

VANDERBILT GAME NOTES



2-3, 0-2 (SEC East) 2-4, 0-4 (SEC East)

VANDY-SO. CAROLINA INFO

DATE: Saturday, October 17, 2015

KICKOFF: 3:00 p.m. CT

STADIUM: Williams-Brice Stadium

TELEVISION: SEC NETWORK

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DEFENSE LIMITING ATTACKS

The Commodore defense has held all five opponents under their season averages in points and total yards. The unit also has faced four of the nation's leading offensive attacks in Western Kentucky, Georgia, Ole Miss and Middle Tennessee. **More on page 2**

SC FLOOD RELIEF DRIVE

Vanderbilt Athletics, with the support of the university and Nashville communities, delivered two 18-wheelers loaded with bottled waters and other supplies last Friday for flood victims around Columbia, S.C. **More on page 10**

VANDY HOMECOMING OCT. 24

After facing South Carolina in Columbia, the Commodores return to Nashville to face Missouri on Oct. 24. Kickoff for the game is 3 p.m. CT.

The game is part of Reunion Weekend (homecoming) on campus. Tickets remain available.

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2015 SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Date	Opponent	Site	Result/TV	Notes
9/3	Western KY	Nashville	L, 12-14	'Dores hurt by turnovers, missed opportunities
9/12	GEORGIA	Nashville	L, 14-31	Late rally not enough as 'Dores fall to #10 Bulldogs
9/19	Austin Peay	Nashville	W, 47-7	21-point 3rd quarter highlights first 'Dore victory
9/26	OLE MISS	Oxford	L, 16-27	'Dores show improvement despite loss to #3 Rebels
10/3	Middle Tenn.	Murfreesboro	W, 17-13	'Dores rally from 10 points behind to post road win
10/17	SO. CAROLINA	Columbia	3 pm, SECN	Floods impact 2-4 SC; drop 45-24 decision at LSU
10/24	MISSOURI	Nashville	3 pm, SECN	4-2 Tigers fall at home to unbeaten Florida 21-3
10/31	Houston	Houston	TBA	Cougars now 5-0 after 49-28 home win over SMU
11/7	FLORIDA	Gainesville	TBA	Gators go to 6-0 with 21-3 road win over Mizzou
11/14	KENTUCKY	Nashville	TBA	4-1 Wildcats were idle, host Auburn Thursday
11/21	TEXAS A&M	Nashville	TBA	5-0 Aggies were idle, host Alabama Saturday
11/28	TENNESSEE	Knoxville	TBA	3-3 Vols overcome 21 pt. deficit; top Georgia 38-31

All kick times are CT

'DORES LOOKING FOR INITIAL SEC WIN; FACE SOUTH CAROLINA ON THE ROAD

Storylines for Southeastern Conference encounter

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VANDERBILT, SOUTH CAROLINA QUICK FACTS



	VANDERBILT	SOUTH CAROLINA
Location	Nashville, Tenn.	Columbia, S.C.
Founded	1873	1801
Enrollment	6,850 (undergraduate)	32,950
Conference	Southeastern (East)	Southeastern (East)
Nickname	Commodores	Gamecocks
Colors	Black & Gold	Garnet & Black
Home Field	Vanderbilt Stadium	Williams-Brice Stadium
Capacity	40,350	80,250
Field Surface	artificial	natural grass
Head Coach	Derek Mason (2nd)	Steve Spurrier (11th)
Record at School	5-12 (.294)	86-49 (.646)
Career Record	5-12 (.294)	228-89-2 (.677) 26 years
Coach's Twitter	@CoachDerekMason	@SC_HBC
Official Twitter	@VandyFootball	@GamecockFB
Website	vucommoedres.com	gamecocksonline.com

COMMODORE NOTES

VANDERBILT 2014-15 COMPARISON

OFFENSE	2015	2014	Change +/-
SCORING	21.2	17.0	+4.2
TOTAL OFFENSE	412.4	254.6	+157.8
FIRST DOWNS	21.4	13.0	+8.4
RUSHING YARDAGE	157.0	106.2	+50.8
PASSING YARDAGE	255.4	148.4	+107.0
PASSING EFFICIENCY	112.6	87.3	+25.3
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	32:54	26:27	+6:27
3RD-DOWN EFFICIENCY	43%	30%	+13%

DEFENSE	2015	2014	Change +/-
SCORING DEFENSE	18.2	34.8	-16.6
TOTAL DEFENSE	320.8	415.4	-94.6
FIRST DOWNS ALLOWED	17.4	23.6	-6.2
RUSHING YARDAGE	107.4	161.4	-54.0
PASSING YARDAGE	213.4	254.0	-40.6
TOUCHDOWNS ALLOWED	11	21	-10
DEF. PASSING EFFICIENCY	113.8	143.6	-29.8
3RD-DOWN DEF. EFFICIENCY	-28%	43%	-15%

TEAM	2015	2014	Change +/-
PENALTY YARDS	38.6	56.2	-27.6
RED-ZONE OFFENSE	60%	73%	-13%
RED-ZONE DEFENSE	71%	87%	+16%
TURNOVER MARGIN	-1.2 (6)	-1.2 (6)	-0.0

Note: Stat comparisons reflect five games into 2014-15 seasons.

VANDERBILT SHOWS IMPROVEMENT IN NEARLY EVERY AREA FROM YEAR AGO

A review of early-season statistics continue to reveal the 2015 Commodores to be much improved and more competitive than the 2014 squad.

The 2015 Commodores, 2-3 overall, are improved in virtually every key statistical category from last year, which Vanderbilt started 1-4.

On offense, the Commodores are averaging 21.2 points per game - a 4.2-point increase from 2014. The unit, guided by first-year coordinator **Andy Ludwig**, has averaged 412.4 yards of total offense - 157.8 yards more than a year ago. First downs are up more than 62 percent, from 13.0 in 2014 to 21.4 this year. The 2015 Commodores have experienced substantial increases in both rushing yards (50.8 yards more this year) and passing yards (107.0 yards more than in 2014). The added production has resulted in a 13% increase in third down conversions and a 6:27 improvement in time of possession.

The 2015 defense, directed by Head Coach **Derek Mason**, has experienced similar improvement. The unit has allowed 18.2 points per game, 16.6 points less than in 2014. It has allowed 320.8 yards of total offense, 94.6 yards less than a year ago; and kept opponents to just 17.4 first downs, 6.2 less than in 2014. The defense also has experienced big reductions in rushing yards allowed (from 161.4 to 107.4) and passing yards (from 254.0 to 213.4). The impacts of better Commodore defenses have resulted in 10 fewer opponent touchdowns, a 15% drop in third-down conversions by opponents, and a drop in red-zone efficiency from 87% in 2014 to 71% this year.

'DORE DEFENSE: KEEPING POTENT OFFENSES BELOW SEASON AVERAGES

The Vanderbilt defense has successfully held all five opposing offenses below their season average in points and total offense.

The unit's accomplishment also has come against four of the nation's top offensive attacks - Ole Miss (46.8 ppg), Western Kentucky (42.2 ppg), Georgia (37.2 ppg) and Middle Tennessee (36.5 ppg) rank among the NCAA's Top 30 offenses.

The 'Dore defense opened the season with an impressive performance against Western Kentucky, holding the Hilltoppers to 28 points and 263 yards under their season averages. The unit also held Ole Miss nearly 20 points under their scoring average. Most recently, the 'Dores held Middle Tennessee to 13 points, 23.8 points below their season average.

SUCCESS FACING POWERFUL OFFENSES

Team	2015 Points			2015 Total Off.		
	Season Avg.	vs. VU	+/-	Season Avg.	vs. VU	+/-
Western Ky.	42.2 pts.	14	-28.2	510.8 yds.	247	-263.8
Georgia	37.2 pts.	31	-6.2	451.3 yds.	422	-29.3
Austin Peay	11.2 pts.	7	-7.2	251.8 yds.	144	-107.8
Ole Miss	46.8 pts.	27	-19.8	527.8 yds.	472	-55.8
Middle Tenn.	36.8 pts.	13	-23.8	441.0 yds.	320	-111.0

SCHEU NAMED AS CAMPBELL TROPHY, SENIOR CLASS AWARD CANDIDATE

Steven Scheu (R-Sr., TE) was named a semifinalist for the William V. Campbell Trophy, as announced by The National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame on Sept. 24.

Scheu, a product of Reitz Memorial H.S. in Evansville, Ind., has 10 catches for 115 yards this season. He ranks as the Commodores' active career leader with 66 receptions, 808 receiving yards and six TD catches.

Known as the "Academic Heisman," the Campbell Trophy recognizes an individual as the absolute best football scholar-athlete in the nation. Scheu is one of 56 FBS players selected as a semifinalist for the honor that requires a candidate to be a senior or graduate student in their final year of eligibility, have a GPA of at least 3.2, be a significant contributor on the field and have demonstrated strong leadership and citizenship.

The NFF will announce 15 finalists on Oct. 26, and each of them will receive an \$18,000 postgraduate scholarship as a member of the NFF National Scholar-Athlete Class. Finalists will travel to New York City for the 58th NFF Annual Awards Dinner in December, where the winner will receive a postgraduate scholarship increased to \$25,000.

One week earlier, Scheu was selected as one of 30 Football Bowl Subdivision student-athletes to be tabbed as a candidate for the 2015 Senior CLASS Award. The recognition honors student-athletes who have notable achievements in four areas of excellence: community, classroom, character and competition.

Scheu is also a candidate for the Mackey Award, given to the nation's top tight end.

Scheu, a 2014 Second Team All-SEC selection, led all SEC tight ends in catches and ranked second in yards last season. His 525 receiving yards were the most by a Vanderbilt tight end since 1983.

Scheu will graduate in December with a degree in medicine, health and society. He is a three-time selection to the SEC Academic Honor Roll and two-time member of the team's leadership council.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA SERIES

VANDERBILT-SOUTH CAROLINA SERIES

- ★ Meeting between schools: 25th
- ★ Series record: Vanderbilt trails, 4-20
- ★ Last Meeting: Vanderbilt 34, South Carolina 48 (2014)
- ★ First Meeting: Vanderbilt 7, South Carolina 23 (1961)
- ★ Last Game in Nashville: Vanderbilt 25, South Carolina 35 (2013)
- ★ Last VU win in series: Vanderbilt 24, South Carolina 17 (2008)
- ★ Vanderbilt record in Nashville: 2-10
- ★ Vanderbilt road record in Columbia: 2-10
- ★ Longest Vanderbilt winning streak: 2
- ★ Longest Vanderbilt losing streak: 7

MORE ON THE SO. CAROLINA SERIES

This marks the 25th meeting between Vanderbilt and South Carolina, with the Gamecocks holding a 20-4 edge in the series.

The teams met only once before South Carolina joined the SEC, with the Gamecocks earning a 23-7 road win over the Commodores in 1961.

The teams have met every season as Eastern Division foes since 1992, when South Carolina (along with Arkansas) joined the conference.

The Gamecocks have taken the last five contests in the series, with Vanderbilt's last win coming in 2008 in Nashville. The Commodores also scored victories in 2007 and 1998-99.

Historically, the Commodores have struggled against Steve Spurrier's teams at South Carolina, Florida and Duke. Vanderbilt is 2-20 all-time vs. Spurrier-coach squads.

VANDERBILT-SC SERIES RESULTS

Year	Location	Result	Year	Location	Result	Year	Location	Result
2014	Nashville	L, 34-48	2006	Nashville	L, 13-31	1998	Nashville	W, 17-14
2013	Columbia	L, 25-35	2005	Columbia	L, 28-35	1997	Columbia	L, 3-35
2012	Nashville	L, 13-17	2004	Nashville	L, 6-31	1996	Nashville	L, 0-27
2011	Columbia	L, 3-21	2003	Columbia	L, 24-35	1995	Columbia	L, 14-52
2010	Nashville	L, 7-21	2002	Nashville	L, 14-20	1994	Nashville	L, 16-19
2009	Columbia	L, 10-14	2001	Columbia	L, 46-14	1993	Columbia	L, 0-22
2008	Nashville	W, 24-17	2000	Nashville	L, 14-30	1992	Nashville	L, 17-21
2007	Columbia	W, 17-6	1999	Columbia	W, 11-10	1961	Nashville	L, 7-23

PREP TEAMMATES FACING EACH OTHER

The Vanderbilt roster features ten players who will face former prep teammates when the Commodores and South Carolina play this Saturday.

Torey Agee (R-Jr., DL) attended Opelika (Ala.) H.S., the same school that produced South Carolina's **Boosie Whitlow** (Fr., DE).

Wade Freebeck (So., QB) and So Carolina CB **Al Harris Jr.** were teammates at powerful St. Thomas Aquinas H.S. in Fort Lauderdale, Fla

Darreon Herring (Sr., ILB), **Jonathan Wynn** (R-So., DE) and **Dallas Rivers** (So., RB) played at Stephenson H.S. in Stone Mountain, Ga., the same school that produced South Carolina's **Ali Groves** (R-So., CB) and **D.J. Neal** (Fr., WR).

Bryce Lewis (R-Fr., CB) was a teammate of South Carolina's **Trey Derouen** (Fr., OG) at Parkview (Ga.) H.S.

Kevin McCoy (R-Jr., OL) and **Jordan Griffin** (Fr., ILB) were teammates of South Carolina's **Cody Waldrop** (R-Jr., center) at Armwood (Fla.) H.S.

Caleb Scott (So., WR) and SC's **Dante Sawyer** (Jr., DE) were teammates at North Gwinnett (Ga.) H.S.

Justin Skule (Fr., OL) and SC's **A.J. Turner** (Fr., RB) were classmates at Centreville (Va.) H.S.

Ralph Webb (R-So., RB) was a teammate of SC's **Nick McGriff** (So., LS) at Gainesville (Fla.) H.S.

LAST TIME VS SOUTH CAROLINA

EARLY LEAD, SIMS' BIG DAY NOT ENOUGH IN LOSS TO SOUTH CAROLINA

NASHVILLE – Derek Mason is playing more combined freshman than any other coach in the country, and his Vanderbilt Commodores finally showed signs they're starting to grow up.

Darius Sims returned two kickoffs for touchdowns, tying an NCAA record in the Football Bowl Subdivision, and Freebeck replaced Patton Robinette at quarterback as Vanderbilt blew a 14-0 lead in losing 48-34 to No. 14 South Carolina on Saturday night.

Robinette left after the first quarter and did not return after he was 4 of 5 for 55 yards passing with a touchdown. Freebeck was 11 of 20 for 168 yards and a touchdown, but he also was intercepted just before halftime with Brison Williams returning the pick 53 yards for a TD.

SCORING SUMMARY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	FINAL	RECORD
SOUTH CAROLINA	0	17	10	21	48	3-1, 2-1
VANDERBILT	14	0	10	10	34	1-3, 0-2

FIRST: VANDY: Sims 91 yd. KO return (Openshaw kick). VANDY: Duncan 8-yd. pass from P. Robinette (Openshaw kick), 8-60 4:47.

SECOND: SC: Fry 45-yd. FG, 9-50 2:58. SC: Byrd 29-yd. pass from Thompson (Fry kick), 7-79 3:08. SC: Williams 53-yd. INT return (Fry kick).

THIRD: SC: Roland 29 yd. pass from Thompson (Fry kick), 11-75 5:01. VANDY: Sims 100-yd. KO return (Openshaw kick). SC: Fry 43-yd. FG, 9-41 2:57. VANDY: Openshaw 25 yd. FG, 10-88 6:19.

FOURTH: SC: Jones 7-yd. pass from Thompson (Fry kick), 10-61 4:43. VANDY: Openshaw 30-yd. FG, 5-17 1:31. SC: Thompson 1-yd. run (Fry kick), 3-75 1:29. SC: Williams 2-yd. run (Fry kick), 5-26 2:56. VANDY: Kentera 7-yd. pass from Freebeck (Openshaw kick), 4-70 0:38.

STATISTICS	S. CAROLINA	VANDERBILT
FIRST DOWNS	24	18
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	34-212	30-156
PASSING YDS (NET)	237	223
PASSES ATT-COMP-INT	34-22-0	25-15-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	68-449	55-379
PUNT RETURNS-YARDS	1-1	1-0
KICKOFF RETURNS-YARDS	3-57	7-266
INTERCEPTION RETURNS-YARDS	1-53	0-0
PUNTS (NUMBER-AVG)	3-40.7	3-48.0
FUMBLES-LOST	3-1	2-1
PENALTIES-YARDS	5-35	7-75
POSSESSION TIME	31:02	28:58
THIRD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	7 OF 12	4 OF 10
RED-ZONE SCORES-CHANCES	3-3	4-4
SACKS BY: NUMBER-YARDS	1-7	1-9

RUSHING: SO. CAROLINA – Davis 17-82; Cooper 2-74; Williams 4-25; Wilds 3-23; Carson 3-16; Team 1-(-1); Thompson 4-(-7). VANDERBILT – Ralph Webb 19-97; Jerron Seymour 6-32; Trent Sherfield 1-25; Patton Robinette 2-3; Wade Freebeck 1-3; team 1-(-4).

PASSING: SO. CAROLINA – Thompson 22-34-0-237. VANDERBILT – Freebeck 11-20-1-168; Robinette 4-5-0-55.

RECEIVING: SO. CAROLINA – Cooper 10-114; Davis 4-30; Jones 3-15; Roland 2-33; Byrd 1-29; Anderson 1-9; Brandon Wilds 1-7. VANDERBILT – Steven Scheu 3-83; Latevius Rayford 3-16; Kris Kentera 2-46; Davis Dudchock 2-30; Chandler Dorrell 2-24; Trey Wilkins 1-12; C.J. Duncan 1-8; Webb 1-4.

COMMODORE NOTES

EARL BENNETT NAMED TEAM'S 2015 SEC LEGEND

Earl Bennett, one of the most productive wide receivers in Southeastern Conference history during a three-year Vanderbilt career from 2005-07, will be celebrated as Vanderbilt's Legend as part of Southeastern Conference Championship activities this December in Atlanta.

A native of Birmingham, Ala., Bennett was a three-year All-SEC receiver. He set numerous conference receiving marks, including five touchdown catches in a game and 236 career receptions which was later bettered by Vanderbilt's Jordan Matthews.

Bennett established himself as a true freshman in 2005, combining with senior QB and SEC Offensive Player of the Year **Jay Cutler** for 79 receptions, 876 yards and nine TDs. He registered 82 catches as a sophomore and 75 as a senior, becoming the only player in SEC history to post three consecutive seasons of at least 75 receptions.

Bennett played five years with the Chicago Bears and recently returned to Vanderbilt to complete his undergraduate degree.

VANDERBILT SEC LEGENDS

2015 Earl Bennett , WR, 2005-07	2004 Boo Mitchell , WR, 1985-88
2014 Jonathan Goff , LB, 2004-07	2003 Whit Taylor , QB, 1972-82
2013 Jimmy Williams , RB/DB, 1997-2000	2002 Jim Arnold , punter, 1979-82
2012 Hunter Hillenmeyer , LB, 1999-2002	2001 Will Wolford , OT, 1982-85
2011 Corey Harris , DB/RB, 1988-91	2000 Herb Rich , RB, 1946-49
2010 Corey Chavous , DB, 1994-97	1999 Bob Werckle , OT, 1947-51
2009 Jamie Duncan , LB, 1995-97	1998 Charley Horton , RB, 1952-55
2008 Shelton Quarles , LB, 1990-93	1997 Bucky Curtis , WR, 1947-50
2007 Chuck Scott , WR/TE, 1981-84	1996 John Hall , OL, 1951-54
2006 Eric Jones , QB, 1986-88	1995 Bob Asher , OT, 1967-69
2005 Chris Gaines , LB, 1984-87	1994 Bill Wade , QB, 1949-51

VANDERBILT RECORDS: 200+ RECEIVING YARDS

Yards	Receiver	Opponent	Date
240	Trent Sherfield	vs. Austin Peay	9/19/2015
223	Earl Bennett	Richmond	9/1/2007
222	Clarence Seavillian	vs. Tennessee	11/28/1992
220	Earl Bennett	at Kentucky	11/11/2006
219	M.J. Garrett	vs. Middle Tenn.	8/30/2001
204	Earl Bennett	at So. Carolina	10/22/2005
204	Dan Stricker	at Duke	10/27/2001
201	Bob Goodridge	at Navy	11/18/1967

SHERFIELD ADDED TO BILETNIKOFF AWARD LIST

Trent Sherfield (So., WR) ranked among the SEC receiving leaders, was added as a candidate for the Biletnikoff Award Sept. 29.

Sherfield, a product of Danville (Ill.) H.S., joins 70 other receivers in contention for the prestigious Biletnikoff Award, which is annually presented to the nation's outstanding receiver. The award is open to all receivers, including tight ends, wide receivers, slot receivers and even running backs.

Sherfield's 6.8 receptions per game leads the SEC. He also ranks to Texas A&M freshman Christian Kirk in receiving yards, averaging 93.0 yards per game.

Sherfield is the first Vanderbilt receiver to earn Biletnikoff Award attention since All-America Jordan Matthews was named as a semi-finalist for the award in 2013.

Sherfield produced one of the most impressive performances ever by a Vanderbilt receiver in the Commodores' win over Austin Peay Sept. 19, setting a new team single-game standard with 240 receiving yards. The yardage total came on 16 receptions, which ties the third highest total in team history.

Sherfield had six catches for 63 yards at Middle Tennessee Oct. 3.

Sherfield, who posted just one catch in seven games in 2014, looks to give Vanderbilt its most potent receiver since **Jordan Matthews** graduated after the 2013 season. In 2014, **C.J. Duncan** topped the team's wideouts with 441 receiving yards.

