Columbia and the Palmetto State



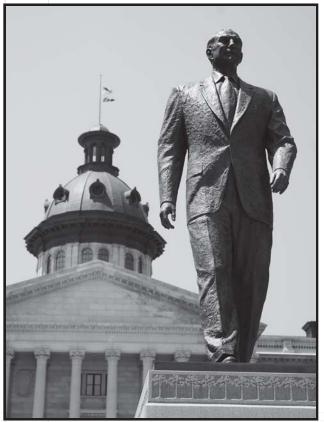
Brookgreen Gardens is one of the many tourist attractions near Myrtle The Riverbanks Zoo features the beautiful Riverbanks Gar-Beach, S.C.



dens.



Lake Murray is one of the gorgeous lakes in South Carolina, located just minutes from Columbia.



Columbia is the state capital. Columbia has a metropolitan population of more than 460,000.

Quick Facts/Opponent All-Time Series Records

Carolina at a Glance

Location: Columbia, SC (state capital, metropolitan population, 430,000)

Mailing Address: Rex Enright Athletic Center, 1300 Rosewood Drive, Columbia, SC 29208

Founded: 1801 (oldest fully state-supported institution of higher learning in the U.S.A.)

Enrollment: 23,700 Nickname: Gamecocks

Conference: Southeastern (Eastern Division)

Mascot: Cocky

Colors: Garnet (PANTONE 201) and Black Facility: The Colonial Center (18,000) Institute Website: www.sc.edu Athletics Website: www.uscsports.com President: Dr. Andrew Sorensen NCAA Delegate: Dr. Russ Pate Athletics Director: Dr. Mike McGee Sr. Associate AD/SWA: Val Sheley

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Assistant SIDs: Andrew Kitick, Gavin Lang, Noelle Orr, Ayanna Wakefield

Gamecocks at a Glance

2003-04 Record: 23-11

2003-04 SEC Record (Finish): 8-8 (3rd East)
Postseason: NCAA Tournament First Round
Starters Returning: 2 (Josh Gonner, Carlos
Powell)

Starters Lost: 3 (Mike Boynton, Jr., Kerbrell Brown, Rolando Howell)

Lettermen Lost: 5 (Mike Boynton, Jr., Kerbrell Brown, Sheldon Everett, Ivan Howell, Rolando Howell)

Lettermen Returning: 9 (Renaldo Balkman, John Chappell, Josh Gonner, Paulius Joneliunas, Tre' Kelley, Tarence Kinsey, Jon Land, Carlos Powell, Brandon Wallace)

Head Coach: Dave Odom (Guilford, 1965) Overall Record: 335-216 (18 Years) South Carolina Record: 57-42 (3 Years) Assistant Coaches:

Rick Duckett (North Carolina, 1979) Barry Sanderson (Alabama, 1990) Ricky Stokes (Virginia, 1984)

Special Assistant to the Head Coach: Bill Old (Randolph-Macon, 1994)

Graduate Assistants:

Matt Parke (Colby College, 1997) Brian Rosefield (South Carolina, 2002) Jeremy Shyatt (Clemson, 2003)

Basketball Strength Coach: Matthew Jennings Basketball Athletic Trainer: Dennis Williams Basketball Equipment Manager: Mac Credille



