)
- MD (2:44 re 4th) - FG Novak 33

Team Stats	MD	VT
First Downs	14	22
Rushes-yds.	30-56	50-239
Passing yds.	141	137
Return yds.	0	100
Passes	16-31-4	8-14-0
Punts-avg.	6-43.3	4-31.2
Fumbles-lost	2-1	1-0
Penalties-yds.	11-89	8-75
Time of poss.	30:32	29:28
Sacks-by	1-7	1-4

Individual Leaders
Rushing — MD, Maldonado 7-29, Merrills 7-13, Statham 1-6, Steffy 2-4, Lattimore 3-4, Hollenbach 1-2, Ball 4-1, Suter 2-0, Allen 3-(-3); VT, Humes 18-85, Hamilton 8-48, Randall 9-41, Imoh 7-35, Candelas 8-30.
Passing — MD, Statham 8-17-3-70, Hollenbach 5-8-0-53, Steffy 3-6-1-141; VT, Randall 8-14-0-137.
Receiving — MD, Fenner 7-61, Suter 6-69, Davis 1-8, Parson 1-6, Lattimore 1-(-3); VT, Mazzetta 3-34, King 2-53, Hyman 2-40, Clowney 1-10.

Game Notes

- Tech's Thursday night win against Maryland on ESPN, improved the Hokies' record in Thursday night ESPN telecasts to 10-1. Tech has now won its last nine Thursday appearances on the network.
- Tight end **Jeff King** (Pulaski, Va.) hauled in a 35-yard touchdown pass during the game, the longest reception of his Tech career. King has three TD catches on the year, the most for a Tech tight end in a season since Greg Daniels had four in 1990.
- Another Tech tight end, Jared Mazzetta (Flemington, N.J.), joined King with a touchdown reception. It was Mazzetta's first TD catch as a Hokie. The last time Tech had two tight ends catch touchdown passes in the same game was in 1994, when Kevin Martin and Bryan Jennings accomplished the feat against Arkansas State.
- Rover James Griffin (Memphis, Tenn.) and linebackers **Xavier Adibi** (Hampton, Va.) and **James Anderson** (Chesapeake, Va.) each posted their first collegiate interceptions during the game with the Terps.

Saturday, Nov. 27, 2004 • Lane Stadium/Worsham Field • Blacksburg, Va. • Att.: 65,115

Hokies Regain Commonwealth Cup with 24-10 Win

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Virginia Tech quarterback Bryan Randall tossed two second-half touchdown passes to Josh Hyman and the Tech defense contributed a key goal-line stand

as the Hokies defeated state-rival Virginia 24-10 for their seventh straight victory.

Randall gave Tech a 10-7 lead with a 45-yard TD pass to Hyman

with just over five minutes left in the third quarter. Virginia responded with a 17-play drive to the Tech one, but the Hokies' defense held the Cavs on three straight cracks at the end zone to force a game-tying field goal.

The Randall-Hyman connection clicked again in the fourth quarter — this time from 32 yards — to put Tech on top for good. Tailback Cedric Humes extended the lead

with a 37-yard touchdown burst at the 5:08 mark and the defense sealed the victory by forcing a fumble on Virginia's final possession.

The Hokies also made some big plays during a scoreless first half. Senior defensive tackle Jim Davis blocked a Virginia field goal attempt on the Cavaliers' first possession, and later in the quarter, cornerback Jimmy

Williams saved a touchdown when he caught UVA tailback Alvin Pearman from behind on a 78-yard run. Two plays later, Tech recovered a Virginia fumble at the 8-yard line.

Jim Davis (far left) blocked a FG attempt in the first quarter and Josh Hyman caught two TD passes to help lift the Hokies over the 'Hoos 24-10.



Game Notes

- Jim Davis (Highland Springs, Va.) picked up his third blocked field goal of the season on the opening drive, blocking a 45-yard attempt.
- With a 12-yard completion to **Jeff King** (Pulaski, Va.) in the fourth quarter, Bryan Randall (Williamsburg, Va.) passed Don Strock (6,009 yds., 1970-72) and broke a 32-year-old school record for career passing yards.
- The 0-0 halftime tie was the first game Tech had played where neither team scored in the first half since a 1990 game at Georgia Tech. The Yellow Jackets went on to win that game, 6-3, with all nine points scored coming in the fourth quarter.
- **Josh Hyman's** (Chesapeake, Va.) 45-yard catch for a touchdown was a career long, passing his 42-yarder against Western Michigan earlier this year. He finished with four catches for a career-high 93 yards and two touchdowns.
- Tech trailed 7-0 in the third quarter and came back for the win. It marked the fourth time this season Tech has trailed and come back to win. The Hokies also trailed 7-0 to Duke (41-17), 14-0 at Georgia Tech (34-20) and 10-7 at North Carolina (27-24).

Virginia	0	0	7	3	—	10
Virginia Tech	0	0	10	14	—	24

UVA (10:24 re 3rd) - Pearman 32 pass from Hagans (Hughes kick)
 VT (7:20 re 3rd) - FG Pace 31
 VT (5:41 re 3rd) - Hyman 45 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
 UVA (13:03 re 4th) - FG Hughes 19
 VT (9:52 re 4th) - Hyman 32 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
 VT (5:08 re 4th) - Humes 37 run (Pace kick)

Team Stats	UVA	VT
First downs	14	19
Rushes-yds.	46-188	40-147
Passing yds.	111	200
Return yds.	16	18
Passes	8-14-0	16-22-0
Punts-avg.	7-37.3	6-43.0
Fumbles-lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties-yds.	6-62	9-48
Time of poss.	31:34	28:26
Sacks by	2-12	3-10

Individual Leaders
Rushing — UVA, Pearman 28-147, Hagans 13-27, Lundy 4-9, Snelling 1-5; VT, Humes 15-95, Randall 11-30, Imoh 7-22, Hamilton 4-8, Team 3-(-8).
Passing — UVA, Hagans 8-14-0-111; VT, Randall 16-22-0-200.
Receiving — UVA, Miller 2-35, Mines 2-16, Pearman 1-32, Williams 1-18, McGrew 1-8, Santi 1-2; VT, Hyman 4-93, Morgan 3-33, King 3-24, Royal 2-21, Clowney 2-17, Mazzetta 2-12.

Saturday, Dec. 4, 2004 • Orange Bowl • Miami, Fla. • Att.: 62,205

Tech Wins ACC Title with 16-10 Victory at Orange Bowl

MIAMI, Fla. — Quarterback Bryan Randall and a stout Virginia Tech defense proved to be too much for No. 9 Miami as the Hokies captured the Atlantic Coast Conference football championship and a BCS bid in their first year in the league with a 16-10 victory at the Orange Bowl.

Randall broke a 10-10 tie with a 39-yard touchdown strike to freshman receiver Eddie Royal with 11:29 remaining in the

game. Tech left the door open for the Hurricanes when the extra point kick was blocked, but the Hokie defense slammed it shut. Miami managed just two first downs during its last three possessions. The Canes' hopes ended when Tech defensive linemen Jim Davis and Darryl Tapp combined to knock down three consecutive pass attempts. Davis got the first two on second and third down at the Miami 20, then Tapp deflected the

final attempt to give the Hokies possession with 57 seconds left.

