



BIG SOUTH CONFERENCE

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BIG SOUTH FOOTBALL STANDINGS

Team	Conference			Overall			Home	Road	Neu	L10	Streak
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.					
Coastal Carolina	3	0	1.000	9	1	.900	6-0	3-1	0-0	9-1	W7
Liberty	3	1	.750	5	5	.500	3-2	2-3	0-0	5-5	W3
Gardner-Webb	2	2	.500	4	6	.400	2-2	2-4	0-0	4-6	W1
Charleston Southern	1	2	.333	5	4	.555	4-1	1-3	0-0	5-4	L1
VMI	0	4	.000	0	10	.000	0-4	0-6	0-0	0-10	L10

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Saturday, Nov. 13
 GARDNER-WEBB 18
 at CHARLESTON SOUTHERN * 0
 at #24 COASTAL CAROLINA 48
 Jacksonville 23
 LIBERTY 43
 at Chattanooga 40

* Denotes Big South Conference game

CHOICE HOTELS OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**Patrick Hall • Running Back • Sophomore
Coastal Carolina • Richmond, Va.**

Hall posted two touchdowns of 37-yards and 7-yards to lead the Chanticleers over Jacksonville. He led all rushers with 157 yards in 19 carries, for an 8.3 average, and set a single-season rushing mark for CCU with 912 yards. With his two scores, Hall became the first running back in Conference history to record two touchdowns in four consecutive games, dating back to the Liberty game Oct. 23.

NEW BALANCE DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**Harold Wells • Defensive End • Senior
Gardner-Webb • Lilburn, Ga.**

Wells continued to dominate from his defensive end spot, c Wells' tackle of CSU quarterback Collin Drafts on fourth and goal preserved the Bulldogs' shutout and his batted down pass on fourth down gave GWU the ball with less than two minutes to play. Wells' effort keyed a defense that limited CSU to only 14 yards rushing and 239 total yards -- against an offense that had been averaging 402 yards per outing.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, Nov. 20
 Wofford 1:00pm
 at VMI
 Elon 1:30pm
 at LIBERTY
 Southeastern Louisiana 1:30pm
 at GARDNER-WEBB
 CHARLESTON SOUTHERN 7:00pm
 at #21 COASTAL CAROLINA *
 (CSS)

* Denotes Big South Conference game

SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**Erick Harris • Punt Returner • Senior
Liberty • Crestview, Fla.**

Harris became the first player in Big South and Liberty history to return two punt returns for touchdowns, as he posted returns of 57-yards and 52-yards for scores against UT-Chattanooga. His 52-yard return knotted the game at 13-13 with 12:24 left to play in the third quarter, while the 57-yarder in the fourth tied the score at 20-20.

FRESHMAN PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**Alonzia Phillips • Defensive Back
Liberty • Vero Beach, Fla.**

Phillips recorded his first career fumble recovery and returned it for a 22-yard touchdown, as the Flames caused a UTC fumble on an attempted kickoff return. The TD put the Flames up 27-20 over the Mocs in the fourth quarter. He also recorded a solo tackle in the victory.

UPCOMING TV GAMES

Saturday, Nov. 20
 CHARLESTON SOUTHERN 7:00pm
 at #21 COASTAL CAROLINA *
 (CSS)

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2004 BIG SOUTH CONFERENCE PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

<u>Week</u>	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Defense</u>
Sept. 6	RB Marcus Hamilton, Liberty 11-108-2 TDs; 9.8 AVG; 50-yard run	FS Mario Williams, Gardner-Webb 15 TT (5-10); 1 FR (TD); 1 INT (65-yd TD)
Sept. 13	WR Kory Alston, Gardner-Webb 3-115-2 TDs; 38.3 AVG (TD - 65, 35 yds)	CB Allen Davis, Gardner-Webb 8 TT (7-1); 5 PB; 1 INT (29-yd TD)
Sept. 20	WR Eddie Gadson, Coastal Carolina 5-73-2 TDs; Punt Returns: 3-17 RB Eugene Goodman, Liberty 26-142-1 TD; 2-18 Receiving	LB Justin Huggard, VMI 13 TT (8-5); 1 INT (25 yds); 3.5 TFL (13 yds)
Sept. 27	QB Nick Roberts, Gardner-Webb PASS: 21-41-259, 1 TD; RUSH: 11-35-1 TD	FS Mario Williams, Gardner-Webb 14 TT (9-5); 1 TFL; 2 PB
Oct. 5	QB Collin Drafts, Charleston Southern PASS: 29-42-330, 2 TDs; RUSH: 8-14 RB Sam Gado, Liberty 24-219-2 TDs; 9.1 AVG; 79-yard TD run	LB Manny Rojas, Liberty 9 TT (5-4); 2 TFL (1 yd); 2 QB Hurries
Oct. 11	QB Tyler Thigpen, Coastal Carolina PASS: 9-20-200, 3 TDs; RUSH: 7-83-1 TD	DT Harold Wells, Gardner-Webb 14 TT (6-8); 4.5 TFL (17 yds); 2 Sacks (11 yds)
Oct. 18	WR Perry Parks, Coastal Carolina 3-52-1 TD; Game-winning 30-yard TD catch	DE Robert Mason, VMI 15 TT (5-10); 1 INT; Blocked 20-yard FG
Oct. 25	QB Collin Drafts, Charleston Southern PASS: 17-23-320, 5 TDs, 0 INT; Long 52	LB Tavoris Horton, Gardner-Webb 12 TT (6-6); 2.5 TFL (3 yds); 1 sack, 1 INT (36-yd TD)
Nov. 1	RB Dre Barnes, Liberty 30-211-1 TD, 7.0 AVG, Long 32 RB Patrick Hall, Coastal Carolina 19-103-2 TDs; 5.4 AVG; Long 23	DT Harold Wells, Gardner-Webb 13 TT (6-7); 2.5 TFL (16 yds); 2 sacks (15 yds), 1 FF
Nov. 8	RB Sam Gado, Liberty 23-166-3 TDs, 7.2 AVG; Long 52	DE Adam DeGraffenreid, Charleston Southern 5 TT (3-2); 3.0 TFL (15 yds); 1 sack (7 yds)
Nov.15	RB Patrick Hall, Coastal Carolina 19-157-2 TDs; 8.3 AVG; Long 50	DT Harold Wells, Gardner-Webb 7 TT (5-2); 1.5 TFL (6 yds); 1 sack (4 yds); 1 PB; 1 FF

