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COVERAGE OF GEORGIA SOUTHERN

The 1984 Georgia Southern Football Guide has been assembled to assist you in your coverage of Georgia Southern Football. We have tried to anticipate as many of your questions as possible. However, if there are questions left unanswered in the media guide, we will do our best to accommodate you and your requests. Here are a few suggestions that should help your coverage of Georgia Southern football.

CONTACTING COACH RUSSELL

Coach Russell is usually available for phone interviews in the morning. You can reach him by calling (912) 681-5522. If he is not available when you call, he will return your call as soon as possible. If your call is of an urgent nature and Coach Russell is unavailable, contact Mark McClellan in the Sports Information Office at (912) 681-5500 or 5522, or at home (912) 489-1062.

PLAYER INTERVIEWS

We encourage you to interview our players at Georgia Southern. However, we do request that you contact the Sports Information Office prior to your arrival in Statesboro. Please do not expect players to be available if you have not made prior arrangements. Players phone numbers will not be given out, but the Sports Information Office will try to make sure players return your phone calls. On-campus interviews should be conducted before practice, and all interviews should be concluded by Wednesday afternoon. Players' rooms are considered private living areas and are off-limits to everyone except staff.

PRESS CREDENTIALS

Mark McClellan will handle working press and photographer credentials for Southern's games with Florida A & M, Liberty Baptist, UT- Chattanooga, Newberry and Valdosta State. All requests for press credentials to these games must be in writing on company letterhead. There are no exceptions. All requests should be made at least a week and preferably 10 days prior to the game.

Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions or problems that we can help you with. We're looking forward to an exciting year at Georgia Southern, and we certainly hope you will be a part of it.

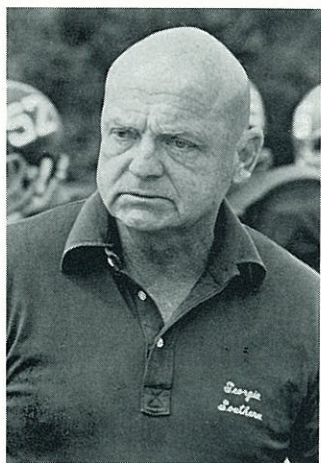
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Outlook



QUOTING ERK RUSSELL

DEFENSE

DEFENSIVE LINE - "Defensive guard, experience wise, is probably our best position on defense. Theoriea Ward, Jessie Jenkins and Eddie Johns have played there for two years. Defensive tackle and defensive end are experienced positions but we are only one deep there.

"Theoriea Ward may be our best defensive player. He has the best strength of the group there. Jessie Jenkins is small and quick and has a lot of experience. Eddie Johns is also a capable player. This position gives us our best people in terms of depth.

"At defensive end, John Richardson is experienced but with no depth behind him. We have the same situation at defensive tackle. Jeff Evans is a quality ballplayer, but again we have no experienced depth behind him. Richardson and Evans should be really good players for us."

LINEBACKERS AND SECONDARY - "The inside linebackers are not quite as experienced but they are good athletes. Rodney Renfroe and Charles Carper were both moved to linebacker in the middle of last season and still have some learning to do.

"Hugo Rossignol had two or three really good games last year at rover. He is experienced at the position and right now knows the position as well as he ever has.

"Danny Durham at strong linebacker should help us.

"The secondary is wide open. Last year I felt the secondary was our most troublesome spot. Nay Young and Kevin Hutchinson were regulars there last year. However, neither has established themselves at this point as regulars again.

"Overall, I feel that we are pretty good defensively with our front line people, but there is no proven backup help. That's not to say that our backups can't play. It just means that we lack experience in our substitutes."

OFFENSE

QUARTERBACKS - "When you talk about our offense, you have to start with our quarterback, Tracy Ham. I don't know how he compares with other quarterbacks in Division 1-AA, but I can say that he is the finest quarterback in the state of Georgia.

"In handling our offense, the option is very important as is the sprint out pass. I feel that he is the best at doing those things.

"However, because of the number of times he carries the ball, he is subject to injury. He missed two full games and parts of two others last year, but that is a chance that has to be taken with our offense.

"Right now, I would have to say Brant West is our backup at quarterback."

RUNNINGBACKS - "Our best position in terms of depth is our running back spot. At tailback, we have the Harrises, Gerald and Ricky, Melvin Bell and Steve Anderson if he recovers from a leg injury. All those guys are capable performers.

"The plan right now is to play Gerald Harris and Ricky Harris at fullback some too, along with Clint Harper who came on strong late last season."

OFFENSIVE LINE AND RECEIVERS - "On the offensive line, we have quality players in tackle Vance Pike and Mike Mears. Right now, it looks like we'll move Mears to center although he played tight end last year. He is an outstanding blocker. We won't rule him out at tight end completely though, because he does some things well there.

"Fred Stokes is potentially a very fine lineman for us, but he has been hampered by injuries since coming here.

"Scott LaSalle started for us last season, but is recovering from knee surgery and is a doubtful performer.

"Larry West is steady at guard.

"We return three performers at receiver. Robert Baker, Monty Sharpe and Delano Little all played there last year. Size is a problem because most of these guys are small and in our offensive scheme we require our wideouts to do a lot of blocking."

SCHEDULE

"It seems like every year, we're starting a new program. The first year, we had to build a program. The second year we fielded our first team against a partial schedule. Last year we played our first full schedule against all four year schools. This year we're moving into Division 1-AA and the quality of our opponents has increased.

"We have a lack of depth at most positions. We're not two deep everywhere. There is a big drop-off in some cases between starters and backups and that could tell on us this season.

"Our goal is to beat Florida A & M and Middle Tennessee State and everybody in between. Any time you button the chin strap and kick it off you have a chance to win.

"Our coaching staff will have a game plan for every game. If executed properly, that game plan will give us a chance to win. Realistically, it will be a hard year for us. Some of the teams we play are great teams. In some of our games, on paper, there is no conceivable way we can win the game. But we'll show up anyway."



OFFENSE

*Quoting Ben Griffith
Offensive Coordinator*

"We have felt since we've been here that our offensive backs are our strongest position. Of course that depends on how you look at it. We have a lot of depth. At tailback, we have Melvin Bell, Gerald Harris, Ricky Harris, Steve Anderson and Ken Hicks. Melvin, Gerald and Ricky had good year for us last year and we feel that Anderson can be a good back if he can stay healthy. Hicks walked on this spring and does not possess great speed, but is a hard, smart runner.

"That's the good side. The other side is that they are all still sophomores. That means they're young and they have a lot to learn.

At fullback, Clint Harper came through for us last year. Plus, we are planning to play most of the tailbacks at fullback some this season.

"I don't think there is any question that Tracy Ham is the finest quarterback in the state. He proved last year that he can win. The key to Tracy is if he can stay healthy. Brant West and Tank Stephens will back him up and we feel that our depth is better at quarterback this year than ever before.

"On the offensive line, Vance Pike is a talented player. He is a good leader in the sense that he leads by example. Mike Mears is a quality player. However, Mike is moving to center this season from tight end and how well he adjusts will determine what kind of year he has. Mears has an opportunity to be an outstanding player. If he has a future in football, we think it is at center.

"At wide receiver, we have some quality athletes. The receivers are good route runners with good hands and good option blockers. Our only problem is a lack of size. We're small, but I can't complain because they have done the job for us.

"Overall, our backs are our strongest position. Our biggest weakness is probably a lack of senior leadership. We only have two seniors on offense — Jeff Lee and Buddy Beauchamp. Well, Mears is a senior, but he is having to adjust to a new position. I think a lot of our success this season will be determined by what kind of leadership we get out of our older players."



DEFENSE

*Quoting Mike Healey
Defensive Coordinator*

DOWN LINEMEN

"We felt real good about our down linemen last year. We don't have a great deal of depth, but the players that we do have are as good as anybody we'll play — Jeff Evans, Theoriea Ward, Eddie Johns, John Richardson and Jessie Jenkins.

"Greg Williams and Mark DeFoor both had excellent springs and we are looking for them to help us in the fall. Sammy Williams has good physical dimensions. He missed last year because of knee surgery and we hope he can return to top form. He has good ability and good range.

"We need to improve our depth at these positions. Hopefully we can get some help from signees and walk-ons. Our success will depend somewhat on our frontline players staying health."

LINEBACKERS

"Linebacker was a major concern for us last season. We do not have great size, but the players we have are good and consistent. Danny Durham and Hugo Rossignol are sturdy players with good experience. We expect Ben Holt to help us. He had a good spring. Jack Gerdon was a walk-on who had a good spring and should see some playing time.

The inside linebackers are stronger now than they were last fall. Rodney Renfro has great athletic ability and Robert Underwood is maturing as a linebacker. He is recovering from knee surgery and had to miss spring practice, but he had a good fall last year. Beau Brown was a part-time starter for us last season and is a good hitter and team leader.

"Charles Carper has fair speed and average size but he has a superior talent for getting to the ball. He is good at avoiding blockers and finding the football. Mark Wesley had an excellent spring. He does not possess great speed but is a good hitter with good ball awareness."

SECONDARY

"The secondary was a problem area in 1983. We've had so many personnel changes since we started the program that we have no established players.

"Nay Young and Kevin Hutchinson both started for us last season and are back this year. They are frontrunners for starting jobs this fall.

"We are looking for a cornerback. Ric Perry and Nate Hayes were part-time players for us last season and are back this year. Brad Bowen has played some at safety and gives us some depth there."

OVERALL

"In order for us to do well, three things need to happen. Our down linemen need to stay healthy, the linebackers must continue to improve and the secondary needs to become stable."

GEORGIA SOUTHERN AT A GLANCE

President: Dr. Dale W. Lick

Location: Statesboro, Ga.

Founded: 1906

Enrollment: 7,200

Athletic Director: Dr. David 'Bucky' Wagner

Phone: (912)-681-5376

Head Football Coach: Erk Russell

Sports Information Director: Mark McClellan

Phone: (912)-681-5500 (Office)

(912)-489-1062 (Home)

Nickname: Eagles

Colors: Blue and White

Conference: Independent

Stadium: Paulson Stadium (18,000)

Returning Players from last year: 60

Returning Starters: 20

Offense: 10

Defense: 10

GEORGIA SOUTHERN

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Opponents



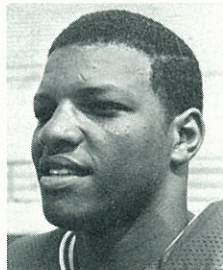
RUDY HUBBARD

GAME 1

FLORIDA A & M

September 1, 1:30 p.m., Statesboro

Head Coach: Rudy Hubbard
(Ohio State, '68); 10 yrs. (76-35-2)



MICHAEL KELLY

**Assistant Coaches: Allen Bogan, Amos Hill, Sheldon Hodge,
Robert James, Mark Orlando**



LOCATION: Tallahassee, FL
STADIUM: Bragg Memorial (25,500)
SURFACE: Natural Grass
ENROLLMENT: 5,200
COLORS: Orange and Green
BASIC OFFENSE: Power I
BASIC DEFENSE: 5-2
NICKNAME: Rattlers
CONFERENCE: Independent

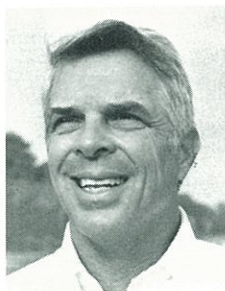
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Roosevelt Wilson
SPORTS PUBLICIST: Alvin Hollins, Jr.
OFFICE PHONE: (904) 599-3206 or 3272
HOME PHONE: (904) 575-1817
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NCAA I-AA
PRESIDENT: Dr. Walter Smith
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 39
STARTERS RETURNING: 20
STARTERS LOST: 2

1984 Schedule

Sept. 1	Georgia Southern
Sept. 8	FORT VALLEY STATE
Sept. 15	Troy State
Sept. 22	Tennessee State
Sept. 29	KENTUCKY STATE
Oct. 6	Jackson State
Oct. 13	MORRIS BROWN
Oct. 27	Alcorn State
Nov. 3	PRAIRIE VIEW
Nov. 10	Southern University
Nov. 17	Eastern Kentucky

1983 Results (7-4)

35	Fort Valley State	10
34	Delaware State	36
13	Tennessee State	23
21	Howard	17
22	Jackson State	28
42	Albany State	0
17	South Carolina State	14
30	Alcorn State	43
35	North Carolina A & T	14
31	Southern University	14
35	Eastern Kentucky	10



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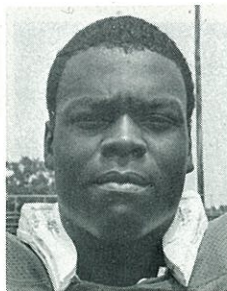
GAME 2

PRESBYTERIAN

September 8, 7:00 p.m., Clinton, SC

Head Coach: Cally Gault
(Presbyterian, '48); 21 yrs. (120-97-8)

Assistant Coaches: Bob Strock,
Elliott Poss, Gary Nelson,
Garry Fast, Mike Lindsey



ROBERT WILLIAMS



LOCATION: Clinton, SC
STADIUM: Bailey Memorial (5,000)
SURFACE: Natural Grass
ENROLLMENT: 950
COLORS: Garnet and Blue
BASIC OFFENSE: Varied T
BASIC DEFENSE: Varied 50
NICKNAME: Blue Hose
CONFERENCE: SAC-8

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Cally Gault
SPORTS PUBLICIST: Byron Rucker
OFFICE PHONE: (803) 833-2820, X252
HOME PHONE:
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NAIA
PRESIDENT: Dr. Kenneth Orr
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 41
STARTERS RETURNING: 13
STARTERS LOST: 9

1984 Schedule	
Sept. 8	GEORGIA SOUTHERN
Sept. 15	The Citadel
Sept. 22	LENOIR-RHYNE
Sept. 29	Wofford
Oct. 6	CATAWBA
Oct. 13	Elon
Oct. 20	Mars Hill
Oct. 27	LIBERTY BAPTIST
Nov. 3	GARDNER-WEBB
Nov. 10	Carson-Newman
Nov. 22	NEWBERRY

1983 Results (5-5-1)

7	The Citadel	35
21	Georgia Southern	35
7	Lenoir-Rhyne	3
7	Wofford	14
28	Catawba	7
6	Elon	10
14	Mars Hill	14
28	Liberty Baptist	9
8	Gardner-Webb	2
28	Carson-Newman	7
0	Newberry	23

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LOU SABAN

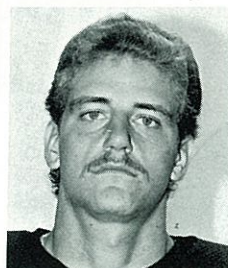
GAME 3

CENTRAL FLORIDA

September 15, 7:00 p.m.
Citrus Bowl, Orlando, FL

Head Coach: Lou Saban
(Baldwin-Wallace '48); 1 yr. (5-6)

Assistant Coaches: Jerry Anderson
Nick Coso, Bill Cubit, Craig Fry,
Tod Goodyear, Jimmy Hogue,
Dennis Scott, Al Seagraves,
Mitch Sirota, Pete Stewart



DANA THYHSEN



LOCATION: Orlando, FL
STADIUM: Orlando (50,000)
SURFACE: Natural Grass
ENROLLMENT: 15,000
COLORS: Black & Gold
BASIC OFFENSE: Pro Set
BASIC DEFENSE: Multiple
NICKNAME: Knights
CONFERENCE: Independent

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Bill Peterson
SPORTS PUBLICIST: Bob Cefalo
OFFICE PHONE: (305) 275-2464
HOME PHONE: (305) 282-1994
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NCAA II
PRESIDENT: Dr. Trevor Colbourn
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 39
STARTERS RETURNING: 18
STARTERS LOST: 4

1984 Schedule	
Sept. 1	BETHUNE-COOKMAN
Sept. 8	Northeast Louisiana
Sept. 15	GEORGIA SOUTHERN
Sept. 22	Western Kentucky
Sept. 29	Southwest Texas State
Oct. 6	AKRON UNIVERSITY
Oct. 13	Eastern Kentucky
Oct. 20	ILLINOIS STATE
Oct. 27	AUSTIN PEAY STATE
Nov. 3	Indiana State
Nov. 10	Furman

	GSC
1982	16
1983	29

1983 Results (5-6)	
37	Elizabeth City State
33	Georgia Southern
28	Southeastern Louisiana
20	North Alabama
20	VALDOSTA STATE
26	Richmond
10	Austin Peay State
14	Carson-Newman
14	Nicholls State
59	Fort Lewis
22	Bethune-Cookman

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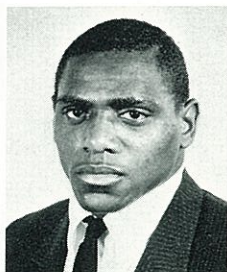
GAME 4

EAST CAROLINA

September 22, 1:30 p.m.
Greenville, NC

Head Coach: Ed Emory
(East Carolina, '60); 5 yrs. (24-20)

Assistant Coaches: Don Murry,
Tom Throckmorton, John Zernhell
Charlie Elmquist, Ken Matous,
Rex Kipps, Linwood Ferguson,
Waverly Brooks, David Jones



HENRY WILLIAMS



LOCATION: Greenville, NC
STADIUM: Ficklen
SURFACE: Natural Grass
ENROLLMENT: 13,000
COLORS: Purple & Gold
BASIC OFFENSE: Option I
BASIC DEFENSE: 5-2
NICKNAME: Pirates
CONFERENCE: Independent

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Dr. Ken Karr
SPORTS PUBLICIST: Bob Gennarelli
OFFICE PHONE: (919) 757-6491
HOME PHONE: (919) 758-4648
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NCAA I-A
CHANCELOER: Dr. John Howell
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 33
STARTERS RETURNING: 12
STARTERS LOST: 14

1984 Schedule	
Sept. 1	Florida State
Sept. 8	TEMPLE
Sept. 15	Central Michigan
Sept. 22	GEORGIA SOUTHERN
Sept. 29	N. C. State
Oct. 6	Pittsburgh
Oct. 13	Tulsa
Oct. 20	EAST TENNESSEE STATE
Oct. 27	South Carolina
Nov. 3	Southwestern Louisiana
Nov. 10	SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

1983 Results: (8-3)	
46	Florida State
22	N. C. State
50	Murray State
13	Missouri
21	Southwestern Louisiana
24	Temple
17	Florida
21	East Tennessee State
7	Miami
40	William & Mary
10	Southern Mississippi

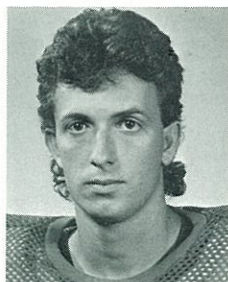
GAME 5

LIBERTY BAPTIST

September 29, 1:30 p.m., Statesboro

Head Coach: Morgan Hout
(Tennessee Temple, '71); First Year

Assistant Coaches: Dan Redding,
Kim Graham, Rick Gage, Ed
Landis, Ronnie Jurney, Terry
Kinard, Dave Scott, Bill Glaze,
Lefty Fisher



PHIL BASSO



LOCATION: Lynchburg, VA
STADIUM: Lynchburg City (15,000)
SURFACE: Natural Grass
ENROLLMENT: 4,000
COLORS: Red, White and Blue
BASIC OFFENSE: I
BASIC DEFENSE: 40
NICKNAME: Flames
CONFERENCE: Independent

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Al Worthington
SPORTS PUBLICIST: Kevin Keys
OFFICE PHONE: (804) 237-5961, X 292
HOME PHONE: (804) 239-6661
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NCAA II
PRESIDENT: Dr. A. Pierre Guillermin
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 35
STARTERS RETURNING: 15
STARTERS LOST: 7

1984 Schedule

Sept. 8	TOWSON STATE
Sept. 15	Virginia State
Sept. 22	JAMES MADISON
Sept. 29	Georgia Southern
Oct. 6	MARS HILL
Oct. 13	West Georgia
Oct. 20	LENOIR-RHYNE
Oct. 27	Presbyterian
Nov. 3	WOFFORD
Nov. 10	Delaware State

1983 Results (2-9)

15	Howard	10
15	Saginaw Valley	18
3	Towson State	13
35	James Madison	44
16	Central State	66
14	Virginia State	2
24	Delaware State	48
9	Presbyterian	28
16	Morehead State	24
27	Wofford	35
7	West Georgia	28



LARRY LITTLE

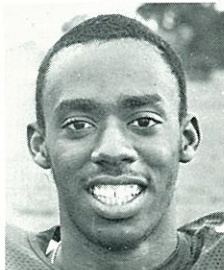
GAME 6

BETHUNE-COOKMAN

October 6, 7:00 p.m.
Jacksonville, FL

Head Coach: Larry C. Little
(Bethune-Cookman '67);
1 Year (4-4-1)

Assistant Coaches:
Jack McClairen, Alvin Wyatt,
Rick Stockstill, Jimmy Warren,
Willie Blackmon, Ernie Sheffield



BERNARD HAWK



LOCATION: Daytona Beach, FL
STADIUM: Welch (8,000)
SURFACE: Natural Grass
ENROLLMENT: 1,700
COLORS: Maroon and Gold
BASIC OFFENSE: Pro-Set
BASIC DEFENSE: 4-4
NICKNAME: Wildcats
CONFERENCE: Mid-Eastern

