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GENERAL INFORMATION

Location	Columbia, S.C.
Enrollment	28,481
Founded	1801
University President	Dr. Harris Pastides
Athletics Director	Eric Hyman
Faculty Representative	Dr. Zach Kelehear
Conference	Southeastern
Nickname	Gamecocks
Colors	Garnet & Black
Mascot	Cocky

TEAM INFORMATION

Head Coach	Ray Tanner
Alma Mater	NC State, 1980
Record at South Carolina	634-282 (.692) (14 years)
Career Record	1,029-455-3 (23 years)
Associate Head Coach	Chad Holbrook
Assistant Head Coach	Jerry Meyers
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2010 SEASON IN REVIEW/2011 OUTLOOK

2010 Overall Record	54-16
2010 SEC Record/Finish	21-9/2nd East/2nd Overall
2010 Postseason Finish	NCAA College World Series/National Champions (6-1)
Starters Returning/Lost	7/3
Pitchers Returning/Lost	11/8
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	22/13

PROGRAM HISTORY

First Year of Baseball	1892
First Year in SEC	1992
All-Time Record	2,264-1,393-17
All-Time SEC Record	302-240
SEC Championships	2 (2000, 2002)
SEC Conference Tournament Titles	1 (2004)
SEC East Titles	4 (1999, 2000, 2002, 2003)
National Championships	1 (2010)
NCAA Appearances/Last	26/2010
NCAA Tournament Record	103-56 (.648)
College World Series Appearances/Last	9/2010
College World Series Record	23-16 (.575)

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Stadium (Dimensions)	Carolina Stadium (L-325, C-400, R-325, A-375)
Capacity	6,400 permanent seats (8,242 standing-room only)
Press Box Phone	803-777-6648



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Starters Returning (7): Jackie Bradley Jr., Evan Marzilli, Adam Matthews, Adrian Morales, Brady Thomas, Christian Walker, Scott Wingo

Starters Lost (3): Kyle Enders, Bobby Haney, Whit Merrifield

Pitchers Returning (11): Nolan Belcher, Alex Burrell, Colby Holmes, Steven Neff, Jose Mata, Matt Price, Michael Roth, Patrick Sullivan, John Taylor, Tyler Webb, Adam Westmoreland

Pitchers Lost (8): Parker Bangs, Jay Brown, Ethan Carter, Blake Cooper, Sam Dyson, Greg Harrison, Jordan Propst, Jimmy Revan

Letterwinners Returning (22): Austin Ashmore, Robert Beary, Nolan Belcher, Jackie Bradley Jr., Alex Burrell, Brison Celek, Colby Holmes, Evan Marzilli, Jose Mata, Adam Matthews, Adrian Morales, Steven Neff, Matt Price, Michael Roth, Richard Royal, Patrick Sullivan, John Taylor, Brady Thomas, Christian Walker, Tyler Webb, Adam Westmoreland, Scott Wingo

Letterwinners Lost (13): Parker Bangs, Jay Brown, Ethan Carter, Blake Cooper, Sam Dyson, Greg Harrison, Nick Ebert, Kyle Enders, Bobby Haney, Jeffery Jones, Whit Merrifield, Jordan Propst, Jimmy Revan

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2010 - A LOOK BACK

Dreams do come true! For every Gamecock fan that believed, every Gamecock fan that cheered, the 2010 baseball season brought elation as South Carolina claimed the national championship after a 2-1 victory in 11 innings over UCLA. Whit Merrifield's one-out single to right field scored Scott Wingo with the winning run sending shockwaves from Omaha all the way back to Columbia.

South Carolina is the defending national champion in college baseball after winning the title at the 2010 College World Series. South Carolina has nine College World Series appearances including four in the last nine years under head coach Ray Tanner. Under Tanner's leadership South Carolina owns the fourth highest win total in the last 11 years in the nation with a 522-217 record. South Carolina is one of eight schools to appear in the NCAA Regional every season in the last 11 years including eight NCAA Super Regional appearances in that span, one of only six schools to accomplish the feat.

Carolina owns more overall wins than any SEC team in the last 11 years and more conference wins than any SEC team in the last 11 years with a 200-129 conference record. South Carolina is the only SEC school to record 40 or more wins each season from 2000-present and the only SEC school to reach the NCAA Regional every season in the last 11 years. The Gamecocks also have the most NCAA Super Regional appearances of the 12 SEC schools in the last 11 years.

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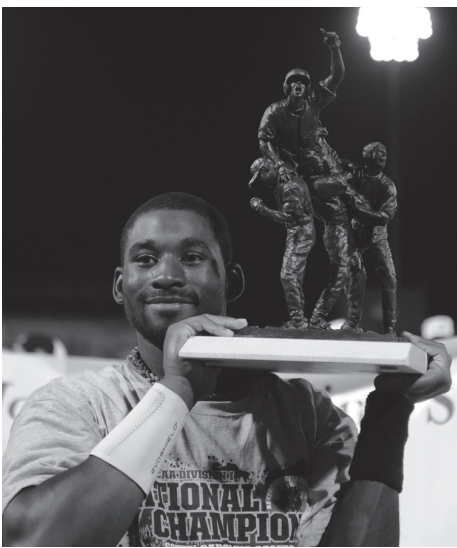
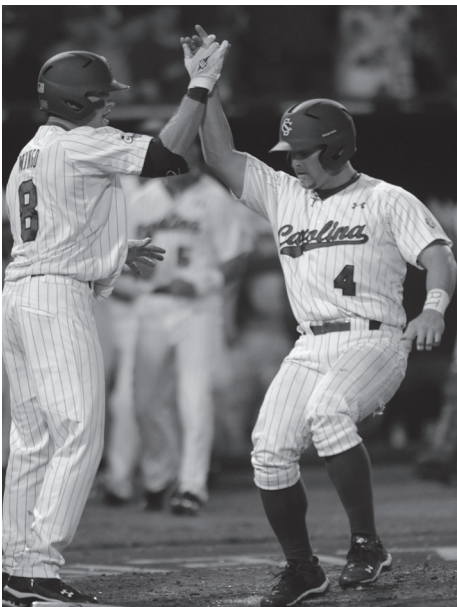
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Most Outstanding Player