2004 SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

<u>Week</u>	<u>Special Teams</u>
Sept. 6	KR/PR Alonzia Phillips, Liberty PR: 1-29; blocked punt for TD
Sept. 13	P Graham Whitlock, Gardner-Webb 3-135; 45.0 AVG (Long 49)
Sept. 20	PK/P Nick Ellis, Charleston Southern 5-185; 37.0 AVG; 1-1 FG; 5-5 PATs
Sept. 27	PK Josh Hoke, Coastal Carolina 7-7 PATs, 3-3 FG (Long 43)
Oct. 5	P Noah Crouch, Liberty 6-261; 45.3 AVG (Long 51)
Oct. 11	PK Josh Hoke, Coastal Carolina 6-6 PATs, 2-3 FG (Long 41)
Oct. 18	P Rob Williams, Coastal Carolina 6-218; 36.3 AVG (Long 48); VMI-1 PR, 1 yd
Oct. 25	PK Hunter Smith, Gardner-Webb 3-3 FG (Long 45); 1-1 PAT
Nov. 1	P Rob Williams, Coastal Carolina 5-183; 36.6 AVG (Long 46)
Nov.8	K Josh Hoke, Coastal Carolina 7-7 PATs, 1-1 FG (31 yards)
Nov.15	KR Erick Harris, Liberty 2 PR; 109-yards; 2 TDs

2004 FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK

<u>Week</u>	<u>Freshman</u>
Sept. 6	WR Jerome Simpson, Coastal Carolina 4-59-2 TDs; 14.8 AVG (TD - 16, 29 yds)
Sept. 13	WR Jerome Simpson, Coastal Carolina 6-89-1 TD; 13.8 AVG (TD - 45 yds)
Sept. 20	DB C.J. Hirschman, Charleston Southern 2 INT (Long-19 yards); 3 TT
Sept. 27	LB Brian Johnston, Gardner-Webb 10 TT; 2 TFLs; 2 Sacks
Oct. 5	WR Maurice Price, Charleston Southern 6-87-1 TD; 14.5 AVG, Game-tying TD
Oct. 11	WR Jerome Simpson, Coastal Carolina 4-108-3 TDs; 27.0 AVG (TD - 9, 20, 34 yds)
Oct. 18	DB Marrio Norman, Coastal Carolina 7 TT (3-4); 1 TFL; 2 PB
Oct. 25	FB Mike Tolbert, Coastal Carolina 10-107-1 TD; 10.7 AVG; 52-yard run
Nov. 1	DE Ro-Derick Middleton, Coastal Carolina 3 TT (1-2), 1 TFL, 1 Sack (5 yards)
Nov. 8	K Barrett Way, VMI 1-2 FG (53 yards); 2-2 PATs; FG tied League record
Nov.15	DB Alonzia Phillips, Liberty 1 TT; 1 FR; 1 TD

SEASON FINALE

The final Big South game of the season will feature 3-0 Coastal Carolina vs. 1-2 Charleston Southern and will be aired on Comcast Sports Southeast at 7 p.m. The Chanticleers are riding a seven-game winning streak, while holding a 9-1 overall mark, which ties the League win record, set by Gardner-Webb in 2002. Saturday's game is of important significance for CCU as well. With a win, CCU will claim its first out-right Big South Conference Championship in just its second year of football. A loss will mean a sharing of the title with Liberty, who is second in the standings at 3-1.