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Lloyd Johnson
SPORTS PUBLICIST: Johnny Randolph
OFFICE PHONE: (904) 255-1401, X 263
HOME PHONE: (904) 252-1981
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NCAA I-AA
PRESIDENT: Dr. Oswald Bronson
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 35
STARTERS RETURNING: 13
STARTERS LOST: 9

1984 Schedule	
Sept. 1	Central Florida
Sept. 15	Howard
Sept. 2	Grambling State
Sept. 29	DELAWARE STATE
Oct. 6	Georgia Southern (N)
Oct. 13	Alabama State
Oct. 20	South Carolina State (N)
Oct. 27	North Carolina A & T
Nov. 3	Tennessee State (N)
Nov. 10	MORRIS BROWN

1983 Results (4-4-1)		Sept.
51	District of Columbia	0
17	Howard	20
16	Delta State	23
24	Alabama State	6
19	Tennessee State	21
38	N. C. A & T	3
7	South Carolina State	28
17	Morris Brown	17
31	Central Florida	22



BUDDY NIX

GAME 7

TENNESSEE- CHATTANOOGA

October 13, 1:30 p.m., Statesboro

Head Coach: Buddy Nix
(Livingston State, '61); First Year

Assistant Coaches: Mike Hand,
Steve McGill, Fred Riley, Stanley
King, Joe Pate, Johnny Henderson,
Steve Dennis, Jerry Pullen



**KENNY
WASHINGTON**



LOCATION: Chattanooga, TN
STADIUM: Chamberlain Field (8,000)
SURFACE: Natural Grass
ENROLLMENT: 10,501
COLORS: Navy Blue and Old Gold
BASIC OFFENSE: I, Pro-Set
BASIC DEFENSE: 5-2 Multiple
NICKNAME: Moccasins
CONFERENCE: Southern

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Harold Wilkes
SPORTS PUBLICIST: Neil Magnussen
OFFICE PHONE: (615) 755-4618
HOME PHONE: (615) 265-4179
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NCAA I-AA
CHANCELLOR: Frederick Obear
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 38
STARTERS RETURNING: 11
STARTERS LOST: 11

1984 Schedule

Sept. 1	OUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA
Sept. 8	ARKANSAS STATE
Sept. 15	WESTERN CAROLINA
Sept. 29	FURMAN
Oct. 6	EAST TENNESSEE STATE
Oct. 13	Georgia Southern
Oct. 20	Virginia Military
Oct. 27	Marshall
Nov. 10	APPALACHIAN STATE
Nov. 17	Florida State

1983 Results (7-4)

13	Jacksonville State	6
14	Arkansas State	27
38	Southwestern Louisiana	14
14	Louisiana Tech	17
30	Appalachian State	9
30	The Citadel	9
23	Marshall	16
15	Western Carolina	25
23	Virginia Military	6
14	Furman	28
13	East Tennessee State	10



**CLAYTON
JOHNSON**

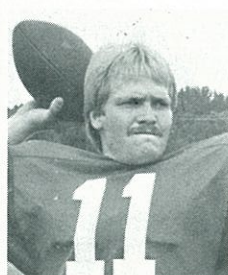
GAME 8

NEWBERRY

October 20, 1:30 p.m., Statesboro

Head Coach: Clayton Johnson
(Elon '64); 2 Years (11-11)

Assistant Coaches: Phil Wilks,
Pat Dunfee, John Eder, Chris
Worst, Nick DerCola



JIMMY SKIPPER



LOCATION: Newberry, SC
STADIUM: Setzler Field (4,000)
SURFACE: Natural Grass
ENROLLMENT 630
COLORS: Scarlet and Gray
BASIC OFFENSE: Multiple Veer
BASIC DEFENSE: 50
NICKNAME: Indians
CONFERENCE: South Atlantic

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Stephen Watt
SPORTS PUBLICIST: Stephen Watt
OFFICE PHONE: (803) 276-5010
HOME PHONE: (803) 276-8587
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NAIA
PRESIDENT: John Ammarell
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 69
STARTERS RETURNING: 18
STARTERS LOST: 3

1984 Schedule

Sept. 8	Furman
Sept. 15	GARDNER-WEBB
Sept. 22	Davidson
Sept. 29	MARS HILL
Oct. 6	Carson-Newman
Oct. 13	WOFFORD
Oct. 20	Georgia Southern
Oct. 27	Catawba
Nov. 3	Elon
Nov. 10	LENOIR-RHYNE
Nov. 22	Presbyterian

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1930	0
1933	6
1934	20
1936	10
1982	36
1983	24

1983 Results (6-5)

28	Catawba	10
13	Gardner-Webb	20
13	Davidson	7
27	Mars Hill	35
10	Carson-Newman	11
24	Wofford	6
27	Georgia Southern	24
33	West Georgia	40
26	Elon	21
7	Lenoir-Rhyne	17
23	Presbyterian	0

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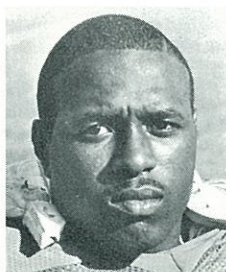
JIM GOODMAN

GAME 9

VALDOSTA STATE

October 27, 1:30 p.m., Statesboro

Head Coach: Jim Goodman
(Florida, '73); 2 Years (10-11-1)



LENNY PARKER

**Assistant Coaches: Jim Berryman,
Bobby Johns, Eric Schumann,
Calvin Rackley, Norman Sims,
Kenneth Hand, Ted Suttle,
Dick Russell**



LOCATION: Valdosta, GA
STADIUM: Cleveland Field (11,730)
SURFACE: Natural Grass
ENROLLMENT: 6000
COLORS: Red & Black
BASIC OFFENSE: Veer
BASIC DEFENSE: 50
NICKNAME: Blazers
CONFERENCE: Gulf South

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Jim Goodman
SPORTS PUBLICIST: Steve Roberts
OFFICE PHONE: (912) 333-5890
HOME PHONE: (912) 244-6560
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NCAA II
PRESIDENT: Dr. Hugh Bailey
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 41
STARTERS RETURNING: 15
STARTERS LOST: 7

1984 Schedule	
Sept. 8	CLARK COLLEGE
Sept. 15	Savannah State
Sept. 22	Tennessee-Martin
Sept. 29	JACKSONVILLE STATE
Oct. 6	Troy State
Oct. 13	LIVINGSTON
Oct. 20	West Georgia
Oct. 27	Georgia Southern
Nov. 3	MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE
Nov. 10	Delta State
Nov. 17	NORTH ALABAMA

GSC	VSC
1982 27	27
1982 45	29
1983 29	34

1983 Results (5-6)	
3	Mississippi College
12	Troy State
14	Savannah State
0	Central Florida
16	Delta State
11	Jacksonville State
20	West Georgia
0	North Alabama
32	Kentucky State
29	Livingston
34	Georgia Southern

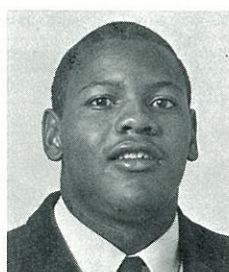


BUDDY SASSER

GAME 10

EAST TENNESSEE STATE

November 3, 3:00 p.m.
Johnson City, TN



CALVIN THOMPSON

Head Coach: Buddy Sasser
(North Carolina, '57); 1 Year (3-8)

Assistant Coaches: Jack Huss,
Walt Bragg, Paul Hamilton, Mike
Ayers, Mike Taylor, Sam Betz



LOCATION: Johnson City, TN
STADIUM: Gentry Field, Memorial Center (12,000)
SURFACE: Astro Turf
ENROLLMENT: 10,000
COLORS: Blue & Gold
BASIC OFFENSE: I Formation
BASIC DEFENSE: 50 Shade
NICKNAME: Buccaneers
CONFERENCE: Southern

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Barry Dowd
SPORTS PUBLICIST: John Cathey
OFFICE PHONE: (615) 929-4220
HOME PHONE: (615) 926-5302
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NCAA I-AA
PRESIDENT: Dr. Ronald E. Beller
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 51
STARTERS RETURNING: 19
STARTERS LOST: 6

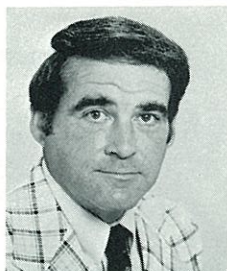
1984 Schedule

Sept. 8	Tennessee Tech
Sept. 15	EASTERN KENTUCKY
Sept. 22	Appalachian State
Sept. 29	The Citadel
Oct. 6	UT-Chattanooga
Oct. 13	FURMAN
Oct. 20	East Carolina
Oct. 27	James Madison
Nov. 3	GEORGIA SOUTHERN
Nov. 10	WESTERN CAROLINA
Nov. 17	MARSHALL

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1983 Results (3-8)

15	Eastern Kentucky	21
14	Tennessee Tech	7
16	Western Carolina	17
11	Appalachian State	13
10	Marshall	7
24	Georgia Southern	24
12	VMI	21
9	East Carolina	28
7	Furman	0
45	The Citadel	13
10	UT-Chattanooga	



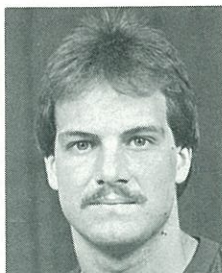
**JAMES (BOOTS)
DONNELLY**

GAME 11

MIDDLE TENNESSEE

November 10, 1:30 p.m.
Murfreesboro, TN

Head Coach:
James (Boots) Donnelly
(Middle Tennessee, '65);
5 Years (25-27)



MICKEY CORWIN

Assistant Coaches: Ed Bunio,
L. T. Helton, Brice Askren, Tom
Fiveash, Andy McCollum, Ed
Oakes, Alex Robins



LOCATION: Murfreesboro, TN
STADIUM: Johnny (Red) Floyd (15,000)
SURFACE: Astro Turf
ENROLLMENT: 11,250
COLORS: Navy Blue & White
BASIC OFFENSE: Multiple "I"
BASIC DEFENSE: Wide Tackle Six
NICKNAME: Blue Raiders
CONFERENCE: Ohio Valley

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Jimmy Earle
SPORTS PUBLICIST: Ed Given
OFFICE PHONE: (615) 898-2450
HOME PHONE: (615) 895-0827
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NCAA I-AA
PRESIDENT: Dr. Sam Ingram
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 33
STARTERS RETURNING: 13
STARTERS LOST: 9

1984 Schedule	
Sept. 1	LENOIR-RHYNE
Sept. 15	Jacksonville State
Sept. 22	MOOREHEAD STATE
Sept. 29	AKRON
Oct. 6	Eastern Kentucky
Oct. 13	Murray State
Oct. 20	AUSTIN PEAY STATE
Oct. 27	Youngstown State
Nov. 3	Western Kentucky
Nov. 10	GEORGIA SOUTHERN
Nov. 17	Tennessee Tech

1983 Results (8-2)		
51	Savannah State	0
39	UT-Martin	3
56	Morehead State	17
26	Akron	3
7	Eastern Kentucky	14
17	Murray State	14
31	Austin Peay	17
35	Youngstown State	24
26	Western Kentucky	7
8	Tennessee Tech	12

GEORGIA SOUTHERN

1984



Players

Tim Adams

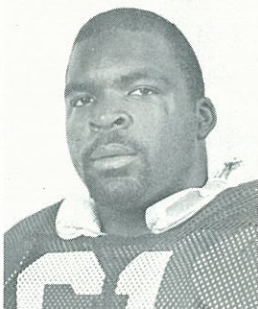
OG, 5-10, 220, Fr., Lithia Springs, GA



Needs to work on size . . . Starting to learn blocking schemes in Southern's offensive system . . . Should improve with practice and playing time . . . Will help this year in a reserve role.

Donnie Allen

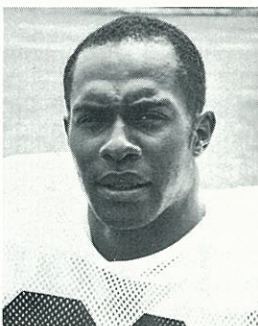
DG, 5-11, 238, So., Live Oak, FL



Made 11 tackles last season, five solos and six assists . . . High game was six tackles against Gardner-Webb . . . Possesses good ability . . . One of the fastest linemen on the team . . . Speed and size are his biggest assets . . . Needs to work on attitude.

Steve Anderson

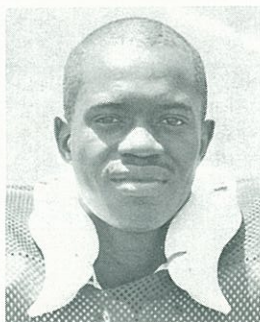
TB, 6-2, 199, Jr., Simpsonville, S.C.



Has been hampered by injuries throughout most of his career . . . Possesses good strong, physical ability . . . Outstanding runner when he has been healthy . . . Takes hits very well . . . Very strong runner.

Warnell Anthony

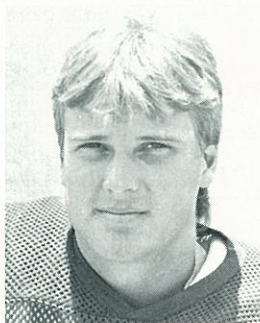
R, 5-10, 172, So., Reidsville, GA



Backup last year at the rover position . . . Good specialty teams player who shows great enthusiasm on the field . . . Excellent hitter . . . Highly self-motivated player who is a leader on the specialty teams . . . Will add solid depth at the rover position.

Robert Baker

WR, 6-0, 186 So., Jacksonville, FL



A dependable receiver who has been with the Georgia Southern program for two years . . . Last season caught 19 passes for 271 yards and two touchdowns . . . Averaged 14.3 yards per catch . . . In 1982, caught 13 passes for 150 yards and one touchdown . . . Averaged 11.5 yards per catch . . . Adequate speed, but runs good patterns.

	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LG
1983	19	271	14.3	2	43
1982	13	150	11.5	1	41
Career	32	421	13.2	3	43

Jeff Banks

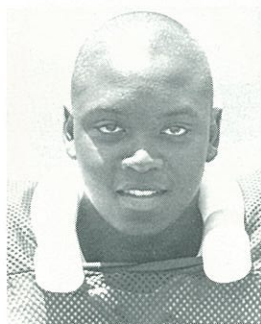
DE, 6-2, 217, Fr., Monticello, GA



Moved to defensive end from linebacker in the spring . . . Made four tackles last year, three solos and one assist . . . Good athletic sense . . . Needs to work on strength and speed.

Albert Barron

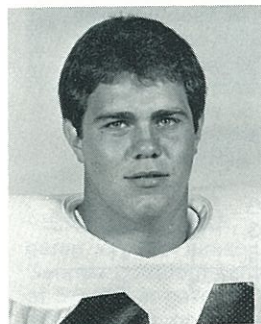
DE, 6-2, 225, So., Baxley, GA



Made one tackle in limited action last season . . . Hard worker with great desire . . . Needs to work on size and speed . . . Will provide quality depth at defensive end position.

Buddy Beauchamp

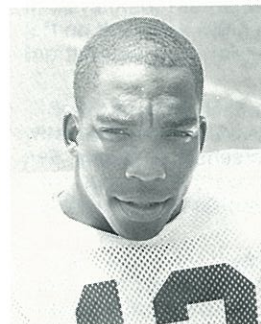
C, 5-11, 250, Sr., Nicholson, GA



Can play center and guard . . . Guard may be his best position . . . Good technique player . . . Has ability and desire to be good offensive lineman.

Melvin Bell

TB, 5-9, 190, Jr., Elberton, GA

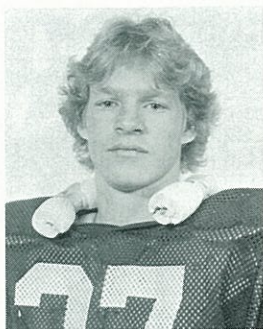


Southern's leading rusher for the past two seasons and the top rusher in the school's history . . . Last season, gained 712 yards and scored two touchdowns, averaging 5.9 yards per carry . . . Also Southern's top return man on Kickoffs and punts . . . Averaged 22.3 yards per kick return and scored one touchdown . . . Averaged 6.9 yards per punt return . . . In 1982, gained 688 yards and scored six touchdowns, averaging 5.6 yards per carry . . . Caught four passes for 27 yards . . . Averaged 17.5 yards per kick return . . . Southern's single game rushing leader with 201 yards against Florida State JV . . . Has two runs over 70 yards . . . Excellent runner in the open field . . . Transfer from Presbyterian.

	RUSHES- YARDS	AVG	TD	LG
1983	121-712	5.9	2	73
1982	122-688	5.6	6	74
Career	243-1400	5.8	8	74

Brad Bowen

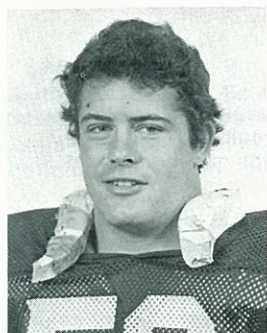
S, 6-0, 178, So., Plantation, FL



Walk-on last season who showed promise in the fall . . . Had a good spring practice this season . . . Gives Southern good depth at the safety position . . . Not blessed with great speed but has good ball awareness.

Beau Brown

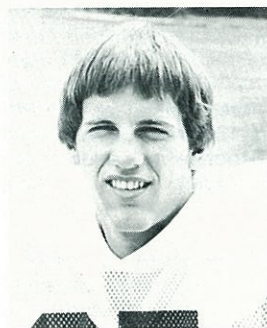
LB, 6-0, Sr., Jacksonville, FL



Made 43 tackles last season, 24 solos and 19 assists . . . High game was six tackles. against Gardner-Webb . . . Caused three fumbles and recovered one . . . Heavy hitter with great explosion on contact . . . Transfer from Auburn . . . Played prep ball under Southern assistant coach Mike Healey at Bishop Kenny in Jacksonville.

Steve Caldwell

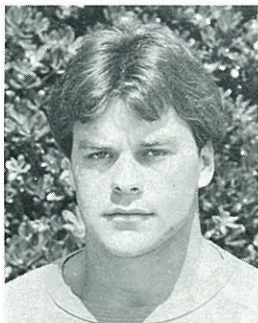
WR, 6-1, 170, Fr., Savannah, GA



Will add quality depth to the wide receiver spot . . . Lacks experience but should improve with some work . . . Will provide stability at the wide receiver spot as he learns more about the Georgia Southern system.

Charles Carper

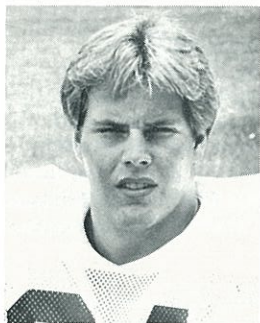
LB, 5-11, 206, Jr., Ocala, FL



Led all linebackers in tackles last season with 58, 31 solos and 27 assists . . . High game was 13 tackles against Newberry . . . Had two tackles for loss last season.

Tommy Ciarletta

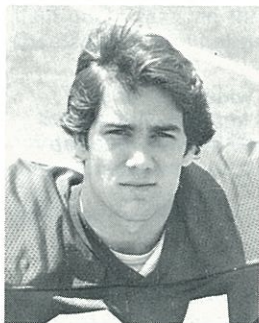
OG, 6-0, 223, Fr., Savannah, GA



Saw limited action last season . . . Needs to work on size . . . Playing time could increase as he gains more experience . . . Adds quality depth at the guard position.

John Cumiskey

WR, 5-10, 155, Fr., Columbus, GA



Gained valuable experience last season as a reserve . . . Caught one pass for 18 yards . . . Will improve as he gains more experience . . . Adds quality depth at the wide receiver spot.

Jeff Evans

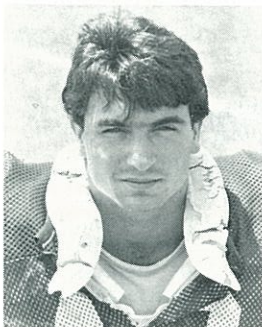
DT, 6-5, 245, Jr., Jacksonville, FL



Fourth leading tackler last season, tops among defensive tackles . . . Had 64 tackles, 42 solos and 22 assists . . . Had three tackles for losses and recovered three fumbles . . . Third leading tackler in 1982 with 57, 41 solos and 16 assists . . . good size and a good pass rusher . . . Has potential to be dominant force at defensive tackle.

Jack Gerdon

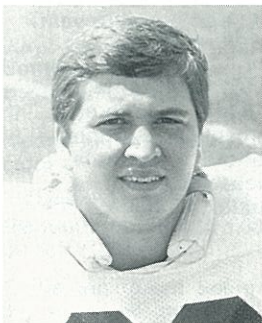
R, 5-10, 185, Jr., Falls Church, VA



Walk-on in the spring who shows good promise at the rover position . . . Will be in contention for a starting job this fall . . . Fair speed, but extremely intelligent player . . . Solid hitter who is highly motivated.

Allen Greer

DG, 6-1, 233, Fr., Stockbridge, GA



Needs to improve quickness . . . Has shown great improvement . . . Has a lot of promise and could push for playing time this fall . . . Smart player . . . Good student.



Newberry 27, Georgia Southern 24

STATESBORO, GA, October 22
-Newberry scored nine points in the last three minutes of the game to turn a six point Southern lead into a victory 27-24. The loss dropped Southern to 2-4 on the season.

Southern scored first in the first quarter on a one yard run by Gerald Harris with David Simmons adding the extra point. Newberry took an 8-7 lead on a 60 yard run by Jimmy Skipper and a two-point conversion.