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2004-05 South Carolina Opponent All-Time Series Records **First** Last Opponent Meeting Meeting Home Away Neutral Overall 6-5 Alabama 1922-23 2003-04 1-8 2-4 9-17 Appalachian State 2002-03 2003-04 2-0 0-0 0-0 2-0 1991-92 2003-04 2-4 5-10 Arkansas 2-5 1-1 Auburn 1929-30 2003-04 5-6 4-7 1-2 10-15 Clemson 1912-13 2003-04 52-24 31-41 3-3 86-68 East Carolina 1968-69 1998-99 3-3 2-2 0-0 5-5 Florida 1925-26 2003-04 10-14 5-12 2-1 17-27 1921-22 2003-04 3-4 41-41 Georgia 25-13 13-24 First Meeting Kansas 2003-04 3-13 1-17 5-34 Kentucky 1927-28 Louisiana State 1974-75 2003-04 3-0 11-6 5-3 3-3 2003-04 Mississippi 1960-61 5-1 0-7 4-2 9-10 Mississippi State 2003-04 1991-92 3-4 1-5 1-0 5-9 Pittsburgh 1933-34 1975-76 3-0 2-0 0-0 5-0 South Carolina State 1979-80 2003-04 12-0 0-0 0-0 13-0 South Florida 1975-76 1976-77 1-0 0-1 0-0 1-1 2003-04 1969-70 4-1 2-3 1-1 7-5 Temple 12-6 1-1 1926-27 2003-04 20-22 Tennessee 7-15 2003-04 10-5 8-9 1-1 19-15 Vanderbilt 1926-27 Western Carolina 1978-79 1994-95 4-0 0-0 0-0 4-0 Winthrop 1968-69 1991-92 3-0 0-0 0-0 3-0 Wofford 1908-09 2002-03 25-8 10-10 2-0 37-18

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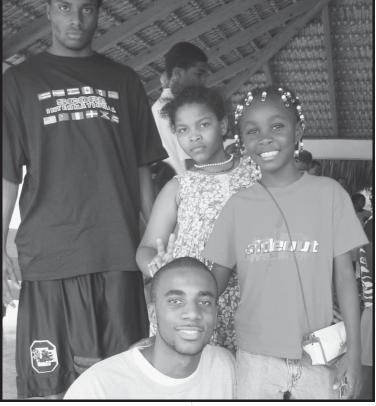
Sophomores Brandon Wallace and Tre' Kelley traveled to the Dominican Republic in July as part of the Score International College Basketball Tour. In addition to playing games each day, they also did work in the community. The team was 4-0, including a victory over the Dominican National team (89-83). Leading the team, Wallace averaged 12.0 ppg, 12.0 rpg and 1.5 bpg, while Kelley averaged 12.5 ppg, 4.0 rpg and 5.5 apg.