Tailback Cedric Humes played a big role for the Tech offense, as did tight end Jeff King. Humes rushed for 110 yards on a career-high 27 carries, while King hauled in three catches, including one for a touchdown and another for a key first

down with just over two minutes left. Randall completed 11-of-18 passes for 148 yards and added 34 yards rushing.

Miami, which converted just one of 12 third-down situations, was held to just 190 yards of offense and seven first downs during the game. Tech finished with 297 total yards.



Eric Green's interception in the first quarter (left) thwarted an early Hurricane scoring opportunity, and Cedric Humes (above) churned out 110 yards rushing to help the Hokies beat Miami and claim the ACC title.

Game Notes

- True freshman **Josh Morgan** (Baltimore, Md.) earned his first collegiate start Saturday, starting alongside true freshman **Eddie Royal** (Herndon, Va.). Morgan started at split end while Royal started at flanker. Morgan started in place of the injured **Josh Hyman** (Chesapeake, Va.), who had started all 11 games this year.
- Eric Green (Clewiston, Fla.) picked up his first interception of the season and the eighth of his career in the first quarter, picking off a Brock Berlin pass on fourth down.
- With the 45-yard field goal by **Brandon Pace** (Virginia Beach, Va.), he now has made 21 field goals this season. The school record is 22 field goals in a season, set by Chris Kinzer in 1986 and tied by Shayne Graham in 1998. He also has 105 points on the season, three away from a new school record for points in a season by a kicker (107, Graham, 1999).

Virginia Tech	0	10	0	6	—	16
Miami	0	7	3	0	—	10

- VT (13:46 re 2nd) - King 3 pass from Randall (Pace kick)
- UM (8:20 re 2nd) - Moss 2 run (Peattie kick)
- VT (0:00 re 2nd) - FG Pace 45
- UM (7:59 re 3rd) - FG Peattie 23
- VT (11:29 re 4th) - Royal 39 pass from Randall (kick blocked)

Team Stats	VT	UM
First Downs	15	7
Rushes-yds.	48-149	22-51
Passing yds.	148	139
Return yds.	16	19
Passes	11-18-0	16-31-1
Punts-avg.	8-34.1	8-41.1
Fumbles-lost	2-2	2-1
Penalties-yds.	7-50	8-75
Time of poss.	34:30	25:30
Sacks by	3-21	5-37

- Individual Leaders**
- Rushing** — VT, Humes 27-110, Randall 13-34, Hamilton 3-11, Team 2-(-2), Imoh 3-(-4); UM, Gore 13-46, T. Moss 4-14, S. Moss 1-2, Berlin 4-(-11).
- Passing** — VT, Randall 11-18-0-148; UM, Berlin 16-31-1-139.
- Receiving** — VT, Clowney 4-54, King 3-26, Royal 2-44, Mazzetta 1-22, Allen 1-2; UM, Humphrey 3-42, Parrish 3-15, Moore 2-22, Gore 2-18, Everett 2-13, Hill 1-9, S. Moss 1-8, Leggett 1-6, Ortega 1-6.

All-Star Hokies

Xavier Adibi

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ACC Player of the Year
ACC Offensive Player of the Year
ACSMA/AP First-Team All-ACC Quarterback
Dudley Award Winner (state's top player)
All-ACC First Team by Rivals.com

Eddie Royal

Second-Team All-America Utility Man by Rivals.com

Darryl Tapp

ACSMA/AP First-Team All-ACC Defensive Lineman
All-ACC First Team by Rivals.com

Jimmy Williams

SI.com Second-Team All-American
ACSMA/AP First-Team All-ACC Defensive Back
All-ACC First Team by Rivals.com



Frank Beamer

Bryan Randall

Darryl Tapp

Brandon Pace

Jimmy Williams

ACC Standings & Honors

Final 2004 Standings

School	Conference		Overall	
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
Virginia Tech	7-1	.875	10-3	.769
Florida State	6-2	.750	9-3	.750
Miami	5-3	.625	9-3	.750
Virginia	5-3	.625	8-4	.667
North Carolina	5-3	.625	6-6	.500
Georgia Tech	4-4	.500	7-5	.583
Clemson	4-4	.500	6-5	.545
Maryland	3-5	.375	5-6	.455
NC State	3-5	.375	5-6	.455
Wake Forest	1-7	.125	4-7	.364
Duke	1-7	.125	2-9	.182

2004 ACC Individual Awards



Bryan Randall

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR
Calvin Johnson, Georgia Tech

COACH OF THE YEAR
Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech

PLAYER OF THE YEAR
Bryan Randall, Virginia Tech

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR
Bryan Randall, Virginia Tech

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR
Leroy Hill, Clemson



Frank Beamer

2004 All-ACC Football Team Awards

OFFENSE

Quarterback Running Back

Wide Receiver

Tight End Tackle

Guard

Center

First Team

Bryan Randall, Sr., VT (167)
Alvin Pearman, Sr., UVa (181)
Chris Barclay, Jr., WF (163)
Aïrese Currie, Sr., Clem. (152)
Calvin Johnson, Fr., GaT (140)
Heath Miller, Jr., UVa (186)
Alex Barron, Sr., FSU (157)
D'Brickshaw Ferguson, Jr., UVa (106)

Elton Brown, Sr., UVa (196)
C.J. Brooks, Sr., Md. (118)
Jason Brown, Sr., UNC (133)

DEFENSE

Defensive Line

Linebacker

Defensive Back

First Team

Darryl Tapp, Jr., VT (142)
Shawne Merriman, Jr., Md. (138)
Travis Johnson, Sr., FSU (134)
Mario Williams, So., NCS (107)

D'Qwell Jackson, Jr., Md. (148)
Leroy Hill, Sr., Clem. (143)
Ahmad Brooks, So., UVa (116)

Antrel Rolle, Sr., Miami (160)
Jimmy Williams, Jr., VT (118)
James Butler, Sr., GaT (89)
Antonio Cromartie, So., FSU (78)

Second Team

Brock Berlin, Sr., Miami (100)
Frank Gore, Jr., Miami (87)
Leon Washington, Jr., FSU (83)
Chauncey Stovall, Sr., FSU (125)
Roscoe Parrish, Jr., Miami (113)
Jeff King, Jr., VT (33)
Chris Myers, Sr., Miami (72)
Jon Dunn, Sr., VT (47)

Steve Vallos, So., WF (85)
Kyle Ralph, Jr., UNC (78)
Zac Yarbrough, Sr., UVa (43)

Second Team

Manny Lawson, Jr., NCS (106)
Jim Davis, Sr., VT (82)
Eric Henderson, Jr., GaT (78)
Chauncey Davis, Sr., FSU (67)

Darryl Blackstock, Jr., UVa (113)
Gerris Wilkinson, Jr., GaT (79)
Ernie Sims, So., FSU (68)

John Talley, So., Duke (73)
Eric King, Sr., WF (64)
Bryant McFadden, Sr., FSU (58)
Domonique Foxworth, Sr., Md. (57)

Honorable Mention

Darian Durant, Sr., UNC (32)
Chad Scott, Sr., UNC (32)

Ray Willis, Sr., FSU (46)
Jimmy Martin, Jr., VT (43)
Willie McNeill, Sr., UNC (38)
Cedric Johnson, Sr., Clem. (65)
Leroy Harris, So., NCS (48)
Will Montgomery, Jr., VT (37)
Joel Rodriguez, Sr., Miami (37)

