

## 2006-2007 VANDERBILT MEN'S BASKETBALL (20-11 OVERALL, 10-6 SEC)

The brackets for the 2007 NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Tournament will be announced on Sunday, March 11 at 5 p.m. CT on CBS.

Vanderbilt (20-11) will be looking to make its first appearance at the NCAA Tournament since 2004 and the ninth in school history. The Commodores advanced to the regional semifinals as a No. 6 seed in the Phoenix regionals of the 2004 NCAA Tournament, defeating No. 11 seed Western Michigan (71-58) and No. 3 seed N.C. State (75-73) in Orlando, Fla. The Commodores then lost to eventual national champion, No. 1 seed Connecticut (73-53) in Phoenix, Ariz.

Vanderbilt is 7-9 all-time at the NCAA Tournament. Since the tournament expanded to at least 64 teams, the Commodores have advanced as far as the regional semifinals three times (1988, 1993, 2004). Vanderbilt made the regional finals of the 1965 tournament that consisted of a 23-team field.

### Stallings at the NCAA Tournament

Vanderbilt head coach Kevin Stallings owns a 3-3 mark in the NCAA Tournament. He is 2-1 in one appearance at Vanderbilt (2004) and 1-2 in two appearances (1997, 1998) during his six-year tenure as head coach at Illinois State from 1994-1999.

### Head Coach Kevin Stallings at the NCAA Tournament (3-3)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Seed</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>Results</u>
2004	No. 6 (Phoenix)	2-1	def. [11] Western Michigan, 71-58 def. [3] N.C. State, 75-73 lost to [1] Connecticut, 73-53
1998	No. 9 (West)	1-1	def. [8] Tennessee, 82-81 (OT) lost to [1] Arizona, 99-60
1997	No. 11 (Midwest)	0-1	lost to [6] Iowa State, 69-57

Stallings served an assistant under Roy Williams at Kansas from 1989 to 1993, helping lead the Jayhawks to four NCAA appearances (1990-1993) and two Final Four showings (1991 and 1993).

Stallings worked as an assistant to Gene Keady at Purdue from 1983 to 1988 with the Boilermakers making six NCAA Tournament appearances. Stallings played for Keady for three seasons (1980-82), including 1980 when the Boilermakers advanced to the Final Four.

### Vanderbilt at the NCAA Tournament

Previous NCAA Tournament Appearances	8
Tournament Record	7-9 (.438)
Total Tournament Games	16
Last Appearance	2004: lost 73-53 to Connecticut in semifinals of Phoenix regional
Best Finishes (64-plus team field)	Advanced to Sweet 16 (1988, 1993, 2004)

### **Commodore NCAA Tournament Notes**

- Vanderbilt's highest seed at the NCAA Tournament was a third seed in 1993.
- Highest seeded team Vanderbilt has defeated in NCAA Tournament: No. 2 seed Pittsburgh, 80-74 in overtime (3/20/88).
- In eight previous NCAA appearances, Vanderbilt has played four teams that advanced to the Championship Game:
  - 1965** - Michigan (85-87, Regional Finals). Michigan eventually lost to UCLA in title game, 91-80
  - 1974** - Marquette (61-69, Regional Semifinals). Marquette eventually lost to N.C. State in title game, 76-64
  - 1988** - Kansas (64-77, Regional Semifinals). Kansas went on to win title over Oklahoma, 83-79.
  - 2004** - Connecticut (53-73, Regional Semifinals). Connecticut went on to win title over Georgia Tech 82-73.

### **Commodore NCAA Tournament Highlights**

- 1965** - Vanderbilt advanced to the Elite Eight before losing to No. 1 ranked Michigan, 87-85. The Vanderbilt-Michigan game featured consensus All-Americans Clyde Lee of Vanderbilt and Cazzie Russell of Michigan.
  - Lee scored 28 points (second highest NCAA single-game total by Commodore behind Billy McCaffrey 29-point effort (March 20, 1993, 85-68 victory over Illinois). Lee played the entire second half with four personal fouls.
  - Lee also grabbed 20 rebounds (all-time NCAA single-game high by Commodore) in the loss vs. Michigan.
  - Lee's 24-point, 15-rebound effort led Vanderbilt OT win over DePaul, 83-78, to advance to the Michigan game.
  - Lee was named All-South Region Most Outstanding Player while Vanderbilt guard Keith Thomas also earned All-Region honors.
- 1974** - Vanderbilt hits 21 of 22 free throws in loss vs. Marquette (61-69, March 16) - tied for sixth best single-game performance in NCAA tournament.
  - Vanderbilt's Jeff Fosnes was named All-South Region Team.
- 1988** - Led by All-SEC center Will Perdue, Vanderbilt advanced to the Sweet 16 behind the shooting touch of junior guard Barry Goheen. Seeded No. 7, Vanderbilt defeated No. 10 Utah State in the first round to meet No. 2 seeded Pittsburgh. With the Commodores trailing by three in the closing seconds, Goheen launched a 25-footer at the buzzer to send the game into overtime. Goheen helped clinch the victory with four free throws and an assist in overtime.
  - National Player of the Year Danny Manning scored 38 points to lead eventual national champion Kansas over the Commodores.
- 1993** - While advancing to the second Sweet 16, Commodore guard Ronnie McMahan puts on a three-point shooting exhibition, hitting 13 of 19 (68.4 percent). It ranks as the eighth best performance ever in NCAA tournament history.
  - As a team, the Commodores hit 47.1 percent of their 3-point attempts (32-68), tied as fifth best team effort in NCAA tournament history.
  - Guard Billy McCaffrey puts on a show for the Commodores in 85-68 victory over No. 6 seeded Illinois. McCaffrey sets Commodore single-game NCAA mark with 29 points in the victory.
  - In a 67-59 loss to Temple (Sweet 16), Vanderbilt made its only free throw attempt.
- 2004** - In one of its most memorable NCAA Tournament games in recent history, Vanderbilt overcame an 11-point deficit with 3:45 remaining as Commodore all-time leading scorer Matt Freije poured 31 points, including 11 in the final 3:28 to help Vanderbilt rally for a 75-73 second-round win over N.C. State. Mario Moore hit Corey Smith with a backdoor pass that Smith converted for a conventional three-point play with 23 seconds remaining to help seal the victory.