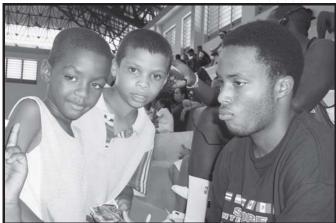










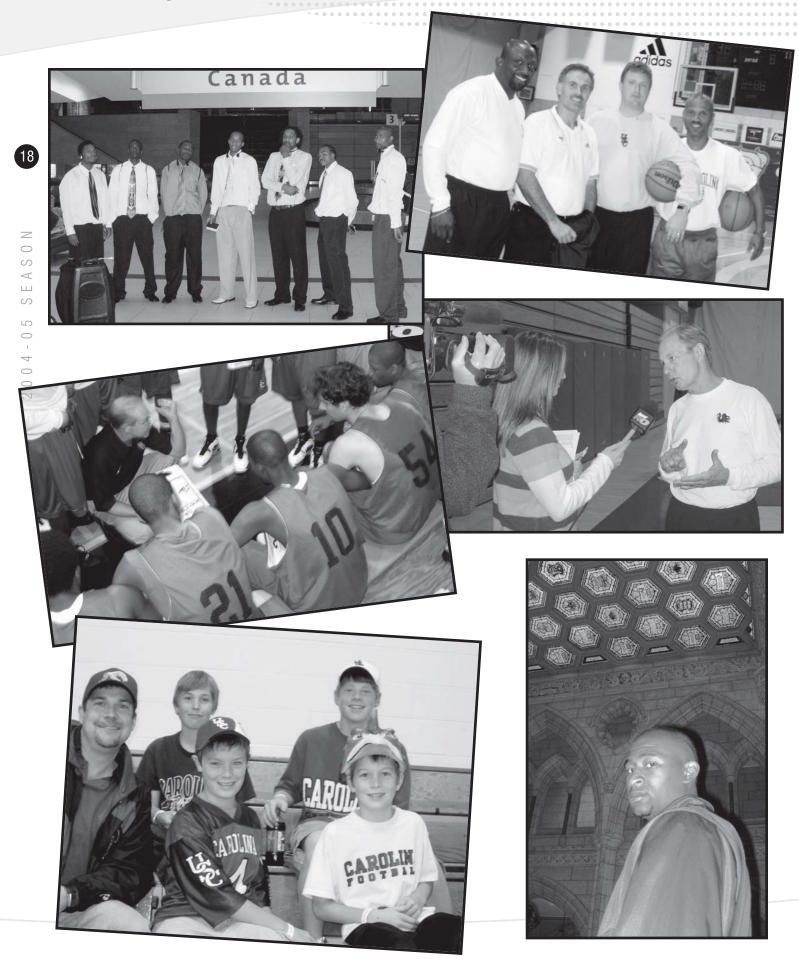






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Carolina goes to Canada



South Carolina's basketball team traveled to Canada for an in-season foreign tour October 13-17, 2004. Carolina took Canada by storm, posting a 3-0 record in its travels to Ottawa and Montreal. On the court, USC defeated Canada's two-time defending collegiate champion, Carleton University, 75-35; the University of Ottawa 82-44 and Concordia University 106-73. Off the court, USC enjoyed numerous sites in both cities, including a tour of Parliament in Ottawa and a stop at the world-famous Notre-Dame Basilica of Montreal.



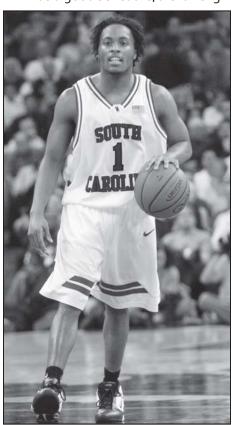
2004-05 Outlook Gamecocks Hungry for Further Success

Coming off a 2004 NCAA Tournament appearance, which saw USC win 23 games, the Gamecocks are ready to roll up their sleeves again this year and continue working towards building a national-caliber basketball program. With a battle-tested group of returnees and four fine newcomers, USC is looking for the right formula to get back to the NCAA Tournament for the second straight season.

But, USC will have to battle through a demanding schedule. Playing at perennial powers Kansas and Pittsburgh and entertaining Temple and Clemson, those teams are a few of the names that will dot the non-conference schedule with the always-tough Southeastern Conference schedule immediately following.

"It is now time for us to challenge ourselves nationally if we hope to be a national program at some time in the future. Thus, it's time to go to Kansas and it's time to go to Pitt," said USC Head Coach Dave Odom, in his fourth year at the Gamecock helm. "We have worked hard in the last two-three years and it has not been easy to get a schedule that is balanced both at home and away with intersectional opponents. We're close to accomplishing that.

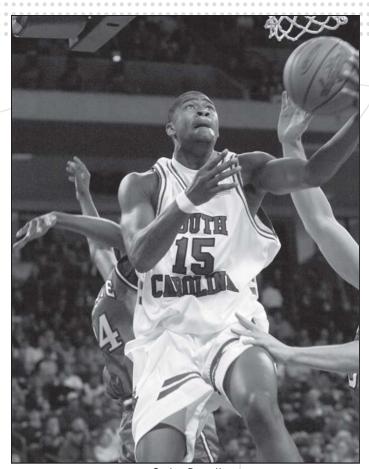
"It's a good schedule, a challenging schedule, one that



Tre' Kelley

might not allow us to achieve as many wins as we had last vear but I think it is a schedule that challenges us in the right way," continued Odom. "It forces us to begin to think about ourselves differently. Instead of just being a program that can survive, I want us to begin to think about ourselves as a program that can achieve. You go from one level of thought to the other."