Honorable Mention

Orien Harris, Jr., Miami (55)
Andrew Hoffman, Sr., UVa (50)
Baraka Atkins, So., Miami (43)
Eric Moore, Sr., FSU (37)
Jonathan Lewis, Jr., VT (35)
Eric Coleman, Sr., Clem. (34)
Jonathan Abbate, Fr., WF (58)
Chris Reis, Jr., GaT (35)
A.J. Nicholson, Jr., FSU (33)
Roger McIntosh, Jr., Miami (33)
Vincent Fuller, Sr., VT (50)
Tye Hill, Jr., Clem. (50)
Chris Kelley, Sr., Md. (43)
Pat Watkins, Jr., FSU (42)
Justin Miller, Jr., Clem. (57)
Andre Maddox, Sr., NCS (40)
Gerald Sensabaugh, Sr., UNC (35)
Greg Threat, Jr., Miami (33)

SPECIAL TEAMS Placekicker

Punter Specialist

First Team

Brandon Pace, So., VT (135)

Ryan Plackemeier, Jr., WF (153)
Devin Hester, So., Miami (158)

Second Team

Travis Bell, Fr., GaT (66)

Adam Podlesh, So., Md. (111)
Justin Miller, Jr., Clem. (101)

Honorable Mention

Connor Barth, Fr., UNC (47)
Nick Novak, Sr., Md. (47)

2004-05 Bowl Result Summary

Dec. 21	Champs Sports Bowl	Orlando, Fla.	Georgia Tech 51, Syracuse 14..... Daniels rushes for 199 yards; Tech totals 514 yards
Dec. 27	MPC Computers Bowl	Boise, Idaho	Fresno State 37, Virginia 34 ot Hagans totals 247 yards in overtime loss
Dec. 30	Continental Tire Bowl	Charlotte, N.C.	Boston College 37, North Carolina 24 Durant throws for 259 yards & 3 TDs
Dec. 31	Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl	Atlanta, Ga.	Miami 27, Florida 10 Hurricanes score two special teams touchdowns
Jan. 1	Toyota Gator Bowl	Jacksonville, Fla.	Florida State 30, West Virginia 18..... Washington & Booker total 296 yards rushing
Jan. 3	Nokia Sugar Bowl	New Orleans, La.	Auburn 16, Virginia Tech 13 Randall throws for 299 yards and two TDs

2004 Final ACC Statistics

RUSHING	NCAA	G	Att	Yds	Avg	Long	TD	PG
Leon Washington, Jr., FSU	29	10	138	951	6.9	69	7	95.1
Chris Barclay, Jr., WF	33	11	243	1010	4.2	50	9	91.8
Alvin Pearman, Sr., UVa	45	12	195	1037	5.3	78	10	86.4
Frank Gore, Jr., Miami	59	12	197	945	4.8	44	8	78.8
T.A. McLendon, Jr., NCS	64	10	167	770	4.6	41	6	77.0
Lorenzo Booker, So., FSU	67	12	173	887	5.1	53	4	73.9
Chad Scott, Sr., UNC	74	11	143	796	5.6	48	8	72.4
Wali Lundy, Jr., UVa	77	12	175	864	4.9	44	17	72.0
Mike Imoh, Jr., VT	77	10	158	720	4.6	47	6	72.0
Reggie Merriweather, So., Clem.	96	10	136	670	4.9	62	11	67.0
Sammy Maldonado, Sr., Md.	11	138	560	4.1	40	5	50.9	
Jacque Lewis, Sr., UNC	11	74	557	7.5	53	3	50.6	
Josh Allen, Jr., Md.	11	144	533	3.7	28	5	48.5	
Rashaun Grant, Fr., GaT	10	94	425	4.5	33	0	42.5	
Cedric Humes, Jr., VT	13	130	605	4.7	37	5	46.5	

ALL PURPOSE YARDS	NCAA	G	Rush	Rec	P Ret	KO Ret	Yards	PG
Alvin Pearman, Sr., UVa	11	12	1037	402	314	185	1938	161.5
Leon Washington, Jr., FSU	58	10	951	90	3	81	1125	112.5
Mike Imoh, Jr., VT	74	10	720	4	50	256	1030	103.0
Chris Barclay, Jr., WF	75	11	1010	118	0	0	1128	102.5
Airese Currie, Sr., Clem.	85	11	8	868	0	212	1088	98.9
Justin Miller, Jr., Clem.	11	2	0	339	661	1002	92.4	
Eddie Royal, Fr., VT	12	11	470	274	346	1101	91.8	

PUNTING	NCAA	G	Punt	Yds	Long	Avg
Ryan Plackemeier, Jr., WF	8	11	64	2809	69	43.9
Adam Podlesh, So., Md.	10	11	63	2755	70	43.7
Chris Hall, Jr., FSU	35	12	67	2820	61	42.1
John Deraney, So., NCS	38	11	60	2514	62	41.9
David Wooldridge, So., UNC	46	11	48	2003	60	41.7
Brian Monroe, So., Miami	52	12	64	2635	67	41.2
Vinnie Burns, Sr., VT	64	12	57	2296	60	40.3

TOTAL OFFENSE	NCAA	G	Rush	Pass	Total	Plays	Per Play	PG
Brock Berlin, Sr., Miami	45	12	-53	2680	2627	390	6.7	218.9
Bryan Randall, Sr., VT	51	13	511	2264	2775	442	6.3	213.5
Reggie Ball, So., GaT	55	12	332	2147	2479	460	5.4	206.6
Darian Durant, Sr., UNC	57	12	188	2238	2426	380	6.4	202.2
Marques Hagans, Jr., UVa	58	12	394	2024	2418	338	7.2	201.5

PUNT RETURN AVG	NCAA	G	Ret	Yds	TD	Avg
Darrell Blackman, Fr., NCS	3	10	12	214	1	17.8
Devin Hester, So., Miami	6	12	19	326	3	17.2
Roscoe Parrish, Jr., Miami	8	12	20	324	2	16.2
Willie Reid, Jr., FSU	19	11	38	522	0	13.7
Justin Miller, Jr., Clem.	21	11	26	339	1	13.0
Alvin Pearman, Sr., UVa	37	12	28	314	1	11.2
Eddie Royal, Fr., VT	39	12	25	274	0	11.0

SCORING	NCAA	G	TD	XPT	FG	2XP	PG
Wali Lundy, Jr., UVa	18	12	17	0	0	0	8.5
Brandon Pace, So., VT	23	13	0	43-44	21-27	0	8.2
Connor Hughes, Jr., UVa	33	12	0	42-45	17-24	0	7.8
Jon Peattie, So., Miami	38	12	0	45-45	15-24	0	7.5
Reggie Merriweather, So., Clem.	76	10	11	0	0	0	6.6
Xavier Beitia, Sr., FSU	91	12	0	29-29	16-25	0	6.4
Connor Barth, Fr., UNC	91	12	0	35-37	14-18	0	6.4
Travis Bell, Fr., GaT	96	12	0	31-31	15-17	0	6.3
Nick Novak, Sr., Md.	96	11	0	21-21	16-22	0	6.3
John Deraney, So., NCS	11	0	29-29	13-22	0	6.2	

INTERCEPTIONS PG	NCAA	G	Int	Yds	TD	PG
Jimmy Williams, Jr., VT	30	13	5	81	1	0.38
John Talley, So., Duke	33	11	4	172	2	0.36
Pat Watkins, Jr., FSU	51	12	4	63	0	0.33
Antonio Cromartie, So., FSU	51	12	4	40	1	0.33
Devin Hester, So., Miami	51	12	4	28	0	0.33
Marcus Hamilton, So., UVa	51	12	4	-2	0	0.33