CLIMBING THE RANKS

In just its second season of football, Coastal Carolina has slid into the National spotlight in recent weeks. After appearing in the top-25 last week, The Chanticleers jumped into the 21st spot in the latest *Sports Network* poll and 25th in *Don Hansen's Weekly Football Gazette*. Coastal has also received votes in the ESPN/*USA Today* rankings for four-straight weeks. Following Week Eight's win over Liberty, Coastal was named the "I-AA National Team of the Week" by *CollegeSportsReport.com*. The web publication covers all I-AA conferences and has weekly awards for the top team and performer of the week in each conference, as well as national team and individual awards. The last Big South team to be ranked in the top-25 was Gardner-Webb last season, when the Bulldogs were No. 25 in Weeks One and Two.

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Liberty defeated its first Southern Conference opponent since 1997 on Saturday, as the Flames' special teams unit paved the way to the 43-40 win over UT-Chattanooga. The unit tallied 23 of Liberty's 43 total points as the Flames recorded two punt returns for TDs, caused a fumble on a UTC kickoff return and returned the fumble for a touchdown, and a blocked UTC PAT that was returned for a defensive two-point conversion. Liberty return teams almost finished with more yards than the Flames' offense as LU amassed 294 yards of total offense compared to 256 yards accumulated by the punt and kickoff return team.

BROKEN RECORD

Coastal Carolina leads the nation in Pass Efficiency Defense at 82.7. Meanwhile, through 10 games, the Chants are on pace to shatter several Big South season records. Among them:

CATEGORY	TOTAL	PACE	BIG SOUTH RECORD
Passing Defense Efficiency	82.7		106.1 - VMI, 2003
Scoring Offense	35.7	432	29.9 (359) - VMI, 2003
Scoring Defense	14.8	163	20.4 (204) - Gardner-Webb, 2002
Rushing Offense (per game)	264.6	-	223.1 - Elon, 2002
Rushing Yards	2,646	2,911	2,614 - Liberty, 2003
Average per rush	5.6	-	4.8 - (two teams)
Rushing Defense	139.3		142.8 - Gardner-Webb, 2003
Total Defense	306.9		320.4 - Gardner-Webb, 2003

TURNING 50

In Week 10, both Charleston Southern and Coastal Carolina ran up the score, tallying over 50 points. CSU notched 58 points against Allen, while CCU racked up 52 vs. Savannah State Saturday, marking the fifth and sixth times a Big South school has reached the 50-point mark this season, surpassing the Conference's season record of four, established in 2003. The Bucs and the Chants have tallied 50+ points twice this season, while Liberty (55) and Gardner-Webb (56) have conquered the feat once.

COASTAL DOMINATION

In its three Big South games this season, Coastal is allowing just 14.0 points per game. The top scoring defense in Conference games is Gardner-Webb's 14.8 average in 2003. Meanwhile, Coastal has posted three overall games of allowing less than 10 points, tying Charleston Southern (2002) for the second-most in a season. VMI allowed less than 10 points in a game a record four times in 2003.

RETURN TO SENDER

Flame PR **ERICK HARRIS** became the first player in Big South Conference and Liberty history to return two punts for touchdowns as he helped the Flames beat UTC 43-40 Saturday in Chattanooga, Tenn. With his team trailing 13-6 early in the third quarter, Harris returned a punt 52 yards to score allowing Liberty to tie the game. His second touchdown return of 57 yards a minute into the fourth quarter tied the game again at 20-20 and started a 30-point outburst. Those were Harris' first returns all season. He leads the team with three interceptions this season and is seventh in tackles with 43. Harris' efforts earned him *I-AA.org* Weekly Special Teams All-Star honors as well as National Special Teams Player of the Week by *The Sports Network*.

BIG SOUTH vs. other Conferences

Atlantic-10	0-4
James Madison	0-1
Richmond	0-1
William & Mary	0-2
Gateway	0-1
Youngstown State	0-1
Mid-American Conference	0-2
Ohio	0-1
Kent State	0-1
Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference	1-2
Morgan State	1-0
Hampton	0-1
Howard	0-1
Ohio Valley	0-2
Tennessee Tech	0-2
Patriot League	0-2
Lehigh	0-1
Georgetown	0-1
Pioneer League	4-0
Jacksonville	2-0
Morehead State	1-0
Davidson	1-0
Southern	2-1
Chattanooga	1-0
Western Carolina	1-0
Furman	0-1
Wofford	0-1
Elon	
Southland	0-0
Southeastern Louisiana	
Non Division I	7-2
Charleston (WVa)	2-0
North Greenville	2-0
Allen	1-0
Savannah State	1-0
West Virginia Tech	1-0
Newberry	0-1
Presbyterian	0-1
TOTAL	14-17 (.452)

QB BATTLE

The Big South's top-two quarterbacks battled it out on Saturday, with **NICK ROBERTS** leading GWU to a shutout win over **COLLIN DRAFTS'** Buccaneers, 18-0. Despite the loss, Drafts recorded his fourth 200-yard passing game of the season, throwing for 225 yards (20-of-38) and pushing his career total to 4,291 in just 120 games. Roberts notched 162 yards and one TD, while his total stands at 4,364. The two QBs will meet just one more time in their careers, as Roberts will graduate after next season.