The Eagles regained the lead at 13-7 when Steve Lomastro connected with Monty Sharpe on a 28 yard touchdown pass. The extra point attempt was unsuccessful. However, Newberry added another touchdown and a field goal on the last play of the first half to take an 18-13 lead at halftime.

In the third quarter, Southern scored on a three yard run by Gerald Harris, a two point conversion run by Harris and a 25 yard field goal by Simmons to lead 24-18. But Newberry tackled punter Brit Barker in the end zone for a safety with just over two minutes left, and then scored on a short pass with just over a minute remaining to snatch victory from the Eagles.

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NEWBERRY	8	10	0	9	27
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	7	6	8	3	24

First Quarter

GS - G. Harris 1 yard run (Simmons kick)	2:31
NC - Skipper 60 yard run (Taylor pass from Kirkpatrick)	1:28

Second Quarter

GS - Sharpe 28 yard pass from Lomastro (kick failed)	10:17
NC - Nesbitt 16 yard run (Taylor kick)	3:01
NC - Taylor 20 yard field goal	0:00

Third Quarter

GS - Gerald Harris 3 yard run (G. Harris run)	5:44
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Fourth Quarter

GS - Simmons 25 yard field goal	10:50
NC - Barker tackled in end zone for safety	2:56
NC - Johnson 1 yard pass from Skipper (Taylor kick)	1:04

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

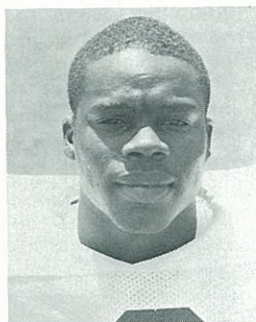
Rushing - GS - Bell 17-144, G. Harris 10-45; NC - Montiey 22-152, Nesbitt 13-84, Skipper 13-55

Passing - GS - Lomastro 20-8-1-1 117; NC - Skipper 19-9-0-1 136

Receiving - GS - Sharpe 5-98, R. Harris 3-19; NC - Sartin 3-35, Johnson 3-36

Tracy Ham

QB, 5-11, 185, So., High Springs, FL

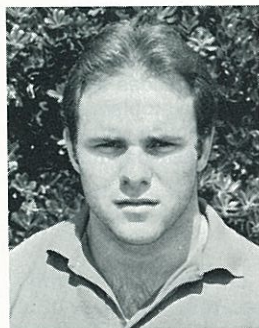


One of the top quarterbacks in the Southeast with the potential to become Georgia Southern's first football All-America . . . Averaged 176.9 yards per game in total offense last season . . . Second leading rusher with 706 yards and 11 touchdowns . . . Completed 45.8 percent of his passes for 886 yards and five touchdowns . . . Missed two full games and parts of two others because of injuries last season . . . Became starting quarterback in eighth game of 1982 season, gaining 396 yards rushing and two touchdowns and passing for 316 yards and three touchdowns . . . Has also seen limited action at runningback and has been a return man during his Southern career.

	RUSHES-YARDS	AVG	TD	ATT-COMP-INT-TD	YDS
1983	131-706	5.4	11	105-51-6-5	886
1982	82-396	4.8	2	66-26-2-3	316
Career	213-1102	5.2	13	171-77-8-8	1202

Clint Harper

FB, 5-11, 211, Fr., Royston, GA

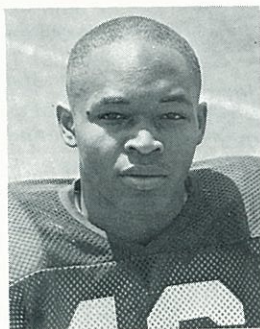


Became the top rusher at fullback last season, gaining 386 yards and one touchdown . . . Carried the ball 68 times last year and was not thrown for a loss once . . . Hard-nosed runner who fights for every yard he gains . . . Had the second highest yards per carry average on the team with 5.7.

	RUSHES-YARDS	AVG	TD
1983	68-386	5.7	1

Gerald Harris

TB, 5-10, 194, So., Swainsboro, GA

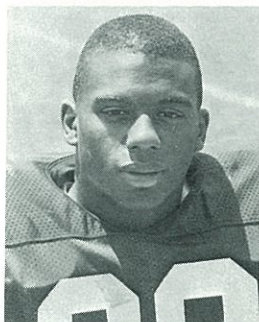


Third leading rusher last season with 559 yards with ten touchdowns . . . Leading scorer for the past two seasons, scoring 68 points last season and 44 in 1982 . . . Had outstanding spring game this year . . . Gained 352 yards in 1982, scoring seven touchdowns . . . Will play at tailback and at fullback this season . . . Dependable runner who rarely makes mistakes.

	RUSHES-YARDS	AVG	TD
1982	125-559	4.5	10
1983	74-352	4.8	7
Career	199-911	4.6	17

Ricky Harris

TB, 6-0, 192, So., Harlem, GA

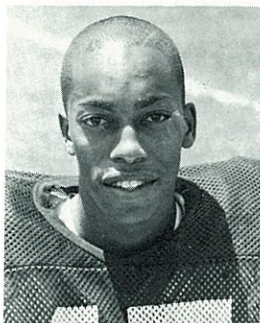


Good open field runner who possesses quickness inside . . . Gained 349 yards and scored one touchdown last season . . . Also caught five passes for 31 yards and one touchdown . . . Second on the team in rushing in 1982 with 620 yards, averaging 8.5 yards per carry and scoring five touchdowns . . . Possesses talent, size and speed to be a great runner.

	RUSHES-YARDS	AVG	TD
1982	73-620	8.5	5
1983	67-349	5.2	1
Career	140-769	5.5	6

Nate Hayes

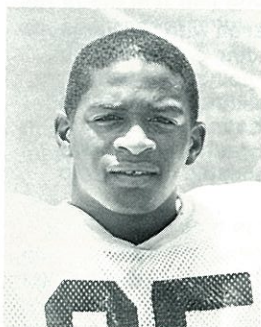
CB, 6-1, 158, Sr., Baxley, GA



Has been with the Southern program for two years and has seen plenty of playing time . . . Possesses good speed and ball awareness . . . Provides solid help in the secondary . . . Size could be a problem . . . Smart player . . . Missed spring practice with a broken nose . . . Made six tackles last season, three solos and three assists.

David Hodge

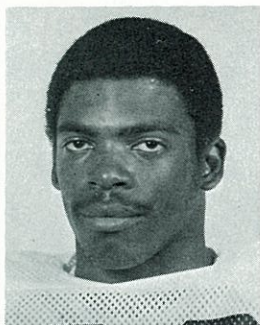
TE, 6-1, 199, Fr., Vidalia, GA



Solid player who gained a lot of valuable experience in a reserve role last season . . . Needs to improve his weight because of blocking assignments at the tight end position . . . Provides solid backup help at tight end.

Ben Holt

LB, 6-2, 193, So., Ocala, FL



Switched to linebacker from fullback in spring practice . . . Had an extremely good spring . . . Good tackler with good speed . . . Could push Danny Durham for starting linebacker spot . . . Was a defensive standout at Vanguard High School in Ocala where he was named Defensive Player of the Year in the Ocala area as a high school senior . . . As a fullback last season, gained 56 yards on 11 carries for an average of 5.1 per carry.

Steve House

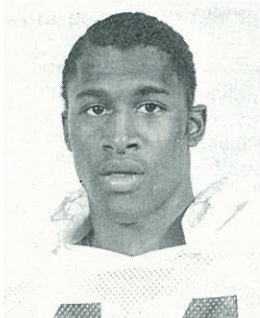
TE, 6-4, 215, Fr., Harlem, GA



Walk-on this spring . . . Has good size for a tight end . . . Lacks experience, but has potential to be a good player . . . Provides good depth at tight end.

Kevin Hutchinson

S, 6-3, 177, So., Savannah, GA



Third leading tackler last season with 69, 37 solos and 32 assists . . . Tied for team lead in interceptions with five and recovered two fumbles . . . Good tackler . . . Aggressive and intelligent player . . . Transferred from Davidson.

Jessie Jenkins

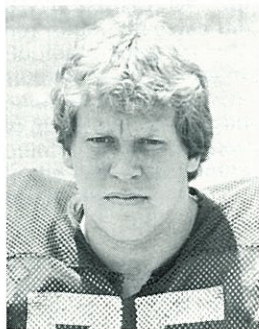
DG, 6-1, 207, Jr., Bonaire, GA



Made 63 tackles last season, 37 solos and 26 assists, including four tackles for losses and three caused fumbles . . . Missed the last part of 1983 with broken leg . . . Made 101 tackles in 1982 . . . High game in 1983 was 17 against Presbyterian . . . Small in size but has great ball awareness and good physical strength . . . A leader on defense.

Eddie Johns

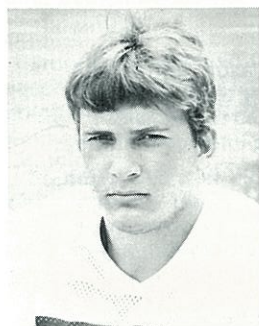
DG, 6-3, 274, So., Jacksonville, FL



Made 27 tackles last season, 15 solos and 12 assists . . . Had one tackle for a loss and one caused fumble . . . Good size with ability to be a top defensive player . . . Aggressive player who could become an excellent pass rusher.

Cy Johnson

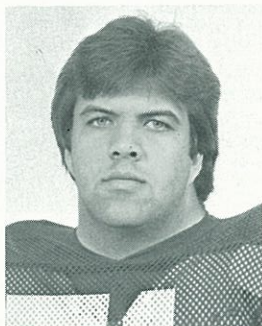
OT, 6-2, 245, Fr., Atlanta, GA



Has ability to be a good offensive lineman . . . Lack of experience is biggest drawback . . . With playing time, will improve . . . Played in Georgia High School All-Star game . . . Good size and fast for a lineman.

Scott LaSalle

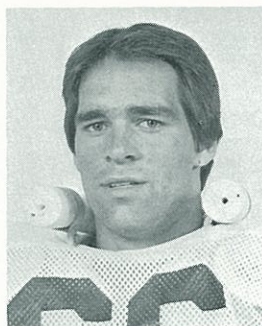
OG, 5-10, 260, Sr., Stone Mountain, GA



Underwent knee surgery after being injured last fall . . . Was a starter when he got hurt . . . Missed spring practice because of knee injury . . . If he recovers, will be counted on to provide stability in offensive line . . . Status for fall is questionable.

Jeff Lee

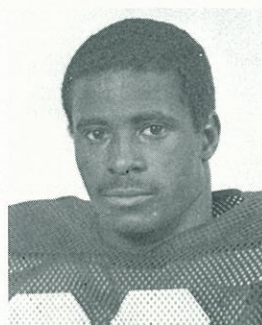
OT, 6-2, 255, Sr., Eastman, GA



Hard working offensive lineman with good football sense . . . Strength is an asset . . . Should see a lot of playing time this fall at tackle.

Delano Little

WR, 5-10, 147, So., Hinesville, GA



Caught 12 passes for 209 yards last season with no touchdowns . . . Deepest threat who averaged 17.4 yards per catch last year . . . Led the team in reception yardage in 1982 with 207 on 13 catches . . . Good speed combined with sure hands . . . Dependable player . . . Pre-Med student with exceptional grades.

	CATCHES	YDS	AVG	TD
1983	12	209	17.4	0
1982	13	207	15.9	1
Career	25	416	16.6	1

Mike Mears

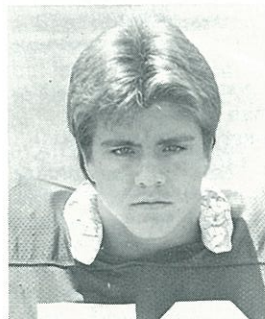
C, 6-2, 225, Sr., Columbia, SC



Played tight end last year, but moved to center this season because of outstanding blocking ability . . . Very good wide-based blocker with quick feet . . . Could be the best blocker on the team . . . Caught six passes last season for 100 yards . . . Averaged 16.7 yards per catch.

Brad Morris

C, 6-2, 205, Fr., Waycross, GA



Needs to increase size . . . Dependable player who works hard . . . Should improve as he gains more experience . . . Will add quality depth at the center position.

Mike Olden

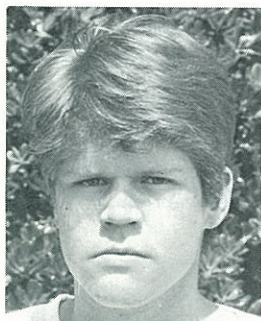
DT, 6-4, 248, So., Orange Park, FL



Has talent to be good defensive lineman . . . Good size . . . Lacks experience, but should improve as he matures as a player . . . Will add quality depth at defensive tackle.

Pat Parker

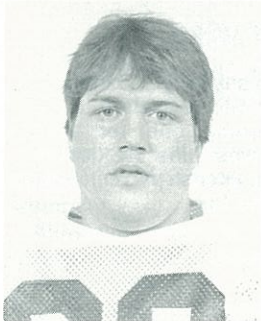
P, 6-1, 170, Fr., Savannah, GA



Punted four times last season . . . Averaged 42 yards per kick with a long kick of 44 yards . . . With graduation of Brit Barker, one of several players trying to become the number one punter.

Vance Pike

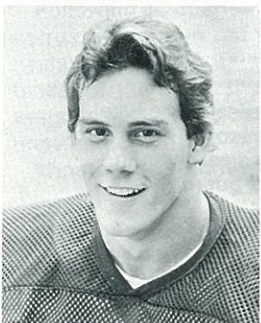
OT, 6-4, 250, Jr., Warner Robins, GA



The kind of player every coach likes to have . . . Good size, good football sense and a quick learner . . . Could be the best blocker on the team . . . Leads by example . . . Missed spring practice this season, but will be full-speed in the fall . . . Transfer from Auburn . . . Good student.

Rodney Renfro

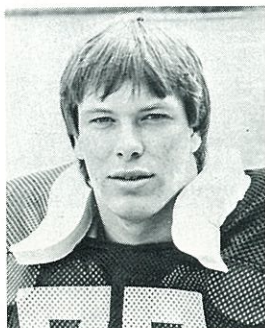
LB, 6-1, 207, Fr., Albany, GA



Solid player who can perform at several positions . . . Made 21 tackles last season at linebacker, 12 solos and 9 assists . . . Will provide good depth at linebacker . . . A standout player at Albany High School on both offense and defense.

John Richardson

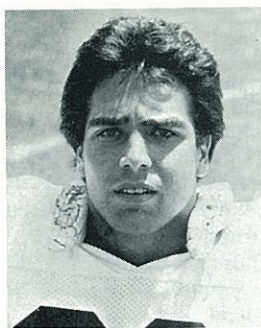
DE, 6-1, 234, Jr., Jacksonville, FL



Tremendous athlete who was second on the team in tackles last season . . . Made 79 tackles, 50 solos and 29 assists . . . Led the team in tackles for losses with seven . . . Top game was 14 tackles against Valdosta State . . . Made 30 tackles in 1982 . . . Excellent defender against the run.

Hugo Rossignol

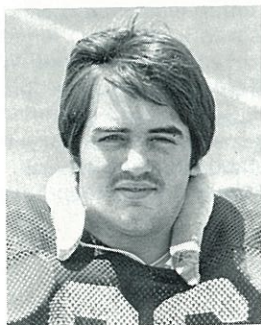
R, 5-11, 187, Jr., Jacksonville, FL



Knows his position as well as anybody . . . Made 53 tackles last season, 40 solos and 13 assists . . . Had four interceptions, returning one for a touchdown . . . Best game was nine tackles against Mars Hill . . . Aggressive, intense player . . . Will be counted on heavily in the fall.

Steve Sanders

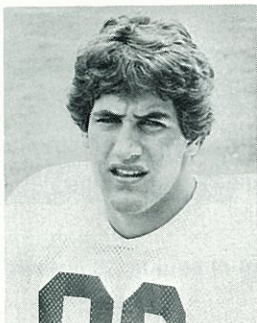
DG, 5-11, 214, Fr., Athens, GA



A hard working player who hustles all the time . . . Gained some experience last season . . . If size improves, could be a good defensive lineman . . . Adds quality depth at defensive guard.

Bart Schuchts

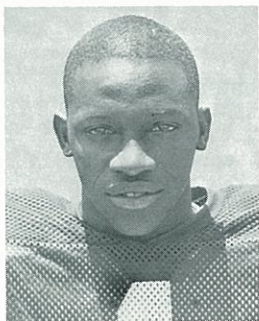
TE, 6-5, 213, Fr., Jacksonville, FL



Has the ability, size and speed to be a top collegiate tight end . . . Good hands who could be a key player at tight end this season . . . Caught two passes last season for 31 yards and scored a two-point conversion.

Monty Sharpe

WR, 5-11, 167, So., Lyons, GA



Leading receiver last year who is a deep threat . . . Caught 23 passes for 444 yards and four touchdowns . . . Best average on the team with 19.3 yards per catch . . . Made eight catches for 145 yards and one touchdown in 1982 and averaged 18.1 yards per catch . . . Good athlete with ability to make big plays.

	CATCHES	YDS	AVG	TD
1983	23	444	19.3	4
1982	8	145	18.1	1
Career	31	589	19.0	5

David Shields

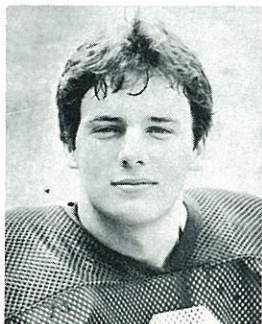
WR, 6-0, 186, Sr., Waycross, GA



Counted on to provide leadership this season as he is a senior . . . Could see a lot of Playing time this fall . . . Will provide good help at wide receiver.

David Simmons

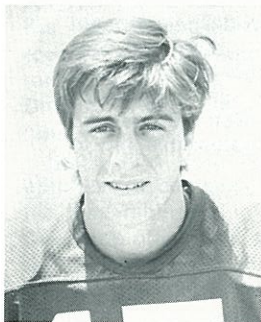
PK, 5-9, 160, Fr., Marietta, GA



Had an outstanding year last year . . . Connected on 25 of 27 extra points and eight of nine field goals . . . Consistent kicker who provides good stability at the placekicking position . . . Missed spring practice but should be ready in the fall.

Tank Stephens

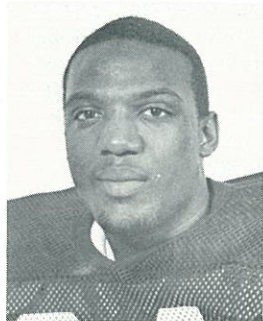
QB, 6-1, 185, Fr., Orange Park, FL



Pleasant surprise as a walk-on this spring . . . Had excellent spring game, combining with Brant West to lead his team to victory . . . Battling with West for backup quarterback spot . . . Has outstanding punting talent and could be used in the kicking game.

Fred Stokes

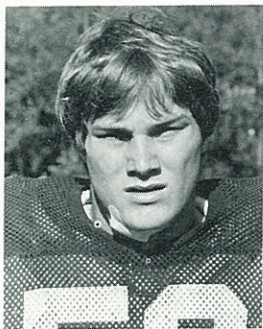
OT, 6-4, 229, So., Vidalia, GA



Played tight end last season . . . Converted to tackle in the spring because of blocking ability . . . Has potential to be an outstanding lineman . . . Needs to increase his weight to add more power.

Robert Underwood

LB, 5-11, 205, Fr., Statesboro, GA



Became a starter during the season last fall . . . Started four games before injuring his knee against East Tennessee State . . . Had knee surgery after the season and missed all of spring practice . . . Intelligent player who is a team leader . . . Amount of playing time depends on recovery from operation . . . In contention for a starting position . . . Made 24 tackles last season, 19 solos and five assists . . . Caused one fumble, recovered one fumble and made one interception.

Theoriea Ward

DG, 6-2, 260, Sr., Eastman, GA



Coaches say he's the most consistent player on the team . . . Backbone of defensive line and a potential pro prospect . . . Led team in tackles last season with 87, 64 solos and 23 assists . . . Best game was 15 tackles against Wofford . . . Second on the team in tackles in 1982 with 76, 45 solos and 31 assists . . . Good ball awareness.

Mark Wesley

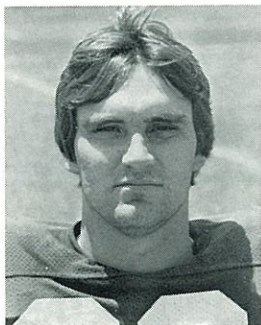
LB, 6-0, 208, So., Hinesville, GA



Parttime player last season . . . Has all the tools to be a good linebacker . . . Needs to improve speed to become a complete player . . . Good quickness and ball awareness . . . Great hitter . . . Had an excellent spring practice . . . If speed improves, could see plenty of playing time . . . Made four tackles last season as a defensive guard, two solos and two assists.

Brant West

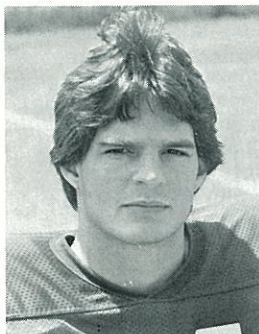
QB, 6-3, 193, Fr., Atlanta, GA



Battling with Tank Stephens for backup quarterback spot . . . Good athlete who had a good spring game . . . Good attitude . . . Should see some playing time this fall.