FIELD GOALS PG	NCAA	G	FG	FGA	Pct.	PG
Brandon Pace, So., VT	10	13	21	27	0.778	1.62
Nick Novak, Sr., Md.	16	11	16	22	0.727	1.45
Connor Hughes, Jr., UVa	18	12	17	24	0.708	1.42
Xavier Beitia, Sr., FSU	22	12	16	25	0.640	1.33
Travis Bell, Fr., GaT	31	12	15	17	0.882	1.25

2004 ACC Defensive Stats

TACKLES	NCAA	G	Solo	Ast	Total	PG
D'Qwell Jackson, Jr., Md.	11	11	63	60	123	11.2
Gerris Wilkinson, Jr., GaT	24	12	53	66	119	9.9
Greg Threat, Jr., Miami	12	57	53	110	9.2	
Jonathan Abbate, Fr., WF	11	59	41	100	9.1	
Leroy Hill, Sr., Clem.	11	47	51	98	8.9	
Roger McIntosh, Jr., Miami	10	37	52	89	8.9	
Alex Green, Sr., Duke	11	53	40	93	8.5	
Shawne Merriman, Jr., Md.	11	53	32	85	7.7	
Chris Kelley, Sr., Md.	11	45	40	85	7.7	
James Butler, Sr., GaT	12	56	35	91	7.6	
Ahmad Brooks, So., UVa	12	41	49	90	7.5	
Giuseppe Aguanno, Sr., Duke	11	32	50	82	7.5	
A.J. Nicholson, Jr., FSU	12	39	49	88	7.3	
Ernie Sims, So., FSU	12	41	45	86	7.2	
Brendan Dewan, Jr., Duke	11	30	46	76	6.9	
Dawan Landry, Jr., GaT	12	45	36	81	6.8	
William Kershaw, Jr., Md.	11	38	36	74	6.7	
Kai Parham, So., UVa	12	33	47	80	6.7	
Tony Franklin, So., UVa	12	53	25	78	6.5	
Gerald Sensabaugh, Sr., UNC	12	59	19	78	6.5	
Josh Gattis, So., WF	11	50	21	71	6.5	
Oliver Hoyte, Jr., NCS	11	31	39	70	6.4	
Anthony Waters, So., Clem.	11	25	44	69	6.3	
Tavares Gooden, So., Miami	11	28	40	68	6.2	
Jerome Carter, Sr., FSU	12	40	34	74	6.2	
Anthony Reddick, Fr., Miami	11	37	30	67	6.1	
Pat Thomas, Sr., NCS	11	33	34	67	6.1	
Tommy Richardson, Jr., UNC	11	39	28	67	6.1	
Jamaal Fudge, Jr., Clem.	11	37	29	66	6.0	
Chris Reis, Jr., GaT	12	29	41	70	5.8	
Travis Pugh, Sr., Clem.	11	34	30	64	5.8	
Malcolm Ruff, Jr., Duke	10	26	31	57	5.7	
Karen Taylor, So., UNC	12	36	31	67	5.6	
Brad White, Sr., WF	10	40	15	55	5.5	
Mikal Baaqee, Sr., VT	13	30	41	71	5.5	
Dennis Haley, Sr., UVa	12	31	33	64	5.3	
Brian Greene, Jr., Duke	10	20	32	52	5.2	
Caron Bracy, Sr., WF	11	36	21	57	5.2	
Jacoby Watkins, So., UNC	12	47	14	61	5.1	
Marquis Weeks, Sr., UVa	12	36	24	60	5.0	
Buster Davis, So., FSU	12	28	32	60	5.0	
Vince Hall, Fr., VT	13	21	43	64	4.9	
Tramaine Billie, So., Clem.	11	28	26	54	4.9	
Meriweather, B., So., Miami	12	32	26	58	4.8	
Antrel Rolle, Sr., Miami	12	37	21	58	4.8	
John Talley, So., Duke	11	32	21	53	4.8	
David Holloway, So., Md.	11	29	24	53	4.8	
Warren Braxton, Sr., WF	11	35	17	52	4.7	
Marcus Hudson, Jr., NCS	11	32	20	52	4.7	
Stephen Tulloch, So., NCS	11	23	29	52	4.7	

QB SACKS	NCAA	G	Pos	Solo	Ast	Yds	PG
Darryl Blackstock, Jr., UVa	11	12	LB	10	1	62	0.88
Leroy Hill, Sr., Clem.	15	11	LB	8	1	71	0.77
Shawne Merriman, Jr., Md.	15	11	DE	8	1	47	0.77
Chris Reis, Jr., GaT	28	12	LB	6	4	66	0.67
Darryl Tapp, Jr., VT	13	DE	8	1	54	0.65	

TACKLES FOR LOSS	NCAA	G	Pos	Solo	Ast	Yds	PG
Leroy Hill, Sr., Clem.	8	11	LB	14	7	93	1.59
Shawne Merriman, Jr., Md.	11	11	DE	15	4	87	1.55
Travis Johnson, Sr., FSU	15	12	DT	13	10	47	1.50
Gerris Wilkinson, Jr., GaT	21	12	LB	9	16	69	1.42
Darryl Tapp, Jr., VT	13	DE	13	7	82	1.27	
Chris Reis, Jr., GaT	12	12	LB	9	12	88	1.25

PASSES DEFENDED	NCAA	G	Brup	Int	Total	Avg/G
John Talley, So., Duke	3	11	14	4	18	1.64
Tye Hill, Jr., Clem.	3	11	18	0	18	1.64
Jimmy Williams, Jr., VT	12	13	14	5	19	1.46
Eric King, Sr., WF	28	10	11	1	12	1.20
Gerrick McPhearson, Jr., Md.	11	11	0	0	11	1.00
Jamaal Fudge, Jr., Clem.	11	8	3	3	11	1.00
Lamont Reid, Sr., NCS	11	10	1	1	11	1.00

2004 Final Team Rankings

TOTAL OFFENSE	NCAA	G	Rush	Pass	Plays	Yards	PP	TD	PG
Virginia	24	12	2914	2167	834	5081	6.1	43	423.4
North Carolina	43	12	2115	2573	775	4688	6.0	37	390.7
Florida State	61	12	1944	2526	862	4470	5.2	30	372.5
Virginia Tech	65	13	2317	2435	871	4752	5.5	42	365.5
Miami	66	12	1572	2812	792	4384	5.5	38	365.3
Wake Forest	76	11	2267	1597	770	3864	5.0	24	351.3
NC State	78	11	1617	2222	778	3839	4.9	27	349.0
Georgia Tech	80	12	1947	2210	832	4157	5.0	28	346.4
Maryland	108	11	1315	1963	755	3278	4.3	20	298.0
Clemson	110	11	1183	2069	736	3252	4.4	22	295.6
Duke	117	11	1035	1885	700	2920	4.2	17	265.5