2015 VANDERBILT STATISTICAL LEADERS

Rushing	G	Att.	Net.	Avg.	TD	Long	Avg./G
Ralph Webb	5	108	437	4.0	3	43	87.4
Johnny McCrary	5	34	160	4.7	2	29	32.0
Dallas Rivers	5	38	82	2.2	1	8	16.4

Passing	G	Effic.	Comp.-Att.-INT	Pct.	Yards	TD	Avg./G
Johnny McCrary	5	115.1	111-190-7	58.4	5	1,251	250.2

Receiving	G	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long	Avg./G
Trent Sherfield (WR)	5	34	465	13.7	2	44	93.0
Ralph Webb (RB)	5	17	138	8.1	2	18	27.6
Caleb Scott (WR)	5	14	154	11.0	0	23	30.8
Steven Scheu (TE)	4	10	115	11.5	0	24	28.8

Defense	G	UA-A-TT	TFL/Yds.	Sacks	INT	PBU	FF/FR	QH
Zach Cunningham (ILB)	5	20-15-35	4.0-6	1.0-2	0-0	3	1/0	0
Oren Burks (S)	5	14-14-28	1.5-4	0.0-0	1-1	5	1/1	0
Darreon Herring (ILB)	5	10-14-24	0.5-1	0.0-0	0-0	1	0/0	3
Trey Herndon (CB)	5	14-7-21	1.0-6	1.0-6	0-0	1	0/0	0
Stephen Weatherly (OLB)	5	13-7-20	4.0-20	1.0-12	0-0	1	1/0	1
Torren McGaster (CB)	5	18-2-20	2.0-2	0.0-0	0-0	6	0/1	0
Arnold Tarpley (S)	5	11-7-18	1.0-11	1.0-11	0-0	1	0/0	0
Nehemiah Mitchell (OLB)	5	5-11-16	0.5-1	0.0-0	0-0	1	0/0	0

COMMODORES LIMITING PENALTIES, PENALTY YARDS

For the most part, Vanderbilt has kept their own penalties in check early in the 2015 season.

Through five games, the Commodores rank first in the SEC in fewest penalty yards (38.6 ypg). The team is averaging 6.0 infractions.

The 'Dores struggled in both areas last year, averaging 6.4 infractions and 56.2 penalty yards through five games.

LIMITING PENALTIES

Category	2015 AVG.	2014 AVG.	+/-
Penalties	6.0	6.4	-0.4
Penalty Yards	38.6	56.2	-17.6

Note: Both 2014, 2015 stats are through first five games of season.

VANDERBILT RECORDS: CATCHES (SINGLE GAME)

Rec.	Receiver	Opponent	Date
20	Norman Jordan	vs. Air Force	12/31/1982
17	Keith Edwards	vs. Georgia	10/15/1983
16	Trent Sherfield	vs. Austin Peay	9/19/2015
16	Earl Bennett	at So. Carolina	10/22/2005
15	Keith Edwards	vs. Kentucky	11/5/1983
15	Bob Goodridge	at Navy	11/18/1967
14	Earl Bennett	at Tennessee	11/19/2005

Note: Jordan's 20 receptions vs. Air Force came in the 1982 Hall of Fame Bowl

COMMODORE DEFENSE EXPERIENCING SUCCESS VERSUS QUALITY ATTACKS

The Vanderbilt defense ranks among SEC and NCAA leaders in several areas despite facing four of the nation's most potent

The unit ranks in the top half of SEC in numerous statistical categories.

Vanderbilt ranks second in first downs allowed (17.4), fifth scoring defense (18.4 pts), fifth in total defense (320.8 ypg), and fifth in rush defense (107.5 ypg, 7th).

The defensive strength is evident in Vanderbilt's No. 2 ranking in the SEC in third-down efficiency (28 percent).

The unit has been tough inside its 20-yard line, limiting opponents to a SEC-low 71% red-zone scoring rate.

The defense has faced four strong offenses in Western Kentucky, Georgia, Ole Miss, and Middle Tennessee. Western Kentucky, led by record-breaking QB Brandon Doughty, ranked among the 2014 NCAA leaders in points, total offense and pass offense. Georgia's offense sparked by standout running back Nick Chubb ranked among national leaders in scoring, rushing and total offense. Despite scoring a season-low 27 points against Vanderbilt, Ole Miss ranks among nation's elite with a 46.8-point average. Behind quarterback Brent Stockstill, Middle Tennessee averages average 36.5 points and 441.0 yards of total offense.

'DORE OFFENSE MUCH IMPROVED; LOOKING FOR MORE TOUCHDOWNS

The Vanderbilt offense under first-year coordinator **Andy Ludwig** has shown vast improvement from a year ago.

After trailing the SEC in numerous categories in 2014, the 'Dores have shown far more production under Ludwig.

The unit's current total offense (412.4 ypg) ranks nine in the SEC and is just off the team's modern-day yearly best of 412.8 yards established 41 years ago. The Commodores also rank second in the league in time of possession (32:54) and third-down efficiency (44%), and fifth in pass offense (255.4 ypg).

DEFENSE AT A GLANCE

CATEGORY	AVG.	NCAA	SEC
Scoring Defense	18.4	26	5
Total Defense	320.8	25	5
First Downs	17.4	14	2
Rush Defense	107.4	21	5
Pass Defense	2213.4	59	11
Def. Pass Efficiency	113.8	40	5
3rd Down Efficiency	28%	16	2
Red-Zone Defense	71%	9	1

OFFENSE AT A GLANCE

CATEGORY	AVG.	NCAA	SEC
Scoring Offense	21.2	109	12
Total Offense	412.4	58	9
First Downs	21.4	87	12
Pass Offense	255.4	37	5
3rd Down Efficiency	44%	36	2
Time of Possession	32:54	16	4

COMMODORE GAME CAPTAINS

GAME	OFFENSE	DEFENSE	SPECIAL TEAMS
Western Ky.	Spencer Pulley	Darreon Herring	Tommy Openshaw
Georgia	Spencer Pulley	Andrew Williamson	Ryan White
Austin Peay	DeAndre Woods	Darreon Herring	Tommy Openshaw
Ole Miss	Trent Sherfield	Darreon Herring	Tommy Openshaw
MTSU	Johnny McCrary	Oren Burks	Ryan White

NOTES FROM MTSU GAME

FIRST ROAD WIN IN MORE THAN A YEAR ... The 17-13 victory at Middle Tennessee was Vanderbilt's first road win since a 14-10 decision over Tennessee in Knoxville on Nov. 23, 2013.

The win was Derek Mason's first road victory at Vanderbilt. It also ended a five-game road losing streak.

BIGGEST COMEBACK IN TWO YEARS... The Commodores erased a 10-point deficit (13-3) with 14 points in the fourth quarter. It was Vanderbilt's biggest fourth-quarter comeback win since outscoring Georgia 17-0 in the final stanza in a 31-27 victory on Oct. 19, 2013.

PUSHES SERIES RECORD VS. MTSU TO 13-3 ... The Commodores' comeback win pushed Vanderbilt's series advantage over Middle Tennessee to 13-3.

More importantly, the Commodores also halted a three-game losing streak to the Blue Raiders.

CUNNINGHAM STANDS OUT ON DEFENSE ... Zach Cunningham (R-So., ILB) enjoyed a career game against the Blue Raiders, contributing game highs with 12 solo tackles, 15 total tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss, and a forced fumble.

Cunningham also produced one of the game's signature individual plays, forcing a fumble by MTSU QB Brent Stockstill on a 4th down carry from the Vanderbilt 1-yard line. The fumble was recovered by the Commodores.

Cunningham's tackle total is the most by a Commodore defender since Chris Marve registered 18 total stops against Georgia Tech on Oct. 31, 2009.

It marked Cunningham's second straight game of double-digit tackles, and the fourth of his young career.

WEBB'S ALL-AROUND EFFORT ... Ralph Webb (R-So., RB) set a career-best with 176 all-purpose yards, including 155 rushing yards.

It marked Webb's second highest rushing total, trailing only a 166-yard effort against Old Dominion on Nov. 1, 2014.

RESULTS VS C-USA TEAM ... With the win, the Commodores moved to 26-5 all-time against teams from Conference USA.

FINDING DIFFERENT RECEIVERS ... Johnny McCrary (R-So., QB) completed passes to eight different receivers. He has connected with at least seven receivers in all five games this year.

McCrary's favorite targets were WR Trent Sherfield (6 recs., 63 yards), WR Caleb Scott (3 recs., 42 yards) and WR Kris Kentera (3 recs., 32 yards).

MCGASTER SUPERB IN SECONDARY ... Torren McGaster (R-Jr., CB) broke up a career-best three passes and now has five break ups in his last two games.

McGaster and Oren Burks (R-So., safety) share the team lead with six passes defended. They are tied for second in the SEC with several others.

SURPASSING 200 RUSHING YARDS ... The 'Dores rushed for a season-high 237 yards, the most since 243-yard total vs. Old Dominion in 2014.

LIMITING OPPONENTS ON THE GROUND ... Vanderbilt allowed only 34 yards rushing by the Blue Raiders, matching the fewest yards on the ground allowed by a Mason-led team.

The Commodore defense has held three opponents this year – MTSU, Western Kentucky and Austin Peay – under 40 rushing yards.

SECOND HALF DOMINATION ... The Commodores were in control of the game statistically after intermission. Vanderbilt rushed for 178 yards in the second half while limiting MTSU to 147 total yards in the second half.

OPENSHAW CONVERTS FROM 40 YARDS ... Tommy Openshaw (R-So, PK) made a 40-yard FG in the first quarter, giving him at least one conversion in all five games. He has made 10 field goals this year, second most among SEC kickers.

COMMODORE NOTES

MCCRARY PASSING PERFORMANCE AMONG TEAM'S TOP TEN TOTALS

Through five games, **Johnny McCrary** (R-So., QB) is on pace to eclipse the Vanderbilt record for passing yards by a sophomore.

McCrary has passed for 1,251 yards this year, third among SEC quarterbacks. He also passed for 177 yards and had 210 yards of total offense in Vanderbilt's win at MTSU on Oct. 3.

McCrary's passing total ranks fifth all-time among 'Dore sophomores. He needs 200 yards to move into fourth place, and nearly 1,100 yards to break the existing sophomore record of 2,347 passing yards set by **Jay Cutler** in 2003.

Earlier this year, McCrary set a new Vanderbilt completion percentage mark in a stellar performance vs. Austin Peay on Sept. 19. His 84.9% completion rate vs. the

Govs erased the accuracy record of 81.% set by **Hank Lesesne** against Georgia in 1961.

McCrary was 28-of-33 for 368 yards and two touchdowns vs. Austin Peay. The effort included two single-game career highs in passing yards, and completions.

McCrary's 368 passing yards ranks No. 7 all-time in the team record books, and is the most by a Commodore QB since **Chris Nickson** threw for 446 yards at Kentucky in 2006. McCrary also compiled a career highs of 409 total yards accounted for in the effort against Austin Peay.

In his last three appearances, McCrary is 69-of-106 (65.1%) for 739 yards (246.3 ypg.) and three touchdown passes.

McCrary has connected with at least seven different receivers in all five games this year. He completed passes to eight receivers in the victory at MTSU.

CUNNINGHAM: TEAM'S TOP TACKLER

Despite posting just nine total tackles through three games this year, **Zach Cunningham** (R-So., ILB) ranks as the Commodores' leading tackler after back-to-back outstanding performances in road games at Ole Miss and Middle Tennessee.

Cunningham has responded since being inserted into the starting lineup at inside linebacker, contributing 11 tackles at Ole Miss and a season-best 15 stops at Middle Tennessee. He also registered 4.0 tackles for loss, a quarterback sack, forced fumble and two defensed passes in those games.

For the year, Cunningham has 35 total tackles, seven more than **Oren Burks** (R-So., safety), the team's second leading tackler,

VANDERBILT RECORDS: PASSING YARDS BY SOPH.

QB	Year	Yards
1. Jay Cutler	2003	2,347
2. Chris Nickson	2006	2,085
3. Greg Zolman	1999	2,059
4. Fred Fisher	1973	1,450
5. Johnny McCrary	2015	1,251
6. John Miller	1968	1,164
7. Larry Smith	2009	1,126
8. Mackenzi Adams	2007	1,043
9. Mike Healey	1990	1,041
10. Ronnie Gordon	1994	991

VANDERBILT RECORDS: TOP TEN PASSING TOTALS

Yards	Quarterback	Opponent	Date
464	Whit Taylor	at Tennessee	11/28/1981
452	Whit Taylor	vs. Air Force	12/31/1982
446	Chris Nickson	at Kentucky	11/11/2006
441	Greg Zolman	vs. Kentucky	11/10/2001
395	Jay Cutler	vs. Kentucky	11/12/2005
391	Whit Taylor	vs. Tennessee	11/27/1982
368	Johnny McCrary	vs. Austin Peay	9/19/2015
361	Jay Cutler	at Florida	11/5/2005
358	Kurt Page	vs. Memphis	10/29/1983
353	Kurt Page	vs. Iowa State	9/17/1983

VANDERBILT'S 2015 SEC/NCAA RANK

Team Category	Avg.	SEC	NCAA	
Scoring Offense	21.2	12	109	
Total Offense	412.4	9	58	
Rushing Offense	157.0	10	87	
Pass Offense	255.4	5	37	
Scoring Defense	18.4	5	26	
Total Defense	320.8	5	25	
Rushing Defense	107.4	5	21	
Pass Defense	213.4	11	59	
Pass Efficiency	112.6	12	106	
Defensive Pass Efficiency	113.8	5	40	
Net Punting	34.9	11	107	
Kickoff Returns	21.4	T-6	T-63	
Punt Returns	7.5	12	77	
First Downs	21.4	12	T-87	
First Downs Allowed	17.4	2	14	
Time of Possession	32:54	4	16	
3rd Down Conv. %	44% (40/92)	2	36	
3rd Down Conv. % (Defense)	28% (20/71)	2	16	
Red Zone Offense	60% (12-20)	14	126	
Red Zone Defense	71% (12-17)	1	9	
Turnover Margin	-1.2 (-6)	14	114	
Penalties	6.0	T-7	T-50	
Penalty Yards	38.6	3	14	
QB Sacks	1.8 (9)	T-9	T-77	
QB Sacks Allowed	1.2 (6)	T-2	T-29	
Tackles for Loss	6.2 (31)	7	T-56	
Tackles for Loss Allowed	4.8 (24)	5	T-29	
Interceptions	4 (2)	14	T-110	
Interceptions Thrown	1.6 (8)	T-13	T-112	
Active Individuals	Avg.	SEC	NCAA	
Ralph Webb	Rushing yards per game	87.4	7	T-53
	Rush attempts	21.6	2	T-18
	All-purpose yards	115.0	7	63
	Touchdown receptions	4 (2)	T-11	-
Johnny McCrary	Passing yards (per game)	250.2	3	31
	Completions	21.8	1	24
	Completion percentage	58.4	9	86
	Passing touchdowns	1.0 (5)	T-10	T-93
	Total offense	282.2	2	27
Trent Sherfield	Receptions	6.8 (34)	1	T-17
	Receiving yards	93.0	2	26
	Touchdown receptions	4 (2)	T-11	-
	All-purpose yards	100.0	T-15	-
Oren Burks	Passes defensed	1.2 (6)	T-2	T-37
Torren McGaster	Passes defensed	1.2 (6)	T-2	T-37
Zach Cunningham	Total tackles	7.0 (35)	18-	
Tommy Openshaw	Punting	41.5	8	60
	Field goals made	2.0 (10)	1	T-4
	Scoring	7.6 (38)	6	T-74
Darrius Sims	Kick returns	21.4	6	68

MASON IN 2ND YEAR AT VANDERBILT HELM

Derek Mason is on pace to win more games as a second-year head coach at Vanderbilt than most of his recent Commodore predecessors.

Only three of the last eight Vanderbilt head coaches registered at least three wins in their second seasons:

Watson Brown, Gerry DiNardo and **James Franklin**.

RECORDS OF RECENT 2ND-YEAR COACHES

Coach	Year	Record
Derek Mason	2015	2-3
James Franklin	2012	9-4
Bobby Johnson	2003	2-10
Woody Widenhofer	1998	2-9
Rod Dowhower	1996	2-9
Gerry DiNardo	1992	4-7
Watson Brown	1988	3-8
George MacIntyre	1980	2-9
Fred Pancoast	1976	2-9
Steve Sloan	1974	7-3-2
Jack Green	1968	5-4-1

COMMODORE NOTES

ACTIVE CAREER STATISTICAL LEADERS

Category	Team Leaders	Career Totals
Total Offense	J. McCrary/R. Webb	2,448/1,482
Total TDs	R. Webb/S. Scheu	9/6
Rushing Yards	R. Webb/D. Rivers	1,344/300
Rushing Attempts	R. Webb/D. Rivers	320/106
Rushing TDs	R. Webb/D. Rivers	7/3
Passing Yards	J. McCrary/W. Freebeck	2,236/402
Pass Attempts	J. McCrary/W. Freebeck	342/72
Completions	J. McCrary/W. Freebeck	191/40
Passing TDs	J. McCrary/W. Freebeck	14/1
Receiving Yards	S. Scheu/T. Sherfield	808/474
Receptions	S. Scheu/L. Rayford	66/48
Receiving TDs	S. Scheu/K. Kentera-CJ Duncan	6/4 ea.
Punt Return Yards	T. Ellis/R. White	67/50
Kick Return Yards	D. Sims/Dallas Rivers	1,584/151
Total Tackles	D. Herring/A. Williamson	186/109
Solo Tackles	D. Herring/T. McGaster	99/74
Tackles for Loss	C. Azubike/S. Weatherly	20.5/19.5
Quarterback Sacks	C. Azubike/S. Weatherly	13.0/8.0
INTs	McIntosh/Ferguson-Herring-McGaster-Williamson	3/2 ea.
Forced Fumbles	Cunningham-Weatherly-Williamson-Tarpley	2 ea.
Fumble Recoveries	Azubike-Williamson-Butler-McGaster	2 ea.
Passes Defended	D. Herring-O. Burks-McGaster	13 ea.
Career Starts	J. Bernstein-S. Pulley	34 ea.
Consec. Starts	S. Pulley/J. Bernstein	30/19

SENIOR LINEMEN BERNSTEIN, PULLEY ACTIVE LEADERS IN CAREER STARTS

Senior offensive linemen **Jake Bernstein** and **Spencer Pulley** share the team lead for active career starts.

Bernstein and Pulley enter their final season with 34 career starts on the O-line – all from the guard position.

Steven Scheu (Sr., TE) and **Darreon Herring** (Sr., LB) are the closest to Bernstein and Pulley with 30 and 28 starts, respectively.

Six other Commodores have at least 16 career starts: **Adam Butler** (Jr., DL), **Will Holden** (R-Jr., OL), **Andrew Jelks** (Jr., OT), **Torren McGaster** (Jr., CB), **Tommy Openshaw** (R-So., P/PK) and **Ralph Webb** (So., RB).

ACTIVE STARTS

Player	Career Starts
Jake Bernstein, Sr., OG	34
Spencer Pulley, Sr., C/OG	34
Steven Scheu, Sr., TE	30
Darreon Herring, Sr., LB	28
Andrew Jelks, R-Jr., OT	23
Adam Butler, R-Jr., DL	20
Torren McGaster, R-Jr., CB	17
Ralph Webb, R-So., RB	17
Will Holden, R-Jr., OT	16
Tommy Openshaw, R-So., PK	16
Nigel Bowden, R-So., LB	13
Latevius Rayford, Jr., WR	13

FORMER LINEBACKER CHRIS MARVE JOINS STAFF AS DEFENSIVE GRAD ASSISTANT

Chris Marve, a two-time Commodore defensive captain and the No. 8 tackler in Vanderbilt history, has joined the Vanderbilt staff as a defensive graduate assistant. He works with Vanderbilt linebackers.

Marve earned SEC Freshman honors in 2008, then became a three-time All-SEC from 2009-11. He produced 393 total tackles as a four-year starter, helping the Commodores to postseason bowls in 2008 and 2011.

VANDERBILT PLAYER PARTICIPATION

Player	Pos.	2015	2015	Career	Career	Consec.
		Games Played	Starts	Games Played	Starts	Career Starts
Torey Agee	DL	5	-	20	-	-
Kyle Anderton	FB	5	-	5	-	-
Caleb Azubike	DE	5	4	39	13	3
Jalen Banks	DB	3	-	15	-	-
Ladarius Banks	FB	5	-	5	-	-
Tre Bell	CB	5	-	14	4	-
Jake Bernstein	OL	5	5	41	34	19
Khari Blasingame	ILB	5	1	5	1	-
Nigel Bowden	LB	2	2	13	13	-
Oren Burks	S	5	5	13	12	9
Adam Butler	DL	5	5	29	20	8
Colby Cooke	PK	-	-	15	12	-
Josh Crawford	RB	1	-	1	-	-
Delando Crooks	OG	3	-	15	-	-
Zach Cunningham	LB	5	2	16	7	1
Brian Doney	WR	1	-	1	-	-
Chandler Dorrell	WR	3	-	14	-	-
Sean Dowling	TE	5	1	17	1	-
C.J. Duncan	WR	-	-	11	9	-
Trey Ellis	PR	5	-	16	-	-
Taurean Ferguson	CB	5	-	17	6	-
Wade Freebeck	QB	2	-	6	4	-
Blake Fromang	OL	5	3	26	3	1
Barrett Gouger	OL	5	5	28	6	5
Bailey Granier	OL	1	-	1	-	-
Curtis Graves	WR	-	-	2	-	-
Jordan Griffin	LB	4	-	4	-	-
Cole Hardin	OL	1	-	1	-	-
Harding Harper	LB	2	-	17	-	-
Tre Herndon	CB	5	5	17	5	5
Darreon Herring	LB	5	5	43	28	7
Jay Hockaday	LB	2	-	2	-	-
Will Holden	OL	5	5	29	16	16
Andrew Jelks	OL	-	-	24	21	-
Wilson Johnson	SN	2	-	2	-	-
Kris Kentera	TE	5	2	42	5	1
Nifae Lealao	DT	5	-	14	-	-
Hayden Lekacz	PK	5	-	10	1	-
Bryce Lewis	CB	5	-	5	-	-
Nathan Marcus	TE	4	1	16	4	-
Kevin McCoy	OL	-	-	3	-	-
Torren McGaster	CB	5	5	30	17	15
Jahmel McIntosh	S	5	-	42	10	-
Johnny McCrary	QB	5	5	12	10	10
Nehemiah Mitchell	OLB	5	5	5	5	5
Ronald Monroe	WR	3	-	3	-	-
Dare Odeyingbo	DE	3	-	3	-	-
Tommy Openshaw	PK	5	5	16	16	16
Spencer Pulley	OL	5	5	42	34	30
Latevius Rayford	WR	4	2	22	12	-
Bruno Reagan	OL	5	-	5	-	-
Dallas Rivers	RB	5	-	17	-	-
Steven Scheu	TE	4	4	40	30	2
Jacob Schultz	SN	5	-	5	-	-
Caleb Scott	WR	5	2	16	3	1
Trent Sherfield	WR	5	5	12	5	5
Darrius Sims	CB	5	3	30	3	-
Justin Skule	OL	4	2	4	2	-
Emmanuel Smith	S	4	1	14	1	1
Josh Smith	OLB	5	-	5	-	-
Landon Stokes	OLB	5	-	15	-	-
Ja'kari Thomas	LB	4	-	29	1	-
Arnold Tarpley	S	5	1	16	1	1
Stephen Weatherly	LB	5	5	29	14	10
Ralph Webb	RB	5	5	17	17	17
Ryan White	CB	5	-	14	1	-
Ladarius Wiley	CB	5	-	6	-	-
Andrew Williamson	S	4	4	43	13	-
DeAndre Woods	WR	3	-	6	-	-
Jay Woods	DT	5	4	17	9	-
Charles Wright	OLB	5	-	5	-	-
Jonathan Wynn	LB	5	1	16	3	-

LUDWIG BRINGS HISTORY OF SUCCESS TO VANDERBILT OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR ROLE

Andy Ludwig joins Vanderbilt as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach with a proven history of creating productive offensive attacks and winning football games.