HAROLD THE GREAT

Gardner-Webb senior DL **HAROLD WELLS** leads the nation in tackles for loss per game at the Division I-AA level through nine games, averaging 2.06 tackles behind the line each week. Among all Division I football members (I-A and I-AA), Wells is fourth in tackles for loss per game, trailing only Marshall's Jonathan Goddard, Washington's Manase Hopoi and Cincinnati's Trent Cole through nine games played. Wells collected a team-high seven tackles (five solo), 1.5 tackles-for-loss (-6), a sack (-4), a batted down pass and a forced fumble to help GWU post its first shutout of the season over Charleston Southern Saturday.

TWO-SCORE AND FOUR GAMES AGO

With his two scores against Jacksonville Saturday, CCU running back Patrick Hall became the first Big South player to record two TDs in four-consecutive contests. He tallied a pair of touchdowns in CCU's wins over Liberty, Gardner-Webb, Savannah State and Jacksonville.

TRIPLE-THREAT

Liberty RB **SAM GADO** became the first Big South player this season to score three touchdowns in back-to-back games. He tallied three TDs in Week Nine against Charleston Southern and followed that up with a triple-score performance in Week 10 at VMI.

BACK ON TOP

Senior Liberty RB **DRE BARNES** returned from injury in Week Eight, rushing for 43 yards at Coastal Carolina. He followed that up with a season-high 211 yards against CSU and set a school record for 200-yard rushing games. He became Liberty's all-time leading rusher at 3,819 and the first Big South player to amass over 3,000 yards (3,065) at VMI in Week 10. He picked up his second-straight 100-yard rushing game (117) over the weekend at UT-Chattanooga. Barnes needs just 74 more yards to become the first 4,000 career rusher in school history as he has rushed for 3,936 yards in his career.

GENUINE DRAFTS

Charleston Southern sophomore QB **COLLIN DRAFTS** tied a Big South record with 5 TD passes in Week Eight against North Greenville. He now shares the mark with former Gardner-Webb signal caller **JEREMY MARTIN**, who tossed five touchdowns against Savannah State in 2002. Drafts is enjoying a fine season, and is challenging several Big South marks this year:

CATEGORY	TOTAL	PACE	BIG SOUTH RECORD
Completions	195	217	203 (Nick Roberts, GWU, 2003)
Attempts	312	347	338 (Nick Roberts, GWU, 2003)
Percentage	62.5	--	60.1 (Nick Roberts, GWU, 2003)
Passing Efficiency	140.6	--	129.8 (Jeremy Martin, GWU, 2002)
Touchdown Passes	17	19	20 (Nick Roberts, GWU, 2002)
Passing Yards	2314	2571	2260 (Jonathan Wilson, VMI, 2003)
Passing Yards per game	257	--	216.6 (Jeremy Martin, GWU, 2002)

Drafts has notched four games with at least 25 completions this season, and tied a Conference record of 29 pass completions in CSU's win against VMI in Week Five. He also has four career 300-yard passing games, a Big South best. Not to be outdone, but GWU's **NICK ROBERTS** is on pace for 365 pass attempts and 2,372 passing yards this season as well.

DOUBLE-TEAM

In what seems to be becoming the norm for Liberty, RBs **DRE BARNES** and **SAM GADO** became the fifth pair of running backs this season and the 10th in school history to rush for 100 or more yards in the same game, as Barnes rushed for a 180 yards and a score, while Gado rushed for 166 yards and three touchdowns at VMI in Week 10.

GOLDEN TOE

VMI freshman kicker **BARRETT WAY** converted a 53-yard field goal against Liberty in Week 10, setting an Alumni Field record. The boot also tied him for the longest in Big South history and second-longest in school history -- equaling Matt Sharpe's 53-yarder against Coastal Carolina last year.

400-YARD PASSING GAMES

- 1 Collin Drafts, Charleston Southern

300-YARD PASSING GAMES

- 2 Collin Drafts, Charleston Southern
- 1 Nick Roberts, Gardner-Webb

5-TOUCHDOWN PASSING GAMES

- 1 Collin Drafts, Charleston Southern

4-TOUCHDOWN PASSING GAMES

- 1 Nick Roberts, Gardner-Webb

200-YARD RUSHING GAMES

- 1 Sam Gado, Liberty
- 1 Dre Barnes, Liberty

100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

- 5 Eugene Goodman, Liberty
- 5 Sam Gado, Liberty
- 3 Patrick Hall, Coastal Carolina
- 2 Sean Mizzer, VMI
- 1 Marcus Hamilton, Liberty
- 1 Aundres Perkins, Coastal Carolina
- 1 Kenny Harper, Charleston Southern
- 1 Jermaine Boston, Gardner-Webb
- 1 Mike Tolbert, Coastal Carolina
- 1 Dre Barnes, Liberty

CONSECUTIVE 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

- 5 Eugene Goodman, Liberty (9/4 - 10/2)
- 3 Patrick Hall, Coastal Carolina (10/30 - 11/13)
- 2 Sam Gado, Liberty (9/27 - 10/2, 10/30 - 11/13)
- 2 Dre Barnes, Liberty (11/6-11/13)