Last summer the emphasis for



Carlos Powell

the Gamecocks was completely on how much work they could accomplish and how much workload they could handle both as a team and individually. The workload demand was made as difficult as possible so USC would toughen up both mentally and physically. As a team, led by captain Mike Boynton, Jr., the results showcased a 23–11 record and an NCAA Tournament appearance. USC also

finished tied for third with NCAA Sweet 16 participant Vanderbilt in the SEC East.

What did USC work on this summer to make sure that it wasn't a one-year wonder in the win column? With new strength coach Matt Jennings at the helm in the weight room, USC worked on two things normally found in the off-season. They worked on strength and conditioning, but

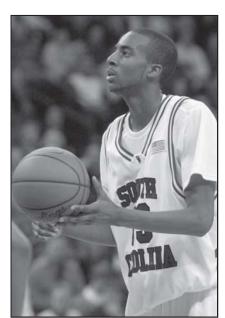


Tarence Kinsey



2004–05 South Carolina Basketball Team: (front row, I to r): Josh Gonner, Dwayne Day, Rocky Trice, Renaldo Balkman, Jon Land, Tarence Kinsey, Tre' Kelley and Stephen McDowell; (middle row, I to r): athletic trainer Dennis Williams, volunteer assistant Matt Parke, assistant coach Ricky Stokes, assistant coach Barry Sanderson, head coach Dave Odom, assistant coach Rick Duckett, special assistant Bill Old, volunteer assistant Jeremy Shyatt and academic intern Brian Rosefield; (back row, I to r): manager Sam Brown, manager Shahryar Humayun, manager Bobby Seigle, Antoine Tisby, Brandon Wallace, Paulius Joneliunas, John Chappell, Carlos Powell, manager Ryan Hilburn and strength coach Matt Jennings.

the Gamecocks also put more emphasis on flexibility, developing quickness and reactions and building strength in and around the core section of the body.



Brandon Wallace

The guestion now begs 'will the Gamecocks be as successful this year as they were last year'? "I could not answer that last year at this time either," said Odom. "I can only say that I recognize a difference in the past two years and I feel that we made the progress and met the goals that we set out to accomplish. Only time will tell with the season ahead."

Leadership was very instrumental to USC's success in 2004 and will be just as important heading into this season. But USC must replace five seniors, including Boynton, whose strong leadership both on and off the court played a pivotal role in the team's success. A team can replace statistics and bodies, but leadership is the most important thing the Gamecocks need to develop.

"Leadership has so much to do with everything else," said Odom. "It has to do with chemistry, with role definition and keeping balance when you go through a long season and disappointments. You have to have great leadership so I think leadership is always an important factor."

The second key to USC's success will be the need to reestablish and even improve on its ability to defend. USC lost two key defenders in Boynton and Rolando Howell. The rebounding must also improve.

The third key for USC's success will be its ability to have a consistent balance on the post and the perimeter on offense. The need to establish a low post game to

2004-05 Outlook

compliment their strengths on the perimeter is a must.

The good news is USC should be faster and quicker. Team-wide the ball handling as a team should be better. While USC lost Boynton to graduation, they do have Tre' Kelley, Josh Gonner and Renaldo Balkman returning. They are all improved ball handlers and decision makers so USC doesn't have to put the entire load on a single guard this year.

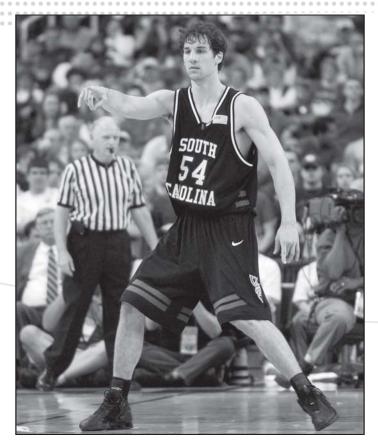
"Our assist to turnover ratio was one of the best in the league last year, but it was really one guy handling the ball: Mike Boynton," said Odom. "This year we need to work to make sure it's a team effort and the load isn't resting on one person's shoulders."

As mentioned, the perimeter should start out as being the strength of the team. The quickness translates to a faster tempo, which will require USC to go to its bench more often as USC can go seven-deep on the perimeter.