Larry West

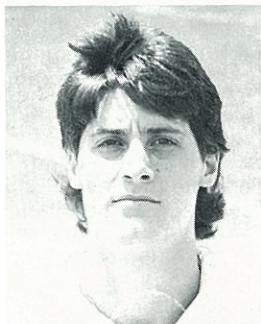
OG, 6-2, 239, Jr., Warner Robins, GA



Starting left guard last season . . . Has good experience in Georgia Southern's blocking system . . . Has good leadership qualities and the potential to be an outstanding lineman . . . Will be counted on heavily in the fall.

Rob Whitton

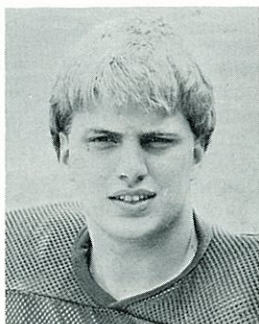
WR, 6-4, 177, Fr., Stone Mountain, GA



Has gained weight during the off-season . . . Will help him in carrying out blocking assignments . . . Developing a good football sense . . . With experience, could be a good player.

Greg Williams

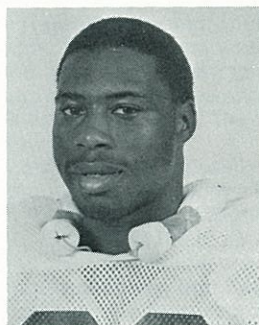
DT, 6-2, 229, Fr., Athens, GA



Shown tremendous improvement in the spring . . . Should challenge for a starting position this fall . . . Has talent and desire to be an outstanding defensive tackle . . . Solidifies depth at defensive tackle.

Sammy Williams

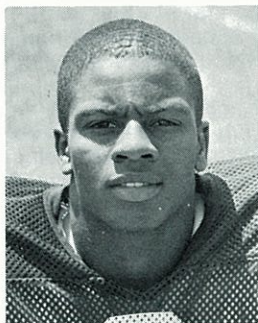
DT, 6-3, 240, So., Baxley, GA



Recovering from knee surgery . . . Has good size and good attitude . . . Can play defensive tackle or defensive end . . . Aggressive player in practice and during games . . . Excellent pass rusher.

Alvin Wright

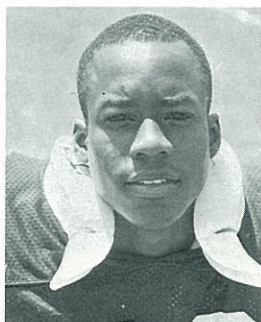
CB, 5-8, 150, So., Thomson, GA



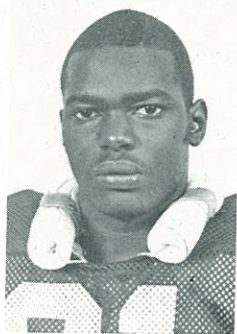
Switched to defensive back from tailback this spring . . . Has tremendous speed . . . Runs a consistent 4.4. 40 yard dash . . . Injured early in spring practice and missed most of the workouts . . . Amount of playing time will depend on how fast he learns the defensive system.

Nay Young

CB, 5-11, 183, Fr., Savannah, GA



Starter last season even though he had never played in the secondary . . . Possesses tremendous athletic ability . . . Had an excellent spring and improved over last fall's performance . . . Could be an outstanding player if he continues to improve . . . Tied for team lead in interceptions with five last season . . . Made 47 tackles, 32 solos and 15 assists.



TERRY WOODARD

Reprinted from

Savannah Morning News, Monday, March 19, 1984

By Ric Mandes

Terry Woodard had been described all his life as a happy person.

He loved People.

Those who knew him said: "You could always count on Terry. He'd lead the group, encouraging everyone to do his best."

Out of the sands of Dade City, Fla., Terry came to Georgia Southern College in Statesboro. He wanted to play football.

During practice he'd run — not trot — to the next drill, urging his squad on.

His coach said of Terry: "One of his finest assets was taking what the good Lord had given him and moving it to its maximum. He got the most out of his talents."

His teammates responded to his type of leadership.

As a sophomore he had not yet earned a starting position, but he was there on the sidelines cheering, helmet in hand, ready to go when his coach said, "Move, Terry."

Over the past 23 years I've watched college students walk in front of my office windows on their way to class. I've seen their lives unfold and develop.

Unfortunately, we hear too much about their parties.

We don't hear enough about their achievements or the quiet way they go about making them happen. Meet me any night in a college library and I'll show you the quiet side, the achievement, the dedication.

Terry.

Into his second year of studies, he was taking his walk across campus.

That is, until two Sundays ago when an afternoon ride in the south Georgia countryside interrupted it all. An accident. Suddenly, Terry, his strengths, his smile, his dreams, vanished.

I sat with his friends and faculty in a memorial service last Monday afternoon as they remembered him. They packed the place — standing room only. Hundreds came from classes, dorms, snack bars to the 3 p.m. service.

His classmates spoke of him; a coach fighting tears did the same. A prayer was offered, scripture read, and testimonies were given by players stunned with emotion and disbelief that their friend, jersey number 92, was gone.

He had done so much for them.

The service ended as a friend sang "Memories."

The words filled everyone there: "Memories . . . light the corners of our minds . . . memories of the way we were."

These young people were dealing with death. It was tough. It was an unfair interruption to their game plan. To them, now is not a time to die.

Yet, within their prayers and tears that afternoon, I saw strength.

A strength they really didn't know they had until Terry Woodard, defensive tackle, their friend, became a memory.

After the service they walked in to a murky, warm afternoon with spring chasing away the last vestiges of winter.

Soon, they were back in the dorms, the library, the classroom. Their individual walks had been taken up . . . again.

For those who knew and loved Terry, for those who attended his memorial service, life is now just a little more precious . . .

It has become a sonnet to be lived more fully each day.

1984 Signees

Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School
Herman Barron	WR-DB	6-1	185	Milledgeville, Ga. Baldwin County
Kenny Butler	LB-FB	5-11	195	Camilla, Ga. Mitchell-Baker
Bryan Hammock	LB	6-1	205	Columbus, Ga. Shaw
Bruce Holbrook	DB-WR	6-1	175	Lavonia, Ga. Franklin County
Tyrone Hull	LB	6-2	215	Savannah, Ga. Jenkins
Joel Jackson	OL	6-3	240	Valdosta, Ga. Valdosta
Mark Lambert	WR	6-5	210	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Stranahan
Jay Marshall	C	6-0	210	Dalton, Ga. Dalton
Brian Murphy	DB-RB	5-10	175	Bowie, Md.
Thomas Porter	DB-WR	6-1	215	Atlanta, Ga. Riverwood
Dexter Sanford	RB	6-0	205	Sandersville, Ga. Washington Co.
Ben Robertson	DB	5-11	175	Bay St. Louis, Miss. Pearl River JC
Cullen Tucker	DT	6-5	220	Boca Raton, Fla. Boca Raton
Ronald Warnock	C	5-11	225	Eastman, Ga. Dodge County
Zach Wood	LB	6-0	205	Columbus, Ga. Shaw
Ross Worsham	WR-DB	6-1	185	Camilla, Ga. Mitchell-Baker

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

NAME	POS	H	W	CL	HOMETOWN
Tim Adams	OG	5-10	220	Fr.	Lithia Springs, GA
Donnie Allen	DG	5-11	238	So.	Live Oak, FL
Steve Anderson	TB	6-2	199	Jr.	Simpsonville, SC
Warnell Anthony	R	5-10	172	So.	Reidsville, GA
Robert Baker	WR	6-0	186	So.	Jacksonville, FL
Jeff Banks	DE	6-2	217	Fr.	Monticello, GA
Albert Barron	DE	6-2	225	So.	Baxley, GA
Buddy Beauchamp	C	5-11	250	Sr.	Nicholson, GA
Melvin Bell	TB	5-9	190	Jr.	Elberton, GA
Brad Bowen	S	6-0	178	So.	Plantation, FL
Greg Bowen	DG	5-11	193	Fr.	Norcross, GA
Beau Brown	LB	6-0	220	Sr.	Jacksonville, FL
Steve Caldwell	WR	6-1	170	Fr.	Savannah, GA
Charles Carper	LB	5-11	206	Jr.	Ocala, FL
James Carter	OG	6-3	222	So.	Thomaston, GA
Tommy Ciarletta	OG	6-0	223	Fr.	Savannah, GA
Charles Cochran	OG	6-1	236	Fr.	Douglasville, GA
John Cumiskey	WR	5-10	155	Fr.	Columbus, GA
Oliver Davis	CB	5-10	178	Fr.	Folkston, GA
Mark Defoor	DE	6-2	208	Fr.	Gainesville, FL
Danny Durham	LB	5-11	189	So.	Albany, GA
Thomas Evans	FB	6-1	212	Fr.	Seneca, SC
Jeff Evans	DT	6-5	245	Jr.	Jacksonville, FL
Tim Foley	K	5-10	205	Fr.	Ocala, FL
Jack Gerdon	R	5-10	185	Jr.	Falls Church, VA
Kevin Giddens	OT	6-2	280	So.	Cochran, GA
Allen Greer	DG	6-1	233	Fr.	Stockbridge, GA
Tracy Ham	QB	5-11	185	So.	High Springs, FL
Clint Harper	FB	5-11	211	Fr.	Royston, GA
Gerald Harris	TB	5-10	194	So.	Swainsboro, GA
Ricky Harris	TB	6-0	192	So.	Harlem, GA
Nate Hayes	CB	6-1	158	Sr.	Baxley, GA
Ken Hicks	TB	5-10	175	Fr.	Savannah, GA
David Hodge	TE	6-1	199	Fr.	Vidalia, GA

Ben Holt	LB	6-2	193	So.	Ocala, FL
Steve House	TE	6-4	215	Fr.	Harlem, GA
Kevin Hutchinson	S	6-3	177	So.	Savannah, GA
Jessie Jenkins	DG	6-1	207	Jr.	Bonaire, GA
Eddie Johns	DG	6-3	274	So.	Jacksonville, FL
Cy Johnson	OT	6-2	245	Fr.	Atlanta, GA
Scott LaSalle	OG	5-10	260	Sr.	Stone Mountain, GA
Jeff Lee	OT	6-2	255	Sr.	Eastman, GA
Delano Little	WR	5-10	147	So.	Hinesville, GA
Mike Mears	C	6-2	235	Sr.	Columbia, SC
Brad Morris	C	6-2	205	Fr.	Waycross, GA
Mike Olden	DT	6-4	248	So.	Orange Park, FL
Pat Parker	P	6-1	170	Fr.	Savannah, GA
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John Richardson	DE	6-1	234	Jr.	Jacksonville, FL
Hugo Rossignol	LB	5-11	187	Jr.	Jacksonville, FL
Steve Sanders	DG	5-11	214	Fr.	Athens, GA
Bart Schuchts	TE	6-5	213	Fr.	Jacksonville, FL
Monty Sharpe	WR	5-11	167	So.	Lyons, GA
David Shields	WR	6-0	186	Sr.	Waycross, GA
David Simmons	K	5-9	160	Fr.	Marietta, GA
Tank Stephens	QB	6-1	185	Fr.	Orange Park, FL
Fred Stokes	OT	6-4	229	So.	Vidalia, GA
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GEORGIA SOUTHERN

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GEORGIA SOUTHERN ATHLETIC DIRECTORY

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Dr. Dale W. Lick

President

Georgia Southern College

As president of Georgia Southern College in Statesboro, Dr. Dale W. Lick is a long way from his native Michigan, but considers the South Georgia countryside close to home and his rural beginnings.

Raised on a farm in Marlette, Michigan, Lick's interests turned to math and science in college. He earned his bachelor's and masters degrees in mathematics from Michigan State University with minors in engineering and

biology and doctoral degree (Ph.D.) in mathematics at the University of California at Riverside.

Lick was tapped for the presidency of Georgia's largest senior college in 1978 while he was dean of the School of Sciences and Health Professions at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Va.

His career in teaching and administration has taken him to every region of the nation, with faculty positions at Port Huron Junior College, the University of Redlands, the University of Tennessee, Drexel University and Russell Sage College. He has held consulting and post-doctoral positions at Oak Ridge and Brookhaven National Laboratories and a management post at Michigan Bell Telephone.

A member of many honorary and professional associations, Georgia Southern's president is a notable in such listings as Who's Who in America, American Men and Women of Science, and Leaders in Education. The author of numerous articles on science and engineering, mathematics, interinstitutional cooperation, hunger and malnutrition, health and innovations in education, Dr. Lick also writes a weekly column carried by more than a dozen South Georgia newspapers and hosts weekly cable television and radio talk shows.

From the special perspective of his own rural heritage, Lick has emphasized Georgia Southern's role and responsibility as a resource in the development of rural health, education and leadership in Southeast Georgia. During his presidency he has stressed the concepts of service to the region and state and the worth and dignity of people, and has been at the forefront on state and national levels in bringing attention and action to rural problems, particularly in education and health. He is currently the Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, Renewable Resources and Rural Development for the American Association of State Colleges and Universities and this year keynoted the national conference on rural education in Washington, D.C.

Lick married his childhood sweetheart from Marlette, the former Marilyn Foster, and the president's family now includes three teenage children.



Dr. David "Bucky" Wagner

Director of Athletics

Since Bucky Wagner was named Athletic Director at Georgia Southern College in 1981, the Athletic Department has been called "the most ambitious college program in the country" by the **Sporting News**. In his three-plus years at Southern, Wagner had added a football team, hired one of the most respected football coaches in the country in Erk Russell, begun a strong booster program, seen the basketball team go from 5-22 to an appearance in the NCAA Tournament, added an 18,000 seat football stadium and enlarged and reorganized the athletic department staff.

One of the most popular athletic directors in the Southeast, Wagner's initial job was to rekindle a football program that had been dormant for 41 years. His interest in building a strong total program at Georgia Southern can be seen in the many improvements across the board in the Southern program.

Wagner came to Southern from Vanderbilt where he had served as Assistant Athletic Director and was specifically charged with the Business and Ticket Office operations and with the Fiscal Affairs of the Department. Among his first steps at Southern has been to put the Eagle program on a sound fiscal basis and to install a strong business management area to aid the coaches in budget control.

Also at Vandy, Wagner was very instrumental in the enlarging and refurbishing of the Commodores football stadium, a project which was completed in fall, 1981.

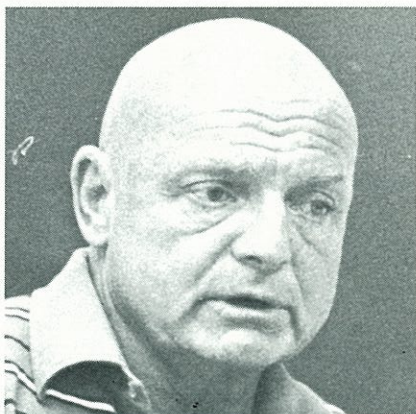
Prior to taking the position at Vanderbilt in 1978, Wagner spent several years at Florida State University, serving in both the Athletic Department and the administrative sector of the institution. His duties for the Athletic Department included assistant football coach and academic advisor to all athletes. He received his doctorate in 1972 and accepted a position in the Division of Community College Affairs. By 1975 he had been elevated to Director of Student Matriculation Affairs with responsibility for supervising the offices of Articulation Affairs, Admissions and Orientation, through which he planned, coordinated and implemented the University's programs for prospective students.

In 1977 Wagner was named Acting Dean of Student Services at FSU with direct supervision over nine major university offices providing academic support services to students.

A native of Ohio, Wagner attended Sandy Valley High School in Magnolia. He lettered in football, basketball and track. He completed his undergraduate work at Ohio University where he quarterbacked the Bobcats' football team to the 1960 NCAA College Division National Championship. He remained at Ohio as an instructor of Health, Physical Education and Recreation and coached the Bobcats' freshman football and baseball team from 1961 to 1966. For the next three years he served as an assistant football coach with the varsity. The 1967-69 OU squads were Mid-American Conference Champions.

His professional associations include memberships in the National Association of College Directors of Athletics, College Association of Business Managers of Athletics, and the American Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

Wagner's wife Nancy is an Assistant Professor in the Accounting Department at Georgia Southern.



ERK RUSSELL

Head Football Coach

"Erk Russell can make grown men cry with his tales of dedication and hard work, and a minute later he can make them laugh with tales on the lighter side.

"Nowhere in the sports world is there a man that truly represents the American way more than Russell. He loves rednecks, smokes a mean cigar, listens to country music and is as bald as the American eagle is said to be. And who is to say he couldn't soar like one if he ever decided to flap his arms?"

Freddy Jones

Macon Telegraph

After 17 seasons as Defensive Coordinator at the University of Georgia, Erk Russell accepted the head coaching job at Georgia Southern on May 23, 1981. But his job responsibilities included more than just coaching. He was charged with rebuilding a football program that had lain dormant for 41 years.

In his first two years at the helm of the Eagles, Russell has proved that he is the man who can bring football success to Southeast Georgia. The Eagles are 13-8-1 in their first two years on the gridiron.

Russell's accomplishments in his first season at Georgia Southern were tremendous. The 1982 team was made up entirely of walk-ons. The squad listed one senior and no juniors. The remainder of that unit were sophomores and freshmen. The Eagles had practiced together little and had never played together, but under Russell's direction, the team faced and defeated established NCAA and NAIA teams.

Last season Russell continued the quickly established winning tradition at Georgia Southern with a 6-5 mark. Four of the five losses were by five points or less.

Russell's value to Statesboro, Georgia Southern College and Southeast Georgia is not only felt on the football field. Russell has instilled a sense of pride in the area. He has given the people a symbol, a team to call their own. His homespun manner and superb coaching that has made him a legend in the coaching profession has easily transferred to Statesboro. He is one of the people, one of the boys, but his success on the football field has raised him head and shoulders above the crowd.

Russell's defenses at Georgia were always among the nation's leaders. In 1967, the Bulldogs were the SEC leaders in total defense and scoring defense. In 1968, the Dogs again led the SEC in total defense, and led the nation in scoring defense, giving up only 9.8 points per game. In 1969 Georgia ranked sixth nationally in scoring defense. In 1971 Russell's troops led the nation in shutouts, ranked sixth in rushing defense, ninth in total defense and eighth in scoring defense. In 1978, Russell's squad finished second in the nation to national champion Alabama in scoring defense by a single point. In 1979 Russell's defense led the nation in 'takeovers' with 49.

In his first campaign with the Eagles, the Russell tutored defense allowed 17.3 points per game. On the ground, the defense limited the opponents to 98 yards per game and only one rushing touchdown. His specialty teams held the opposition to six net yards in punt returns.

Last season his offense averaged 23.9 points per game and 371.1 yards per game in total offense. Georgia Southern led their opponents in almost every offensive and defensive category.

A native of Birmingham, Ala., Russell earned ten varsity letters during his collegiate career at Auburn in football, basketball, tennis and baseball. He earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees from Auburn.

He returned to Auburn in 1958 to coach freshman football and baseball and became a varsity assistant coach in 1961. In 1963 he was named head defensive coach at Vanderbilt and one year later joined Vince Dooley at Georgia.



THE ERK RUSSELL RECORD

1958-60 — Baseball Coach and Freshman Football Coach, Auburn

1961-62 — Assistant Varsity Football Coach, Auburn

1963 — Defensive Coordinator, Vanderbilt

1964-1980 — Defensive Coordinator, Georgia

1982 (7-3-1)

W	Central Florida	16-9
W	Baptist University	42-0
T	Valdosta State	27-27
L	Gardner-Webb	6-44
W	Fort Benning	56-6
W	Newberry	36-14
L	Catawba	7-10
L	Wofford	7-28
W	Mars Hill	17-3
W	Valdosta State	45-29
W	Florida State JV	31-20

1983 (6-5)

L	Central Florida	29-33
W	Presbyterian	35-21
L	Troy State	27-28
W	Gardner-Webb	25-11
L	East Tennessee State	7-24
L	Newberry	24-27
W	Catawba	10-3
W	Wofford	27-16
W	Mars Hill	35-9
L	Valdosta State	29-34
W	Savannah State	15-0

OVERALL RECORD AS A HEAD COACH: 13-8-1*

Because Georgia Southern football was a club sport in 1982 and 1983, the NCAA does not recognize the two seasons as part of Erk Russell's coaching record. In school records, it will remain at 13-8-1. For NCAA Record purposes, Russell's record is 0-0.



PAUL CATES, Offensive Backs

In his first collegiate coaching assignment, offensive back coach Paul Cates joined the Georgia Southern football staff two years ago.

Prior to joining GSC, Cates served one year at Bulloch Academy where he tutored the offensive and defensive backs at the varsity and junior varsity level. Under his guidance, the team finished in the runner-up slot in the SEAIS State Championship.

Cates attended college at Georgia Southern where he earned his B.A. in Health and Physical Education. He is currently in graduate school working on his master's degree.

Cates attended high school at Bradwell Institute where he lettered in football and baseball.

PAT DOUGLAS, Defensive Backs

Entering his second season on the Georgia Southern coaching staff, former Eagle defender Pat Douglas adds playing experience to the Southern defensive back corps.

The lone senior to graduate from the 1982 GSC football squad, Douglas performed one year in the Blue and White leading the secondary in total tackles and interceptions. In 11 games, Douglas accounted for 45 total stops and nabbed six interceptions. Prior to joining GSC, he was at Georgia for three seasons and appeared with the national championship team in New Orleans.

