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The Game Is On!

That was the mantra echoed by the South Carolina Gamecocks throughout the 2007 football season. The Game is On! is all about rallying the Gamecock Nation as one, raising the standards with a renewed spirit both on and off the field and ultimately competing for championships.

Third-year Head Coach Steve Spurrier made it clear in the preseason that if things broke right, the 2007 South Carolina Gamecocks were capable of being in the hunt for the Eastern Division crown and a shot at the SEC title game late in the season.

Buoyed by Coach Spurrier's confidence, the Gamecock Nation bought into the optimism. Expectations were increased. The bar was raised. The Gamecocks were building the foundation to compete for championships. The Game Is On!

The Gamecocks got the season started off on the right foot with a solid, if not spectacular, 28-14 win over Louisiana-Lafayette. The season lidlifter started with a lot of promise, as South Carolina scored twice in the first six minutes of the game, first on a two-yard pass from Chris Smelley to Andy Boyd, then on a 19-yard pass from Tommy Beecher to Kenny McKinley.

However, Louisiana-Lafayette made sure that this one was not going to be a rout. The Ragin' Cajuns put together a pair of long touchdown drives to even the score at 14 midway through the second quarter. Cory Boyd scored from two yards out with just seconds remaining before halftime to send the Gamecocks into the locker room with a 21-14 advantage.

The second half became more of a defensive struggle. Boyd scored for the second time, this one from four yards out in the third quarter, which proved to be the game's final points. Louisiana-Lafayette tried to rally, but twice was stopped on fourth down inside Carolina's five-yard line. For the 17th time in 18 seasons, Coach Spurrier's team opened with a win, this time by a 28-14 score.

The Gamecocks' SEC opener was set for the next week against 11th-ranked Georgia in Athens. Historically, the team that came out on top in this early season clash would put themselves in position to make a run for the SEC East title.

South Carolina jumped out to an early 7-0 lead after a six-play, 62-yard first-quarter drive. Quarterback Blake Mitchell, making his first start of the season, connected on 3-of-4 passes on the drive, including a 19-yarder to Kenny McKinley, and Cory Boyd finished it off with a nifty nine-yard run into the end zone. Little did anyone realize that this would be the only touchdown scored all day.

The teams exchanged field goals in both the second and third quarters, as Carolina took a 13-6 lead into the final period. Ryan Succop, who was named the SEC Special Teams Player of the Week, converted his third field goal attempt of the day with just over nine minutes remaining, putting the Gamecocks on top by 10.

The Bulldogs drove into South Carolina territory on each of their next two possessions, but settled for field goals both times. Georgia got the ball back at its own 20 with 1:20 remaining, but never seriously threatened, before Carolina linebacker Jasper Brinkley intercepted a Matthew Stafford pass, sealing the 16-12 win.

History was made on September 15 when South Carolina, playing in its 114th season of intercollegiate football, and South Carolina State, playing in its 100th season, met on the gridiron for the first time despite being separated by just 45 miles.

The Bulldogs took an early 3-0 lead when they were handed a first down at the Gamecocks' 12-yard line following a pass interception. That lead was short-lived, however, when USC defensive tackle Nathan Pepper intercepted a pass and ran 19 yards to paydirt, giving the Gamecocks a 7-3 lead, one they would not relinquish. Unfortunately, Pepper suffered a knee injury in the end zone at the end of the play and was lost for the remainder of the season.

Using a solid running game that featured the one-two punch of Cory Boyd (132 yards on just 11 carries) and Mike Davis (102 yards on 16 carries), the Gamecocks ran for 223 of their 408 total yards on the day.

While the offense was rolling up some big yards but shooting themselves in the foot with six turnovers, the defense continued its dominance, holding a team out of the end zone for the second-straight week. When it was over, the 17th-ranked Gamecocks were winners by a convincing 38-3 margin and were 3-0 for the first time in six years.

The fast-rising Gamecocks, up to 12th in the Associated Press poll after being unranked just two weeks prior, traveled to Baton Rouge on September 22 to take on the second-ranked LSU Tigers in a nationally-televised CBS contest.

The Gamecocks drew first blood in a game played at times in a pouring rain. Mitchell drove Carolina to an early lead on its third series of the game, capped by Davis'

one-yard plunge. It was only the second score LSU had given up on the season and was the first time the Tigers trailed in a game in 2007.

As the sloppy field began to take its toll on the passing game, LSU turned to its powerful running attack. The Bayou Bengals racked up 290 rushing yards on the afternoon as they opened up a 28-7 lead after three quarters. The game-changing play came late in the second quarter when the Tigers reached into their bag of tricks and executed a fake field goal to perfection for a 14-point halftime advantage.

To add salt to the wound, the Gamecocks suffered some additional bad news when all-conference linebacker Jasper Brinkley went down early in the game with what turned out to be a season-ending knee injury.

Backup quarterback Chris Smelley replaced a struggling Mitchell in the second half and led the Gamecocks to a pair of fourth-quarter scores, but the Gamecocks were unable to overcome the three-touchdown deficit and the elements, falling for the first time in 2007, 28-16.

The 16th-ranked Gamecocks looked to get back on the winning track on September 29 when they hosted the Mississippi State Bulldogs. Smelley was tabbed the starter at quarterback and responded with a career-best 279 yards passing and a pair of scores, leading the Gamecocks to their fourth win of the season in five tries.

The Bulldogs looked like they had taken the game over in the third quarter after taking a 21-17 lead. However, South Carolina regained the momentum with a special teams play. Defensive lineman Eric Norwood blocked Blake McAdams' punt and one play later, Smelley hit McKinley with a perfect throw and the junior wideout spun out of a tackle and into the end zone for the go-ahead score, his second touchdown reception of the game. Davis scored from two and from 12 yards out in the fourth quarter, giving him a school record-tying three rushing touchdowns on the afternoon, and the Gamecocks came away with a hard-fought 38-21 win.

A shortened week of practice and the high-flying Kentucky Wildcats were next on the slate. The undefeated and eighth-ranked Wildcats, featuring a Heisman Trophy candidate in quarterback Andre Woodson, invaded Columbia for a Thursday night nationally-televised showdown with the 11th-ranked Gamecocks.

While everyone came into the game talking about Kentucky and Woodson, it was Carolina and Norwood on everyone's mind when the game ended. Norwood tied an NCAA mark with two touchdowns on fumble returns, scoring from two and from 53 yards out, helping the surging Gamecocks to an impressive 38-23 win. The victory kept Head Coach Steve Spurrier undefeated in 15 career tries against Kentucky.

Norwood and his teammates held the high-octane UK offense to half of its 46.6 points per game average. South Carolina held a 24-10 advantage early in the third quarter after Norwood's second score, and clung to a 24-16 lead early in the fourth when Smelley hit freshman fullback Patrick DiMarco on a seven-yard scoring pass. After UK narrowed the margin to 31-23 midway through the fourth quarter, Boyd put the game away with a 27-yard touchdown catch and run down the left sideline, securing the Gamecocks' eighth-straight win in the series. The victory vaulted the Gamecocks into the nation's top 10 in the polls for the first time since 2001.



Eric Norwood's blocked punt turned the momentum in the Mississippi State game and propelled the Gamecocks to victory.



The seventh-ranked Gamecocks stepped out of conference to renew an old rivalry the next week when they traveled to Chapel Hill to face the North Carolina Tar Heels. It marked the 55th meeting between the two Carolina schools, but the first since 1991.

Smelley threw a career-high three touchdowns, all in the first half, connecting with Dion Lecorn on a three-yard pass; with Kenny McKinley from 30 yards out; and with Jared Cook from 12 yards away just before intermission, staking the Gamecocks to a 21-3 halftime advantage.



The Gamecock defense held North Carolina to just three points through the first three quarters and held on for a 21-15 win in Chapel Hill.

But the Tar Heels made things interesting late. As the Gamecock offense struggled to move the chains in the second half, North Carolina scored two fourth-quarter touchdowns to make it a six-point game with just over three minutes remaining.

The Gamecocks gave UNC one last chance after Succop's 48-yard field goal bounced harmlessly off the right upright with just 46 ticks remaining. The Tar Heels moved the ball to the Gamecocks' 31-yard line, but misfired on their last two throws towards the end zone, with the final pass deflected away at the one, and the Gamecocks survived and became bowl-eligible with a 21-15 win.

South Carolina, ranked sixth in the country with a 6-1 record, returned home to host Vanderbilt on October 20. The Commodores were still stinging following a last-second loss at home to Georgia the week prior and came into Williams-Brice Stadium with something to prove.

Little went right for South Carolina on this day. A couple of early turnovers turned into a 17-0 first quarter deficit and the Gamecocks were forced to play catch-up. While the defense pitched a shutout the rest of the way, the offense sputtered with four turnovers, including three interceptions, and was never able to find the end zone. A pair of second quarter Succop field goals was all the Gamecocks could muster in a disappointing 17-6 setback, their first loss to the Commodores since 1999.

Still in control of their own destiny, the 15th-ranked Gamecocks went to Rocky Top on October 27 for an Eastern Division showdown with Tennessee. For the second-straight week, the Gamecock offense struggled to put points on the board and a couple of early turnovers helped the Vols run out to a 21-0 halftime advantage.

Fortunately for the Gamecocks, the second half was a completely different game. With Mitchell firing passes the way he did at the end of the 2006 campaign, South Carolina came roaring back. Mitchell got the Gamecocks on the board in the third quarter with a one-yard sneak, then Boyd burst free for a 29-yard score, cutting the margin to seven heading into the final period. Mitchell found McKinley open in the back of the end zone with 11:11 to play, tying the score at 21. Boyd finished the day with a career-high 160 yards rushing, while McKinley tied the school record with 14 catches for 151 yards. The Gamecock defense continually frustrated the Vols' offense in the second half, and when Succop nailed a 49-yard field goal with just 1:24 to play in regulation, it appeared the Gamecocks had pulled off the improbable comeback.

However, Tennessee's LaMarcus Coker got loose on the ensuing kickoff and returned the ball to midfield. The Gamecock defense got stingy again, but could not secure two Tennessee fumbles and when Daniel Lincoln hit a career-long 48-yard field goal with just five seconds remaining, the Gamecocks were headed to overtime for just the second time in school history.

The Carolina defense held Tennessee to another Lincoln field goal in the first extra period, but three plays netted just two yards and Succop's 40-yard game-tying field goal sailed wide right, allowing Tennessee to escape with the 27-24 overtime win, despite being outgained in the contest by a 501 to 317 margin.

The next two weeks would prove to be a serious challenge for the Gamecock defense as they went up against a pair of the nation's best in Darren McFadden from Arkansas and Tim Tebow from Florida. Both players proved that they deserved to be invited to New York for the Heisman Trophy presentation at the end of the season as two of the top players in the country.

On a night when it honored Frank Broyles for 50 years of service at the University of Arkansas, it quickly became the Darren McFadden show. McFadden was virtually unstoppable as he churned up 321 rushing yards on 34 carries. His running mate, Felix Jones, helped the Razorbacks jump to a 21-3 first quarter lead with touchdown runs of 40 and 72 yards, forcing the Gamecocks to play catch-up all night.

With Mitchell slinging the ball all over the yard, the Gamecocks did rally after intermission for the second-straight week. Ten South Carolina points in the first six minutes of the second half narrowed the margin to 28-20. The Gamecocks would put points on the board three more times in the game and would roll up 489 yards of offense, but seemingly every time they scored, McFadden and the Hogs would answer with a tally of their own in a 48-36 win.

The Florida game followed a similar story line. An early fumble and a blocked punt gave the Gators a 13-0 lead just four minutes into the contest, forcing the Gamecocks into an early catch-up mode for the fourth-straight game. As was the case in the previous two contests, the offense was up to the task, scoring twice before the first quarter ended, giving the Gamecocks a short-lived 14-13 advantage.

But, like McFadden the week before, Tebow made his case for the Heisman, accounting for seven touchdowns – five rushing and two passing – and 424 total yards, leading the 17th – ranked Gators to a wild 51-31 win at Williams-Brice Stadium, giving the Gamecocks a 6-5 record overall and a 3-5 mark in SEC play.

The Gamecocks had one final chance to post their seventh win of the season and solidify a spot in a bowl game when they hosted Clemson on the Saturday following Thanksgiving. The Gamecocks were hoping a week off and a chance to defeat their in-state rival in back-to-back seasons for the first time since 1969-70 would be enough to propel them to victory over the 22nd-ranked Tigers.

As had been a recurring theme over the last half of the season, the Gamecocks found themselves in an early hole, falling behind 10-0 midway through the first quarter. With Mitchell at the helm, the Gamecock offense rallied. Mitchell connected on a pair of touchdown passes to McKinley – first from 19 yards out late in the first quarter, then from 40 yards away midway through the third stanza – narrowing the deficit to 17-14.

While the defense was bending but not breaking, Carolina trailed by just six points early in the fourth quarter when Mitchell found McKinley again on a 35-yard pitch-and-catch. McKinley finished the night with eight catches for 125 yards while setting a school record for receptions in a season with 77. Two plays later, Mitchell connected with LeCorn in the back of the end zone for a touchdown. When Succop converted the extra point, the Gamecocks were in front 21-20 with nine minutes remaining.

After the teams exchanged punts, Clemson took possession on their own 22-yard line with just over two minutes on the clock. In a scene reminiscent of the 2006 contest between the two schools, the Tigers mounted a drive that culminated with a field goal attempt. Last season, Jad Dean's game-tying attempt from 39 yards out sailed wide left giving the Gamecocks the win, but this time Mark Buchholz's 35-yard attempt split the uprights, lifting the Tigers to a hard-fought 23-21 win.

The roller-coaster ride of the 2007 season came to an end with Carolina at the .500 mark with a 6-6 record. Although they fell short of achieving all of their preseason goals, the Gamecocks gave their fans a taste of what the future could hold, as they climbed as high as sixth in the national rankings midway through the season. With a team that featured just six senior starters in the season finale, Carolina served notice that it would be a force to be reckoned with in the SEC and on the national stage. With a solid foundation of youth and experience in place on the field and a push for much-needed facility improvements off the field, the future is now for the Carolina Gamecocks. The bar has been raised. The Game is On!



