



# BIG SOUTH CONFERENCE

## Football Report Monday, Sept. 5, 2005

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BIG SOUTH FOOTBALL STANDINGS													
Team	Big South					Overall		PF	PA	Home	Road	L10	Streak
	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	W	L						
Coastal Carolina	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	17	10	0-0	1-0	W1
Gardner-Webb	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	65	12	1-0	0-0	W1
Liberty	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	17	6	1-0	0-0	W1
VMI	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	33	0	1-0	0-0	W1
Charleston Southern	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	.000	14	28	0-0	0-1	L1

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE	
<b>Saturday, Sept. 10</b>	
LIBERTY at Connecticut	12:00pm
#9 William & Mary at VMI	1:00pm
Presbyterian at CHARLESTON SO.	1:30pm
Belhaven at GARDNER-WEBB	6:00pm
#1 James Madison at Coastal Carolina	7:00pm
Big South team in ALL CAPS * - Big South Conference game	

**CHOICE HOTELS**  
**OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

**Jonathan Wilson • QB • Junior**  
**VMI • Natural Bridge, Va.**

Wilson completed 15-of-18 passes for 147 yards and a touchdown in leading the Keydets to a 33-0 win over Davidson, snapping a 12-game losing streak. He led VMI to three touchdowns and one field goal in the team's first four possessions, including his 12-yard touchdown run, while leading VMI to 9-of-13 on third downs (=69.2). Wilson, who missed almost the entire 2004 season with an injury, helped VMI hold a 36:37 to 23:23 time of possession advantage against the Wildcats.

**NEW BALANCE**  
**DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

**Jamar Leath • LB • Junior**  
**Coastal Carolina • Elon, N.C.**

Leath posted a career-best 14 tackles and added a key fumble recovery and one tackle for loss in Coastal's 17-10 win at Elon Saturday night. His fumble recovery and 18-yard return set up the Chanticleers' game-winning score, while his four tackles in the final quarter helped secure Coastal's ninth-straight win.

**LAST WEEK'S RESULTS**

**Saturday, Sept. 3**

at VMI	33
Davidson	0
COASTAL CAROLINA at Elon	17 10
at GARDNER-WEBB Union	65 12
at LIBERTY Concord	17 6
at The Citadel	28
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	14

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\* - Big South Conference game

**SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

**Noah Crouch • P • R-Senior**  
**Liberty • Madison Heights, Va.**

Crouch averaged 44.2 yards on four punts in helping Liberty hold off Concord, 17-6, marking the 12th time in his career that he averaged more than 40 yards per punt. He placed two punts inside the Mountain Lions' 20-yard line, while his average was the sixth-best in the opening weekend of college football. In addition, his 177 punting yards moved him into fifth place on the school's all-time punting list with 5,262 yards.

**FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK**

**Rod Fluellen • RB**  
**Liberty • Columbia, S.C.**

Fluellen blocked a punt midway through the fourth quarter deep in Concord's territory that led to a 27-yard field goal to seal the Flames' 17-6 season-opening win. He also recorded a 13-yard punt return in his first collegiate game.

**UPCOMING TV GAMES**

**Saturday, Oct. 1**

Liberty at VMI	12:00pm
TV: CSN, FCS Atlantic	
Coastal Carolina at S.C. State	
TV: ETV	2:00pm

**Key:**  
 BSTN: Big South Television Network  
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**2005 BIG SOUTH CONFERENCE PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

<u>Week</u>	<u>Choice Hotels Offensive Player of the Week</u>	<u>New Balance Defensive Player of the Week</u>
Sept. 5	QB Jonathan Wilson, Jr., VMI 15-18-147 YDS (83.3%), 1 TD; 3-19 rush (6.3 AVG), 12-yard TD	LB Jamar Leath, Jr., Coastal Carolina 14 TT (2-12), 1 FR (18-yard RET), 1 TFL (1 YD)
Sept. 12		
Sept. 19		
Sept. 26		
Oct. 3		
Oct. 10		
Oct. 17		
Oct. 24		
Oct. 31		
Nov. 7		
Nov. 14		
Nov. 21		