RUSHING OFFENSE	NCAA	G	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	PG
Virginia	9	12	550	2914	5.3	78	34	242.8
Wake Forest	17	11	527	2267	4.3	50	18	206.1
Virginia Tech	32	13	552	2317	4.2	47	18	178.2
North Carolina	35	12	436	2115	4.9	53	19	176.2
Georgia Tech	49	12	486	1947	4.0	56	11	162.2
Florida State	50	12	460	1944	4.2	69	19	162.0
NC State	68	11	435	1617	3.7	41	15	147.0
Miami	79	12	422	1572	3.7	44	16	131.0
Maryland	92	11	450	1315	2.9	40	12	119.5
Clemson	100	11	381	1183	3.1	62	15	107.5
Duke	109	11	386	1035	2.7	83	7	94.1

PASS OFFENSE	NCAA	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	Avg	TD	PG
Miami	43	12	370	207	6	55.9	2812	7.6	22	234.3
North Carolina	57	12	339	202	11	59.6	2573	7.6	18	214.4
Florida State	63	12	402	215	15	53.5	2526	6.3	11	210.5
NC State	71	11	343	191	16	55.7	2222	6.5	12	202.0
Clemson	78	11	355	178	17	50.1	2069	5.8	7	188.1
Virginia Tech	80	13	319	179	9	56.1	2435	7.6	24	187.3
Georgia Tech	86	12	346	169	18	48.8	2210	6.4	17	184.2
Virginia	91	12	284	179	5	63.0	2167	7.6	9	180.6
Maryland	93	11	305	161	16	52.8	1963	6.4	8	178.5
Duke	98	11	314	180	11	57.3	1885	6.0	10	171.4
Wake Forest	109	11	243	128	7	52.7	1597	6.6	6	145.2

SCORING OFFENSE	NCAA	G	TD	XP	2XP	DXP	FG	Saf	Pts	PG
Miami	21	12	48	47-47	0	0	15-24	0	380	31.7
Virginia Tech	25	13	48	45-46	1-2	0	21-27	1	400	30.8
Virginia	27	12	45	42-45	0	0	17-24	0	363	30.2
North Carolina	50	12	40	35-37	1-3	0	14-18	0	319	26.6
Florida State	57	12	33	33-33	0	0	23-34	1	302	25.2
NC State	73	11	32	29-29	2-3	0	13-22	0	264	24.0
Georgia Tech	85	12	31	31-31	0	0	15-19	1	264	22.0
Clemson	90	11	27	23-25	1-2	0	15-20	2	236	21.5
Wake Forest	93	11	29	29-29	0	0	9-17	0	230	20.9
Maryland	109	11	21	21-21	0	0	16-22	0	195	17.7
Duke	112	11	21	18-19	0-2	0	13-19	0	183	16.6

PASS EFFICIENCY	G	Att	Cmp	Pct	Int	Yds	TD	Effic
Virginia Tech	13	319	179	.561	9	2435	24	139.4
Miami	12	370	207	.559	6	2812	22	136.2
North Carolina	12	339	202	.596	11	2573	18	134.4
Virginia	12	284	179	.630	5	2167	9	134.1
NC State	11	343	191	.557	16	2222	12	112.3
Duke	11	314	180	.573	11	1885	10	111.3
Wake Forest	11	243	128	.527	7	1597	6	110.3
Georgia Tech	12	346	169	.488	18	2210	17	108.3
Florida State	12	402	215	.535	15	2526	11	107.8
Maryland	11	305	161	.528	16	1963	8	105.0
Clemson	11	355	178	.501	17	2069	7	96.0

RUSHING DEF.	NCAA	G	Rush	Yards	Avg.	TD	PG	K.O. RET	NCAA	G	Ret	Yds	Long	TD	Avg
Florida State	3	12	418	997	2.4	5	83.1	Virginia	2	12	35	932	100	1	26.6
NC State	9	11	429	1126	2.6	6	102.4	Clemson	3	11	34	920	97	2	26.3
Georgia Tech	13	12	405	1255	3.1	13	104.6	Virginia Tech	15	13	31	726	48	0	23.4
Virginia Tech	21	13	462	1498	3.2	8	115.2	NC State	16	11	25	585	74	1	23.4
Virginia	24	12	413	1417	3.4	10	118.1	Georgia Tech	33	12	30	653	46	0	21.8
Clemson	41	11	466	1492	3.2	15	135.6	Duke	36	11	51	1101	94	1	21.6
Maryland	56	11	471	1574	3.3	14	143.1	Maryland	39	11	30	637	52	0	21.2
Miami	67	12	486	1860	3.8	11	155.0	North Carolina	51	12	49	1006	46	0	20.5
Wake Forest	68	11	425	1737	4.1	12	157.9	Florida State	56	12	31	629	61	0	20.3
North Carolina	109	12	501	2621	5.2	31	218.4	Miami	80	12	33	625	100	1	18.9
Duke	113	11	496	2483	5.0	21	225.7	Wake Forest	106	11	38	676	43	0	17.8

T.O. MARGIN	NCAA	G	Fum	Int	Tot	Fum	Int	Tot	Mar	Per/G
Miami	5	12	14	13	27	7	6	13	14	1.17
Virginia Tech	9	13	13	19	32	10	9	19	13	1.00
Wake Forest	18	11	9	11	20	6	7	13	7	0.64
Florida State	19	12	13	16	29	7	15	22	7	0.58
Virginia	25	12	7	9	16	5	5	10	6	0.50
Duke	49	11	11	15	26	13	11	24	2	0.18
North Carolina	85	12	7	8	15	8	11	19	-4	-0.33
Clemson	100	11	5	11	16	7	17	24	-8	-0.73
Maryland	102	11	10	6	16	9	16	25	-9	-0.82
Georgia Tech	109	12	7	10	17	12	18	30	-13	-1.08
NC State	114	11	6	9	15	16	16	32	-17	-1.55

TOTAL DEFENSE	NCAA	G	Rush	Pass	Plys	Yards	Avg	TD	PG
NC State	1	11	1126	1309	701	2435	3.5	18	221.4
Virginia Tech	4	13	1498	1986	794	3484	4.4	16	268.0
Florida State	7	12	997	2409	798	3406	4.3	13	283.8
Georgia Tech	12	12	1255	2320	800	3575	4.5	25	297.9
Virginia	18	12	1417	2337	746	3754	5.0	25	312.8
Maryland	21	11	1574	1894	763	3468	4.5	21	315.3
Clemson	26	11	1492	2108	825	3600	4.4	25	327.3
Miami	28	12	1860	2077	822	3937	4.8	24	328.1
Wake Forest	71	11	1737	2588	795	4325	5.4	28	393.2
Duke	100	11	2483	2208	773	4691	6.1	34	426.5
North Carolina	109	12	2621	2737	862	5358	6.2	45	446.5

PASS DEFENSE	NCAA	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	Avg	TD	PG
NC State	2	11	272	118	9	43.4	1309	4.8	12	119.0
Virginia Tech	4	13	332	180	19	54.2	1986	6.0	8	152.8
Maryland	8	11	292	141	6	48.3	1894	6.5	7	172.2
Miami	9	12	336	170	13	50.6	2077	6.2	13	173.1
Clemson	23	11	359	183	11	51.0	2108	5.9	10	191.6
Georgia Tech	24	12	395	215	10	54.4	2320	5.9	12	193.3
Virginia	27	12	333	202	9	60.7	2337	7.0	15	194.8
Duke	36	11	277	162	15	58.5	2208	8.0	13	200.7
Florida State	37	12	380	204	16	53.7	2409	6.3	8	200.8
North Carolina	77	12	361	222	8	61.5	2737	7.6	14	228.1
Wake Forest	84	11	370	205	11	55.4	2588	7.0	16	235.3

