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<u>Date</u>		O PPONENT	<u>W-L</u>	Score/Time	<u>Атт.</u>			
Sept.	4	TULANE ESPICE	W	28-7	52,114			
Sept.	11	* AUBURN PILOTSPORTS	L	L 14-43 51,021				
Sept.	18	MAINE	L	L 7-9 43,486				
Sept.	25	* at LSU PILOTSPORTS		11:30 a.m.				
Oct.	2	* at Vanderbilt		6:00 p.m.				
Oct.	9	UAB		1:30 p.m.				
Oct.	23	* FLORIDA		ТВА				
Oct.	30	* KENTUCKY		TBA				
Nov.	6	* at Alabama		ТВА				
Nov.	20	* ARKANSAS		ТВА				
Nov.	27	* at Mississippi		ТВА				
	All times Central and Subject To Change							

LSU SCOREBOARD

DATE		O PPONENT	<u>W-L</u>	Score/Time	<u>Атт.</u>	
Sept.	4	OREGON STATE	W	22-21 [OT]	91,828	
Sept.	11	ARKANSAS STATE	W	53-3	91,611	
Sept.	18	* at Auburn	L 9-10			
Sept.	25	* MISSISSIPPI STATE		11:30 a.m.		
Oct.	2	* at Georgia		2:30 p.m.		
Oct.	9	* at Florida		TBA		
Oct.	23	TROY	7:00 p.m.			
Oct.	30	* VANDERBILT		TBA		
Nov.	13	* ALABAMA		TBA		
Nov.	20	* MISSISSIPPI		ТВА		
Nov.	26	* at Arkansas [Little Rock]		1:30 p.m.		
			All times	Central and Subject	To Change	

THE SERIES

Overall Record	LSU leads, 61-33-3
at Starkville	LSU leads, 9-6-1
at Baton Rouge	LSU leads, 42-18-1
Neutral sites	LSU leads, 10-9-1
Last meeting:	
LSU, 41-6 (9/27/2003 at Stark	ville)
Last 10 years:	
LSU leads, 9-1	Sylvester Croom vs. LSU: Never met
Current Series Win Streak:	Nick Saban vs. MSU: 4-0
LSU, 4 games	Sylvester Croom vs. Nick Saban: Never met

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ississippi State returns to Southeastern **Conference Western** Division action Saturday, Sept. 25, when the Bulldogs travel to Baton Rouge, La., to face defending



· Mississippi State's series with LSU is the Bulldogs' second-longest running football clash...The teams have met 97 times, second only to State's 100 games with archrival Mississippi.

national champion LSU. The game will be televised regionally by Jefferson Pilot Sports and will kick off at 11:30 a.m. CT.

BULLDOGS RETURN TO JEFFERSON PILOT SPORTS

Mississippi State stands 15-16 all-time on the SEC's regional sports syndicator, Jefferson Pilot Sports. The Bulldogs have dropped seven straight games on JP Sports, a streak that dates to the team's 29-7 win over Alabama in 2000. MSU opened its '04 SEC slate against Auburn on Jefferson Pilot Sports.

STATE SEEKS FIRST SEC WEST WIN IN TWO YEARS

When Mississippi State plays at LSU this weekend, it will be the Bulldogs' second SEC West contest during the first month of the '04 season. State has not won a game against a divisional opponent since the end of the 2001 season when they decisioned Ole Miss 36-28, a span covering nine games.

RADIO-MSU NETWORK

Jack Cristil, play-by-play Jim Ellis, color Steve Ellis, studio John Correro, sideline

LIVE TELEVISION—JEFFERSON PILOT

Dave Neal, play-by-play Dave Baker, sideline

Dave Rowe, color



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MEDIA SERVICES

MONDAY TELECONFERENCE

MSU head football coach Sylvester Croom will conduct a Monday teleconference (10 a.m. CT) prior to Bulldog games this year. Contact the MSU Athletic Media Relations Office (662-325-2703) for access info.

TUESDAY PRESS CONFERENCE

Coach Croom will conduct a weekly press conference each Tuesday prior to an MSU game. The conference will be held at the Bryan Athletic Administration Building. Coach Croom's press conference begins at 1 p.m. (CT). Selected players will be available following Croom's presentation (approximately 1:30 p.m.). To request specific players, media members must contact MSU Athletic Media Relations (662-325-2703) by 5 p.m. the Monday preceding each respective press conference.

WEDNESDAY SEC WEEKLY TELECONFERENCE

Coach Croom will join the league's other 11 coaches on the SEC's Wednesday teleconference. Coach Croom's seven-minute segment is scheduled from 10:49-10:56 a.m. (CT). The teleconference phone number can be obtained by calling the MSU Athletic Media Relations office.

WEEKLY PLAYER INTERVIEWS

During game week, all player interviews must be conducted by Tuesday evening and need to be arranged at least 24 hours in advance. Players <u>MAY NOT</u> be interviewed after Tuesday evening. Players will be notified of requested telephone interviews via a message placed on the player's locker. The player will call following practice at his convenience.

Please coordinate all player requests with the MSU Athletic Media Relations office (662-325-2703).

PRACTICE COVERAGE

The first six periods (approximately one hour) of MSU's practice sessions are open to the media (still photo & TV video). The remainder of practice is closed to the media who may return following practice for interview purposes.

On the road, the media may attend any "walk-through" preparations and interview coaches provided they have contacted the MSU Athletic Media Relations office in advance.

SEC PHOTO DATABASE

A digital image database for the SEC is available to media members throughout the year. Photos, logos and other images for all 12 schools can be found by going to <u>www.secsportsmedia.com</u> and registering as an accredited media outlet.

Included on the site for MSU are head shots for all football coaches and players, actions shots for selected individuals, facility images, campus images, logos and more.

MSU SATELLITE SERVICES

Segments of MSU's weekly press conference and postgame highlights of the Bulldogs' seven home games will be available to television outlets via satellite.

Weekly press conference feeds will be uplinked from 4:30-4:45 p.m. CT each Tuesday prior to MSU games during the season. The feeds can be downlinked from SBS 6, Transponder 2. The downlink frequency is 11749.500 V. Exception: Nov. 2 (2:45-3 p.m.; SBS 6, Transponder 6; 11847.500).

Highlights from MSU's home games will also be available. Please contact Bennie Ashford in the MSU Television Center (662-325-1332) for the time of each postgame uplink (times will vary each week).

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MISSISSIPPI STATE LOOKS TO IMPROVE TUBE MARK

Mississippi State has a 46-64 record (.418) all-time in televised games. The Bulldogs' season-opening win over Tulane ended a 12-game losing streak on network television, a skein that began in the final game of the 2001 season.

MSU AIMS TO SNAP LSU SERIES STRANGLEHOLD

When Mississippi State travels to Baton Rouge this weekend, the Bulldogs will be looking to stop a four-game LSU win streak in the series. State has not beaten LSU since the 17-16 last-second win at Scott Field in 1999. In fact, that win ended a seven-game Tiger victory skein between these two teams, a streak that dates to MSU's last win in Baton Rouge, a 28-19 triumph in 1991.

STATE GOES ON THE ROAD FOR FIRST TIME IN '04

Road Weary...

Mississippi State's game Saturday at Baton Rouge will be the Bulldogs' first road game of the 2004 season. It is the deepest into a season (four games) that MState has opened



• When MSU travels to LSU this weekend, it will look to break an eight-game losing skid in road contests...MSU's last road win was at Memphis in 2002...State has not claimed an SEC road win since downing Kentucky in Lexington in 2000 (13 such games).

on the road since 1999 (five games). State did open its road schedule on a later date, Sept. 29 in 2001, just its third game of that season.

LSU HAS BEEN A FREQUENT BULLDOG OPPONENT

This weekend's MSU-LSU match-up will be the 98th meeting between the two schools in this series. LSU is the Bulldogs' secondmost frequently played opponent. Only Ole Miss, who State has played 100 times through the years, is a more commonly contested opponent.

STATE AIMS TO IMPROVE ROAD-OPENING MARK

Mississippi State has posted a 45-52-6 (.466) record all-time in its first true road game of the season in this, the school's 105th season on the gridiron. In one season, 1906, the Bulldogs did not play a true road game. MState has not won the first road game of a season since 2000 when the Bulldogs won at Memphis 17-3.

ROAD-OPENING SEC WINS HAVE BEEN A TOUGH ACT

Mississippi State shows a 10-28-1 (.269) record all-time when its road opener has been played against SEC competition. Equally frustrating is MSU's 19-50-1 (.279) all-time mark in SEC road openers. State's most recent win in both of those categories came in 1999, when the Bulldogs defeated Vanderbilt 42-14 in Nashville.

'DOGS EYE 2-2 MARK FOR FIRST TIME IN 4 YEARS

A win over LSU would give Mississippi State a 2-2 start to a season for the first time since 2000 when the Bulldogs opened the year 3-1. State finished that season 8-4, but won just eight games over the next three years (2001-03).

CROOM RADIO SHOW AIRS MONDAY DURING '04

The 2004 edition of Dawgs Talk, the weekly Sylvester Croom radio show, airs each Monday during the season on 21 stations state-wide at 7 p.m. CT.

CROOM TV SHOW BROADCAST TO SOUTH, NATION

The Mississippi State Football with Sylvester Croom Television Show is aired the week following Bulldog games throughout the state, region and country. Fox Sports Net South carries the show Sundays at 10 p.m. CT. The Croom Show is also shown nationally via Video on Demand (VOD) on Comcast Cable systems and can be seen via video streaming on the official MSU athletic web site (www.mstateathletics.com).

FIELDS RETURNS WITH A FLURRY AGAINST MAINE

Mississippi State senior nose tackle Ronald Fields (Bogalusa, La.), who has played in all 38 games of his Bulldog career, earning 28 starts, rebounded from an injury-shortened outing against Auburn to post one of his career-best games this past Saturday against Maine. The 6-2, 306pounder totaled a season-best seven tackles and career-high three tackles for loss (minus 4 yards) against the Black Bears. His career high in tackles (8) came 13 games ago at Houston in 2002. He made three tackles against Auburn two weeks ago, a game in which he missed substantial time with a knee injury. He has now made 130 career tackles, including 12 for loss (minus 20 yards) with one quarterback sack (minus 5 yards).

→ FIELDS PRIMED FOR SENIOR SEASON FOLLOWING SOLID JUNIOR CAMPAIGN

Fields started all 12 games at nose tackle in 2003, recording 52 tackles. He had four and one-half tackles for loss (minus 11 yards), one of which was a QB sack (minus 5 yards).

STEWART SERVES AS OFFENSIVE LINE MAINSTAY

Senior offensive right tackle David Stewart (Moulton, Ala.), has put together three straight weeks of solid line play to open the 2004 season. Against Auburn two weeks ago, Stewart posted a team-best and seasonhigh 87 percent blocking grade against the Tigers, a score that matched the second-best game mark in his career (92 percent vs Jacksonville State, 2002). MSU head football coach Sylvester Croom called out Stewart for his work in State's season-opening win over Tulane, a contest in which the Bulldogs rushed for 199 yards, their most rushing yards in eight games (203 vs. Vanderbilt, 2003). Stewart had 11 knockdown blocks in the win over the Green Wave.

→ STEWART AIMS TO BUILD ON LONG STARTS STREAK

Stewart has seen action in 33 career games, drawing 30 starting assignments on the offensive line. He has started 27 straight times at offensive right tackle, a streak that originated at the beginning of his sophomore campaign. He played every snap in seven of the 12 games a year ago.