**2005 SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

<u>Week</u>	<u>Special Teams</u>
Sept. 5	P Noah Crouch, R-Sr., Liberty 4-177, 44.2 AVG, 2 punts inside 20-yard-line
Sept. 12	
Sept. 19	
Sept. 26	
Oct. 3	
Oct. 10	
Oct. 17	
Oct. 24	
Oct. 31	
Nov. 7	
Nov. 14	
Nov. 21	

**2005 FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK**

<u>Week</u>	<u>Freshman</u>
Sept. 5	RB Rod Fluellen, Liberty 1-13 PR; blocked punt to set up LU field goal
Sept. 12	
Sept. 19	
Sept. 26	
Oct. 3	
Oct. 10	
Oct. 17	
Oct. 24	
Oct. 31	
Nov. 7	
Nov. 14	
Nov. 21	

**2005 BIG SOUTH WEEKLY FOOTBALL COACHES TELECONFERENCE**

**BIG SOUTH SPONSORS WEEKLY TELECONFERENCE BEGINNING TUESDAY, SEPT. 6**

For the first time in the League's four-year football history, the Big South will sponsor a one hour weekly teleconference involving all five head coaches each Tuesday during the 2005 season, beginning at 10:30am EST. The first call is scheduled for tomorrow, Tuesday, Sept. 6. **THIS CALL IS OPEN TO MEDIA ONLY.** For information, contact **Mark Simpson** at 704-341-7990 or marks@bigsouth.org.

**THE BIG SOUTH IN THE NATIONAL POLLS**

<u>Week of</u> Preseason	<u>CSU</u> --/--/--	<u>CCU</u> RV/29/RV/RV	<u>GWU</u> RV/--/--	<u>LU</u> --/--/--	<u>VMI</u> --/--/--
Sept. 5					
Sept. 12					
Sept. 19					
Sept. 26					
Oct. 3					
Oct. 10					
Oct. 17					
Oct. 24					
Oct. 31					
Nov. 7					
Nov. 14					
Nov. 21					
Final					

*The Sports Network is listed first, followed by Don Hansen's Weekly Football Gazette Top 40, ESPN/USA Today and I-AA.org.*

*RV - Received Votes*

*Notes: There will be no ESPN/USA Today poll for the week of Sept. 5 ... Coastal Carolina received a pre-season No. 24 ranking from Street & Smith's.*

**2005 BIG SOUTH NATIONAL HONORS**

*The Sports Network Preseason All-America*  
Brandon Schweitzer, DL, Gardner-Webb (Honorable Mention)

*Athlon's Preseason All-America*  
Antwon Trice, OL, Coastal Carolina (2nd Team)

*The Sports Network Positional Rankings*  
Quinton Teal, Coastal Carolina - 8th-ranked S  
Antwon Trice, Coastal Carolina - 10th-ranked OL  
Maurice Simpkins, Coastal Carolina - 15th-ranked LB  
Patrick Hall, Coastal Carolina - 16th-ranked RB  
Collin Drafts, Charleston Southern - 18th-ranked QB

**2005 BIG SOUTH PRESEASON POLL**

Defending Conference champion Coastal Carolina was selected to finish first in the League's annual preseason poll. Below are the preseason poll results, with first-place votes in paranthesis:

1. Coastal Carolina (11) .....73
2. Liberty (3) .....57
3. Gardner-Webb (2) .....56
4. VMI .....29
5. Charleston Southern .....25

**2005 BIG SOUTH PRESEASON HONORS**

*Preseason co-Offensive Players of the Year*

Collin Drafts, Jr., QB, Charleston Southern  
Patrick Hall, Sr., RB, Coastal Carolina