SCORING DEFENSE	NCAA	G	TD	XP	2XP	DXP	FG	Saf	Pts	Avg
Virginia Tech	2	13	18	17-17	0-1	0	14-22	0	167	12.8
Florida State	4	12	18	14-16	0-1	0	15-21	1	169	14.1
Miami	13	12	25	24-25	0	0	10-21	0	204	17.0
Virginia	17	12	26	22-23	2-3	0	10-14	1	212	17.7
Georgia Tech	21	12	28	23-25	2-3	0	10-21	1	227	18.9
NC State	25	11	23	23-23	0	0	19-25	0	218	19.8
Maryland	27	11	26	22-23	2-3	0	12-23	1	220	20.0
Clemson	29	11	26	25-25	0	0	16-18	0	229	20.8
Wake Forest	41	11	30	27-27	2-3	0	14-25	1	253	23.0
Duke	78	11	37	34-37	0	0	22-26	0	322	29.3
North Carolina	92	12	48	45-47	1-1	0	15-20	1	382	31.8

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Virginia Tech	13	332	180	19	54.2	1986	8	101.0
Clemson	11	359	183	11	51.0	2108	10	103.4
Florida State	12	380	204	16	53.7	2409	8	105.5
Maryland	11	292	141	6	48.3	1894	7	106.6
Miami	12	336	170	13	50.6	2077	13	107.6
Georgia Tech	12	395	215	10	54.4	2320	12	108.7
Wake Forest	11	370	205	11	55.4			

Football Grants-in-Aid

Tech Signs Seven All-Americans, and Four of the State's Top Five

Four of the state's top five players, as well as seven 2005 prep All-Americans, highlight a football recruiting class composed of 25 student-athletes who signed grants-in-aid with Virginia Tech.

"I am really excited about the athletic ability of this class, but I am just as impressed with the quality of people that we have in this class," head coach Frank Beamer said.

Tech picked up one of its strongest in-state classes in recent years. Highlighting the class is Virginia's consensus No. 1 player Victor "Macho" Harris from Highland Springs, who was named a *PARADE* All-American, is ranked the No. 2 corner in the nation by collegefootballnews.com and is

the No. 3 athlete in the nation by rivals.com. Tech also picked up the Nos. 2, 4 and 5 players in the state, according to *The Roanoke Times*. Elan Lewis comes in at No. 2 and is ranked the No. 12 running back in the nation by rivals.com. The Phoebus High product rushed for 4,795 yards and 75 touchdowns his final two seasons. Hard-hitting linebacker Deveon Simmons from Virginia Beach checks in at No. 4. The two-time Beach District Defensive Player of the Year and all-state selection led his team to the Virginia AAA Group 6 state championship this year and is ranked the No. 8 outside linebacker in the country by rivals.com. Quarterback Greg Boone, from Chesapeake's Oscar Smith High,

rounds out the state's top five. He is listed as the No. 15 quarterback in the nation after throwing for 1,285 yards and rushing for 949 yards his final season.

"Over the last few years, we have been able to get a lot of the top 10 players in the state, and this year we are especially pleased to get four of the top five," Beamer said. "I've always said if we get the best kids in the state of Virginia, we will always be able to compete at a high level."

Tech also got big commitments from several out-of-state players. Northwest High star Ike Whitaker (Germantown, Md., 6-4, 200) is ranked the No. 3 dual-threat quarterback in the nation by rivals.com and the No.

4 player in the Mid-Atlantic region by *SuperPrep*. He was named *The Washington Post's* Offensive Player of the Year after completing 157-of-262 passes for a school-record 2,586 yards and 28 touchdowns. He also ran for 432 yards and 10 scores his senior year. Tech also signed a standout from the Palmetto State in defensive end Hivera Green (pronounced Javier). Green, from Conway High in Conway, S.C., is ranked the No. 32 defensive lineman in the country and the No. 5 player in the state by *SuperPrep*.

Boone, Green, Harris, Lewis, Simmons and Whitaker are the six *SuperPrep* All-Americans to sign with Tech. Defensive end Steven Friday (6-4, 215), from

Virginia Tech's 2004 Football Recruiting Class

Name	Position	Hgt.	Wgt.	Last School	Hometown
Greg Boone	Quarterback	6-4	240	Oscar Smith	Chesapeake, Va.
Brent Bowden	Punter	6-2	180	Westfield	Chantilly, Va.
Jahre Cheeseman	Athlete	5-9	180	Eastern	Voorhees, N.J.
Eric Davis	Offensive Tackle	6-7	315	West Springfield	Lorton, Va.
Steven Friday	Defensive End	6-4	215	Phoebus	Hampton, Va.
Richard Graham	Offensive Tackle	6-6	255	St. Christopher's	Richmond, Va.
Hivera Green	Defensive Tackle	6-5	258	Conway	Conway, S.C.
Victor Harris	Defensive Back	6-0	180	Highland Springs	Highland Springs, Va.
Brandon Holland	Offensive Line	6-4	285	Hargrave	Roanoke, Va.
Kenneth Jefferson	Fullback	5-10	230	DeMatha Catholic	Port Tobacco, Md.
Elan Lewis	Tailback	5-8	210	Phoebus	Hampton, Va.
Cameron Martin	Safety	6-1	180	George Washington (Danville)	Martinsville, Va.
Todd Nolen	Receiver	6-3	175	Hampton	Hampton, Va.
Robert Norris	Offensive Line	6-4	300	DeMatha Catholic	Cheltenham, Md.
Antonio North	Offensive Line	6-4	310	North Stafford	Stafford, Va.
Dorian Porch	Cornerback	5-11	180	Gordon Central	Calhoun, Ga.
Sergio Render	Defensive Tackle	6-4	290	Newnan	Newnan, Ga.
Deveon Simmons	Linebacker	6-0	221	Landstown	Virginia Beach, Va.
Demetrius Taylor	Linebacker	6-1	220	Kellam	Virginia Beach, Va.
Cordarrow Thompson	Defensive Tackle	6-2	318	North Stafford	Stafford, Va.
Stephan Virgil	Cornerback	5-11	165	Rocky Mount	Rocky Mount, N.C.
William Wall	Defensive End	6-3	255	Hargrave	Washington, D.C.
Ed Wang	Tight End	6-5	260	Stone Bridge	Ashburn, Va.
Sam Wheeler	Athlete	6-3	240	Hargrave	Blacksburg, Va.
Ike Whitaker	Quarterback	6-4	200	Northwest	Germantown, Md.

Phoebus High, was also named an All-American by *PrepStar*. Friday is listed as the No. 9 weakside defensive end in the nation by rivals.com and the No. 11 player in the state by *The Roanoke Times*. Whitaker, Simmons and Harris were also named to *PrepStar's* postseason Dream Team - the top 100 players in the nation.

The Hokies signed a total of 13 players from the state of Virginia, 10 of whom are ranked among the state's top 20 players by *The Roanoke Times*. Tech's other signees from Virginia are tight end Ed Wang of Ashburn (#7); safety Cameron Martin of Danville (#13); offensive lineman Antonio North of Stafford (#15); defensive tackle Cordarrow Thompson of Stafford (#18); and linebacker Demetrius Taylor of Virginia Beach (#20). Additionally, Tech signed two big offensive tackles in Eric Davis (6-7, 305) from Springfield, who was named the Sleeper of the Year by *The Roanoke Times*, and 6-6 Richard Graham of Richmond (#66), who was named first-team all-state by VISCA. The Hokies also picked up the first-team all-state punter in Brent Bowden, from Westfield High.