STATISTICAL COMPARISON

MSU vs. LSU (2004 PER-GAME AVERAGES)

<u>MSU</u>	<u>LSU</u>
Overall Record1-2	2-1
Conference Record0-1	0-1
Total Offense	357.0
Rushing Yards134.7	160.7
Passing Yards183.7	196.3
Yards Allowed	272.3
Rushing Yards Allowed151.7	89.7
Passing Yards Allowed147.0	182.7
Points Scored16.3	28.0
Points Allowed19.7	11.3
First Downs	19.0
Time of Possession	28:58
3rd Down Conversion Pct	.342



STATISTICAL COMPARISON

MSU vs. LSU (2004 per-game averages)

RUSHING YARDS

MSU	LSU
Norwood65.7	Vincent61.3
Reid40.0	Addai
Jude14.7	Broussard
PASSING YA	RDS
MSU	LSU
Conner	Russel
York	Randall
RECEPTIO	<u>vs</u>
MSU	LSU
Prosser	Bowe3.3
Butler2.7	Davis3.0
Milons2.5	Doucet2.0
POINTS SCO	<u>RED</u>
MSU	LSU
Husband4.0	Bowe8.0
Butler4.0	Jackson4.3
Andrews2.3	Vincent4.0
INTERCEPTIO	<u>DNS</u>
MSU	LSU
Je.Johnson0.7	Highsmith0.5
McDougal0.3	Landry0.3
Williams0.3	
<u>TACKLES</u>	
MSU	LSU
Bennett7.0	Turner10.0
McDougal7.0	Landry9.3

Daniels6.7

MSU IN THE SEC/NCAA STATS

(2004 PER-GAME AVERAGES)

Теам					
CATEGORY	RANK (AVG./PCT./RATIO)				
Total Offense	10th (318.3 ypg) [87]				
Rushing Offense	10th (134.7 ypg) [70]				
Passing Offense	10th (183.7 ypg) [77]				
Passing Eff. Offense Total Defense	8th (121.4 rtg.) [67]				
Total Defense	6th (298.7 ypg) [37]				
Rushing Defense	9th (151.7 ypg) [71]				
Passing Defense	3th (147.0 ypg) [16]				
Passing Eff. Defense	6th (122.0 rtg.) [60]				
Scoring Offense	10th (16.3 ppg) [97]				
Scoring Defense	7th (19.7 ppg) [46]				
Scoring Defense Punting	6th (37.9 net avg.) [43]				
Third Down Conversions	6th (42.6 %)				
Fourth Down Conversions	t3rd (66.7%)				
Kickoff Returns	10th (17.0 ypr) [96]				
Punt Returns	4th (11.3 ypr) [35]				
First Downs	8th (53 fd)				
Penalties	1st (36.7 ypg)				
Turnover Margin	t7th (+0.33 tmpg) [t49]				
Time of Possession	4th (32:13)				
Red Zone Offense					
Red Zone Defense	t11th (85.7%)				

Individual				
CATEGORY RANK (AVG./PCT.)				
Rushing				
Jerious Norwood10th (65.7 ypg) [90] Passing Average Per Game				
Omarr Connert7th (155.0 ypg) Passing Efficiency				
Omarr Conner				
Omarr Conner				
Jeramie Johnsont1st (0.67 ipg) [t17] Punt Returns				
Jonathan Lowe				
Fred Reid				
Jared Cook7th (41.5 ypp) [43] PAT Percentage				
Keith Andrews 11st (100.0%) Sacks Sacks				
Avery Hannibal				
Willie Evans t3rd (4.0) Ronald Fields t8th (3.0)				



NCAA rankings shown in brackets

NORWOOD REACHES TOP 25 BEFORE KNEE BRUISE

Mississippi State junior halfback Jerious Norwood (Brandon, Miss.) rushed just 10 times for 44 yards against Maine this past weekend, an outing cut short by a knee bruise. He did not return to the field following MSU's final possession of the first half. Despite the limited opportunities, he moved to 24th on the school's career rushing list. He opened the 2004 season with his fourth career 100-yard rushing game in State's season-opening 28-7 win over Tulane. He picked up 112 yards on 20 carries, a 5.6-yard per rush average, and one touchdown. He was held to nine carries and 41 yards by Auburn in Week 2.

→ TALENTED BRANDON JUNIOR READY TO MOVE AMONG MSU BEST

Norwood has now rushed for 1,233 yards in his career, 24th on the school's all-time top 25 rushing list. He passed No. 25 Fred Collins (1,227; 1977-80) and No. 24 Billy Stacy (1,232; 1956-58) on that chart and now trails Wally Beech (1,353; 1949-51) for the 23rd spot.

CLARK IS SOLID IN MIDDLE OF 'DOG DEFENSE

Mississippi State redshirt freshman defensive tackle Corey Clark (Taylorsville, Miss.) has opened the '04 season with three solid outings from his position alongside Fields in the middle of the Bulldog defense. He made six tackles against Maine and leads all defensive linemen with 19 tackles on the year. Clark also had a half-dozen hits against Auburn in Week 2, including one for lost yardage (minus 1 yard). He totaled seven tackles, including one for loss (minus 2 yards), and a pass breakup at the line of scrimmage in his team's 28-7 win over Tulane.

MCDOUGAL HAS 2ND CAREER DOUBLE-DIGIT GAME

Mississippi State junior linebacker Clarence McDougal (Clinton, Miss.) also produced his third straight solid defensive outing this past weekend. McDougal recorded his second career double-digit tackle game against Maine this past Saturday (also had 10 vs. Houston in 2003) and is tied for the team lead with 21 hits after three weeks. McDougal made a half-dozen tackles against Auburn in Week 2. The 6-1, 220-

pounder may have had his best allaround performance in the Bulldogs' 28-7 win over Tulane in the season opener. He made five tackles, including one for loss (minus 1 yard), but registered one of



• Clarence McDougal is averaging seven tackles per game thus far in 2004...Last season, McDougal's average was 5.3 stops per outing...The Clinton, Miss., native matched his career high in takedowns last week vs. Maine with 10.

the game-turning plays of the contest. With the game scoreless just 44 seconds before halftime and Tulane at the MSU 6-yard line, McDougal intercepted a Lester Ricard pass in the State end zone to thwart the Green Wave scoring drive. Against Auburn this past Saturday, McDougal added a half dozen hits.

JOHNSON MAKES 1ST CAREER INTERCEPTION(S)

Mississippi State sophomore safety Jeramie Johnson (East Point, Ga.), recorded the first interception of his career in the Bulldogs' game against Maine this past weekend. And then, moments later, added his team-leading second theft of the year. Midway through the second quar-

ter, he intercepted a Black Bear pass and returned it 35 yards to the Maine 11. With just 1:44 to go in the third period, he made his second career pass interception. It was the first time a Mississippi State defender had intercepted a pair of passes in a game since Korey Banks picked off a pair of Memphis errant throws in 2002.

PROSSER POSTS 100-YARD RECEIVING GAME

Mississippi State sophomore wide receiver Will Prosser (Starkville, Miss.) hauled in four passes for 117 yards against Maine this past Saturday, his third-straight productive performance of the '04 campaign.

WILD WILL... • Will Prosser has quickly emerged as one of State's "go-to" receivers this season...Leading MSU with nine catches, he hauled in a 63-yard pass vs. Maine in a career-best, 117-yard effort.

Prosser, who leads the team with nine catches for 168 yards, an 18.7-yard average, after three weeks, became the first Bulldog with more than 100 yards receiving in a

game since Justin Jenkins turned that trick against Auburn last season (113 yards). It was the most yardage receiving in a game since Jenkins had 118 vs. Vanderbilt in mid-'03.

POWELL MAKES MOST OF FIRST 2004 START

Mississippi State sophomore defensive tackle Andrew Powell (Clewiston, Fla.) earned his first start of the '04 season on the defensive line, the second of his career, and responded with a solid showing against Maine. Powell totaled six tackles, including one for lost yardage, a 3-yard quarterback sack, State's only quarterback fall of the game.

REID STEADY IN RELIEF OF STARTER NORWOOD

Mississippi State senior halfback Fred Reid (Tampa, Fla.) carried the football a career-high 18 times, at first spelling and then replacing starter Jerious Norwood, who did not play in the second half of the Maine game with a knee injury. Reid gained 72 yards on the ground against the Black Bears for a 4-yard average. The 18 rushes matched the 18 carries he had against Troy State in 2002 and the 72 yards were the most since that game against the Trojans (career-high 111) 22 games ago.

CONNER THROWS FOR A SEASON-BEST 250 YARDS

Mississippi State sophomore quarterback Omarr Conner (Macon, Miss.) completed 21-of-34 passes (.618) for 250 yards, one touchdown and one interception, against Maine this past Saturday. It was the most yards passing by a Bulldog quarterback in 13 games (360; Kevin Fant vs. Houston, 2003) and the highest completion percentage by MSU's starting quarterback in 12 games (.633; Kevin Fant vs. LSU, 2003). The interception ended a streak of 52 pass attempts by Conner to open the '04 season without a theft. Mr. Football in the state of Mississippi following his senior season as a signal-caller at Noxubee County High School, Conner completed 16-of-26 passes for 113 yards and no interceptions vs. Auburn after opening the season with completing nine-of-17 passes for 102 yards, a touchdown and no interceptions in the 28-7 win over Tulane.

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	Теам	<u>Record</u>	<u>P 75</u>	Prv.					
1.	Southern Cal (54)								
2.	Oklahoma (10)	3-0	1,562	2					
3.	Georgia (1)	3-0	1,456	3					
4.	Miami [FL]	2-0	1,437	4					
5.	Texas		1,358	б					
6.	West Virginia		1,169	7					
7.	Ohio State								
8.	Florida State	1-1	1,079	8					
9.	Auburn		1,064	14					
10.	California								
11.	Tennessee		1,031	13					
12.	Virginia			12					
13.	LSŬ	2-1		5					
14.	Utah								
15.	Purdue								
16.	Florida	1-1		11					
17.	Fresno State								
18.	Michigan			17					
19.	Minnesota			22					
20.	Wisconsin								
21.	Boise State			23					
22.	Arizona State			NR					
23.	Maryland			21					
24.	Louisville			24					
25.	Oklahoma State								

<u>Others receiving votes:</u> Notre Dame 89, Memphis 78, Iowa 66, Kansas State 46, Southern Miss 34, Missouri 33, Virginia Tech 29, Alabama 23, Colorado 23, Boston College 19, Arkansas 9, Georgia Tech 4, South Carolina 4, UCLA 1.

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	Теам	RECORD	Р тѕ	Prv.
1.	Southern Cal (48)	3-0	1 510	<u>r kv.</u> 1
2.	Oklahoma (12)	3-0	1 465	
3.	Georgia	3-0	1.370	3
4.	Miami [FL] (1)	2-0	1.357	5
5.	Texas		1.258	6
6.	Ohio State			
7.	West Virginia		1.047	8
8.	Tennessee	2-0		13
9.	California	2-0		10
10.	Auburn			15
11.	Florida State	1-1		11
12.	Virginia	3-0		16
13.	LSŬ	2-1	795	4
14.	Utah			
15.	Purdue			
16.	Florida			
17.	Fresno State			20
18.	Michigan	2-1		17
19.	Minnesota	3-0		22
20.	Wisconsin	3-0		21
21.	Boise State	3-0		23
22.	Louisville	2-0	204	24
23.	Maryland	2-1	193	19
24.	lowá			
25.	Oklahoma State	3-0	144	NR

Others receiving votes: Arizona State 79, Virginia Tech 73, Memphis 66, Notre Dame 54, Kansas State 52, Missouri 37, Colorado 35, Boston College 30, Alabama 26, Nebraska 11, Southern Miss 11, Arkansas 8, North Carolina State 8, Texas Tech 8, Bowling Green 5, Clemson 4, South Carolina 3, Texas A&M 3, Stanford 2, Oregon 1, UCLA 1.

HOW MSU'S OPPONENTS HAVE FARED					
OPPONENT (DATE VS. MSU)	W	L	CURRENT NATIONAL RANKS	Last Week	This Week
TULANE (9/4)			NR APNR USA Today/ESPN	LOUISVILLE (ppd./hurricane)	SOUTHERN MISS
AUBURN (9/11)	3	0	9th AP10th USA Today/ESPN	D. LSU, 10-9	THE CITADEL
MAINE (9/18)	2		NR APNR USA Today/ESPN	d. Mississippi State, 9-7	—Idle—
at LSU (9/25)	2	1	13th AP13th USA Today/ESPN	l. to Auburn, 9-10	MISSISSIPPI STATE
at Vanderbilt (10/2)	0	2	NR APNR USA Today/ESPN	l. to Mississippi, 23-26[OT]	at Navy
UAB (10/9)			NR APNR USA Today/ESPN	l. to Florida State, 7-34	MEMPHIS
FLORIDA (10/23)			16th AP16th USA Today/ESPN	l. to Tennessee, 28-30	KENTUCKY
KENTUCKY (10/30)			NR APNR USA Today/ESPN	D. INDIANA, 51-32	at Florida
at Alabama (11/6)	3	0	RV APRV USA Today/ESPN	D. WESTERN CAROLINA, 52-0	at Arkansas
ARKANSAS (11/13)	2		RV APRV USA Today/ESPN	D. LAMONROE [L.R.], 49-20	ALABAMA
at Mississippi (11/27)	1	2	NR APNR USA Today/ESPN	D. VANDERBILT, 26-23[OT]	at Wyoming
Totals	17	11			Home Games in CAPS

COOK NAMED TO THE RAY GUY AWARD WATCH LIST

MSU senior punter Jared Cook (Columbus, Ga.) has been named to the Ray Guy Award initial watch list for the postseason trophy given to the top player at the punter position. Cook has had three straight seasons in which his punting average has exceeded the 40-yard mark. Cook opened the year punting six times for a 38.0-yard average against Tulane, a stat that is misleading due to the fact that he was forced to kick three times in short field situations. He averaged 41 yards per punt on his other three boots. Against Auburn, he punted seven times for a 42.0yard average, with two of his seven kicks being downed inside the 20-

PROLIFIC PUNTER...

• Jared Cook has quietly become one of the top punters in Mississippi State history during his four seasons in Starkville...If his career ended today, he would rank fourth all-time at State in punt average...He has had at least one punt of 50 or more yards in seven of his last eight contests. yard line. This past weekend, he punted four times for a 45.8yard average with two of his kicks downed inside the Black Bear 20. He already ranks fifth on both the school's list of most active punters (166) and in punting

yardage (6,875). Cook trails Mike Patrick (171, 6,999) in both those categories. His career punting average (41.4) would rank fourth all-time at State.