*Preseason Defensive Player of the Year*

Kelvin McIver, Sr., DL, Coastal Carolina

**PRESEASON ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM**

**OFFENSE**

- QB Collin Drafts, Jr., Charleston Southern
- RB Patrick Hall, Sr., Coastal Carolina
- RB Sean Mizzer, Sr., VMI
- WR Kory Alston, Jr., Gardner-Webb
- WR Zohn Burden, Sr., VMI
- WR Jerome Simpson, Soph., Coastal Carolina
- TE Bryan Meers, Sr., Charleston Southern
- OL Antwon Trice, Sr., Coastal Carolina
- OL Markus Ferguson, R-Sr., Liberty
- OL C.J. Brown, Sr., Gardner-Webb
- OL Kevin Inge, R-Sr., Liberty
- OL Jeremy Ward, Sr., VMI

**DEFENSE**

- DL Kelvin McIver, Sr., Coastal Carolina
- DL Brandon Schweitzer, Sr., Gardner-Webb
- DL Vicheal Foy, R-Sr., VMI
- DL Adam DeGraffenreid, Sr., Charleston So.
- LB Maurice Simpkins, Sr., Coastal Carolina
- LB Keppy Baucom, Sr., Gardner-Webb
- LB Justin Huggard, Sr., VMI
- LB Manny Rojas, R-Jr., Liberty
- DB Robert Mason, Sr., VMI
- DB Quinton Teal, Sr., Coastal Carolina
- DB C.J. Moore, R-Sr., Liberty
- DB Tavares Shorter, Sr., Charleston Southern

**SPECIAL TEAMS**

- PK Josh Hoke, Jr., Coastal Carolina
- P Noah Crouch, R-Sr., Liberty
- RS Sean Mizzer, Sr., VMI
- LS Matt Skeen, Soph., Gardner-Webb

**BIG SOUTH ENJOYS BEST OPENING WEEKEND EVER**

The Big South went a combined 4-1 during the first weekend, its best-ever in its young history. The previous best was two wins, set in each previous season. The Conference went 1-1 against Southern Conference teams this past Saturday, and is 4-4 against the SoCon in its last eight meetings.

**VMI ENDS 12-GAME LOSING STREAK WITH 33-0 BLANKING OF DAVIDSON**

The VMI Keydets recorded their first shutout since the 1982 season with a 33-0 season-opening win over Davidson, ending the school's 12-game losing streak in the process. VMI's last shutout was on Oct. 23, 1982 when the Keydets blanked Richmond, 14-0. VMI recorded its first shutout win in an opener since a 7-0 blanking of Furman on Sept. 14, 1974. VMI's goose-egg was also the second season-opening shutout in Big South history, as Gardner-Webb shutout Clark-Atlanta 45-0 in 2003.

**COASTAL CAROLINA TIES CONFERENCE WIN STREAK**

Coastal Carolina defeated Elon 17-10 this past Saturday, improving to 3-0 in season openers. The win also was the Chanticleers' ninth-straight dating back to last season, which equals the Big South record for consecutive victories. Gardner-Webb established the mark in similar fashion, winning eight straight to close out the 2002, and opening the 2003 campaign with a win.

**SPEAKING OF WIN STREAKS**

Three Big South teams currently are among the top 10 longest win streaks in the nation. Coastal's nine-game win streak is currently the second-longest in the I-AA, two behind Harvard's 11-straight victories. Liberty is tied for the sixth-longest at five straight, while Gardner-Webb is tied for 10th-longest with three consecutive wins.

**TWO RANKED OPPONENTS ON WEEK 2 SLATE**

The Big South will face two ranked teams during Week 2. VMI will host No. 9 William & Mary, while No. 1-ranked and defending national champion James Madison will visit Coastal Carolina. This past weekend, James Madison defeated Division II Lock Haven 56-0, while W&M is coming off a 36-24 defeat at I-A Marshall.