Josh Gonner

"We have good speed, good quickness and the ability to make plays so we should have the ability to score with pretty good depth off the bench," said Odom. "The strength of our team initially will be our perimeter but I would hope by the time we get to January that we have established our post players as being equally good defensively, rebounding and offensively. I would hope it would all mesh together. But as you look at it in total we have good, maybe the best team speed we've had and the best team quickness we've had since I've been here."

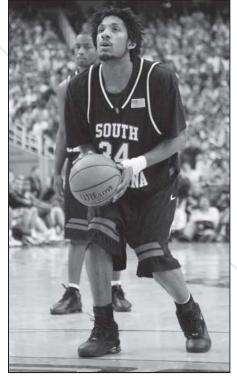


John Chappell

But the key, like with most teams, is leadership. Senior Carlos Powell has stepped up and the coaches credit him at this point as he has really recognized the need for leadership and he's doing it his own way. John Chappell is making contributions as a leader and putting forth the

effort. Tre' Kelley is also doing an excellent job.

If USC is to return to the NCAA Tournament this season, it won't be because they have the 2004 SEC Coach of the Year at the helm or an All-SEC player in Carlos Powell or an improved sophomore squad - it will be because the Gamecocks played as a team day in and day out.



Renaldo Balkman

Odom's Quick Quotes

RENALDO BALKMAN

In spite of the fact he was out for six weeks or more with left hand surgery, he has improved his strength, ball handling and shooting. He is a little bigger and he has worked hard to overcome his inactivity because of injury. He had a great freshman year, but he should be even better as a sophomore.

JOHN CHAPPELL

Workman-like, John Chappell has three years of experience playing Gamecock Basketball so he knows what the coaches expect when he goes into the game. He should be a solid rebounder and defender. He should also be a player that USC can depend upon for short bursts of outstanding play when he goes into the game.

DWYANE DAY

He has as much ability as anybody on the wing but he is going to be one that needs to be pushed hard because it's not clear he understands or appreciates the rigors of a long basketball season. He will wear down if coaches don't push him hard from the beginning. From a skills standpoint, he is terrific. He will be an excellent player and he should be a factor for USC this year.

JOSH GONNER

Potentially he is USC's best long-range shooter. Hopefully he will be more consistent. His two areas that need the most improvement are his concept of defense and his ability to stop his man and still help others. He needs to work on his ball handling, play making and decision-making.

PAULIUS JONELIUNAS

He has shown some improvement lately. It is amazing the difference from a player's freshman to sophomore year. Last year when practice was over, he was gone. This year when practice is over, he stays around and asks the coaches to help him with his game. He is serious about it. He is in much better condition this year than last year. He has trimmed his body fat down. His strength is better and his shot has improved. Defensively he had to get better and he has.

TRE' KELLEY

He had a great summer. He is primed to have a great sophomore year. He should nail down a starting position for USC at the point. He is bigger, stronger and more confident. He has a better grasp of offense and defense.

TARENCE KINSEY

He is one that should have a better year. His first two years were met with mixed reviews as he typically started the season very well only to wear down because he was not able to handle the rigors of six or seven months of basketball. Hopefully the offseason has helped prepare him. It's certain he is going to have a good November and December and now as a junior, USC looks for his January and February to match that.

JON LAND

He is healthy. This time last year he was not healthy but he is now. He is valuable in that he can get the team ready for game action. He knows his role and he is very good at it. He is a very important member of the team in that regard.

STEPHEN MCDOWELL

What a pleasant surprise since he arrived for summer school. He is a very hard worker and he always comes back for more. He has established himself in the early workouts to be tireless. He could be put in Tre' Kelley's place and play long stretches of time. He is a hard worker period.

CARLOS POWELL

Carlos Powell has had three very good years, and look for his senior year to be the best as he has worked hard on his shooting. His defense and his rebounding have improved as well. He must continue to step up as a leader.