Ludwig has worked more than two decades as an offensive coordinator at the collegiate level, including at the FCS level every year since 2001. In that 14-year span, Ludwig has been involved with 10 teams that have won 8+ games, six teams that have won 9+ games and three teams with 10+ win seasons. His offenses have averaged 31 points since 2001.

In 2013-14, Ludwig directed the Wisconsin offenses to record-book production in Madison.

While helping the Badgers to the program's fifth 11-win season in 2014 and a 20-7 overall record, Ludwig's offense was regarded among the most powerful in Big Ten and team history. In 2014, Wisconsin's 4,482 rushing yards established a new Big Ten record and the unit's 320.1 rushing yards per game as the conference's highest average since 1976.

Ludwig's Wisconsin offense also featured Melvin Gordon, who ended his career as one of the most productive runners in NCAA history. As a senior in 2014, Gordon finished second in the Heisman Trophy voting, won the Doak Walker Award and consensus All-America recognition, and was a finalist for the Maxwell and Walter Camp Player of the Year awards after rushing for 2,587 yards, the second highest single season total in FBS history, and 29 touchdowns. Gordon briefly held the FBS record for single-game rushing yards after amassing 408 yards in three quarters of action vs. Nebraska. Gordon also posted a remarkable average of 206.0 rushing yards in Big Ten Conference action, and ended his career with an amazing 251-yard performance against Auburn in the Outback Bowl.

Ludwig's production at Wisconsin came after similar successes at San Diego State (2011-12), California (2009-10), Utah (2005-08), Oregon (2002-04) and Fresno State 1998-2001).

LUDWIG AT WISCONSIN

SCORING OFFENSE

- 2013 (34.8 ppg) and 2014 (34.6 ppg) rank No. 3 and No. 4 in school history

TOTAL OFFENSE

- Ranked No. 1 and No. 3 in school history: 480.8 yds (2013) and 468.9 yds (2014).

RUSHING OFFENSE

- Ranked No. 1 and No. 3 in school history in rushing yards: 320.1 (2014) and 233.8 (2013).
- Ranked No. 1 and No. 2 in school history in yards per carry: 6.91 (2014) and 6.62 (2013).

TWO-YEAR NCAA RANKINGS (FBS)

- Averaged 302.6 rushing yards per game - 5th in FBS (1st among non-triple option teams)
- Scored 81 rushing touchdowns - T-5th in FBS (T-3rd among non-triple option teams)
- Averaged 6.78 yards per rush - 1st in FBS
- Averaged 474.6 total yards per game - 8th among Power Five teams (2nd in Big Ten)
- 6.81 yards per play - 9th in FBS
- 33:36 time of possession - 4th in FBS
- Made 25 of 38 4th downs (65.8%) - 7th in FBS
- Allowed 29 sacks in 27 games (fifth-fewest among Power Five teams)

FORMER NEBRASKA STRENGTH COORDINATOR LEADING VANDERBILT CONDITIONING

James Dobson, long-time conditioning coordinator at the University of Nebraska, has been guiding the Commodores' strength program since January.

Dobson spent the last seven years guiding Nebraska's conditioning programs under former Cornhusker football head coach Bo Pelini. In Dobson's tenure, Nebraska joined Alabama and Oregon as the only three teams nationally to post at least nine wins every year.

DOBSON PUPILS

- Ndamukong Suh, DT, Neb.
- Prince Amukamara, CB, Neb.
- Ameer Abdullah, RB, Neb.
- Lavonte David, LB, Neb.
- Robert Gallery, OT, Iowa
- Chad Greenway, LB, Iowa
- Bob Sanders, Safety, Iowa

In Dobson's last game with Nebraska, the Cornhuskers faced Southern California in the Holiday Bowl – the Huskers seventh straight postseason appearance.

Under Dobson, the Huskers were regarded among the nation's most outstanding fourth quarter teams. In 2014, the Huskers outscored opponents by a remarkable 119-62 margin. Nebraska also scored more fourth-quarter points than its foes in 2008 (155-52), 2009 (96-32), 2010 (64-53) and 2012 (101-82).

Dobson's conditioning program helped the 2014 Nebraska offense average 37.4 points, 248.2 rushing yards and 446.2 total yards. Dobson's efforts also produced a tenacious Nebraska squad. The Huskers were known for producing remarkable comeback victories in recent years, including four such wins during the 2012 season and a thrilling 37-34 overtime victory over Iowa in the 2014 regular season finale.

Prior to Nebraska, Dobson spent nine years with the University of Iowa program, helping the Hawkeyes to one of the most successful periods in school history.

Dobson also brought his top two Nebraska assistants – **Tyler Clarke** and **Ben Schumacher** – to Vanderbilt.

VANDERBILT LOOKING FOR FIRST WIN OVER RANKED OPPONENT SINCE 2013

The Commodores are still looking for their first victory over a Associated Press Top 25 squad in nearly two years.

The team's last win over a team ranked by the Associated Press came on Oct. 5, 2013 – a 31-27 victory over Georgia. Since then, the Commodores have fallen to six consecutive ranked teams.

FACING RANKED TEAMS

Year	Opponent	Result
9/26/2015	@ No. 3 Ole Miss	L, 16-27
9/12/2015	No. 10 Georgia	L, 14-31
11/22/2014	@ No. 4 Miss. State	L, 0-51
10/4/2014	@ No. 13 Georgia	L, 17-44
9/20/2014	No. 14 South Carolina	L, 34-48
9/6/2014	No. 15 Ole Miss	L, 3-41
10/26/2013	@ No. 16 Texas A&M	L, 24-56
10/5/2013	No. 19 Georgia	W, 31-27

rankings from Associated Press Poll

VANDERBILT RESULTS IN SEC OPENERS

Vanderbilt could not capture its first SEC opener in four years when it faced Georgia Sept. 12.

The Commodores are 2-8 in their team's last 10 SEC openers after the 31-14 loss to Georgia.

The team's last win to open league play came in 2011 – a 30-7 victory over Ole Miss.

LAST 10 SEC OPENERS

Year	Opponent	W/L	Score
2015	Georgia	L	14-31
2014	Ole Miss (Nissan Stadium)	L	3-41
2013	Ole Miss	L	35-39
2012	South Carolina	L	13-17
2011	Ole Miss	W	30-7
2010	LSU	L	27-3
2009	@ LSU	L	23-9
2008	South Carolina	W	24-17
2007	Alabama	L	24-10
2006	@ Alabama	L	13-10

COMMODORE NOTES

WEBB REMAINS VANDERBILT'S LEADING RUSHER

Ralph Webb (R-So., RB) continues to be the workhorse out of Vanderbilt's offensive backfield.

One year after setting team rushing records for a freshman, Webb ranks as the team's top rusher through five early-season games. A sophomore from Gainesville (Fla.) H.S., Webb has 437 rushing yards and three rushing touchdowns on 108 carries.

Webb was superb in the win over Middle Tennessee, rushing for 155 yards, including a game-winning 39-yard rush with 1:12 left.

He had 90 yards at Ole Miss Sept. 26, including a career-long rush of 43 yards.

Webb is bringing more versatility to the Commodore attack as a sophomore. He ranks second on the team with 15 receptions and third with 117 receiving yards. Both are single-season career highs. Webb also has a pair of receiving touchdowns.

Webb surpassed 1,000 career rushing yards plateau against Georgia and currently has 1,189 yards and six TDs.

In 2014, Webb produced 907 rushing yards, surpassing the former 'Dore freshman record of 798 yards set by **Kwane Doster** in 2002. He established four freshman rushing marks for the Commodores: single-season rushing yards (907), single-season rush attempts (212), rushing yards in a game (166, vs. Old Dominion). Webb's 2014 rushing total ranks seventh on Vanderbilt's all-time Top Ten single-season charts. Webb has also been a workhorse in the Commodore backfield. His 212 rush attempts in 2014 ranks as the third highest single-season total by a Commodore, topped only by **Jermaine Johnson** (267, 1995) and **Corey Harris** (229, 1991).

WEBB IN 2015

Game	Rushing Yards
Middle Tennessee, Oct. 3	155
Ole Miss, Sept. 26	90
Western Ky., Sept. 3	70
Georgia, Sept. 12	68
Austin Peay, Sept. 19	54
Season total	437

VANDERBILT RESULTS WHEN...

Playing at home	1-2
Playing on the road	1-1
Playing at night	1-2
Playing during the day	1-1
VU scores on first possession	0-0
Opp scores on first possession	1-0
VU scores first	1-2
Opp scores first	1-1
VU leads after 1st quarter	1-0
Opp leads after 1st quarter	0-2
Teams are tied after 1st quarter	1-1
VU leads at halftime	1-0
Opp leads at halftime	1-3
Teams are tied at halftime	0-0
VU leads after 3rd quarter	1-0
Opp leads after 3rd quarter	1-3
Teams are tied after 3rd quarter	0-0
VU has more total yards	2-1
Opp has more total yards	0-2
VU has more rushing yards	2-1
Opp has more rushing yards	0-2
VU has more passing yards	1-2
Opp has more passing yards	0-2
VU has more turnovers	2-2
Opp has more turnovers	0-1
Teams have equal turnovers	0-0
VU has more penalties	2-0
Opp has more penalties	0-3
Teams have equal penalties	0-0
VU has more time of possession	2-3
Opp has more time of possession	0-0
VU has 100-yard rusher	1-0
Opp has 100-yard rusher	0-2
VU has 250-yard passer	1-1
Opp has 250-yard passer	0-2
VU has 100-yard receiver	1-0
Opp has 100-yard receiver	0-2
VU scores at least 20 points	1-0
Opp scores at least 20 points	0-2
Playing on natural grass	0-0
Playing on artificial surface	2-3
Vanderbilt defense scores	0-0
Opponent defense scores	0-1
Vanderbilt special teams score TD	0-0
Playing ranked opponents	0-2

WEATHERLY, AZUBIKE TOP AT APPLYING PRESSURE ON QBS

Vanderbilt's leading quarterback sack specialists are among the leading defensive returnees in 2015.

After moving to a new position before the 2014 season, **Stephen Weatherly** (R-Jr., OLB) has become arguably the unit's most productive player. In his career, Weatherly has contributed eight quarterback sacks and 19.5 tackles for loss.

Caleb Azubike (Sr., DE) was another defender facing the transition of playing a new role last year. After starting at outside linebacker, Azubike moved to defensive end, concluding the year with four sacks.

Adam Butler (R-Jr.) and **Jay Woods** (R-So.) have the versatility to play tackle or outside as an end. Woods had his first career sack vs. Georgia on Sept. 12.

CAREER SACK LEADERS

Player	QB Sacks
• Caleb Azubike, Sr., DE	12.0
• Stephen Weatherly, R-Jr., OLB	8.0

ACTIVE VANDERBILT STUDENT-ATHLETES WHO HAVE EARNED SEC WEEKLY PLAYER RECOGNITION

JOHNNY MCCRARY FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK – OLD DOMINION, Nov. 1, 2014

McCrary set a Vanderbilt freshman record and matched a passing record previously set by former standout quarterback Jay Cutler by tossing five touchdowns in a 42-28 victory over Old Dominion.

DARRIUS SIMS SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK – SOUTH CAROLINA, Sept. 20, 2014

Sims was recognized after setting a Southeastern Conference record by returning two kicks for touchdowns against the Gamecocks. He became just the 18th player in NCAA history to accomplish the return feat.

CALEB AZUBIKE DEFENSIVE LINEMAN OF THE WEEK – FLORIDA, Nov. 9, 2013

Azubike earned SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week honors after registering two QB sacks, four tackles and a pair of hurries in Vandy's 34-17 win over Florida. It was Azubike's first SEC weekly recognition.

STATUS OF FORMER COMMODORES IN THE NFL

Player	Position	NFL Team	Years	Notes
Jay Cutler	QB	Chicago	10th	Cutler leads another comeback win; 26-of-45, 252 yards & 2 TDs, including game-winner with :18 left.
Andre Hal	S	Houston	2nd	First-year safety contributed four tackles in Houston's 27-20 Thursday night loss at Indianapolis.
Casey Hayward	CB	Green Bay	4th	Starting nickel back posted two tackles in Green Bay's 24-10 home win over St. Louis.
Wesley Johnson	OL	New York Jets	2nd	Johnson was added to the Jets' practice squad on Sept. 2.
Jonathan Krause	WR	Philadelphia	2nd	Krause was signed to Eagles practice squad on Sept. 22.
Jordan Matthews	WR	Philadelphia	2nd	Matthews had five catches for 44 yards in Philadelphia's 39-17 victory over New Orleans.
Sean Richardson	S	Green Bay	4th	Richardson has missed last two weeks of action due to a neck injury.
Ryan Seymour	OL	Chicago Bears	3rd	Center/guard signed to Bears' practice squad Oct. 7.
Zac Stacy	RB	New York Jets	3rd	Stacy and the 3-1 Jets were off last weekend. They return to action Oct. 18 vs. Washington.

VANDERBILT ATHLETICS, COMMUNITY STAGE RELIEF DRIVE FOR SC FLOOD VICTIMS

South Carolina needed the support, and the Nashville community responded in a big, big way last week.

With the Palmetto State faced with historic flooding, Vanderbilt Athletics asked Nashville-area residents to band together and help fill its football equipment truck with bottled water and generators.



South Carolina student and alumni gather Oct. 9 to off-load two semi-trailers filled with bottled waters and other relief collected by Vanderbilt on Oct. 8.

The response it received was more than it could have asked for.

By 12:30 p.m., the first (yes, the first) semi-trailer was already filled. The decision to bring in another truck was soon made by Director of Athletics **David Williams** as carloads of water continued to be dropped off. By 4:30 p.m., the second trailer was filled. The remaining donations were collected to be given to the Nashville Red Cross.

Each trailer was filled with 1,500 cases of water. Four new generators were also donated, as were 400 pairs of shoes by Nashville international non-profit organization Soles4Souls.

From children to grandparents and everyone in between, it was a collective effort by Nashvillians that inspired all those involved. Even a former Gamecock standout, current Tennessee Titans' kicker **Ryan Succop**, participated in the Nashville drive, bringing a truckload of waters.

All water collected Thursday, Oct. 8, and delivered to South Carolina's campus Oct. 9 in front of Russell House on Green Street.

Those still looking to make monetary contributions to those in South Carolina can do so through the Red Cross by donating online at www.redcross.org/southcarolina, or by texting REDCROSS to 90999.

FATHERS OF FIVE COMMODORES ENJOYED CAREERS IN THE NFL

Five Vanderbilt student-athletes possess NFL bloodlines as the sons of former pro players.

- **Johnny McCrary** (R-So., QB) is the son of the late Greg McCrary, who played tight end for seven years with the Atlanta Falcons, Washington Redskins and San Diego Chargers.

- **Caleb Scott** (So., WR) is the son of former Vanderbilt All-America tight end Chuck Scott, who played one season with both the Los Angeles Rams and Dallas Cowboys.

- **Torey Agee** (R-Jr., DT) is the son of former fullback Tommie Agee, who enjoyed a seven-year career with the Seattle Seahawks, Kansas City Chiefs and Dallas Cowboys.

- **Landon Stokes** (R-So., OLB) is the son of Fred Stokes, a 10-year defensive end with the Los Angeles and St. Louis Rams, Washington Redskins and New Orleans Saints.

- **Jaire George** (Fr., RB) is the son of 1995 Heisman Trophy winner and Houston Oiler-Tennessee Titan running back Eddie George.



Commodore starting running back Ralph Webb shown boating off the Gold Coast of Australia. He studied biodiversity Down Under along with a dozen other Vanderbilt students.

RALPH WEBB'S MAY 2015 SCHEDULE: STUDYING ABROAD IN AUSTRALIA

It was quite an interesting summer for **Ralph Webb**. Vanderbilt's leading RB spent much of May studying in Australia.

Webb and teammate **Chris Martin** (Sr., FB) joined a dozen other Vanderbilt students to study biodiversity along Australia's Gold Coast. Among the class activities over a two-week span included snorkeling in the Great Barrier Reef, kayaking through mangroves, night-hiking in dense rainforests, taking a helicopter ride along the Australian coast, and zip-lining in tropical rainforests on Fraser Island.

It also marked Webb's first trip off the United States mainland, made more interesting by the cancellation of an initial flight on the journey to Australia.

The trip left quite an impression on the sociology major, who described the Down Under class as a "life-saving opportunity."

Webb's Maymester in Australia also was featured in *"Beyond the Field: Stories of The SEC"* during SEC Media Days in late July.

LEGACY 'DORES: SCOTT, SHEFFIELD FOLLOWING DADS TO VANDERBILT

Caleb Scott (So., WR) and **Donovan Sheffield** (Fr., CB) are second-generation Commodores. Both are following their dad's collegiate path.

Scott is the son of former Commodore TE **Chuck Scott** (1981-84). Scott's dad was a 1983 All-America and two-time All-SEC pick who still ranks T-3rd all-time among Commodores with 20 TD catches, sixth in receiving yards (2,219), and seventh in receptions (145).

Sheffield is the son of DB **Robert Sheffield** (1993-95). Sheffield's dad was a three-year letterwinner at cornerback from 1993-95.

HEAD COACH DEREK MASON

AGE: 46

CAREER RECORD: 5-12 (2nd season)

ALMA MATER: Northern Arizona University; Playing career – 1989-92

DEGREES: Bachelor's, Criminal Justice, Northern Arizona, 1993

FAMILY: Wife, LeighAnne; two daughters: Makenzie and Sydney

MASON ON TWITTER: @CoachDerekMason

MASON'S CAREER AT A GLANCE

VANDERBILT – 2014-15 (Head Coach)

Introduced Jan. 17, 2014 as the 28th head coach in Commodore history... Notched first career victory as head coach in dramatic style, guiding team to 34-31 win over UMass on Sept. 13... Directing one of nation's youngest teams, with 31 true or redshirt freshmen seeing action... At conclusion of 2014 season, took over Vanderbilt defensive coordinator responsibilities... Earned first road win at MTSU in October 2015.

STANFORD – 2013 (Willie Shaw Director of Defense)

Promoted to position of Willie Shaw Director of Defense, Mason guides one of the nation's top defenses as The Cardinal goes 10-3 overall, wins Pac-12 crown and plays in second straight Rose Bowl... Stanford finishes year ranked No. 10 on strength of four victories over ranked opponents... The defense ranks third in NCAA in rushing defense, 10th in scoring defense and 16th in total defense... Unit again ranks among Pac-12's best in numerous defensive categories... For second straight year, Mason's defense limits powerful Oregon spread offense, holding Ducks scoreless for first three quarters in eventual 26-20 Stanford victory... Three of Mason's standouts – LB Trent Murphy, LB Shayne Shov and DB Ed Reynolds – garner postseason All-America recognition.

STANFORD – 2011-12 (associate head coach/defensive coordinator)

Finalist for 2012 Broyles Award as nation's outstanding assistant coach... Stanford goes 23-4 overall in Mason's first two years as coordinator, wins 2012 Pac-12 title, captures 2012 Rose Bowl over Wisconsin, and plays in the 2011 BCS Fiesta Bowl... Mason's 3-4 attacking defense ranked among the NCAA leaders in both seasons... In 2012, the Cardinal defense topped the nation with 57 quarterback sacks, ranked second in tackles for loss, fifth in rushing defense and 11th in scoring defense... Stanford also paced the Pac-12 in scoring defense, total defense, rushing defense and sacks... The 2012 defense also held eight opponents under 100 rushing yards and limited high-powered Oregon to just 14 points in an overtime win... In 2011 the Cardinal was third in the NCAA in rushing defense, sixth in 3rd-down efficiency and 11th in quarterback sacks, and finished among the Pac-12 leaders in scoring defense, total defense, rushing defense, sacks and opponent first downs.