**MORE ON OPENING WINS**

Gardner-Webb improved to 18-16-2 in season openers and 7-2 under coach **STEVE PATTON** with its 65-12 win over Union (Ky.) College Saturday evening. It was the Bulldogs' first season-opening win since 2003. Liberty improved to 15-18 in openers and 2-4 under coach **KEN KARCHER**, and won its second-straight season opener. VMI, opening its 115th year of football, is now 69-43-3 in season openers, and won its first game of the year for the first time since 2002.

**GARDNER-WEBB ENTERS RECORD BOOK IN 65-12 WIN**

Gardner-Webb's 65 points against Union (Ky.) College are the second-most scored in Big South history, four points behind Liberty's record of 69 set in 2003. The Bulldogs reached the end zone nine times, equalling the Flames' record vs. Norfolk State on Nov. 8, 2003. The 597 yards of total offense was the second-highest in history, and the 407 passing yards is third-most. The Bulldogs also recorded its third five-touchdown pass game as a Big South member, extending its League mark.

**IN THE NICK OF TIME**

Gardner-Webb senior QB **NICK ROBERTS** is 210 rushing yards away from 1,000 in his career, which would make him the first Big South quarterback to reach the rushing milestone. He is currently 12th all-time in League annals, and needs 90 yards to pass Rashaud Palmer (Elon) for 11th place. Roberts' 14 rushing touchdowns are sixth-most in Big South history.

**THIRTY-SOMETHING**

VMI's 33-point margin of victory over Davidson Saturday was its largest since defeating Austin Peay by 41 points in 2003 (48-7). The Keydets have now defeated the Wildcats eight consecutive times, dating back to 1973, and the Big South is now 4-0 all-time against Davidson.

**MIZZER REACHES 2,000 RUSHING PLATEAU**

With this 129 rushing yards against Davidson, VMI RB **SEAN MIZZER** pushed his Big South career rushing total to 2,102, becoming the second player in League history with 2,000 rushing yards. The next player likely to reach the milestone is Coastal Carolina senior **PATRICK HALL**, who stands 318 yards away. Here is a look at the active rushers among those pushing for 2,000:

Rk	Name, school	Yards	Needs
4.	Patrick Hall, Coastal Carolina	1,682	318
6.	Aundres Perkins, Coastal Carolina	1,404	596
8.	Jermaine Boston, Gardner-Webb	1,354	646

**BIG SOUTH VS. OTHER CONFERENCES**

<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>4-1 (.800)</b>
<b>Atlantic Coast</b> .....	<b>0-0</b>
Duke	
<b>Atlantic 10</b> .....	<b>0-0</b>
James Madison	
Richmond	
Towson	
William & Mary	
<b>Big East</b> .....	<b>0-0</b>
Connecticut	
<b>Gateway</b> .....	<b>0-0</b>
Youngstown State	
<b>Mid-Eastern Athletic</b> .....	<b>0-0</b>
Delaware State	
Hampton	
Howard	
Norfolk State	
South Carolina State	
<b>Ohio Valley</b> .....	<b>0-0</b>
Tennessee-Martin	
<b>Patriot League</b> .....	<b>0-0</b>
Lehigh	
<b>Pioneer League</b> .....	<b>1-0</b>
Davidson	1-0
Jacksonville	
<b>Southern</b> .....	<b>1-1</b>
Elon	1-0
The Citadel	0-1
Appalachian State	
Chattanooga	
Furman	
Wofford	
<b>I-AA Independent</b> .....	<b>0-0</b>
Savannah State	
<b>Non Division I</b> .....	<b>2-0</b>
Concord	1-0
Union	1-0
Belhaven	
Mansfield (Pa.)	
North Greenville	
Presbyterian	
Virginia Union	
West Virginia Wesleyan	

**CATCH US IF YOU CAN**

VMI senior receivers **ZOHN BURDEN** and **GARY PRICE** have each caught a pass in 24 straight games, setting a new VMI standard in that category. Both streaks began in 2003 against Navy. Meanwhile, Burden is just one reception away from becoming just the third receiver in Big South history with 100 career catches. Price is 28 receptions away from the century mark.