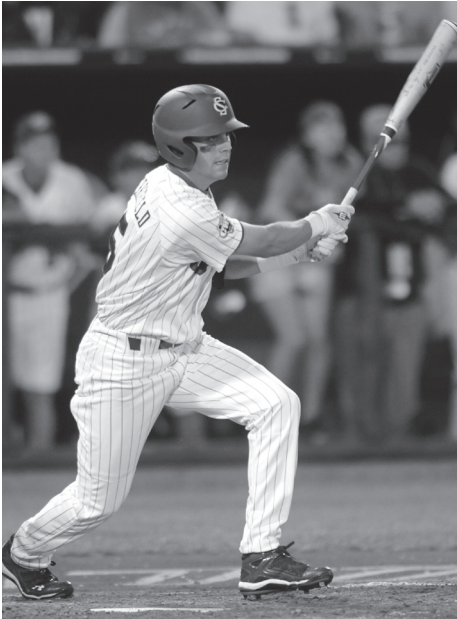


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South Carolina became the first team in College World Series history to win six consecutive games on the way to a national title and closed out Rosenblatt Stadium in historic fashion.

With the game tied at 1-1 in the bottom of the 11th inning, Scott Wingo battled to a full count vs. UCLA reliever Dan Klein before drawing a leadoff walk. After a passed ball advanced Wingo to second base, the Gamecocks would bring the winning run 90 feet closer with Evan Marzilli setting down a sacrifice bunt that moved Wingo to third with one out and setting the stage for Merrifield.

After taking two pitches for balls, Merrifield came up with the game-winner as he roped a base hit down the right field line to score Wingo and clinch the national title for the Gamecocks.



An inspiration for the Gamecock baseball team was the courageous battle of Bayler Teal. Diagnosed in 2008 with neuroblastoma, Bayler went through intensive treatment and fought cancer every single day. Last March, he was invited to throw out a ceremonial first pitch at Carolina Stadium. He never gave up and fought it every step up to his death on June 20, 2010 when he passed away just as the Gamecocks took the field vs. Oklahoma at the College World Series. Though his fight ended, Bayler's spirit lives on. It lived on every step of the way as the Gamecocks earned a spot in the National Championship Series. Following Bayler's death, the Teal Family was able to make it to Omaha for the National Championship Series against UCLA. Pictured above is his mother Risha Teal, his brother, 5-year-old Bridges and father Rob Teal. An angel in the outfield, Bayler was with the Gamecocks every step as Carolina brought home a national championship. We Miss You Bayler!

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Jackie Bradley Jr. scores the winning run in Carolina's 3-2 win in 12 innings over Oklahoma. Down to the last out, Bradley drove in Robert Beary with a two-out single and scored the game-winner on a RBI base hit by Brady Thomas.

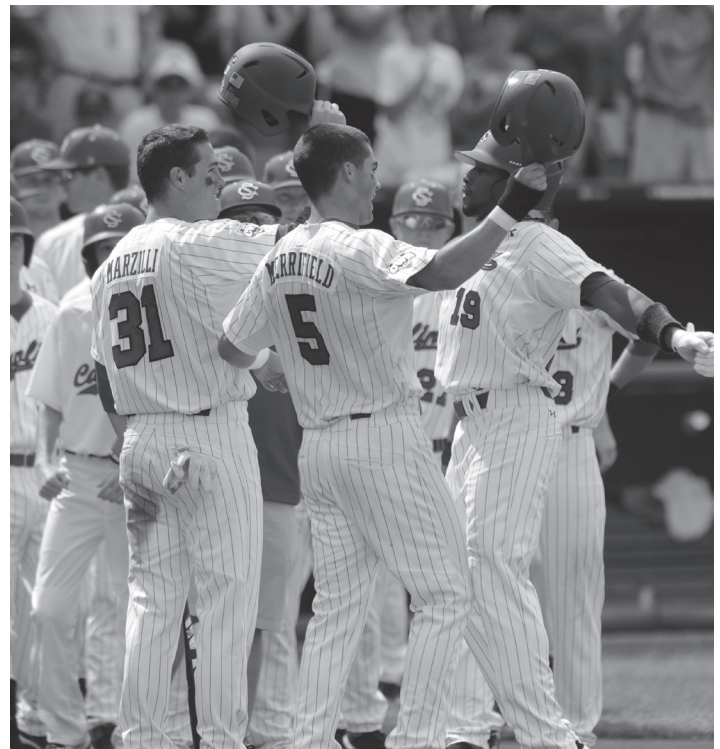
Bradley, Most Outstanding Player for the CWS, finished the series hitting .345 (10-for-29) with a pair of homers and a team-high nine RBI throughout the trip to Omaha.



Blake Cooper hurled eight-plus innings and earned the win in Carolina's 7-1 victory over UCLA in game one of the National Championship Series. Cooper finished the season earning All-America honors after posting a 13-2 record with a 2.76 ERA.



Matt Price was dominant out of the bullpen for Carolina at the College World Series. The right-hander hurled 9.2 innings of relief in four appearances and yielded just one run in that span. He struck out 15 hitters to just one walk with opponents batting only .189 against him. He would earn the win vs. UCLA that clinched the national title.



Jackie Bradley Jr. and his teammates celebrate after his three-run homer in the 11-4 victory over Arizona State.