STANFORD – 2010 (defensive backs coach)

Hired by Cardinal Head Coach Jim Harbaugh... Helped change Stanford into a tough-minded, attacking defense... Unit was key to arguably Stanford's best year of modern era – a 12-1 overall record capped by 40-12 victory over Virginia Tech in the Orange Bowl... The 2010 Cardinal secondary was one of the great turnaround stories in college football as Stanford ranked high nationally in interceptions and pass defense... That unit included three eventual NFL players, including All-Pro cornerback Richard Sherman from the World Champion Seahawks.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS/NFL – 2007-09 (assistant defensive backs coach)

Served as an assistant defensive backs coach for the Minnesota Vikings from 2007 to 2009, playing a vital role in the team ranking sixth in total defense in 2008 and 2009 as the Vikings won NFC North titles each season.

OHIO UNIVERSITY – 2005-06 (wide receivers)

Hired by former Nebraska Head Coach Frank Solich, Mason coached Ohio U. receivers for two years, helping the Bobcats improve from 4-7 in 2005 to a 9-5 campaign in 2006 that ended with a GMAC Bowl appearance.

NEW MEXICO STATE – 2004 (wide receivers)

In lone season at New Mexico State, the Aggie offense with Mason mentoring wide receivers corps topped the Sun Belt Conference in numerous passing categories.

SAINT MARY'S – 2003 (co-defensive coordinator/assistant head coach)

First coordinator responsibilities came in only season at St. Mary's, member of NCAA I-AA Independent League.

UTAH – 2002 (wide receivers/special teams assistant coach)

Hired by Ron McBride, Mason tutored WR Paris Warren, an eventual 7th round draft pick, in his only year at Utah. The 2002 Utes offense featured young QB Alex Smith, the eventual 2005 No. 1 NFL draft pick.

BUCKNELL – 1999-2001 (defensive backs)

Secondary coach for three straight winning Bison squads... Coached two Bucknell defensive backs to All-Patriot League recognition... Bison defensive staff was directed by current Vanderbilt coordinator David Kotulski.

IDAHO STATE – 1997-98 (running backs)

Mason coached Idaho State running backs for two years under Head Coach Tom Walsh.

WEBER STATE – 1995-96 (wide receivers)

Mason worked with Weber State receivers, including Pokey Eckford, who earned All-America honors in 1995 after catching 77 passes for 1,074 yards and six TDs.

MESA (ARIZ.) COMMUNITY COLLEGE – 1994 (wide receivers)

Mason entered collegiate coaching as a receivers coach with community college located in San Diego.

NFL MINORITY COACHING FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Mason spent time with the St. Louis Rams in 1996, New York Giants and Oakland Raiders through the Minority Coaching Fellowship Program. Philadelphia in 1999 and Minnesota in 2008.

MASON'S STAFF

ANDY LUDWIG Offensive Coordinator/QBs

In his first year at Vanderbilt... Comes to Nashville regarded among the nation's top collegiate OCs, with successful tenures at Wisconsin (2013-14), San Diego State (2011-12), California (2009-10), Utah (2005-08) and Oregon (2002-04) among other schools... Guided a Badger offense featuring All-America RB Melvin Gordon that averaged 34.6 points and 468.9 total yards in 2014.

CHARLES BANKINS Special Teams Coord./RBs

Lone coach on current staff hired off former Vanderbilt staff... Has directed solid special teams during five-year tenure at Vanderbilt... Switching coaching positions (from TEs to RBs)... In 2012, both Commodore specialists earned All-SEC honors for first time in team history: PK Carey Spear made school-record 20 FGs; punter Richard Kent set career high with 44.8-yard avg... First-year PK Tommy Openshaw made 8-of-11 FGs in 2014.

GERRY GDOWSKI Recruiting Coordinator/TEs

One of two offensive assistants from Ohio University staff to join Mason in 2014... Was assistant HC/co-OC/QB Coach at Ohio for last six years, helping Bobcats to finest seasons in recent team history... Worked with Mason twice previously: New Mexico State (2004) and Ohio U (2005-06).

CORTEZ HANKTON Wide Receivers

In first year at Vanderbilt... Came to Nashville after serving three years as WR coach in Ivy League (Dartmouth University)... Mentored WR Ryan McManus to All-Ivy League recognition in 2014.

KEVEN LIGHTNER Offensive Line

One of two offensive assistants from Ohio University staff to join Mason two years ago... Worked with Mason twice previously: New Mexico State (2004) and Ohio (2005)... Won I-AA national title as OL coach under Western KY coach Jack Harbaugh.

FRANK MAILE Defensive Line

Joined Vanderbilt staff in 2014 from Utah State... Known for developing physical DL at Utah State, helping Aggies to 28-13 overall record and three straight bowls in last three years... Spent six years at his alma mater.

MARC MATTIOLI Safeties

Mattioli is new to the staff, joining the Commodores prior to spring practice... Mattioli worked closely with Mason at Stanford previously, serving as a defensive graduate assistant in 2012-13, Mason's last two years on the Cardinal staff... Has deep ties to South – attended high school near Atlanta and college in Memphis.

BRETT MAXIE Cornerbacks

After 16 years in the NFL, Maxie took his first collegiate coaching role at Vanderbilt in 2014... This year mentors Commodore CBs... Comes to Vanderbilt after two years as DBs coach with cross-town Tennessee Titans... Has two sons in college football: Brett Jr. (a former QB at Bethune-Cookman) and Adam (current CB at Kent State).

KENWICK THOMPSON

Assoc. Head Coach/Linebackers

Joined Mason in 2014 after a year as DC/LBs Coach at San Jose State... Opposed Mason for three years in the Pac-12 as key defensive assistant under Jeff Tedford (2010-12) at University of California... Served as associate HC/recruiting coordinator at Cal in 2012... Worked on college staffs in the Bay Area (California & San Jose State) for the last 13 years.

COMMODORE NOTES

COMPARING VANDERBILT-USC STATS

	VANDERBILT	USC
2015 RECORD	2-3	2-4
SCORING	106	124
Points Per Game	21.2	20.7
FIRST DOWNS	106	109
Rushing	40	55
Passing	57	48
Penalty	9	6
RUSHING YARDAGE	785	1,025
Yards gained rushing	859	1,126
Yards lost rushing	74	101
Rushing Attempts	199	217
Average Per Rush	3.9	4.7
Average Per Game	157.0	170.8
TDs Rushing	6	5
PASSING YARDAGE	1,277	1,025
Comp.-Att.-INT	113-196-8	83-161-6
Average Per Pass	6.5	6.4
Average Per Catch	11.3	12.3
Average Per Game	255.4	170.8
TDs Passing	5	7
TOTAL OFFENSE	2,062	2,050
Total Plays	395	378
Average Per Play	5.2	5.4
Average Per Game	412.4	341.7
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	14-300	17-441
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	13-97	5-50
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	2-19	6-24
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	21.4	25.9
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	7.5	10.0
INT RETURN AVERAGE	9.5	4.0
FUMBLES LOST	6-3	7-1
FUMBLES RECOVERED	9-3	801
PENALTIES-Yards	30-193	28-237
Average Per Game	38.6	39.5
PUNTS-Yards	24-955	24-1,012
Average Per Punt	39.8	42.2
Net punt average	34.3	39.2
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	32:54	29:25
3RD-DOWN Conversions	40/92	30/80
3rd-Down Pct.	43%	38%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	6/10	7/11
4th-Down Pct.	60%	64%
SACKS BY-Yards	9-55	10-69
SACKS ALLOWED-Yards	6-35	10-64
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	11	13
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	(10-15) 67%	(11-15) 73%
RED-ZONE SCORES	(12-20) 60%	(14-17) 82%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(8-20) 40%	(6-17) 35%

NINE TRUE FRESHMEN HAVE PLAYED FOR COMMODORES EARLY IN YEAR

Andrew Rector (safety) became the nine Commodore true freshman to play this season during the Middle Tennessee game. Rector saw action on special team coverage units in the Commodore win.

Rector joins **Josh Crawford** (RB) as true freshmen to recently see their initial action. Crawford had 20 yards rushing and 11 passing yards in limited action at Ole Miss Sept. 26.

Other true freshmen besides Rector and Crawford to play this season are **Kyle Anderton** (FB), **Jordan Griffin** (ILB), **Jay Hockaday** (ILB), **Dare Odeyingbo** (DE) **Jared Pinkney** (TE), **Justin Skule** (OL) and **Josh Smith** (OLB).

NINE FIRST-TIME VANDERBILT STARTERS

Emmanuel Smith (So.) and **Arnold Tarpley** (So.) became the eighth and ninth first-year starters for the Commodores when they were in the opening defensive lineup vs. Middle Tennessee. Smith was the starting nickel back while Tarpley started at safety.

Others who have witnessed their first career starts this season besides Smith and Tarpley are **Khari Blasingame** (R-Fr., ILB), **Blake Fromang** (R-Jr., OT), **Tre Herndon** (So., CB), **Nehemiah Mitchell** (Jr., OLB), **Justin Skule** (Fr., OT), **Trent Sherfield** (So., WR) and **Darius Sims** (Jr., WR).

Herndon, Mitchell and Sherfield have started all five games this season for the Commodores.

HANKTON, MATTIOLI NEW ADDITIONS TO COMMODORE COACHING STAFF

Besides attracting **Andy Ludwig** as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach during the offseason, Head Coach **Derek Mason** attracted a pair of talented young coaches to the Commodore staff in **Cortez Hankton** and **Marc Mattioli**.

Mason hired Hankton as wide receivers coach and picked Mattioli to mentor Commodore safeties.

Hankton, a former six-year NFL receiver, joined the staff just before National Signing Day. He did a superb job at Dartmouth University during the last three years, helping the Big Green witness a reversal of their gridiron fortunes. Dartmouth went 20-10 overall, and 8-2 in 2014, during Hankton's tenure.

Mattioli, a former coach at LaGrange (Ga.) College, worked with Mason for two years as a defensive graduate assistant at Stanford.

PREP TEAMMATES NOW VU TEAMMATES

Ten Commodores are playing college football with prep teammates.

- Brothers **Emmanuel Smith** (So., SAF) and **Josh Smith** (Fr., OLB) were elite performers on powerful Oakland H.S. in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

- **Darreon Herring** (Sr., ILB) and **Jonathan Wynn** (R-So., DE) were teammates for one year at Stephenson H.S. just east of Atlanta.

- **Nathan Marcus** (R-So., TE) and **Hayden Lekacz** (So., PK) were teammates at Glenbard West H.S. near Chicago.

- **Kevin McCoy** (R-Jr., OL) and **Jordan Griffin** (Fr., ILB) were teammates for one season at Armwood H.S. near Tampa.

- **Blake Fromang** (R-Jr., OT) and **Landon Stokes** (R-So., OLB) were teammates at Orlando's Lake Highland Prep.

TWENTY FIRST-TIME CONTRIBUTORS FOR COMMODORES THIS SEASON

Twenty Commodores have enjoyed their first collegiate action early in the 2015 season.

Andrew Rector (Fr., safety) became the newest first-time contributor, playing on special teams in Vanderbilt's 17-13 win at Middle Tennessee.

Josh Crawford (Fr., RB) saw his first collegiate action at Ole Miss, rushing for 20 yards and catching two passes for 11 yards.

Six other players – **Bailey Granier** (R-Fr., OL), **Cole Hardin** (R-Fr., OL), **Jay Hockaday** (Fr., LB), **Ronald Monroe** (R-Fr., WR), **Dare Odeyingbo** (Fr., DE) and **Brian Doney** (So., WR) – saw their initial minutes in the Commodore win over Austin Peay.

Thirteen more players, including starting OLB **Nehemiah Mitchell** (Jr.), saw their initial collegiate action versus Western Kentucky or Georgia.

Offensive first-time players in addition to Crawford, Hardin, Monroe and Doney were **Ladarius Banks** (Jr., FB), **Bruno Reagan** (R-Fr., OL), **Jared Pinkney** (Fr., TE), **Justin Skule** (Fr., OL) and **Kyle Anderton** (Fr., FB).

Other first-time defensive contributors besides Rector, Hockaday, Odeyingbo and Mitchell were **Khari Blasingame** (R-Fr., ILB), **Bryce Lewis** (R-Fr., ILB), **Josh Smith** (Fr., OLB) and **Charles Wright** (R-Fr., ILB).

Two snap specialists – **Wilson Johnson** (Jr.) and **Jacob Schultz** (Jr.) – saw their first collegiate action vs. Western Kentucky.

ROSTER INCLUDES SMALL SENIOR CLASS; TEAM HAS EIGHT SCHOLARSHIP SENIORS

Vanderbilt features one of the smallest senior classes in the nation for the second straight year.

The 2015 'Dore senior class includes nine players, including eight on athletic scholarship. Only Wake Forest (6) and Wyoming (8) has fewer players in their final year of eligibility.

The class includes **Caleb Azubike** (DE), **Jake Bernstein** (OL), **Darreon Herring** (ILB), **Kris Kentera** (WR), **Chris Martin** (FB), **Jahmel McIntosh** (safety), **Spencer Pulley** (OL), **Steven Scheu** (TE) and **Andrew Williamson** (safety).

FEWEST SENIORS	
Team	Total Seniors
Wake Forest	6
Wyoming	8
Vanderbilt	9
Central Florida	9
Old Dominion	10
Pitt	10

21 STATES REPRESENTED BY ROSTER; MOST COME FROM GEORGIA, TENNESSEE

Vanderbilt's emphasis on recruiting across the nation has resulted in 21 states being represented on the 2015 roster.

More Commodore hail from Georgia (18) than any other state. Tennessee, with 17 student-athletes coming from each state. Other states that have produced numerous current Vanderbilt players include Alabama (11), Florida (9), Texas (7), California (6) and Illinois (5).

GEORGIA (18)

Alpharetta – Curtis Graves
Atlanta – Delando Crooks
Cumming – Davis Winkle
Dallas – Ladarius Banks
Decatur – Johnny McCrary
Douglasville – Sam Dobbbs
Jackson – Jay Woods
Jonesboro – Taurean Ferguson
Liburn – Bryce Lewis
Macon – Nigel Bowden
Norcross – Jared Pinkney
Riverdale – Rashad Carty
Snellville – Darion DeBrossard, Stephen Weatherly
Stone Mtn. – Darreon Herring, Dallas Rivers, Jonathan Wynn
Suwanee – Caleb Scott

TENNESSEE (17)

Chattanooga – Tre Herndon
Clarksville – Bruno Reagan
Hendersonville – Kyle Anderton
Memphis – Spencer Pulley, Latevius Rayford, Darrius Sims
Murfreesboro – Jacob Schultz, Emmanuel Smith, Josh Smith
Nashville – Caleb Azubike, Chandler Dorrell, Jay Hockaday, Wilson Johnson, Andrew Rector, Donovan Sheffield
Paris – Andrew Jelks
Soddy Daisy – Barrett Gouger

ALABAMA (11)

Billingsley – Riley Tindol
Birmingham – DeAndre Woods
Daphne – Torren McGaster
Florence – Cole Hardin
Hueytown – Reid Nelson
Montgomery – C.J. Duncan, Harding Harper
New Market – Khari Blasingame
Opelika – Torey Agee
Pinson – Zach Cunningham
Wetumpka – Josh Crawford

FLORIDA (9)

Davie – Wade Freebeck
Gainesville – Ralph Webb
Green Cove Sprgs. – Will Holden
Jacksonville – Tommy Openshaw
Orlando – Blake Fromang, Landon Stokes
Tallahassee – Ja'kari Thomas
Tampa – Jordan Griffin, Kevin McCoy

TEXAS (7)

Dallas – Winston Guillory, John Webb
Denton – Sekou Clark
Duncanville – Adam Butler
Houston – Ronald Monroe
Irving – Dare Odeyingbo
San Antonio – Andrew Williamson

CALIFORNIA (6)

Cascaic – Egidio DellaRipa
Fallbrook – Sean Dowling
Hayward – Nehemiah Mitchell
Irvine – Charles Wright
Los Angeles – LaDarius Wiley
Sacramento – Nifae Lealao

ILLINOIS (5)

Danville – Trent Sherfield
Glen Ellyn – Hayden Lekacz, Nathan Marcus
Markham – Jalen Banks
Lake in the Hills – Jake Bernstein

NEW JERSEY (3)

Princeton – Chris Martin
South Orange – Jared Southers
Union – Tre Bell

VIRGINIA (3)

Clifton – Justin Skule
Fairfax Station – Oren Burks
Goochland – Colby Cooke

NORTH CAROLINA (2)

Charlotte – Trey Ellis
Durham – Shawn Stankavage

OHIO (2)

McConnsville – Kade Mayle
Westerfield – Brian Doney

PENNSYLVANIA (2)

Philadelphia – Kyle Shurmur
Pittsburgh – Arnold Tarpley

ARKANSAS (1)

Bentonville – Ean Pfeifer

ARIZONA (1)

Gilbert – Caleb Peart

COLORADO (1)

Colorado Springs – Kris Kentera

INDIANA (1)

Evansville – Steven Scheu

KENTUCKY (1)

Louisville – Ryan White

LOUISIANA (1)

Galliano – Bailey Granier

MARYLAND (1)

Hyattsville – Jaire George

MISSISSIPPI (1)

Cleveland – Jahmel McIntosh

MISSOURI (1)

Washington – Bradyn Jasper

VANDERBILT-GEORGIA GAME MARKED COMMODORES' 9TH CBS APPEARANCE

The Commodores are now 3-6 all-time on CBS after the team's 31-14 loss Sept. 12 to nationally ranked Georgia.

The Georgia game was marked Vanderbilt's first appearance on CBS since the Commodores defeated the Bulldogs 31-27 on Oct. 19, 2013.

Five of Vanderbilt's last six CBS encounters also have featured SEC opponents ranked in the



Associated Press Top Ten.

Vanderbilt and CBS Sports hold historical ties in football. The first college football game ever aired coast-to-coast was CBS's broadcast of the 1955 Gator Bowl involved unranked Vanderbilt and No. 8 Auburn. It also marked the first bowl appearance for Vanderbilt, who upset the Tigers 25-13. The famed announcer Russ Hodges, who called Bobby Thomson's "Shot Heard 'Round the World" when the Giants defeated the Brooklyn Dodgers for the National League pennant one year earlier, had play-by-play duties at the Gator Bowl.

ALL-TIME RESULTS ON CBS

Date	Opponent	Location	W/L (Score)
9/12/2015	Georgia	Nashville	L, 14-31
10/19/2013	Georgia	Nashville	W, 31-27
11/24/2001	Tennessee	Knoxville	L, 0-38
11/27/1999	Tennessee	Knoxville	L, 10-38
11/6/1999	Florida	Gainesville	L, 6-13
11/29/1997	Tennessee	Knoxville	L, 10-17
11/26/1983	Tennessee	Knoxville	L, 24-34
10/23/1982	Ole Miss	Nashville	W, 19-10
12/31/1955	Auburn	Jacksonville	W, 25-13

VANDERBILT RESULTS IN NON-SEC PLAY

Vanderbilt has captured 14 of its last 17 encounters against non-SEC opponents after registering a 17-13 win at Middle Tennessee Oct. 3.

Since the 2011 opener, Vanderbilt is 18-4 overall against non-SEC foes including postseason bowl appearances against Cincinnati (2011), NC State (2012) and Houston (2013).

Earlier this year, the Commodores defeated Austin Peay 47-7 (Sept. 19) and fell to Western Kentucky 14-12 (Sept. 3) in non-league games.

Besides the Austin Peay and Middle Tennessee wins, the 'Dores have defeated UMass, Charleston Southern and Old Dominion in 2014, Austin Peay, UMass, UAB and Wake Forest in 2013, and Presbyterian, UMass and Wake Forest in 2012.

RESULTS VS. NON-SEC OPPONENTS

Year	Non-SEC Opponents (W/L)
2015	Western Kentucky (L), Austin Peay (W), Middle Tennessee (W), Houston
2014	Temple (L), UMass (W), Charleston Southern (W), Old Dominion (W)
2013	Austin Peay (W), UMass (W), UAB (W), Wake Forest (W), Houston (W)
2012	N'western (L), Presbyterian (W), UMass (W), Wake Forest (W), NC State (W)
2011	Elon (W), UConn (W), Army (W), Wake Forest (W), Cincinnati (L)
2010	Northwestern (L), UConn (L), E. Michigan (W), Wake Forest (L)
2009	Western Carolina (W), Rice (W), Army (L), Ga. Tech (L)
2008	Miami OH (W), Rice (W), Duke (L), Wake Forest (L), Boston Coll. (W)
2007	Richmond (W), E. Michigan (W), Miami OH (W) Wake Forest (L)
2006	Michigan (L), Tennessee State (W), Temple (W)
2005	Wake Forest (W), Richmond (W), Middle Tennessee (L)

VANDERBILT, SEC JOIN SEPT. 3 IN EFFORT TO RAISE PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS

The Vanderbilt football program, in conjunction with the Southeastern Conference, kicked off a campaign to highlight prostate cancer prevention and awareness on Sept. 3 vs. Western Kentucky.

Commodore player helmets worn featured a commemorative sticker when Vanderbilt faced WKU in the opener.

Shirts worn by the entire Vanderbilt coaching staff also featured a similar prostate cancer awareness patch.

The SEC launched the campaign to honor former commissioner Mike Slive, who coped with the disease during his administrative career. The league's 14 athletics directors voted unanimously in May to recognize Slive by dedicating games in his honor.

Slive and his family were honored by Vanderbilt during the WKU game.

Prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death among American men. Although the disease is serious, most men diagnosed with prostate cancer can successfully fight the disease with early detection. Men over the age of 50 are encouraged to talk with their physicians about their risk for the disease and their options for screening.

Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center experts are also onboard for this important awareness and prevention campaign. VICC provides multi-disciplinary care for men seeking information, screening options and leading-edge treatment for prostate cancer. Men who want to know more about their risks for prostate cancer or who are seeking care may schedule an appointment at VICC by calling toll free 1-877-936-8422.



Player helmets displayed this decal Sept. 3 to raise prostate cancer prevention awareness.



SEC NETWORK'S 'SEC NATION' AIRED FROM VANDERBILT CAMPUS SEPT. 12

SEC Nation, the SEC Network's traveling pregame show, aired Sept. 12 from the Vanderbilt campus, prior to the Dores' game versus Georgia.