EVANS PRODUCTIVE FOR A 3RD-STRAIGHT WEEK

Mississippi State junior defensive end Willie Evans (Waynesboro, Miss.) has been a bright spot for the Bulldog defense during the first three weeks of the 2004 season. He is second among defensive linemen with 18 tackles and has a team-best four tackles behind the line of scrimmage (minus 26 yards). Evans registered five tackles against Maine this past weekend, a total that included two tackles for loss (minus 6 yards). Evans posted a team-best eight tackles a week earlier against Auburn, including one tackle for loss (minus 11 yards). In the team's seasonopening win over Tulane, Evans tallied five tackles, a total that included a quarterback sack (minus 9 yards).

MSU STREAKS/2004 RECORDS

	Overall Streak	2004
Overall	L2	1-2
Home	L2	1-2
Away	L8	—
Neutral	W2	—
SEC Games	L6	0-1
Non-Conference Games	L1	1-1
Day Games	L1	1-1
Night Games	L6	0-1
August	L2	—
September	L2	1-2
October	L2	—
November	L8	—
vs. Top 10 Teams (Associated Press)		
vs. Top 25 Teams (Associated Press)	L9	0-1
Television Games	L1	1-1
ABC	L5	—
CBS	L1	—
ESPN	L2	—
ESPN2	W1	1-0
Fox	L1	—
Jefferson-Pilot	L7	0-1
NBC	W2	—
When MSU Wins Coin Toss	L1	1-1
When Opponent Wins Toss	L4	0-1
When MSU Scores First	L1	1-1
When Opponent Scores First	L10	0-1
When MSU Leads at Halftime	L2	0-1
When Score Is Tied at Halftime	W1	1-0
When Opponent Leads at Halftime	L13	0-1
When MSU Leads After Three Quarters	L1	1-1
When Score Is Tied After Three Quarters	W1	
When Opponent Leads After Three Quarter	sL14	0-1
When MSU Scores 25 or more points		
When Opponent Scores 25 or more points.		
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LSU Mississippi State

September 27, 2003 Davis Wade Stadium • Starkville, MS



Returning to Davis Wade Stadium at Scott Field for the first time in a month, Mississippi State faced the seventh-ranked LSU Tigers with hopes of turning around its 0-3 start. The Bayou Bengals shattered those thoughts in the second quarter, scoring twice within a minute before running away with a 41-6 victory.

State started the game strong, forcing a punt on LSU's first possession and driving the ball to the LSU 14. But the turnover bug bit the Dogs again, as Nick Turner mishandled a handoff. LSU's Melvin Oliver recovered to give LSU the ball.

The Tigers got two long plays in before having their first miscue of the game. Odell Bradley made his first interception as a Bulldog, corralling a Matt Mauck pass at the State 12 and returning it 14 yards to the MSU 26. The Maroon and White would not earn a first down and punted to LSU.

LSU put in its first points of the game from there. Shyrone Carey finished an eight-play, 65-yard drive with a 1-yard run with 16 seconds left in the first quarter. Ryan Gaudet tacked on the PAT, giving LSU the lead 7-0.

GAME NOTES

- MSU started a season 0-4 for the first time
- since 1968 (based on on-the-field results).
- LSU won for the 12th time in the last 13
- meetings between the teams.
 Kevin Fant's 19 pass completions moved him into third place at MSU all-time.
- Justin Jenkins' TD catch moved him into a tie for second at State all-time in tha category.

LSU	7	17	10	7	=	41
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LSU - Carey 1 run (Gaudet kick), 0:16, 1st
LSU - Gaudet 32 FG, 10:40, 2nd
LSU - Carey 1 run (Gaudet kick), 9:48, 2nd
LSU - Daniels 48 INT return
(Conductive) or a post

- (Gaudet kick), 0:54, 2nd
- LSU Henderson 36 pass from Mauck (Gaudet kick), 13:48, 3rd
- LSU Gaudet 37 FG, 9:00, 3rd
- MSU Jenkins 15 pass from Fant
- (pass failed), 10:12, 4th

LSU - Vincent 3 run (Gaudet kick), 5:49, 4th

	LSU	MSU
First Downs	17	18
Rushes-Yards	35-163	30-31
Passing Yards	191	208
Passes (C-A-I)	14-25-1	21-39-2
Total Offense	354	239
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-2
Penalties-Yards	6-66	9-70
Time of Possession	27:06	32:54

RUSHING: (LSU) Vincent 6-58 TD, Carey 13-50 2TD, Addai 10-25, Green 1-15, Edwards 2-13, Mauck 1-5, Randall 2-(-3). (MSU) Reid 6-29, Turner 10-23, Bivines 1-5, Team 1-(-1), Norwood 4-(-11), Fant 8-(-14).

PASSING: (*LSU*) Mauck 12-19-1-171 TD, Randall 2-6-0-20. (*MSU*) Fant 19-30-2-191 TD, York 2-9-0-17.

RECEIVING: (*LSU*) Henderson 7-114 TD, Clayton 3-31, Green 2-28, Bowe 2-18. (*MSU*) Bivines 6-53, Jenkins 5-61 TD, Scott 4-40, Davis 2-16, Conner 1-19, Milons 1-15, Reid 1-2, Jones 1-2.

Attendance: 45,835.

LSU scored on its second possession, taking advantage of a short field after a partially blocked punt gave them the ball at the Tiger 42. LSU got down to the MSU 9 before stalling and calling for Gaudet to hit a 32-yard field goal, giving the Tigers a 10-0 lead.

The Bulldogs again would turn the ball over, this time on an interception. Jack Hunt returned the pickoff to the State 1, where Carey rushed in his second TD of the game. The PAT was good, putting LSU up 17-0.

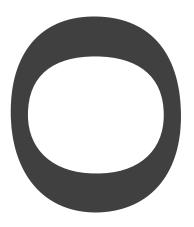
MSU tried to run the two-minute drill to get some points before the half, but Travis Daniels would have nothing of it. He picked off a Kevin Fant pass and took it back 48 yards for a TD, finishing off the first half with LSU leading 24-0.

The Tigers' first offensive play of the second half put six more points on the board. Mauck found Devery Henderson for a 36-yard catch. Gaudet hit the extra point, then scored again with a 37-yard field goal on LSU's next possession to put the Tigers up 34-0.

State put its only points on the board in the fourth quarter, putting together a 10 play, 92-yard drive. Fant found Justin Jenkins for a 15-yard score. A two-point try failed.

LSU finished off the game on its next drive. Justin Vincent ended the scoring with a 3-yard run at 5:49 left in the game. Gaudet put through his last extra point to give the Tigers a 41-6 win in Starkville.









MISSISSIPPI STATE

2004 DEPTH CHART (VS. LSU)

OFFENSE

SE	82 1 83 9	McKinley Scott (6-0, 202, Sr.)
LT	77 79	
LG	68 53	JOHNNY WADLEY (6-2, 336, JR.) Devrick Hampton (6-2, 300, RFr.)
C	50 55	CHRIS MCNEIL (6-3, 301, JR.) Brian Anderson (6-5, 309, So.)
RG	69 55	WILL ROGERS (6-4, 329, SR.) Brian Anderson (6-5, 309, So.)
RT	60 66	DAVID STEWART (6-6, 317, SR.) James Cochran (6-5, 293, So.)
TE	88 86 48 85	ERIC BUTLER (6-2, 246, RFR.) Blake Pettit (6-4, 242, So.) Dezmond Sherrod (6-3, 238, RFr.) Ty Freeman (6-5, 225, Sr.)
HB	12 5 20 7	
QB	14 17 16	OMARR CONNER (6-0, 209, SO.) Kyle York (6-0, 207, Jr.) Mike Henig (6-0, 175, Fr.)
FB	33 41 31 49	DARNELL JONES (5-11, 240, SR.) Bryson Davis (6-1, 258, So.) Nick Signaigo (6-3, 255, Sr.) Carlton Rice (6-0, 217, RFr.)
EI	81	WILL PROSSER (6-3, 205, SO.)

11 Joey Sanders (6-1, 205, RFr.) 80 Jonathan Lowe (5-7, 165, Fr.) 4 Keon Humphries (5-10, 165, Fr.)

DEFENSE

		MICHAEL HEARD (6-2, 250, SO.) Deljuan Robinson (6-4, 295, So.)
		RONALD FIELDS (6-2, 306, SR.) Markell McKinley (6-2, 292, So.)
Т	94 97	ANDREW POWELL (6-2, 304, SO.) Corey Clark (6-1, 310, RFr.)
R		WILLIE EVANS (6-2, 267, JR.) Rob Walker (6-3, 270, Jr.)
SLB		CLARENCE MCDOUGAL (6-1, 220, JR.) Gabe O'Neal (6-2, 200, Fr.) Chris Swain (5-11, 202, Sr.)
MLB		KENNY KERN (5-11, 235, JR.) Titus Brown (6-3, 223, Fr.) Brad Horton (6-0, 225, So.)
	56	MARVIN BYRDSONG (6-2, 247, JR.) Rico Bennett (6-0, 223, Jr.) Anthony Littlejohn (6-3, 210, Fr.)
		KEVIN DOCKERY (5-10, 185, JR.) Jamaal Johnson (5-9, 175, Jr.)
SS	34 22	JERAMIE JOHNSON (6-0, 207, SO.) Darren Williams (6-2, 209, Jr.)
FS		SLOVAKIA GRIFFITH (5-11, 197, SR.) Quinton Culberson (6-0, 216, So.)
RC	6 23	MARIO BOBO (6-1, 170, FR.) David Heard (5-11, 190, So.)

SPECIALISTS





43 JARED COOK (5-10, 188, SR.) 39 Brooks Crabtree (5-10, 174, Jr.)



FL

62 RUSSELL COOK (6-2, 239, SO.) 64 Casey Welch (6-3, 245, Jr.)

28 JOE JUDGE (6-2, 233, SR.) 43 Jared Cook (5-10, 188, Sr.) н



80 JONATHAN LOWE (5-7, 165, FR.) 5 Fred Reid (5-9, 189, Sr.) -and-7 Rickey Wright (6-0, 201, RFr.)

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80 JONATHAN LOWE (5-7, 165, FR.) 5 Fred Reid (5-9, 189, Sr.)



MSU BY THE NUMBERS IN 2004

7... home games the Bulldogs will play this season, tying for the most ever at MSU in one campaign (1997, 1999, 2001).

11.3... yards that freshman Jonathan Lowe is averaging on punt returns thus far, ranking him 2nd in the SEC and 30th nationally at present.

30... career starts made by offensive lineman David Stewart, most on the current squad.

30... different starters that MSU has utilized in the first three games of 2004.

52nd... year of broadcasting Mississippi State football games that the legendary Jack Cristil is doing in 2004. **105th...** season of intercollegiate

football Mississippi State is playing in 2004. The University began football competition in 1895.

198.0... Average mileage State will travel to its four road contests in 2004 at LSU (279), Vanderbilt (325), Alabama (87) and Mississippi (101).

995... total games State has played during its football history...The 2004 Kentucky game (Oct. 30) will be #1,000.

1,217... kickoff return yards that senior Fred Reid has amassed during his career, ranking him fourth all-time at MSU at present.

1,233... rushing yards that junior Jerious Norwood has during his career, ranking him 24th all-time at MSU.

2,207... all-purpose yards senior Fred Reid has accumulated during his career, which includes a record-tying, 100-yard kickoff return last season versus Memphis.

6,875... punting yards that senior Jared Cook has accumulated during his career, ranking him fifth all-time at MSU at present.

55,082... Capacity at Davis Wade Stadium at Scott Field.