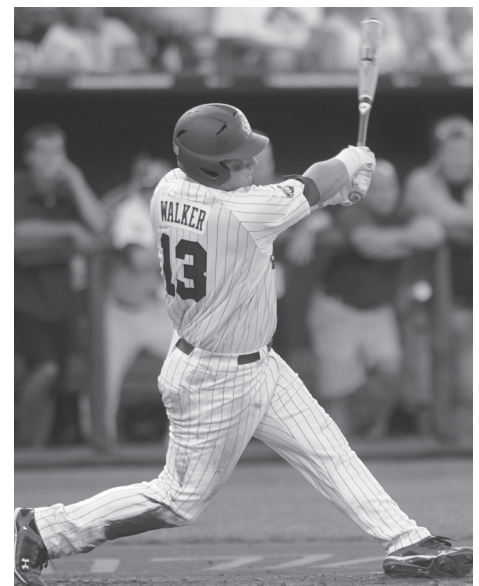
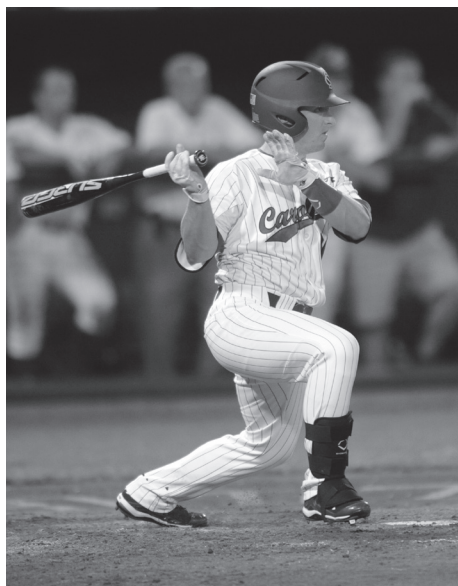
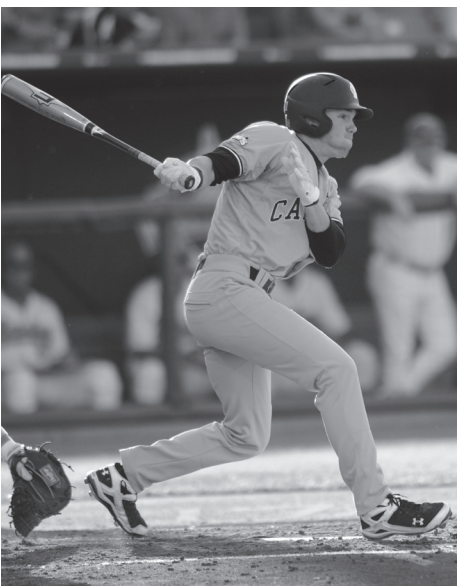
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Sam Dyson was the winning pitcher in Carolina's 11-4 win over top-seeded Arizona State. Dyson worked 7.1 innings and allowed just four runs on eight hits in the Gamecock victory.



Michael Roth made his first start of the season in Omaha in the first game vs. Clemson. The left-hander would not disappoint as he hurled his first career complete game as the Gamecocks set the tone vs. the Tigers with a 5-1 victory. Roth was masterful throughout the evening as he limited the Tigers to just one double and a pair of singles. Roth went the distance and allowed just one run while striking out four batters and walking just one. Along with the four strikeouts, he had 16 ground ball outs and six fly outs. Roth would make four appearances with two starts in Omaha and finished with a 1.10 ERA, allowing just two runs on nine hits in 16.1 innings of work.



Evan Marzilli, Brady Thomas and Christian Walker joined Bradley on the All-Tournament team at the College World Series. Walker was Carolina's top hitter throughout the CWS with a .414 average (12-for-29) along with two HR and five RBI. Thomas hit .381 (8-for-21) and Marzilli finished with a .370 average (10-for-27) with a team-high seven runs scored in Omaha.

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Before the Gamecocks made the trek to the College World Series, clinching a trip to the mecca of college baseball would come in the Super Regional down the road in Myrtle Beach against national seed Coastal Carolina. The much-hyped Super Regional was filled with plenty of drama as the Gamecocks came out on top in a pair of one-run contests to punch a ticket to Omaha. South Carolina defeated the Chanticleers 4-3 and 10-9.

In game one, South Carolina jumped out to an early four-run lead and behind a quality start from right-hander Blake Cooper and an impressive relief outing from right-hander Matt Price held on to the one-run win over Coastal. With South Carolina leading 4-3 heading into the fifth inning, the game became an intense, emotional affair as both teams pitchers battled to keep each other's offense in check. Coastal loaded the bases with one out in the sixth inning only to see Cooper get out of the jam on a double play ball that deflected off his glove and back to second baseman Scott Wingo who tagged the base at second and threw to first just nabbing Daniel Bowman and keeping the Gamecocks ahead by a run. The next moment of truth came in the eighth inning as Coastal had loaded the bases with no outs. Enter Gamecock closer Matt Price, who battled, as he struck out Chance Gilmore swinging, got Taylor Motter on a called third strike and ended the frame with getting Bowman to ground out back to him to keep the Chanticleers from tying up the game.

In game two, Christian Walker's two-out, three-run homer in the bottom of the eighth inning lifted South Carolina to a 10-9 victory over Coastal Carolina sending the Gamecocks to the school's ninth College World Series in Omaha, Neb. A back-and-forth game, the result was never determined until the end. With the Gamecocks trailing by a pair of runs in the bottom of the eighth inning, South Carolina mounted a two-out rally against Coastal closer Austin Fleet with a walk to Jackie Bradley Jr. and a double by Adrian Morales. That set the stage for Walker, who after taking a pair of strikes, launched his seventh home run of the season to the bleachers in left field giving the Gamecocks a one-run lead. With Gamecock reliever Matt Price on the mound, Carolina closed the game out as Price retired all three batters he faced including a ground out by Rich Witten to end the game and setting off a dog pile on the mound by the Gamecock players.