SEC Nation aired live from The Commons, home to Vanderbilt's entire first-year student population and site of the ESPN's ESPN College GameDay Show on Oct. 4, 2008.

SEC Nation, which airs every Saturday during the season from a campus site, is expected to host Joe Tessitore, analysts Tim Tebow, Greg McElroy and Marcus Spears, media personality Paul Finebaum and reporter Kaylee Hartung with the morning headlines, along with matchup previews and an inside look at each school's tailgating scene. Special guests also are featured on the show.

Last year, SEC Nation visited Vanderbilt for its Ole Miss game at LP Field, now known as Nissan Stadium.

'SEC INSIDE' SHOW ON SEC NETWORK FEATURES COMMODORES IN OPENER

The Vanderbilt football program was featured in early September in the premiere of 'SEC Inside,' the SEC Network's newest series.

The in-depth look at Vanderbilt's preparations for the Western Kentucky opener aired Sept. 8.

A 10-person film crew spent two days on the Vanderbilt campus prior to the game gathering material for the show. The crew chronicled team and position meetings, two practices, team travel, and pregame activities.

YOUTHFUL 'DORES HAVE EXPERIENCE; 31 FRESHMEN PLAYED IN 2014

The Commodores remain one of the nation's youngest squads, but several first-and second-year members of the team experienced their first collegiate action in 2014.

Derek Mason played 31 freshmen last year, including 12 true freshman. Vanderbilt's total of participating freshmen topped the nation, just ahead of LSU (27), Tennessee (25), Oregon (22) and Florida (22).

Vanderbilt's 12 true freshmen seeing action also ranked among the NCAA leaders, trailing only Tennessee (22), LSU (17) and NC State (13).

'DORES WEAR 'DEEP WATER' GRAYS VS. UGA; 4TH DESIGN FEATURES NEW HELMET LOOK

The Commodores worn their Deep Water gray uniforms – the team's fourth option for NIKE apparel – against Georgia on Sept. 12.

The "Deep Water" unveiling uniform came in August at Dore Jam, the team's annual fan event to kick off the season.

The gray alternate supplements Vanderbilt's three primary options of black, gold and white uniforms.

The uniform design, which features black lettering and gold-trimmed jersey numbers, also comes with a black chromed finish helmet that features textured water and a large anchor decal on the side matching the "Deep Water" theme.

The gray design also features "Anchor Down" in black lettering on the right pants.



Curing Kids Cancer founders Grainne and Clay Owen join Gibson Guitar officials and Vanderbilt Football Director of Player Development Al Smith to present a \$25,000 check to the Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt.

VANDERBILT BRINGING AWARENESS TO 'CURING KIDS CANCER' EFFORT

Vanderbilt coaches and players helped kick off the Curing Kids Cancer annual awareness campaign when the Commodores took the field against Austin Peay Sept. 19.

Vanderbilt's players wore Curing Kids Cancer helmet stickers with a gold ribbon while their coaches wear gold whistles and Curing Kids Cancer lanyards. Players and coaches will both wear Curing Kids Cancer glow-in-the-dark wristbands.

Vanderbilt was one of nine SEC teams participating in the campaign, joining Georgia, South Carolina, Mississippi State, Alabama, Ole Miss, Tennessee, Texas A&M and LSU.

In honor of the support from Vanderbilt, Curing Kids Cancer recently made a \$25,000 donation to fund pediatric cancer research at Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital Cancer Center at Vanderbilt.

The campaign supports National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in September. Cancer is the leading cause of disease-related death for children killing more children each year than AIDS, Asthma, Cystic Fibrosis, Diabetes and Muscular Dystrophy combined. Gold is the official color for childhood cancer awareness.

"As Chairman of Curing Kids Cancer, I'm very happy to see so many of these college football coaches and players stepping up to raise awareness about childhood cancer," said ESPN GameDay commentator Lee Corso. "It's fantastic that so many teams are supporting this great cause. We all want to tackle kids' cancer and kick it into the end zone, making it a thing of the past."

"These teams and coaches are under a tremendous amount of pressure to perform at the highest levels," said the charity spokesman for the campaign 'Mr. College Football' and SEC Network commentator Tony Barnhart. Tony is also a member of the Curing Kids Cancer executive advisory board. "What a wonderful testament to their desire to help eradicate these horrible diseases that they would not only join the cause, but do so in ever-increasing numbers. It's another example of how the college football community can be such a great example and a formidable force for good."

In 2014 Curing Kids Cancer provided more than \$1 million in funding for cutting-edge research projects that may eventually make traditional chemotherapy obsolete. Over the past ten years, the organization has raised more than \$7 million for pediatric cancer research.

COMMODORE NOTES



Get to know your Vanderbilt Radio Network personalities: from left, sideline reporter Mitch Light, Voice of the Commodores Joe Fisher and new analyst Norman Jordan.

NORMAN JORDAN RE-JOINS FISHER, LIGHT ON VANDERBILT RADIO NETWORK

Veteran play-by-play announcer **Joe Fisher** and sideline reporter **Mitch Light** are joined by former Commodore running back **Norman Jordan** this season on the Vanderbilt Radio Network.

Jordan, a 1983 Vanderbilt graduate who helped the Commodores to the 1982 Hall of Fame Bowl in Birmingham, Ala., rejoins the network as color analyst, replacing former Vanderbilt quarterback John Gromos. Jordan served as the network as its sideline reporter during the late 1990s to early 2000s,

Fisher is working his 18th season as the team's play-by-play announcer. He handles similar duties for Vanderbilt men's basketball and baseball. Fisher also serves as Vanderbilt Athletics' Director of Broadcasting.

Prior to joining Vanderbilt, Fisher was a television sports anchor in the Nashville market from 1987-96, with stints at WSMV-4 and WKRN-2. He also worked in public relations.

Light, entering his third season providing sideline commentary, is a Vanderbilt graduate and editor of Athlon sports publications.

MORE ON THE COMMODORE RADIO NETWORK

Vanderbilt football games are carried on **NewsRadio WLAC AM-1510**, the Nashville station that owns one of the nation's strongest signals.

The Vanderbilt Radio Network also includes two other Nashville stations: **WSNR AM-560** and **WSNR 95.9-FM**.

The Vanderbilt Radio Network will also provide a live broadcast. In past years, a slight delay in the broadcast impacted the ability to merge play-by-play announcer Joe Fisher's call to the TV broadcast.

RADIO NETWORK

NewsRadio 1510 WLAC *	Nashville
WNSR AM-560	Nashville
WNSR 95.9 FM	Nashville
ALT 983 98.3 FM	Nashville
WPLZ 106.9 FM	Chattanooga
WEKR AM-1240	Fayetteville
WMSR AM-1320	Manchester
WMPS AM-1210	Memphis
WMPS 103.1 FM	Memphis
WDUC 93.3 FM	Tulahoma

*Vanderbilt Radio Network flagship

VANDERBILT VS. 2015 FOES

Opponent	Date	Series Record	Last Game (Result)
Western Kentucky	Sept. 3	VU leads, 3-1	L, 12-14 (2015)
Georgia	Sept. 12	VU trails, 19-55-2	L, 14-31 (2015)
Austin Peay	Sept. 19	VU leads, 2-0	W, 47-7 (2015)
Ole Miss	Sept. 26	VU trails, 38-50-2	L, 16-27 (2015)
Middle Tennessee	Oct. 3	VU leads, 13-3	W, 17-13 (2015)
South Carolina	Oct. 17	VU trails, 4-20	L, 34-48 (2014)
Missouri	Oct. 24	VU trails, 2-4-1	L, 14-24 (2014)
Houston	Oct. 31	VU leads, 1-0	W, 41-24 (2014)
Kentucky	Nov. 7	VU trails, 41-42-4	L, 7-17 (2014)
Florida	Nov. 14	VU trails, 10-36-2	L, 10-34 (2014)
Texas A&M	Nov. 21	VU trails, 1-0	L, 24-56 (2013)
Tennessee	Nov. 28	VU trails, 30-73-5	L, 17-24 (2014)

MEDIA INFORMATION

VANDERBILT POSTGAME INTERVIEWS

Coach Mason's post-game press conference after the South Carolina will be held after he addresses the team. Only properly credentialed media will be allowed into the press conference room.

Mason's remarks will be held in the team's press conference area, located across from the Commodore locker room in Williams-Brice Stadium.

The Vanderbilt Locker Room is closed. Up to five players will be made available for post-game interviews. These interviews will be conducted in the same press conference room as Coach Mason's remarks. The players will enter at the conclusion of Mason's conference.

GAME WEEK INTERVIEW POLICY

All interview requests for Coach Mason and Vanderbilt student-athletes **MUST** go through the Vanderbilt Athletic Communications staff.

Mason will be available to media members at the conclusion of practice on Wednesday morning. Student-athletes and assistant coaches will also be available to media after the Wednesday sessions.

Practice sessions are closed to the media.

WEEKLY PRESS CONFERENCE ON TUESDAYS

Coach Mason will conduct a weekly press conference for local media on Tuesdays at 12 noon CT. It is held in the McGugin Center. Interviews with selected student-athletes will follow Mason's remarks.

The conference is archived and available at vucommidores.com, each Tuesday by 2:30 p.m., CT. A transcript is provided usually by 3 p.m.

SEC COACHES TELECONFERENCE: WED., 10:30 AM

Coach Mason is available each Wednesday morning to media outlets as part of the Southeastern Conference Coaches' Teleconference.

Mason's 10-minute segment starts at 10:30 a.m., CT.

To participate, call the SEC SID Office at (205) 458-3010.

COACH'S RADIO SHOW ON THURSDAYS, 7 PM

The Commodore Call-In Show with Coach Mason, a regular weekly feature of Nashville radio flagships NewsRadio 1510 WLAC & WNSR AM 560/FM 94.9, is scheduled each Thursday after a Vanderbilt game. It starts at 7 p.m., in the Holiday Inn's Commodore Grille on West End Avenue. The one-hour show is hosted by Vanderbilt announcer Joe Fisher.

COACH'S TV SHOW ON SUNDAYS, NASHVILLE'S FOX-17

The Vanderbilt Coach's Show is returning to Nashville television each Sunday evening of the season.

The show, featuring Coach Mason and Vandy play-by-play announcer Joe Fisher as the co-host, airs on each Sunday after a game at 10:30 p.m. CT on Nashville's FOX-17.

DEPTH CHART: OCT. 12

OFFENSE

OT	74	Will Holden	6-7, 312, R-Jr.
	75	Bailey Granier	6-6, 315, R-Fr.
OG	53	Jake Bernstein	6-4, 310, Sr.
	61	Bruno Reagan	6-3, 315, R-Fr.
C	77	Spencer Pulley	6-4, 300, Sr.
	60	Cole Hardin	6-4, 300, R-Fr.
OG	56	Barrett Gouger	6-4, 308, R-Jr.
	64	Delando Crooks	6-5, 315, So.
OT	66	Blake Fromang	6-7, 305, R-Jr.
	-or- 58	Justin Skule	6-6, 305, Fr.
WR	10	Trent Sherfield	6-0, 200, So.
	86	Latevius Rayford	6-1, 198, Jr.
	6	Darrius Sims	5-9, 188, Jr.
	18	Chandler Dorrell	5-11, 185, R-So.
WR	36	Trey Ellis	5-9, 168, So.
	9	Caleb Scott	6-1, 195, So.
WR	82	Kris Kentera	6-4, 218, Sr.
	8	Ronald Monroe	6-3, 200, R-Fr.
QB	2	Johnny McCrary	6-4, 220, R-So.
	12	Wade Freebeck	6-5, 226, So.
RB	7	Ralph Webb	5-10, 202, R-So.
	28	Dallas Rivers	6-1, 224, So.
	6	Darrius Sims	5-9, 188, Jr.
FB	28	Dallas Rivers	6-1, 224, So.
	-or- 42	Ladarius Banks	6-2, 255, R-Jr.
TE	81	Steven Scheu	6-5, 245, Sr.
	83	Nathan Marcus	6-5, 240, R-So.
	89	Sean Dowling	6-5, 270, R-So.
	88	Kyle Anderton	6-4, 255, Fr.

SPECIAL TEAMS

P	17	Tommy Openshaw	6-2, 185, R-So.
	16	Colby Cooke	6-3, 220, R-Jr.
PK	17	Tommy Openshaw	6-2, 185, R-So.
	93	Hayden Lekacz	6-0, 192, So.
SN	48	Jacob Schultz	6-4, 235, Jr.
HOLD	82	Kris Kentera	6-4, 218, Sr.
KOR	6	Darrius Sims	5-9, 188, Jr.
	14	Ryan White	5-10, 190, R-So.
PR	14	Ryan White	5-10, 190, R-So.
KO	93	Hayden Lekacz	6-0, 192, So.

DEFENSE

DE	69	Adam Butler	6-5, 305, R-Jr.
	94	Torey Agee	6-4, 284, R-Jr.
DT	74	Jay Woods	6-3, 285, R-So.
	77	Nifae Lealao	6-5, 315, So.
DE	55	Caleb Azubike	6-4, 265, Sr.
	49	Jonathan Wynn	6-5, 260, R-So.
OLB	34	Dare Odeyingbo	6-2, 255, Fr.
	44	Nehemiah Mitchell	6-4, 260, Jr.
OLB	99	Landon Stokes	6-4, 240, R-So.
	47	Charles Wright	6-3, 236, R-Fr.
ILB	35	Darreon Herring	6-2, 230, Sr.
	40	Ja'karri Thomas	6-1, 230, R-Jr.
ILB	41	Zach Cunningham	6-4, 230, R-So.
	23	Khari Blasingame	6-1, 228, R-Fr.
OLB	45	Stephen Weatherly	6-5, 250, R-Jr.
	25	Josh Smith	6-3, 236, Fr.
CB	5	Torren McGaster	6-1, 200, R-Jr.
	4	Tre Bell	5-11, 178, R-So.
SS	30	Bryce Lewis	6-0, 180, R-Fr.
	32	Andrew Williamson	6-1, 212, Sr.
-or- SS	14	Ryan White	5-9, 190, R-So.
FS	20	Oren Burks	6-3, 215, R-So.
	27	Jahmel McIntosh	6-1, 202, Sr.
CB	31	Tre Herndon	6-0, 185, So.
	3	Taurean Ferguson	5-9, 185, R-So.
NICK	13	LaDarius Wiley	6-1, 205, R-Fr.
	7	Emmanuel Smith	6-2, 218, So.
-or- NICK	2	Arnold Tarpley	6-0, 202, So.

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

STUDENT-ATHLETES:

Caleb Azubike (ah-ZOO-bah-KAY)	Latevius (la-tay-vee-us) Rayford
Khari (car-EE) Blasingame	Steven Scheu (SHOY) <i>rhymes with boy</i>
Sekou (SAY-koo) Clark	Darrius (Dare-ee-us) Sims
Jaire (JIE-air) George	Ja'karri (jah-CAR-ee) Thomas
Bailey Granier (graun-yae)	Riley Tindol (ten-doll)
Barrett Gouger (Gow-gurr)	
Nifae (Knee-FY) Lealao (Lee-AL-oh)	COACHES:
Hayden Lekacz (la-koch)	Gerry (Jerry) Gdowski (Guh-DOW-ski)
Dare (dar-ee) Odeyingbo (O-duh-yeng-BO)	Frank Maile (My-leh)
Caleb Peart (peert)	

NUMERICAL ROSTER

ROSTER A-Z

NO.	NAME	POS.
94	Torey Agee	DE
88	Kyle Anderton	TE
55	Caleb Azubike	DE
24	Jalen Banks	RB
42	Ladarius Banks	FB
4	Tre Bell	CB
53	Jake Bernstein	OL
23	Khari Blasingame	ILB
52	Nigel Bowden	ILB
20	Oren Burks	S
69	Adam Butler	DL
11	Rashad Canty	WR
90	Sekou Clark	DE
16	Colby Cooke	P
22	Josh Crawford	RB
64	Delando Crooks	OL
41	Zach Cunningham	ILB
70	Darion DeBrossard	DL
76	Egidio DellaRipa	OL
84	Sam Dobbs	TE
39	Brian Doney	WR
18	Chandler Dorrell	WR
89	Sean Dowling	TE
19	C.J. Duncan	WR
36	Trey Ellis	WR
3	Taurean Ferguson	CB
12	Wade Freebeck	QB
66	Blake Fromang	OL
27	Jaire George	RB
56	Barrett Gouger	OL
75	Bailey Granier	OL
85	Curtis Graves	WR
43	Jordan Griffin	ILB
87	Winston Guillory	WR
60	Cole Hardin	OL
11	Harding Harper	ILB
31	Tre Herndon	CB
35	Darreon Herring	ILB
33	Jay Hockaday	LB
74	Will Holden	OL
56	Bradyn Jasper	LB
50	Andrew Jelks	OL
37	Wilson Johnson	SN
82	Kris Kentera	WR
77	Nifae Lealao	DT
93	Hayden Lekacz	PK
30	Bryce Lewis	CB
83	Nathan Marcus	TE
41	Chris Martin	FB
54	Kade Mayle	DL
78	Kevin McCoy	OL
2	Johnny McCrary	QB
5	Torren McGaster	CB
27	Jahmel McIntosh	S
44	Nehemiah Mitchell	OLB
8	Ronald Monroe	WR
97	Reid Nelson	P
34	Dare Odeyingbo	DE

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT	WT	YEAR	CL	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (OTHER)
2	Johnny McCrary	QB	6-4	220	So.	1L	Decatur, Ga./Cedar Grove
2	Arnold Tarpley	S	6-0	202	So.	1L	Pittsburgh, Pa./Central Catholic
3	Taurean Ferguson	CB	5-9	185	So.	1L	Jonesboro, Ga./Jonesboro
4	Tre Bell	CB	5-11	178	So.	1L	Union, N.J./St. Peter's Prep
4	John Webb	QB	6-0	200	So.	HS	Dallas, Texas/St. Mark's
5	Torren McGaster	CB	6-0	200	Jr.	2L	Daphne, Ala./Daphne
6	Darrius Sims	RB	5-9	188	Jr.	2L	Memphis, Tenn./Whitehaven
7	Emmanuel Smith	S	6-2	218	So.	1L	Murfreesboro, Tenn./Oakland
7	Ralph Webb	RB	5-10	202	So.	1L	Gainesville, Fla./Gainesville
8	Ronald Monroe	WR	6-3	200	R-Fr.	RS	Houston, Texas/Fort Bend Bush
9	Caleb Peart	OLB	6-1	230	Fr.	HS	Gilbert, Ariz./Hamilton
9	Caleb Scott	WR	6-1	195	So.	1L	Suwanee, Ga./North Gwinnett
10	Trent Sherfield	WR	6-1	200	So.	1L	Danville, Ill./Danville
10	Shawn Stankavage	QB	6-2	196	R-Fr.	RS	Durham, N.C./Cardinal Gibbons
11	Rashad Canty	WR	6-3	205	R-Fr.	RS	Riverdale, Ga./Riverdale
11	Harding Harper	ILB	6-2	240	Jr.	2L	Montgomery, Ala./Carver
12	Wade Freebeck	QB	6-5	226	So.	1L	Davie, Fla./St. Thomas Aquinas
13	LaDarius Wiley	CB	6-1	205	R-Fr.	RS	Los Angeles, Calif./Cathedral
14	Kyle Shurmur	QB	6-4	226	Fr.	HS	Philadelphia, Pa./LaSalle College
14	Ryan White	S	5-9	190	So.	1L	Louisville, Ky./Trinity
15	DeAndre Woods	TE	6-3	238	So.	1L	Clay, Ala./Clay-Chalkville
16	Colby Cooke	P	6-3	215	Jr.	2L	Goochland, Va./Goochland
17	Tommy Openshaw	PK/P	6-2	185	So.	1L	Jacksonville, Fla./Creekside
18	Chandler Dorrell	WR	5-11	185	So.	1L	Nashville, Tenn./St. Thomas Aquinas
19	C.J. Duncan	WR	5-11	200	So.	1L	Montgomery, Ala./St. James School
20	Oren Burks	S	6-3	215	So.	1L	Fairfax Station, Va./South Co.
21	Donovan Sheffield	CB	5-11	182	Fr.	HS	Nashville, Tenn./Ensworth
22	Josh Crawford	RB	5-10	200	Fr.	HS	Wetumpka, Ala./Edgewood Acad.
23	Khari Blasingame	ILB	6-1	228	R-Fr.	RS	New Market, Ala./Buckhorn
24	Jalen Banks	RB	5-11	195	So.	1L	Markham, Ill./Thornton Township
25	Josh Smith	OLB	6-3	236	Fr.	HS	Murfreesboro, Tenn./Oakland
26	Andrew Rector	S	6-0	205	Fr.	HS	Nashville, Tenn./Father Ryan
27	Jaire George	RB	6-1	218	Fr.	HS	Hyattville, Md./DeMatha Catholic
27	Jahmel McIntosh	S	6-1	202	Sr.	3L	Cleveland, Miss./Cleveland
28	Dallas Rivers	RB	6-1	224	So.	1L	Stone Mtn., Ga./Stephenson
30	Bryce Lewis	CB	6-0	182	R-Fr.	RS	Lilburn, Ga./Parkview
31	Tre Herndon	CB	6-0	185	So.	1L	Chattanooga, Tenn./East Hamilton
32	Andrew Williamson	S	6-1	212	Sr.	3L	San Antonio, Texas/Stevens
33	Jay Hockaday	ILB	6-3	215	Fr.	HS	Nashville, Tenn./Christ Presbyterian
34	Dare Odeyingbo	DE	6-2	255	Fr.	HS	Irving, Texas/Cistercian Prep
35	Darreon Herring	ILB	6-1	230	Sr.	3L	Stone Mountain, Ga./Stephenson
36	Trey Ellis	WR	5-9	168	So.	1L	Charlotte, N.C./Ardrey Kell
37	Wilson Johnson	SN	6-0	210	Jr.	SQ	Nashville, Tenn./Montgomery Bell
39	Brian Doney	WR	5-10	184	So.	SQ	Westerville, Ohio/St. Charles Prep
40	Ja'karri Thomas	ILB	6-1	230	Jr.	2L	Tallahassee, Fla./Godby
41	Zach Cunningham	ILB	6-4	230	So.	1L	Pinson, Ala./Pinson Valley
41	Chris Martin	FB	5-10	240	Sr.	SQ	Princeton, N.J./Don Bosco Prep

NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	YEAR	CL.	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (OTHER)
42	Ladarius Banks	FB	6-2	255	Jr.	RS	Dallas, Ga./East Paulding
43	Jordan Griffin	ILB	6-1	215	Fr.	HS	Tampa, Fla./Armwood
44	Nehemiah Mitchell	OLB	6-4	262	Jr.	TR	Hayward, Calif./CC-San Francisco
45	Stephen Weatherly	OLB	6-5	250	Jr.	2L	Snellville, Ga./Shiloh
47	Charles Wright	OLB	6-3	236	R-Fr.	RS	Irvine, Calif./Beckman
48	Jacob Schultz	SN	6-4	235	Jr.	SQ	Murfreesboro, Tenn./Siegel
49	Jonathan Wynn	DE	6-4	255	So.	1L	Stone Mtn., Ga./Stephenson
50	Andrew Jelks	OL	6-6	307	Jr.	2L	Paris, Tenn./Henry Co.
51	Davis Winkie	SN	6-4	248	R-Fr.	RS	Cumming, Ga./South Forsyth
52	Nigel Bowden	ILB	6-1	240	So.	1L	Macon, Ga./Central
53	Jake Bernstein	OL	6-4	310	Sr.	3L	Lake in the Hills, Ill./Crystal Lake South
54	Kade Mayle	DL	6-3	275	Fr.	HS	McConnelsville, Ohio/Morgan
55	Caleb Azubike	DE	6-4	265	Sr.	3L	Nashville, Tenn./McGavock
56	Barrett Gouger	OL	6-4	308	Jr.	2L	Soddy Daisy, Tenn./Baylor
56	Bradyn Jasper	LB	6-1	238	So.	SQ	Washington, Mo./St. Francis Borgia
57	Ean Pfeifer	OL	6-4	285	Fr.	HS	Bentonville, Ark./Bentonville
58	Justin Skule	OL	6-6	305	Fr.	HS	Clifton, Va./Centreville
60	Cole Hardin	OL	6-4	300	R-Fr.	RS	Florence, Ala./Florence
61	Bruno Reagan	OL	6-3	315	R-Fr.	RS	Clarksville, Tenn./Clarksville
64	Delando Crooks	OL	6-5	315	So.	1L	Atlanta, Ga./Carver
66	Blake Fromang	OL	6-7	305	Jr.	2L	Orlando, Fla./Lake Highland Prep
69	Adam Butler	DL	6-4	305	Jr.	2L	Duncanville, Texas/Duncanville
70	Darion DeBrossard	DL	6-4	340	Fr.	HS	Snellville, Ga./Shiloh
71	Jared Southers	OL	6-4	315	Fr.	HS	South Orange, N.J./Seton Hall Prep
74	Will Holden	OL	6-6	312	Jr.	2L	Green Cove Springs, Fla./Clay
74	Jay Woods	DL	6-3	280	So.	1L	Jackson, Ga./Jackson
75	Bailey Granier	OL	6-6	315	R-Fr.	RS	Galliano, La./South Lafourche
76	Egidio DellaRipa	OL	6-4	300	So.	TR	Castaic, Calif./College of the Canyons
77	Nifae Lealao	DT	6-5	315	So.	1L	Sacramento, Calif./Capital Christian
77	Spencer Pulley	OL	6-4	300	Sr.	3L	Memphis, Tenn./Evangelical
78	Kevin McCoy	OL	6-5	305	Jr.	1L	Tampa, Fla./Armwood
80	Jared Pinkney	TE	6-4	250	Fr.	HS	Norcross, Ga./Norcross
81	Steven Scheu	TE	6-5	245	Sr.	3L	Evansville, Ind./Reitz Memorial
82	Kris Kentera	WR	6-4	218	Sr.	3L	Colorado Springs, Colo./Pine Creek
83	Nathan Marcus	TE	6-5	240	So.	1L	Glen Ellyn, Ill./Glenbard West
84	Sam Dobbs	TE	6-4	220	Fr.	HS	Douglasville, Ga./Landmark Christian
85	Curtis Graves	WR	6-1	198	Jr.	1L	Alpharetta, Ga./Alpharetta
86	Latevius Rayford	WR	6-1	198	Jr.	1L	Memphis, Tenn./Central
87	Winston Guillory	WR	5-11	185	Fr.	HS	Dallas, Texas/Episcopal
88	Kyle Anderton	TE	6-4	255	Fr.	HS	Hendersonville, Tenn./Station Camp
89	Sean Dowling	TE	6-5	270	So.	1L	Fallbrook, Calif./Fallsbrook Union
90	Sekou Clark	DE	6-3	264	R-Fr.	RS	Denton, Texas/Ryan
93	Hayden Lekacz	PK	6-0	195	So.	1L	Glen Ellyn, Ill./Glenbard West
94	Torey Agee	DE	6-4	282	Jr.	2L	Opelika, Ala./Opelika
95	Riley Tindol	DE	6-5	262	R-Fr.	RS	Billingsley, Ala./Autauga Academy
97	Reid Nelson	P	6-2	215	R-Fr.	RS	Hueytown, Ala./Hueytown
99	Landon Stokes	OLB	6-4	240	R-So.	1L	Orlando, Fla./Lake Highland Prep

ROSTER A-Z

NO.	NAME	POS.
17	Tommy Openshaw	PK/P
9	Caleb Peart	OLB
57	Ean Pfeifer	OL
80	Jared Pinkney	WR
77	Spencer Pulley	OL
86	Latevius Rayford	WR
61	Bruno Reagan	OL
26	Andrew Rector	S
28	Dallas Rivers	RB
81	Steven Scheu	TE
48	Jacob Schultz	SN
9	Caleb Scott	WR
21	Donovan Sheffield	CB
10	Trent Sherfield	WR
14	Kyle Shurmur	QB
6	Darrius Sims	RB
58	Justin Skule	OL
7	Emmanuel Smith	S
25	Josh Smith	LB
71	Jared Southers	OL
10	Shawn Stankavage	QB
99	Landon Stokes	OLB
2	Arnold Tarpley	S
40	Ja'karri Thomas	ILB
95	Riley Tindol	DE
45	Stephen Weatherly	OLB
4	John Webb	QB
7	Ralph Webb	RB
14	Ryan White	S
32	Andrew Williamson	S
13	LaDarius Wiley	CB
51	Davis Winkie	SN
15	DeAndre Woods	TE
74	Jay Woods	DL
47	Charles Wright	OLB
49	Jonathan Wynn	DE

PRONUNCIATIONS

PLAYERS

Caleb Azubike (**ah-ZOO-bah-KAY**)
 Khari (**car-EE**) Blasingame
 Sekou (**SAY-koo**) Clark
 Jaire (**JIE-air**) George
 Bailey Granier (**graun-yae**)
 Barrett Gouger (**Gow-gurr**)
 Nifae (**Knee-FY**) Lealao (**Lee-AL-oh**)
 Hayden Lekacz (**la-koch**)
 Dare (**dar-ee**) Odeyingbo (**O-duh-yeng-BO**)
 Caleb Peart (**peert**)
 Latevius (**la-tay-vee-us**) Rayford
 Steven Scheu (**SHOV**) *rhymes with boy*
 Darrius (**Dare-ee-us**) Sims
 Ja'karri (**jah-CAR-ee**) Thomas
 Riley Tindol (**ten-doll**)

COACHES

Gerry (**Jerry**) Gdowski (**Guh-DOW-ski**)
 Frank Maile (**My-leh**)

2015 STATISTICS

TOTAL POINTS BY QUARTER

SCORE (QUARTER)	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	OT	TOTAL
VANDERBILT	9	25	31	41	0	106
OPPONENTS	17	23	24	28	0	92

TEAM STATISTICS

	<u>VANDERBILT</u>	<u>OPPONENTS</u>
SCORING	106	92
Points Per Game	21.2	18.4
FIRST DOWNS	106	87
Rushing	40	31
Passing	57	47
Penalty	9	9
RUSHING YARDAGE	785	537
Yards gained rushing	859	676
Yards lost rushing	74	139
Rushing Attempts	199	159
Average Per Rush	3.9	3.4
Average Per Game	157.0	107.4
TDs Rushing	6	5
PASSING YARDAGE	1277	1067
Att-Comp-Int	196-113-8	180-106-2
Average Per Pass	6.5	5.9
Average Per Catch	11.3	10.1
Average Per Game	255.4	213.4
TDs Passing	5	4
TOTAL OFFENSE	2062	1604
Total Plays	395	339
Average Per Play	5.2	4.7
Average Per Game	412.4	320.8
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	14-300	14-221
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	13-97	8-111
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	2-19	8-114
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	21.4	15.8
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	7.5	13.9
INT RETURN AVERAGE	9.5	14.2
FUMBLES-LOST	6-3	9-3
PENALTIES-Yards	30-193	40-347
Average Per Game	38.6	69.4
PUNTS-Yards	24-955	36-1384
Average Per Punt	39.8	38.4
Net punt average	34.3	34.1
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	32:54	27:06
3RD-DOWN Conversions	40/92	20/71
3rd-Down Pct	43%	28%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	6/10	1/5
4th-Down Pct	60%	20%
SACKS BY-Yards	9-55	6-35
MISC YARDS	7	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	11	11
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	10-15	5-8
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-1	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	12-20 60%	12-17 71%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	8-20 40%	8-17 47%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	8-8 100%	11-11 100%
ATTENDANCE	98891	86065
Games/Avg Per Game	3/32964	2/43032

2015 GAME RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L SCORE	OVERALL	CONF.	TIME	ATTN.
9/3	Western Kentucky	L, 14-12	0-1	0-0	3:24	30,307
9/12	Georgia	L, 31-14	0-2	0-1	3:42	37,185
9/19	Austin Peay	W, 47-7	1-2	0-1	3:29	31,399
9/26	at Ole Miss	L, 27-16	1-3	0-2	3:37	60,654
10/3	at MTSU	W, 17-13	2-3	0-2	3:13	25,411
10/17	at South Carolina					
10/24	Missouri					
10/31	at Houston					
11/7	at Florida					
11/14	Kentucky					
11/21	Texas A&M					
11/28	at Tennessee					

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

PASSING	GP	EFF.	ATT-COMP-INT	PCT	YARDS	TD	LONG	AVG/G
Johnny McCrary	5	115.04	111-190-7	58.4	1251	5	44	250.2
Wade Freebeck	1	36.40	2-6-1	33.3	26	0	17	26.0
Total	5	112.64	113-196-8	57.7	1277	5	44	255.4
Opponents	5	113.79	106-180-2	58.9	1067	4	65	213.4

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOSS	NET	AVG	TD	LONG	AVG/G
Ralph Webb	5	108	457	20	437	4.0	3	43	87.4
Johnny McCrary	5	34	198	38	160	4.7	2	29	32.0
Dallas Rivers	5	38	93	11	82	2.2	1	8	16.4
Darrius Sims	5	7	43	1	42	6.0	0	26	8.4
Trent Sherfield	5	2	35	0	35	17.5	0	34	7.0
Josh Crawford	1	6	20	0	20	3.3	0	11	20.0
Tommy Openshaw	5	1	13	0	13	13.0	0	13	2.6
Ladarius Banks	5	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
TEAM	4	2	0	4	-4	-2.0	0	0	-1.0
Total	5	199	859	74	785	3.9	6	43	157.0
Opponents	5	159	676	139	537	3.4	5	68	107.4

RECEIVING	GP	No.	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG	AVG/G
Trent Sherfield	5	34	465	13.7	2	44	93.0
Ralph Webb	5	17	138	8.1	2	18	27.6
Caleb Scott	5	14	154	11.0	0	23	30.8
Steven Scheu	4	10	115	11.5	0	24	28.8
L. Rayford	4	10	66	6.6	1	13	16.5
DeAndre Woods	3	7	129	18.4	0	43	43.0
Kris Kentera	5	7	92	13.1	0	28	18.4
Darrius Sims	5	5	59	11.8	0	17	11.8
Dallas Rivers	5	3	24	8.0	0	12	4.8
C. Dorrell	3	2	19	9.5	0	10	6.3
Josh Crawford	1	2	11	5.5	0	8	11.0
Ronald Monroe	3	1	4	4.0	0	4	1.3
Nathan Marcus	5	1	1	1.0	0	1	0.2
Total	5	113	1277	11.3	5	44	255.4
Opponents	5	106	1067	10.1	4	65	213

2015 STATISTICS

TOTAL OFFENSE

	GP	PLAYS	RUSH	PASS	TOTAL	AVG/G
Johnny McCrary	5	224	160	1251	1411	282.2
Ralph Webb	5	108	437	0	437	87.4
Dallas Rivers	5	38	82	0	82	16.4
Darrius Sims	5	7	42	0	42	8.4
Trent Sherfield	5	2	35	0	35	7.0
Wade Freebeck	1	6	0	26	26	26.0
Josh Crawford	1	6	20	0	20	20.0
Tommy Openshaw	5	1	13	0	13	2.6
TEAM	4	2	-4	0	-4	-1.0
Total	5	395	785	1277	2062	412.4
Opponents	5	339	537	1067	1604	320.8

ALL-PURPOSE

	GP	RUSH	REC	PR	KOR	RET	TOTAL	AVG
Ralph Webb	5	437	138	0	0	0	575	115.0
Trent Sherfield	5	35	465	0	0	0	500	100.0
Darrius Sims	5	42	59	0	300	0	401	80.2
Johnny McCrary	5	160	0	0	0	0	160	32.0
Caleb Scott	5	0	154	0	0	0	154	30.8
DeAndre Woods	3	0	129	0	0	0	129	43.0
Steven Scheu	4	0	115	0	0	0	115	28.8
Dallas Rivers	5	82	24	0	0	0	106	21.2
Kris Kentera	5	0	92	0	0	0	92	18.4
L. Rayford	4	0	66	0	0	0	66	16.5
Ryan White	5	0	0	50	0	0	50	10.0
Josh Crawford	1	20	11	0	0	0	31	31.0
Torren McGaster	5	0	0	29	0	0	29	5.8
Trey Ellis	5	0	0	22	0	0	22	4.4
C. Dorrell	3	0	19	0	0	0	19	6.3
Jahmel McIntosh	5	0	0	0	0	18	18	3.6
Tommy Openshaw	5	13	0	0	0	0	13	2.6
Ronald Monroe	3	0	4	0	0	0	4	1.3
Oren Burks	5	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.2
Nathan Marcus	5	0	1	0	0	0	1	0.2
Tre Herndon	5	0	0	-4	0	0	-4	-0.8
TEAM	4	-4	0	0	0	0	-4	-1.0
Total	5	785	1277	97	300	19	2478	495.6
Opponents	5	537	1067	111	221	114	2050	410.0

SCORING

	TDs	FGs	PATs					SAF	Pts
			KICK	RUSH	REC	PASS	DXP		
Tommy Openshaw	0	10-15	8-8	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	38
Ralph Webb	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	30
Johnny McCrary	2	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0-1	0	0	14
Trent Sherfield	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Dallas Rivers	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
L. Rayford	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Kris Kentera	0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0-0	0	0	0
Total	11	10-15	8-8	1-2	0	0-1	0	0	106
Opponents	11	5-8	11-11	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	92

KICKOFF RETURNS

	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Darrius Sims	14	300	21.4	0	47
Total	14	300	21.4	0	47
Opponents	14	221	15.8	0	27

PUNT RETURNS

	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Trey Ellis	4	22	5.5	0	10
Torren McGaster	4	29	7.2	0	17
Ryan White	4	50	12.5	0	36
Tre Herndon	1	-4	-4.0	0	0
Total	13	97	7.5	0	36
Opponents	8	111	13.9	1	77

VANDERBILT SCORING DRIVES

Opponent	Plays	Yards	Time	Culminating Play
WKU	7	29	2:58	Openshaw 49-yd FG
WKU	9	52	3:19	Openshaw 26-yd FG
WKU	12	77	2:05	Sherfield 2-yd pass from McCrary
UGA	11	38	5:13	Openshaw 47-yd FG
UGA	12	55	5:24	Openshaw 41-yd FG
UGA	5	42	0:46	Rayford 7-yard pass from McCrary
AP	5	20	2:41	Openshaw 40-yd FG
AP	8	78	3:46	Webb 3-yd run
AP	5	26	2:02	Openshaw 38-yd FG
AP	6	68	1:07	Webb 9-yd pass from McCrary
AP	6	75	1:50	Webb 2-yd run
AP	6	51	1:58	Sherfield 26-yd pass from McCrary
AP	8	71	2:03	McCrary 16-yd run
AP	4	15	1:38	Rivers 4-yd run
OM	19	73	7:17	Openshaw 28-yd FG
OM	7	50	1:43	Openshaw 41-yd FG
OM	7	80	3:06	Webb 7-yd pass from McCrary
OM	12	70	4:06	Openshaw 34-yd FG
MTSU	4	7	1:28	Openshaw 40-yd FG
MTSU	6	51	1:38	McCrary 29-yd run

MTSU 7 87 2:01 Webb 39-yd run

2015 STATISTICS

FIELD GOALS

	FGM-FGA	%	1-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Lg	Blk
Tommy Openshaw	10-15	66.7	2-3	2-3	6-8	0-1	49	0

PUNTING

	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I-20	Blk
Tommy Openshaw	23	955	41.5	66	1	7	8	0
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	24	955	39.8	66	1	7	8	1
Opponents	36	1384	38.4	62	3	7	9	0

FIELD GOAL SEQUENCE

Western Kentucky
 Georgia
 Austin Peay
 at Ole Miss
 at MTSU
 at South Carolina
 Missouri
 at Houston
 at Florida
 Kentucky
 Texas A&M
 at Tennessee

VANDERBILT

28,(49),(26)
 (47),(41),43
 (40),(38),50
 (28),(41),(34),32
 40,(40)

OPPONENT

-
 37,(20),43
 -
 (19),(39),29
 (44),(28)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate successful field goals.

INDIVIDUAL DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

#	Name	GP	Tackles			Sacks		Pass Def			Fumbles		Blocked		Saf
			Solo	Ast	Total	TFL/Yds	No-Yards	Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	Rcv-Yds	FF	Kick		
41	Zach Cunningham	5-2	20	15	35	4.0-6	1.0-2	.	3	.	.	1	.	.	
20	Oren Burks	5-5	14	14	28	1.5-4	.	1-1	5	.	1-0	1	.	.	
35	Darreon Herring	5-5	10	14	24	0.5-1	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
31	Tre Herndon	5-5	14	7	21	1.0-6	1.0-6	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
45	S. Weatherly	5-5	13	7	20	4.0-20	1.0-12	.	1	3	.	1	.	.	
5	Torren McGaster	5-5	18	2	20	2.0-2	.	.	6	.	1-0	.	.	.	
2	Arnold Tarpley	5-1	11	7	18	1.0-11	1.0-11	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
44	N. Mitchell	5-5	5	11	16	0.5-1	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
32	A. Williamson	4-4	8	7	15	1.0-1	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
55	Caleb Azubike	5-4	3	11	14	1.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
14	Ryan White	5-0	7	5	12	3.0-10	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
4	Tre Bell	5-0	4	7	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
69	Adam Butler	5-5	5	5	10	4.0-12	1.0-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
77	Nifae Lealao	5-0	3	7	10	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
74	Jay Woods	5-4	2	7	9	1.0-5	1.0-5	.	1	.	.	1	.	.	
49	Jonathan Wynn	5-1	3	5	8	2.0-10	1.0-7	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
7	Emmanuel Smith	4-1	1	7	8	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
23	K. Blasingame	5-1	5	3	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40	Ja'karri Thomas	4-0	1	6	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	T. Ferguson	5-0	6	1	7	0.5-1	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
43	Jordan Griffin	4-0	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
99	Landon Stokes	5-0	.	5	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27	Jahmel McIntosh	5-0	2	3	5	.	.	1-18	1	.	.	.	.	.
25	Josh Smith	5-0	1	4	5	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	Nigel Bowden	2-2	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
94	Torey Agee	5-0	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	Jalen Banks	3-0	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
47	Charles Wright	5-0	1	2	3	1.5-5	1.0-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
34	Dare Odeyingbo	3-0	.	2	2	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
53	Jake Bernstein	5-5	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93	Hayden Lekacz	5-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
82	Kris Kentera	5-2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
48	Jacob Schultz	5-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
83	Nathan Marcus	5-1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Bryce Lewis	5-0	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	Jay Hockaday	2-0	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
13	LaDarius Wiley	5-0	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total		5-0	170	174	344	31-100	9-55	2-19	25	4	3-0	4	1	.	
Opponents		5-0	219	174	393	24.0-70	6-35	8-114	19	15	3-0	2	1	.	