2004 MSU GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

					OFFENSE						
TULANE AUBURN MAINE at LSU at Vanderbilt UAB FLORIDA KENTUCKY at Alabama ARKANSAS at Mississippi	SE Scott Scott Husband	<u>LT</u> Burch Burch Burch	LG Wadle Wadle	y McN	Neil Rogers Neil Rogers	s Stewart	<u>TE</u> Butler Butler Butler	<u>Q</u> В Conner Conner Conner	<u>HB</u> Norwood Norwood	D.Jones	<u>FL</u> Pettit(TE) Prosser Prosser
					DEFENSE						
TULANE AUBURN MAINE at LSU at Vanderbilt UAB FLORIDA KENTUCKY at Alabama ARKANSAS at Mississippi	<u>E</u> Robinson Robinson M.Heard	<u>NT</u> Fields Fields	<u>T</u> Clark Clark Powell	<u>R</u> W.Evans W.Evans W.Evans	<u>SLB</u> McDougal McDougal McDougal	<u>MLB</u> Kern Kern	<u>WLB</u> Bennett Bennett Byrdsong		<u>SS</u> Williams Je.Johnson Je.Johnson		<u>RC</u> D.Heard D.Heard Bobo

2004 TEAM GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

<u>Game</u>	Score	1st Downs <u>Tot Ru-Pa-Pe</u>	Rushing <u>No-Yds-TD</u>	Passing <u>C-A-I Yds_TD</u>	Tot. Off. <u>PI-Yds</u>	Punts <u>No-Avg</u>	Fumbles <u>F-L</u>	Penalties <u>No-Yds</u>	3rd <u>Dns</u>	Time of <u>Poss.</u>
Tulane	7	12 5-6-1	29-70-0	16-31-2 135 1	60-205	7-43.7	1-0	4-52	6-16	28:08
@ MSU	28	20 12-5-3	47-199-3	10-20-0 111 1	67-310	6-38.0	1-0	3-30	9-16	31:52
Auburn	43	21 14-7-0	41-283-2	13-22-0 182 4	63-465	3-43.3	2-1	6-45	4-9	26:32
@ MSU	14	13 3-10-0	29-81-0	24-36-1 190 2	65-271	8-39.6	2-0	6-50	7-17	33:28
Maine	9	10 6-4-0	37-102-0	10-19-2 124 1	56-226	8-46.5	0-0	4-24	4-15	28:39
@ MSU	7	20 9-11-0	37-124-0	21-35-1 250 1	72-374	7-44.9	2-2	5-30	4-14	31:21
MSU @ LSU										
MSU @ Vanderbilt										
UAB @ MSU										
Florida @ MSU										
Kentucky @ MSU										
MSU @ Alabama										
Arkansas @ MSU										
MSU @ Mississippi										

MISCELLANEOUS TEAM STATISTICS	CONVERSIONS 3RD DOWN CONVERSIONS (BY QUART	TER)			
MSU SCORES/RED ZONE (20 TAKDS AND IN)* MSU SCORES/RED ZONE ENTRIES - 7-11 (63.6%) Scores - 7 Touchdowns - 7, Field Goals - 0 Non-Scores - 4 Missed Field Goals - 1, Loss on Downs - 0, Punts - 0 Turnovers - 3 (Fumbles - 2, Interceptions - 1, Blocked Field Goal - 0) End of half - 0; End of game - 0	1 MISSISSIPPI STATE	2-11 18% 5-13 39%	<u>3</u> 3-12 25% 1-11 9%	<u>4</u> 9-13 69% 4-8 50%	OT Total
OPPONENT SCORES/RED ZONE ENTRIES - 6-7 (85.7%) Scores - 6 Touchdowns - 5, Field Goals - 1 Non-Scores - 1 Missed Field Goals - 0, Loss on Downs - 0, Punts - 0 Turnovers - 1 (Fumbles - 0, Interceptions - 1, Blocked Field Goal - 0) End of half - 0; End of game - 0 *- Offensive series only; does not include overtimes	3RD DOWN CONVERSIONS (BY DISTAI 3rd and: 1-3 MISSISSIPPI STATE 9-12 Pct.	4-6 3-9 33% 3-9 33%	7-10 4-13 31% 3-16 19%	31% 2-8	<u>Total</u> 20-47 43% 14-40
TURNOVERS Takeaways - 5 Giveaways - 4 Difference - +1 Ratio Per Game: +0.33 Points Off TOs - MSU 14 (2 TD, 0 FG, 2 PAT[1], 0 PAT[2]) Opp. 14 (2 TD, 0 FG, 0 PAT[1], 1 PAT[2]) Points Off TOs/Game - MSU 4.7, Opp. 4.7 KICKOFFFS Touchbacks - 5 Opp. Returns - 4, 86 yards (Avg. Return—21.5) Fair Catches - 0 Out of Bounds - 0 Onside Kicks - 0 (0 recovered)	1 MISSISSIPPI STATE Pct Opponents 0-0 Pct	200 -0 	3 0-1 0% 1-1 100%	4 2-2 100% 0-1 0%	OT Total —

2004 INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

GAME-BY-GAME RUSHING

AttYdsTD	#5 Reid	#12 Norwood	#14 Conner	#20 Jude	#33 Jones	#41 Davis
TULANE	15-37-1	20-112-1	7-25-0	3-12-0	2-13-1	0-0-0
AUBURN	4-11-0	9-41-0	3-(-1)-0	11-32-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
MAINE	18-72-0	10-44-0	6-(-23)-0	0-0-0	2-22-0	0-0-0
at LSU						
at Vanderbilt						
UAB						
FLORIDA						
KENTUCKY						
at Alabama						
ARKANSAS						
at Mississippi						

GAME-BY-GAME RECEIVING

NoYdsTD	#1 Scott	#9 Wright	#11 Sanders	#12 Norwood	#33 Jones	#81 Prosser	#82 Husband	#83 Milons	#88 Butler
TULANE	1-9-0	0-0-0	2-19-0	1-5-0	1-8-0	2-25-0	0-0-0	DNP	2-38-1
AUBURN	2-35-0	0-0-0	1-16-0	3-(-3)-0	2-10-0	3-26-0	3-24-2	3-19-0	3-23-0
MAINE	DNP	5-61-0	DNP	1-0-0	1-12-0	4-117-0	1-3-0	2-12-0	3-32-1
at LSU									
at Vanderbilt									
UAB									
FLORIDA									
KENTUCKY									
at Alabama									
ARKANSAS									
at Mississippi									

GAME-BY-GAME PASSING

GAME-BY-GAME FIELD GOALS

GAME-BY-GAME PUNTING

Cmp-Att-Int-Yds-TD	#14 Conner	#17 York	Made Missed	#46 Andrews	NoAvgIn 20	#43 Cook
TULANE	9-17-0-102-1	1-3-0-9-0	TULANE	no attempts	TULANE	6-38.0-1
AUBURN	16-26-0-113-0	8-10-1-77-2	AUBURN	no attempts	AUBURN	7-42.0-2
MAINE	21-34-1-250-1	DNP	MAINE	32	MAINE	4-45.8-2
at LSU			at LSU		at LSU	
at Vanderbilt			at Vanderbilt		at Vanderbilt	
UAB			UAB		UAB	
FLORIDA			FLORIDA		FLORIDA	
KENTUCKY			KENTUCKY		KENTUCKY	
at Alabama			at Alabama		at Alabama	
ARKANSAS			ARKANSAS		ARKANSAS	
at Mississippi			at Mississippi		at Mississippi	

GAME-BY-GAME TACKLES

UT-AT-TT-TFL-Sck.	#19 Bennett	#22 Williams	#25 Griffith	#29 McDougal	#30 Dockery	#32 Byrdsong	#36 Evans	#93 Fields	#97 Clark	#98 Robinson
TULANE	8-4-12-1-0	2-2-4-0-0	2-3-5-0-0	4-1-5-1-0	1-2-3-0-0	2-0-2-1-0	4-1-5-1-1	2-3-5-0-0	6-1-7-1-0	2-1-3-0-0
AUBURN	1-3-4-0-0	4-1-5-0-0	5-2-7-0-0	3-3-6-0-0	1-0-1-0-0	5-1-6-0-0	5-3-8-1-0	1-2-3-0-0	3-3-6-1-0	1-2-3-0-0
MAINE	4-1-5-1-0	2-1-3-0-0	2-0-2-0-0	6-4-10-1-0	1-2-3-0-0	5-4-9-0-0	3-2-5-2-0	4-3-7-3-0	2-4-6-0-0	1-0-1-1-0
at LSU at Vanderbilt UAB FLORIDA KENTUCKY at Alabama ARKANSAS at Mississippi										

2004 SUPERLATIVES

MSU TEAM SUPERLATIVES

Points Scored	28	vs. Tulane
Low	7	vs. Maine
First Downs	20	vs. Tulane,
Low	13	vs. Auburr
Rushing Attempts	47	vs. Tulane
Low	29	vs. Auburr
Net Rushing Yards	199	vs. Tulane
Low	99	vs. Auburr
Passes Attempted	36	vs. Auburr
Low	20	vs. Tulane
Passes Completed	24	vs. Auburr
Low	10	vs. Tulane
Had Intercepted	1	vs. Auburr
Low	0	vs. Tulane
Net Passing Yards	250	vs. Maine
Low	111	vs. Tulane
Total Offensive Plays	72	vs. Maine
Low	65	vs. Auburr
Total Net Offense	374	vs. Maine
Low	271	vs. Auburr
Fumbles	2	vs. Auburr
Low	1	vs. Tulane
Fumbles Lost	2	vs. Maine
Low	0	vs. Tulane,
Penalties	7	vs. Maine
Low	3	vs. Tulane
Penalty Yards	50	vs. Auburr
Low	30	vs. Tulane,

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OPPONENT TEAM SUPERLATIVES

Points Scored	43	by Auburn
Low	7	by Tulane
First Downs	21	by Auburn
Low	10	by Maine
Rushing Attempts	41	by Auburn
Low	29	by Tulane
Net Rushing Yards	283	by Auburn
Low	70	by Tulane
Passes Attempted	31	by Tulane
Low	19	by Maine
Passes Completed	16	by Tulane
Low	10	by Maine
Had Intercepted	2	by Tulane, Maine
Low	0	by Auburn
Net Passing Yards	182	by Auburn
Low	124	by Maine
Total Offensive Plays	63	by Auburn
Low	56	by Maine
Total Net Offense	465	by Auburn
Low	205	by Tulane
Fumbles	2	by Auburn
Low	0	by Maine
Fumbles Lost	1	by Auburn
Low	0	by Tulane, Maine
Penalties	б	by Auburn
Low	4	by Tulane, Maine
Penalty Yards	52	by Tulane
Low	24	by Maine

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

Rush Attempts	19	Jovon Jackson (Tulane)
		Carnell Williams (Auburn)
Net Rushing Yards	147	Ronnie Brown (Auburn)
Rushing TDs	2	Carnell Williams (Auburn)
Pass Attempts	31	Lester Ricard (Tulane)
Pass Completions	16	Lester Ricard (Tulane)
Had Intercepted	2	Lester Ricard (Tulane)
		Ron Whitcomb (Maine)
Net Passing Yards	139	Jason Campbell (Auburn)
Passing TDs	3	Jason Campbell (Auburn)
Receptions	3	Chris Bush, Jovon Jackson, Fred Smith (Tulane)
		Anthony Mix (Auburn)
		Christian Pereira, Ryan Waller (Maine)
Reception Yards	76	Anthony Mix (Auburn) [3 rec.]
TD Receptions	2	Anthony Mix, Ben Obomanu (Auburn)
Punts	8	Mike Mellow (Maine)
Punt Average	46.5	Mike Mellow (Maine) [8 punts]
Punts Inside 20	3	Mike Mellow (Maine)
Punt Returns	3	Tre Smith (Auburn)
		Kevin McMahan (Maine)
Punt Return Yards	26	Kevin McMahan (Maine)
Kickoff Returns	1	by 4 players
KOR Yards	32	Brad Lester (Auburn)
FG Attempts	1	John Vaughn (Auburn)
		Mike Mellow (Maine)
FG Made	1	Mike Mellow (Maine)
Interceptions	1	Eric Brock (Auburn)
		John Baumgartner (Maine)
Interception Return Yards	0	Eric Brock (Auburn)
		John Baumgartner (Maine)

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL LONG PLAYS

Rushing	59	Ronnie Brown (Auburn)
Passing	59	Lester Ricard/Chris Bush (Tulane) [TD]
Field Goal	31	Mike Mellow (Maine)
Punt	57	Mike Mellow (Maine)
Punt Return	16	Fred Smith (Tulane)
Kickoff Return	32	Brad Lester (Auburn)
Interception Return	0	Eric Brock (Auburn)

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 - (Auburn) John Baumgartner (Maine)

MSU INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

Jerious Norwood vs. Tulane Jerious Norwood vs. Tulane Darnell Jones, Jerious Norwood, Fred Reid

Rush Attempts	20
Net Rushing Yards	112
Rushing TDs	1
Pass Attempts	34
Pass Completions	21
Had Intercepted	1
Net Passing Yards	250
Passing TDs	2
Receptions	5
Reception Yards	117
TD Receptions	2
Punts	7
Punt Average	45.8
Punts Inside 20	2
Punt Returns	3
Punt Return Yards	27
Kickoff Returns	3
KOR Yards	52
FG Attempts	1
FG Made	none
Interceptions	2
Interception Return Yards	35

	T loss
	vs.Tulane
34	Omarr Conner vs. Maine
21	Omarr Conner vs. Maine
1	Kyle York vs. Auburn
	Omarr Conner vs. Maine
250	Omarr Conner vs. Maine
2	Kyle York vs. Auburn
5	Brandon Wright vs. Maine
117	Will Prosser vs. Maine [4 rec.]
2	Jason Husband vs. Auburn
7	Jared Cook vs. Auburn
45.8	Jared Cook vs. Maine [4 punts]
2	Jared Cook vs. Auburn, Maine
	Brooks Crabtree vs. Maine
3	Jonathan Lowe vs. Auburn
27	Jonathan Lowe vs. Maine
3	Fred Reid, Rickey Wright vs. Auburn
52	Fred Reid vs. Auburn [3 ret.]
1	Keith Andrews vs. Maine
none	
2	Jeramie Johnson vs. Maine
35	Jeramie Johnson vs. Maine

MSU INDIVIDUAL LONG PLAYS

Rushing	43
Passing	63
Field Goal	
Punt	54
Punt Return	24
Kickoff Return	26
Interception Return	35