100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

- 3 Eddie Gadsen, Charleston Southern
- 2 Kory Alston, Gardner-Webb
- 2 Zohn Burden, VMI
- 2 Harry Seabrook, Charleston Southern
- 1 Maurice Price, Charleston Southern
- 1 Aaron Richardson, Gardner-Webb
- 1 Jerome Simpson, Coastal Carolina

CONSECUTIVE 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

- 2 Kory Alston, Gardner-Webb (9/4 through 9/11)

MULTI-TOUCHDOWN GAMES

Player	2	3	4	5
Patrick Hall, CCU	4			
Sam Gado, LU	1	2		
Jerome Simpson, CCU	1	1		
Kory Alston, GWU	2			
Ben Hampton, CCU	2			
Eddie Gadsen, CSU	2			
Aundres Perkins, CCU	1			
Zohn Burden, VMI	1			
Dre Barnes, LU	1			
Marcus Hamilton, LU	1			
Mario Williams, GWU	1			
Robert Adams, CSU	1			
Kenny Harper, CSU	1			
Nick Roberts, GWU	1			
Sean Mizzer, VMI	1			
Harry Seabrook, CSU	1			
Harold Wells, GWU	1			
Erick Harris, LU	1			

THE MIZZ

VMI rusher **SEAN MIZZER** tallied 41 yards rushing Nov. 6 against Liberty, pushing his season total to 656, which ranks third in the Conference. Mizzer, who has 2,010 career yards, has tallied 1,900 during VMI's one-plus years in the Big South, and needs 100 yards to become just the second RB to amass 2,000 rushing yards in the Big South.

WHIT-KICK

Whitlock punted three times for a season-best average of 48.3 yards per kick, including a season-long 65-yarder that pinned #10 Wofford inside its 20-yard line early in the game in Week 10. Whitlock currently ranks 11th at the Division I-AA level and leads the Big South with an average of 42.4 yards per punt in 2004. He is also the Division I-AA career active leader in punting average. The Laurens, S.C., native led the nation in punting last season with the 15th-best single season effort in I-AA history (45.5 ypp).

CATCH OF THE DAY

Charleston Southern WR **HARRY SEABROOK** hauled in six passes for 148 yards in Week Eight against North Greenville, the highest receiving yardage this season and fourth-most in Big South history. He has caught six passes in three consecutive games and is fourth in the League in that category. Meanwhile, teammate **EDDIE GADSON**'s Conference-leading catch total now stands at 65 after tallying a Conference record-tying 10 catches vs. GWU Saturday. He is sixth in Division I-AA with 7.22 receptions per game.

WHO'S ON FIRST?

Coastal Carolina is 8-0 when the Chants score the first points of the game, and are 8-0 when leading after three quarters. Charleston Southern is 5-1 when scoring first, and 4-0 leading after 45 minutes. Liberty is 4-1 when scoring first, and 4-0 when leading after three quarters. Gardner-Webb is 1-1 when scoring first and 1-0 when leading after three periods. VMI has not scored the first points of a ballgame this season. Meanwhile, Charleston Southern and Gardner-Webb are the lone teams to record wins when trailing entering the fourth quarter.

THE DEFENSE NEVER RESTS

Coastal Carolina and Charleston Southern are 1-2 in the Big South in scoring defense. The Chants are 1st nationally with a 14.8 average, while the Bucs are 19th at 17.3 points allowed. The Big South record is 20.4 points allowed, set by Gardner-Webb in 2002. CSU and CCU meet this weekend in Conway, S.C. The game will be televised on Comcast Sports Southeast.

FIVE-FOR-FIVE

This season, five interceptions have been returned for touchdowns, three times by Gardner-Webb and twice by Coastal Carolina. In 2003, five interceptions were also returned for scores. Gardner-Webb has tallied an interception return for a touchdown each season of Big South football.

BIG SOUTH CONFERENCE TV SCHEDULE

Saturday, Nov. 20

CHARLESTON SOUTHERN 7:00pm
at COASTAL CAROLINA * (CSS - Comcast Sports Southeast)

BIG SOUTH MEDIA INFORMATION

The following details each school's plans for weekly press conferences and other interview opportunities with coaches and/or players. Please contact the respective SID for more information.