EASTERN DIVISION

	SEC	Pct.	PF	PA	Overall	Pct.	PF	PA	2006	Home	Away	Neutral	vs. Div.	Top 25	Streak
Tennessee	6-2	.750	243	246	10-4	.714	455	382	9-4	7-0	2-3	1-1	4-1	3-3	W1
Georgia	6-2	.750	228	171	11-2	.846	424	262	8-4	6-1	3-1	2-0	3-2	5-0	W7
Florida	5-3	.625	305	224	9-4	.692	552	331	13-1	6-1	3-1	0-2	4-1	2-2	L1
South Carolina	3-5	.375	205	227	6-6	.500	313	282	7-5	4-3	2-3	0-0	2-3	2-3	L5
Kentucky	3-5	.375	249	276	8-5	.615	475	385	8-5	5-3	2-2	1-0	1-4	2-4	W1
Vanderbilt	2-6	.250	198	203	5-7	.417	260	271	4-8	4-4	1-3	0-0	1-4	1-4	L4

WESTERN DIVISION

	SEC	Pct.	PF	PA	Overall	Pct.	PF	PA	2006	Home	Away	Neutral	vs. Div.	Top 25	Streak
LSU	6-2	.750	298	215	12-2	.857	541	279	11-2	6-1	4-1	2-0	4-1	7-1	W2
Auburn	5-3	.625	156	138	9-4	.692	315	220	11-2	6-2	2-2	1-0	3-2	2-2	W2
Arkansas	4-4	.500	274	249	8-5	.615	485	345	10-4	6-2	2-2	0-1	3-2	2-4	L1
Mississippi State	4-4	.500	157	215	8-5	.615	279	301	3-9	4-2	3-3	1-0	3-2	2-3	W2
Alabama	4-4	.500	212	190	7-6	.538	352	286	6-7	4-3	2-2	1-1	2-3	2-3	W1
Ole Miss	0-8	.000	131	252	3-9	.250	241	342	4-8	2-5	1-4	0-0	0-5	0-4	L2

Associated Press 2007 All-SEC

FIRST TEAM Offense

WR Kenny McKinley, South Carolina
OL Earl Bennett, Vanderbilt
OL Chris Williams, Vanderbilt
OL Michael Oher, Ole Miss
OL Andre Smith, Alabama
OL Anthony Parker, Tennessee
OL Robert Felton, Arkansas
OC Jonathan Luigs, Arkansas
TE Jacob Tammie, Kentucky
QB Tim Tebow, Florida
RB Darren McFadden, Arkansas
RB Knowshon Moreno, Georgia
PK Cold David, LSU
AP Percy Harvin, Florida
AP Felix Jones, Arkansas

FIRST TEAM Defense

DE Greg Hardy, Ole Miss
DE Wallace Gilberry, Alabama
DT Glenn Dorsey, LSU
DT Geno Atkins, Georgia
DT Pat Sims, Auburn
LB Wesley Woodyard, Kentucky
LB Jerrod May, Tennessee
LB Brandon Spikes, Florida
LB Ali Highsmith, LSU
DB Chevis Jackson, LSU
DB D.J. Moore, Vanderbilt
DB Craig Steltz, LSU
DB Derek Pegues, Mississippi State
DB Rashad Johnson, Alabama
P Patrick Fisher, LSU

SECOND TEAM Offense

WR Lucas Taylor, Tennessee
WR Percy Harvin, Florida
OL Herman Johnson, LSU
OL Nate Garner, Arkansas
OL Jason Leger, Kentucky
OL Eric Young, Tennessee
OC Fernando Velasco, Georgia
TE Cornelius Ingram, Florida
QB Andre Woodson, Kentucky
RB Felix Jones, Arkansas
RB Arian Foster, Tennessee
PK Daniel Lincoln, Tennessee
AP Brandon James, Florida

SECOND TEAM Defense

DE Eric Norwood, South Carolina
DE Quentin Groves, Auburn
DE Titus Brown, Mississippi State
DT Marcus Harrison, Arkansas
DT Peria Jerry, Ole Miss
LB Jonathan Goff, Vanderbilt
LB Rico McCoy, Tennessee
LB Dannell Ellerbe, Georgia
DB Captain Munnerlyn, South Carolina
DB Michael Grant, Arkansas
DB Patrick Lee, Auburn
DB Eric Berry, Tennessee
DB Emanuel Cook, South Carolina
DB Matt Hewitt, Arkansas
P Britton Colquitt, Tennessee

Offensive Player of the Year
Tim Tebow, Florida

Defensive Player of the Year
Glenn Dorsey, LSU

Coach of the Year
Sylvester Croom, Mississippi State

Freshman of the Year
Knowshon Moreno, Georgia

HONORABLE MENTION (USC Only)
P/PK Ryan Succop, South Carolina

Coaches 2007 All-SEC

FIRST TEAM Offense

WR Kenny McKinley, South Carolina
WR Earl Bennett, Vanderbilt
OL Chris Williams, Vanderbilt
OL Michael Oher, Ole Miss
OL Andre Smith, Alabama
OL Anthony Parker, Tennessee
OL Herman Johnson, LSU
OL Robert Felton, Arkansas
OC Jonathan Luigs, Arkansas
TE Jacob Tammie, Kentucky
QB Tim Tebow, Florida
RB Darren McFadden, Arkansas
RB Knowshon Moreno, Georgia
PK Cold David, LSU
RS Felix Jones, Arkansas

SECOND TEAM Offense

WR D.J. Hall, Alabama
WR Percy Harvin, Florida
OL Nate Garner, Arkansas
OL Carlton Medder, Florida
OL Michael Brown, Mississippi State
OL Ciron Black, LSU
OL Antoine Caldwell, Alabama
OL Mitch Petrus, Arkansas
OL Jim Tartt, Florida
OL Garry Williams, Kentucky
OC Fernando Velasco, Georgia
TE Cornelius Ingram, Florida
QB Andre Woodson, Kentucky
RB Felix Jones, Arkansas
RB Jacob Hester, LSU
PK Daniel Lincoln, Tennessee
RS Brandon James, Florida

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Darren McFadden, Arkansas

Defensive Player of the Year
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Coach of the Year
Sylvester Croom, Mississippi State

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DL Eric Norwood, South Carolina
DL Quentin Groves, Auburn
LB Wesley Woodyard, Kentucky
LB Jerrod May, Tennessee
LB Brandon Spikes, Florida
LB Ali Highsmith, LSU
DB Chevis Jackson, LSU
DB Craig Steltz, LSU
DB Simeon Castille, Alabama
DB Jonathan Hefney, Tennessee
DB Captain Munnerlyn, South Carolina
DB Rashad Johnson, Alabama
P Patrick Fisher, LSU

SECOND TEAM Defense

DL Titus Brown, Mississippi State
DL Derrick Harvey, Florida
DL Jeremy Jarmon, Kentucky
LB Jonathan Goff, Vanderbilt
LB Rico McCoy, Tennessee
LB Dannell Ellerbe, Georgia
LB Jamar Chaney, Mississippi State
LB Darry Beckwith, LSU
DB Michael Grant, Arkansas
DB Eric Berry, Tennessee
DB Derek Pegues, Mississippi State
DB D.J. Moore, Vanderbilt
DB Emanuel Cook, South Carolina
P Britton Colquitt, Tennessee
P Ryan Shoemaker, Auburn

Freshman of the Year
Knowshon Moreno, Georgia

Special Teams Player of the Year
Felix Jones, Arkansas

Scholar-Athlete of the Year
Jacob Tammie, Kentucky



2007 Results

Date	Opponent	Site	Result	Record	SEC	TV	Attendance
September 1	Louisiana-Lafayette	Columbia, S.C.	W, 28-14	1-0	0-0	PPV	78,234
September 8	*#11 Georgia	Athens, Ga.	W, 16-12	2-0	1-0	ESPN2	92,746
September 15	South Carolina State	Columbia, S.C.	W, 38-3	3-0	1-0	PPV	73,095
September 22	*#2 LSU	Baton Rouge, La.	L, 16-28	3-1	1-1	CBS	92,530
September 29	*Mississippi State	Columbia, S.C.	W, 38-21	4-1	2-1	LFS	78,883
October 4	*#8 Kentucky	Columbia, S.C.	W, 38-23	5-1	3-1	ESPN	76,220
October 13	North Carolina	Chapel Hill, N.C.	W, 21-15	6-1	3-1	ABC-R	61,000
October 20	*Vanderbilt	Columbia, S.C.	L, 6-17	6-2	3-2	PPV	79,212
October 27	*Tennessee	Knoxville, Tenn.	L, 24-27 OT	6-3	3-3	ESPN	105,962
November 3	*Arkansas	Fayetteville, Ark.	L, 36-48	6-4	3-4	ESPN2	70,742
November 10	*#17 Florida	Columbia, S.C.	L, 31-51	6-5	3-5	ESPN	81,215
November 24	#21 Clemson	Columbia, S.C.	L, 21-23	6-6	3-5	ESPN2	82,410

*-Denotes SEC game

2007 Game-by-Game Starters

USC Offense

POS.	ULL	UGA	SCSU	LSU	MSU	KY	UNC	VANDY	TENN	ARK	FLA	CLEM
WR	McKinley	McKinley	McKinley	McKinley	McKinley	McKinley	McKinley	McKinley	McKinley	McKinley	McKinley	McKinley
WR	M. Brown	F. Brown	M. Brown	J. Barnes	Lecorn	Lecorn	Lecorn	Lecorn	Culliver	Lecorn	Lecorn	M. Brown
TE	A. Boyd	A. Boyd	A. Boyd	A. Boyd	A. Boyd	A. Boyd	J. Cook	A. Boyd	A. Boyd	M. Brown (WR)	A. Boyd	A. Boyd
LT	Meredith	Meredith	Meredith	Meredith	Meredith	Meredith	Meredith	Meredith	Meredith	Meredith	Meredith	Meredith
LG	Anderson	Anderson	Thind	Anderson	S. Brown	S. Brown	S. Brown	S. Brown	S. Brown	S. Brown	Thind	Thind
C	W. Brown	W. Brown	W. Brown	W. Brown	W. Brown	W. Brown	W. Brown	W. Brown	W. Brown	W. Brown	W. Brown	W. Brown
RG	Jeanpierre	Jeanpierre	Anderson	Jeanpierre	Thompson	Thompson	Thompson	Jeanpierre	Jeanpierre	Batchelor	Batchelor	Batchelor
RT	Sorenson	Sorensen	Sorensen	Sorensen	Sorensen	Sorensen	Sorensen	Sorensen	Sorensen	Sorensen	Sorensen	Sorensen
QB	Smelley	Mitchell	Mitchell	Mitchell	Smelley	Smelley	Smelley	Smelley	Smelley	Mitchell	Mitchell	Mitchell
FB	Stafford	Stafford	J. Cook (TE)	Stafford	Stafford	F. Brown (WR)	F. Brown (WR)	Stafford	J. Cook (TE)	Stafford	Stafford	Stafford
TB	C. Boyd	C. Boyd	C. Boyd	C. Boyd	C. Boyd	C. Boyd	C. Boyd	C. Boyd	C. Boyd	C. Boyd	C. Boyd	C. Boyd

USC Defense

POS.	ULL	UGA	SCSU	LSU	MSU	KY	UNC	VANDY	TENN	ARK	FLA	CLEM
DE	Norwood	Norwood	Norwood	Norwood	Norwood	Norwood	Norwood	Norwood	Norwood	Norwood	Norwood	Norwood
DT	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall	J. Williams	J. Williams	J. Williams	Hall	Hall	Hall	Ellis
DT	Pepper	Ajiboye	Ajiboye	Ajiboye	Ajiboye	Reaves	Ajiboye	Ajiboye	Ajiboye	Ajiboye	Ajiboye	Ajiboye
DE	Robertson	Pepper	Pepper	C. Brinkley	C. Brinkley	C. Brinkley	C. Brinkley	C. Brinkley	C. Brinkley	C. Brinkley	C. Brinkley	C. Brinkley
LB	C. Brinkley	C. Brinkley	C. Brinkley	Matthews	Matthews	Matthews	Matthews	Matthews	Matthews	Matthews	Matthews	Matthews
LB	J. Brinkley	J. Brinkley	J. Brinkley	J. Brinkley	Sapp	Sapp	Sapp	Sapp	Sapp	Sapp	Sapp	Sapp
LB	Paulk	Paulk	Paulk	Paulk	Paulk	Paulk	Paulk	Paulk	Paulk	Paulk	Paulk	Paulk
CB	Munnerlyn	Munnerlyn	Munnerlyn	Munnerlyn	Munnerlyn	Munnerlyn	Munnerlyn	Munnerlyn	Munnerlyn	Munnerlyn	Woodson	Woodson
ROV	Isaac	Isaac	E. Cook	E. Cook	E. Cook	E. Cook	E. Cook	E. Cook	E. Cook	E. Cook	Hampton	E. Cook
FS	Woodson	Stewart	Stewart	Hampton	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart	Stewart
CB	Thomas	Thomas	Isaac	Thomas	Thomas	Thomas	Isaac	Isaac	Isaac	Thomas	Thomas	A. Williams



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SCORING	313	282				
Points Per Game	26.1	23.5				
FIRST DOWNS	255	242				
Rushing	94	138				
Passing	143	89				
Penalty	18	15				
RUSHING YARDAGE	1364	2511				
Yards gained rushing	1707	2828				
Yards lost rushing	343	317				
Rushing Attempts	382	518				
Average Per Rush	3.6	4.8				
Average Per Game	113.7	209.2				
TDs Rushing	16	19				
PASSING YARDAGE	3098	2025				
Att-Comp-Int	443-258-17	358-199-14				
Average Per Pass	7.0	5.7				
Average Per Catch	12.0	10.2				
Average Per Game	258.2	168.8				
TDs Passing	20	14				
TOTAL OFFENSE	4462	4536				
Total Plays	825	876				
Average Per Play	5.4	5.2				
Average Per Game	371.8	378.0				
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	54-1208	46-1100				
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	23-216	30-241				
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	14-177	17-117				
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	22.4	23.9				
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	9.4	8.0				
INT RETURN AVERAGE	12.6	6.9				
FUMBLES-LOST	23-11	22-7				
PENALTIES-Yards	69-532	78-667				
Average Per Game	44.3	55.6				
PUNTS-Yards	59-2330	62-2430				
Average Per Punt	39.5	39.2				
Net punt average	34.4	34.1				
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	28:34	31:26				
3RD-DOWN Conversions	55/157	65/180				
3rd-Down Pct	35%	36%				
4TH-DOWN Conversions	8/17	6/15				
4th-Down Pct	47%	40%				
SACKS BY-Yards	21-152	31-216				
MISC YARDS	0	0				
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	39	34				
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	13-17	16-24				
ON-SIDE KICKS	1-4	0-1				
RED-ZONE SCORES	38-44 86%	35-47 74%				
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	28-44 64%	24-47 51%				
PAT-ATTEMPTS	38-38 100%	30-31 97%				
ATTENDANCE	549269	422980				
Games/Avg Per Game	7/78467	5/84596				
Neutral Site Games		0/0				
SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
South Carolina	100	47	79	87	0	313
Opponents	95	83	47	54	3	282