Douglas went to the Bulldogs from Aquinas High School in Augusta where he starred in football at safety and quarterback. He received his bachelor's degree from Southern in 1983 and is currently working on a master's in Health and Physical Education.



BEN GRIFFITH, Offensive Coordinator

A former coach at Hart County and Elbert County High Schools in Georgia, Griffith serves in a full-time capacity as offensive assistant.

The Copperhill, Tennessee native works with the quarterbacks and heads the offensive staff meetings.

He came to the Eagles from Elbert County. Before that he was at Hart County for two years. He started his high school coaching career at Wheeler County in Marietta where he was offensive coordinator from 1973-76 and served as an assistant coach on the North All-Star team in 1975.



Griffith, 37, was a quarterback at Tennessee Tech where he received his BS degree in 1972 and an MA in 1973. He served as a graduate assistant at Tech while working on his masters. As an undergraduate he was a guard on the Eagles' basketball squad.

He was an all-star quarterback and basketball guard at Copperhill.

Ben and his wife Sharon have two sons.



MIKE HEALEY, Defensive Coordinator

Healey coordinates the defensive staff for Eagle head coach Erk Russell. His field assignment is working with the linebackers.

A native of Jacksonville, Florida, he attended Bishop Kenny High School and returned there to coach after earning his degree from the University of Florida. He was an assistant at Kenny from 1971-75 when he was named head coach. He earned "Coach of the Year" honors his first two seasons.

At Florida, he was a starting defensive tackle in 1967 and 1968. He received his BA degree in 1970 and an MA in 1973.

Healey, 37, starred in football and track at Bishop Kenny.

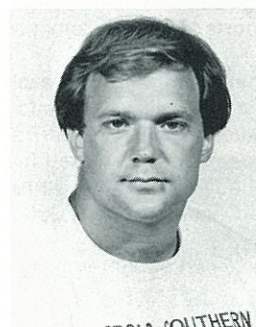
PAUL JOHNSON, Defensive Line

In his second season on the Georgia Southern staff, Paul Johnson is the defensive line coach.

Defense is a new assignment to the talented Johnson who came to Southern from Lees-McRae Junior College where he served as offensive coordinator. Under his guidance, the team finished the 1982 season seventh in the nation in total defense. At the prep level, Johnson was offensive coordinator from 1979-80 at Avery County High School in Newland, NC. His two year record at the school was 19-2.

Johnson received his B.S. in 1979 at Western Carolina and later received his M.S. at Appalachian State in 1981. The Newland, NC native is married to wife Susan.

Johnson was a three sport letterman at Avery County High School.



HUGH NALL, Offensive Line

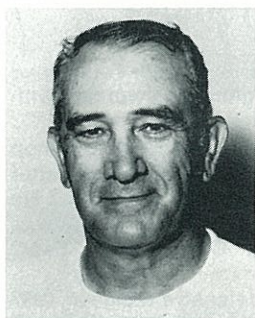
A member of the 1980 Georgia National Championship team, Nall brings his expertise to the offensive line of the Eagles.

This will mark Nall's fourth season at GSC, his third in a full-time capacity. Last season he tutored the offensive line.

Nall played his collegiate ball for the Bulldogs from 1977-80, earning a starting spot his junior and senior seasons. In his stint with Georgia, he played in the Blue Bonnet Bowl, and the 1980 Sugar Bowl that decided the National Championship. Following graduation, he remained on the Athens campus and had full responsibility of the Bulldog centers.

A highly honored athlete, Nall was the Most Improved Player, the Best Conditioned Athlete and the Hugh Henricks award winner in 1979. In 1980, he was the Coffee County hustle award recipient.

Nall, 26, played his high school ball at Robert E. Lee HS in Thomaston, Georgia. He is married to wife Sandra.



PAT SPURGEON, Kickers

There may not be a college football coach in the nation with a background more varied than kicking coach Pat Spurgeon.

Certainly one of the only coaches in the country with a doctorate degree, Spurgeon has served as professor of English at GSC for 18 years. An all state performer in high school in football and baseball, he received a football scholarship to Emory and Henry, helping the team mount a 41-1-1 record in four seasons. Spurgeon continued his post graduate work at Tennessee, earning master's and doctorate degrees.

Recently, he has assisted Georgia high school football teams in coaching, and serving as an advisor to the programs.

Spurgeon is married to wife Ann.

TOM SMITH, Head Trainer

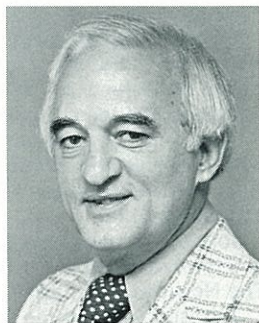
An 11 year veteran of the Georgia Southern Athletic Program, Tom Smith is one of the most respected Athletic Trainers in the Southeast. But "Doc's" value to the Southern program goes well beyond the training room. He has also served the department as an Assistant to the Athletic Director and as interim Athletic Director, while the program awaited the arrival of "Bucky" Wagner.

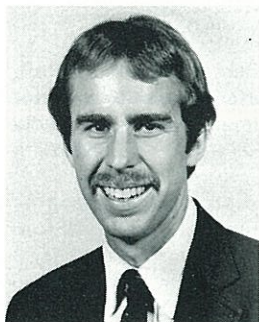
Doc's first love, however, is in working with the athletes and being in close contact with them. Although his leadership during his six months in the Athletic Director's office was superb, he was anxious to return to the training room and the field.

A member of the National Trainers Association, he has a thorough knowledge of Sports Medicine that was recognized in 1981 when the United States Baseball Federation tapped Doc to head its Sports Medicine Committee.

Smith came to Southern in 1971 after 15 years of coaching at the high school level in Indiana. The Hoosier Native graduated from Indiana State in 1953. He was a stand-out basketball player at ISU and returned to his alma mater in 1959 to earn a graduate degree in counseling. After another 10 years of coaching, he entered Indiana University to work on his Masters in Health and Athletic Training. While at IU he worked with the Hoosier swimming teams that included Olympians Mark Spitz and Gary Hall.

Tom and his wife, the former Sue Lynch of Sevre, KY, have two daughters.





JOHN RATLIFF

Assistant Athletic Director/Promotions Director

In his two years at Georgia Southern, John Ratliff has put the word 'fun' back into college athletics. Through his promotions, the Georgia Southern Athletic Department has given away over \$40,000 in prizes to fans at basketball and baseball games.

Ratliff oversees the Southern football radio network and basketball network and sells advertisements for the basketball and football programs. He also assists Athletic Director Bucky Wagner with the everyday operation of the Athletic Department.

Prior to coming to Statesboro, Ratliff worked as Events Coordinator at Wake Forest University for the National Deacon Club, that raised over 1.5 million dollars. He joined the Wake staff after working at Southwestern at Memphis as Intramural Director and Sports Information Director.

Ratliff earned his B. A. at Davidson in 1979 while serving as Intramural Director and Sport Director of the campus operated radio station WDAV. He earned his master's degree from Ohio University in Sports Administration in 1981.

KEN WINSTEAD

*Assistant Athletic Director/Executive Director,
Southern Boosters*

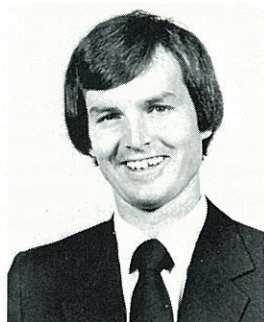
In two years at Georgia Southern, Ken Winstead has established himself as one of the premier fundraisers in the country.

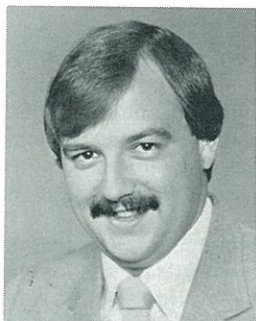
Winstead, who is charged with overseeing all Southern Booster operations, has formed fund raising groups throughout the state and has organized Southern Booster drives that have raised over a million dollars. He has been instrumental in securing donations for construction of Paulson Stadium, set to open September 1.

A 1980 graduate from Ohio University, he remained on campus and earned a master's degree in Sports Administration in 1981.

Following graduation from college, Winstead served as an intern with the baseball Astros, working in the Public Relations and Ticket offices. His next stop was as Assistant Director of Houston University's nationally known Cougar Club that raised funds for the University topping the two million dollar mark. While at Houston he assisted in the promotion of the Cougar Club, continuing his career in public relations and athletics.

Winstead is a native of Springfield, Ohio.





MARK McCLELLAN

Sports Information Director

The newest member of the Georgia Southern staff, Mark McClellan, was named Sports Information Director in January of this year. His primary duties are media relations and dissemination of all information regarding Georgia Southern athletics.

McClellan joined the Southern staff after serving as Assistant Sports Information Director at Auburn University. At Auburn, McClellan primarily worked with football, baseball and women's basketball. He was responsible for coordination of radio and television coverage of Auburn football and was the play-by-play announcer for baseball and women's basketball.

Prior to joining the Auburn staff, McClellan was News Director at radio station WTIF in Tifton, Ga. He began his radio career at the age of 12 and has been broadcasting sports events since he became the play-by-play announcer for Bremen High School football at the age of 13. In addition, McClellan has served as a college football and basketball reporter for both the NBC and CBS Radio Networks.

McClellan is a graduate of Auburn, earning his B. A. degree in Journalism. He is a native of Bremen, Ga.

HANK SCHOMBER

Athletic Business Manager

Hank Schomber begins his second year as Business Manager of the Southern Athletic Department. But to those familiar to Southern athletics, Schomber is not a new face.

Schomber was Sports Information Director from 1979 to 1982 after coming to Statesboro in 1976 as Assistant to the Athletic Director.

His new duties include assisting Athletic Director Bucky Wagner with budget control and the handling of all athletic ticket sales.

A 1967 graduate of Florida State, Hank served the FSU Athletic Department nine years as Assistant SID. His responsibilities covered all sports. He served as editor of all FSU athletic publications and managed press box operations.

He is a member of the College Sports Information Directors Association, the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association, and the United States Basketball Writers Association. He is past president of NCBWA and received that group's highest honor, the Wilbur Snapp Award, in 1979.

Among his duties with the Athletic Department are game management, ticket management and overseeing the operation of the business office.

Schomber is a native of New York and attended high school in Pompano Beach, Fla. Hank and his wife Judy have one daughter, Tamara.



GEORGIA SOUTHERN

1984



1983 in Review



1983 SEASON IN REVIEW

Central Florida 33, Georgia Southern 29

STATESBORO, GA, SEPT. 10 - Georgia Southern scored 14 fourth quarter points but fell short in losing the season opener to Central Florida 33-29.

After falling behind 2-0, Melvin Bell scampered 73 yards from scrimmage with 8:51 left in the first quarter to give Southern a 6-2 lead. Tracy Ham then tossed a two point conversion pass to Bart Schuchts to expand the lead to 8-2. Southern Lengthened its lead to 15-2 when Gerald Harris scored from one yard out and David Simmons kicked the extra point.

Central Florida scored just before the half and Southern took a 15-9 lead into the locker room.

The third quarter proved to be the demise of the Eagles. Central Florida scored 21 unanswered points and added a field goal at the start of the fourth quarter to gain a comfortable 33-15 lead.

Tracy Ham scored twice in the fourth quarter on runs of 15 and 13 yards, the last coming with 4:23 to go. Southern regained possession of the ball with less than two minutes to go but were unable to move it and dropped to 0-1 on the season.

	1	2	3	4	T
CENTRAL FLORIDA	2	7	21	3	33
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	8	7	0	14	29

First Quarter

CF - Bell tackled in end zone by Lugo	13:11
GS - Bell 73 yard run (Schuchts pass from Ham)	8:51

Second Quarter

GS - G. Harris 1 yard run (Simmons kick)	6:44
CF - Thyhsen 5 yard pass to McCombs (Ryerson kick)	0:56

Third Quarter

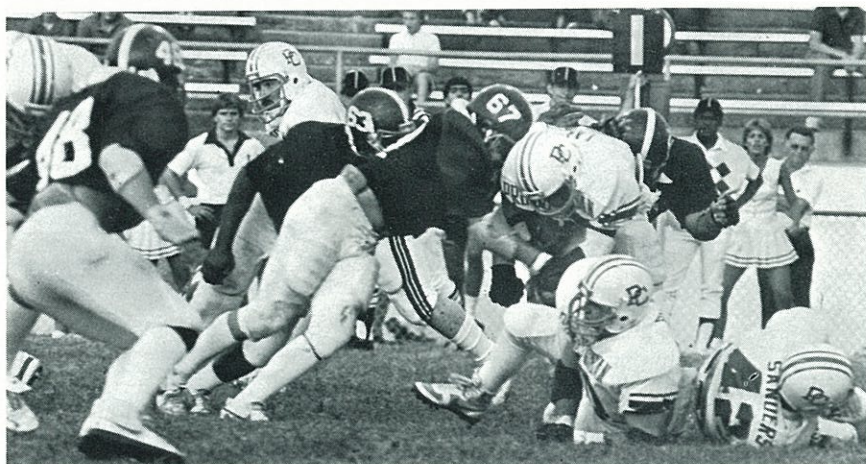
CF - Thyhsen 8 yard pass to Froehlich (Ryerson kick)	10:13
CF - Thyhsen 46 yard pass to Collins (Ryerson kick)	3:11
CF - Davis 50 yard run (Ryerson kick)	0:22

Fourth Quarter

CF - Ryerson 24 yard field goal	10:54
GS - Ham 15 yard run (G. Harris run)	7:15
GS - Ham 13 yard run (conversion failed)	4:23

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing - GS - Bell 8-130, R. Harris 11-102, Ham 16-59, G. Harris 15-44; CF - Davis 18-134, Rivers 7-20
 Passing - GS - Ham 12-6-0-0 71; CF - Thyhsen 20-11-0-2 177
 Receiving - Gs - Little 3-47, Baker 2-19; CF - McCombs 4-58, Froehlich 2-19



Georgia Southern 35, Presbyterian 21

SAVANNAH, GA, SEPT. 17 - The third quarter had not been kind to Georgia Southern in the season opener against Central Florida, but against Presbyterian, it was the margin of difference as Southern won for the first time 35-21.

Gerald Harris scored three times on runs of 2, 3 and one yard to propel Southern.

With Presbyterian leading 7-0, Tracy Ham connected with Monty Sharpe on a 31 yard pass late in the first quarter and David Simmons tied the game with his extra point.

The Blue Hose regained the lead early in the second quarter but Gerald Harris scored the first two of his three touchdowns at the 7:19 and 1:15 marks respectively with Simmons adding both extra points and Southern led 21-14 at the half.

Southern scored two unanswered touchdowns in the third quarter, one on a 12 yard run by Ricky Harris and the other a one yard run by Gerald Harris to give Southern its largest margin at 35-14.

Presbyterian scored midway through the fourth quarter but could manage only one first down from then until the end of the game. Kevin Hutchinson thwarted. Presbyterian's last drive with an interception at the Blue Hose 20 yard line.

	1	2	3	4	T
PRESBYTERIAN	7	7	0	7	21
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	7	14	14	0	35

First Quarter

PC - Williams 5 yard run
(Culler kick) 9:28

GS - Sharpe 31 yard pass from Ham
(Simmons kick) 3:29

Second Quarter

PC - Rippy 1 yard run
(Culler kick) 10:33

GS - G. Harris 2 yard run
(Simmons kick) 7:19

GS - G. Harris 3 yard run
(Simmons kick) 1:16

Third Quarter

GS - R. Harris 12 yard run
(Simmons kick) 2:35

GS - G. Harris 1 yard run
(Simmons kick) 1:05

Fourth Quarter

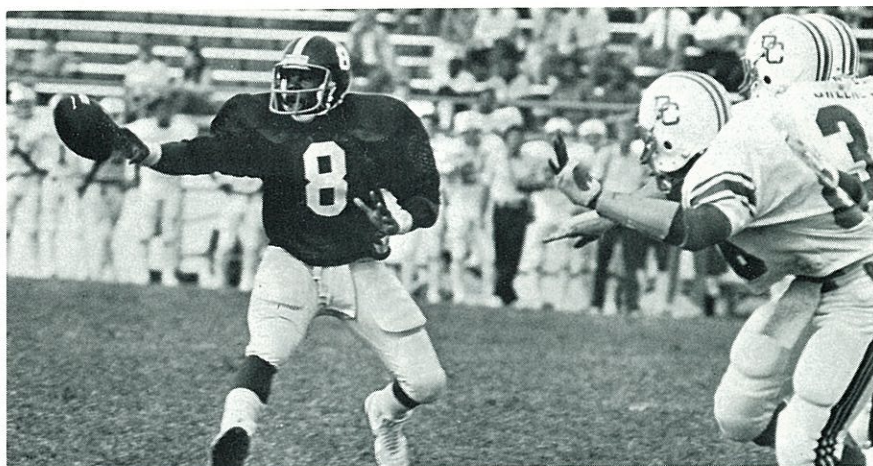
PC - Barksdale 53 yard pass from
Stephens (Culler kick) 6:01

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing - GS - Ham 15-90, G. Harris 10-39, Bell 7-35, R. Harris 8-34; PC - Larry 22-105, Sanders 7-16

Passing - GS - Ham 10-4-0-1 139; PC - Stephens 13-7-3-1 142, Williams 5-2-1-0 20

Receiving - GS - Little 2-65; PC - Lucas 3-43, Barksdale 2-69, Onoranto 2-29



Troy State 28, Georgia Southern 27

STATESBORO, GA. SEPT. 24 - To go or not to go. That was the question facing Southern head coach Erk Russell. With 1:05 left in the game, Tracy Ham scored on a five yard run to cut Troy State's lead to 28-27. Russell opted to try for the two points, but Ham's pass fell incomplete in the end zone and Southern fell to 2-1 on the season.

Troy State took a 14-0 lead into the half as the Trojans scored seven points in each of the first two quarters. Southern tied the game though in the third quarter on a pair of Gerald Harris touchdowns. Harris scored the first one on a five yard run and the second on a one yard run with David Simmons adding both extra points.

Troy State regained the lead with 38 seconds left in the quarter, leading 21-14 going into the last 15 minutes.

Southern tied it at the 3:34 mark on a six yard run by Ham and an extra point by Simmons, only to see Troy regain the lead again a minute later.

Ham then made his touchdown run of five yards.

	1	2	3	4	T
TROY STATE	7	7	7	7	28
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	0	0	14	13	27

First Quarter

TS - Hollingsworth 7 yard pass from Thompson (Gilroy kick) 2:31

Second Quarter

TS - Haywood 69 yard run (Gilroy kick) 1:54

Third Quarter

GS - G. Harris 5 yard run (Simmons kick) 10:54

GS - G. Harris 1 yard run (Simmons kick) 3:47

TS - Smith 10 yard pass from McKinnon (Gilroy kick) 0:38

Fourth Quarter

GS - Ham 6 yard run (Simmons kick) 3:34

TS - Brown 8 yard run (Gilroy kick) 2:13

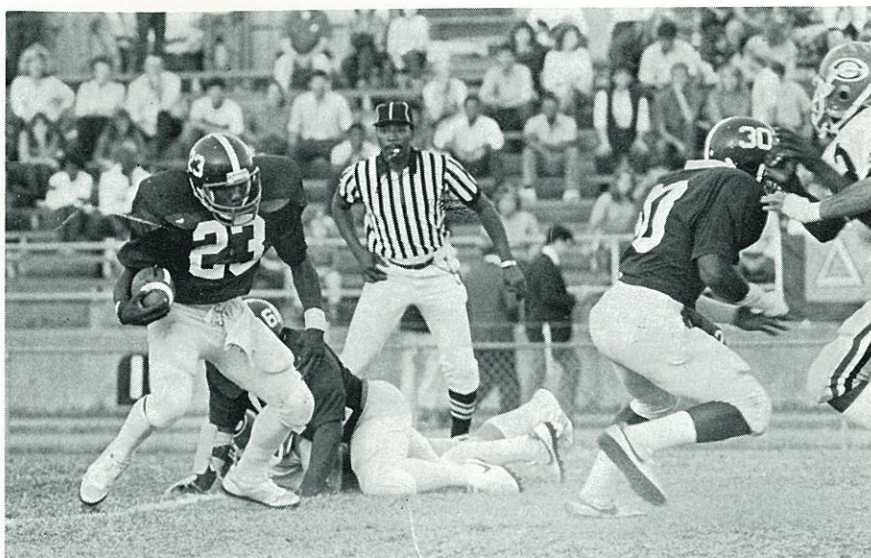
GS - Ham 5 yard run (conversion failed) 1:05

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing - GS - Ham 17-129, R. Harris 13-91, G. Harris 14-69, Bell 7-39; TS - Heywood 17-145, Thompson 9-58

Passing - GS - Ham 21-10-0-0 142; TS - Christenson 7-5-1-0 107, McKinnon 4-3-0-1 37

Receiving - GS - Sharpe 4-64, Little 2-35; TS - Smith 4-48, Hollingsworth 2-44



Georgia Southern 25, Gardner-Webb 11

STATESBORO, GA. October 1 - Quarterback Tracy Ham and receiver Robert Baker teamed up for two touchdowns to lead Southern to a 25-11 win over Gardner-Webb.

With the score tied 3-3, Ham hit Baker on a 10 yard pass with just over a minute left in the first half. David Simmons, who earlier had kicked a 23 yard field goal, added the extra point.