<u>School</u>	<u>Weekly Press Conference</u>	<u>Additional Coach Availability</u>
Charleston Southern	none	contact SID
Coastal Carolina	Wednesdays, noon	Mornings (contact SID)
Gardner-Webb	Tuesdays, 11:30am	Tuesdays, 11:00am (contact SID)
Liberty	Tuesdays, 3:15pm	contact SID
VMI	none	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, 8:00-10:00am (contact SID)

CONSECUTIVE MULTI-TOUCHDOWN GAMES

- 4 Patrick Hall, Coastal Carolina (10/23 through 11/6)
- 2 Kory Alston, Gardner-Webb (9/4 through 9/11)
- 2 Sam Gado, Liberty (10/30 through 11/6)

TEAMMATES w/ 100-YARDS RUSHING, SAME GAME

- 5 Liberty (Hamilton 108, Goodman 107 - 9/4) (Goodman 109, Gado 101 - 9/27) (Gado 219, Goodman 112 - 10/2) (Barnes 211, Gado 150 - 10/30) (Barnes 180, Gado 166 - 11/6)

BIG SOUTH in the NCAA STATISTICS

Offensive and Special Teams (thru Nov. 13)

All Purpose Running

Sam Gado, LU12th
Sean Mizzer, VMI39th

Field Goals

Josh Hoke, CCU28th
Hunter Smith, GWU42nd

Interceptions

Quinton Teal, CCU17th
Greg Williamson, CCUT-44th
Allen Davis, GWUT-44th
Jensen Turner, GWUT-44th

Kickoff Returns

Ralphell Goodson, GWU38th

Pass Efficiency

Collin Drafts, CSU19th

Punting

Graham Whitlock, GWU11th
Noah Crouch, LU30th
Adam Peters, VMI42nd

Punt Returns

Allen Davis, GWU31st

Receptions Per Game

Eddie Gadson, CSU6th
Zohn Burden, VMI32nd
Harry Seabrook, CSU46th

Receiving Yards Per Game

Eddie Gadson, CSU35th
Kory Alston, GWU48th

Rushing Yards Per Game

Sam Gado, Liberty18th

Total Offense

Collin Drafts, CSU13th
Nick Roberts, GWU17th

Defensive (thru 11/6/04)

Total Tackles

Robert Mason, VMI25th

Solo Tackles

Robert Mason, VMI24th

Passes Defended

Allen Davis, GWUT-3rd
Quinton Teal, CCUT-8th
Greg Williamson, CCUT-24th

Tackles For Loss

Harold Well, GWU1st
Kelvin McIver, CCUT-33rd

2004 BIG SOUTH PRESEASON POLL

For the third-straight year, Gardner-Webb was chosen as the Big South Conference preseason football favorite, capturing nine first-place votes and 46 overall points. Below are the 2004 preseason poll results, with first-place votes in parenthesis:

1. Gardner-Webb (9).....46
2. Liberty.....33
3. VMI.....30
4. Coastal Carolina (1).....28
5. Charleston Southern13

BIG SOUTH PRESEASON HONORS

Preseason Offensive Player of the Year
Dre Barnes, Sr., Liberty

Preseason Defensive Player of the Year
Mario Williams, Sr., Gardner-Webb

ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM

OFFENSE

- QB Nick Roberts, Jr., Gardner-Webb
- RB Dre Barnes, Sr., Liberty
- RB Sean Mizzer, Jr., VMI
- WR Austin Gaines, So., Gardner-Webb
- WR Lauren Williams, R-Jr., Liberty
- WR Zohn Burden, Jr., VMI
- WR Gary Price, Jr., VMI
- TE Stephen Knorr, Sr., Gardner-Webb
- OL Bryce Gregory, Sr., Charleston Southern
- OL Nick Johnson, Sr., Coastal Carolina
- OL Ryan Smith, Sr., Gardner-Webb
- OL Sean Boyle, Sr., Liberty
- OL Jeremy Ward, R-Jr., VMI

DEFENSE

- DL Adam DeGraffenreid, Jr., Charleston Southern
- DL Adrain Grady, So., Coastal Carolina
- DL Harold Wells, Sr., Gardner-Webb
- DL Seth Reichert, Sr., Liberty
- LB Bowe Butler, Sr., Charleston Southern
- LB Maurice Simpkins, Jr., Coastal Carolina
- LB Kappy Baucom, Jr., Gardner-Webb
- LB Todd Baldwin, Jr., VMI
- DB Kijana Thomas, Sr., Charleston Southern
- DB Mario Williams, Sr., Gardner-Webb
- DB C.J. Moore, R-Jr., Liberty
- DB Robert Mason, Jr., VMI

SPECIAL TEAMS

- PK Hunter Smith, So., Gardner-Webb
- P Graham Whitlock, Sr., Gardner-Webb
- KR/PR Kijana Thomas, Sr., Charleston Southern
- LS Jake Neal, Sr., Gardner-Webb

THE BIG SOUTH IN THE 2004 NATIONAL I-AA POLLS

Date	CSU	CCU	GWU	LU	VMI
Preseason	--/--/--	--/--/--	RV/RV/RV/--	--/--/--	RV/--/--
Sept. 6	--/--/--	--/--/--	RV/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--
Sept. 13	--/--/--	--/--/--	RV/RV/--	--/--/--	--/--/--
Sept. 20	--/--/--	--/--/--	RV/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--
Sept. 27	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/RV/--	--/--/--	--/--/--
Oct. 4	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--	RV/RV/--	--/--/--
Oct. 11	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--
Oct. 18	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--
Oct. 25	--/--/--	RV/RV/--	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--
Nov. 1	--/--/--	RV/RV/--/28	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--
Nov. 8	--/--/--	24/RV/--/26	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--
Nov. 15	--/--/--	21/RV/--/25	--/--/--	--/--/--	--/--/--