Wang took home the Gatorade State Player of the Year award and is rated the No. 14 tight end in the nation by rivals.com. The Hokies also picked up three prep school players in defensive end William Wall from Washington, D.C., athlete Sam Wheeler from Blacksburg and offensive lineman Brandon Holland from Roanoke. Wall, who was a 2004 *SuperPrep* All-American before going to Hargrave this year, is ranked the No. 17 prep school player in the nation by rivals.com while Wheeler and Holland are ranked Nos. 24 and 25, respectively. Wheeler and Holland both signed with the Hokies in 2004 before going to Hargrave this year.

Martin (6-1, 180) attends George Washington High in Danville and is rated the No. 13 safety in the nation by collegefootballnews.com. North (6-4, 310) goes to North Stafford High and is ranked the No. 23 offensive guard in the nation by rivals.com. North's teammate, Thompson, was named the defensive player of the year by *The Washington Post*, as well as first-team all-state. Taylor (6-1, 220), from Kellam High, is ranked the No. 38 inside linebacker in the nation by rivals.com. All four were named to *PrepStar's* postseason All-Atlantic Region team.

"Before the season started, we put down a number that we planned to recruit at each position, and we came very close to matching numbers exactly," Beamer said. "So we feel like it was a great recruiting class from the standpoint of getting players at the positions we needed."

Virginia Tech also picked up three players from Maryland. In addition to Whitaker, Tech signed DeMatha Catholic teammates in fullback Kenneth Jefferson (5-10, 230) and offensive lineman Robert Norris (6-4, 300). Jefferson is rated the No. 6 fullback in the nation by collegefootballnews.com and the No. 12 player in Maryland by rivals.com. Norris was named to *PrepStar's* postseason All-Atlantic Region team and is ranked the No. 17 player in the Mid-Atlantic region by *SuperPrep*.

Tech also tapped into North Carolina's talent, signing Rocky Mount cornerback Stephan Virgil (5-11, 165), who is ranked the No. 45 safety in the nation by scout.com and the No. 25 player in the state by *SuperPrep*.

The Hokies also inked two players from the Peach State and one from the Garden State. Cornerback Dorian Porch (5-11, 180), from Gordon Central High in Calhoun, Ga., defensive tackle Sergio Render (6-4, 290) from Newnan High in Newnan, Ga., and athlete Jahre Cheeseman (pronounced Jah-ree, 5-9, 180) from Eastern High in Voorhees, N.J., all signed with the Hokies in February. Porch is ranked the No. 46 cornerback in the nation and the No. 36 player in Georgia by rivals.com, totaling 48 tackles and six interceptions his senior year. Render is listed as the No. 7 center in the nation by rivals.com and the No. 22 player in the state of Georgia by scout.com. Both Porch and Render were named to *PrepStar's* postseason All-Southeast Region team. Cheeseman is rated as the No. 9 all-purpose back in the nation and the No. 11 player in New Jersey by rivals.com. He was named to *PrepStar's* postseason All-East Region team.

"This is really the first year we have gone into North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia. This is a good start, but it is an area we plan to work even harder in the future," Beamer said.

For more information on each of Virginia Tech's signees, go to <http://www.hokiesports.com/football/2005recruits/>

2004 Lettermen & Returning Starters

Total Lettermen; 63; Lost 19/Returning 44
(2004 starters in bold; starts in parentheses)

Offense

Lost – 5		Returning – 22
	SE	Josh Hyman (12) #
		Josh Morgan (1)
		Chris Clifton (1)
		Michael Malone
Jared Mazzetta (6) ‡	TE	Jeff King (13)
		Duane Brown
Jon Dunn (13)	OT	Jimmy Martin (13)
James Miller (13)	OG	Jason Murphy (7)
		*Reggie Butler (6)
		Brandon Gore
	C	*Will Montgomery (13)
		Tripp Carroll
Bryan Randall (13)	QB	Sean Glennon
	FB	*John Kinzer (4)
		Jesse Allen (1)
	TB	Mike Imoh (9)
		Cedric Humes (4)
		*Justin Hamilton
Richard Johnson	FL	Eddie Royal (11)
		David Clowney (1)
		Justin Harper
		*Robert Parker

Defense

Lost – 11		Returning – 20
Jason Lallis	E	Darryl Tapp (13)
		Noland Burchette (12)
		Chris Ellis
Jim Davis (12) †	T	Jonathan Lewis (13)
Kevin Lewis		Carlton Powell (1)
Bob Ruff		Tim Sandidge
Brandon Manning	OLB	James Anderson (12)
		Aaron Rouse
Mikal Baaqee (13)	ILB	Vince Hall (12)
Chad Cooper		Xavier Adibi
		Stevie Ray Lloyd
		Brett Warren
		Blake Warren
Eric Green (13)	CB	Jimmy Williams (13)
		Roland Minor (1) **
		Ryan Hash
James Griffin (13)	ROV	Cary Wade
Mike Daniels		Corey Gordon
Vincent Fuller (13)	S	Brenden Hill
		D.J. Parker

Specialists

Lost – 3		Returning – 2
	PK	Brandon Pace (13)
	KO	Jared Develli (13)
	P	
Vinnie Burns (13)	H	
Lance Goff (13)	DS	
Travis Conway (13)		

* - Has changed positions for spring practice.

† - Davis started one game at defensive end.

** - Minor started one game at nickel back.

‡ - Mazzetta started eight games in two tight end set, replacing fullback.

- Hyman started a game at flanker.

Series vs. 2005 Opponents

N.C. State

Tech leads 23-18-4

1900	aW	18-	2
1902	hW	11-	6
1903	hW	21-	0
1906	nW2	6-	0
1908	nL4	5-	6
1909	nW4	18-	5
1910	nL4	3-	5
1911	nW4	3-	0
1914	nW4	3-	0
1916	nW4	40-	0
1917	nT4	7-	7
1918	nW4	25-	0
1919	nL4	0-	3
1920	nL17	6-	14
1921	nW4	7-	3
1922	nW4	24-	0
1923	nW4	16-	0
1924	aL	3-	6
1925	hT	0-	0
1934	nW21	7-	6
1935	nL21	0-	6
1936	aL	0-	13
1937	aL	7-	13
1938	hW	7-	0
1941	nW5	14-	13
1945	aL	0-	6
1946	hW	14-	6
1949	nL4	13-	14
1950	aL	6-	34
1951	hL	14-	19
1954	hW	30-	21
1955	nW6	34-	26
1956	nW4	35-	6
1957	nL1	0-	12
1958	aT	14-	14
1959	nL4	13-	15
1960	aL	14-	29
1963	aL	7-	13
1964	hW	28-	19
1986	nW24	25-	24
1989	aW	25-	23
1990	hW	20-	16
1991	aL	0-	7
1992	hT	13-	13
2004	hL	16-	17

Duke

Duke leads 7-5-0

1937	nL15	0-	25
1938	nL15	0-	18
1948	nL1	0-	7
1949	aL	7-	55
1950	nL5	6-	47
1951	nL4	6-	55
1969	nW4	48-	12
1981	aL	7-	14
1982	aW	22-	21
1983	hW	27-	14
1984	hW	27-	0
2004	hW	41-	17