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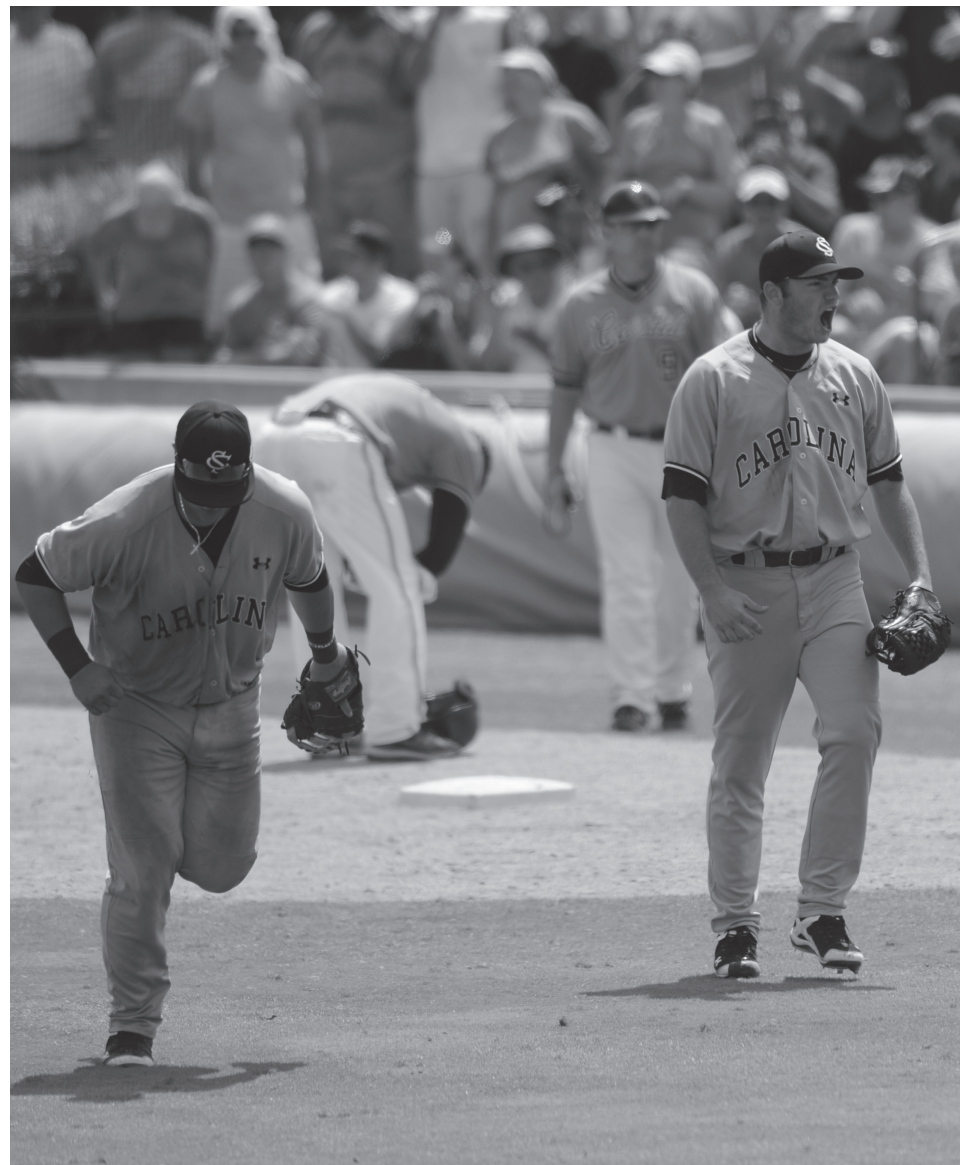
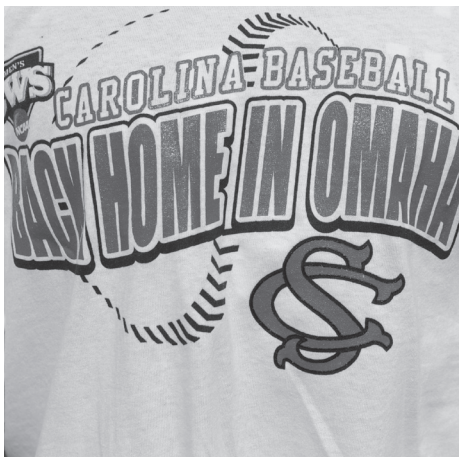
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Christian Walker



Bobby Haney



Scott Wingo



Adrian Morales



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South Carolina opened up the postseason hosting a Regional at Carolina Stadium. The Gamecocks entered as the top seed with Virginia Tech seeded No. 2, The Citadel No. 3 and Bucknell at No. 4. The Gamecocks would defeat all three teams to win the Regional.

First up was Bucknell. A five-run rally in the eighth inning, propelled by home runs from Jackie Bradley, Jr. and Adrian Morales, helped South Carolina overcome a four-run deficit and defeat Bucknell 9-5 to advance to the winner's bracket. Trailing 5-4 in the eighth inning, Bradley put South Carolina on top for the first time all night with one swing of the bat, launching a home run just over the left-field wall to score Merrifield giving the Gamecocks a 6-5 lead. Morales added a three-run homer to give the Gamecocks a 9-5 lead they would not relinquish as Michael Roth would retire the side in order in the ninth.

South Carolina rallied again versus its next foe, with Blake Cooper striking out a career-high 12 batters as the Gamecocks defeated cross-state rival The Citadel 9-4. Offense came in bunches as the Gamecocks scored five in the seventh and another two in the ninth to overcome a 4-2 deficit and win in come-from-behind fashion for the second-straight night.

The Gamecocks closed it out with a 10-2 victory over Virginia Tech. South Carolina got big nights at the plate from several sources. Evan Marzilli had a career-high three hits in five at-bats, scoring twice. Bradley drove in four runs, including a three-run homer.