ANTOINE TISBY

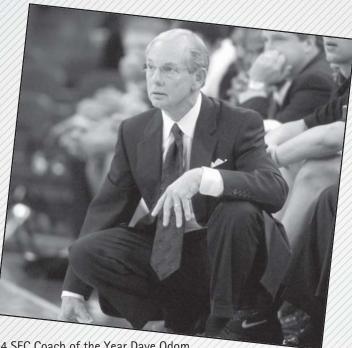
He is a very important addition to the team. USC will push him along to the point that he understands what is expected of him. He will have to be the best inside defender, the best rebounder and the best inside scorer. He has to do all those things and still compliment everyone else by screening properly and helping out on defense. In general he needs to give USC the inside toughness that they have had but have lost in Rolando Howell and Kerbrell Brown (graduated seniors).

ROCKY TRICE

He is going to give USC athleticism, guickness and the ability to make plays and shoot the ball on the perimeter. How much he plays will depend on how quickly he grasps USC's entire system. He has shown the ability to play two positions. He is a great offensive rebounder for his size and plays with great ability on the defensive end.

BRANDON WALLACE

His physique now has begun to show some definition which means he's getting stronger and he's more confident. He can play as many as three positions. The high post is his natural position but he can be a low post player on occasion. He should be USC's best shot blocker and one of the best shot blockers in the SEC.



2004 SEC Coach of the Year Dave Odom

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Mon., Nov. 8	USC Upstate (exh.)	Colonial Center	7:30 pm
Sun., Nov. 21	Western Carolina	Colonial Center	2:00 pm
Wed., Nov. 24	Winthrop	Colonial Center	7:30 pm
Sat., Nov. 27	Temple (DH)	Colonial Center	5:00 pm
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Wed., Dec. 1	Appalachian State	Colonial Center	7:30 pm
Sat. Dec. 4	Clemson (FSN/SUN)	Colonial Center	7:30 pm
Tues., Dec. 14	South Florida (DH)	Colonial Center	7:30 pm
Sat. Dec. 18	at Kansas (ETV)	Lawrence, KS	8:00 pm
Mon., Dec. 20	vs. East Carolina (CSS)	Mobile, AL	6:30 pm
Wed., Dec. 22	SC State (DH)	Colonial Center	7:30 pm
Wed., Dec. 29	at Pittsburgh (CSS)	Pittsburgh, PA	7:00 pm
Fri., Dec. 31	Wofford	Colonial Center	6:00 pm
Wed., Jan. 5	at Kentucky * (JP)	Lexington, KY	8:00 pm
Sat., Jan. 8	Georgia * (FSN/SUN)	Colonial Center	8:00 pm
Wed., Jan. 12	at LSU *	Baton Rouge, LA	8:00 pm
Sat., Jan. 15	Tennessee * (FSN/SUN)	Colonial Center	7:00 pm
Sat., Jan. 22	at Mississippi State * (FSN/SUN)	Starkville, MS	6:00 pm
Wed., Jan. 26	Vanderbilt * (JP)	Colonial Center	8:00 pm
Sat. Jan. 29	at Florida * (JP)	Gainesville, FL	1:00 pm
Wed., Feb. 2	Arkansas *	Colonial Center	7:30 pm
Sat. Feb. 5	at Georgia *	Athens, GA	4:00 pm
Sat., Feb. 12	Auburn *	Colonial Center	7:30 pm
Tues., Feb. 15	Kentucky * (ESPN)	Colonial Center	9:00 pm
Sat., Feb. 19	at Alabama * (JP)	Tuscaloosa, AL	3:00 pm
Wed., Feb. 23	at Tennessee *	Knoxville, TN	7:30 pm
Sun., Feb. 27	Florida * (CBS)	Colonial Center	2:00 pm
Wed., March 2	at Vanderbilt *	Nashville, TN	8:00 pm
Sun., March 6	Mississippi *	Colonial Center	2:00 pm
March 10-13	SEC Tournament ^	Atlanta, GA	TBA
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