**TOP GUNS**

Gardner-Webb QB **NICK ROBERTS** and Charleston Southern signal-caller **COLLIN DRAFTS** each accounted for 271 yards of total offense in Week 1. The two rank 1-2 in almost every Big South career passing category, and below is an updated look at the numbers through Week 1:

Category	Roberts	Drafts
Passing Yards	1st 4,889	2nd 4,752
Attempts	1st 717	2nd 701
Completions	1st 417	2nd 414
TD Passes	1st 35	2nd 33
Completion Percentage	3rd 58.2	2nd 59.1

**RINGING THE LIBERTY BELL**

The Flames finished with 167 rushing yards against Concord, marking the sixth-straight game that Liberty has rushed for more than 100 yards. RB **MARCUS HAMILTON** led Saturday's attack with a career-high 138 yards on 19 carries (7.26 AVG). Over the last three seasons, Liberty has rushed for more than 2,000 yards as a team and is just one of 16 NCAA Division I-AA programs to reach the 2,000 yard barrier during that span.

**100% TOTAL**

Charleston Southern QB **COLLIN DRAFTS** is 108 yards away from becoming the second player in Big South history to accumulate 5,000 yards of total offense. He currently stands at 4,892. Gardner-Webb's **NICK ROBERTS** is first all-time with 5,667. Drafts is currently first all-time in total plays with 972, while Roberts is second at 969. Meanwhile, Roberts is 111 yards away from becoming the first Big South QB ever with 5,000 passing yards.

**PERKINS ADDS TO TOTAL**

Coastal Carolina RB **AUNDRES PERKINS** scored two touchdowns at Elon, increasing his League career record to 28 scores and 168 points. Coastal Carolina RB **PATRICK HALL** is closing in on the 100-point barrier, as he enters this weekend with 96 career points. VMI rusher **SEAN MIZZER** stands 10 points away from the century mark.

**SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!**

With its 4-1 season-opening record, the Big South is now 29-29 ( =.500) in the month of September. Last season, Big South teams went 8-11 in the first month. The Conference's most wins in September is nine, set in 2003.

**BIG SOUTH'S NON-CONFERENCE RECORD IMPROVES YEAR-TO-YEAR**

The Big South is looking to build on its 16-18 record in non-conference action last season, and the .470 winning percentage was its best in its three years of football. The mark surpassed the previous percentages of .436 in 2003 and .406 in 2002. The Big South went 3-3 against Southern Conference teams in 2004, and will play eight games against the SoCon this season and five each against the MEAC and Atlantic 10 in 2005.

**2005 BIG SOUTH TELEVISION SCHEDULE**

Date	Game	Time	Network(s)
Sat., Oct. 1	VMI at Liberty *	12:00pm	CSN Mid-Atlantic, FCSA
	Coastal Carolina at South Carolina State	2:00pm	ETV
Sat., Oct. 15	Gardner-Webb at Coastal Carolina *	3:30pm	CSS, BSTN, FCSA
Sat., Oct. 22	Gardner-Webb at VMI *	12:00pm	CSN Mid-Atlantic, BSTN, FCSA
Sat., Nov. 19	Coastal Carolina at Charleston Southern *	12:30pm	BSTN, FCSA

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**BIG SOUTH MISCELLEANOUS STATISTICS**

**3-TOUCHDOWN PASSING GAMES**

- 1 Nick Roberts, Gardner-Webb

**100-YARD RUSHING GAMES**

- 1 Marcus Hamilton, Liberty
- 1 Sean Mizzer, VMI

**100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES**

- 1 Duvaughn Flagler, Gardner-Webb
- 1 Maurice Price, Charleston Southern

**MULTI-TOUCHDOWN GAMES**

Player	2	3	4	Total
Kory Alston, GWU		1		1
Aundres Perkins, CCU	1			1
Jermaine Boston, GWU	1			1
Marcus Hamilton, LU	1			1