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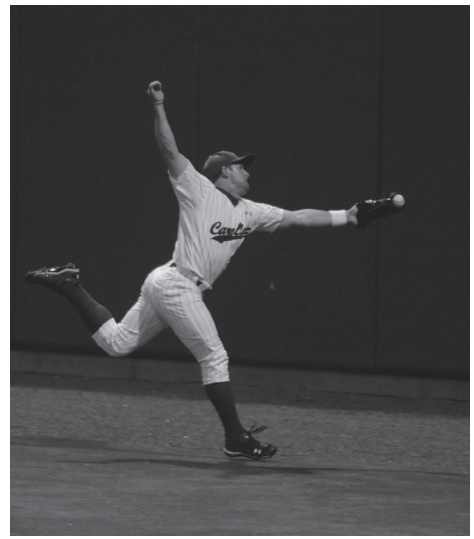
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Kyle Enders hit a two-run homer for the Gamecocks in the 9-4 win over The Citadel. Enders hit .400 (4-for-10) in the three games.



Jackie Bradley Jr.'s two-run homer in the bottom of the eighth inning put the Gamecocks ahead for the first time in the 9-5 win over Bucknell. Bradley's home run was part of a five-run frame that helped lift the Gamecocks to a victory. Bradley hit two homers in the NCAA Regional and earned All-Tournament team honors.



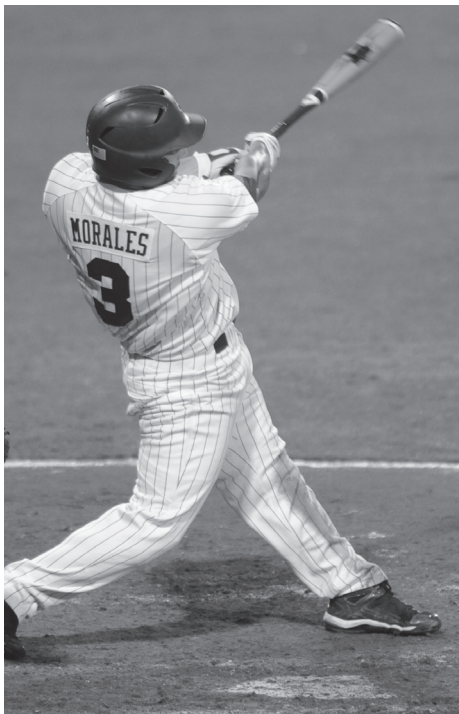
Robert Beary had a key catch in the top of the eighth inning in the 9-5 win over Bucknell.



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Gamecock fans celebrate after Enders hits a two-run homer in the 9-4 win over The Citadel. South Carolina has won 14-consecutive postseason games at home and is now 3-0 at Carolina Stadium in NCAA Tournament play. Six Gamecocks were named to the All-Tournament team - C Kyle Enders, 3B Adrian Morales, OF Jackie Bradley Jr., OF Evan Marzilli, DH Brady Thomas and P Blake Cooper.



Adrian Morales was the NCAA Regional MVP along with earning All-Tournament team honors. Morales hit a homer in all three games of the Regional and finished the weekend batting .500 (7-for-14) with five runs scored, and seven RBI as well.



Evan Marzilli was a spark in the NCAA Regional and earned a spot on the All-Tournament team. Marzilli had a key two-run homer in the 9-5 win over Bucknell, connected with a two-run single in a 9-4 victory over The Citadel and was 3-for-5 with a RBI and two runs scored in the 10-2 win over Virginia Tech.



In the 10-2 win over Virginia Tech, Jose Mata (7-1) pitched 4.1 scoreless innings of superb relief and allowed only two hits while striking out a career-high five batters to pick up the victory.

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GAMECOCKS GEARED UP FOR 2011 SEASON

Fresh off a national championship, South Carolina enters the 2011 season eager to return to the field and to make another run to the postseason. The Gamecocks return a solid corps of veterans that figured in last year's championship. Carolina sits at No. 7 in the *Baseball America's* Preseason Top 25, at No. 8 in the *USA Today/ESPN* coaches' poll and No. 14 in *Collegiate Baseball's* Preseason Top 40.

"One of the reasons that we had an outstanding year last season and got to the postseason and were able to position ourselves to win a national championship is because of the approach and the mentality of the guys that go between the lines," said head coach Ray Tanner. "There is still a veteran group here. Part of the reason you're successful is perspective, you can handle some adversity but you can also handle success. That is what we did extremely well in 2010 and guys that were in the middle of that, they understand that very well. We'll have a good team again. It's just too hard to predict how the season will end up, but we have a good team."

Familiar faces and well-known names that made last year's run are back, both in the field and on the mound. As Tanner sizes up his 2011 team, he is excited with the potential of the squad but at the same time is cautiously optimistic and aware of the preseason assessment of this year's team.

"The major questions are, who on our pitching staff is ready to assume the top two spots? With the departure of (Blake) Cooper and (Sam) Dyson and also Jay Brown, who is going to assume their innings? Those seem to be the major questions going in, but we do have a lot of experience and depth on our pitching staff."

A comforting feeling for Tanner, though, is the return of a majority of position starters along with a dynamic group of newcomers.

"I thought we had a good fall," said Tanner. "I'm especially pleased with our veteran players. I was impressed with their work ethic. The older guys in general were pretty good. I think they will be hungry. I think what happened last year for us is something that was very positive in they understand that if you can get everything going at the right time, you have a chance. I don't know if we can get back in that same exact position, but I think these guys will go into the season thinking that it is possible. The encouraging thing for me is that there are so many guys that played at the end of last year that are back on the team."

POSITION PLAYERS

The Gamecocks return a key contingent of players that headlined at last year's College World Series. With seven players back with starting experience from last year's team, Carolina figures to be among the top offensive teams in the nation. Similar to last season, the Gamecocks return three-quarters of the starting infield as well as three experienced outfielders.