RUSHING	G	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Cory Boyd	12	180	952	49	903	5.0	9	29	75.2
Mike Davis	12	114	549	31	518	4.5	5	18	43.2
Chris Culliver	11	5	32	1	31	6.2	0	14	2.8
Kenny McKinley	12	5	20	5	15	3.0	0	7	1.2
Brian Maddox	10	6	20	6	14	2.3	0	7	1.4
Tommy Beecher	12	7	19	9	10	1.4	0	11	0.8
Taylor Rank	12	2	5	0	5	2.5	0	5	0.4
Moe Brown	12	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	0.2
TEAM	7	4	0	10	-10	-2.5	0	0	-1.4
Chris Smelley	7	29	62	121	-59	-2.0	0	17	-8.4
Blake Mitchell	8	29	45	111	-66	-2.3	2	13	-8.2
Total.....	12	382	1707	343	1364	3.6	16	29	113.7
Opponents.....	12	518	2828	317	2511	4.8	19	80	209.2

PASSING	G	Effic	Cmp-Att-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
Blake Mitchell	8	123.04	152-255-9	59.6	1747	10	57	218.4
Chris Smelley	7	127.46	92-162-7	56.8	1176	9	48	168.0
Tommy Beecher	12	130.43	14-23-1	60.9	175	1	20	14.6
TEAM	7	0.00	0-2-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Kenny McKinley	12	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total.....	12	124.21	258-443-17	58.2	3098	20	57	258.2
Opponents.....	12	108.18	199-358-14	55.6	2025	14	55	168.8

RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Kenny McKinley	12	77	968	12.6	9	48	80.7
Cory Boyd	12	36	405	11.2	1	39	33.8
Jared Cook	12	30	421	14.0	3	31	35.1
Dion Lecorn	10	27	315	11.7	3	24	31.5
Mike Davis	12	23	224	9.7	1	57	18.7
Freddie Brown	12	17	195	11.5	0	23	16.2
Moe Brown	12	13	168	12.9	0	27	14.0
Weslye Saunders	11	12	151	12.6	0	48	13.7
Andy Boyd	12	9	102	11.3	1	33	8.5
Lanard Stafford	12	5	41	8.2	0	13	3.4
Patrick DiMarco	12	4	32	8.0	1	9	2.7
Larry Freeman	11	2	30	15.0	0	19	2.7
Mark Barnes	3	2	12	6.0	1	6	4.0
Jason Barnes	4	1	34	34.0	0	34	8.5
Total.....	12	258	3098	12.0	20	57	258.2
Opponents.....	12	199	2025	10.2	14	55	168.8

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Captain Munnerlyn	3	38	12.7	0	38
Emanuel Cook	3	72	24.0	0	34
Jasper Brinkley	2	40	20.0	0	30
Darian Stewart	2	0	0.0	0	0
Chris Hampton	1	0	0.0	0	0
Stoney Woodson	1	0	0.0	0	0
Brandon Isaac	1	8	8.0	0	8
Nathan Pepper	1	19	19.0	1	19
Total.....	14	177	12.6	1	38
Opponents.....	17	117	6.9	0	41

FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Eric Norwood	2	55	27.5	2	53
Total.....	2	55	27.5	2	53
Opponents.....	2	52	26.0	0	52

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Chris Culliver	34	809	23.8	0	44
Captain Munnerlyn	12	258	21.5	0	33
Melvin Ingram	5	90	18.0	0	23
Patrick DiMarco	2	41	20.5	0	23
Andy Boyd	1	10	10.0	0	10
Total.....	54	1208	22.4	0	44
Opponents.....	46	1100	23.9	0	49



PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Captain Munnerlyn	18	165	9.2	0	46
Kenny McKinley	4	35	8.8	0	19
Eric Norwood	1	16	16.0	0	0
Total.....	23	216	9.4	0	46
Opponents.....	30	241	8.0	1	37

KICKOFFS	No.	Yds	Avg	TB	OB	Retn	Net	YdLn
Ryan Succop	60	3841	64.0	11	1			
Total.....	60	3841	64.0	11	1	1100	42.0	27
Opponents.....	60	3743	62.4	3	2	1208	41.2	28

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	Blkd
Ryan Succop	56	2330	41.6	58	3	13	15	3
TEAM	3	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	59	2330	39.5	58	3	13	15	3
Opponents.....	62	2430	39.2	63	5	10	22	2

SCORING	TD	FGs	|----- PATs -----|				DXP	Saf	Pts
			Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass			
Ryan Succop	0	13-17	37-37	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	76
Cory Boyd	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	60
Kenny McKinley	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	54
Mike Davis	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	36
Jared Cook	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
Dion Lecorn	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
Blake Mitchell	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Eric Norwood	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Patrick DiMarco	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Nathan Pepper	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Andy Boyd	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Mark Barnes	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
TEAM	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	1	2
Spencer Lanning	0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	1
Chris Smelley	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-1	0	0	0
Total.....	39	13-17	38-38	0-0	0	0-1	0	1	313
Opponents.....	34	16-24	30-31	0-0	0	0-3	0	0	282

FIELD GOALS	M-A	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Lg	Blk
Ryan Succop	13-17	76.5	0-0	2-2	6-6	5-8	0-1	49	0

FG SEQUENCE	USC		OPPONENTS	
	Yds	FGs	Yds	FGs
Louisiana-Lafayette	47	-	-	-
Georgia	(41),(35),(34)	48,(33),(44),(39),(34)		
South Carolina State	(40)	(37)		
LSU	(23)	42		
Mississippi State	(45),50	-		
Kentucky	(29)	(27),(41),(23)		
North Carolina	48	49,(45)		
Vanderbilt	(35),(32)	(32),35		
Tennessee	(49),40	51,(48),(27)		
Arkansas	(37),(30)	50		
Florida	(44)	(34)		
Clemson	-	(48),35,(28),45,(35)		

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
Blake Mitchell	8	284	-66	1747	1681	210.1
Chris Smelley	7	191	-59	1176	1117	159.6
Cory Boyd	12	180	903	0	903	75.2
Mike Davis	12	114	518	0	518	43.2
Tommy Beecher	12	30	10	175	185	15.4
Chris Culliver	11	5	31	0	31	2.8
Kenny McKinley	12	6	15	0	15	1.2
Brian Maddox	11	6	14	0	14	1.3
Taylor Rank	12	2	5	0	5	0.4
Moe Brown	12	1	3	0	3	0.2
TEAM	7	6	-10	0	-10	-1.4
Total.....	12	825	1364	3098	4462	371.8
Opponents.....	12	876	2511	2025	4536	378.0

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
Cory Boyd	12	903	405	0	0	0	1308	109.0
Kenny McKinley	12	15	968	35	0	0	1018	84.8
Chris Culliver	11	31	0	0	809	0	840	76.4
Mike Davis	12	518	224	0	0	0	742	61.8
Captain Munnerlyn	11	0	0	165	258	38	461	41.9
Jared Cook	12	0	421	0	0	0	421	35.1
Dion Lecorn	10	0	315	0	0	0	315	31.5
Freddie Brown	12	0	195	0	0	0	195	16.2
Moe Brown	12	3	168	0	0	0	171	14.2
Weslye Saunders	11	0	151	0	0	0	151	13.7
Andy Boyd	12	0	102	0	10	0	112	9.3
Melvin Ingram	12	0	0	0	90	0	90	7.5
Patrick DiMarco	12	0	32	0	41	0	73	6.1
Emanuel Cook	11	0	0	0	0	72	72	6.5
Lanard Stafford	12	0	41	0	0	0	41	3.4
Jasper Brinkley	4	0	0	0	0	40	40	10.0
Jason Barnes	4	0	34	0	0	0	34	8.5
Larry Freeman	11	0	30	0	0	0	30	2.7
Nathan Pepper	3	0	0	0	0	19	19	6.3
Eric Norwood	12	0	0	16	0	0	16	1.3
Brian Maddox	10	14	0	0	0	0	14	1.4
Mark Barnes	3	0	12	0	0	0	12	4.0
Tommy Beecher	12	10	0	0	0	0	10	0.8
Brandon Isaac	9	0	0	0	0	8	8	0.9
Taylor Rank	12	5	0	0	0	0	5	0.4
TEAM	7	-10	0	0	0	0	-10	-1.4
Chris Smelley	7	-59	0	0	0	0	-59	-8.4
Blake Mitchell	8	-66	0	0	0	0	-66	-8.2
Total.....	12	1364	3098	216	1208	177	6063	505.2
Opponents.....	12	2511	2025	241	1100	117	5994	499.5

2007 Post-Season Accolades

- Ladi Ajiboye**
 - * *Sporting News* Second-Team Freshman All-America
 - * *CollegeFootballNews.com* Third-Team Freshman All-America
 - * SEC Coaches Freshman All-SEC
 - * *Sporting News* Freshman All-SEC
- Emanuel Cook**
 - * SEC Coaches Second-Team All-SEC
 - * Associated Press Second-Team All-SEC
 - * *Rivals.com* Second-Team All-SEC
 - * *Phil Steele's* Second-Team All-SEC
 - * *CollegeFootballNews.com* First-Team All-Sophomore
- Chris Culliver**
 - * *Sporting News* Freshman All-SEC
- Dion Lecorn**
 - * *Sporting News* Freshman All-SEC
- Cliff Matthews**
 - * *Sporting News* Honorable Mention Freshman All-America
 - * SEC Coaches Freshman All-SEC
 - * *Sporting News* Freshman All-SEC
- Kenny McKinley**
 - * *CollegeFootballNews.com* Honorable Mention All-America
 - * SEC Coaches First-Team All-SEC
- Captain Munnerlyn**
 - * SEC Coaches First-Team All-SEC
 - * *Rivals.com* First-Team All-SEC
 - * Associated Press Second-Team All-SEC
 - * *Phil Steele's* Third-Team All-SEC
 - * *CollegeFootballNews.com* First-Team All-Sophomore
- Eric Norwood**
 - * SEC Coaches First-Team All-SEC
 - * Associated Press Second-Team All-SEC
 - * *Phil Steele's* Third-Team All-SEC
- Travian Robertson**
 - * *Sporting News* Freshman All-SEC
- Weslye Saunders**
 - * *CollegeFootballNews.com* Third-Team Freshman All-America
 - * *Sporting News* Honorable Mention Freshman All-America
 - * *Sporting News* Freshman All-SEC
- Ryan Succop**
 - * Associated Press Honorable Mention All-SEC

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No.	DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	-----Tackles-----			TFL/Yds	Sacks	---Pass Def---		QBH	Fumbles--		Blkd	Saf
			Solo	Ast	Total			No-Yards	Int-Yds		BrUp	Rcv-Yds			FF	Kick
21	Emanuel Cook	11	77	15	92	8.0-34	4.0-27	3-72	5	.	.	2	.	.
40	Eric Norwood	12	46	23	69	19.5-89	6.0-47	.	3	9	3-55	.	1	.
32	Darian Stewart	12	56	12	68	3.0-10	.	2-0	7	.	2-0	2	.	.
45	Rodney Paulk	12	41	23	64	4.5-15	1.0-10	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
53	Marvin Sapp	12	50	11	61	1.0-2	.	.	.	1	.	1	.	.
51	Casper Brinkley	12	40	19	59	13.0-45	3.0-22	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
1	Captain Munnerlyn	11	40	7	47	2.0-7	.	3-38	4	.	1-0	1	.	.
33	Chris Hampton	12	33	9	42	1.0-2	.	1-0	1	1	.	3	.	.
91	Ladi Ajiboye	12	27	12	39	3.5-14	3.0-13	.	1	1	1-0	.	.	.
24	Cody Wells	10	24	11	35	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
83	Cliff Matthews	12	20	6	26	2.0-10	.	.	.	1	.	.	1	.
36	Stoney Woodson	10	22	4	26	0.5-1	.	1-0	4	.	.	1	.	.
79	Marque Hall	12	18	4	22	2.0-6	1.0-3	.	1	5	.	1	.	.
26	Brandon Isaac	9	18	3	21	2.0-7	.	1-8	5	.	.	.	.	.
52	Jasper Brinkley	4	15	6	21	1.0-4	.	2-40	1	.	.	.	.	.
5	Carlos Thomas	11	16	1	17	.	.	.	6	.	.	.	.	.
6	Melvin Ingram	12	13	2	15	1.0-1	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	Gerrod Sinclair	10	12	3	15	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
99	Jonathan Williams	12	9	4	13	1.0-17	1.0-17	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
97	Kenrick Ellis	12	10	1	11	3.0-8	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
23	Mike West	9	8	2	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Chris Hail	8	7	1	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	Addison Williams	10	7	1	8	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
98	Joel Reaves	12	5	3	8	2.0-16	1.0-12	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
42	Travian Robertson	12	4	3	7	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
43	Ryan Brown	12	5	.	5	3.0-6	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
95	Nathan Pepper	3	2	3	5	.	.	1-19	.	.	.	.	.	.
20	Taylor Rank	12	4	.	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27	Ty Erving	12	4	.	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Yvan Banag	10	4	.	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
77	Jamon Meredith	12	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
14	Ryan Succop	12	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	Chris Smelley	7	3	.	3	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
35	Greg Wright	10	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	Tommy Beecher	12	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
59	Charles Turner	12	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
96	Clifton Geathers	11	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
48	Vandaral Shackelford	4	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Cory Boyd	12	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25	Mike Davis	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
11	Kenny McKinley	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
18	Dion Lecorn	10	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Dustin Lindsey	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
63	Seaver Brown	8	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM	TEAM	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Total.....		12	661	194	855	74-296	21-152	14-177	44	26	7-55	12	2	1
Opponents.....		12	584	208	792	78.0-353	31-216	17-117	54	52	11-52	15	3	.