2015 STATISTICS



PASSING

	Com-Att-Yds-TD-Int	
	J. McCrary	W. Freebeck
WKU	18-34-217-1-2	DNP
Georgia	24-50-295-1-3	DNP
Austin Peay	28-33-368-2-0	2-6-26-0-1
at Ole Miss	23-42-194-1-0	DNP
at MTSU	18-31-177-0-2	DNP
at S. Carolina		
Missouri		
at Houston		
at Florida		
Kentucky		
Texas A&M		
at Tennessee		
TOTALS	111-190-1251-5-7	2-6-26-0-1

TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES OF 2015

Category	Player, Opponent
RUSHING YARDS	155, Ralph Webb (at MTSU)
RUSH ATTEMPTS	25 (3x), Ralph Webb (at MTSU)
PASSING YARDS	368, Johnny McCrary (Austin Peay)
PASS COMPLETIONS	28, Johnny McCrary (Austin Peay)
RECEPTIONS	16, Trent Sherfield (Austin Peay)
RECEIVING YARDS	240, Trent Sherfield (Austin Peay)
TDS SCORED	3, Ralph Webb (Austin Peay)
TOTAL TACKLES	15, Zach Cunningham (at MTSU)
SOLO TACKLES	12, Zach Cunningham (at MTSU)
QB SACKS	1.0 (9x), Cunningham, Butler, Weatherly (at Ole Miss)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	2.5, Zach Cunningham (at MTSU)
LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN	47, Darrius Sims (at Ole Miss)
INTERCEPTIONS	1 (2x), Burks, McIntosh (at Ole Miss)

RUSHING

	#-Yds/TD	WKU	UGA	AP	MISS	MTSU	SC	MIZZ	HOU	FLA	UK	TAMU	UT
Ralph Webb	108-437/3	18-70/0	25-68/0	15-54/2	25-90/0	25-155/1							
Johnny McCrary	34-160/2	8-58/0	8-17/0	5-41/1	7-11/0	6-33/1							
Dallas Rivers	38-82/1	11-26/0	4-7/0	12-25/1	3-6/0	8-18/0							
Darrius Sims	7-42/0	4-15/0	1-0/0	2-27/0	-	-							
Trent Sherfield	2-35/0	-	-	-	1-1/0	1-34/0							
Josh Crawford	6-20/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	6-20/0	DNP							
Tommy Openshaw	1-13/0	-	1-13/0	-	-	-							
Ladarius Banks	1-0/0	-	-	1-0/0	-	-							
TEAM	2-(-4/0)	1-(-1/0)	-	DNP	-	1-(-3/0)							

RECEIVING

	#-Yds/TD	WKU	UGA	AP	MISS	MTSU	SC	MIZZ	HOU	FLA	UK	TAMU	UT
Trent Sherfield	34-465/2	4-63/1	1-44/0	16-240/1	7-55/0	6-63/0							
Caleb Scott	14-154/0	1-23/0	2-22/0	3-24/0	5-42/0	3-43/0							
Ralph Webb	17-138/2	3-27/0	7-57/0	3-22/1	2-11/1	2-21/0							
DeAndre Woods	7-129/0	2-20/0	3-57/0	2-52/0	DNP	DNP							
Steven Scheu	10-115/0	2-12/0	2-43/0	DNP	5-57/0	1-3/0							
Kris Kentera	7-92/0	2-48/0	1-9/0	1-3/0	-	3-32/0							
L. Rayford	10-66/1	1-2/0	7-57/1	1-6/0	DNP	1-1/0							
Darrius Sims	5-59/0	2-10/0	-	2-32/0	1-17/0	-							
Dallas Rivers	3-24/0	1-12/0	1-6/0	1-6/0	-	-							
C. Dorrell	2-19/0	DNP	DNP	1-9/0	-	1-10/0							
Josh Crawford	2-11/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	2-11/0	DNP							
Ronald Monroe	1-4/0	DNP	DNP	-	-	1-4/0							
Nathan Marcus	1-1/0	-	-	-	1-1/0	-							

PUNT RETURNS

	#-Yds	WKU	UGA	AP	MISS	MTSU	SC	MIZZ	HOU	FLA	UK	TAMU	UT
Ryan White	4-50	-	-	2-38	1-0	1-12							
Torren McGaster	4-29	-	-	4-29	-	-							
Trey Ellis	4-22	2-16	2-6	-	-	-							
Tre Herndon	1-4	1-4	-	-	-	-							

KICK RETURNS

	#-Yds	WKU	UGA	AP	MISS	MTSU	SC	MIZZ	HOU	FLA	UK	TAMU	UT
Darrius Sims	14-300	3-61	3-69	1-17	4-103	3-50							

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TACKLES

	SOLO-ASSISTED-TOTAL	WKU	UGA	AP	MISS	MTSU	SC	MIZZ	HOU	FLA	UK	TAMU	UT
Zach Cunningham	20-15-35	1-0	2-3	1-2	4-7	12-3							
Oren Burks	14-14-28	2-2	4-4	1-3	2-4	5-1							
Darreon Herring	10-14-24	2-4	2-3	1-2	3-5	2-0							
Tre Herndon	14-7-21	2-1	3-1	2-2	4-3	3-0							
Torren McGaster	18-2-20	6-0	2-0	1-0	6-1	3-1							
S. Weatherly	13-7-20	0-3	6-2	-	2-1	5-1							
Arnold Tarpley	11-7-18	1-2	2-1	2-1	5-3	1-0							
N. Mitchell	5-11-16	1-2	0-5	1-1	0-2	3-1							
A. Williamson	8-7-15	1-5	4-0	2-1	1-1	DNP							
Caleb Azubike	3-11-14	1-2	0-3	0-3	1-3	1-0							
Ryan White	7-5-12	0-2	-	3-0	2-1	2-2							
Tre Bell	4-7-11	0-4	1-1	3-2	-	-							
Adam Butler	5-5-10	0-1	0-3	2-0	2-1	1-0							
Nifae Lealao	3-7-10	-	1-3	1-2	0-2	1-0							
Jay Woods	2-7-9	0-1	1-5	0-1	-	1-0							
K. Blasingame	5-3-8	-	1-0	1-2	1-1	2-0							
Emmanuel Smith	1-7-8	0-2	DNP	0-3	0-2	1-0							
Jonathan Wynn	3-5-8	1-1	0-3	0-1	-	2-0							
T. Ferguson	6-1-7	-	1-0	1-1	4-0	-							
Ja'karri Thomas	1-6-7	-	1-1	0-5	-	DNP							
Jordan Griffin	4-1-5	DNP	1-0	0-1	2-0	1-0							
Landon Stokes	0-5-5	0-2	0-1	0-1	-	0-1							
Josh Smith	1-4-5	1-1	-	0-2	0-1	-							
Jahmel McIntosh	2-3-5	0-1	-	-	1-2	1-0							
Nigel Bowden	2-2-4	-	2-2	DNP	DNP	DNP							
Torey Agee	1-2-3	-	0-1	1-1	-	-							
Charles Wright	1-2-3	-	-	1-2	-	-							
Jalen Banks	1-2-3	-	DNP	-	1-2	DNP							
Dare Odeyingbo	0-2-2	DNP	DNP	0-2	-	-							
LaDarius Wiley	0-1-1	-	-	0-1	-	-							
Jacob Schultz	1-0-1	-	-	-	1-0	-							
Nathan Marcus	1-0-1	-	-	1-0	-	-							
Jake Bernstein	1-0-1	-	-	-	-	1-0							
Jay Hockaday	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	0-1	DNP	-							
Hayden Lekacz	1-0-1	1-0	-	-	-	-							
Bryce Lewis	0-1-1	-	-	0-1	-	-							
Kris Kentera	1-0-1	-	-	-	-	1-0							

FUMBLES

	FF/FR	WKU	UGA	AP	MISS	MTSU	SC	MIZZ	HOU	FLA	UK	TAMU	UT
Oren Burks	1/1	-/-	-/-	1/1	-/-	-/-							
Jay Woods	1/-	-/-	1/-	-/-	-/-	-/-							
Stephen Weatherly	1/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	1/-	-/-							
Zach Cunningham	1/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	1/-							
Ryan White	-/1	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/1							
Torren McGaster	-/1	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/1							

INTERCEPTIONS/RET.

	No.-Yds	WKU	UGA	AP	MISS	MTSU	SC	MIZZ	HOU	FLA	UK	TAMU	UT
Oren Burks	1-1	-	-	-	1-1	-							
Jahmel McIntosh	1-18	-	-	-	1-18	-							

QB SACKS

	UA-A-TOTAL	WKU	UGA	AP	MISS	MTSU	SC	MIZZ	HOU	FLA	UK	TAMU	UT
Arnold Tarpley	1-0-1.0	-	-	1.0-11	-	-							
Charles Wright	1-0-1.0	-	-	1.0-4	-	-							
S. Weatherly	1-0-1.0	-	-	-	1.0-12	-							
A. Williamson	1-0-1.0	-	-	1.0-1	-	DNP							
Tre Herndon	1-0-1.0	1.0-6	-	-	-	-							
Zach Cunningham	1-0-1.0	-	-	-	1.0-2	-							
Jay Woods	1-0-1.0	-	1.0-5	-	-	-							
Adam Butler	1-0-1.0	-	-	-	1.0-7	-							
Jonathan Wynn	1-0-1.0	1.0-7	-	-	-	-							

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GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

STARTERS (OFF.)

	WR	WR	WR/TE/FB	TE	QB	RB	LT	LG	C	RG	RT
Western Kentucky	Sherfield	Rayford	Sims (WR)	Scheu	McCrary	Webb	Holden	Bernstein	Pulley	Gouger	Fromang
Georgia	Sherfield	Sims	Marcus (TE)	Scheu	McCrary	Webb	Holden	Bernstein	Pulley	Gouger	Fromang
Austin Peay	Sherfield	Rayford	Kentera (WR)	Scott (WR)	McCrary	Webb	Holden	Bernstein	Pulley	Gouger	Skule
at Ole Miss	Sherfield	Sims	Dowling (TE)	Scheu	McCrary	Webb	Holden	Bernstein	Pulley	Gouger	Skule
at MTSU	Sherfield	Scott	Kentera	Scheu	McCrary	Webb	Holden	Bernstein	Pulley	Gouger	Fromang
at South Carolina											
Missouri											
at Houston											
at Florida											
Kentucky											
Texas A&M											
at Tennessee											

STARTERS (DEF.)

	OLB	DE	NT	DE	ILB	ILB	OLB	CB	SS	FS	CB
Western Kentucky	Mitchell	Butler	J. Woods	Azubike	Herring	Bowden	Weatherly	McGaster	Williamson	Burks	Herndon
Georgia	Mitchell	Butler	J. Woods	Wynn	Herring	Bowden	Weatherly	McGaster	Williamson	Burks	Herndon
Austin Peay	Mitchell	Butler	J. Woods	Azubike	Herring	Z. Cunningham	Weatherly	McGaster	Williamson	Burks	Herndon
at Ole Miss	Mitchell	Butler	J. Woods	Azubike	Herring	Blasingame	Weatherly	McGaster	Williamson	Burks	Herndon
at MTSU	Mitchell	Butler	E. Smith (NB)	Azubike	Herring	Z. Cunningham	Weatherly	McGaster	Tarpley	Burks	Herndon
at South Carolina											
Missouri											
at Houston											
at Florida											
Kentucky											
Texas A&M											
at Tennessee											

TEAM STATISTICAL COMPARISONS

GAME-BY-GAME TEAM COMPARISONS

(NOTE: GAME TOTALS ARE DISPLAYED IN THE FORMAT TEAM/OPPONENT FOR EACH CATEGORY)

	SCORE	1ST DOWNS	RUSHING	PASSING	RUSH YDS	PASS YDS	PLAYS-TOTAL YDS	RET. YDS	TURNOVERS
Western Kentucky	L, 14-12	20/11	9/4	9/7	42-168/23-37	217/209	76-385/53-246	73/45	3/0
Georgia	L, 31-14	21/19	6/9	12/9	39-105/41-281	295/141	89-400/66-422	75/205	3/1
Austin Peay	W, 47-7	26/9	9/3	17/5	35-147/30-34	394/110	74-541/62-144	84/43	2/0
at Ole Miss	L, 27-16	21/30	8/11	9/13	43-128/42-151	194/321	85-322/84-472	122/98	0/2
at MTSU	W, 17-13	18/18	8/4	10/13	41-237/23-34	177/286	72-414/74-320	62/55	3/2
at South Carolina									
Missouri									
at Houston									
at Florida									
Kentucky									
Texas A&M									
at Tennessee									
Totals	106-92	106/87	40/31	57/47	199-785/159-537	1277/1067	395-2062/339-1604	416/446	11/5

GAME-BY-GAME TEAM COMPARISONS

(NOTE: GAME TOTALS ARE DISPLAYED IN THE FORMAT TEAM/OPPONENT FOR EACH CATEGORY)

	3RD DOWN	4TH DOWN	TIME POSS	MARGIN	YDS/RUSH	YDS/PASS	YDS/PLAY	PUNTING	PENALTY YDS
Western Kentucky	7-18/2-11	2-3/0-0	36:39/23:21	13:18	4.2/1.7	6.4/7.0	5.2/4.8	5-44.0/10-37.7	48/70
Georgia	7-21/4-13	3-4/0-0	32:57/27:03	5:54	2.7/6.9	5.9/5.6	4.5/6.4	6-45.0/6-40.5	20/92
Austin Peay	9-14/3-15	0-1/0-2	30:19/29:41	0:38	4.2/1.1	10.1/3.4	7.3/2.3	1-66.0/10-36.5	50/36
at Ole Miss	10-22/3-13	0-2/1-1	33:21/26:39	6:42	3.0/3.6	4.6/7.6	3.8/5.6	7-34.6/4-50.8	43/119
at MTSU	7-17/8-19	1-1/0-2	31:15/28:45	2:30	5.8/1.5	5.7/5.6	5.8/4.3	5-31.4/6-32.7	40/30
at South Carolina									
Missouri									
at Houston									
at Florida									
Kentucky									
Texas A&M									
at Tennessee									
Totals	40-92/20-71	6-10/1-5	164:31/135:29	29:02	3.9/3.4	6.5/5.9	5.2/4.7	24-39.8/36-38.4	193/347

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3RD DOWNS

	SCORE	OVERALL	1ST QTR	2ND QTR	3RD QTR	4TH QTR
Western Kentucky	L, 14-12	7-18 (38.9%)	1-3 (33.3%)	2-5 (40.0%)	1-4 (25.0%)	3-6 (50.0%)
Georgia	L, 31-14	7-21 (33.3%)	1-6 (16.7%)	4-8 (50.0%)	0-3 (0.0%)	2-4 (50.0%)
Austin Peay	W, 47-7	9-14 (64.3%)	3-5 (60.0%)	1-2 (50.0%)	3-4 (75.0%)	2-3 (66.7%)
at Ole Miss	L, 27-16	10-22 (45.5%)	5-8 (62.5%)	0-4 (0.0%)	2-4 (50.0%)	3-6 (50.0%)
at MTSU	W, 17-13	7-17 (41.2%)	1-5 (20.0%)	2-4 (50.0%)	1-4 (25.0%)	3-4 (75.0%)
at South Carolina						
Missouri						
at Houston						
at Florida						
Kentucky						
Texas A&M						
at Tennessee						
Vanderbilt		40-92 (43.5%)	11-27 (40.7%)	9-23 (39.1%)	7-19 (36.8%)	13-23 (56.5%)
Opponents		20-71 (28.2%)	2-14 (14.3%)	6-22 (27.3%)	8-19 (42.1%)	4-16 (25.0%)

4TH DOWNS

	SCORE	OVERALL	1ST QTR	2ND QTR	3RD QTR	4TH QTR
Western Kentucky	L, 14-12	2-3 (66.7%)	0-0 (0.0%)	1-1 (100.0%)	0-1 (0.0%)	1-1 (100.0%)
Georgia	L, 31-14	3-4 (75.0%)	2-2 (100.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)	1-2 (50.0%)
Austin Peay	W, 47-7	0-1 (0.0%)	0-1 (0.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)
at Ole Miss	L, 27-16	0-1 (0.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)	0-1 (0.0%)
at MTSU	W, 17-13	1-1 (100.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)	1-1 (100.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)
at South Carolina						
Missouri						
at Houston						
at Florida						
Kentucky						
Texas A&M						
at Tennessee						
Vanderbilt		6-10 (60.0%)	2-3 (66.7%)	2-2 (100.0%)	0-1 (0.0%)	2-4 (50.0%)
Opponents		1-5 (20.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)	1-2 (50.0%)	0-0 (0.0%)	0-3 (0.0%)

VANDERBILT-INSIDE OPPONENT 20-YARD LINE

OPPONENT	SCORE	Times in RZ	Times SCORED	TOTAL PTS	RUSH TDs	PASS TDs	TDs	FG MADE	-----FAILED IN RED ZONE-----					
									FGA	DOWNS	INT	FUMB	HALF	Gm
Western Kentucky	L, 14-12	5	2	9	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	0
Georgia	L, 31-14	4	1	8	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
Austin Peay	W, 47-7	7	6	37	5	4	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
at Ole Miss	L, 27-16	4	3	13	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
at MTSU	W, 17-13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at South Carolina														
Missouri														
at Houston														
at Florida														
Kentucky														
at Texas A&M														
at Tennessee														
Totals		20	12	67	8	4	4	4	2	2	3	0	1	0

VU Season Totals: 12 of 20 (60.0%)

OPPONENTS-INSIDE VANDERBILT 20-YARD LINE

OPPONENT	SCORE	Times in RZ	Times SCORED	TOTAL PTS	RUSH TDs	PASS TDs	TDs	FG MADE	-----FAILED IN RED ZONE-----					
									FGA	DOWNS	INT	FUMB	HALF	Gm
Western Kentucky	L, 14-12	3	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Georgia	L, 31-14	3	2	10	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Austin Peay	W, 47-7	2	1	7	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
at Ole Miss	L, 27-16	6	5	27	3	2	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
at MTSU	W, 17-13	3	2	10	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
at South Carolina														
Missouri														
at Houston														
at Florida														
Kentucky														
Texas A&M														
at Tennessee														
Opponent Totals		17	12	68	8	4	4	4	2	2	0	1	0	0

Opponent Season Totals: 12 of 17 (70.6%)

VANDERBILT

VANDERBILT – INDIVIDUALS

<u>The Last Time...</u>	<u>Player, Date</u>
Player scored 3 TDs.....	Ralph Webb, vs. Austin Peay (3, 9/19/2015)
Player scored 4 TDs or more.....	Earl Bennett, vs. Kentucky (5, 11/12/2005)
QB passes for 3 TDs.....	Johnny McCrary, vs. Old Dominion (5, 11/1/2014)
QB passes for 4 & more TDs.....	Johnny McCrary, vs. Old Dominion (5, 11/1/2014)
QB passed for 200+ yards.....	Johnny McCrary, vs. Austin Peay (3, 9/19/2015)
QB passed for 300+ yards.....	Johnny McCrary, vs. Austin Peay (3, 9/19/2015)
QB passed for 400+ yards.....	Chris Nickson, at Kentucky (446 yds., 11/11/2006)
70-yard (+) reception.....	Rodgers-Matthews, vs. Tennessee (71 yds., 11/17/2012)
Rushed for 100+ yards.....	Ralph Webb, at MTSU (155 yds., 10/3/2015)
Rushed for 200+ yards.....	Frank Mordica, vs. Air Force (321 yds., 11/18/1978)
Rushed for 300+ yards.....	Frank Mordica, vs. Air Force (321 yds., 11/18/1978)
70-yard (+) rush.....	Zac Stacy, at Wake Forest (90 yds., 11/24/2012)
Rushed for 3 (+) TD.....	Jerron Seymour, at Florida (3, 11/9/2013)
Receiver had 100+ yards.....	Trent Sherfield, vs. Austin Peay (240, 9/19/2015)
Receiver had 200+ yards.....	Trent Sherfield, vs. Austin Peay (240, 9/19/2015)
Had three TD receptions.....	Earl Bennett, vs. Richmond (3, 9/1/2007)
Had four (+) TD receptions.....	Earl Bennett, vs. Kentucky (5, 11/12/2005)
Kick return for TD.....	Darius Sims, vs. South Carolina (100 yds., 9/12/2014)
Punt return for TD.....	Jonathan Krause, at Wake Forest (83 yds., 11/24/2012)
INT returned for TD.....	Darius Sims, at Kentucky (13 yds., 10/27/2014)
Fumble return for TD.....	Adam Butler, vs. UMass (0 yds., 9/13/2014)
Kicked more than 3 FGs.....	John Markham, vs. Duke (4, 9/23/2000)
Kicked three FGs.....	Tommy Openshaw, vs. Ole Miss (3, 9/26/2015)
Kicked 50-yard (+) FG.....	Carey Spear, at South Carolina (54, 9/14/2013)
Posted 60-yard (+) punt.....	Tommy Openshaw, vs. Austin Peay (66, 9/19/2015)
Posted 70-yard (+) punt.....	Taylor Hudson, at South Carolina (75 yds., 9/14/2013)
Posted at least 10 solo tackles.....	Zach Cunningham, at MTSU (12, 10/3/2015)
Posted at least 10 total tackles.....	Zach Cunningham, at MTSU (15, 10/3/2015)
Posted 3+ tackles for loss.....	Stephen Weatherly, vs. Tennessee (5.0, 11/29/2014)
Posted 2+ interceptions.....	Torren McGaster, vs. Tennessee (2, 11/29/2014)
Posted 3+ passes defensed.....	Torren McGaster, at MTSU (3, 10/3/2015)
Blocked opponent punt.....	Stephen Weatherly, vs. UMass (9/13/2014)
Returned blocked punt for TD.....	Stephen Weatherly, vs. UMass (11, 9/13/2014)
Blocked opponent FG.....	Nifae Lealao, vs. Ole Miss (9/26/2015)
Blocked a PAT attempt.....	Adam Butler, at Georgia (10/4/2014)
Scored on safety.....	Team, at Missouri (10/6/2012)
Posted 2-pt. conversion.....	Hudson-to-East pass, vs. Charleston So. (10/11/2014)

VANDERBILT – TEAM

<u>The Last Time...</u>	<u>Opponent, Date</u>
Achieved 30 (+) first downs.....	vs. Old Dominion (33, 11/1/2014)
Topped 500+ Yards in Total Offense.....	vs. Austin Peay (541, 9/19/2015)
300 or more passing yards.....	vs. Austin Peay (394, 9/19/2015)
400 or more passing yards.....	vs. Kentucky (446, 11/11/2006)
Rushed for 200+ yards.....	vs. MTSU (237, 10/3/2015)
Rushed for 300+ yards.....	vs. Presbyterian (410, 9/15/2012)
Rushed for 400+ yards.....	vs. Presbyterian (410, 9/15/2012)
Scored 40 points or more.....	vs. Austin Peay (47, 9/19/2015)
Scored 21+ points in quarter.....	vs. Austin Peay (21, 3rd qtr, 9/19/2015)
Held foe under 100 total yards.....	vs. Chattanooga (93, 9/6/2003)
Held foe between 100-200 total yards.....	vs. Austin Peay (144, 9/19/2015)
Held foe under 100 rushing yards.....	vs. MTSU (34, 10/3/2015)
Held foe under 100 passing yards.....	Tennessee (92, 11/29/2014)
Held foe scoreless.....	at Kentucky (40-0, 11/3/2012)