### **Commodore NCAA Tournament History (Yearly Results)**

#### **1965**

Regional: Mideast (Lexington, Ky.)

Semifinal: Vanderbilt 83, DePaul 78 OT (March 12)

Final: Michigan 87, Vanderbilt 85 (March 13)

#### **1974**

Regional: Mideast (Tuscaloosa, Ala.)

Semifinal: Marquette 85, Vanderbilt 61 (March 14)

Regional Third-Place: Notre Dame 118, Vanderbilt 88 (March 16)

#### **1988**

Regional: Midwest

1st Round: [No. 7] Vanderbilt 80, [No. 10] Utah State 77; Lincoln, Neb. (March 18)

2nd Round: Vanderbilt 80, [No. 2] Pittsburgh 74; Lincoln, Neb. (March 20)

Semifinal: [No. 6] Kansas 77, Vanderbilt 64; Pontiac, Mich. (March 25)

#### **1989**

Regional: East

1st Round: [No. 9] Notre Dame 81, [No. 8] Vanderbilt 65; Providence, R.I. (March 17)

#### **1991**

Regional: West

1st Round: [No. 8] Georgetown 70, [No. 9] Vanderbilt 60; Tucson, Ariz. (March 15)

#### **1993**

Regional: West

1st Round: [No. 3] Vanderbilt 92, [No. 14] Boise State 72; Salt Lake City, Utah (March 18)

2nd Round: Vanderbilt 85, [No. 6] Illinois 68; Salt Lake City, Utah (March 20)

Semifinal: [No. 7] Temple 67, Vanderbilt 59; Seattle, Wash. (March 26)

#### **1997**

Regional: Midwest

1st Round: [No. 7] Xavier 80, [No. 10] Vanderbilt 68; Auburn Hills, Mich. (March 13)

#### **2004**

Regional: Phoenix

1st Round: [No. 6] Vanderbilt 71, [No. 11] Western Michigan 58; Orlando, Fla. (March 19)

2<sup>nd</sup> Round: [No. 6] Vanderbilt 75, [No. 3] N.C. State 73; Orlando, Fla. (March 21)

Semifinal: [No. 1] Connecticut 73, [No. 6] Vanderbilt 53; Phoenix, Ariz. (March 25)

### **Vanderbilt's NCAA Tournament Appearances**

<b>Year</b>	<b>(Region)</b>
1965	(Mideast)
1974	(Mideast)
1988	(Midwest)
1989	(East)
1991	(West)
1993	(West)
1997	(Midwest)
2004	(Phoenix)

**Vanderbilt vs. All Opponents at the NCAA Tournament**

Boise State	1-0
Connecticut	0-1
DePaul	1-0
Georgetown	0-1
Illinois	1-0
Kansas	0-1
Marquette	0-1
Michigan	0-1
North Carolina State	1-0
Notre Dame	0-2
Pittsburgh	1-0
Temple	0-1
Utah State	1-0
Western Michigan	1-0
Xavier	0-1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7-9</b>

**Record By Regional Round**

First Round	4-4
Second Round	3-1
Regional Semifinal	0-3
Consolation	0-1

**Record at NCAA Tournament Sites**

<b>Site</b>	<b>W-L</b>
Auburn Hills, Mich.	0-1
Lexington, Ky.	1-1
Lincoln, Neb.	2-0
Orlando, Fla.	2-0
Phoenix, Ariz.	0-1
Pontiac, Mich.	0-1
Providence, R.I.	0-1
Salt Lake City, Utah	2-0
Seattle, Wash.	0-1
Tucson, Ariz.	0-1
Tuscaloosa, Ala.	0-2

**Record vs. Seeded Teams in NCAA Tournament**

<b>Vs. Seed</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Last Faced (Opponent)</b>
No. 2	1-1	2004 (Connecticut)
No. 3	1-0	2004 (N.C. State)
No. 6	1-1	1993 (Illinois)
No. 7	0-2	1997 (Xavier)
No. 8	0-1	1991 (Georgetown)
No. 9	0-1	1989 (Notre Dame)
No. 10	1-0	1988 (Utah State)
No. 11	1-0	2004 (Western Michigan)
No. 12	1-0	1993 (Boise State)

**Record as a Seeded Team In NCAA Tournament**

<b>Seed</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Year(s)</b>
No. 3	2-1	1993
No. 6	2-1	2004
No. 7	2-1	1988
No. 8	0-1	1989
No. 9	0-1	1991
No. 10	0-1	1997

**Please note:** Teams were not seeded at the NCAA Tournament during Vanderbilt's appearances in 1965 and 1974.