Gardner-Webb took the lead for the first time in the third quarter with a touchdown and two point conversion, but four minutes later, Ham raced 14 yards for a score and Gerald Harris scored a two point conversion to give Southern and 18-11 lead.

Ham connected with Baker from nine yards out early in the fourth quarter to secure Southern's second win of the season and bring the Eagles back to the .500 mark.

	1	2	3	4	T
GARDNER-WEBB	0	3	8	0	11
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	8	10	8	7	25

Second Quarter

GS - Simmons 23 yard field goal	14:11
GW - Fortner 40 yard field goal	6:08
GS - Baker 10 yard pass from Ham (Simmons kick)	1:19

Third Quarter

GW - Brooks 19 yard pass from Bianco (Jones conversion)	9:54
GS - Ham 14 yard run (G. Harris conversion)	5:29

Fourth Quarter

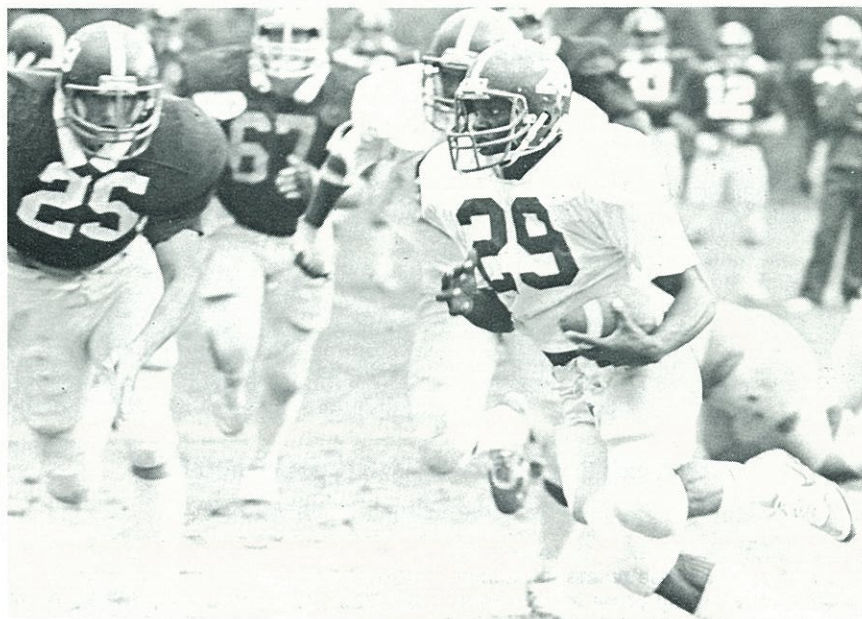
GS - Baker 9 yard pass from Ham (Simmons kick)	14:15
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INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing - GS - Ham 18-92, G. Harris 15-65, Bell 16-51; GW - Bonner 15-62, Barnett 5-21

Passing - GS - Ham 13-7-1-2 110; GW - Bianco 24-10-2-1 123

Receiving - GS - Baker 3-43, Mears 2-35; GW - Brooks 8-90, Jones 2-33



Georgia Southern 10, Catawba 3

SALISBURY NC, October 29 - Tracy Ham returned to Georgia Southern's lineup and upstart fullback Clint Harper had his finest day to date as an Eagle to lead Southern to a 10-3 victory over winless Catawba.

Harper gained 112 yards on 19 carries to pace the Eagles.

David Simmons connected on a 30 yard field goal in the second quarter for the only score of the first half.

Tracy Ham scored a two yard run midway through the third quarter for Southern's only other points, giving the Eagles a 10-0 lead. The score capped a 90 yard, 16 play drive that consumed almost six minutes of the third-quarter clock.

Catawba got its only points early in the fourth quarter on a 38 yard field goal by Jeff Coulter.

The win raised Southern's record to 3-4 and was the first of three consecutive wins by the Eagles.

	1	2	3	4	T
CATAWBA	0	0	0	3	3
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	0	3	7	0	10

Second Quarter

GS - Simmons 30 yard field goal 9:43

Third Quarter

GS - Ham 2 yard run
(Simmons kick) 8:50

Fourth Quarter

CC - Coulter 38 yard field goal 11:53

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing - GS - Harper 19-112, Ham 15-89, G. Harris 15-76, Bell 6-46; CC - Brown 9-32, Hairston 11-30

Passing - GS - Ham 6-3-0-0 59, Lomastro 8-1-0-0 16; CC - Arant 15-4-4-0 81

Receiving - GS - Mears 1-28, Sharpe 1-16, Baker 1-16, Little 1-15; CC Lynch 3-69



East Tennessee State 24, Georgia Southern 7

JOHNSON CITY, TN, October 15
 -Playing most of the game without quarterback Tracy Ham, the Georgia Southern Eagles could manage only seven points against a stubborn East Tennessee defense and lost 24-7. The Eagles record fell to 2-3 on the season.

After falling behind 10-0 on a seven yard touchdown run and a 41 yard field goal, the Eagles narrowed the margin just before the half. Tailback Melvin Bell scampered seven yards with 23 seconds left in the first half and David Simmons added the extra point.

East Tennessee scored twice in the third quarter, though, to reach the 24-7 margin of victory.

Ham was injured early in the second quarter and was replaced by Steve Lomastro who directed Southern to its only score. Kevin Hutchison shined defensively for the Eagles, making 17 tackles and recovering a fumble.

	1	2	3	4	T
EAST TENNESSEE	7	3	14	0	24
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	0	7	0	0	7

First Quarter

ET - Armstrong 7 yard run
 (Campbell kick) 3:37

Second Quarter

ET - Campbell 41 yard field goal 14:15
 GS - Bell 7 yard run
 (Simmons kick) 0:23

Third Quarter

ET - Jacobs 3 yard run
 (Campbell kick) 1:49
 ET - Redd 19 yard pass from White
 (Campbell kick) 0:55

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

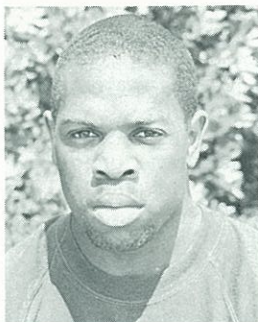
Rushing - GS - Bell 19-80, R. Harris 9-20;
 ET - Latham 12-108, Redd 8-55,
 Armstrong 11-46

Passing - GS - Lomastro 21-9-1-0 98, Ham
 5-2-0-0 24; ET - White 13-8-0-1 109

Receiving - GS - Baker 4-40, Sharpe 4-47,
 Little 2-24; ET - Franklin 2-40, Redd 2-35,
 Rose 2-21

Oliver Davis

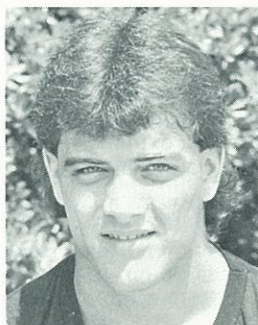
CB, 5-10, 178, Fr., Folkston, GA



Walk-on who will provide solid backup help at cornerback . . . Shows some promise, but lacks experience . . . With playing time and practice, could become a good defensive back.

Mark DeFoor

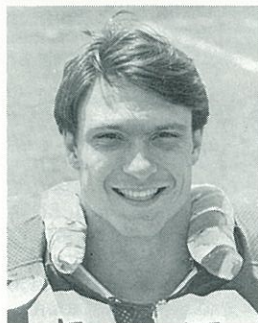
DE, 6-2, 208, Fr., Gainesville, FL



Has good speed . . . Talented player who needs to improve strength . . . Could push for plenty of playing time this fall . . . Made one tackle last season.

Danny Durham

LB, 5-11, 189, So., Albany, GA



Second among linebackers in tackles last season with 48, 34 solos, 14 assists . . . Had three tackles for a loss, and one interception . . . High game was 11 tackles against Wofford . . . Versatile player able to play at several linebacker positions . . . Hard worker with good attitude.



Georgia Southern 27, Wofford 16

SPARTANBURG, S.C. — Georgia Southern had one of its most explosive halves of the season scoring 24 first half points in route to a 27-16 victory over Wofford.

The Eagles exploded quickly when Tracy Ham connected with Monty Sharpe on a 42 yard pass with 11 minutes to go in the first quarter. David Simmons added the extra point to give Southern a 7-0 lead.

Following a Wofford field goal to start the second quarter, Tracy Ham ran nine yards for Southern's second score making it 14-3. Wofford narrowed the margin to four points when they blocked a punt and returned it for a touchdown, but five minutes later Ham scored from one yard out to give the Eagles a 24-10 halftime lead.

After a scoreless third quarter, Simmons kicked a 27 yard field goal midway through the fourth quarter and Southern held on for the victory.

	1	2	3	4	T
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	7	17	0	3	27
WOFFORD	0	10	0	6	16

First Quarter

GS - (7-0) - Sharpe 42 yard pass from Ham (Simmons kick) 11:34

Second Quarter

W - (7-3) - Hairston 36 yard field goal 14:14

GS - (14-3) - Ham 9 yard run (Simmons kick) 11:08

W - (14-10) - Vickery 43 yard return of blocked punt 8:07

GS - (21-10) - Ham 1 yard run (Simmons kick) 3:32

GS - (24-10) - Simmons 25 yard field goal 0:21

Fourth Quarter

GS - (27-10) - Simmons 27 yard field goal 7:12

W - (27-16) - Hays 10 yard pass from Estridge (Pass failed) 2:50

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing - GS - Ham 18-132, G. Harris 13-67, Harper 12-46; W-May 13-62, Best 12-57

Passing - GS - Ham 11-5-2-0 92; W - Estridge 11-5-0-1 66

Receiving - GS - Sharpe 3-72; W - Logan 3-49



Georgia Southern 35, Mars Hill 9

STATESBORO, GA. — Georgia Southern scored 14 first quarter points and coasted to its biggest victory of the season defeating Mars Hill 35-9.

Tracy Ham ran 23 yards for Southern's first score then Hugo Rossignol ran an interception back 95 yards. David Simmons added both extra points.

In the second quarter after a Mars Hill field goal, Ham ran three yards to give the Eagles a 21-3 halftime lead.

Southern scored twice more in the third quarter. Monty Sharpe caught a 47 yard touchdown pass from Ham and Gerald Harris ran 28 yards with Simmons adding both extra points.

The win put Georgia Southern back over the .500 mark with a 5-4 record and two games to play.

	1	2	3	4	T
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	14	7	14	0	35
MARS HILL	0	3	0	6	9

First Quarter

GS - (7-0) - Ham 23 yard run (Simmons kick) 11:30

GS - (14-0) - Rossignol 95 yard interception (Simmons kick) 7:32

Second Quarter

MH - (14-3) - Shealy 27 yard field goal 11:06

GS - (21-3) - Ham 3 yard run (Simmons kick) 2:14

Third Quarter

GS - (28-3) - Sharpe 47 yard pass from Ham (Simmons kick) 11:41

GS - (35-3) - G. Harris 28 yard run (Simmons kick) 3:57

Fourth Quarter

MH - (35-9) - Calhoun 1 yard run (conversion failed) 2:48

LEADERS

Rushing - GS - Ham 11-66, Bell 9-65, Anderson 13-41, G. Harris 3-40; MH - Garland 8-51, Dawkins 10-46.

Passing - GS - Ham 3-1-0-1 47; MH - Bowles 37-16-2-0 238

Receiving - GS - Sharpe 1-47, Hodge 1-29; MH - Gilbert 4-95, Garland 4-36



Valdosta State 34, Georgia Southern 29

VALDOSTA, GA. — In one of the most exciting games in Georgia Southern history, the Eagles fell to 5-5 on the season with 34-29 loss to cross-state rival Valdosta State.

The game's first play was indicative of how the game would go when Melvin Bell returned the opening kick 96 yards for a touchdown. The extra point attempt was blocked. Valdosta responded with two touchdowns in three minutes before David Simmons added a 26 yard field goal to make the first quarter score 14-9 in Valdosta's favor.

Valdosta dominated the second quarter scoring 17 points. Southern's lone points were on a 44 yard field goal by Simmons on the last play of the half.

The Eagles scored in the third quarter on a six yard run by Tracy Ham cutting the margin to 31-19. In the fourth quarter, Simmons kicked a 24 yard field goal and Gerald Harris scored on a one yard run. However, Valdosta got a 34 yard field goal with less than a minute to go to steal the victory.

	1	2	3	4	T
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	9	3	7	10	29
VALDOSTA STATE	14	17	0	3	34

First Quarter

GS - (6-0) - Bell 96 yard kick return (kick blocked)	14:41
VS - (6-7) - Sheppard 57 yard pass from Mallory (Moore kick)	13:57
VS - (6-14) - Soles 36 yard run (Moore kick)	10:32
GS - (9-14) - Simmons 26 yard field goal	1:52

Second Quarter

VS - (9-17) - Moore 39 yard field goal	
VS - (9-24) - Soles 46 yard pass from Mallory (Moore kick)	7:47
VS - (9-31) - Sheppard 2 yard pass from Mallory (Moore kick)	3:28
GS - (12-31) - Simmons 44 yard field goal	0:00

Third Quarter

GS - (19-31) - Ham 6 yard run (Simmons kick)	6:52
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Fourth Quarter

GS - (22-31) - Simmons 24 yard field goal	14:56
GS - (29-31) - G. Harris 1 yard run (Simmons kick)	5:32
VS - (29-34) - Moore 34 yard field goal	0:41

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing - GS - Bell 16-65, Ham 18-38; VS -Soles 21-78, Chubb 11-70	
Passing - GS - Ham 24-13-3-0 202; VS -Mallory 10-6-1-3 166	
Receiving - GS - Baker 6-87; VS -- Sheppard 4-109	



Georgia Southern 15, Savannah State 0

SAVANNAH, GA. — The eleventh game of the season was important. Georgia Southern came in with a record of 5-5. A win gave the Eagles a winning season. The opponent was Savannah State and bragging rights for Southeast Georgia was on the line also.

Southern won 15-0 but not in normal fashion. On rain-soaked Memorial Field in Savannah, the game ended with 5:46 left on the clock when a fight erupted on the field between the two teams.

Southern scored its first touchdown with just 32 seconds to go in the first half when Ricky Harris caught a five yard pass from Steve Lomastro to give Southern a 7-0 halftime lead.

The Eagles got their second score on a 43 yard run by Clint Harper midway through the third quarter and Gerald Harris ran the two point conversion.

Georgia Southern finished the season at 6-5 and in its first two season of collegiate football had yet to loose more games than it won.

	1	2	3	4	T
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	0	7	8	0	15
SAVANNAH ST.	0	0	0	0	0

Second Quarter

GS - (7-0) - R. Harris 5 yard pass from Lomastro (Simmons kick) 0:32

Third Quarter

GS - (15-0) - Harper 43 yard run (G. Harris conversion) 6:13

LEADERS

Rushing - GS - Harper 25-178, G. Harris 17-74; SS - Johnson 9-34.

Passing - GS - Lomastro 3-1-1-1 5; SS - Savage 19-2-1-0 34.

Receiving - GS - R. Harris 1-5; SS - Strozier 1-19.

1983 GEORGIA SOUTHERN FOOTBALL STATISTICS

6-5 (Home: 2-2; Away: 2-2; Neutral: 2-1)

TEAM STATISTICS		GSC	OPP	RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOSS	NET	AVG	TD	LG
Total Points		263	206	Ham	131	794	88	706	5.4	11	40
Points Per Game		23.9	18.7	Bell	121	740	28	712	5.9	2	73
TD/Run-Pass-Rtn		25-6-2	11-13-1	G. Harris	125	570	11	599	4.5	10	28
PAT		25-27	21-21	Harper	68	386	0	386	5.7	1	43
PAT Run or Pass		5-7	2-4	R. Harris	67	352	3	349	5.2	1	45
Field Goals		8-9	9-14	Anderson	18	76	8	68	3.8	0	13
Safety		0	2	Holt	11	56	0	56	5.1	0	18
FIRST DOWNS		214	169	Seamens	21	56	0	56	2.6	0	5
Rushing		147	95	Lomastro	40	86	62	24	0.6	0	10
Passing		53	60	Stewart	4	14	0	14	3.5	0	11
Penalty		14	14	Mears	2	12	0	12	6.0	0	6
3rd Down Consistency		43.2	37.5	West	4	9	1	8	2.0	0	6
3rd Down Att-Conv.		164/71	152/57	Sharpe	2	2	0	2	1.0	0	2
TOTAL YARDAGE		4089	3412	Wright	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	-
Yard Per Game		371.1	310.1	Miolen	4	7	9	-2	-0.5	0	7
Ball Control Plays		781	696	Barker	1	0	5	-5	-5.0	0	-
Yards Per Play		5.2	4.9	Team	1	0	7	-7	-7.0	0	-
%Plays Rush-Pass		79/23	69/31	RECEIVING		NO	YDS	AVG	LG		
%Yards Rush-Pass		72/28	55/45	Sharpe	23	444	19.3	4	47		
RUSHING YARDAGE		2938	1880	Baker	19	271	14.3	2	43		
Yards Per Game		267.1	170.1	Little	12	209	17.4	0	46		
Gained		3160	2141	Mears	6	100	16.7	0	28		
Lost		222	261	R. Harris	5	31	6.2	1	15		
Rushing Plays		621	480	Schuchts	2	31	15.5	0	25		
Yards Per Play		4.7	3.9	Hodge	3	47	15.7	0	29		
PASSING YARDAGE		1151	1532	Cumiskey	1	18	18.0	0	18		
Yards Per Game		104.6	139.2	RETURNS		KICK OFFS		PUNTS		INTER-CEPTIONS	
Att-Completions		160/71	216/95	Bell	22-49-0		19-132-0		0-0-0		
%Complete		44.3	44.0	Rossignol	0-0-0		0-0-0		4-11-1		
Yards Per Attempt		7.2	7.1	Underwood	0-0-0		0-0-0		1-21-0		
Yards Per Completion		16.2	16.1	G. Harris	2-35-0		0-0-0		0-0-0		
INTERCEPTED BY		17	9	Young	0-0-0		0-0-0		5-48-0		
Yards Rtn/TD		236/1	18/0	Hutchinson	0-0-0		0-0-0		5-59-0		
PUNTS		49	51	Johns	0-0-0		0-0-0		1-(-3)-0		
Yards Punted		1827	1969	Pike	1-(-2)-0		0-0-0		0-0-0		
Yards Per Punt		37.3	38.6	PUNTING		NO	YDS	AVG	LG		
Blocked		1	0	Barker	40		1505		37.6		
PUNTS RETURNS		22	25	Parker	4		168		42.0		
Yards Rtn/TD		142/0	164/0	Simmons	3		139		46.3		
KICKOFF RETURNS		25	50	Team	2		15		7.5		
Yards Rtn/TD		523/1	871/0	RESULTS AND SCHEDULE				GSC	FOE	ATTD	
PENALTY		68	68	Central Florida	(H)		29		33 5815		
Yards		609	599	Presbyterian	(N)		35		21 7913		
FUMBLES-LOST		41-20	34-15	Troy State	(H)		27		28 7378		
AVG. ATTENDANCE	HOME	7214	AWAY 6264	Gardner-Webb	(H)		25		11 6278		
SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	E. Tennessee St.	(A)		7		24 7248		
Georgia Southern	52	81	80	Newberry	(N)		24		27 4500		
Foe	45	67	50	Catawba	(A)		10		3 3917		
PASSING	G	ATT	COMP	Wofford	(A)		27		16 5894		
Ham	9	105	51	Mars Hill	(H)		35		9 9385		
Lomastro	7	55	20	Valdosta State	(A)		29		34 8000		
Miolen	2	0	0	Savannah State	(N)		15		0 1000		
West	2	0	0	YDS/COMP		YDS/GAME		TOT OFF/AVG			
SCORING	TD	R-P-RNT	FGM-A	17.4		94.4		1592/176.9			
G. Harris	10-0-0		0-0	13.2		37.8		289/41.3			
Ham	11-0-0		0-0	-		-		8/4.0			
Simmons	0-0-0		8-9	-		-					
Sharpe	0-4-0		0-0	-		-					
Bell	2-0-1		0-0	-		-					
Baker	0-2-0		0-0	-		-					
R. Harris	1-1-0		0-0	-		-					
Rossignol	0-0-1		0-0	-		-					
Harper	1-0-0		0-0	-		-					
Schuchts	0-0-0		0-0	-		-					

RUSHING

Opponent	Central Florida			Presbyterian			Troy State			Gardner-Webb			E. Tennessee St.		
Player	Att-Yds	Avg	TD	Att-Yds	Avg	TD	Att-Yds	Avg	TD	Att-Yds	Avg	TD	Att-Yds	Avg	TD
Bell	8-130	16.2	1	7-35	5.0	0	7-39	5.5	0	16-5	3.1	0	19-80	4.2	1
R. Harris	11-102	9.2	0	8-34	4.2	1	13-91	7.0	0	5-15	3.0	0	9-20	2.2	0
G. Harris	15-44	2.9	1	10-39	3.9	3	14-69	4.9	2	15-65	4.3	0	8-17	2.1	0
Ham	15-59	3.6	2	15-90	6.0	0	17-129	7.5	2	18-82	5.1	1	3-11	3.6	0
Seamans	2-4	2.0	0	10-26	2.6	0	6-16	2.6	0	2-8	4.0	0	N/C		
Lomastro	N/C			2-6	3.0	0	N/C			N/C			8-72	2.7	0
Holt	N/C			1-4	4.0	0	N/C			N/C			N/C		
West	N/C			2-1	.5	0	N/C			N/C			N/C		
Sharpe	N/C			N/C			1-9	9.0	0	N/C			N/C		
Wright	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			1-0	0.0	0
Barker	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
Harper	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
Miolen	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
Anderson	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
Stewart	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
GSC	52-339	6.5	4	55-233	4.2	4	58-335	5.7	4	56-226	4.1	1	48-136	2.8	1
OPPONENTS	53-186	3.5	2	45-131	2.9	2	49-252	5.1	2	31-113	3.6	0	47-273	5.8	2