- Jerious Norwood vs. Tulane Omarr Conner/Will Prosser vs. Maine 3
- 4 Jared Cook vs. Auburn
- Brooks Crabtree vs. Maine Jonathan Lowe vs. Tulane
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- Fred Reid vs. Tulane
- Jeramie Johnson vs. Maine

CAREER GAMES PLAYED & STARTS LISTING

(DOES NOT INCLUDE BOWL GAMES)

		(DOES NOT	INCLUDE BON	L GAMES				
		Career		2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
No.	Name	GP (CGP)	<u>S (CS)</u>	<u>2004</u> GP-S	<u>GP-S</u>	<u>GP-S</u>	GP-S	<u>2000</u> GP-S
93	Ronald Fields	38 (38)	28 (16)	3-3	12-12	12-10	11-3	
33	Darnell Jones	38 (38)	18 (0)	3-2	12-8	12-1	11-7	_
25	Slovakia Griffith	38 (38)	9 (6)	3-3	12-3	12-3	11-0	_
5	Fred Reid	37 (36)	5 (0)	3-0	12-5	12-3	10-1	_
60	David Stewart	33 (27)	30 (27)	3-3	12-0	12-4	6-3	_
43	Jared Cook	33 (27)	. ,	3-3	9-7	10-9	11-9	_
		.,	28 (8)		9-7 10-10			
10	Ray Ray Bivines	32 (0)	15 (0)			12-5	10-0	_
36	Willie Evans	27 (27)	17 (4)	3-3	12-10	12-4	_	_
12	Jerious Norwood	27 (27)	11 (11)	3-3	12-8	12-0	—	_
32	Marvin Byrdsong	27 (27)	9(1)	3-1	12-7	12-1	_	_
30	Kevin Dockery	25 (5)	20 (5)	3-3	10-10	12-7	—	_
83	Tee Milons	25 (2)	1 (0)	2-0	11-0	12-1	—	—
22	Darren Williams	24 (9)	17 (0)	3-1	9-8	12-8	—	_
68	Johnny Wadley	23 (10)	9 (6)	3-3	9-3	11-3	_	_
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19	Rico Bennett	23 (20)	5 (0)	3-2	12-0	8-3	—	_
77	Richard Burch	22 (15)	17 (15)	3-3	12-12	7-2	_	—
69	Will Rogers	22 (15)	15 (15)	3-3	12-12	6-0	1-0	—
18	Brett Morgan	21 (6)	_	3-0	10-0	8-0	_	_
17	Kyle York	19 (0)	2 (0)	2-0	7-0	10-2	—	_
28	Joe Judge	20 (3)	_	3-0	9-0	7-0	1-0	—
50	Chris McNeil	18 (3)	7 (3)	3-3	11-1	4-3	_	_
52	Kenny Kern	17 (15)	3 (3)	3-3	12-0	2-0	_	_
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29	Clarence McDougal	15 (15)	6 (3)	3-3	12-3	_	_	_
26	Chris Swain	15 (15)	3 (0)	3-0	12-3	_	_	_
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14	Omarr Conner	14 (14)	6 (5)	3-3	11-3	_	_	_
47	Cody Upton	14 (14)		3-0	11-0	_	_	_
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96	Markell McKinley	5 (1)		1-0	4-0	_	_	_
97	Corey Clark	4 (3)	2 (0)	3-2	1-0	_	_	_
86	Blake Pettit	4 (3)	2 (1)	3-2	1-0	_	—	_
88	Eric Butler	3 (3)	3 (3)	3-3	_	_	—	—
27	Derek Ambrose	3 (3)	_	3-0	—	_	_	_
40	Terrence Beaman	2 (0)	_	2-0	—	—	_	—
76	Royce Blackledge	2 (0)	-	2-0	_	_	_	—
6	Mario Bobo	3 (3)	1 (1)	3-1	—	—		—
53	Devrick Hampton	2 (0)	_	2-0	_	_	_	_
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15	Tyler Threadgill	3 (2)	_	2-0	1-0	_		_
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2004	MSU	SCORING DRIVES/PLAYS
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TULANE		
3 2-13	0:41	Norwood 9 run (Andrews kick)
3 7-54	2:39	Butler 11 pass from Conner (Andrews kick)
4 6-85 4 12-72	2:27 5:28	Reid 5 run (Andrews kick) D.Jones 11 run (Andrews kick)
4 12-72 AUBURN	5:28	
4 17-83	10:01	Husband 1 pass from York (Andrews kick)
4 3-15	0:45	Husband 9 pass from York (Andrews kick)
MAINE		
1 7-67	3:00	Butler 18 pass from Conner (Andrews kick)

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2004 GAME RECAPS

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September 4, 2004 Davis Wade Stadium • Starkville, MS

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Mississippi State ushered in the Sylvester Croom era in fine fashion with a 28point, second-half explosion to down the Tulane Green Wave 28-7 in front of 52,114 dressed in maroon. It was the second largest crowd to witness an MSU home season-opener and the fifth largest crowd in Davis Wade Stadium at Scott Field history.

Both defenses got the best of the offenses in the opening 30 minutes, as both teams were unable to dent the scoreboard in the first half. The Green Wave had a golden oppotunity to put points on the board on their final drive of the second quarter. TU drove down to the State 6-yard line, but Wave quarterback Lester Richard's pass in the end zone was intercepted by MSU's Clarence McDougal to stop the visitors' momentum. McDougal's pickoff was the first of his career.

On Tulane's opening drive of the second stanza, the Bulldogs picked off another Ricard pass. Darren Williams intercepted the aerial at the Wave 32-yard line, returning it 19 yards to the 13. State took advantage of the TU mishap, scoring three plays later on Jerious Norwood's 9-yard scamper to paydirt with 12:54 remaining in the third quarter.

The Bulldog defense stymied the Green Wave on the ensuing possession, forc-

GAME NOTES

- The crowd of 52,114 was the second-largest, season-opening crowd in Scott Field history and the fifth-largest overall.
- State broke a six-game overall losing skid with the win.
- MSU did not commit a turnover in a game for the first time in 23 contests.
- RB Jerious Norwood broke the 100-yard mark for the fourth time during his career, tallying 112 yards and a TD on 20 carries.

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First Downs			1	2	20
Rushes-Yards			29-7	0	47-199
Passing Yards			13	5	111
Passes (C-A-I)		16	-31-	2	10-20-0
Total Offense			20	5	310
Fumbles-Lost			1-	^	1-0

RUSHING: (*TU*) Jackson 19-65-0, Forte 5-13-0, Tuyo 1-3-0, Ricard 3-(-4), Williams 1-(-7). (*MSU*) Norwood 20-112 TD, Reid 15-37 TD, Conner 7-25, DJones 2-13 TD, Jude 3-12.

Penalties-Yards

Time of Possession

PASSING: (*TU*) Ricard 16-31-2-135 TD. (*MSU*) Conner 9-17-0-102 TD, York 1-3-0-9.

RECEIVING: (*TU*) Bush 3-71 TD, Jackson 3-15, Smith 3-5, C.Davis 2-16, Terranova 2-2, D.Davis 1-14, Hoover 1-7, Tuyo 1-5. (*MSU*) Butler 2-38 TD, Prosser 2-25, Sanders 2-19, Scott 1-9, D.Jones 1-8, B.Davis 1-7, Norwood 1-5.

Attendance: 52,114.

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ing them to a three-plays-and-out drive. MSU's offense then put together a sevenplay, 54-yard scroing drive to increase its lead to 14 points. The drive was sparked by quarterback Omarr Conner's 27-yard strike to tight end Eric Butler at the TU 27 yard line. Conner then connected with Butler for the touchdown to cap off the drive from 11 yards out. The touchdown was a career-first for both Conner and Butler.

The visitors from New Orleans trimmed the MSU lead in half to open up the final period of play. Ricard hit teammate Chris Bush on a 59-yard catch on a third-and-long to put Tulane's first points on the board.

State responded on its next drive, putting together an 85-yard, six-play scoring drive to push its lead back to 14 points. The highlight of the possession was a 43-yard run by Norwood to set up Fred Reid's hard-earned touchdown bolt from 5 yards out.

The final scoring drive of the game came saw the tandem of Norwood and Reid carried the weight, but fullback Darnell Jones registered the touchdown with 4:38 remaining to seal the contest. Jones' first career rushing TD was an 11varder.

Norwood finished the night with 112 yards rushing on 20 carries, his fourth 100-yard career game, earning him SEC Offensive Player of the Week honors.

With the win, State snapped a sixgame losing skid.

Auburn 43 Mississippi State 14

September 11, 2004 Davis Wade Stadium • Starkville, MS

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Auburn running backs Ronnie Brown and Carnell Williams combined for 269 yards of rushing, both eclipsing the 100-yard mark against Mississippi State for the second year in a row, to lead the 18th-ranked Tigers to a 43-14 victory over MSU.

AU would establish the tone of the afternoon on the first drive of the game. Brown and Williams combined for 70 yards on that drive alone before quarterback Jason Campbell hit Anthony Mix on a 5-yard pass for Auburn's first score.

After holding MSU on three downs, the Tigers would strike again on a 9-play, 61-

GAME NOTES

 The crowd of 51,021 was the seventh-largest in Scott Field history.
 MSU has now dropped nine straight games vs.

SEC Western Division opponents and five straight SEC openers Five different Bulldogs had three receptions in the game – Will Prosser, Jason Husband, Eric

Butler, Tee Milons and Jerious Norwood...Six other State players also had receptions in the contest, giving MSU 11 different receivers for the day.

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Auburn	14	7	14	8	=	43
Mississippi State	0	0	0 14	4	=	14
AU - Mix 5 pass from Can	npbel	I (V	augh	n k	ick),
10:08, 1st						
AU - C.Williams 1 run (Va	ughn	kic	k), 4:1	1, '	lst	
AU - Obomanu 25 pass fi	rom C	am	pbell			
(Vaughn kick), 7:4	8, 2n	d				
AU - C.Williams 3 run (Va	ughn	kic	k), 6:4	1, 3	Brd	
AU - Mix 58 pass from Ca	mpbe	ell (Vaug	nn	kic	:k),
0:26, 3rd						
AU - Obomanu 7 pass fro	m Co	x (F	Rives	us	h),	
11:24, 4th						
MSU - Husband 1 pass fro	om Yo	ork	(Andr	ew	s k	ick),
1:23, 4th						
MSU - Husband 9 pass fro	om Yo	ork	Andr	ew	s k	ick),
0:15, 4th						
			AU			ISU
First Downs			21		IV	13
Rushes-Yards		41	-283		29	-81
Passing Yards			182			190
Passes (C-A-I)		13	-22-0			
Total Offense		.5	465			271
Fumbles-Lost			2-1			2-0
Penalties-Yards			6-45			-50
Time of Possession		:	26:32			:28
					55	
RUSHING: (AU) Brow	n 15-	147	.c.w	Illia	m	s 19-

RUSHING: (*AU*) Brown 15-147, C.Williams 19-122 2TD, Smith 1-39, Stewart 1-0, Daniels 1-(-2), Campbell 2-(-10), Cox 2-(-13). (*MSU*) Norwood 9-41, Jude 11-32, Reid 4-11, Conner 3-(-1), R.Wright 2-(-2).

PASSING: (*AU*) Campbell 8-17-0-139 3TD, Cox 5-5-0-43 TD. (*MSU*) Conner 16-26-0-113, York 8-10-1-77 2TD.

RECEIVING: (*AU*) Mix 3-76 2TD, Obomanu 2-32 2TD, Guess 2-21, Brown 2-16, Aromashodu 1-13, Wallace 1-9, Daniels 1-9, Stewart 1-6. (*MSU*) Prosser 3-26, Husband 3-24 2TD, Butler 3-23, Milons 3-19, Norwood 3-(-3), Scott 2-35, B.Davis 2-16, D.Jones 2-10, Threadgill 1-22, Sanders 1-16, Reid 1-2.

Attendance: 51,021.

Tigers would strike again on a 9-play, 61yard march, with Williams diving in from a yard out for his first of two scores. John Vaughn's extra point made it 14-0 AU.

In the second period, Auburn continued to hold State down offensively while extended its lead to 21-0. Campbell found Ben Obomanu from 5 yards away with 7:48 to go in the first half, a score that would end scoring before intermission.

State's offensive woes would continue into the second half, going threeand-out on its first two drives.

AU's struck again midway through the third period. His 3-yard run capped a 9-play, 63-yard drive. The Tigers found paydirt again with 26 seconds to go in the period. Facing a third-and-10, Campbell hit Mix, who wound his way through State's defenders for a 58-yard touchdown reception. Auburn led 35-0 after three quarters.

AU's final score of the afternoon came 3:36 into the fourth period. Backup signal-caller Brandon Cox found Obomanu on a 7-yard route. A botched extra point try turned into a two-point run by Tiger Sam Rives for a 43-0 AU lead.

State mounted two late drives behind the direction of quarterback Kyle York. The junior connected twice with redshirt freshman Jason Husband on touchdown passes. The first was from just a yard out with 1:23 to play in regulation.