OPPONENTS

OPPONENT – INDIVIDUALS

<u>The Last Time a VU Opponent...</u>	<u>Player (Team) Date</u>
Player scored three TDs.....	Jeff Driskel, Florida (3, 10/13/2012)
Player scored four TDs or more.....	Justin Boyles, Duke (4, 10/28/2006)
QB passes for three TDs.....	Dak Prescott, Miss. State (3, 11/22/2014)
QB passes for four TDs.....	Johnny Manziel, Texas A&M (4, 10/26/2013)
QB passed for 200+ yards.....	Brent Stockstill, MTSU (286 yds., 10/3/2015)
QB passed for 300+ yards.....	Chad Kelly, Ole Miss (321 yds., 9/26/2015)
QB passed for 400+ yards.....	Bo Wallace, Ole Miss (403 yds., 11/10/2012)
70-yard (+) reception.....	Berkstresser-Sasser, Missouri (85 yds., 10/6/2012)
Rushed for 100+ yards.....	Jaylen Walton, Ole Miss (136, 9/26/2015)
Rushed for 200+ yards.....	Arian Foster, Tennessee (223 yds., 11/19/2005)
Rushed for 3 (+) TDs.....	Jeff Driskel, Florida (3, 10/13/2012)
70-yard (+) rush.....	Pharoh Cooper, So. Carolina (70 yds., 9/20/2014)
Receiver had 100+ yards.....	Laquon Treadwell, Ole Miss (14, 9/26/2015)
Receiver had 200+ yards.....	Craig Yeast, Kentucky (269 yds., 11/13/1998)
Had three (+) TD receptions.....	Sidney Rice, South Carolina (3, 10/22/2005)
Kick return for TD.....	Mike Wallace, Ole Miss (98 yds., 9/20/2008)
Punt return for TD.....	Cameron Sutton, Tennessee (76 yds., 11/29/2014)
INT return for TD.....	Dominick Sanders, Georgia (88 yds., 9/12/2015)
Fumble return for TD.....	Christian Holmes, Miss. State (51 yds., 11/22/2014)
Blocked punt return for TD.....	Lorenzo Mathis, Charleston So. (17 yds., 10/11/2014)
Kicked three or more FGs.....	Bryson Rose, Ole Miss (4, 11/3/2012)
Kicked 50-yard (+) FG.....	Bryson Rose, Ole Miss (4, 11/3/2012)
Posted punt of 70+ yards.....	Ryan Janvion, Wake Forest (71, 11/30/2013)
Posted at least 10 total tackles.....	Robert Nkemdiche, Ole Miss (14, 9/26/2015)
Posted 3+ tackles for loss.....	Jordan Jenkins, Georgia (5.5, 9/12/2015)
Posted 2+ interceptions.....	Jacob Martin, Temple (2, 8/28/2014)
Blocked VU punt.....	Cale Luke, Ole Miss (9/26/2015)
Blocked VU FG.....	Sharrif Floyd, Florida (11/5/2011)
Scored on VU safety.....	Team, Arkansas (10/30/2010)

OPPONENT – TEAM

<u>The Last Time a VU Opponent...</u>	<u>Team, Date</u>
Achieved 30 (+) first downs in game.....	Ole Miss (30, 9/26/2015)
Topped 500 Yards in Total Offense.....	Miss. State (502, 11/22/2014)
Rushed for more than 200 yards.....	Georgia (281, 9/12/2015)
Rushed for more than 300 yards.....	Florida (326, 10/13/2012)
Rushed for more than 400 yards.....	Georgia Tech (404, 10/31/2009)
300 or more passing yards.....	Ole Miss (321, 9/26/2015)
Scored 40 points or more.....	Miss. State (51, 11/22/2014)
Scored 21+ points in quarter.....	Miss. State (21, 2nd qtr.), 11/12/2014)
Held Vanderbilt under 100 rushing yards.....	Miss. State (49, 11/22/2014)
Held Vanderbilt under 100 passing yards.....	Kentucky (85, 9/27/2014)
Held Vanderbilt under 200 total yards.....	Kentucky (139, 9/27/2014)
Held Vanderbilt scoreless.....	Miss. State (51-0, 11/22/2014)

COMMODORES' LATE RALLY FALLS SHORT IN OPENER VS. WKU

NASHVILLE – Perhaps it's only fitting that Vanderbilt's comeback hopes Thursday died with a failed two-point conversion attempt. All night long, the Commodores stumbled whenever they got near the end zone.

Joe Brown stopped Nathan Marcus a yard shy of the goal line on a two-point conversion attempt with 33 seconds left to preserve Western

Kentucky's 14-12 victory over Vanderbilt on Thursday night. Earlier in the game, Vanderbilt had failed to score on three separate trips inside Western Kentucky's 10-yard line.

"I thought all the way to the end we were going to win this game," Vanderbilt coach

Derek Mason said. "I came into this game that way, and I felt that way all the way through. I'm confident about what this football team can accomplish."

Vanderbilt's comeback hopes instead fell a yard short.

The Commodores had cut the lead to 14-12 when Johnny McCrary threw a 2-yard touchdown pass to Trent Sherfield on 4th-and-goal. Brown made an open-field tackle after Marcus caught Johnny McCrary's pass on a potential game-tying conversion attempt.

SCORING SUMMARY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	FINAL	RECORD
WKU	0	0	7	7	14	1-0
VANDERBILT	0	3	0	9	12	0-1

2nd: VANDY: Openshaw 49-yd field goal, 7-29 2:58.

3rd: WKU: Allen 4-yd run (Schwettman kick), 2-69 0:28.

4th: VANDY: Openshaw 26-yd field goal, 9-52 3:19.

WKU: Higbee 9-yd pass from Doughty (Schwettman kick), 9-70 3:50.

VANDY: Sherfield 2-yd pass from McCrary (McCrary pass failed), 12-77 2:05.

STATISTICS

	WKU	VANDERBILT
FIRST DOWNS	11	20
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	22-38	42-176
PASSING YDS (NET)	209	217
PASSES ATT-COMP-INT	30-19-0	34-18-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	52-247	76-393
FUMBLE RETURNS-YARDS	0-0	0-0
PUNT RETURNS-YARDS	0-0	3-12
KICKOFF RETURNS-YARDS	2-45	3-61
INTERCEPTION RETURNS-YARDS	2-0	0-0
PUNTS (NUMBER-AVG)	10-37.7	5-44.0
FUMBLES-LOST	2-0	2-1
PENALTIES-YARDS	9-70	5-48
POSSESSION TIME	23:21	36:39
THIRD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	2 OF 11	7 OF 18
FOURTH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	0 OF 0	2 OF 3
RED-ZONE SCORES-CHANCES	2-3	2-5
SACKS BY: NUMBER-YARDS	1-5	2-13

RUSHING: WKU – Leon Allen 15-56; D'Andre Ferby 2-14; Brandon Doughty 5-(-32). VANDY – Ralph Webb 18-70; Johnny McCrary 8-66; Dallas Rivers 11-26; Darrius Sims 4-15; team 1-(-1).

PASSING: WKU – Doughty 19-30-0-209. VANDY – McCrary 18-34-2-217.

RECEIVING: WKU – Antwane Grant 5-29; Tyler Higbee 4-102; Allen 4-19; Taywan Taylor 3-40; N. Norris 3-19. VANDY – Trent Sherfield 4-63; Webb 3-27; Kris Kentera 2-48; DeAndre Woods 2-20; Steven Scheu 2-12; Sims 2-10; Caleb Scott 1-23; Rivers 1-12; Latevius Rayford 1-2.

MISTAKES DOOM DORES IN LOSS TO NO. 10 GEORGIA

NASHVILLE – Vanderbilt coach Derek Mason says his quarterback Johnny McCrary is trying hard to make plays. The Commodores need to help him figure out how to protect the ball better with chances to score.

McCrary threw for 295 yards and a touchdown Saturday. But the red-shirt sophomore also was intercepted three times, once in the end zone with the Commodores trying to rally late before losing 31-14 to No. 10 Georgia in the Southeastern Conference opener for both teams.

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In two games, McCrary now has been intercepted five times with three of those in the end zone, and the Commodores now are 0-2 to start Mason's second season.

"If we can fix our red zone problems, it will be good for us," Mason said. "We're racking up

yards, but not points."

Vanderbilt was trying to beat Georgia in back-to-back games in Nashville for the first time since the 1950s. The Commodores held the ball for nearly 33 minutes overall and rolled up 231 of their 400 yards in the fourth quarter.

SCORING SUMMARY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	FINAL	RECORD
GEORGIA	7	7	10	7	31	2-0,1-0
VANDERBILT	0	6	0	8	14	0-2,0-1

1st: UGA: McKenzie 77-yd punt return (Morgan kick).

2nd: VANDY: Openshaw 47-yd field goal, 11-38 5:13. UGA: Michel 31-yd run (Morgan kick), 5-64 1:14. VANDY: Openshaw 41-yd field goal, 12-55 5:24.

3rd: UGA: Morgan 20-yd field goal, 8-39 2:58. UGA: Lambert 5-yd run (Morgan kick), 8-66 3:31.

4th: VANDY: Rayford 7-yd pass from McCrary (McCrary rush), 5-42 0:46. UGA: Sanders 88-yd interception return (Morgan kick).

STATISTICS

	UGA	VANDERBILT
FIRST DOWNS	19	21
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	41-281	39-105
PASSING YDS (NET)	141	295
PASSES ATT-COMP-INT	25-13-0	50-24-3
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	66-422	89-400
FUMBLE RETURNS-YARDS	0-0	0-0
PUNT RETURNS-YARDS	3-89	2-6
KICKOFF RETURNS-YARDS	2-27	3-69
INTERCEPTION RETURNS-YARDS	3-88	0-0
PUNTS (NUMBER-AVG)	6-40.5	6-45.0
FUMBLES-LOST	1-0	1-0
PENALTIES-YARDS	10-92	4-20
POSSESSION TIME	27:03	32:57
THIRD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	4 OF 13	7 OF 21
FOURTH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	0 OF 0	3 OF 4
RED-ZONE SCORES-CHANCES	2-3	1-4
SACKS BY: NUMBER-YARDS	3-21	1-5

RUSHING: UGA – Chubb 19-189; Michel 12-56; McKenzie 1-24; Marshall 5-11; Lambert 3-2; Team 1-(-1). VANDY – Webb 25-68; McCrary 8-17; Openshaw 1-13; Rivers 4-7; Sims 1-0.

PASSING: UGA – Lambert 11-21-0-116; Ramsey 2-4-0-25.

VANDY – McCrary 24-50-3-295.

RECEIVING: UGA – M. Mitchell 4-36; Michel 2-30; Chubb 2-13; Blazeovich 1-19; McKenzie 1-15; Godwin 1-10; Harris 1-10; Davis 1-8. VANDY – Webb 7-57; Rayford 7-57; D. Woods 3-57; Scheu 2-43; Scott 2-22; Sherfield 1-44; Kentera 1-9; Rivers 1-6.

COMMODORES ROLL TO FIRST WIN, SHERFIELD STARS VS. AUSTIN PEAY

NASHVILLE – Trent Sherfield may not have known he was on the brink of a record-setting performance Saturday, but his coach did.

Sherfield's 17-yard reception in the fourth quarter of Vanderbilt's 47-7 win over Austin Peay gave the sophomore 16 catches for 240 yards - the latter of which is the most by a Commodore in a single game.

"I knew," second-year Vanderbilt coach Derek Mason said. "I wanted him to have the record. I wanted him to have the catch. He's worked hard. You reward guys for the work they do. That's what I believe. I talked to (receivers coach) Cortez Hankton, I said, 'keep him in, let's play, let's keep doing what we're doing.' He got the catch, we got

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him out of the game."

By then, the game was long decided - due in large part to a 16-point outburst in the late moments of the second quarter, when Vanderbilt rallied from a 7-3 deficit to take a 19-7 advantage into the locker room at halftime.

SCORING SUMMARY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	FINAL	RECORD
AUSTIN PEAY	0	7	0	0	7	0-3
VANDERBILT	3	16	21	7	47	1-2,0-1

1st: VANDY: Openshaw 40-yd field goal, 5-20 2:41.

2nd: APSU: COLEMAN 14-yd pass from TAYLOR (BIRCHFIELD kick), 3-17 0:50. VANDY: Webb 3-yd run (Openshaw kick), 8-78 3:46. VANDY: Openshaw 38-yd field goal, 5-26 2:02. VANDY: Webb 9-yd pass from McCrary (Kentera rush failed), 6-68 1:07.

3rd: VANDY: Webb 2-yd run (Openshaw kick), 6-75 1:50. VANDY: Sherfield 26-yd pass from McCrary (Openshaw kick), 6-51 1:58. VANDY: McCrary 16-yd run (Openshaw kick), 8-71 2:03.

4th: VANDY: Rivers 4 yd run (Openshaw kick), 4-15 1:38.

STATISTICS

	APSU	VANDERBILT
FIRST DOWNS	9	26
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	30-34	35-147
PASSING YDS (NET)	110	394
PASSES ATT-COMP-INT	32-18-0	39-30-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	62-144	74-541
FUMBLE RETURNS-YARDS	0-0	0-0
PUNT RETURNS-YARDS	0-0	6-67
KICKOFF RETURNS-YARDS	3-42	1-17
INTERCEPTION RETURNS-YARDS	1-1	0-0
PUNTS (NUMBER-AVG)	10-36.5	1-66.0
FUMBLES-LOST	1-0	2-1
PENALTIES-YARDS	5-36	7-50
POSSESSION TIME	29:41	30:19
THIRD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	3 OF 15	9 OF 14
FOURTH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	0 OF 2	0 OF 1
RED-ZONE SCORES-CHANCES	1-2	6-7
SACKS BY: NUMBER-YARDS	0-0	3-16

RUSHING: APSU – Franklin 7-18; Morris 4-16; Davis 8-10; Roberson 2-1; TEAM 2-(-2); Taylor 7-(-9). VANDY – Webb 15-54; McCrary 5-41; Sims 2-27; Rivers 12-25; Banks 1-0.

PASSING: APSU – Taylor 18-32-0-110. VANDY – McCrary 28-33-0-368; Freebeck 2-6-1-26.

RECEIVING: APSU – Beard 5-21; Thomas 4-34; Coleman 3-23; Braswell 2-12; Davis 2-9; Coleman 1-9; Ballard 1-2. VANDY – Sherfield 16-240; Scott 3-24; Webb 3-22; D. Woods 2-52; Sims 2-32; Dorrell 1-9; L. Rayford 1-6; Rivers 1-6; Kentera 1-3.

COMMODORES DROP HARD-FOUGHT BATTLE AGAINST NO. 3 OLE MISS

OXFORD, Miss. – Vanderbilt stayed in the game against No. 3 Mississippi much longer than just about anyone expected.

But the Commodores could never find the big offensive play to pull off an upset over the Rebels.

Ole Miss beat Vanderbilt 27-16 on Saturday night, pushing past a feisty Commodores defense that slowed down the Rebels for the first time all season.

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"We are going to continue to get better," Vanderbilt coach Derek Mason said. "Teams are not going to want to see us in October and November, I can tell you that."

Vanderbilt (1-3, 0-2 Southeastern

Conference) lost its third straight against the Rebels, who came into the game averaging 64 points per game. Johnny McCrary threw for 194 yards and Ralph Webb ran for 90.

Vanderbilt stayed within striking distance all night thanks to a defense that didn't give up big plays and generally played mistake-free football.

SCORING SUMMARY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	FINAL	RECORD
VANDERBILT	3	0	10	3	16	1-3,0-2
OLE MISS	7	6	7	7	27	4-0,2-0

1st: VANDY: Openshaw 28-yd field goal, 19-73 7:17. OM: Stringfellow 20-yd pass from Kelly (Wunderlich kick) 5-72 1:04.

2nd: OM: Wunderlich 19-yd field goal, 15-78 4:18. OM: Wunderlich 39-yd field goal, 6-37 1:55.

3rd: VANDY: Openshaw 41-yd field goal, 7-50 1:43. VANDY: Webb 7-yd pass from McCrary (Openshaw kick), 7-80 3:06. OM: R. Nkemdiche 1-yd run (Wunderlich kick), 7-20 2:19.

4th: VANDY: Openshaw 34-yd field goal, 12-70 4:06. OM: Walton 3-yd run (Wunderlich kick), 9-80 2:41

STATISTICS

	VANDERBILT	OLE MISS
FIRST DOWNS	21	30
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	43-128	42-151
PASSING YDS (NET)	194	321
PASSES ATT-COMP-INT	42-23-0	42-24-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	85-322	84-472
FUMBLE RETURNS-YARDS	0-0	0-0
PUNT RETURNS-YARDS	1-0	3-17
KICKOFF RETURNS-YARDS	4-103	4-81
INTERCEPTION RETURNS-YARDS	2-19	0-0
PUNTS (NUMBER-AVG)	7-34.6	4-50.8
FUMBLES-LOST	0-0	1-0
PENALTIES-YARDS	8-43	11-119
POSSESSION TIME	33:21	26:39
THIRD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	10 OF 22	3 OF 13
FOURTH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	0 OF 2	1 OF 1
RED-ZONE SCORES-CHANCES	3-4	5-6
SACKS BY: NUMBER-YARDS	3-21	0-0

RUSHING: VANDY – Webb 25-90; Crawford 6-20; McCrary 7-11; Rivers 3-6; Sherfield 1-1. OLE MISS – Walton 21-133; Wilkins 7-26; Judd 2-4; Gleeson 1-3; R. Nkemdiche 1-1; Liggins 2-0; TEAM 3-(-6); Kelly 5-(-10).

PASSING: VANDY – McCrary 23-42-0-194. OLE MISS – Kelly 24-42-2-321.

RECEIVING: VANDY – Sherfield 7-55; Scheu 5-57; Scott 5-42; Crawford 2-11; Webb 2-11; Sims 1-17; Marcus 1-1. OLE MISS – L. Treadwell 8-135; Pack 6-52; D. Stringfellow 4-71; Engram 3-41; Core 2-21; Walton 1-1.

COMMODORES RALLY LATE IN FOURTH FOR ROAD WIN AT MIDDLE TENNESSEE

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. – Ralph Webb ran for a 39-yard touchdown late in the fourth quarter to lift Vanderbilt past Middle Tennessee 17-13 on Saturday night.

The Commodores overcame a 10-point deficit with two touchdowns in the final 6:14. Quarterback Johnny McCrary scored on a 29-yard run before Webb scored with 1:12 left to play. It was Vanderbilt's (2-3) first win against an FBS opponent this season.

GAME 5

OCT. 3, 2015

MURFREESBORO, TENN.

"Once I broke through the second wave of the defense, all I saw was the end zone," Webb said. "I was trying to get there as fast as I could."

Webb ran for 155 yards on 25 carries for his first 100-yard rushing game of the season and third of his career.

"Bout time," Vanderbilt coach Derek Mason said. "I'll be honest with you. I've been waiting for him to hit one for a while."

"Sometimes you run out of time," said Mason. "Today we almost ran out of time. . . It was our first road win since I've been here, and that's huge for this young, growing football team."

SCORING SUMMARY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	FINAL	RECORD
VANDERBILT	3	0	0	14	17	2-3,0-2
MTSU	3	3	0	7	13	2-3,1-0

1st: MT: Clark 44-yd field goal, 8-48 2:03. VANDY: Openshaw 40-yd field goal, 4-7 1:28.

2nd: MT Clark 28-yd field goal, 11-64 3:03.

4th: MT: Batties 18-yd pass from Stockstill, B. (Clark kick), 12-63 5:13. VANDY: McCrary 29-yd run (Openshaw kick), 6-51 1:38. VANDY: Webb 39-yd run (Openshaw kick), 7-87 2:01.

STATISTICS

	VANDERBILT	MTSU
FIRST DOWNS	18	18
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	41-237	23-34
PASSING YDS (NET)	177	286
PASSES ATT-COMP-INT	31-18-2	51-32-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	72-414	74-320
FUMBLE RETURNS-YARDS	0-0	0-0
PUNT RETURNS-YARDS	1-12	2-5
KICKOFF RETURNS-YARDS	3-50	1-25
INTERCEPTION RETURNS-YARDS	0-0	2-25
PUNTS (NUMBER-AVG)	5-31.4	6-32.7
FUMBLES-LOST	1-1	2-2
PENALTIES-YARDS	6-40	5-30
POSSESSION TIME	31:15	28:45
THIRD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	7 OF 17	8 OF 19
FOURTH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	1 OF 1	0 OF 2
RED-ZONE SCORES-CHANCES	0-0	2-3
SACKS BY: NUMBER-YARDS	0-0	2-9

RUSHING: VANDY – Webb 25-155; Sherfield 1-34; McCrary 6-33; Rivers 8-18; TEAM 1-(-3). MT – Bryson, J. 7-17; Stockstill, B. 3-11; Tucker 10-9; Parker 2-2; TEAM 1-(-5).

PASSING: VANDY – McCrary 18-31-2-177. MT – Stockstill, B. 32-51-0-286.

RECEIVING: VANDY – Sherfield 6-63; Scott 3-43; Kentera 3-32; Webb 2-21; Dorrell 1-10; Monroe 1-4; Scheu 1-3; L. Rayford 1-1. MT – Batties 10-82; James 8-95; Tucker 4-16; Barnes 3-37; Pettis 2-27; Ducksworth, R. 2-19; Frazier, D. 1-8; Parker 1-4; Bryson, J. 1-(-2).