Leading the way is junior center fielder **Jackie Bradley Jr.** Fresh off earning Most Outstanding Player honors at the College World Series and a summer stint with the U.S. Collegiate National Team, Bradley enters the year among the top position players in all of college baseball and has been rated by *Baseball America* as the No. 6 best college prospect for the 2011 Draft. Despite missing the first portion of the '10 campaign with a broken hamate bone, Bradley returned and was one of the top hitters in the nation with a .368 average (89-for-242), 13 homers and 60 RBI. Bradley is a consensus Preseason All-America selection.

"Jackie Bradley has been a solid guy from day one," said Tanner. "He had a great fall. I continue to be impressed at what he is all about as a player, as an athlete and the kind of character he has."

Bradley is just one component, though, of one of the most athletic outfields in all of college baseball. Returning with Bradley is junior **Adam Matthews** and sophomore **Evan Marzilli**. Both platooned in the starting role in left field last year and this season will be the anchors in left and right. Matthews is penciled in at right field replacing the departed Whit Merrifield. In 64 games, the junior speedster hit .307 (58-for-189) along with seven HR and 31 RBI.

The athletic Marzilli looks to be the starter in left field. Marzilli was a pleasant surprise for the Gamecocks last year as he came on late to earn a starting spot and was one of the team's clutch players in the postseason. He earned NCAA Regional All-Tournament team honors along with All-CWS honors in Omaha with his timely hitting and sparkling defensive play.

Marzilli was not the only newcomer to shine at the CWS last year, as first baseman **Christian Walker** shared the spotlight with him to also earn All-CWS accolades.

Walker started at both corner spots in the Gamecock infield last year before settling in at first base. His offensive approach continued to improve as the season went along, and when all was said and done, he ended the year batting at a .327 (74-for-226) clip earning him Freshman All-America honors. Walker's clutch bat was showcased in the NCAA Super Regional when he hit a game-winning three-run homer in the bottom of the eighth inning of South Carolina's 10-9 win over Coastal Carolina. He would add two more homers at the CWS. The sophomore will again be penciled in at first base and is expected to increase his home run total to double digits.

On the other end of the infield is senior **Adrian Morales**, who returns to his starting spot at third base. Morales, an emotional leader on the field, saved his best last year for the postseason as well as he earned NCAA Regional MVP honors with a homer in all three games of the Columbia Regional. He would finish last year with a .273 average, nine HR and 56 RBI.

Another senior returning to the infield is second baseman **Scott Wingo**. A 2010 SEC All-Defensive team selection, Wingo will continue to flash the leather and show off the occasional power as well as he tallied nine homers last season. Tanner is also excited with Wingo's approach in the offseason as he was the team's top hitter in fall scrimmages.

"Morales is a guy that winning, that's what he is all about," said Tanner. "He had a pretty good year for us, he hit under .300, but what he enjoys doing is winning. "I think he sort of set the tone for us last year along with Wingo and all the returning players."

Wingo will join with junior college transfer **Peter Mooney** to form one of the top double play combinations in the country. The 2009 and 2010 NJCAA National Gold Glove Recipient for the top defensive player of the year at his position, Mooney is also a tremendous hitter and is expected to hit near the top of the batting order. The junior shortstop hit .356 as a sophomore at Palm Beach as well as .383 as a freshman and has been twice selected in the MLB Draft.

Despite the loss of shortstop Bobby Haney and catcher Kyle Enders, the Gamecocks still expect to be among the top teams in fielding. Last year, South Carolina ended the season ranked first in the country in defensive efficiency.

"We've got quality experience from a defensive standpoint," said Tanner. "It should be a team that can catch the baseball. No matter what level you play baseball at, if you can pitch and play defense, you are going to have a chance."

One of Mooney's teammates in junior college was junior catcher **Dante Rosenberg**, who is also new to the Gamecock roster. Rosenberg is in the mix to start at catcher along with junior **Brent Worsham** and senior **Robert Beary**. All three continue to compete for the starting nod with all three showing signs to lead.

The Gamecocks are also awaiting word from the NCAA on the potential return of **Brady Thomas**. Thomas appealed for a sixth year of eligibility and with his return would be a clutch bat. Last season, Thomas hit .331 (46-for-139) with eight homers as both a designated hitter and catcher. Carolina hopes to have his left-handed bat back in the lineup this year.

"I think it is safe to say that a majority of the time, you are going to use two catchers," said Tanner. "The major focus back there is you want guys that can handle the pitching staff, control the running game. What we get offensively is a bonus for me. We will end up primarily using two guys back there."

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The Gamecock pitching staff will have a little different look this year as the squad looks to fill in the roles open after the departures of All-America starter Blake Cooper and flamethrower Sam Dyson. The 1-2 punch of Cooper and Dyson started 38 games last year and were a formidable duo in the SEC and in the postseason.

Despite the loss of Cooper and Dyson, the Gamecocks return a bevy of arms to go along with a quality crop of newcomers. After fall practice, Tanner was excited with the direction of numerous pitchers.

Sophomore left-hander **Tyler Webb** is right at the top of the list after a successful fall stint that saw him with quality starts in intrasquad scrimmages.

"Webb had a really good fall and he is better than he was last year," said Tanner. "He got a chance to pitch as a freshman and had three appearances at the College World Series. He was good. He is 6-5ish, he has downward plane and (pitching coach Jerry) Meyers has helped him improve his breaking ball and changeup. He only walked one guy in fall practice and when you throw strikes you have a chance. I'm excited about where he is right now."

Webb is expected to be a part of the rotation as the spring begins.

Another left-hander that is expected to start for the Gamecocks is left-hander **Michael Roth**. The junior southpaw was a key ingredient to the success of last year's team with a team-high 37 appearances. After primarily working out of the bullpen, Roth became an integral part of the run in Omaha last year with two impressive starts vs. Clemson and UCLA. At the end of last season, Roth had put together a tremendous 1.34 ERA in 40.1 innings with opponents hitting just .196 against him.