Player	UA-A	TOT	ULL	UGA	SCSU	LSU	MSU	KY	UNC	VANDY	TENN	ARK	FLA	CLEM
Emanuel Cook	77-15	92	DNP	1-2	7-0	4-7	7-0	9-0	8-1	9-2	8-2	8-1	7-0	9-0
Eric Norwood	46-23	69	4-2	3-3	3-2	2-6	3-2	5-0	4-2	4-1	3-2	4-1	3-1	8-1
Darian Stewart	56-12	68	2-0	9-0	4-0	1-3	4-2	5-0	4-0	4-2	5-2	6-2	7-0	5-1
Rodney Paulk	41-23	64	4-1	5-2	1-2	1-6	4-1	4-0	5-2	5-1	1-3	4-2	3-1	4-2
Marvin Sapp	50-11	61	1-0	2-0	6-0	3-0	6-2	2-0	3-2	5-1	5-1	8-4	4-0	5-1
Casper Brinkley	40-19	59	5-2	5-1	3-1	2-3	1-0	1-0	1-3	4-1	2-3	5-3	5-1	6-1
Captain Munnerylyn	40-7	47	4-0	2-0	3-1	1-2	2-1	7-0	6-1	1-0	10-1	4-1	-	DNP
Chris Hampton	33-9	42	2-1	2-1	1-0	3-3	2-1	5-0	3-0	2-0	1-2	3-0	6-0	3-1
Ladi Ajiobye	27-12	39	3-0	3-0	1-2	1-4	3-0	1-0	3-3	3-0	3-0	3-2	3-0	0-1
Cody Wells	24-11	35	-	DNP	DNP	1-0	1-3	2-1	3-1	3-1	2-0	3-4	3-1	6-0
Stoney Woodson	22-4	26	0-1	2-1	2-0	2-0	-	1-0	DNP	DNP	1-0	1-0	6-1	7-1
Cliff Matthews	20-6	26	1-1	0-1	4-0	3-0	-	2-0	3-1	2-1	0-1	1-1	2-0	2-0
Marque Hall	18-4	22	4-0	1-0	1-1	2-2	2-0	-	-	4-0	-	3-1	-	1-0
Brandon Isaac	18-3	21	5-1	2-2	-	DNP	DNP	4-0	1-0	1-0	1-0	DNP	3-0	1-0
Jasper Brinkley	15-6	21	7-1	5-1	3-1	0-3	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Carlos Thomas	16-1	17	-	2-0	2-0	-	2-0	2-0	DNP	1-0	4-1	1-0	1-0	1-0
Gerrod Sinclair	12-3	15	1-0	-	4-0	1-0	1-0	1-0	DNP	DNP	1-1	3-1	-	0-1
Melvin Ingram	13-2	15	-	-	-	1-1	2-0	5-0	1-1	1-0	-	-	1-0	2-0
Jon Williams	9-4	13	-	0-1	2-0	-	2-0	2-0	1-0	1-0	0-2	1-1	-	-
Kenrick Ellis	10-1	11	-	-	2-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-1	1-0	5-0
Mike West	8-2	10	-	-	3-0	0-1	1-0	1-1	2-0	1-0	-	DNP	DNP	DNP
Addison Williams	7-1	8	DNP	-	1-0	DNP	1-0	-	1-0	-	-	-	1-1	3-0
Chris Hail	7-1	8	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-0	-	1-0	1-0	1-0	1-1	2-0	-
Joel Reaves	5-3	8	-	0-1	0-1	-	1-0	1-0	1-0	-	1-1	-	1-0	-
Travian Robertson	4-3	7	2-1	-	0-1	1-0	-	1-0	0-1	-	-	-	-	-
Nathan Pepper	2-3	5	1-2	0-1	1-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Ryan Brown	5-0	5	1-0	-	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	1-0	-
Yvan Banag	4-0	4	1-0	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	2-0
Ty Erving	4-0	4	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3-0	-
Taylor Rank	4-0	4	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	2-0	-	-	-
Jamon Meredith	3-0	3	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	1-0	-	1-0	-
Chris Smelley	3-0	3	-	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	3-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Tommy Beecher	2-1	3	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-1	-	-
Ryan Succop	3-0	3	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-
Charles Turner	1-2	3	-	-	-	0-1	-	-	1-0	-	-	0-1	-	-
Greg Wright	3-0	3	-	-	-	1-0	-	2-0	DNP	-	-	DNP	-	-
Cory Boyd	2-0	2	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0
Vandaral Shackelford	1-1	2	1-1	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	DNP
Clifton Geathers	2-0	2	-	-	2-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	DNP
Seaver Brown	1-0	1	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	DNP	-
Kenny McKinley	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-
Mike Davis	1-0	1	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dion Lecorn	1-0	1	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-
Dustin Lindsey	0-1	1	DNP	0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP

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Individual Rushing

(Att-Yds-Td-Long)

Opponent	Beecher	C. Boyd	M. Brown	Culliver	M. Davis	Maddox	McKinley	Mitchell	Rank	Smelley
La.-Lafayette	4-17-0-11	14-47-2-12	-	1-11-0-11	15-94-0-18	4-12-0-7	-	DNP	-	3-14-0-17
Georgia	-	14-76-1-12	-	2-21-0-14	9-56-0-15	1-(-4)-0-0	1-(-4)-0-0	6-(-3)-0-6	-	DNP
S.C. State	3-(-7)-0-1	11-132-1-29	1-3-0-3	DNP	16-102-0-15	1-6-0-6	-	3-(-18)-0-0	2-5-0-5	DNP
LSU	-	18-17-0-6	-	-	4-10-1-5	-	2-16-0-7	2-(-19)-0-0	-	1-(-7)-0-0
Mississippi State	-	11-58-0-25	-	1-(-1)-0-0	18-69-3-12	-	-	DNP	-	5-7-0-11
Kentucky	-	14-57-0-25	-	-	17-62-1-8	-	-	-	-	5-(-33)-0-0
North Carolina	-	20-95-0-14	-	-	5-28-0-15	-	-	DNP	-	7-(-13)-0-6
Vanderbilt	-	5-49-0-22	-	-	6-16-0-5	-	1-(-1)-0-0	3-(-22)-0-0	-	6-(-11)-0-11
Tennessee	-	20-160-1-29	-	1-0-0-0	12-30-0-11	-	-	3-(-1)-1-2	-	2-(-16)-0-0
Arkansas	-	17-94-1-17	-	-	8-38-0-16	DNP	1-4-0-4	6-(-11)-1-2	-	DNP
Florida	-	17-44-3-8	-	-	3-21-0-10	-	-	5-4-0-13	-	DNP
Clemson	-	19-74-0-16	-	-	1-2-0-2	-	-	1-4-0-4	-	DNP

Individual Passing

(Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-Td-Long)

Opponent	Beecher	Mitchell	Smelley
Louisiana-Lafayette	15-11-0-137-1-20	DNP	14-10-1-101-1-33
Georgia	-	31-20-0-174-0-31	DNP
South Carolina State	7-3-1-38-0-19	21-14-3-147-3-34	DNP
LSU	-	16-7-1-70-0-21	26-12-1-174-1-45
Mississippi State	-	DNP	37-19-1-279-2-48
Kentucky	-	DNP	30-17-0-256-2-48
North Carolina	-	DNP	26-17-1-172-3-30
Vanderbilt	-	18-9-1-102-0-31	24-14-2-154-0-27
Tennessee	-	45-31-1-290-1-30	5-3-1-40-0-18
Arkansas	-	51-27-0-364-2-57	DNP
Florida	1-0-0-0	42-26-1-316-1-23	DNP
Clemson	-	31-18-2-284-3-40	DNP

Individual Receiving

(Att-Yds-Td-Long)

Opponent	J. Barnes	M. Barnes	A. Boyd	C. Boyd	F. Brown	M. Brown	J. Cook
La.-Lafayette	-	DNP	3-48-1-33	4-33-0-14	2-18-0-17	1-17-0-17	2-34-0-19
Georgia	-	DNP	1-5-0-5	3-10-0-6	1-7-0-7	1-5-0-5	2-23-0-14
S.C. State	1-34-0-34	2-12-1-6	1-2-0-2	2-10-0-7	1-16-0-16	1-13-0-13	1-25-0-25
LSU	-	DNP	-	4-66-0-24	-	1-27-0-27	1-17-0-17
Mississippi State	DNP	-	-	0-10-0-0	3-50-0-23	-	4-66-0-31
Kentucky	DNP	-	-	3-47-1-27	2-26-0-15	-	2-36-0-21
North Carolina	DNP	DNP	-	2-19-0-12	-	-	3-55-1-23
Vanderbilt	DNP	DNP	1-26-0-26	5-55-0-27	2-15-0-11	1-11-0-11	2-15-0-8
Tennessee	DNP	DNP	1-7-0-7	6-25-0-12	4-41-0-18	-	5-55-0-19
Arkansas	DNP	DNP	-	3-38-0-23	1-6-0-6	2-24-0-12	4-55-1-21
Florida	DNP	DNP	1-6-0-6	3-53-0-18	1-16-0-16	4-34-0-12	4-40-1-23
Clemson	DNP	DNP	1-8-0-0	1-39-0-39	-	2-37-0-20	-

Opponent	M. Davis	DiMarco	Freeman	Lecorn	McKinley	Saunders	Stafford
La.-Lafayette	2-24-0-16	-	-	DNP	6-44-1-19	1-20-0-20	-
Georgia	5-22-0-7	-	-	DNP	7-102-0-31	DNP	-
S.C. State	2-11-1-9	1-7-0-7	1-19-0-19	-	4-36-1-12	DNP	-
LSU	3-77-0-45	-	-	-	6-25-1-8	4-32-0-11	-
Mississippi State	3-16-0-11	1-9-0-9	-	2-12-0-9	4-107-2-48	1-6-0-6	1-3-0-3
Kentucky	2-(-2)-0-8	1-7-1-7	-	1-24-0-24	5-68-0-22	1-50-0-48	-
North Carolina	2-14-0-10	-	-	3-9-1-7	5-64-1-30	1-(-2)-0-0	1-13-0-13
Vanderbilt	2-2-0-1	1-9-0-9	1-11-0-11	2-18-0-16	4-79-0-31	-	2-15-0-8
Tennessee	-	-	-	3-37-0-20	14-151-1-30	1-14-0-14	-
Arkansas	2-60-0-57	-	-	8-109-1-24	7-72-0-31	-	-
Florida	-	-	-	3-41-0-21	7-95-0-20	3-31-0-18	-
Clemson	-	-	-	5-65-1-24	8-125-2-40	-	1-10-0-10

Game-by-Game Leaders

Opponent	Rushing	Passing	Receiving (No.)	Receiving (Yds.)	Tackles
La.-Lafayette	M. Davis 15-94-0	Beecher 15-11-0-137-1	McKinley 6-44-1	A. Boyd 3-48-1	J. Brinkley 7-1-8
Georgia	C. Boyd 14-76-1	Mitchell 20-31-0-174-0	McKinley 7-102-0	McKinley 7-102-0	Stewart 9-0-9
S.C. State	C. Boyd 11-132-1	Mitchell 21-14-3-147-3	McKinley 4-36-1	McKinley 3-36-0	E. Cook 7-0-7
LSU	C. Boyd 18-17-0	Smelley 26-12-1-174-1	McKinley 6-25-1	M. Davis 3-77-0	E. Cook 6-5-11
Mississippi State	M. Davis 18-59-3	Smelley 37-19-1-279-2	McKinley 4-107-2; J. Cook 4-66-0	McKinley 4-107-2	Sapp 6-2-8
Kentucky	M. Davis 17-62-1	Smelley 30-17-0-256-2	McKinley 5-68-0	McKinley 5-68-0	E. Cook 9-0-9
North Carolina	C. Boyd 20-95-0	Smelley 26-17-1-172-3	McKinley 5-64-1	McKinley 5-64-1	E. Cook 8-1-9
Vanderbilt	C. Boyd 5-49-0	Smelley 24-14-2-154-0	C. Boyd 5-55-0	McKinley 4-79-0	E. Cook 9-2-11
Tennessee	C. Boyd 20-160-1	Mitchell 45-31-1-290-1	McKinley 14-151-1	McKinley 14-151-1	Munnerlyn 10-1-11
Arkansas	C. Boyd 17-94-1	Mitchell 51-27-0-364-2	Lecorn 8-109-1	Lecorn 8-109-1	Sapp 8-4-12
Florida	C. Boyd 17-44-3	Mitchell 42-26-1-316-1	McKinley 7-95-0	McKinley 7-95-0	E. Cook 7-0-7; Stewart 7-0-7; Woodson 6-1-7
Clemson	C. Boyd 19-74-0	Mitchell 31-18-2-284-3	McKinley 8-125-2	McKinley 8-125-2	E. Cook 9-0-9; Norwood 8-1-9



2007 Carolina Team Game Highs

Rushes	41	vs Louisiana-Lafayette (Sep 1, 2007)
Yards Rushing	223	vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007)
Yards Per Rush	6.0	vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007)
TD Rushes	3	vs Mississippi State (Sep 29, 2007) vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Pass attempts	51	at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Pass completions	34	at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Yards Passing	364	at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Yards Per Pass	9.2	vs Clemson (Nov 24, 2007)
TD Passes	3	vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007) at North Carolina (Oct 13, 2007) vs Clemson (Nov 24, 2007)
Total Plays	89	at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Total Offense	501	at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Yards Per Play	7.0	vs Clemson (Nov 24, 2007)
Points	38	vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007) vs Mississippi State (Sep 29, 2007) vs Kentucky (Oct 4, 2007)
Sacks By	5	at North Carolina (Oct 13, 2007)
First Downs	31	at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Penalties	11	vs Mississippi State (Sep 29, 2007)
Penalty Yards	94	vs Mississippi State (Sep 29, 2007)
Turnovers	6	vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007)
Interceptions By	3	vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007) at North Carolina (Oct 13, 2007)

2007 Carolina Individual Game Highs

Rushes	20	Cory Boyd at North Carolina (Oct 13, 2007) Cory Boyd at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Yards Rushing	160	Cory Boyd at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
TD Rushes	3	Mike Davis vs Mississippi State (Sep 29, 2007) Cory Boyd vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Long Rush	29	Cory Boyd vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007) Cory Boyd at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Pass attempts	51	Blake Mitchell at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Pass completions	31	Blake Mitchell at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Yards Passing	364	Blake Mitchell at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
TD Passes	3	Blake Mitchell vs South Carolina St (Sep 15, 2007) Chris Smelley at North Carolina (Oct 13, 2007) Blake Mitchell vs Clemson (Nov 24, 2007)
Long Pass	57	Blake Mitchell at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Receptions	14	Kenny McKinley at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Yards Receiving	151	Kenny McKinley at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
TD Receptions	2	Kenny McKinley vs Mississippi State (Sep 29, 2007) Kenny McKinley vs Clemson (Nov 24, 2007)
Long Reception	57	Mike Davis at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Field Goals	3	Ryan Succop at Georgia (Sep 8, 2007)
Long Field Goal	49	Ryan Succop at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Punts	8	Ryan Succop at North Carolina (Oct 13, 2007)
Punting Avg	46.3	Ryan Succop vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Long Punt	58	Ryan Succop vs Vanderbilt (Oct 20, 2007)
Long Punt Return	46	Captain Munnerlyn vs Vanderbilt (Oct 20, 2007)
Long Kickoff Return	44	Chris Culliver at LSU (Sep 22, 2007) Chris Culliver vs Mississippi State (Sep 29, 2007) Chris Culliver at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Tackles	12	Marvin Sapp at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Sacks	2.0	Eric Norwood at North Carolina (Oct 13, 2007) Ladi Ajiboye at North Carolina (Oct 13, 2007)
Tackles For Loss	3.5	Casper Brinkley vs Vanderbilt (Oct 20, 2007) Eric Norwood vs Clemson (Nov 24, 2007)
Interceptions	2	Emanuel Cook at North Carolina (Oct 13, 2007)