Another MSU redshirt freshman, Avery Hannibal forced a fumble on the first play of the ensuing Auburn drive, sacking Cox at the Tiger 15.

After two rushes by Jason Jude, York hit Husband from 9 yard away. Keith Andrews added the extra point to remain perfect on the season and complete scoring for the day.

2004 GAME RECAPS

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September 18, 2004 Davis Wade Stadium • Starkville, MS

The University of Maine Black Bears scored nine second half points and held off a late scoring chance from Mississippi State to escape Davis Wade Stadium at Scott Field with a 9-7 victory over the Bulldogs in the first-ever match-up on the gridiron between the two schools.

State got on the board in the first half for the first time since Game 11 of last season at Arkansas, scoring on its second possesion of the game, a 67-yard drive. The drive was kick-started by sophomore quarterback Omarr Conner's 31-yard pass strike to Will Prosser to set up the Bulldogs in scoring position at the Black Bear 16-yard line. The drive was capped off by Conner's 18-yard touchdown pass to tight end Eric Butler with 3:06 reaming in the opening period.

But four MSU drives into the red zone, three in the second quarter, would fail to produce points, proving to be the Bulldogs' ultimate downfall on the evening.

On State's next posssion, the Bulldogs drove deep in the Maine territory before

GAME NOTES

- The game marked the first ever meeting between MSU and Maine.
- State was 6-for-6 in the red zone entering the game...The Bulldogs were just 1-of-5 in the red zone on the night, missing a field goal and committing three turnovers (2 fumbles, 1 interception) inside the Maine 20 in their last four penetrations.
- MSU's Jerious Norwood rushed 10 times for 44 yards, moving him into 24th place on MSU's all-time rushing list.
- Jeramie Johnson's two interceptions (the first two of his career) marked the first time an MSU player had intercepted two or more passes in a game since Korey Banks picked off two aerials against Memphis in 2002.

Maine Mississippi State	-	0 0	-	-		9 7
MSU - Butler 18 pass from Conner (Andrews kick), 3:06, 1st UM - Mellow 31 FG, 5:20, 3rd UM - McMahan 17 pass from Whitcomb (kick failed), 2:55, 4th						
First Downs Rushes-Yards Passing Yards		37	UN 1 -10 12	0	37-	ISU 20 124 250

Rushes-Yards	37-102	37-124
Passing Yards	124	250
Passes (C-A-I)	10-19-2	21-35-1
Total Offense	226	374
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-2
Penalties-Yards	4-24	5-30
Time of Possession	28:39	31:21

RUSHING: (UM) Williams 17-58, Owens 8-28, Whitcomb 10-16, Legree 1-1, Team 1(-1). (MSU) Reid 18-72, Norwood 10-44, D.Jones 2-22, Lowe 1-9, Conner 6-(-23).

PASSING: (UM) Whitcomb 10-19-2-124 TD. (MSU) Conner 21-34-1-250 TD, Team 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING: (*UM*) Waller 3-49, Pereira 3-49, McMahan 2-15 TD, Gordon 2-11. (*MSU*) B.Wright 5-61, Prosser 4-117, Butler 3-32 TD, Milons 2-12, D.Jones 1-12, B.Davis 1-8, Husband 1-3, Reid 1-2, Pettit 1-2, Freeman 1-1, Norwood 1-0.

Attendance: 43,486

Mississippi State

September 25, 2004 Tiger Stadium • Baton Rouge, LA

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failing to add to their seven-point lead. Conner set MSU up to extend the lead on a 63-yard pass to Prosser, but State was forced to go the field goal route. On his first career field goal attempt, Keith Andrews missed from 32 yards out.

The Bulldog defense responded on the Black Bears next possession. Sophomore Jeramie Johnson picked off UM quarterback Ron Whitcomb's pass and returned it 35 yards to the Maine 11yard line, giving State another golden opportunity to add points on the scorboard. The Maine defense withstood MSU's scoring chance by forcing a Bulldog miscue. A Butler catch was stripped by Black Bear Agean Robinson, stalling the State drive.

The Bulldogs would get to the Maine 11 on their next drive, but a Conner pass would be intercepted by John Baumgartner at the 2, again halting the MSU threat.

All scoring in the second half would belong to Maine. Kicker Mike Mellow connected on a 31-yard field goal to trim the State lead to 7-3 late in the third period.

MSU's only scoring threat came midway through the final quarter. They drove 70 yards on 12 plays down to the UM 2yard line before tailback Fred Reid fumbled the ball into the end zone for a touchback, giving the Bears new life for the go-ahead points.

UM took advantage of the turnover, turning it into the game-winning drive, capped by Whitcomb's 17-yard pass to Kevin McMahan. State blocked the extra point but late comeback efforts faltered.

MSU UPDATED CAREER LEADERS

PUNTS

1.	Dana Moore (1979-82)2	17
2.	Dick McGraw (1965-67)2	14
3.	Mike Riley (1965-67)2	13
4.	Mike Patrick (1972-74)1	71
5.	JARED COOK (2001-PRES.)10	66
6.	Andy Russ (1993-96)1	59
7.	Bobby Collins (1951-54)1	56
8.	Jeff Walker (1996-99)14	41
9.	Gerald Vaught (1975-76)12	22
	Tommy Parks (1986-88)12	22

PUNTING YARDS

1.	Dana Moore (1979-82)88	860
2.	Mike Riley (1965-67)8	572
3.	Dick McGraw (1965-67)8	363
4.	Mike Patrick (1972-74)69	999
5.	JARED COOK (2001-PRES.)68	375
6.	Andy Russ (1993-96)60	572
7.	Jeff Walker (1996-99)6	126
8.	Bobby Collins (1951-54)58	817
	Tommy Parks (1986-88)4	824

PUNTING AVERAGE (MIN. 75 ATT.)

1.	Jeff Walker (1996-99)43.44	
2.	Todd Jordan (1989-93)42.80	
3.	Andy Russ (1993-96)41.96	
4.	Mike Patrick (1972-74)40.93	
5.	Dana Moore (1979-82)40.83	
6.	Mike Riley (1965-67)40.24	
7.	Dick McGraw (1965-67)40.00	
	Tommy Parks (1986-88)	
9.	Jared Cook (2001-pres.)	
10.	Bobby Collins (1951-54)	
_	JARED COOK (2001-PRES.)41.42	

PASS RECEPTIONS

1.	David Smith (1968-70)162	
2.	Sammy Milner (1968-70)146	
3.	Justin Jenkins (2000-03)139	
4.	Terrell Grindle (1999-02)119	
5.	Eric Moulds (1993-95)118	
6.	Mardye McDole (1977-80)116	
7.	Bill Buckley (1971-73)102	
8.	Fred Hadley (1984, '86-88)	
9.	Justin Griffith (1998-02)85	
10.	Danny Knight (1980-83)81	
_	RAY RAY BIVINES (2001-PRES.)80	

RECEIVING YARDAGE

1.	Mardye McDole (1977-80)
2.	David Smith (1968-70)2168
3.	Eric Moulds (1993-95)
4.	Justin Jenkins (2000-03)
5.	Sammy Milner (1968-70)1806
6.	Danny Knight (1980-83)1773
	Terrell Grindle (1999-02)
8.	Bill Buckley (1971-73)1632
9.	Fred Hadley (1984, '86-88)
10.	Willie Harris (1989-92)1391
_	RAY RAY BIVINES (2001-PRES.)

TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS

1.	Eric Moulds (1993-95)17 Justin Jenkins (2000-03)17
3.	Bill Buckley (1971-73)14
4.	Mardye McDole (1977-80)13
	Jerry Bouldin (1987-90)13
6.	David Smith (1968-70)12
7.	Sammy Milner (1968-70)11
8.	Danny Knight (1980-83)10
	Harper Davis (1945-48)10
10.	Fred Hadley (1984, '86-88)9
_	RAY RAY BIVINES (2001-PRES.)6
100-	YARD RECEIVING GAMES
1.	David Smith (1968-70)8

2.	Mardye McDole (1977-80)7
	Justin Jenkins (2000-03)6
	Bill Buckley (1971-73)6
5.	Danny Knight (1980-83)5
6.	Fred Hadley (1984-88)4
	Willie Harris (1989-92)4
	Eric Moulds (1993-95)4
	Terrell Grindle (1999-02)4
10.	Kevin Prentiss (1997-98)3

— RAY RAY BIVINES (2001-PRES.)......2

KICKOFF RETURNS

1.	Tony James (1989-92)78	5
2.	John Moore (1985-89)68	5
3.	Glen Young (1979-82)66	,
4.	Walter Packer (1973-76)60)
5.	Pig Prather (1998-01)59)
6.	FRED REID (2001-PRES.)54	ł
	Robert Isaac (1994-97)50)
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9.	David Smith (1968-70)49)
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KICKOFF RETURN YARDAGE

1.	Tony James (1989-92)
2.	Glen Young (1979-82)1538
3.	Pig Prather (1998-01)1390
4.	FRED REID (2001-PRES.)1217
	John Moore (1985-89)
5.	
5. 6.	John Moore (1985-89)1179

- - Michael Robinson (1986-89)850

RUSHING YARDAGE

1.	Walter Packer (1973-76)	
2.	Michael Davis (1991-94)	
3.	Michael Haddix (1979-82)	
4.	James Johnson (1997-98)	
5.	Dennis Johnson (1974-77)	
6.	John Bond (1980-83)	
7.	Dizenzo Miller (1998-01)	
8.	Kenny Roberts (1989-92)	
9.	Dontae Walker (1999-02)	
10.	Don Smith (1983-86)	1868
11.	Wayne Jones (1971-73)	1865
12.	Tom McWilliams (1944, '46-48)	1808
13.	Hank Phillips (1985-88)	1743
14.	Keffer McGee (1994-96)	1647
15.	Lewis Grubbs (1970-72)	1580
16.	Blondy Black (1940-42)	1577
17.	Hoyle Granger (1963-65)	1534
18.	Donald Ray King (1978-81)	
19.	Harvey Johnson (1938-40)	1442
20.	Kevin Bouie (1992-94)	1427
21.	James Jones (1976-79)	
22.	Harper Davis (1945-48)	
23.	Wally Beech (1949-51)	1353
24.	JERIOUS NORWOOD (2002-PRES.) .	1233
25.	Billy Stacy (1956-58)	1232

NOTES EXTRA: INDIVIDUAL HIGHLIGHTS

Rico Bennett

LB • 6-0 • 223 • Jr. • 2L

CAREER (23 GAMES/5 STARTS)

- Tackles: 39 TT (20 UT, 19 AT)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: 3.0-6

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Tackles: 5 TT (4 UT, 1 AT)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: 1.0-1

CAREER BESTS

- Tackles: 12, vs. Tulane (9/4/04)
- Solo Tackles: 8, vs. Tulane (9/4/04)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: 1, three times [last: vs. Maine (9/18/04)]

<u>Notable</u>

- Tied for the State leads in tackles thus far in 2004 with 21 stops
- Posted a career-high 12 tackles in Game 1 vs. Tulane
- Had four stops and a pass breakup vs. Auburn
- Notched five tackles, four solos and one for loss, vs. Maine in Week 3

Ray Ray Bivines WR • 5-11 • 185 • Sr. • 3L

CAREER (32 GAMES/15 STARTS)

- Receiving: 80-1,005 (12.6 ypr) 6TD
- Punt Returning: 21-196 (9.3 ypr)

LAST GAME (11/15/03 AT TENNESSEE)

- Receiving: 2-16
- Punt Returning: none

CAREER BESTS

- Receptions: 6, three times [last: vs. LSU (9/27/03)]
- Receiving Yards: 115, at Mississippi (11/28/02)
- TD receptions: 1, six times
- [last: at Kentucky (10/25/03)]
- Long Reception: 89, vs. Jacksonville St. (9/14/02)

NOTABLE

- Suffered a season-ending injury (hamstring) at Tennessee in Game 11 of 2003; resulting surgery and nerve damage have slowed his return
- Had at least one catch in 26 of his 32 career contests, including the last 19 of the last 21; has hauled in two or more receptions in 21 games
- Led MSU in receptions (40) in 2002 and was third on the team last year
- Has 45 catches for 549 yards and four TDs in his last 14 games played (3.2 rpg)
- His 89-yard TD catch vs. Jacksonville St. in Game 2 of 2002 was the longest pass play in MSU history at the time
- Named Freshman All-SEC punt returner by the Knoxville News Sentinel in 2001
- Lined up at QB vs. Mississippi (11/22/01) as a freshman and rushed for a 7-yd. score; has 14 career rushes for 57 yards (4.1 ypc)

Eric Butler TE • 6-2 • 246 • Fr. • RS

CAREER (3 GAMES/3 STARTS)

- Receiving: 8-93 (11.6 ypr) 2TD
- LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)
- Receiving: 3-32 TD

CAREER BESTS

- Receptions: 3, twice [last: vs. Maine (9/18/04)]
- Receiving Yards: 38, vs. Tulane (9/4/04)
- *TD receptions*: 1, twice [last: vs. Maine (9/18/04)] • *Long Reception*: 27, vs. Tulane (9/4/04)