**BIG SOUTH IN THE NCAA STATISTICS**

The following individuals rank in the top 25 in the NCAA football statistical categories, through Week 1:

**INDIVIDUAL**

**Scoring**

- 2. Kory Alston, Gardner-Webb .....18.0
- 14. Jermaine Boston, Gardner-Webb .....12.0
- 14. Marcus Hamilton, Liberty .....12.0

**Rushing**

- 12. Marcus Hamilton, Liberty .....138.0
- 14. Sean Mizzer, VMI .....129.0

**Total Offense**

- 18. Collin Drafts, Charleston Southern .....271.0
- 18. Nick Roberts, Gardner-Webb .....271.0

**Passing Efficiency**

- 2. Nick Roberts, Gardner-Webb.....268.56
- 15. Jonathan Wilson, VMI .....159.16

**Receptions Per Game**

- 12. Maurice Price, Charleston Southern.....7.0
- 24. Zohn Burdem VMI .....6.0

**Receiving Yards Per Game**

- 10. Duvaughn Flagler, Gardner-Webb.....127.0
- 16. Maurice Price, Charleston Southern ....112.0

**All-Purpose Yards**

- 13. Marcus Hamilton, Liberty .....185.0

**Field Goals Per Game**

- 9. Barrett Way, VMI.....2.00
- 24. Hunter Smith, Gardner-Webb.....1.00
- 24. Zacry Kolegue, Liberty .....1.00

**Punting**

- 6. Noah Crouch, Liberty .....44.2

**Punt Returns**

- 20. Andre Manning, Gardner-Webb.....13.0



**CHARLESTON SOUTHERN BUCCANEERS (0-1, 0-0 BIG SOUTH)**

Head Coach: Jay Mills (3rd year, 6-17) • Football Contact: David Shelton  
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<p>* Charleston Southern lost a hard-fought game at The Citadel, 28-14. In the last two meetings against Bulldogs, CSU was defeated 64-10 ('03) and 53-19 ('02).</p> <p>* <b>COLLIN DRAFTS</b> was 21-of-32 passing ( =65.6) with a TD pass and TD rush.</p> <p>* Charleston Southern opens its home season against Presbyterian Saturday at 1:30pm.</p>	<p>* The Bucs are 1-11 all-time against PC, having lost the last 11 games played. PC won last year 19-14 and in 2003, 17-14.</p> <p>* Charleston Southern's lone win over Presbyterian came in 1993 (17-16).</p> <p>* <b>JADA ROSS</b> recorded 12 tackles in Saturday's loss at The Citadel, including 10 solo stops.</p>	<p>* <b>MAURICE PRICE</b> hauled in seven catches for 112 yards, while <b>DIMAR LABEGA</b> and <b>KENNY HARPER</b> each had five receptions.</p> <p>* Price's seven catches lead the Big South. A CSU player has led the Conference in receiving each year of Big South football.</p>
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**COASTAL CAROLINA CHANTICLEERS (1-0, 0-0 BIG SOUTH)**

Head Coach: David Bennett (3rd year, 17-6) • Football Contact: John Martin  
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<p>* Coastal Carolina is 1-0 for third-straight season.</p> <p>* Coastal faces defending national champion James Madison at home Saturday evening.</p> <p>* Coastal has been a solid road football team since its inception, posting an 8-3 ( =.727) record.</p> <p>* The Chanticleers have played 13 games in the evening in its history, and are an impressive 10-3</p>	<p>record, including a 7-2 mark at Brooks Stadium. Saturday's game is slated for 7:00pm.</p> <p>* Coastal Carolina is 14-1 all-time when scoring first, and 16-1 when leading at halftime.</p> <p>* <b>QB TYLER THIGPEN</b> was 12-22 for 132 yards in the win at Elon, and rushed five times for 19 yards. He also delivered four third-down completions to keep drives alive for CCU.</p>	<p>* <b>PATRICK HALL</b> is 87 rushing yards away from third-place on the Big South career list. Eugene Goodman (Liberty) is third with 1,769 yards.</p> <p>* <b>ANTHONY STEELE</b> and <b>JAMAR LEATH</b> each recorded 14 tackles in the win at Elon, and lead the Big South in that category.</p>
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**GARDNER-WEBB RUNNIN' BULLDOGS (1-0, 0-0 BIG SOUTH)**