"I think because of the experiences they have had and where they are right now, it has set themselves apart," said Tanner. "Do they have stripes on their sleeves? Yes, but they need more. They have positioned themselves. We are not going into it with two newcomers, but we are going into it with two guys with experience but not as much as going forward."

Three more left-handers battling for rotation spots are junior **Steven Neff**, sophomore **Adam Westmoreland** and junior college transfer **Bryan Harper**. Sophomore right-hander **Colby Holmes** is also in the mix for a starting role. All five pitchers have seen time as starters and look to figure in the mix before all is said and done.

"I'm confident that there are going to be a couple of pitchers that may not be well-known going into the season, but people will know their names before we get to the midway point," said Tanner. "I don't know who it's going to be yet. I'm anticipating that will happen."

Looking at the bullpen, the Gamecocks again will be anchored by right-hander **Matt Price**. One of the most dominant closers in the game, last year Price delivered time after time with the game on the line. A 2011 Preseason All-America selection, Price looks to continue his success from last year when he earned Freshman All-America honors after tallying 10 saves and posting a 5-1 record with a 2.26 ERA to go along with a phenomenal 83 strikeouts in 55.2 innings pitched.

Price isn't the only one back in the bullpen as senior side-armers **Jose Mata** and **John Taylor** return as well. Mata made 33 appearances and was 7-1 with a 2.40 ERA last year with Taylor seeing action in 28 games and finishing 3-2 with a 3.38 ERA. Both are expected to figure in near the end of the game and have a similar number of appearances.

"We have depth and experience back there," said Tanner. "With Roth starting the year in the rotation, that is a spot that has to be satisfied with one of those left-handers. One of those lefties is going to have to assume those appearances."

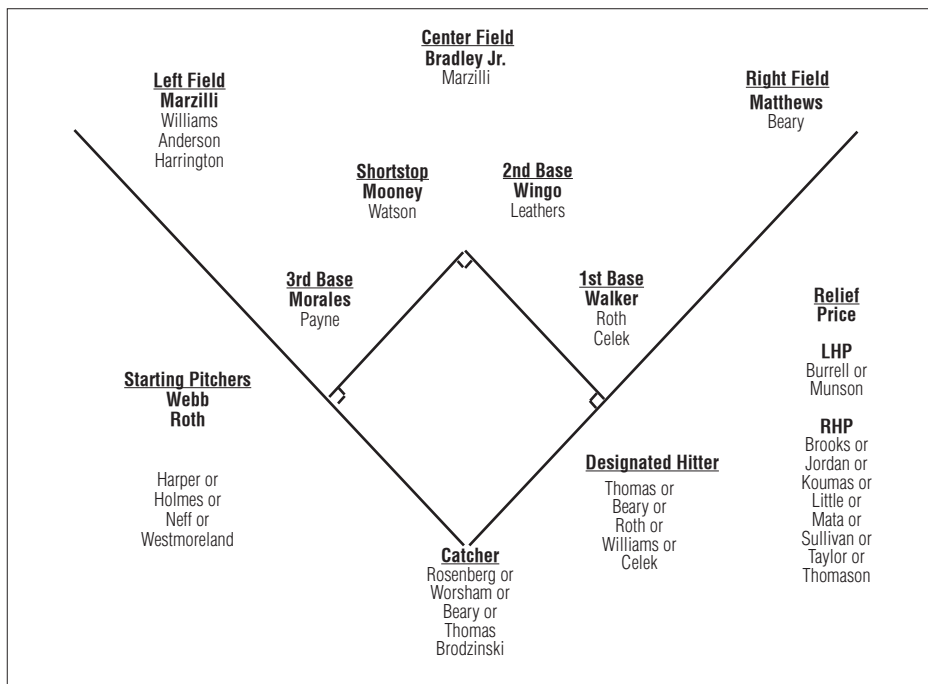
A pair of newcomers that also figure to log a significant amount of relief innings are freshman right-hander **Forrest Koumas** and junior college transfer **Spencer Jordan**. Koumas was Player of the Year in the state of South Carolina after his senior season leading Lugoff-Elgin to a high school state championship. Both he and Jordan are power arms from the right side and look to contribute immediately. Freshman right-hander **Drake Thomason** is also expected to help out as well as soon as he returns from Tommy John surgery that he had during his senior year of high school.

BBCOR STANDARD

One significant change to collegiate baseball for the 2011 season is the institution of the Ball-Bat Coefficient of Restitution (BBCOR) standard. All bats must be BBCOR approved before their use in a game.

This brings bats even closer to the properties of wood. The institution of a new standard and rules for the bats has caused significant discussion.

"It still remains to be seen how it will affect the game," said Tanner. "The anticipation among college coaches in the country is that fewer runs will be scored. We don't know yet, but that's the anticipation. I think you may see the hit and run a little more prevalent. I think you will see less homers, and therefore, I think the short game may play a more prominent role."



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It is requested that all interviews be arranged through Andrew Kitick. Players and coaches have been instructed to not agree to interviews not arranged by the Media Relations Office.

POST-GAME INTERVIEWS

Post-game interviews are conducted in the media room at Carolina Stadium. After a brief cooling-off period, requested players will be brought to the interview area followed by head coach Ray Tanner. A mult box is available for use. The South Carolina locker room is closed to the media. Media who wish to interview opposing coach or players should make requests through the Visiting SID.

MEDIA GAME DAY SERVICES

At home and on the road, notes and statistics will be provided in the press box and on-line at www.gamecocksonline.com. Complete box scores will be available shortly after each contest. A game story and box score following each game will be faxed and e-mailed to outlets requested. Scores will be reported to area broadcast outlets.

Wireless internet and telephone lines are available for use on the print media level. Updated SEC and other scores of interest are provided throughout the game.

Each media member will receive (1) food coupon per game to purchase food at the concessions stand. Soft drinks and water are also available in the press box.

SCORE UPDATES

Media who wish to retrieve home score updates can call the press row phone at (803) 777-6648 or log on to gamecocksonline.com for live GameTracker stats.