Notable

- Second on the team in receptions (8) this season
- Has started all three contests this year
- Had two receptions for 38 yds. and a touchdown vs. Tulane in Game 1
- Hauled in three aerials for 23 yards vs. Auburn
- Grabbed three more catches for 32 yards and MSU's lone score in Week 3 vs. Maine

Marvin Byrdsong LB • 6-2 • 247 • Jr. • 2L

CAREER (27 GAMES/9 STARTS)

- Tackles: 110 TT (56 UT, 54 AT)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: 5.0-25

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Tackles: 9 TT (5 UT, 4 AT)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: none

CAREER BESTS

- Tackles: 12, vs. Oregon (8/30/03)
- Solo Tackles: 7, at Arkansas (11/22/03)
- Sacks: none
- *Tackles for Loss:* 1, five times [last: vs. Auburn (9/11/04)]

<u>Notable</u>

- A preseason third-team, all-SEC selection by the league's coaches
- MSU's leading returning tackler after finishing second on the team in stops (76) last year
- Career-high 12 tackles vs. Oregon in Game 1 of '03
- Seven of his eight career starts came last year
- Earned his first start of 2004 vs. Maine in Week 3 and responded with nine total tackles

Corey Clark

DL • 6-1 • 310 • Fr. • RS

- CAREER (4 GAMES/2 STARTS)
- Tackles: 19 TT (11 UT, 8 AT)
- Sacks: none
 Tackles for Loss: 2.0-3

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Tackles: 6 TT (2 UT, 4 AT)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: none

CAREER BESTS

- Tackles: 7, vs. Tulane (9/4/04)
- Solo Tackles: 6, vs. Tulane (9/4/04)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: 1, twice [last: vs. Auburn (9/11/04)]

Notable

- Third on the team in tackles after three games
- Tallied seven tackles, six solos and one for a loss, and a PBU in State's Week 1 win over Tulane, his first career starting assignment
- Registered six tackles vs. Auburn in Game 2
- Tallied six more stops in reserve vs. Maine

Omarr Conner QB • 6-0 • 209 • So. • 1L

CAREER (14 GAMES/6 STARTS)

- Passing: 46-77-1-465 2TD
- Rushing: 18-30 (1.7 ypr)
 Total Offense: 64-495 (7.7 ypp)

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

• Passing Yards: 250, vs. Maine (9/18/04)

• Completions: 21, vs. Maine (9/18/04)

• Rushing Yards: 25, vs. Tulane (9/4/04)

• Long Run: 24, vs. Alabama (11/8/03)

• Total Offense: 227, vs. Maine (9/18/04)

position vs. Tulane in Game 1

• Earned his first career start at the quarterback

• Completed his first seven passes of the game in

· Had best output of the year vs. Maine, completing

Ranked 7th in the SEC in total offense after three

Played 11 games, earning three starts, as a wide

receiver in 2003; hauled in 14 catches for 211 yards

21-of-34 passes for 250 yards and one score

• Rushing Attempts: 7, vs. Tulane (9/4/04)

Passing Attempts: 34, vs. Maine (9/18/04)

• Long Completion: 63, vs. Maine (9/18/04)

• Passing TDs: 1, twice [last: vs. Maine (9/18/04)]

• Passing: 21-34-1-250 TD

• Rushing: 6-(-23)

• Rushing TDs: none

Week 2 vs. Auburn

weeks of action

NOTABLE

CAREER BESTS

NOTES EXTRA: INDIVIDUAL HIGHLIGHTS

Jared Cook

P • 5-10 • 188 • Sr. • 3L

CAREER (33 GAMES/28 STARTS)

• Punting: 166-6,875 (41.4 ypp) • In 20: 33

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Punting: 4-183 (45.8 ypp); long-51
- In 20: 2

CAREER BESTS

- Punting Avg.: 3-145 (48.3) vs. Jacksonville St. (9/14/02) • Long Punt: 63, three times
- [last: vs. Tennessee (11/16/02)]
- In 20: 3, twice [last: at LSU (9/28/02)]

Notable

- Named to the initial watch list for the 2004 Ray Guy Award, the award annually given to the nation's top punter
- Ranked seventh in the SEC in punting average (41.5 ypp) this year
- Has averaged over 40 yards per punt in 20 of 33 career games
- Stands fifth all-time at MSU in punts and punting yardage; would rate fourth all-time at State in punt average if his career ended today

Kevin Dockery DB • 5-10 • 185 • Jr. • 2L

CAREER (25 GAMES/20 STARTS)

- Tackles: 106 TT (62 UT, 44 AT)
- Interceptions: 2-15
- Pass Breakups: 11

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Tackles: 3 TT (1 UT, 2 AT)
- Interceptions: none
- Pass Breakups: none

CAREER BESTS

- Tackles: 12, vs. Vanderbilt (10/4/03)
- Solo Tackles: 6, twice [last: at Arkansas (11/22/03)]
- Interceptions: 1, twice [last: vs. Memphis (10/11/03)]

NOTABLE

- Career-best 12 tackles vs. Vanderbilt in Game 5 of last season
- Led all MSU defensive backs in tackles (70) last season, while playing only 10 games; was also third on the team overall
- Posted his second career interception in Game 6 of '03 (vs. Memphis)
- Also had five pass breakups, a QB pressure, and a tackle for loss last season
- Did not play in Game 2 at Tulane, or in Game 10 at Tennessee, due to injuries
- Blocked a punt against Alabama in Game 9 of 2002
- Broke up five passes as a true freshman, and also had a blocked kick as a rookie

Willie Evans DL • 6-2 • 267 • Jr. • 2L

CAREER (27 GAMES/17 STARTS)

- Tackles: 110 TT (62 UT, 48 AT)
- Sacks: 5.0-33
- Tackles for Loss: 17.0-66

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Tackles: 5 TT (3 UT, 2 AT)
- Tackles for Loss: 2.0-6
- Sacks: none

CAREER BESTS

- Tackles: 8, three times [last: vs. Auburn (9/11/04)]
- Solo Tackles: 6, vs. Alabama (11/8/03)
- Sacks: 1, five times [last: vs. Tulane (9/4/04)]
 Tackles for Loss: 2, four times
- [last: vs. Maine (9/18/04)]

<u>Notable</u>

- Fourth on the team in tackles (18) this season and leads the Bulldogs in tackles for losses (4)
- Matched his career high with eight tackles vs. Auburn in Week 2
- Added five stops, two for six yards in losses vs. Maine in Game 3
- Converted fullback that has started 18 of State's last 20 games on the defensive line
- Has 99 tackles, 15.5 for losses, five sacks, two QB pressures and 2.5 caused fumbles in those 18 nods
- Second for MSU in sacks (3.0) and tackles for loss
 (8.0) last season

Ronald Fields DL • 6-2 • 306 • Sr. • 3L

CAREER (38 GAMES/28 STARTS)

- Tackles: 130 TT (51 UT, 79 AT)
- Sacks: 1.0-5
- Tackles for Loss: 12.0-20

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Tackles: 7 TT (4 UT, 3 AT)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: 3.0-4

CAREER BESTS

- Tackles: 9, at Houston (9/20/03)
- Solo Tackles: 6, vs. LSU (9/27/03)
- Sacks: 1.0, at Houston (9/20/03)
- Tackles for Loss: 3, vs. Maine (9/18/04)

<u>Notable</u>

- Posted seven tackles, including a career-best three for losses, vs. Maine in Game 3
- Had a career-best nine tackles in Game 3 of 2003 at Houston; also had a sack, two tackles for loss, a caused fumble and recovery, against the Cougars
- Career-high six solo stops vs. LSU in Game 4
- Also has 2 caused fumbles, 1 recovery, and 3 QB pressures during his career
- Named Freshman All-SEC by the *Knoxville* News-Sentinel and the league's coaches in 2001

Slovakia Griffith DB • 5-11 • 197 • Sr. • 3L

CAREER (38 GAMES/9 STARTS)

- Tackles: 99 TT (59 UT, 40 AT) • Interceptions: 1-(-1)
- Pass Breakups: 6

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Tackles: 2 TT (2 UT)
- Interceptions: none
- Pass Breakups: none

CAREER BESTS

- Tackles: 11, twice [last: at Arkansas (11/22/03)]
- Solo Tackles: 9, at Arkansas (11/22/03)
- Interceptions: 1, vs. Memphis (10/11/03)

Notable

- Has started six straight games in the def. backfield
- Had seven tackles, five solos, in Week 2 vs. Auburn
 Nearing the 100-tackle mark for his career; also has six PBU's, two tackles for losses, a sack and an interception during his 38-game career
- Career-best 11 tackles in two games last season (vs. Memphis and at Arkansas)

Jeramie Johnson DB • 6-0 • 207 • So. • 1L

CAREER (15 GAMES/8 STARTS)

- Tackles: 56 TT (35 UT, 21 AT)
- Interceptions: 2-35

• Tackles: none

CAREER BESTS

NOTABLE

Interceptions: 2-35

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

• Tackles: 9, at Arkansas (11/22/03)

Interceptions: 2, vs. Maine (9/18/04)

Solo Tackles: 5, twice {last: vs. LSU (9/27/03)]

· Has played all 15 games of his MSU career

the SEC through three weeks of action

during his true freshman season in 2003

Game 10 of last season

• Picked off the first two passes of his career in

· Played all 12 games, earning six starting nods,

· Posted a career-best nine tackles at Arkansas in

Forced a fumble at Houston in Game 3 of '03

• Has started two of MSU's three games this season

Game 3 vs. Maine: those two INTs tie him for first in

Darnell Jones RB • 5-11 • 240 • Sr. • 3L

CAREER (38 GAMES/18 STARTS)

- Rushing: 17-87 (5.1 ypc) TD
- Receiving: 22-192 (8.7 ypr) TD

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Rushing: 2-22
- Receiving: 1-12

CAREER BESTS

- Rushing Yards: 22, vs. Maine (9/18/04)
- Rushing Attempts: 2, five times
- [last: vs. Maine (9/18/04)]
- Rushing TDs: 1, vs. Tulane (9/4/04)
- Long Run: 16, at Arkansas (11/22/03) • Receptions: 3, vs. Memphis (10/11/03)
- Receiving Yards: 55, vs. Memphis (10/11/03)
- *TD receptions:* 1, vs. Kentucky (11/2/02)
- Long Reception: 33, vs. Memphis (10/11/03)

Notable

- Scored the first rushing touchdown of his career in Game 1 vs. Tulane, an 11-yard scamper
- Had a career-high 22 yards on the ground in Week 3 vs. Maine
- Hauled in three receptions for 55 yards vs. Memphis in Game 6 last year, both career highs
- Career-long, 16-yard run at Ark. in Game 11 of '03
- Has played in all 38 games of his MSU career, tying for the most games played among current Bulldogs

Clarence McDougal LB • 6-1 • 220 • Jr. • 1L

CAREER (15 GAMES/6 STARTS)

- Tackles: 85 TT (51 UT, 34 AT)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: 4.0-6

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Tackles: 10 TT (6 UT, 4 AT)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: 1.0-2

CAREER BESTS

- Tackles: 10, twice [last: vs. Maine (9/18/04)]
- Solo Tackles: 6, twice [last: vs. Maine (9/18/04)]
- Sacks: none
- *Tackles for Loss:* 1, four times [last: vs. Maine (9/18/04)]

NOTABLE

- Grabbed the first interception of his career in Game 1 vs. Tulane, halting a late first-half Green Wave drive with a pickoff in the end zone
- Tacked on six more stops in Week 2 vs. Auburn
- Matched his career-high with 10 tackles, one for a 2-yard loss, vs. Maine in Game 3
- Played all 12 games in 2003, starting three contests, while seeing the first action of his career after recuperating from knee surgery in 2001
- Notched a season-best 10 stops at Houston in '03, including one for a 2-yard loss

Jerious Norwood RB • 6-0 • 202 • Jr. • 2L

CAREER (27 GAMES/11 STARTS)

- Rushing: 226-1,233 (5.5 ypr) 3TD • Receiving: 18-55

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

• Rushing: 10-44 • Receiving: 1-0

CAREER BESTS

- Rushing Yards: 138, vs. Kentucky (11/2/02)
- Rushing Attempts: 22, twice [last: vs. Memphis (10/11/03)]
- Rushing TDs: 1, three times [last: vs. Tulane (9/4/04)]
- Long Run: 58, at Kentucky (10/25/03)
- Receptions: 2, at Memphis (10/19/02)
- Receiving Yards: 31, vs. Auburn (9/19/02)
- TD receptions: none
- Long Reception: 31, vs. Auburn (9/19/02)

NOTABLE

- Notched his fourth career 100-yard contest in Game 1 vs. Tulane with 112 yards and a touchdown on 20 carries; named SEC Offensive Player of the Week for his efforts
- Ranks 10th in the SEC in rushing after three weeks
- Ranks 24th on MSU's all-time rushing list
- Finished second for MSU in rushing in 2003 (53.5 ypg), starting the last eight games at tailback
- In Game 5 of '03 (vs. Vanderbilt; his first career start), rushed 22 times for 113 yards and a score, the first touchdown of his career
- Had 22 more runs for 85 yards vs. Memphis in '03
 Totalled 133 yards and a TD on just 11 carries at
- Kentucky, including a career-long, 58-yard jaunt • His 138 yards rushing in Game 8 vs. Kentucky in '02
- were the most by an MSU freshman since 1989