2007 Opponent Team Game Highs

Rushes	58	at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Yards Rushing	541	at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Yards Per Rush	9.3	at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
TD Rushes	5	vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Pass attempts	45	at Georgia (Sep 8, 2007) at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Pass completions	28	vs Clemson (Nov 24, 2007)
Yards Passing	304	vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Yards Per Pass	9.9	at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
TD Passes	3	at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Total Plays	85	vs Clemson (Nov 24, 2007)
Total Offense	650	at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Yards Per Play	9.4	at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Points	51	vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Sacks By	7	vs Vanderbilt (Oct 20, 2007)
First Downs	28	vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Penalties	14	vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007)
Penalty Yards	98	vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007)
Turnovers	4	vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007) vs Kentucky (Oct 4, 2007)
Interceptions By	4	vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007)

2007 Opponent Individual Game Highs

Rushes	35	Darren McFadden, at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Yards Rushing	321	Darren McFadden, at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
TD Rushes	5	Tim Tebow, vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Long Rush	80	Darren McFadden, at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Pass attempts	44	Matthew Stafford, at Georgia (Sep 8, 2007) Erik Ainge, at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Pass completions	28	Cullen Harper, vs Clemson (Nov 24, 2007)
Yards Passing	304	Tim Tebow, vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
TD Passes	2	Andre' Woodson, vs Kentucky (Oct 4, 2007) Mackenzi Adams, vs Vanderbilt (Oct 20, 2007) Casey Dick, at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007) Tim Tebow, vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Long Pass	55	Tim Tebow, vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Receptions	11	Andre Caldwell, vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Yards Receiving	148	Andre Caldwell, vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
TD Receptions	1	Several times
Long Reception	55	Aaron Hernandez, vs Florida (Nov 10, 2007)
Field Goals	4	Brandon Coutu, at Georgia (Sep 8, 2007)
Long Field Goal	48	Daniel Lincoln, at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007) Mark Buchholz, vs Clemson (Nov 24, 2007)
Punts	8	Aaron Haire, vs South Carolina State (Sep 15, 2007) Brett Upton, vs Vanderbilt (Oct 20, 2007)
Punting Avg	46.3	Tim Masthay, vs Kentucky (Oct 4, 2007)
Long Punt	63	Tim Masthay, vs Kentucky (Oct 4, 2007)
Long Punt Return	37	Alex Washington, vs Vanderbilt (Oct 20, 2007)
Long Kickoff Return	49	Felix Jones, at Arkansas (Nov. 3, 2007)
Tackles	14	Durell Mapp, at North Carolina (Oct 13, 2007) Rico McCoy, at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Sacks	2.5	Jeremy Jarmon, vs Kentucky (Oct 4, 2007)
Tackles For Loss	3.0	Dan Williams, at Tennessee (Oct 27, 2007)
Interceptions	2	D.J. Moore, vs Vanderbilt (Oct 20, 2007)



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1 South Carolina 28 Louisiana-Lafayette 14

Sept. 1 ♦ Columbia, S.C. ♦ 78,234 ♦ 85 degrees

Cory Boyd ran for two touchdowns and Steve Spurrier won his 15th-straight college opener, 28-14 over Louisiana-Lafayette on Saturday night.

Along with Boyd's scoring runs of 2 and 4 yards, quarterbacks Chris Smelley and Tommy Beecher each threw a TD pass for the Gamecocks, who played without starter Blake Mitchell.

The Ragin' Cajuns fought back to tie it after South Carolina took a 14-0 lead less than 6 minutes into the season.

But it's usually a mistake to bet against Spurrier -- especially in opening games.

He came into this one 16-1 all-time in college. The lone loss? To the Gamecocks at Williams-Brice Stadium in 1989 in his final season at Duke.

Louisiana-Lafayette lost its fifth opener of the last six years -- two to South Carolina, one each to Texas A&M, Texas and LSU.

Despite the win, Spurrier couldn't have liked what he saw out of his offense for most of this one.

Smelley threw a 2-yard scoring pass to tight end Andy Boyd. Beecher, normally a third stringer, followed on the next series with a 19-yard TD strike to Kenny McKinley. To many in the announced crowd of 78,234, the rout looked on no matter who took the snaps.

That's when Louisiana-Lafayette got back into it.

Quarterback Michael Desormeaux finished off an 80-yard drive with a 14-yard TD run.

One series later, Desormeaux moved the Ragin' Cajuns 89 yards to the end zone. Chancellor Roberson got the tying touchdown from 3 yards out.

Boyd answered with a go-ahead touchdown, diving in to end his 2-yard run with 24 seconds left before halftime.

Boyd added the second half's only score on a 4-yard run that put South Carolina up two touchdowns.

Louisiana-Lafayette tried to get back into it, but was twice stopped on fourth down inside South Carolina's 5.

Desormeaux ran for 116 of the Ragin' Cajuns 252 yards rushing. He also completed 12-of-19 for 63 yards.

Smelley and Beecher, both likely to go back to the bench when the Gamecocks go to Georgia next week, combined to go 21-of-29 for 238 yards passing.

Scoring Summary

ULL	7	7	0	0	-	14
USC	14	7	7	0	-	28

1st Quarter

USC A. Boyd 2-yard pass from Smelley (Succop kick) (7-64-2:56); 12:04

USC McKinley 19-yard pass from Beecher (Succop kick) (5-50-1:25); 9:33

ULL Desormeaux 14-yard run (Edmiston kick) (15-80-6:09); 0:15

2nd Quarter

ULL Roberson 3-yard run (Edmiston kick) (11-89-4:38); 8:46

USC C. Boyd 2-yard run (Succop kick) (5-65-1:52); 0:24

3rd Quarter

USC C. Boyd 4-yard run (Succop kick) (11-73-4:43); 4:54

Game Statistics

	ULL	USC
First Downs	17	27
Rushing	14	13
Passing	2	12
Penalty	1	2
Net Yards Rushing	252	195
Rushing Attempts	47	41
Net Yards Passing	63	238
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	12-19-0	21-29-1
Total Offense Yards	315	433
Total Offense Plays	66	70
Fumbles: No.-Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties: No.-Yards	8-59	5-32
Punts-Yards	6-221	3-135
Avg. Yards Per Punt	36.8	45.0
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	2-35	1-1
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	1-14	3-58
Interceptions: No.-Yards	1-0	0-0
Possession Time	28:22	31:38
Third Down Conversions	5-14	7-13
Fourth Down Conversions	1-3	1-2
Red Zone Scores-Chances	2-4	4-4
Sacks By: No.-Yards	2-6	0-0
PAT Kicks	2-2	4-4
Field Goals	0-0	0-1

2 South Carolina 16 #11/12 Georgia 12

Sept. 8 ♦ Athens, Ga. ♦ 92,746 ♦ 91 degrees

Steve Spurrier did it to Georgia again.

The Head Ball Coach, who beat the Bulldogs regularly while at Florida, guided South Carolina to a 16-12 upset of No. 11 Georgia.

Ryan Succop kicked three field goals, Cory Boyd ran for the game's only touchdown and South Carolina's defense held the Bulldogs out of the end zone.

Spurrier knows he doesn't have that kind of high-scoring talent at South Carolina (2-0, 1-0 SEC), forcing him to rely on a stout defense and Succop's accurate right leg to hold off the Bulldogs (1-1, 0-1).

Georgia was the highest-ranked team that South Carolina has beaten in Spurrier's three years as coach.

Succop connected from 41, 35 and 34 yards, the last of those giving the Gamecocks at 16-6 lead with 9:19 remaining.

The Bulldogs drove into South Carolina territory on their next two possessions, but settled for Brandon Coutu's third and fourth field goals. The kicker accounted for all of Georgia's points.

Georgia got one last chance to pull out a win, getting the ball back at its own 20 with 1:20 remaining. But the Bulldogs never seriously threatened, taking a couple of penalties before Matthew Stafford threw up a desperation pass that was picked off by Jasper Brinkley.

South Carolina jumped ahead with a six-play, 62-yard drive in the first quarter. Mitchell connected on 3-of-4 passes, including a 19-yarder to Kenny McKinley over the middle, and Boyd finished it off with a nifty 9-yard touchdown run.

Boyd burst through a wide hole and left Georgia safety Kelin Johnson grasping at air with a quick stutter-step, coasting to the end zone without being touched.

Stafford faced plenty of pressure as the Gamecocks took advantage of Georgia's young offensive line. The sophomore completed just 19-of-44 passes for 213 yards, was sacked three times and spent much of the game on the run.

Mitchell had a solid night, completing 20-of-31 for 174 yards. The Gamecocks didn't take many chances, knowing their defense and running game could handle the load. Boyd ran for 76 yards, and Mike Davis chipped in with 56.

Scoring Summary

USC	7	3	3	3	-	16
UGA	0	3	3	6	-	12

1st Quarter

USC C Boyd 9-yard run (Succop kick) (7-62-2:32); 3:25

2nd Quarter

UGA Coutu 33-yard field goal (13-71-5:07); 7:10

USC Succop 41-yard field goal (9-39-4:22); 2:48

3rd Quarter

USC Succop 35-yard field goal (5-36-1:07); 4:17

UGA Coutu 43-yard field goal (6-49-2:23); 1:54

4th Quarter

USC Succop 34-yard field goal (11-63-3:22); 9:19

UGA Coutu 39-yard field goal (7-39-1:42); 7:37

UGA Coutu 34-yard field goal (7-31-1:24); 4:42

Game Statistics

	USC	UGA
First Downs	21	20
Rushing	10	6
Passing	10	11
Penalty	1	3
Net Yards Rushing	140	128
Rushing Attempts	34	31
Net Yards Passing	174	213
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	20-31-0	19-45-0
Total Offense Yards	314	341
Total Offense Plays	65	76
Fumbles: No.-Lost	3-0	1-0
Penalties: No.-Yards	6-61	6-48
Punts-Yards	7-285	5-215
Avg. Yards Per Punt	40.7	43.0
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	2-15	3-53
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	5-109	4-112
Interceptions: No.-Yards	1-30	0-0
Possession Time	30:34	29:26
Third Down Conversions	1-11	3-18
Fourth Down Conversions	0-0	0-1
Red Zone Scores-Chances	4-4	2-2
Sacks By: No.-Yards	3-27	2-14
PAT Kicks	1-1	0-0
Field Goals	3-3	4-5



3 **#17/23 South Carolina** **38**
South Carolina State **3**
 Sept. 15 ♦ Columbia, S.C. ♦ 73,095 ♦ 88 degrees

Blake Mitchell threw three touchdowns and No. 17 South Carolina defeated South Carolina State 38-3 Saturday to make the Gamecocks 3-0 for the first time in six years.

South Carolina won its sixth-consecutive game and the defense didn't allow a touchdown for the second straight.

Mitchell finished 14-for-21 for 147 yards. Cory Boyd (132) and Mike Davis (102) went over 100 yards rushing, but the Gamecocks' offense looked lost for a half against the Bulldogs (1-2).

Davis rushed for 43 yards and finished a 91-yard TD drive with a 9-yard catch from Mitchell.

Two series later, Boyd broke free for a 29-yard scoring run and the Gamecocks were up 31-3.

Spurrier called only two passes in the third quarter. Then again, he didn't have to get creative the way South Carolina's defense played.

The Gamecocks picked off three passes of their own, lineman Nathan Pepper returning one 19-yards for a touchdown to put them ahead for good, 7-3.

South Carolina State had just 46 yards passing through three quarters.

The Bulldogs got an early chance to make an impact when Markee Hamlin got Mitchell's first interception to set South Carolina State up on the Gamecocks 12.

But penalties for an illegal snap and illegal procedure pushed them back and they took a 3-0 lead on Aaron Haire's 37-yard field goal.

South Carolina settled down after that shaky start -- and looked ready to give Spurrier a Florida-style blowout.

Pepper went 19 yards to the end zone with Cleveland McCoy's interception to put the Gamecocks ahead 7-3.

Ryan Succop added a 40-yard field goal and Mitchell hit Kenny McKinley with a 12-yard touchdown pass on the Gamecocks next two series to increase the lead to 17-3.

The defense was again above average. It didn't give up a touchdown at Georgia in South Carolina's 16-12 win a week ago and did not yield this time, either.

The closest South Carolina State got after its opening drive came in the third quarter after driving to the Gamecock 12, but Darian Stewart recovered Jonathan Woods' fumble to end the threat.

Scoring Summary

SCSU	3	0	0	0	-	3
USC	17	0	7	14	-	38

1st Quarter

SCSU Haire 37-yard field goal (4-(-7)- 1:02); 12:21

USC Pepper 19-yard interception return (Succop kick); 11:01

USC Succop 40-yard field goal (9-57-4:35); 4:46

USC McKinley 12-yard pass from Mitchell (Succop kick) (6-41-1:54); 0:47

3rd Quarter

USC M. Davis 9-yard pass from Mitchell (Succop kick) (10-91-4:59); 6:26

4th Quarter

USC C. Boyd 29-yard run (Succop kick) (2-38-0:26); 14:50

USC M. Barnes 16-yard pass from Mitchell (Lanning kick) (6-59-2:54); 9:58

Game Statistics

	SCSU	USC
First Downs	12	24
Rushing	10	14
Passing	2	8
Penalty	0	2
Net Yards Rushing	196	223
Rushing Attempts	47	37
Net Yards Passing	68	185
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	10-21-3	17-29-4
Total Offense Yards	264	408
Total Offense Plays	68	66
Fumbles: No.-Lost	1-1	3-2
Penalties: No.-Yards	14-98	5-38
Punts-Yards	8-280	2-83
Avg. Yards Per Punt	35.0	41.5
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	2-4	3-23
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	6-147	2-45
Interceptions: No.-Yards	4-45	3-29
Possession Time	33:07	26:53
Third Down Conversions	4-15	4-11
Fourth Down Conversions	1-2	2-3
Red Zone Scores-Chances	1-2	3-3
Sacks By: No.-Yards	2-14	1-6
Field Goals	1-1	1-1

4 **#2/2 LSU** **28**
#12/14 South Carolina **16**
 Sept. 22 ♦ Baton Rouge, La. ♦ 92,530 ♦ 83 degrees

The No. 2 Tigers used a fake field goal to score one touchdown and piled up 290 rushing yards to defeat Steve Spurrier and No. 12 South Carolina 28-16.