RECEIVING

Opponent	Central Florida			Presbyterian			Troy State			Gardner-Webb			E. Tennessee St.		
Player	Rec-Yds	Avg	TD	Rec-Yds	Avg	TD	Rec-Yds	Avg	TD	Rec-Yds	Avg	TD	Rec-Yds	Avg	TD
Little	3-47	15.6		2-65	32.6	0	2-35	17.5	0	1-16	16.0	0	2-24	12.0	0
Sharpe	N/C			1-31	31.0	1	4-64	16.0	0	1-16	16.0	0	4-47	11.7	0
Baker	2-18	9.0	0	N/C			1-17	17.0	0	3-43	14.3	2	4-40	10.0	0
Mears	N/C			N/C			1-13	13.0	0	2-35	17.5	0	N/C		
Schuchts	1-6	6.0	0	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
Hodge	N/C			N/C			1-6	6.0	0	N/C			N/C		
R. Harris	N/C			N/C			1-7	7.0	0	N/C			N/C		
Shields	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
Cumiskey	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
Barker	N/C			1-43	43.0	0	N/C			N/C			N/C		
PASSING															
Player	AT-CP-I Yds TD			AT-CP-I Yds TD			AT-CP-I Yds TD			AT-CP-I Yds TD			AT-CP-I Yds TD		
Ham	12- 6-0	71	0	10-4-0	139	1	21-10-0	142	0	7-13-1	110	2	5- 2-0	24	0
Lomastro	N/P			1-0-0	0	0	N/P			N/P			21- 9-1	98	0
GSC	12- 6-0	71	0	11-4-0	139	1	21-10-0	142	0	7-13-1	110	2	26-11-1	122	0
OPPONENT	21-11-0	277	2	18-9-4	162	1	12- 9-1	166	2	24-10-2	123	1	14- 8-0	109	1

Newberry			Catawba			Wofford			Mars Hill			Valdosta State			Savannah State		
Att-Yds	Avg	TD	Att-Yds	Avg	TD	Att-Yds	Avg	TD	Att-Yds	Avg	TD	Att-Yds	Avg	TD	Att-Yds	Avg	TD
17-144	8.4	0	6-46	7.6	0	9-28	3.1	0	9-65	7.2	0	16-65	4.1	0	7-29	4.1	0
9-33	3.6	0	5-22	4.4	0	3-27	9.0	0	2-4	2.0	0	2-1	.5	0	N/C		
10-45	4.5	2	15-76	5.1	0	13-67	5.1	0	3-40	13.3	1	5-23	4.6	1	17-74	4.3	0
N/C			15-89	5.9	1	18-132	7.3	2	11-66	6.0	2	18-38	2.1	1	N/C		
1-2	2.0	0	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
14-4	.28	0	2-8	4.0	0	N/C			1-5	5.0	0	N/C			13-23	1.7	0
5-20	4.0	0	N/C			1-3	3.0	0	3-28	9.3	0	N/C			N/C		
N/C			N/C			N/C			2-9	4.5	0	N/C			N/C		
N/C			N/C			1-2	2.0	0	N/C			N/C			N/C		
N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
1-5	5.0	0	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
N/C			19-112	5.8	0	12-46	3.8	0	6-28	4.6	0	6-22	3.6		25-178	7.1	1
N/C			N/C			3-9	3.0	0	1-7	7.0	0	N/C			N/C		
N/C			N/C			N/C			13-41	3.1	0	5-27	5.4		N/C		
N/C			N/C			N/C			4-14	3.5		N/C			N/C		
58-244	4.2	2	63-354	5.65	1	60-296	4.9	3	55-307	5.5	3	52-176	3.3	2	62-312	5.0	1
48-291	6.0	2	41-106	2.5	0	46-159	3.4	2	40-141	3.5	1	44-159	3.6	1	36-90	2.5	0

Newberry			Catawba			Wofford			Mars Hill			Valdosta State			Savannah State		
Rec-Yds	Avg	TD	Rec-Yds	Avg	TD	Rec-Yds	Avg	TD	Rec-Yds	Avg	TD	Rec-Yds	Avg	TD	Rec-Yds	Avg	TD
N/C			1-15	15.0	0	N/C			N/C			2-37	8.5	0	N/C		
5-98	17.6	1	1-16	16.0	0	3-72	24.0	0	1-47	47.0	0	2-23	11.5	0	N/C		
N/C			2-18	9.0	0	1-7	7.0	0	N/C			6-87	14.5	0	N/C		
N/C			1-28	28.0	0	1-13	13.0	0	N/C			N/C			N/C		
N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			1-25	25.0	0	N/C		
N/C			N/C			N/C			1-29	29.0	0	1-12	12.0	0	N/C		
3-19	6.3	0	N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			1-5	5.0	1
N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			1-18	18.0	0	N/C		
N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C			N/C		
AT-CP-I Yds TD			AT-CP-I Yds TD			AT-CP-I Yds TD			AT-CP-I Yds TD			AT-CP-I Yds TD			AT-CP-I Yds TD		
N/P			6-3-0	59	0	11- 5-2	92	0	3- 1-0	47	1	24-13-3	202	0	N/P		
20-8-1	117	1	8-1-0	16	0	N/P			1- 1-0	29	0	1- 0-0	0	0	3-1-1	5	11
20-8-1	117	1	4-4-0	75	0	11- 5-2	92	0	4- 2-0	76	1	25-13-3	202	0	3-1-1	5	1
19-9-0	136	1	15-4-4	81	0	24-10-1	128	1	38-16-3	238	0	16- 6-1	166	3	21-3-1	46	0

TEAM STATS GAME-BY-GAME

Category	GSC	CFU	GSC	PRES	GSC	TROY	GSC	G-W	GSC	ETSU
1st Down	19	13	19	18	25	20	20	13	16	14
Rushing Attempts	52	53	55	45	58	49	56	31	48	47
Net Rushing Yards	339	186	233	131	335	252	226	113	106	252
Passing Att/Comp/Int	12/6/0	21/11/1	11/4/0	18/9/4	21/10/0	12/9/1	13/7/1	24/10/2	26/11/1	14/8/0
Net Yards Passing	71	177	139	162	142	166	110	123	122	109
Total Plays	68	74	66	63	79	61	69	55	74	61
Total Yards	410	363	372	293	477	418	336	236	228	361
Return Yards	5	0	27	23	19	51	43	-1	35	27
Punt Return Yards	2/3	2/0	3/3	3/23	1/5	3/51	2/14	2/-1	5/35	4/21
Interception Ret. Yds	1/2	0	4/30	0	1/14	0	2/29	1/0	0	1/6
Punts Average	4/38.3	6/41	5/35	3/44	6/35.5	5/34.4	4/42	4/46.3	7/44.7	4/40
Penalty Yards	2/10	7/53	3/39	7/42	5/29	5/48	3/21	7/40	15/125	14/140
Fumbles/Lost	6/5	2/2	4/0	4/2	2/1	3/1	1/1	2/0	6/4	4/4
Possession Time	27:53	32:07	25:06	34:54	30:29	29:31	31:33	28:27	31:33	28:27

GSC	NEW	GSC	CATA	GSC	WOF	GSC	MARS	GSC	VSC	GSC	SSC
13	12	19	10	18	17	20	24	21	12	17	9
58	48	63	41	60	46	55	40	52	44	63	36
244	291	354	106	296	159	307	141	176	159	297	90
20/8/1	19/9/0	14/4/0	15/4/4	11/5/2	24/10/1	4/2/0	38/16/3	25/13/3	10/6/1	3/1/1	21/3/1
117	136	81	75	92	128	76	238	202	166	5	46
78	67	42	51	71	70	59	78	77	54	66	57
361	427	429	187	388	287	383	379	378	325	302	136
20	41	27	12	25	9	128	0	59	24	5	-5
5/8	4/41	14	12	1/7	1/9	1/-1	0	59	10	8	-2
0/0	1/1	4/13	0	1/18	2/0	3/129	0/0	1/0	3/14	1/-3	1/-3
4/39.7	5/36.6	4/35/5	4/41	3/46.3	5/38.4	3/37.7	3/38	4/29.8	5/38	4/33	7/35.7
8/64	6/92	7/69	5/35	9/68	5/40	4/48	0/0	7/65	8/63	5/71	7/59
1/0	3/1	6/3	3/2	2/1	2/0	1/1	2/1	4/2	2/0	9/3	7/2
-	-	31:40	29:20	-	-	27:22	32:38	31:45	28:15	30:50	23:28

GEORGIA SOUTHERN

1984



Records and History

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

TOTAL OFFENSE

Most Plays

- Game - 42, Tracy Ham vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Season - 163, Tracy Ham, 1982

Most Yards Gained

- Game - 303, Melvin Bell vs. Florida State JV
- Season - 1592, Tracy Ham, 1983

Most TDs Responsible For

- Game - 3, Gerald Harris vs. Presbyterian, 11-13-83
- 3, Tracy Ham vs. Mars Hill, 11-12-83
- Season - 15, Tracy Ham, 1983

RUSHING

Most Rushes

- Game - 33, Gerald Harris vs. Mars Hill, 11-13-82
- Season - 125, Gerald Harris, 1983

Most Yards Gained

- Game - 201, Melvin Bell vs. Florida State JV, 11-27-82
- Season - 712, Melvin Bell, 1983

Most Games Gaining 100 Yards

- Season - 2, Ricky Harris, Melvin Bell, 1982
- 2, Melvin Bell, Tracy Ham, Clint Harper, 1983

Most Games Gaining 200 Yards

- Season - 1, Melvin Bell 1982

Highest Average Per Rush

- Game - (min. 10 attempts), 10.9 (11-120), Ricky Harris vs. Mars Hill, 11-13-82
- Season - (min. 100 Attempts), 5.8 (121-712), Melvin Bell, 1983

Most TDs Rushing

- Game - 3, Gerald Harris vs. Presbyterian, 9-17-83
- Season - 11, Tracy Ham, 1983

Longest Rush

- Game - 78, Ricky Harris vs. Ft. Benning, 10-9-82

Most All-Purpose Yardage

- Game - 303, Melvin Bell vs. Florida State JV, 11-17-82
- Season - 1592, Tracy Ham, 1982

PASSING

Most Passes Attempted

- Game - 24, Tracy Ham vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Season - 99, Tracy Ham, 1983

Most Passes Completed

- Game - 13, Tracy Ham vs. Gardner-Webb, 10-1-83
- 13, Tracy Ham vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Season - 57, Tracy Ham, 1983

Highest Completion Percentage

- Game - (min. 15 attempts), 54.1 (13-24), Tracy Ham vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Season - (min. 100 attempts)

Most Passes Intercepted

- Game - 3, Rob Allen vs. Gardner-Webb, 10-2-82
- 3, Tracy Ham vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Season - 9, Rob Allen, 1982

Most Yards Gained

- Game - 202, Tracy Ham vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Season - 886, Tracy Ham, 1983

Most 200 Yards Games

- Season - 1, Tracy Ham vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83

Most Yards Per Attempt

- Game - (min. 15 attempts), 8.4 (202-24), Tracy Ham vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Season - (min. 100 attempts)

Most Yards Per Completion

Game - (min. 15 attempts), 15.5 (101-13), Tracy Ham vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
Season - (min. 100 attempts)

Most TD Passes

Game - 2, Rob Allen vs. Valdosta State, 9-25-82
2, Tracy Ham vs. Gardner-Webb, 10-1-83
Season - 5, Rob Allen, 1982
5, Tracy Ham, 1983

Longest Pass

Game - 47 yards, Monte Sharpe from Tracy Ham vs. Mars Hill, 11-12-83

RECEIVING

Most Passes Caught

Game - 6, Robert Baker vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
Season - 23, Monty Sharpe, 1983

Consecutive Games Catching a Pass

Season - 9, Monty Sharpe, 1983

Most Yards Gained

Game - 87, Robert Baker vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
Season - 414, Monty Sharpe, 1983

Highest Average per Reception

Game - (min. 5), 19.6 (5-98), Monty Sharpe vs. Newberry, 10-22-83
Season - (min. 20), 18.8 (22-414), Monty Sharpe, 1983

Most TD Passes Caught

Game - 2, Robert Baker vs. Gardner-Webb, 10-1-83
Season - 4, Scott Conner, 1982
4, Monty Sharpe, 1983

PUNTING

Most Punts

Game - 9, Brit Barker vs. Gardner-Webb, 10-2-82
Season - 50, Brit Barker, 1982

Highest Average

Game - 46.3, David Simmons vs. Wofford, 11-5-83
Season - 50, Brit Barker, 1982

Most Yards on Punts

Game - 312, Brit Barker vs. E. Tennessee State, 10-15-83
Season - 1750, Brit Barker, 1982

Longest Punt

Game - 55, Brit Barker vs. Mars Hill, 11-13-82
55, Brit Barker vs. E. Tennessee State, 10-15-83

INTERCEPTIONS

Most Passes Intercepted

Game - 2, Five Tied
Season - 6, Pat Douglas, 1982

Most Yards on Interceptions

Game - 95, Hugo Rossignol vs. Mars Hill, 11-12-83
Season - 108, Hugo Rossignol, 1983

Most TDs on Interceptions

Game - 1, Three Tied
Season - 1, Three Tied

Longest Interception Return

95, Hugo Rossignol vs. Mars Hill, 11-12-83

PUNT RETURNS

Most Punt Returns

Game - 4, Pat Douglas vs. Central Florida, 9-11-82
Season - 20, Pat Douglas, 1982

Most Yards on Punt Returns

Game - 59, Melvin Bell vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
Season - 177, Pat Douglas, 1982

Highest Average Per Punt Return

Game - 29-5, Melvin Bell vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
Season - (min. 10), 8.5 (177-20), Pat Douglas, 1982

Most TDs on Punt Returns

Game - 1, Pat Douglas vs. Florida State JV, 11-27-82
Season - 1, Pat Douglas, 1982

Longest Punt Return

Game - 42, Melvin Bell vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83

KICKOFF RETURNS

Most Kickoff Returns

Game - 4, Three Tied
Season - 21, Melvin Bell, 1983

Most Yards on Kickoff Returns

Game - 154, Melvin Bell vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
Season - 459, Melvin Bell, 1983

Highest Average Per Kickoff Return

Game - 32.6 (98-3), Melvin Bell vs. Wofford, 11-5-83
Season - 21.8 (459-21), Melvin Bell, 1983

Most TDs on Kickoff Returns

Game - 1, Melvin Bell vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
Season - 1, Melvin Bell, 1983

Longest Kickoff Return

Game - 96, Melvin Bell vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83

SCORING

Most Points

Game - 18, Gerald Harris vs. Presbyterian, 9-17-83
Season - 60, Gerald Harris, 1983

Most TDs

Game - 3, Gerald Harris vs. Presbyterian, 9-17-83
Season - 11, Tracy Ham, 1983

Most PATs Attempted

Game - 8, Wendell Foskey vs. Ft. Benning, 10-9-82
Season - 26, David Simmons, 1983

Most PATs Made

Game - 8, Wendell Foskey vs. Ft. Benning, 10-9-82
Season - 25, David Simmons, 1983

Highest Percentage of PATs Made

Season - 92.5 (25-27), David Simmons, 1983

Most Points Kicking

Game - 11, David Simmons vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
Season - 49, David Simmons, 1983

FIELD GOALS

Most Field Goals Attempted

Game - 3, David Simmons vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
Season - 9, David Simmons, 1983

Most Field Goals Made

Game - 3, David Simmons vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
Season - 8, David Simmons, 1983

Longest Field Goal Made

44, David Simmons vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83

TEAM RECORDS

TOTAL OFFENSE

Most Plays - 93, vs. Newberry, 10-23-82
Most Plays, Both Teams - 155, vs. Wofford, 11-6-82
Most Yards Gained - 488, vs. Florida State JV, 11-27-82
Most Yards Gained, Both Teams - 944, vs. Valdosta State, 11-20-82
Most TDs - 8, vs. Fort Benning, 10-9-82

RUSHING

- Most Rushes** - 83, vs. Newberry, 10-23-82
- Most Rushes, Both Teams** - 121, vs. Wofford, 11-6-82
- Most Yards** - 417, vs. Baptist, 9-18-82
- Most Yards, Both Teams** - 591, vs. Wofford, 11-6-82
- Most TDs** - 6, vs. Baptist, 4-18-82
- 6, vs. Ft. Benning, 10-9-82

PASSING

- Most Attempts** - 26, vs. East Tennessee State, 10-15-83
- Most Attempts, Both Teams** - 79, vs. Gardner-Webb, 10-2-82
- Most Completions** - 13, vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Most Completions, Both Teams** - 42, vs. Gardner-Webb, 10-2-82
- Highest % of Completions** (mon. 20 attempts), 152 (13-25), vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Most Passes Intercepted** - 3, vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Most Yards Gained** - 202, vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Most Yards Gained, Both Teams** - 533, vs. Gardner-Webb, 10-2-82

PUNTING

- Most Punts** - 9, vs. Gardner-Webb, 10-2-82
- Highest Average** (mon. 5), 44.7 (312-7), vs. East Tennessee State, 10-15-83

PUNT RETURNS

- Most Punt Returns** - 7, vs. Central Florida, 9-11-82
- Most Yards Gained** - 82, vs. Central Florida, 9-11-82
- Most TDs** - 1, vs. Florida State JV, 11-27-82

KICKOFF RETURNS

- Most Returns** - 5, on Five Occasions
- Most Yards Gained** - 154, vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Most TDs**

SCORING

- Most Points** - 56, vs. Ft. Benning, 10-9-82
- Most Points, Both Teams** - 74, vs. Valdosta State, 11-20-82
- Greatest Margin of Victory** - 50, vs. Ft. Benning, 10-9-82
- Greatest Margin of Defeat** - 38, vs. Gardner-Webb, 10-2-82
- Most TDs** - 8, vs. Ft. Benning, 10-9-82
- Most TDs, Both Teams** - 10, vs. Valdosta State, 10-20-82
- Most PATs Made** - 3, vs. Ft. Benning, 10-9-82
- Most PATs Made, Both Teams** - 8, vs. Ft. Benning, 10-9-82
- Most FGs Made** - 3, vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83
- Most FGs Made, Both Teams** - 5, vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83

FIRST DOWNS

- Most First Downs** - 29, vs. Newberry, 10-23-82
- Most First Downs, Both Teams** - 50, vs. Valdosta State, 11-20-82
- Most Rushing First Downs** - 22, vs. Newberry, 10-23-82
- Most Rushing First Downs, Both Teams** - 30, vs. Wofford, 11-6-82
- Most Passing First Downs** - 11, vs. Mars Hill, 11-12-83
- Most Passing First Downs, Both Teams** - 28, vs. Valdosta State, 11-20-82
- Most Penalty First Downs** - 3, on Three Occasions
- Most Penalty First Downs, Both Teams** - 5, vs. Newberry, 10-23-82

FUMBLES

- Most Fumbles** - 9, vs. Savannah State, 11-24-83
- Most Fumbles, Both Teams** - 16, vs. Savannah State, 11-24-83
- Most Fumbles Lost** - 6, vs. Florida State JV, 11-27-82
- Most Fumbles Lost, Both Teams** - 9, vs. Newberry, 10-23-82

PENALTIES

- Most Penalties** - 15, vs. East Tennessee State, 10-15-83
- Most Penalties, Both Teams** - 29, vs. East Tennessee State, 10-15-83
- Most Yards Penalized** - 125, vs. East Tennessee State, 10-15-83
- Most Yards Penalized, Both Teams** - 265, vs. East Tennessee State, 10-15-83