Will Prosser WR • 6-3 • 205 • So. • 1L

- CAREER (15 GAMES/2 STARTS)
- Receiving: 10-180 (18.0 ypr)

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

• Receiving: 4-117

CAREER BESTS

- Receptions: 4, vs. Maine (9/18/04)
- Receiving Yards: 117, vs. Maine (9/18/04)
- TD receptions: none
- Long Reception: 63, vs. Maine (9/18/04)

<u>Notable</u>

- Leads MSU in receptions (9) and receiving yardage (163) this season
- Made his first career start in Game 2 vs. Auburn; caught three passes for 26 yds. vs. the Tigers
- Followed that performance with a four-catch, 117yard starting nod vs. Maine in Week 3
- Had two receptions for 25 yds. vs. Tulane in Game 1

Fred Reid

RB • 5-9 • 189 • Sr. • 3L

CAREER (37 GAMES/5 STARTS)

- Rushing: 191-723 (3.8 ypr) 5TD
- Receiving: 33-267 (8.1 ypr) 2TD
- Kickoff Returns: 54-1,217 (22.5 ypr) TD

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Rushing: 18-77
- Receiving: 1-2
- Kickoff Returns: 1-15

CAREER BESTS

NOTABLE

- Rushing Yards: 111, vs. Troy State (10/12/02)
- Rushing Attempts: 18, twice [last vs. Maine (9/18/04)]
- Rushing TDs: 1, five times [last: vs. Tulane (9/4/04)]
- Long Run: 43, vs. Troy State (10/12/02)
- Receptions: 4, at Oregon (8/31/02)
- Receiving Yards: 52, vs. Oregon (8/30/03)

· Long Reception: 19, at Florida (9/29/01)

Kickoff Returns: 7, vs. Kentucky (11/2/02)

after three games of action in '04

Tennessee in Game 10

• TD receptions: 1, twice [last vs. Troy St. (10/12/02)]

• Kickoff Return Yards: 176, vs. Kentucky (11/2/02)

Long Kickoff Return: 100, vs. Memphis (10/11/03)

• Broke the career 2,000-yard mark in all-purpose

yardage in Game 1 vs. Tulane (now has 2,207)

Ranks 2nd in the SEC in kickoff returns (17.8 ypr)

• Rushed 18 times for 77 yards (4.0 ypc) in Game 3

Returned a kickoff 100 vards for a touchdown in

Game 6 vs. Memphis of last year, tying the school

record for longest KOR set in 1980 by Glen Young

· Scored the first two TDs of his career in Game 2 of

2002 vs. Jacksonville St., one rushing and one rec.

Four of his five career starts came in 2002, when he

led MSU in all-purpose yardage in '02 (75.92 ypg)

· Career-high 52 yards rec. vs. Oregon in Game 1

Rushed seven times for 39 yards and a TD at

vs. Maine, backing up an injured Jerious Norwood

NOTES EXTRA: INDIVIDUAL HIGHLIGHTS

Deljuan Robinson DL • 6-4 • 295 • So. • 1L

CAREER (14 GAMES/7 STARTS)

- Tackles: 25 TT (16 UT, 9 AT)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: 3.0-10

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Tackles: 1 TT (1 UT)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: 1.0-3

CAREER BESTS

- Tackles: 6, vs. Mississippi (11/27/03)
- Solo Tackles: 4, vs. Mississippi (11/27/03)
- Sacks: none
- Tackles for Loss: 2, vs. Mississippi (11/27/03)

NOTABLE

- Played 11 games, starting five, in 2003, his first season after open heart surgery in August 2002
- Ended last season with career-best game, tallying six tackles, two for 7 yds. in losses, vs. Mississippi

McKinley Scott WR • 6-0 • 202 • Sr. • 2L

CAREER (22 GAMES/6 STARTS)

• Receiving: 34-459 (13.5 ypr) TD

LAST GAME (9/11/04 vs. AUBURN)

• Receiving: 2-35

CAREER BESTS

- Receptions: 6, at Houston (9/20/03)
- Receiving Yards: 115, at Houston (9/20/03)
- TD receptions: 1, vs. Oregon (8/30/03)
- · Long Reception: 60, at Houston (9/20/03)

Notable

- Has three receptions for 44 yards this season
- Forced to sit out the Week 3 game vs. Maine due to a hamstring injury sustained vs. Auburn in Game 2
- Was second on the MSU squad in pass catches (29) in 2003
- Scored first TD of career vs. Oregon in Game 1 of '03
- Had career highs with six catches for 115 yards at Houston in Game 3
- Led MSU with five receptions (55 yards) vs. Alabama in Game 9

Darren Williams DB • 6-2 • 209 • Jr. • 2L

CAREER (24 GAMES/17 STARTS)

- Tackles: 135 TT (70 UT, 65 AT)
- Interceptions: 4-63

LAST GAME (9/18/04 vs. MAINE)

- Tackles: 3 TT (2 UT, 1 AT)
- Interceptions: none

CAREER BESTS

- Tackles: 11, at Mississippi (11/28/02)
- Solo Tackles: 7, at Mississippi (11/28/02)
- Interceptions: 3, vs. Troy State (10/12/02)

Notable

- Grabbed his fourth career interception in Game 1 vs.Tulane and added four tackles in the contest
- Has averaged 6.8 tackles per game in his last 15 contests played
- Was third for MSU in tackles per game (6.7) in '03
- Did not play in MSU's games with Houston, LSU or Memphis last season due to injury
- Has a caused fumble, one recovery, five PBUs, one sack and two tackles for loss during his career
- Tied for State's team lead in interceptions in 2002 with three; all three pickoffs came vs. Troy State in Game 6, the most in a single game for MSU since 1976 and only the fourth time ever with three or more in one contest
- Fifth on the team in total tackles in '02 (62)

Kyle York

QB • 6-0 • 207 • Jr. • 2L

CAREER (19 GAMES/2 STARTS)

- Passing: 92-184-15-1,052 6TD
- Rushing: 24-16 TD
- Total Offense: 116-1,068 (9.2 ypp)

LAST GAME (9/11/04 vs. AUBURN)

- Passing: 8-10-1-77 2TD
- Rushing: none

CAREER BESTS

- Passing Yards: 192, at Oregon (8/31/02)
- Passing Attempts: 37, at Oregon (8/31/02)
- Completions: 19, at Memphis (10/19/02)
- Passing TDs: 2, twice [last: vs. Auburn (9/11/04)]
- Long Completion: 39, at LSU (9/28/02)
- Rushing Yards: 9, vs. Mississippi (11/27/03)
- Rushing Attempts: 4, at Auburn (10/18/03)
- Long Run: 9, vs. Mississippi (11/27/03)
- Rushing TDs: 1, at Tennessee (11/15/03)
- Total Offense: 201, at Oregon (8/31/02)

NOTABLE

- Completed 8-of-10 passes for 77 yards and two TDs in a reserve role vs. Auburn in Week 2; the two TDs tied his career-best
- His two career starts came in 2002 at Oregon and at Memphis; helped lead MSU to a 29-17 win over the Tigers that season
- Also played well in a reserve role against Arkansas in Game 11 of '02, completing 11-of-22 passes for 174 yards and two touchdowns (all in the 4th quarter)
- With his start at Oregon in '02, he became the first MSU redshirt freshman to open a season since 1987
 Played in seven games as a sophomore last season

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TEAM STATISTICS

TEAM STATISTICS										
MSU		OPPONENTS								
53	FIRST DOWNS FIRST DOWNS RUSHING	43								
24	FIRST DOWNS RUSHING	25								
	FIRST DOWNS PASSING	17								
3	FIRST DOWNS BY PENALTY	1								
204	TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS	179								
955	TOTAL YARDAGE	896								
318.3	TOTAL YARDAGE PER GAME	298.7								
4.68	AVERAGE YARDS PER PLAY	5.01								
113	PLAYS RUSHING YARDS RUSHING	107								
404		455								
134.7	YARDS RUSHING PER GAME	151.7								
551	YARDS PASSING	441								
183.7	YARDS PASSING PER GAME	147.0								
91	PASSES ATTEMPTED	72								
55	PASSES COMPLETED	39								
2	PASSES HAD INTERCEPTED	4								
5- 2		3- 1								
14-110	PENALTIES - YARDS	14-121 41.1								
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20- 47	3RD DOWN CONVERSIONS	14- 40								
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2- 3	4TH DOWN CONVERSIONS									
.667	4TH DOWN CONVERSION PERCENTAGE	.500								
SCORE BY	QUARTERS: 1 2 3	4 TOT								

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AVERAGE	2.3	0.0	4.7	9.3	16.
OPPONENTS	14	7	17	21	5
AVERAGE	4.7	2.3	5.7	7.0	19.

POSSESSION TIME BY QUARTERS:	1	2	3	4	TOT
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AVERAGE	7:01	7:47	7:15	10:11	32:14
OPPONENTS	23:57	21:39	23:15	14:28	83:19
AVERAGE	7:59	7:13	7:45	4:49	27:46

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INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING	GP-GS CAR	GAIN	LOSS	NET	YDS /GM /	YDS CAR TD	LP	ALL PURPOSE YARDS	GP-GS	RUSH	REC	PUNT RET	KO RET	TOT YDS	YDS/0	GM
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								MCKINLEY SCOTT	2-2	0	44	0	0	44	22.0	
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								JOEY SANDERS	2-0	0	35	0	0	35	17.5	
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WILL PROSSER	3- 2	9	3.0		18.7	0	63									
ERIC BUTLER	3-3	8	2.7		11.6	2	27									
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JOEY SANDERS	2- 0	3	1.5	35	11.7	0	16									
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DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

PLAYER	GP-C		т	A	HITS	CF	RF-Y	DS	PBU	PRES	TFL-YDS	SACKS	INT	BK
	3-		13	8	21	0.0	0-	0	1	0	2.0- 4	0.0- 0	0	0
CLARENCE MCDOUGAL	3-	3	13	8	21	0.0	0-	0	0	0	2.0- 3	0.0- 0	1	0
COREY CLARK	3-	2	11	8	19	0.0	0-	0	1	0	2.0- 3	0.0- 0	0	0
WILLIE EVANS	3-	3	12	6	18	0.0	0-	0	0	0	4.0- 26	1.0- 9	0	0
MARVIN BYRDSONG	3-	1	12	5	17	0.0	0-	0	0	0	2.0- 9	0.0- 0	0	0
RONALD FIELDS	3-	•	7	8	15	0.0	0-	0	0	0	3.0- 4	0.0- 0	0	0
SLOVAKIA GRIFFITH	3-	3	9	5	14	0.0	0-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
MARIO BOBO	3-	-	9	3	12	0.0	0-	0	0	0	1.0- 2	0.0- 0	•	0
DARREN WILLIAMS	3-	_	8	4	12	0.0	0-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	1	0
KENNY KERN	3-	3	8	3	11	0.0	0-	0	1	0	1.0- 2	0.0- 0	0	0
ANDREW POWELL	3-	1	6	3	9	0.0	0-	0	0	1	1.0- 3	1.0- 3	•	0
BRAD HORTON	_	0	4	4	8	0.0	0-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	•	0
QUINTON CULBERSON	3-	-	4	3	7	0.0	0-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	•	0
MICHAEL HEARD	3-		4	3	7	0.0	0-	0	0	1	1.0- 4	0.0- 0	•	1
DELJUAN ROBINSON	3-	-	4	3	7	0.0	0-	0	0	1	1.0- 3	0.0- 0	•	0
KEVIN DOCKERY	3-	-	3	4	7	0.0	0-	0	1	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	•	0
AVERY HANNIBAL	3-	0	3	3	6	1.0	0-	0	0	1	2.0- 13	2.0- 13	•	0
DAVID HEARD	•	2	4	1	5	0.0	0-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	-	0
JERAMIE JOHNSON	3-	_	3	1	4	0.0	0-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	-	0
JAMAAL JOHNSON	•	0	2	1	3	0.0	0-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	•	0
BLAKE PETTIT	•	2	1	2	3	0.0	0-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	-	0
WILL PROSSER	3-	2	1	0	1	0.0	0-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	•	0
ROB WALKER	3-	0	1	0	1	0.0	0-	0	0	0	1.0- 1	0.0- 0	•	0
ERIC BUTLER	-	3	1	0	1	0.0	0-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	•	0
CHRIS SWAIN	-	0	0	1	1	0.0	0-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	•	0
JEREMY JACK	1-	-	0	0	0	0.0	1-	0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	v	0
MSU	3-	3	143	87	230	1.0	1-	0	4	4	23.0- 77	4.0- 25	4	1
OPPONENTS	3-	3	163	67	230	4.0	2-	0	10	6	19.0- 80	4.0- 30	2	0