Midway through the second quarter, the Tigers set up for a field goal attempt from 32 yards. However, the holder, quarterback Matt Flynn flipped the ball over his shoulder to kicker Colt David, who ran it in for a touchdown run and a 21-7 halftime lead.

Jacob Hester's power and Trindon Holliday's speed were key for LSU on the ground and its dominant defense did the rest with two interceptions and a pair of stops on fourth-and-short yardage situations.

The Gamecocks' tandem of standout running backs, Cory Boyd and Mike Davis, combined for only 27 yards and one TD by Davis. Because of sacks, South Carolina's net rushing total was only 17 yards.

Backup quarterback Chris Smelley ended up with the best passing numbers for the Gamecocks, going 12-of-26 for 174 yards and a late 1-yard TD pass to Kenny McKinley.

He was intercepted by Chevis Jackson, while Danny McCray intercepted starter Blake Mitchell to set up a touchdown on a fake field goal late in the first half.

Mitchell bounced back from a couple of vicious sacks and, with the help of an LSU facemask penalty, he drove the Gamecocks for a 7-0 lead on their third series, capped by Davis' 1-yard run.

It was only the second score LSU had given up this season, and it was the first time the Tigers trailed in a game.

With the remnants of a tropical depression soaking Tiger Stadium, the field became sloppy and hindered the passing game.

Mitchell bobbled several snaps in shotgun formation and receivers for both teams slipped on cuts.

It was less of a problem for LSU, which subbed in powerful and mobile backup Ryan Perrilloux for designed quarterback runs. The Tigers wound up with 217 yards rushing in the first half, Holliday with 61 and Perrilloux with 54.

There was nothing Spurrier could do, and he watched with increasing frustration as LSU piled up the yards.

Scoring Summary

USC	7	0	0	9	-	16
LSU	7	14	7	0	-	28

1st Quarter

USC M. Davis 1-yard run (Succop kick) (12-67-5:52); 2:46

LSU Holliday 33-yard run (David kick) (5-69-1:23); 1:16

2nd Quarter

LSU Dickson 1-yard pass from Flynn (David kick) (9-56-2:55); 12:13

LSU David 15-yard run (David kick) (5-32-2:35); 1:10

3rd Quarter

LSU Hester 9-yard run (David kick) (5-30-2:16); 6:02

4th Quarter

USC Succop 23-yard field goal (11-56-2:44); 7:44

USC McKinley 1-yard pass from Smelley (Smelley pass failed) (10-80-3:19); 1:41

Game Statistics

	USC	LSU
First Downs	16	19
Rushing	1	16
Passing	13	3
Penalty	2	0
Net Yards Rushing	17	290
Rushing Attempts	27	50
Net Yards Passing	244	70
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	19-42-2	8-20-1
Total Offense Yards	261	360
Total Offense Plays	69	70
Fumbles: No.-Lost	2-1	3-0
Penalties: No.-Yards	2-20	5-39
Punts-Yards	5-224	7-267
Avg. Yards Per Punt	44.8	38.1
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	1-19	2-9
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	5-122	3-50
Interceptions: No.-Yards	1-0	2-0
Possession Time	27:09	32:51
Third Down Conversions	8-16	4-14
Fourth Down Conversions	0-2	1-1
Red Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	3-3
Sacks By: No.-Yards	1-6	3-26
Field Goals	1-1	0-1

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#16/21 South Carolina 38
Mississippi State 21
 Sept. 29 ♦ Columbia, S.C. ♦ 78,883 ♦ 78 degrees

Freshman Chris Smelley threw for a career-best 279 yards and two touchdowns to lead No. 16 South Carolina to a 38-21 victory over Mississippi State on Saturday.

Smelley was given the starting job by coach Steve Spurrier before the Gamecocks (4-1, 2-1 SEC) left the locker room at LSU's Death Valley last week after a 28-16 loss.

Smelley, who replaced fifth-year senior Blake Mitchell, connected with receiver Kenny McKinley on touchdown passes of 20 and 27 yards, the latter of which put South Carolina ahead for good, 24-21, with 3:43 left in the third quarter.

The USC defense also looked strong without its best player in injured linebacker Jasper Brinkley. The Gamecocks gave up only 45 rushing yards by halftime in stopping Mississippi State (3-2, 1-2), which came to Williams-Brice Stadium with a three-game winning streak.

Mike Davis added two of his three rushing touchdowns (3, 2 and 12 yards) for South Carolina in the final quarter.

The Bulldogs looked like they had taken the game over in the third quarter. Anthony Dixon's second TD run from 2 yards out put Mississippi State ahead 21-17. Then its defense held, forcing the Gamecocks into a missed 50-yard field goal try.

However, South Carolina defensive lineman Eric Norwood blocked Blake McAdams' punt.

One play later, Smelley hit McKinley with a perfect throw and the junior wide-out spun out of a tackle and into the end zone for the go-ahead score.

McKinley finished with four catches for 107 yards, his second game over 100 yards receiving this season.

Smelley was 19-of-37 with an interception. His previous high in yardage came last week with 174 yards in relief of Mitchell.

Dixon led the Bulldogs with 83 yards and his two rushing scores. Mississippi State didn't do much through the air against the Gamecocks with 118 yards.

Just before the half, Cory Boyd took a flip from tight end Jared Cook after a completion from Smelley for 16 yards on third-and-20. On the next play, Ryan Succop hit a 45-yard field goal, to send USC into the break with the lead.

Scoring Summary

MSU	7	7	7	0	-	21
USC	7	10	7	14	-	38

1st Quarter

USC M Davis 3-yard run (Succop kick) (12-69-4:38); 10:22

MSU Bell 28-yard pass from Riddell (Carlson kick) (2-31-0:50); 5:17

2nd Quarter

USC McKinley 20-yard pass from Smelley (Succop kick) (4-37-1:52); 13:28

MSU Dixon 1-yard run (Carlson kick) (14-62-7:00); 2:20

USC Succop 45-yard field goal (10-54-2:18); 0:02

3rd Quarter

MSU Dixon 2-yard run (Carlson kick) (5-48-1:43); 8:56

USC McKinley 27-yard pass from Smelley (Succop kick) (1-27-0:08); 3:43

4th Quarter

USC M Davis 2-yard run (Succop kick) (5-79-2:34); 14:07

USC M. Davis 12-yard run (Succop kick) (6-63-2:24); 0:58

Game Statistics

	MSU	USC
First Downs	18	21
Rushing	10	10
Passing	6	9
Penalty	2	2
Net Yards Rushing	140	123
Rushing Attempts	42	35
Net Yards Passing	118	279
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	12-27-1	19-37-1
Total Offense Yards	258	402
Total Offense Plays	69	72
Fumbles: No.-Lost	1-0	1-0
Penalties: No.-Yards	9-87	11-94
Punts-Yards	7-274	4-134
Avg. Yards Per Punt	39.1	33.5
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	1-0	5-53
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	4-86	4-109
Interceptions: No.-Yards	1-15	1-0
Possession Time	30:21	29:39
Third Down Conversions	3-13	9-18
Fourth Down Conversions	0-1	1-2
Red Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	4-6
Sacks By: No.-Yards	2-9	2-27
Field Goals	0-0	1-2

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#11/18 South Carolina 38
#8/8 Kentucky 23
 Oct. 4 ♦ Columbia, S.C. ♦ 76,220 ♦ 73 degrees

Kentucky's perfect start was spoiled by the one ball coach who knows better than almost anyone how to humble the Wildcats.

South Carolina defensive end Eric Norwood tied an NCAA mark with two touchdowns on fumble returns and Steve Spurrier remained unbeaten against No. 8 Kentucky in the 11th-ranked Gamecocks' 38-23 victory Thursday night.

With both teams ranked for the first time when facing each other, Spurrier got the best of Kentucky for the 15th time — and now has the Gamecocks (5-1, 3-1 Southeastern Conference) in the thick of the SEC Eastern Division race.

It was the poorest performance of the season for Kentucky (5-1, 1-1), which was held to half its SEC-leading average of 46.6 points a game.

Andre Woodson, the hero of the Wildcats' surprising start, was pressured into several errors.

He fumbled after Jonathan Williams' sack on Kentucky's first series, and Norwood picked it up for a 2-yard TD return that put the Gamecocks ahead 7-0. Then tied at 10-all in the second quarter, Woodson drove Kentucky to the Gamecocks 9, but threw his second interception of the season to end the threat.

The mistakes continued after halftime. Woodson's lateral attempt to fullback John Conner was muffed, and this time Norwood grabbed it and ran 53 yards for his second score and a 24-10 lead.

Norwood's touchdown returns matched an NCAA record accomplished three times before, the last by SMU's Alvin Nnabuife against Nevada in 2004.

Woodson finished 23-of-40 for 227 yards, but was sacked three times. Rafael Little had his fifth 100-yard game of the year with 135 yards rushing.

None of it was enough.

The Wildcats closed to 31-23 on Woodson's 6-yard touchdown pass to Steve Johnson with 6:59 left, but Cory Boyd's 27-yard TD catch on South Carolina's next drive secured the Gamecocks' eighth straight win in the series.

Freshman Chris Smelley, making his second-straight start for South Carolina, completed 17-of-30 for 256 yards and two touchdowns.

Not even some pregame rain could stop the festive atmosphere at Williams-Brice Stadium.

Scoring Summary

UK	3	7	3	10	-	23
USC	10	7	7	14	-	38

1st Quarter

USC Norwood 2-yard fumble recovery (Succop kick); 10:53

UK Seiber 27-yard field goal (6-34-1:52); 5:02

USC Succop 29-yard field goal (12-58-4:05); 0:57

2nd Quarter

UK Tamme 18-yard pass from Woodson (Seiber kick) (9-71-3:44); 12:13

USC M Davis 3-yard run (Succop kick) (10-89-3:26); 0:51

3rd Quarter

USC Norwood 53-yard fumble recovery (Succop kick); 13:03

UK Seiber 41-yard field goal (9-49-2:14); 10:49

4th Quarter

UK Seiber 23-yard field goal (13-66-3:44); 14:56

USC DiMarco 7-yard pass from Smelley (Succop kick) (8-62-3:55); 11:01

UK Johnson 6-yard pass from Woodson (Seiber kick) (12-72-4:02); 6:59

USC C. Boyd 27-yard pass from Smelley (Succop kick) (7-69-3:31); 3:28

Game Statistics

	UK	USC
First Downs	26	18
Rushing	11	5
Passing	13	12
Penalty	2	1
Net Yards Rushing	157	86
Rushing Attempts	38	36
Net Yards Passing	227	256
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	23-40-1	17-30-0
Total Offense Yards	384	342
Total Offense Plays	78	66
Fumbles: No.-Lost	5-3	1-1
Penalties: No.-Yards	5-49	6-44
Punts-Yards	3-139	6-252
Avg. Yards Per Punt	46.3	42.0
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	2-7	1-0
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	7-171	5-97
Interceptions: No.-Yards	0-0	1-38
Possession Time	30:03	29:57
Third Down Conversions	3-11	6-13
Fourth Down Conversions	1-2	0-0
Red Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	3-4
Sacks By: No.-Yards	5-33	3-38
Field Goals	3-3	1-1



7 **#7/12 South Carolina** **21**
North Carolina **15**
 Oct. 13 ❖ Chapel Hill, N.C. ❖ 61,000 ❖ 71 degrees

Chris Smelley threw a career-high three touchdown passes in the first half and No. 7 South Carolina withstood a late rally to beat North Carolina 21-15.

The redshirt freshman improved to 4-0 as a starter, helping South Carolina (6-1) build a 21-3 lead through three quarters.

But the Tar Heels (2-5) made things interesting late. T.J. Yates threw an 18-yard touchdown pass to Greg Little on the first play of the fourth quarter, then ran 3 yards for another score to make it a six-point game with 3:03 remaining.

The Gamecocks gave North Carolina one last chance, after Ryan Succop's 48-yard field goal bounced off the right upright with 46 seconds left.

Yates threw three quick completions to move the Tar Heels to the South Carolina 31, but misfired on his last two throws toward the end zone.

Yates finished 22-of-42 for 285 yards against the nation's best pass defense.

North Carolina had 398 total yards to South Carolina's 282, had nearly a 10-minute advantage in time of possession and stopped the Gamecocks on 12 of 13 third-down chances. But the Tar Heels couldn't overcome three interceptions -- one thrown on a trick play in the fourth by quarterback-turned-receiver Joe Dailey in the red zone.

Smelley completed 17-of-26 passes for 172 yards with scoring passes to three different receivers, covering 3 yards to Dion LeCorn, 30 yards to McKinley and 12 yards to Jared Cook.

Cory Boyd rushed 20 times for 95 yards for South Carolina, helping Steve Spurrier remain unbeaten in four games against the Tar Heels.

The Gamecocks clicked early in jumping out to a 14-0 first-quarter lead. They scored on two straight possessions, with Smelley's 20-yard pass to Cook setting up his 3-yard strike to LeCorn.

Then, Smelley and Cook hooked up again for 23 yards one play before he found McKinley behind cornerback Jermaine Strong, and the receiver spun toward the right sideline and pulled down his team-leading sixth TD of the season.

South Carolina made it 21-3 at half-time when Captain Munnerlyn's 38-yard punt return in the final minutes of the half set up Smelley's scoring pass to Cook with 15 seconds left.