The Sports Network ranking is first, followed by the ESPN/USA Today coaches poll, I-AA.org and Weekly Football Gazette Top-40. Note: there was no ESPN/USA Today poll for the Week of Sept. 6. RV - Received Votes

2004 NATIONAL HONORS

Coastal Carolina

- *CollegeSportsReport.com* National Team of the Week - Oct. 25

Mario Williams, Senior, FS, Gardner-Webb

- I-AA.org National Defensive All-Star of the Week - Sept. 5
- Buck Buchanan Award Candidate
- *The Sports Network* Preseason national No. 2 safety
- *The Sports Network* Preseason All-America (first-team)
- I-AA.org Preseason All-America (first-team)
- *Football Gazette* Preseason All-America (first-team)
- *Lindy's* Preseason All-America
- *Athlon* Preseason All-America
- *Street & Smith's* Preseason All-America

Graham Whitlock, Senior, P, Gardner-Webb

- *The Sports Network* preseason national No. 1 punter
- *The Sports Network* Preseason All-America (first-team)
- I-AA.org Preseason All-America (first-team)
- *Football Gazette* Preseason All-America (third-team)
- *Lindy's* Preseason All-America
- *Athlon* Preseason All-America
- *Street & Smith's* Preseason All-America

Harold Wells, Senior, DT, Gardner-Webb

- *Football Gazette* Preseason All-America (first-team)
- *Football Gazette* National Defensive Player of the Week - Oct. 25

Justin Huggard, Junior, LB, VMI

- *Football Gazette* National Defensive Player of the Week - Sept. 21

Josh Hoke, Sophomore, PK, Coastal Carolina

- *Football Gazette* National Special Teams Player of the Week - Sept. 28

Erick Harris, Senior, PR, Liberty

- I-AA.org Weekly Special Teams All-Star - Nov. 15
- *The Sports Network* National Special Teams Player of the Week - Nov. 15



CHARLESTON SOUTHERN BUCCANEERS (5-4, 1-2 Big South)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Buccaneers are 0-1 versus Coastal Carolina. CCU won the inaugural meeting 48-14 last season. In that game, four of CCU's scoring drives were less than 40 yards, as CSU committed six turnovers, the most in a game under Jay Mills • While CSU has never had a winning season in football, its five wins ties a school record. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sophomore QB COLLIN DRAFTS set the Big South single-season passing yardage record last week and now has 2,314 yards. Drafts needs nine completions in the final game to set the Conference single-season record. • R-Freshman WR EDDIE GADSON tied a League and school mark with 10 receptions in last week's loss to Gardner-Webb. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sophomore LB JADA ROSS posted a career-high nine tackles and a TFL against GWU. |
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#21 COASTAL CAROLINA CHANTICLEERS (9-1, 3-0 Big South)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCU, in its second season of football, will clinch the Big South Championship with a win over Charleston Southern Saturday. • This year's match-up will conclude the season for both teams as well as the Big South Television package for the year. • Coastal also is now 6-0 at Brooks Stadium in | <p>2004. The Chants finished 2003 with home mark of 2-3.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Against Jacksonville, LB MAURICE SIMPKINS led CCU with 13 tackles, while DL SAM HARPER recovered a school-record three fumbles on the day, leading to 14 points for the Chants. • KR DAVID PARKER returned a kick for a | <p>school-record 82 yards against Jacksonville. The previous record was 42 yards held by DARNELL WILLIAMS.</p> |
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GARDNER-WEBB RUNNIN' BULLDOGS (4-6, 2-2 Big South)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gardner-Webb will take on Southeastern Louisiana for the first time ever on Saturday at Spangler Stadium. SELU was ranked as high as No. 13 earlier this season and has scored over 100 points in its last two outings. • Gardner-Webb improved to 4-0 against Charleston Southern all-time Saturday and has now outscored the Bucs by a combined total of | <p>187-15. GWU has shut out Charleston Southern for nine-straight quarters and for 14 of the 16 quarters the two teams have played in the series (since 1992).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GWU managed a season-best 278 yards on the ground, which is the top team mark since 277 yards at VMI on Oct. 18, 2003. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gardner-Webb back GEORGE PRESSLEY carried 25 times for a career-high 149 yards against Charleston Southern, marking the top rushing output for a GWU player since Justin Richardson ran over UT-Martin for 170 yards in 2001. |
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LIBERTY FLAMES (5-5, 3-1 Big South)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This will mark the 10th meeting between the two schools, with Elon holding a 7-2 series advantage over Liberty. • Liberty's last victory in the series between Elon came on October 4, 1997, when STACY NOBLES rushed for a season-high three touchdowns, while the Flames threw for another 254 yards through the air to pick up a 41-9 victory | <p>in Lynchburg, Va.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The win over UT-Chattanooga Saturday marked the first Southern Conference opponent that Liberty has defeated since the Flames handed 15th-ranked Appalachian State a 25-19 loss at Boone, N.C., to close out the 1997 season. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DL SETH REICHART finished with a season-high five solo tackles vs. Chattanooga. He also blocked a PAT kick which led to a Liberty defensive PAT. Reichart now has 229 career tackles to his credit as he is one of two active players with over 200 career tackles. |
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VMI KEYDETS (0-10, 0-4 Big South)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Keydets are coming off an open weekend and will face No. 12 Wofford Nov. 20 in their season finale. • VMI is the only Conference team with a perfect PAT percentage (14-14). • VMI's 324 yards of total offense against Liberty Oct. 6 was a season-high. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WRs ZOHN BURDEN and GARY PRICE both extending consecutive games reception streaks to 22 games vs. Liberty - one short of the school mark held by Kevin Solomon (1999-2002). • QB KIRK MONTELEONE set a school record for single game completions when he completed 27 passes against Liberty - surpassing the old mark of 26 set by Joey Gibson in 2001 vs, ETSU | <p>and Dave Brown against Marshall in 1988.</p> |
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CHARLESTON SOUTHERN (5-4, 1-2 BIG SOUTH)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time</u>
Sept. 4	at The Citadel	ppd.
Sept. 11	at Presbyterian	L, 14-19
Sept. 18	at Jacksonville	W, 38-3
Sept. 25	CHARLESTON (WV)	W, 38-21
Oct. 2	VMI *	W, 25-24
Oct. 9	at Howard	L, 6-24
Oct. 23	NORTH GREENVILLE	W, 55-6
Oct. 30	at Liberty *	L, 6-34
Nov. 6	ALLEN	W, 58-6
Nov. 13	GARDNER-WEBB *	L, 0-18
Nov. 20	at #21 Coastal Carolina *	7:00 pm