CREDENTIALS

Accredited news media are admitted on a game-by-game basis through the main entrance located near center field. Personnel assigned to cover games should contact Andrew Kitick at least one day before the game to arrange for proper credentials.

PARKING

Media personnel assigned to cover games should contact Andrew Kitick at least one day before the game to arrange for parking passes. Parking at the stadium is limited.

RADIO INFORMATION

Gamecock Sports Properties, a partnership between the University of South Carolina Athletics Department and IMG College, is the originating medium for radio coverage of the 2011 Carolina baseball games.

The Gamecock Radio Network occupies the booth at the far right (facing the field) of the press box. Visiting radio occupies the space at the far left with the two center booths reserved for television and video streaming coverage.

The University of South Carolina provides a telephone line as well as ISDN line at both the visitor's radio position and at the home section. Anyone who needs special assistance with phone lines may call the Gamecock Sports Properties office at (803) 777-7895.

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WNKT (107.5 FM), "The Game," in Columbia will be the flagship stations for originations of all 56 regular season games plus all post-season play. Games can also be heard on www.gamecocksonline.com.

Andy Demetra enters his second year as the voice of Carolina Baseball on the Gamecock Baseball Radio Network. Demetra also serves as the radio play-by-play announcer for the USC Men's Basketball team and the television announcer for the Gamecock football telecasts for SportSouth as well as Pay Per View.

In addition, Demetra hosts "Carolina Calls" during men's basketball and baseball season featuring head coaches Darrin Horn and Ray Tanner.

Demetra is a familiar name to those who follow Gamecock Athletics closely, as he served as the play-by-play voice for Carolina women's basketball and selected men's basketball games from 2003-06.

Since his time in Columbia, Demetra has worked for ISP Sports in Winston-Salem, N.C. He has done basketball play-by-play for the Big East National Game of the Week, football play-by-play for the ACC National Game of the Week and baseball play-

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by-play for the 2008 and 2009 ACC Tournaments for XM Radio. In addition, he has provided play-by-play work in basketball for the University of Pittsburgh, Vanderbilt, Virginia Tech, Villanova, UCF and Furman. He has also done play-by-play broadcasting for the Syracuse Chiefs, the Triple-A baseball affiliate of the Toronto Blue Jays.

Demetra, who graduated summa cum laude from Syracuse University, was the 2005 and 2006 South Carolina Broadcasters Association Radio Sportscaster of the Year. He was the youngest recipient of the award in the organization's 60-year history.

Tommy Moody is in his 12th year calling Gamecock baseball contests. Moody is the chairman of the USC Athletic Hall of Fame and was a past president of the USC Association of Lettermen in 1992. Moody played under head coach Bobby Richardson on the Gamecock baseball team from 1970-72 as an infielder.

Moody co-hosts a talk show, "The Early Game" on The Game (107.5 FM), Monday-Friday from 6-9 am.

2011 Network Affiliates

Allendale	WDOG	93.5 FM
Anderson	WRIX	103.1 FM
Camden	WPUB	102.7 FM
Charleston	WTMA	1250 AM
Columbia	WNKT	107.5 FM



Tommy Moody & Andy Demetra

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FEBRUARY		
18	Santa Clara	3 p.m.
19	Santa Clara	3 p.m.
20	Santa Clara	1:30 p.m.
25	Southern Illinois	3 p.m.
26	Southern Illinois	3 p.m.
27	Southern Illinois	1:30 p.m.
MARCH		
1	Furman	7 p.m.
4	Clemson	7 p.m.
5	vs. Clemson (Fluor Field)	4 p.m.
6	at Clemson	2 p.m.
9	Davidson	7 p.m.
11	Cal State Bakersfield	7 p.m.
12	Cal State Bakersfield	4 p.m.
13	Cal State Bakersfield	1:30 p.m.
15	at Furman (Fluor Field)	7 p.m.
16	Wofford	7 p.m.
18	Georgia*	7 p.m.
19	Georgia*	4 p.m.
20	Georgia*	1:30 p.m.
22	College of Charleston	7 p.m.
23	Rhode Island	7 p.m.
25	at Florida*	7 p.m.
26	at Florida*	7 p.m.
27	at Florida*	1 p.m.
30	The Citadel	7 p.m.
APRIL		
1	Kentucky*	7 p.m.
2	Kentucky*	4 p.m.
3	Kentucky*	1:30 p.m.
5	USC Upstate	7 p.m.
7	at Tennessee*	7:30 p.m.
8	at Tennessee*	7 p.m.
9	at Tennessee*	2 p.m.
12	at The Citadel	7 p.m.
15	Vanderbilt*	7 p.m.
16	Vanderbilt*	4 p.m.
17	Vanderbilt*	1 p.m.
19	at College of Charleston	7 p.m.
22	at Mississippi State*	8 p.m.
23	at Mississippi State*	3 p.m.
24	at Mississippi State*	2 p.m.
29	Auburn*	7 p.m.
30	Auburn*	4 p.m.
MAY		
1	Auburn*	3 p.m.
4	at Wofford	7 p.m.
6	at Ole Miss*	7:30 p.m.
7	at Ole Miss*	5 p.m.
8	at Ole Miss*	2:30 p.m.
10	Presbyterian	7 p.m.
11	Charleston Southern	7 p.m.
13	Arkansas*	7 p.m.
14	Arkansas*	4 p.m.
15	Arkansas*	1:30 p.m.
17	UNC Asheville	7 p.m.
19	at Alabama*	7:35 p.m.
20	at Alabama*	7:35 p.m.
21	at Alabama*	2:05 p.m.
25-29	SEC Baseball Tourn.	Hoover, Ala.
JUNE		
3-6	NCAA Regionals	TBA
10-13	NCAA Super Regionals	TBA
18-29	College World Series	Omaha, Neb.
		TBA

all times Eastern unless noted.
 Dates and times subject to change
 * denotes SEC game