Scoring Summary

USC	14	7	0	0	-	21
UNC	0	3	0	12	-	15

1st Quarter

USC LeCorn 3-yard pass from Smelley (Succop kick) (6-48-2:14); 8:11

USC McKinley 30-yard pass from Smelley (Succop kick) (3-68 yards-1:04); 3:39

2nd Quarter

UNC Barth 45-yard field goal (12-55-5:09); 13:30

USC J. Cook 12-yard pass from Smelley (Succop kick) (9-40-1:41); 0:15

4th Quarter

UNC Little 18-yard pass from Yates (Baucum pass failed) (5-61-1:44); 14:53

UNC Yates 3-yard run (Barth pass failed); (4-62-0:45); 3:03

Game Statistics

	USC	UNC
First Downs	15	22
Rushing	8	8
Passing	6	12
Penalty	1	2
Net Yards Rushing	110	113
Rushing Attempts	32	36
Net Yards Passing	172	285
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	17-26-1	22-43-3
Total Offense Yards	282	398
Total Offense Plays	58	79
Fumbles: No.-Lost	1-1	2-0
Penalties: No.-Yards	6-40	8-67
Punts-Yards	8-347	6-251
Avg. Yards Per Punt	43.4	41.8
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	2-36	3-14
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	2-40	4-79
Interceptions: No.-Yards	3-38	1-16
Possession Time	25:56	34:04
Third Down Conversions	1-12	5-17
Fourth Down Conversions	1-1	1-2
Red Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	2-4
Sacks By: No.-Yards	4-16	3-23
Field Goals	0-1	1-2

8 **Vanderbilt** **17**
#6/8 South Carolina **6**
 Oct. 20 ❖ Columbia, S.C. ❖ 79,212 ❖ 75 degrees

Vanderbilt coach Bobby Johnson had no doubt how his Commodores would react, even if many others did, following last week's loss to Georgia.

"It made us a little angry," he said.

And Vanderbilt (4-3, 2-3 SEC) took it out on Coach Steve Spurrier and No. 6 South Carolina (6-2, 3-2) on Saturday with a 17-6 victory.

The win was Vanderbilt's first over Spurrier in 15 tries and the highest-ranked opponent it defeated in more than 70 years.

A week ago, the Commodores left their home stadium after Georgia's 20-17 victory on a last-second field goal.

This time, it was two touchdown passes from Mackenzi Adams, two interceptions by D.J. Moore and a defense that was so stout it didn't make a difference which quarterback Spurrier called on.

Little went right for South Carolina. The offense was held to 282 yards. Starter Chris Smelley threw two interceptions and Vanderbilt registered seven sacks.

Vanderbilt had lost seven straight to South Carolina since last winning in 1999.

Smelley drove the Gamecocks 63 yards to the Vandy 13, but Moore stepped in front of a pass in the end zone to stop a third-quarter series.

Backup quarterback Blake Mitchell bounced a throw short on fourth-and-5. A series later, Mitchell's pass was picked off by linebacker Jonathan Goff with 11:05 remaining.

South Carolina had another chance to close in when Adams fumbled with eight minutes left and Eric Norway recovered. Linebacker Marcus Bugs and defensive end Curtis Gatewood sacked Mitchell on consecutive downs to end the threat.

Moore got things going for Vanderbilt early on. His first interception set up Bryan Hahnfeldt's 32-yard field goal.

One play later, Ryan Hamilton picked up Cory Boyd's fumble to put the Commodores in position again. Adams found George Smith for a 22-yard touchdown.

Vanderbilt kept up the first-quarter pressure. Two series later, Adams had runs of 19 and 4 yards, then closed the drive with his second TD pass, a 20-yard toss to Justin Wheeler.

The Commodores were up 17-0, stunning most of the 79,212 at Williams-Brice Stadium.

Scoring Summary

VU	17	0	0	0	-	17
USC	0	6	0	0	-	6

1st Quarter

VU Hahnfeldt 32-yard field goal (4-9-1:28); 8:21

VU Smith 22-yard pass from Adams (Hahnfeldt kick) (3-24-1:23); 6:43

VU Wheeler 20-yard pass from Adams (Hahnfeldt kick) (5-43-2:27); 0:17

2nd Quarter

USC Succop 35-yard field goal (10-82-3:04); 3:54

USC Succop 32-yard field goal (4-3-1:33); 0:42

Game Statistics

	VU	USC
First Downs	12	14
Rushing	6	4
Passing	6	10
Penalty	0	0
Net Yards Rushing	146	26
Rushing Attempts	47	22
Net Yards Passing	123	256
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	8-16-1	23-43-3
Total Offense Yards	269	282
Total Offense Plays	63	65
Fumbles: No.-Lost	1-1	3-1
Penalties: No.-Yards	2-10	6-30
Punts-Yards	8-321	7-295
Avg. Yards Per Punt	40.1	42.1
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	6-57	4-59
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	3-102	4-100
Interceptions: No.-Yards	3-16	1-0
Possession Time	33:24	26:36
Third Down Conversions	5-17	1-12
Fourth Down Conversions	0-0	0-2
Red Zone Scores-Chances	3-5	2-3
Sacks By: No.-Yards	7-50	2-4
Field Goals	1-2	2-2

9 **Tennessee** **ot 27**
#15/17 South Carolina **24**
 Oct. 27 ❖ Knoxville, Tenn. ❖ 105,962 ❖ 53 degrees

Daniel Lincoln kicked a game-tying 48-yard field goal with 5 seconds left, then provided the only points in overtime, and Tennessee (5-3, 3-2) recovered after blowing a big lead to beat No. 15 South Carolina 27-24 Saturday night.

Lincoln got two chances to force overtime. He hooked a 43-yarder wide left, but a false start penalty on the Vols gave him another chance. This time, Lincoln sent the 48-yarder through to tie the game at 24.

Then he won it with his 27-yarder in overtime.

Steve Spurrier came in with his Gamecocks (6-3, 3-3) in charge of the East and needing to win out for South Carolina to become the first SEC team other than Tennessee, Florida or Georgia to win the division title.

But Ryan Succop, who gave South Carolina its only lead of the game at 24-21 with 1:24 left with his own 49-yard field goal, was wide right on a 40-yarder on fourth-and-8.

South Carolina came in looking for its best start since 2001. But two of its four turnovers came in the final 6:52 of regulation. Spurrier threw his headset to the turf in disgust after Blake Mitchell, who came off the bench in relief of Chris Smelley, overthrew Kenny McKinley on third down.

That forced the Gamecocks to settle for Succop's field goal.

Tennessee had gained only 70 yards in the second half, but got a huge lift from LaMarcus Coker on special teams after South Carolina took the lead. He took the kickoff up the right sideline to the 31, stopped and went back across the field to the left to set up a struggling Erik Ainge at the 47.

Three plays later, Casper Brinkley sacked Ainge after the Vols used their last timeout. Ainge spiked the ball to stop the clock with 9 seconds left.

Lincoln came in and made the longest kick of his career when it counted most.

South Carolina outgained Tennessee 501-317 and held the ball for more than 36 minutes. Boyd finished with 20 carries for 160 yards and a 29-yard touchdown run.

Mitchell was 31-of-45 for 290 yards, and he ran for a TD and threw for another, an 8-yarder to McKinley that tied it at 21 in the fourth quarter.

Scoring Summary

USC	0	0	14	10	0	-	24
UT	7	14	0	3	3	-	27

1st Quarter

UT Foster 1-yard run (Lincoln kick) (3-2-1:15); 1:14

2nd Quarter

UT Hardesty 43-yard run (Lincoln kick) (11-44-4:54); 9:54

UT Briscoe 4-yard pass from Ainge (Lincoln kick) (7-72-1:53); 4:39

3rd Quarter

USC Mitchell 1-yard run (Succop kick) (9-39-3:05); 5:41

USC C. Boyd 29-yard run (Succop kick) (6-86-1:43); 2:12

4th Quarter

USC McKinley 8-yard pass from Mitchell (Succop kick) (9-66-3:39); 11:11

USC Succop 49-yard field goal (8-26-1:54); 1:24

UT Lincoln 48-yard field goal (7-22-1:06); 0:05

Overtime

UT Lincoln 27-yard field goal (6-15)

Game Statistics

	USC	UT
First Downs	31	16
Rushing	10	8
Passing	20	6
Penalty	1	2
Net Yards Rushing	171	101
Rushing Attempts	39	28
Net Yards Passing	330	216
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	34-50-2	26-45-1
Total Offense Yards	501	317
Total Offense Plays	89	73
Fumbles: No.-Lost	3-2	2-0
Penalties: No.-Yards	8-67	5-55
Punts-Yards	3-111	6-245
Avg. Yards Per Punt	37.0	40.8
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	2-1	2-6
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	4-94	4-128
Interceptions: No.-Yards	1-0	2-13
Possession Time	36:25	23:35
Third Down Conversions	7-16	5-17
Fourth Down Conversions	0-1	0-1
Red Zone Scores-Chances	2-3	5-5
Sacks By: No.-Yards	1-9	1-9
Field Goals	1-2	2-3

10 **Arkansas** **48**
#23/25 South Carolina **36**
 Nov. 3 ❖ Fayetteville, Ark. ❖ 70,742 ❖ 58 degrees

Darren McFadden ran for an SEC-record-tying 321 yards in Arkansas' 48-36 victory over No. 23 South Carolina on Saturday night.

McFadden ran for a touchdown and also threw for a one, and Felix Jones rushed for 166 yards and three TDs for the Razorbacks. Arkansas (6-3, 2-3 SEC) led 21-3 after the first quarter, and although the Gamecocks rallied in the second half, they never could stop the Hogs' running game. Arkansas rushed for 542 yards on the night.

The Gamecocks tried two onside kicks in the third quarter and recovered one, and after a bad snap gave them a safety early in the fourth quarter, they appeared to have momentum.

South Carolina's Cory Boyd ran for a 1-yard touchdown to make it 42-36 with 8:15 to play, but McFadden answered 11 seconds later with an 80-yard TD run.

Blake Mitchell threw for 364 yards and two touchdowns for South Carolina, but the Gamecocks (6-4, 3-4) didn't have an answer for McFadden and Jones.

Jones was actually the star early on, rushing for touchdowns of 40 and 72 yards in the first quarter. After one quarter, Jones had 119 yards on four carries.

Mitchell scored on a 1-yard sneak in the second quarter. The Razorbacks then scored on a reverse pass. McFadden lined up at quarterback, with quarterback Casey Dick at wide receiver. Jones took a handoff and pitched to Dick, who threw deep to Lucas Miller for a 35-yard touchdown to make it 28-10.

South Carolina opened the second half with a field goal, then caught Arkansas off guard with an onside kick that was easily recovered by the Gamecocks' Emanuel Cook. Mitchell then found Jared Cook for a 21-yard touchdown, but Arkansas answered with another trick play.

With the ball at the South Carolina 23, McFadden dropped a pitchout, then picked up the ball and threw to the end zone for Robert Johnson, who outjumped defensive back Carlos Thomas and came down with the ball for a touchdown.

Mitchell's 22-yard touchdown pass to Dion LeCorn made it 35-27, and Carolina followed that with another onside kick attempt, which went out of bounds. Arkansas quickly drove for Jones' third touchdown of the game, a 7-yard run.

Scoring Summary

USC	3	7	17	9	-	36
UA	21	7	14	6	-	48

1st Quarter

UA Monk 4-yard pass from Dick (Tejada kick) (9-66-3:16); 11:44

USC Succop 37-yard field goal (7-47-1:18); 6:21

UA Jones 40-yard run (Tejada kick) (4-63-1:39); 4:42

UA Jones 72-yard run (Tejada kick) (2-76-0:48); 2:52

2nd Quarter

USC Mitchell 1-yard run (Succop kick) (10-76-3:47); 8:05

UA Miller 35-yard pass from Dick (Tejada kick) (3-51-1:13); 6:52

3rd Quarter

USC Succop 30-yard field goal (11-60-3:49); 11:11

USC J. Cook 21-yard pass from Mitchell (Succop kick) (5-55-2:04); 9:07

UA Johnson 23-yard pass from McFadden (Tejada kick) (8-67-3:54); 5:13

USC LeCorn 22-yard pass from Mitchell (Succop kick) (3-36-0:44); 4:29

UA Jones 7-yard run (Tejada kick) (4-47-1:42); 2:47

4th Quarter

USC Safety, ball snapped thru endzone; 13:27

USC C. Boyd 1-yard run (Succop kick) (13-55-5:12); 8:15

UA McFadden 80-yard run (McFadden pass failed) (1-80-0:11); 8:04

Game Statistics

	USC	UA
First Downs	29	26
Rushing	11	22
Passing	16	4
Penalty	2	0
Net Yards Rushing	125	542
Rushing Attempts	32	58
Net Yards Passing	364	109
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	27-51-0	9-11-0
Total Offense Yards	489	651
Total Offense Plays	83	69
Fumbles: No.-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties: No.-Yards	4-30	4-45
Punts-Yards	5-208	1-36
Avg. Yards Per Punt	41.6	36.0
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	1-2	1-7
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	9-243	4-95
Interceptions: No.-Yards	0-0	0-0
Possession Time	30:55	29:05
Third Down Conversions	6-15	10-13
Fourth Down Conversions	1-2	0-0
Red Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	2-2
Sacks By: No.-Yards	0-0	2-16
Field Goals	2-2	0-1



11 **#17/18 Florida** **51**
South Carolina **31**
 Nov. 10 ♦ Columbia, S.C. ♦ 81,215 ♦ 52 degrees

Tim Tebow is keeping Florida in the hunt for a Southeastern Conference title and making quite a case to become the first sophomore to win the Heisman Trophy.

Tebow accounted for seven touchdowns, five rushing, and 424 total yards as the No. 17 Gators defeated South Carolina 51-31 on Saturday night.

With Florida's dual-threat receiver Percy Harvin out with sinus problems, Tebow took over, running things so efficiently the Gators didn't have a play lose yards until things were well in hand midway through the third quarter.

Tebow was 22-for-32 for a career-best 304 yards and ran for 120 yards on 26 carries, accounting for more than three-quarters of the offense for Florida (7-3, 5-3).

Andre Caldwell was Tebow's favorite target with 11 catches for 148 yards and a touchdown.

South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier drops to 1-2 against Florida, the team he won a Heisman Trophy and coached to a national championship.

Spurrier has lost four in a row for only the second time in his college coaching career and finishes with a losing SEC record for a second straight season - two things that never happened with the Gators.

The tone was set on the first play from scrimmage, when South Carolina lost the ball on a bad snap and the Gators scored on 5-yard run by Tebow moments later. The Gamecocks did take a 14-13 lead late in the first quarter after stopping Florida for no gain on a fourth-and-one and recovering a fumble.

Then Tebow took over either running or throwing the ball on 14 of Florida's next 16 plays, including scoring runs of 1 and 3 yards, to put the Gators back up 27-14.

Tebow also added touchdown runs of 2 and 5 yards in the second half, and threw a 22-yard score to Jarred Fayson in the second quarter.

Brandon James ran for 49 yards for the Gators, while John Curtis blocked a punt that led to Florida's second touchdown.

Blake Mitchell was 26-of-42 for 316 yards. He has thrown for at least 290 yards in South Carolina's last three games, all losses.