Head Coach: Steve Patton (9th year, 57-31) • Football Contact: Marc Rabb  
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<p>* Gardner-Webb's 65 points against Union (Ky.) College was its most points in a game since 1997, when the Bulldogs defeated Tusculum, 66-6.</p> <p>* The Runnin' Bulldogs have scored 117 points in their last two games, dating back to last season. GWU closed out the 2004 season with 52 points against Southeastern Louisiana.</p> <p>* <b>KELVIN GERMAN</b>'s 141 all-purpose yards (77 rush,</p>	<p>43 kickoff and 21 pass) against Union marked a career-high for a 9.4 average.</p> <p>* Gardner-Webb's game against Belhaven was pushed back to Saturday, Sept. 10, due to the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Belhaven is located in Jackson, Miss. It will be the first meeting between the schools.</p> <p>* <b>NICK ROBERTS</b> recorded a 256.00 pass efficiency</p>	<p>rating in two quarters against Union. He has accounted for 49 career touchdowns (35 pass, 14 rush) in less than three seasons as a starter.</p> <p>* <b>KEPPY BAUCOM</b> recorded 11 tackles (8 solo) and forced a fumble against Union.</p> <p>* <b>KORY ALSTON</b> made the most of his third career punt return Saturday, darting 40 yards for a score. He is averaging better than 30 yards per return.</p>
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**LIBERTY FLAMES (1-0, 0-0 BIG SOUTH)**

Head Coach: Ken Karcher (6th year, 21-36) • Football Contact: Todd Wetmore  
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<p>* Liberty is 1-0 for the second straight season, and travels to Big East member Connecticut this Saturday.</p> <p>* The game at UConn marks Liberty's seventh-straight season against at least one Division I-A opponent. It will mark just the second time in school history that Liberty has traveled to the New England area. The first trip was in 1992 against the Maine Black Bears (L, 42-20).</p>	<p>* <b>JASON HORN</b>'s block of a Concord extra-point marked the third-straight game LU's special teams unit has directly affected the score.</p> <p>* The Flames' dominated the clock against Concord, holding a 34:20 to 25:40 time of possession advantage.</p> <p>* LU, after recording just nine sacks in 2004, is one-third of the way to last year's total following three</p>	<p>sacks against the Mountain Lions.</p> <p>* Liberty enters Saturday's contest at UConn with a 1-15 all-time record against Division I-A opponents. The program's lone win was in 1989, when the Flames won 25-24 at Eastern Michigan.</p>
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**VMI KEYDETS (1-0, 0-0 BIG SOUTH)**

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<p>* The 159 yards of total offense by Davidson was the first time a VMI defense had held an opponent under 200 yards since The Citadel had 194 yards on Nov. 13, 1999.</p> <p>* VMI's 354 yards of total offense was the first time the Keydets had amassed over 300 yards offense in a game since accumulating 401 yards of total offense against The Citadel on Nov. 15, 2003.</p>	<p>* VMI and William &amp; Mary will meet for the 83rd time this Saturday. William &amp; Mary holds the series lead at 47-33-2.</p> <p>* VMI last defeated William &amp; Mary in 1985 (39-38), while W&amp;M has won the last 20 meetings.</p> <p>* The last time VMI started 2-0 was in 2002.</p>	<p>* VMI attained its first win in a home season opener since 1998 when the Keydets defeated Lenior-Rhyme, 26-7.</p> <p>* <b>SEAN MIZZER</b> notched his 13th career 100-yard rushing game with 129 yards against Davidson. He also scored his 18th rushing TD, tied with <b>KIM GLIDEWELL</b> (1973-76) for fifth-place on VMI's career list.</p>
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**CHARLESTON SOUTHERN (0-1, 0-0 BIG SOUTH)**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Sept. 3	at The Citadel	L, 14-28
Sept. 10	PRESBYTERIAN	1:30pm
Sept. 17	JACKSONVILLE	1:30pm
Sept. 24	at North Greenville	1:30pm
Oct. 1	HOWARD	1:30pm
Oct. 8	at VMI *	1:00pm
Oct. 15	WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN	1:30pm
Oct. 22	SAVANNAH STATE	1:30pm
Nov. 5	at Gardner-Webb *	1:30pm
Nov. 12	LIBERTY *	1:30pm
Nov. 19	COASTAL CAROLINA *	12:30pm