*denotes Big South Conference game

#21 COASTAL CAROLINA (9-1, 3-0 BIG SOUTH)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time</u>
Sept. 4	at Morehead State	W, 28-7
Sept. 11	DAVIDSON	W, 31-24
Sept. 18	at Newberry	L, 7-21
Sept. 25	NORTH GREENVILLE	W, 58-7
Oct. 9	CHARLESTON (WV)	W, 48-13
Oct. 16	at VMI *	W, 21-14
Oct. 23	LIBERTY *	W, 33-6
Oct. 30	at Gardner-Webb *	W, 31-19
Nov. 6	SAVANNAH STATE	W, 52-14
Nov. 13	JACKSONVILLE	W, 48-23
Nov. 20	CHARLESTON SOUTHERN *	7:00 p.m.

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GARDNER-WEBB (4-6, 2-2 BIG SOUTH)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time</u>
Sept. 4	at Tennessee Tech	L, 26-32
Sept. 11	at Morgan State	W, 56-49
Sept. 18	#4 FURMAN	L, 6-34
Sept. 25	#25 WESTERN CAROLINA (OT)	W, 26-20
Oct. 2	at Liberty *	L, 9-17
Oct. 9	at #25 Hampton	L, 25-48
Oct. 23	VMI *	W, 28-17
Oct. 30	COASTAL CAROLINA *	L, 19-31
Nov. 6	at #10 Wofford	L, 17-49
Nov. 13	at Charleston Southern *	W, 18-0
Nov. 20	SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA	1:30 pm

*denotes Big South Conference game

LIBERTY (5-5, 3-1 BIG SOUTH)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time</u>
Sept. 4	WEST VIRGINIA TECH	W, 55-17
Sept. 11	at Kent State	L, 10-38
Sept. 18	#24 LEHIGH	L, 16-38
Sept. 25	at Youngstown State	L, 17-27
Oct. 2	GARDNER-WEBB *	W, 17-9
Oct. 9	#18 WILLIAM & MARY	L, 17-37
Oct. 23	at Coastal Carolina *	L, 6-33
Oct. 30	CHARLESTON SOUTHERN *	W, 34-6
Nov. 6	at VMI *	W, 38-17
Nov. 13	at Chattanooga	W, 43-40
Nov. 20	ELON	1:30 pm

*denotes Big South Conference game

VMI (0-10, 0-4 BIG SOUTH)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time</u>
Sept. 4	at Ohio	L, 14-42
Sept. 11	RICHMOND	L, 7-34
Sept. 18	TENNESSEE TECH	L, 10-16
Sept. 25	at William & Mary	L, 6-42
Oct. 2	at Charleston Southern *	L, 24-25
Oct. 9	at Georgetown	L, 0-21
Oct. 16	COASTAL CAROLINA *	L, 14-21
Oct. 23	at Gardner-Webb *	L, 17-28
Oct. 30	at #9 James Madison	L, 10-41
Nov. 6	LIBERTY *	L, 17-38
Nov. 20	#10 WOFFORD	1:00 pm

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BIG SOUTH CONFERENCE TV SCHEDULE

Saturday, Nov. 20
 CHARLESTON SOUTHERN 7:00pm
 at COASTAL CAROLINA * (CSS - Comcast Sports Southeast)