Scoring Summary

UF	13	14	10	14	-	51
USC	14	0	10	7	-	31

1st Quarter

UF	Tebow 5-yard run (Iijas kick) (5-21-2:04); 12:46
UF	Fayson 22-yard pass from Tebow (Iijas kick failed) (2-22-0:12); 11:00
USC	J. Cook 5-yard pass from Mitchell (Succop kick) (5-65-2:00); 9:00
USC	C. Boyd 2-yard run (Succop kick) (2-23-0:19); 2:21

2nd Quarter

UF	Tebow 1-yard run (Iijas kick) (11-66-4:49); 12:32
UF	Tebow 3-yard run (Iijas kick) (5-44-1:47); 10:13

3rd Quarter

UF	Tebow 2-yard run (Iijas kick) (4-80-2:18); 12:42
USC	Succop 44-yard field goal (12-47-3:32); 9:10
UF	Iijas 34-yard field goal (7-19-3:04); 6:06
USC	C. Boyd 3-yard run (Succop kick) (6-65-1:53); 4:13

4th Quarter

UF	Tebow 5-yard run (Iijas kick) (11-59-5:47); 13:26
USC	C. Boyd 2-yard run (Succop kick) (8-87-2:51); 4:08
UF	Caldwell 21-yard pass from Tebow (Iijas kick) (5-40-2:31); 1:37

Game Statistics

	UF	USC
First Downs	28	22
Rushing	16	4
Passing	11	15
Penalty	1	3
Net Yards Rushing	233	68
Rushing Attempts	48	26
Net Yards Passing	304	316
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	22-32-1	26-44-1
Total Offense Yards	537	384
Total Offense Plays	80	70
Fumbles: No.-Lost	3-2	4-2
Penalties: No.-Yards	6-65	6-35
Punts-Yards	1-27	4-139
Avg. Yards Per Punt	27.0	34.8
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	2-12	0-0
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	3-58	6-113
Interceptions: No.-Yards	1-11	1-8
Possession Time	34:21	25:39
Third Down Conversions	12-16	2-12
Fourth Down Conversions	0-1	2-2
Red Zone Scores-Chances	6-7	5-5
Sacks By: No.-Yards	2-16	0-0
Field Goals	1-1	1-1

12 **#21 Clemson** **23**
South Carolina **21**
 Nov. 24 ♦ Columbia, S.C. ♦ 82,410 ♦ 50 degrees

Mark Buchholz finally gave his Clemson soccer buddies what they wanted.

All season long, they pestered their teammate about kicking a game-winning field goal. Buchholz delivered against Clemson's biggest rival, a 35-yarder as time expired that lifted the 21st-ranked Tigers (9-3) to a 23-21 win at South Carolina (6-6) on Saturday night.

For a while, it looked like Carolina head coach Steve Spurrier pushed all the right buttons again. The Gamecocks rallied from a 17-7 deficit and led 21-20 on Blake Mitchell's third TD pass with nine minutes to go.

But Clemson quarterback Cullen Harper guided the Tigers into position. Harper found Aaron Kelly with a 12-yard pass on fourth-and-four. The two connected again moments later on an 18-yard pass to South Carolina's 16. Then Buchholz calmly hit the game-winner.

Harper finished 28-of-38 for 229 yards and his 27th touchdown pass.

Kelly had nine catches for 134 yards, his third game this year with over 100 receiving yards. James Davis rushed for 122 yards on 23 carries and C.J. Spiller had 88 yards.

Kenny McKinley had eight receptions for 125 yards. He had 77 catches for the season, breaking the 21-year-old mark of former NFL star Sterling Sharpe (74).

Bowden improved to 7-2 against South Carolina, and 2-1 vs. Spurrier.

Mitchell's first throw was picked off by Chris Chancellor, setting up Buchholz's 48-yard field goal.

Three minutes later, Nelson Faerber slid past blocker Mike Davis to block Ryan Succop's punt and La'Donte Harris took it 10 yards for a touchdown to put Clemson ahead 10-0.

After Clemson scored on Faerber's second career TD, USC return man Chris Culliver carried the kickoff into the end zone from the field of play to start the Gamecocks on their 1.

The Gamecocks seemed to grab momentum right before halftime on Carlos Thomas' 67-yard fumble return after a catch by Clemson tight end Brian Lithicum. But replays showed Lithicum's knee was down. Instead of South Carolina with first-and-goal at the 8, the Tigers kept possession.

Scoring Summary

CU	10	7	3	3	-	23
USC	7	0	7	7	-	21

1st Quarter

CU	Buchholz 48-yard field goal (9-45-5:34); 9:13
CU	Harris 10-yard blocked punt return (Buchholz kick)
USC	McKinley 19-yard pass from Mitchell (Succop kick) (8-74-3:09); 2:52

2nd Quarter

CU	Faerber 4-yard pass from Harper (Buchholz kick) (10-88-3:53); 5:52
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3rd Quarter

USC	McKinley 40-yard pass from Mitchell (Succop kick) (4-66-1:25); 8:35
CU	Buchholz 28-yard field goal (13-69-6:10); 2:25

4th Quarter

USC	LeCorn 4-yard pass from Mitchell (Succop kick) (7-72-1:25); 9:00
CU	Buchholz 35-yard field goal (9-61-2:09); 0:00

Game Statistics

	CU	USC
First Downs	26	17
Rushing	11	4
Passing	13	12
Penalty	2	1
Net Yards Rushing	214	80
Rushing Attempts	46	21
Net Yards Passing	229	284
Cmp.-Att.-Int.	28-39-1	18-31-2
Total Offense Yards	443	364
Total Offense Plays	85	52
Fumbles: No.-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties: No.-Yards	6-45	4-41
Punts-Yards	4-154	5-117
Avg. Yards Per Punt	38.5	23.4
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	4-37	1-7
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	3-58	5-78
Interceptions: No.-Yards	2-1	1-34
Possession Time	38:37	21:23
Third Down Conversions	6-15	3-8
Fourth Down Conversions	1-1	0-0
Red Zone Scores-Chances	3-5	2-2
Sacks By: No.-Yards	0-0	2-14
Field Goals	3-5	0-0



The Last Time South Carolina...

SHUT OUT AN OPPONENT:
at Mississippi State, 15-0 (8/31/06)

WAS SHUT OUT:
vs. Georgia (9/9/06)

SCORED BETWEEN 50-59 POINTS:
52 vs. Middle Tennessee (11/18/06)

ALLOWED BETWEEN 50-59 POINTS:
51, vs. Florida (11/10/07)

SCORED BETWEEN 60-69 POINTS:
65 vs. Mississippi State (10/14/95)

ALLOWED BETWEEN 60-69 POINTS:
63, vs. Clemson (11/22/03)

SCORED MORE THAN 70 POINTS:
77 vs. Kent State (10/7/95)

ALLOWED MORE THAN 70 POINTS:
Never

SCORED ON A SAFETY:
at Arkansas (11/3/07)

ALLOWED A SAFETY:
vs. Arkansas (11/4/06)

RETURNED A KICKOFF FOR A TD:
Matthew Thomas, 95 yards vs. Virginia (9/7/02)

ALLOWED A KICKOFF RETURN FOR A TD:
Leodis McKelvin, Troy, 100 yards (9/24/05)

RETURNED A PUNT FOR A TD:
Chavez Donnings, 73 yards vs. Florida (11/15/03)

ALLOWED A PUNT RETURN FOR A TD:
Lito Sheppard, Florida, 57 yards (11/11/00)

RETURNED AN INTERCEPTION FOR A TD:
Nathan Pepper, 19 yards vs. South Carolina State (9/15/07)

ALLOWED AN INTERCEPTION FOR A TD:
Jock McKissic, 82 yards at Clemson (11/25/06)

RETURNED A FUMBLE FOR A TD:
Eric Norwood, 53 yards vs. Kentucky (10/4/07)

HAD A DEFENSIVE PLAYER SCORE TWO TOUCHDOWNS IN A GAME:
Eric Norwood, 2-yard fumble return and 53 yard fumble return vs. Kentucky (10/4/07)

ALLOWED A FUMBLE RETURN FOR A TD:
Jason LeDoux, LSU, 15 yards (10/18/03)

HAD A PLAYER WITH 300 YARDS PASSING:
316, Blake Mitchell vs. Florida (11/10/07)

HAD A PLAYER WITH 350 YARDS PASSING:
364, Blake Mitchell at Arkansas (11/3/07)

HAD A PLAYER WITH 400 YARDS PASSING:
405, Steve Taneyhill vs. Georgia (9/2/95)

HAD A PLAYER WITH 450 YARDS PASSING:
473, Steve Taneyhill vs. Mississippi State (10/14/95)

HAD A PLAYER COMPLETE 30+ PASSES:
31, Blake Mitchell at Tennessee (10/27/07)

HAD A PLAYER ATTEMPT 40+ PASSES:
42, Blake Mitchell vs. Florida (11/10/07)

HAD A PLAYER ATTEMPT 50+ PASSES:
51, Blake Mitchell at Arkansas (11/3/07)

HAD A PLAYER RUSH FOR 150+ YDS:
160, Cory Boyd at Tennessee (10/27/07)

HAD A PLAYER RUSH FOR 200+ YDS:
215, Derek Watson vs. Eastern Michigan (9/16/00)

HAD A PLAYER RUSH FOR 250+ YDS:
278, Brandon Bennett vs. East Tennessee State (10/5/91)

HAD TWO PLAYERS RUSH FOR MORE THAN 100 YARDS:
Cory Boyd (132) and Mike Davis (102) vs. South Carolina State (9/15/07)

HAD A PLAYER WITH 150+ YARDS RECEIVING:
151, Kenny McKinley at Tennessee (10/27/07)

HAD A PLAYER WITH 200+ YARDS RECEIVING:
210, Troy Williamson vs. USF (9/18/04)

HAD TWO PLAYERS WITH 100 YARDS RECEIVING:
Sidney Rice (139) and Kenny McKinley (112) vs. Houston (12/29/06)

HAD A PLAYER WITH 500+ YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE:
512, Steve Taneyhill vs. Mississippi State (10/14/95)

HAD A PLAYER SCORE 4 TDs:
5, Sidney Rice vs. Florida Atlantic (9/23/06)

HAD A PLAYER PASS FOR 4 TDs:
4, Blake Mitchell, vs. Middle Tennessee (11/18/06)

HAD A PLAYER PASS FOR 5 TDs:
5, Syvelle Newton vs. FAU (9/23/06)

HAD A PLAYER RUSH FOR 3 TDs:
3, Mike Davis vs. Mississippi State (9/29/07)

HAD A PLAYER CATCH 3 TD PASSES:
5, Sidney Rice vs. Florida Atlantic (9/23/06)

HAD A PLAYER KICK 4 FIELD GOALS:
4, Steve Florio vs. East Carolina (9/20/97)

HAD A PLAYER KICK 5 FIELD GOALS:
5, Collin Mackie vs. West Virginia (11/22/90)

HAD A PLAYER WITH 2 INTERCEPTIONS:
2, Emanuel Cook, at North Carolina (10/13/07)

HAD A PLAYER WITH 3 INTERCEPTIONS:
3, Patrick Hinton vs. NC State (10/29/88)

BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL ATTEMPT:
Orus Lambert vs. Clemson (11/19/05)

BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL FOR A TD:
Rashad Faison, vs. Boise State, 82 yards, (9/1/01)

BLOCKED A PUNT:
Eric Nowood vs. Mississippi State (9/29/07)

BLOCKED A PUNT FOR A TD:
Derek Watson vs. Florida, 2 yards, (11/11/00)

HAD A PUNT BLOCKED:
vs. Florida (11/10/07)

HAD A FIELD GOAL BLOCKED:
at Florida (11/11/06)

MADE A 2-PT CONVERSION:
Dondrial Pinkins run vs. UAB (9/20/03)

RECOVERED AN ONSIDE KICK:
at Arkansas (11/3/07)

ALLOWED BLOCKED PAT RETURNED FOR CONVERSION:
Demetrice Webb, Florida (11/12/05)

SOUTH CAROLINA OFFENSE HAD...

LESS THAN 50 YARDS RUSHING:
26, vs. Vanderbilt (10/20/07)

200+ YARDS RUSHING:
223, vs. South Carolina State (9/15/07)

300+ YARDS RUSHING:
356, vs. Vanderbilt (10/20/01)

500+ TOTAL NET YARDS:
501, at Tennessee (10/27/07)

600+ TOTAL NET YARDS:
656, vs. Vanderbilt (10/20/01)

50+ YARD RUN:
88, Bobby Wallace, vs. Middle Tennessee (11/18/06)

The Last Time an Opponent Had...

TEAM...

LESS THAN 100 YARDS RUSHING:
81, Middle Tennessee (11/18/06)

200+ YARDS RUSHING:
541, at Arkansas (11/3/07)

LESS THAN 100 YARDS PASSING:
70, at LSU (9/22/07)

400+ YARDS PASSING:
402, Florida (11/11/95)

LESS THAN 200 TOTAL NET YARDS:
161, Mississippi State (8/31/06)

500+ TOTAL NET YARDS:
537, vs. Florida (11/10/07)

600+ TOTAL NET YARDS:
650, at Arkansas (11/3/07)

INDIVIDUAL...

350+ YARDS PASSING:
386, Kevin Kolb, Houston (12/29/06)

400+ YARDS PASSING:
485, Eric Zeier, Georgia (9/3/94)

150+ YARDS RUSHING:
321, Darren McFadden, Arkansas (11/3/07)
163, Felix Jones Arkansas (11/3/07)

200+ YARDS RUSHING:
321, Darren McFadden, Arkansas (11/3/07)

250+ YARDS RUSHING:
321, Darren McFadden, Arkansas (11/3/07)

200+ YARDS RECEIVING:
201, Vincent Marshall, Houston (12/29/06)

50+ YARD RUN:
80, Darren McFadden, Arkansas (11/3/07)

72, Felix Jones, Arkansas (11/3/07)

50+ YARD RECEPTION:
77, Kevin Kolb to Vincent Marshall, Houston (12/29/06)

MADE 4 FIELD GOALS:
4, Brandon Coutu (9/8/07)

MISSED A PAT:
Kentucky (10/8/05)

MISSED A 2-POINT CONVERSION:
at North Carolina (10/13/07)

RUSHED FOR 4 TOUCHDOWNS:
4 Chad Jasmin, Clemson (11/21/03)

TWO PLAYERS WITH...

100+ YARDS RUSHING:
at Arkansas, Darren McFadden (323) and Felix Jones (163) (11/3/07)

100+ YARDS RECEIVING:
Central Florida, Mike Walker (105) & Brandon Marshall (102), (9/1/05)

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