Ohio

Tech leads 2-0-0

1971	hW	37-	29
1972	aW	53-	21

Georgia Tech

Series tied 1-1-0

1990	aL	3-	6
2004	aW	34-	20

West Virginia

WVU leads 28-21-1

1912	hW	41-	0
1915	aL	0-	19
1916	nL16	0-	20
1917	nL13	3-	27
1952	aL	7-	27
1953	nL6	7-	12
1957	aL	0-	14
1958	nL2	20-	21
1959	aW	12-	0
1960	nW2	15-	0
1961	aL	0-	28
1962	nL2	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
2003	aL	7-	28
2004	hW	19-	13

Marshall

Tech leads 6-2-0

1913	hW	47-	0
1914	hW	54-	6
1939	aL	0-	20
1940	aL	7-	13

1951	nW6	18-	12
1952	nW6	19-	14
1953	nW6	7-	0
2002	hW	47-	21

Maryland

Maryland leads 15-12-0

1919	aW	6-	0
1920	hL	0-	7
1921	aL	7-	10
1922	hW	21-	0
1923	nW18	16-	7
1924	nW18	12-	0
1925	nW18	3-	0
1926	nW4	24-	8
1927	nL4	7-	13
1928	nW4	9-	6
1929	nL4	0-	24
1930	nL4	7-	13
1931	hL	0-	20
1932	aW	23-	0
1933	nW4	14-	0
1934	nL4	9-	14
1935	aL	0-	7
1936	nL1	0-	6
1945	hW	21-	13
1946	aL	0-	6
1947	hL	19-	21
1948	aL	0-	28
1949	hL	7-	34
1950	aL	7-	63
1990	aL	13-	20
1993	hW	55-	28
2004	hW	55-	6

Boston College

Tech leads 8-3-0

1993	aL	34-	48
1994	aW	12-	7
1995	hL	14-	20
1996	aW	45-	7
1997	hW	17-	7
1998	aW	17-	0
1999	hW	38-	14
2000	aW	48-	34
2001	hW	34-	20
2002	aW	28-	23
2003	hL	27-	34

Miami

Miami leads 15-7-0

1953	aL	0-	26
1966	nL26	7-	14
1967	hL	7-	14
1968	aL	8-	13
1974	aL	7-	14
1980	nL24	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
2003	hW	31-	7
2004	aW	16-	10

Virginia

Tech leads 44-37-5

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	nL2	0-	21
1904	nL2	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	nW4	6-	0
1941	nL4	0-	34
1942	nW4	20-	14
1945	nL1	13-	31
1946	nT1	21-	21
1947	nL1	7-	41
1948	nL1	0-	28
1949	nL1	0-	26
1950	nL1	6-	45
1951	nL1	0-	33
1952	nL1	0-	42
1953	aW	20-	6
1954	nW1	6-	0
1955	nW1	17-	13
1956	nW1	14-	7
1957	nL2	7-	38

1958	nW1	22-	13
1959	nW2	40-	14
1960	nW1	40-	6
1961	nW1	20-	0
1962	nW1	20-	15
1963	nW1	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
2003	aL	35-	21
2004	hW	24-	10

UNC

Tech leads 13-9-6

1895	nL9	5-	32
1896	nT10	0-	0
1897	nW10	4-	0
1898	nL5	6-	28
1900	aT	0-	0
1902	nT1	0-	0
1903	nW4	21-	0
1904	hL	0-	6
1905	nW2	35-	6
1906	nT2	0-	0
1907	nW2	20-	6
1908	nW2	10-	0
1909	nW2	15-	0
1910	nW2	20-	0
1911	nT2	0-	0
1912	nW19	26-	0
1913	nW5	14-	7
1916	nW1	14-	7
1918	aW	18-	7
1928	aW	16-	14
1929	aL	13-	38
1930	hL	21-	39
1938	aL	0-	7
1939	nL4	6-	13
1945	nL1	0-	14
1946	aT	14-	14
1998	nL25	3-	42
2004	aW	27-	24

NEUTRAL SITES

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| 1. Roanoke | 10. Danville | 19. Raleigh, N.C. |
| 2. Richmond | 11. Knoxville, Tenn. | 20. Orlando, Fla. |
| 3. Lynchburg | 12. Columbia, S.C. | 21. Portsmouth |
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| 5. Winston-Salem, N.C. | 14. Birmingham, Ala. | 23. Baltimore, Md. |
| 6. Bluefield, W. Va. | 15. Greensboro, N.C. | 24. Atlanta, Ga. |
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| 9. Charlotte, N.C. | 18. Washington, D.C. | |

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Frank Beamer
Head Coach



Billy Hite
Associate Head Coach
and Running Backs Coach



Bud Foster
Defensive Coordinator
and Inside Linebackers Coach



Bryan Stinespring
Offensive Coordinator
and Offensive Line Coach



Jim Cavanaugh
Recruiting Coordinator
and Strong Safety and
Outside Linebackers Coach



Tony Ball
Wide Receivers Coach



Danny Pearman
Tight Ends and
Offensive Tackles Coach



Kevin Rogers
Quarterbacks Coach



Lorenzo Ward
Defensive Backfield Coach



Charley Wiles
Defensive Line Coach

Football Support Staff



John Ballein
Associate A.D. for
Football Operations



Gunnar Brolinson, D.O.
Team
Physician



Diana Clark
Secretary to
Coach Beamer



Steve DeMasi
Graduate
Assistant Coach



Bruce Garnes
Football Operations
Assistant



Mike Gentry
Assistant A.D. for
Athletic Performance



Mike Goforth
Director of
Athletic Training



Jay Johnson
Assistant Director of
Strength & Conditioning



Lester Karlín
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Football Program
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Kristie Verniel
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Dan Wilkinson
Graduate
Assistant Coach

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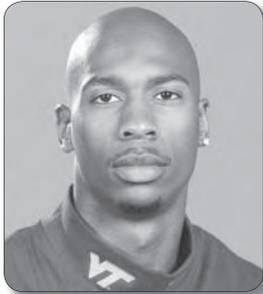
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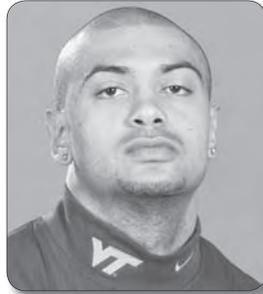
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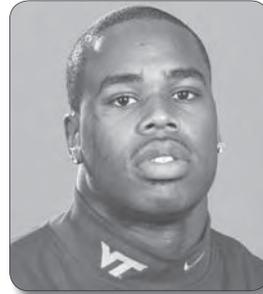
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OG • Norfolk, Va.



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FS • Clintwood, Va.



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20 Mike Imoh
TB • Fairfax, Va.



Greg Kezmarsky
DE • Voorhees, N.J.



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C • Clifton, Va.



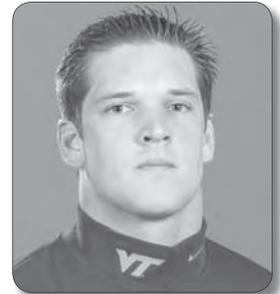
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DT • Madison Heights, Va.



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DE • Chesapeake, Va.



41 Jordan Trott
DE • Torrance, Calif.



24 D.J. Walton
ROV • Woodbridge, Va.



40 Blake Warren
LB • Clifton, Va.



2 Jimmy Williams
CB • Hampton, Va.