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**COASTAL CAROLINA (1-0, 0-0 BIG SOUTH)**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Sept. 3	at Elon	W, 17-10
Sept. 10	#1 JAMES MADISON	7:00pm
Sept. 17	at Appalachian State	3:30pm
Sept. 24	DELAWARE STATE	7:00pm
Oct. 1	at South Carolina State	2:00pm
Oct. 15	GARDNER-WEBB *	3:30pm
Oct. 22	at Liberty *	7:00pm
Oct. 29	VMI *	12:30pm
Nov. 5	at Savannah State	1:30pm
Nov. 12	MANSFIELD	12:30pm
Nov. 19	at Charleston Southern *	12:30pm

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**GARDNER-WEBB (1-0, 0-0 BIG SOUTH)**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Sept. 3	UNION	W, 65-12
Sept. 10	BELHAVEN	6:00pm
Sept. 24	TENNESSEE-MARTIN	1:30pm
Oct. 1	at Furman	2:00pm
Oct. 8	HAMPTON	6:00pm
Oct. 15	at Coastal Carolina *	3:30pm
Oct. 22	at VMI *	12:00pm
Oct. 29	LIBERTY *	6:00pm
Nov. 5	CHARLESTON SOUTHERN *	1:30pm
Nov. 12	at Savannah State	1:00pm
Nov. 19	WOFFORD	12:00pm

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**LIBERTY (1-0, 0-0 BIG SOUTH)**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Sept. 3	CONCORD	W, 17-6
Sept. 10	at Connecticut	12:00pm
Sept. 17	YOUNGSTOWN STATE	7:00pm
Sept. 24	at William & Mary	1:00pm
Oct. 1	VMI *	12:00pm
Oct. 8	CHATTANOOGA	7:00pm
Oct. 15	TOWSON	7:00pm
Oct. 22	COASTAL CAROLINA *	7:00pm
Oct. 29	at Gardner-Webb *	6:00pm
Nov. 5	at Charleston Southern *	1:30pm
Nov. 12	at Norfolk State	1:00pm

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**VMI (1-0, 0-0 BIG SOUTH)**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Sept. 3	DAVIDSON	W, 33-0
Sept. 10	#9 WILLIAM & MARY	1:00pm
Sept. 17	at Duke	1:00pm
Sept. 24	LEHIGH	1:00pm
Oct. 1	at Liberty *	12:00pm
Oct. 8	CHARLESTON SOUTHERN *	1:00pm
Oct. 15	at Wofford	1:30pm
Oct. 22	GARDNER-WEBB *	12:00pm
Oct. 29	at Coastal Carolina *	12:30pm
Nov. 5	at Richmond	3:00pm
Nov. 19	THE CITADEL	1:00pm

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**2005 BIG SOUTH TELEVISION SCHEDULE**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Game</u>	<u>Network</u>
Sept. 3	CSU at The Citadel	ETV
Oct. 1	Liberty at VMI *	CSN, FCSA
Oct. 1	CCU at S.C. State	ETV
Oct. 15	GWU at CCU *	CSS, BSTN, FCSA
Oct. 22	GWU at VMI *	CSN, BSTN, FCSA
Nov. 19	CCU at CSU *	BSTN, FCSA