TEAM-SINGLE GAME DEFENSE

Fumbles

Most Fumbles Caused - 7, vs. Savannah State, 11-24-83

Most Fumbles Recovered - 5, on Two Occasions

Turnovers

Most - 7, vs. Catawba, 10-29-83

First Downs

Fewest First Downs - 6, vs. Baptist, 9-18-82

Fewest Rushing First Downs - 2, vs. Baptist, 9-18-82

Fewest Passing First Downs - 2, vs. Savannah State, 11-24-83

Total Defense

Fewest Plays - 42, vs. Catawba, 10-29-83

Fewest Yards - 124, vs. Fort Benning, 10-9-82

Most Yards - 427, vs. Newberry, 10-22-83

Rushing Defense

Fewest Rushes - 22, vs. Baptist, 9-18-82

Fewest Yards - 18, vs. Newberry, 10-23-82

Most Yards - 335, vs. Wofford, 11-6-82

Pass Defense

Fewest Attempted - 10, vs. Valdosta State, 11-19-83

Fewest Completed - 3, vs. Savannah State, 11-24-83

Lowest % Completed (min. 10), 14.2 (3-21), vs. Savannah State, 11-24-83

Fewest Yards - 46, vs. Savannah State, 11-24-83

Most Yards - 406, vs. Valdosta State, 11-20-82

Most Passes Intercepted - 4, on Two Occasions

Most Yards on an Interception - 129, vs. Mars Hill, 11-12-83

TEAM - SINGLE SEASON OFFENSE

Total Offense

Most Yards Per Game - 369.4, 1983

Highest Average Per Play - 5.4, 1982

Most Yards - 4064, 1983

Most TDs - 40, 1982

Rushing

Most Yards - 3112, 1982

Most Yards Per Game - 282.9, 1982

Most Yards Per Play - 4.9, 1982

Most TDs - 28, 1982

Passing

Most Passes Attempted - 160, 1983

Most Passes Completed - 71, 1983

Most Yards - 1157, 1983

Most Yards Per Game - 105.1

Highest Completion Percentage - 44.3, 1983

Most TD Passes - 8, 1982

Punting

Most Punts - 51, 1982

Fewest Punts - 48, 1983

Highest Average Per Punt - 37.9, 1983

Punt Returns

Most Punt Returns - 28, 1982

Fewest Punt Returns - 21, 1983

Most Yards - 226, 1982

Highest Average Per Return - 8.1, 1982

Most TDs - 1, 1982

Kickoff Returns

Most Kickoffs Returned - 34, 1982

Fewest Kickoffs Returned - 25, 1983

Most Yards - 543, 1982

Highest Average Per Return - 20.9, 1983

Most TDs - 1, 1983

Scoring

Most Points - 290, 1982
Most Points Per Game - 26.7, 1982
Most TDs - 40, 1982
Most PATs Made - 30, 1982
Most FGs Made - 8, 1983

First Downs

Most First Downs - 211, 1982
Most Rushing First Downs - 152, 1982
Most Passing First Downs - 53, 1983
Most Penalty First Downs - 14, 1982

Fumbles

Most Fumbles - 52, 1982
Most Fumbles Lost - 30, 1982
Fewest Fumbles - 42, 1983
Fewest Fumbles Lost - 21, 1983

Penalties

Most Penalties - 74, 1982
Most Yards Penalized - 673, 1983
Fewest Penalties - 68, 1983
Fewest Yards Penalized - 627, 1982

TEAM SINGLE SEASON DEFENSE

Total Defense

Fewest Yards - 3332, 1982
Fewest Yards Per Game - 302.9, 1982
Lowest Average Per Play - 4.4, 1982
Fewest TDs - 14, 1982

Rushing Defense

Fewest Yards - 1078, 1982
Fewest Yards Per Game - 98.0, 1982
Lowest Average Per Play - 2.7, 1982
Fewest TDs - 5, 1982

Passing Defense

Fewest Yards - 1526, 1983
Fewest Yards Per Game - 138.7, 1983
Fewest Yards Per Attempt - 6.1, 1982
Fewest Yards Per Completion - 12.9, 1982
Lowest Completion % - 43.9, 1983
Fewest TDs - 13, 1983
Most Interceptions - 18, 1983
Most Yards on Interceptions - 232
Most TDs on Interceptions - 2, 1982

Punt Returns

Lowest Average Per Punt Return - 0.3, 1982

Kickoff Returns

Lowest Average Per Kickoff Return - 8.1, 1982

Scoring

Fewest Points - 190, 1982
Fewest Points Per Game - 17.3, 1982

Fumbles

Most Fumbles Caused - 34, 1983
Most Fumbles Recovered - 20, 1982

First Downs

Fewest - 179, 1983
Fewest Rushing - 65, 1982
Fewest Passing - 60, 1983
Fewest Penalty - 14, 1983

	FIRST Meeting	Date	Last Meeting Site	Score	W	L	T
Abraham Baldwin	1935	1935		13-0	1	0	0
Alabama State Teachers	1934	1941		0-25	2	6	0
Appalachian Teachers	1934	1936		0-27	1	1	1
Armstrong	1937	1940		43-0	3	1	0
Baptist	1982	1982	N	42-0	1	0	0
Benedictine	1925	1928		7-6	3	1	0
Bowden	1931	1931		0-24	0	1	0
Brewton-Parker	1925	1936		14-7	10	2	1
Camp Croft	1941	1941		0-21	0	1	0
Catawba	1982	1983	A	10-3	1	1	0
Central Florida	1982	1983	H	29-33	1	1	0
Cochran A & M	1928	1928		6-24	0	1	0
Douglas	1926	1928		7-0	3	0	0
Douglas A & M	1924	1924		6-0	1	0	0
East Tennessee State	1983	1983	A	7-24	0	1	0
Erskine	1935	1941		0-7	0	4	1
Florida State JV	1982	1982	N	31-20	1	0	0
Ft. Benning	1940	1982	H	56-6	2	0	0
Ft. Screven	1926	1927		6-0	2	0	0
Gardner-Webb	1982	1983	H	25-11	1	1	0
Georgia Military	1926	1937		6-7	2	4	0
Georgia State	1930	1930		13-0	1	0	0
Gordon Military	1932	1937		0-19	2	2	0
Graymont	1931	1931		47-0	1	0	0
Havana	1939	1939		27-7	1	0	0
Jacksonville State	1934	1939		13-0	1	1	0
Mars Hill	1982	1983	H	35-9	2	0	0
Mercer	1930	1941		0-25	0	3	0
Mercer Freshmen	1928	1928		7-0	1	0	0
Miami	1936	1937		0-40	0	2	0
Middle Georgia	1930	1941		14-6	7	5	0
Middle Georgia JC	1929	1929		7-7	0	0	1
Millen Athletic Club	1931	1931		67-0	1	0	0
Mississippi Teachers	1941	1941		0-70	0	1	0
Newberry	1930	1983	A	27-24	1	5	1
Norman Park	1928	1933		46-0	2	5	0
Oglethorpe	1941	1941		0-53	0	1	0
Parris Island Marines	1924	1931		0-19	0	1	0
Piedmont Institute	1926	1932		33-12	3	2	2
Presbyterian	1983	1983	N	35-21	1	0	0
Richard Academy	1925	1929		13-19	0	4	0
Rollins	1932	1936		0-26	0	3	0
Rollon	1932	1932		0-12	0	1	0
Savannah State	1983	1983	A	15-0	1	0	0
Snead	1938	1939		13-7	2	0	0
South Georgia A & M	1927	1929		6-0	1	1	0
South Georgia State	1933	1941		0-7	3	4	1
South Georgia JC	1929	1930		0-6	0	1	1
Stetson	1934	1939		0-19	1	5	0
Tampa	1934	1940		14-66	4	3	0
Tifton	1926	1932		27-0	2	2	0
Troy State	1983	1983	H	27-28	0	1	0
US Naval Academy	1940	1940		6-46	0	1	0
Waynesboro JC	1928	1928		26-0	1	0	0
Valdosta State	1982	1983	H	34-29	1	1	1
West Carolina Teachers	1941	1941		7-14	0	1	0
Wingate	1938	1938		6-0	1	0	0
Wofford	1982	1983	A	27-16	1	1	0

COACHES AND RESULTS

Year	Coach	W	L	T	GSC	OPP
					PTS	PTS
1924	E. G. Cromartie	1	0	0	6	0
1925	E. G. Cromartie	1	2	0	Unavailable	
1926	E. G. Cromartie	5	3	1	58	28
1927	H. A. Woodle	6	1	1	90	40
1928	H. A. Woodle	5	5	0	55	54
1929	B. L. "Crook" Smith	2	1	2	95	32
1930	B. L. "Crook" Smith	3	3	1	46	25
1931	B. L. "Crook" Smith	3	6	0	133	92
1932	B. L. "Crook" Smith	6	3	0	150	65
1933	B. L. "Crook" Smith	5	3	0	167	55
1934	B. L. "Crook" Smith	7	3	0	145	97
1935	B. L. "Crook" Smith	4	3	2	117	88
1936	B. L. "Crook" Smith	2	9	0	45	209
1937	B. L. "Crook" Smith	2	9	0	58	272
1938	B. L. "Crook" Smith	4	4	1	74	60
1939	B. L. "Crook" Smith	6	4	0	100	117
1940	B. L. "Crook" Smith	3	5	0	101	183
1941	B. L. "Crook" Smith	2	8	0	37	229
1982	Erk Russell	7	3	1	290	190
1983	Erk Russell	6	5	0	263	206

COACHES' CUMULATIVE RECORDS

Name	Tenure	Years	W-L-T	Pct.	GSC	OPP
					Pts.	Pts.
E. G. Cromartie	1924-26	3	7-5-1	.583	64	28
H. A. Woodle	1927-28	2	11-6-1	.671	145	94
B. L. "Crook" Smith	1929-41	13	49-61-6	.445	1268	1524
Erk Russell	1982-	2	13-8-1	.591	553	396

RECORDS

Georgia Normal School

1924 — E. G. Cromartie	
Parris Island Marines	NA
Savannah High School	NA
Douglas A&M School	6-0

1925 — E. G. Cromartie	
Richmond Academy	Lost
Benedictine	Lost
Brewton-Parker	Won

1926 — E. G. Cromartie	
Douglas	6-0
Piedmont Institute	0-0
Benedictine	13-0
GA Military College	0-12
Tifton	0-6
Richmond Acad.	6-54
Brewton-Parker	12-0
Fort Screven (Army)	14-0
Brewton-Parker	7-6

1927 — H. A. Woodie	
Douglas	2-0
South GA A&M	6-0
Benedictine	25-6
Fort Screven	6-0
Richmond Acad.	0-16(R)/0-14(G)
Brewton-Parker	25-7
Piedmont Institute	26-13
Brewton-Parker	0-0

1928 — H. A. Woodie	
Waynesboro Jr. Col.	26-0
Brewton-Parker	2-6
Cochran A&M	6-24
Benedictine	7-6
Tifton	Lost
Mercer (freshmen)	7-0
Piedmont	0-12
Norman Park	0-6
Douglas	7-0
Brewton-Parker	NA

SOUTH GEORGIA TEACHERS COLLEGE

1929 — B. L. "Crook" Smith	
Waynesboro Jr. Col.	NO GAME
Richmond Acad.	13-19
Brewton-Parker	61-0(B)/62-0(G)
Middle GA Jr. Col.	7-7
South GA A & M	NA
Piedmont	0-0
Norman Park	NA
South GA Jr. Col.	NA
Brewton-Park	NA
Tifton	13-6

1930 — B. L. "Crook" Smith	
South GA Jr. Col.	0-6
Newberry	0-0
Middle GA Col.	0-7(R)/0-14(G)
Tifton	NO GAME
Piedmont	7-6
Norman Park	0-6(R)/0-14(G)
Brewton Parker	26-0
Mercer	NA
New Year's Day Benefit	0-0
GA. State Col.	13-0

1931 — B. L. "Crook" Smith	
Bowdon	0-24
Norman Park	0-7
Middle GA Col.	0-7
Paris Island Marines	0-19
Piedmont	0-16
Millen Athletic Club	67-0/68-0(P)
Brewton-Parker	6-0/7-0(P)
Graymont AC	47-0

1932* — B. L. "Crook" Smith

Rollon	0-12
Tifton	27-0
Gordon Military Inst.	19-0
Norman Park	8-0
GA Military Col.	6-27
Piedmont	31-12(R)/33-12(G)
Middle GA Col.	26-0
Brewton-Parker	18-6
Rollins	13-20

*Conference Champs

1933 — B. L. "Crook" Smith

Norman Park	46-0 (R)/45-0(G)
Gordon Military Inst.	39-0
Brewton-Parker	39-13/38-13(P)
Middle GA Col.	0-6
Rollins	0-13
South GA St. Col.	25-0
GA Military Col.	12-9
Newberry	6-14

1934 — B. L. "Crook" Smith

AL ST Teachers	19-12(R)/12-19(G)
Brewton-Parker	6-0/0-6(P)
Tamp Univ.	21-13
Stetson	19-0(R)/0-19(G)
Appalachian Teachers	22-13
Middle GA Col.	6-0
South GA St. Col.	19-0
GA Military Col.	0-19
Newberry	20-21
Jacksonville St.	13-19

1935 — B. L. "Crook" Smith

Abraham Baldwin Col.	13-0
South GA St. Col.	14-14
Tampa Univ.	0-19(R)/19-0(G)
GA Military Col.	25-12
Alabama Teachers Col.	26-28
Appalachian Teachers	0-0
Middle GA Col.	6-9
Stetson	6-9
Erskine	0-18

1936 — B. L. "Crook" Smith

Univ. of Miami	0-44
Mercer	0-40
Alabama Teachers	0-14
Stetson	0-20(R)/0-12(G)
Tampa Univ.	0-27
Appalachian Teachers	0-27
Middle GA Col.	14-7
Gordon Military Inst.	7-12/7-13(P)
Brewton-Parker	14-7(R)/12-7(G)
Newberry	10-13
Rollins	0-26

1937 — B. L. "Crook" Smith

Mercer	0-77
Miami	0-40
Tampa	0-20
Stetson	0-24
Alabama Teachers	6-12
Erskine	0-46
GA Military Col.	6-7
South GA St. Col.	25-6/26-6(P)
Gordon Military Inst.	0-19
Middle GA Col.	0-7
Armstrong	20-14

1938 — B. L. "Crook" Smith

Tampa	40-0/0-40(P)
Wingate College	6-0
Alabama Teachers Col.	0-7
Stetson	0-28
South GA St. Col.	6-7
Armstrong	7-12
Snead Col.	6-0/7-0(P)
Middle GA Col.	3-0
Erskine	6-6

GEORGIA TEACHERS COLLEGE

1939 — B. L. "Crook" Smith

Stetson	0-19
Alabama Teachers Col.	13-0/6-7(P)
Univ. of Tampa	14-0
Snead Col.	13-7
Armstrong	7-0
Jacksonville St.	13-0
South GA	6-12
Middle GA	7-13
Appalachian	0-59
Havana	27-7

1940 — B. L. "Crook" Smith

Erskine	0-19
South GA St. Col.	7-19
Fort Benning (Army)	17-13
Alabama Teachers	0-14
Tampa Univ.	14-66
Middle GA	14-6
U.S. Navy	6-46
Armstrong	43-0

1941 — B. L. "Crook" Smith

West Carolina Teachers	7-14
Mississippi Teacher	0-70
South GA St. Col.	0-7
Mercer	0-25
Alabama Teachers	0-25
Erskine	0-7
Middle GA	14-6/16-0(P)
Oglethorpe	0-53
South GA St. Col.	14-7
Camp Croft	0-21

1982 — Erk Russell

Central Florida (N)	16-9
Baptist (N)	42-0
Valdosta State (H)	6-44
Ft. Benning (H)	56-6
Newberry (H)	36-14
Catawba (H)	7-10
Wofford (H)	7-28
Mars Hill (A)	17-3
Valdosta State (A)	45-29
Florida State JV (N)	31-20

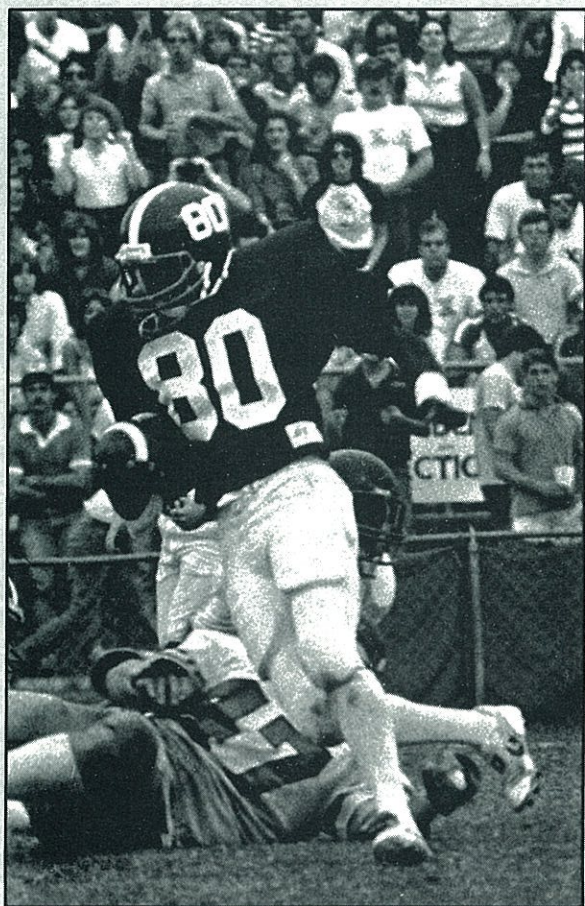
1983 — Erk Russell

Central Florida	29-33
Presbyterian	35-21
Troy State	27-28
Gardner-Webb	25-11
East Tennessee State	7-24
Newberry	24-27
Catawba	10-3
Wofford	27-16
Mars Hill	35-9
Valdosta State	29-34
Savannah State	15-0

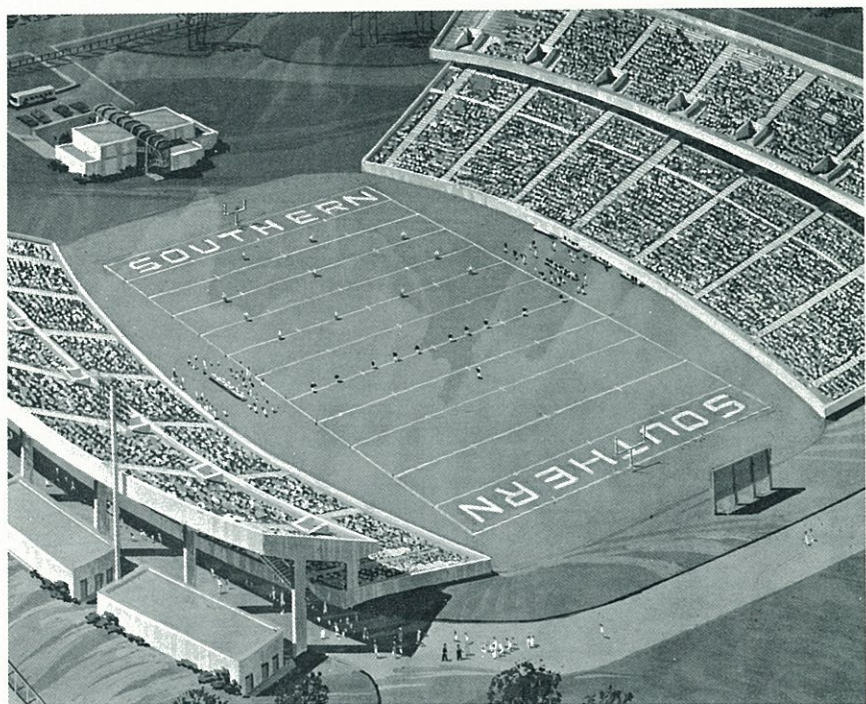
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ALLEN E. PAULSON STADIUM

"We are such stuff as dreams are made on."

—William Shakespeare

On April 9, 1980, Georgia Southern president Dr. Dale Lick announced that the school would rekindle its football program after 41 years of dormancy. On May 23, Erk Russell was hired as the head coach giving the program immediate credibility and national attention.

Coach Russell said that he had a dream — a dream of the finest football facility in the nation for a 1-AA school. He called it "Southeast Georgia's dream." On September 1, 1984, it will no longer be a dream. As the billboards read, "Southeast Georgia's dream is no illusion."

At a cost of over four million dollars, Allen E. Paulson stadium is being constructed near the Southern campus. In its initial phase, the stadium will seat 18,000 fans with the capability to expand to a maximum of 50,000 seats in the future.

Special features of the stadium include a natural turf field that will accommodate both football and soccer, special private VIP boxes that will be climate controlled with luxurious interiors, private restrooms, food service areas and other features, a facilities building in the open end of the natural bowl to be used for team and officials dressing rooms. The second level of this facility will be a Southern Boosters hospitality room with a patio overlooking the field and 5,200 parking spaces on the stadium site.

Paulson Stadium will reflect and enhance the growing importance of Georgia Southern College, the community and Southeast Georgia — an importance reflected by the area's economic and educational impact on the state, nation and world.

The stadium is named for Allen E. Paulson. Background on Mr. Paulson is on the next page.



ALLEN E. PAULSON

Gulfstream American Corporation

An aviation industry entrepreneur, Allen E. Paulson, 61, is today the Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of the world's largest privately owned aircraft manufacturing company Gulfstream American Corporation.

Founder of major modification centers: California Airmotive Corporation in 1951 and American Jet Industries, 1970. In 1978 Paulson acquired Grumman American Aviation Corporation in Savannah, Georgia, from Grumman Corporation and in 1981 acquired Rockwell International's jetprop business aircraft manufacturing division located in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. In Gulfstream American Corporation Paulson manages an aircraft manufacturing organization encompassing 1.7 million square feet of manufacturing facilities and the talents of over 3,500 employees. Sales for 1983 are projected to reach \$500 million.

Born in Clinton, Iowa, Paulson attended the Iowa State Teachers College and continued his education in electrical engineering at the University of West Virginia. He served in the U. S. Army Air Corps from 1943 to 1945. Following his Army discharge, Paulson was employed as a Flight Engineer for Trans World Airlines earning initially 30¢ per hour. During this period, recognizing the growing need for engine parts by the airline companies, Paulson founded California Airmotive Corporation and purchased new-surplus engines for parts, Paulson became one of the major airline suppliers for new and reconditioned aircraft engine parts in the United States. California Airmotive also specialized in converting airline passenger aircraft to cargo configurations. A new company, American Jet Industries, was founded by Paulson in 1970 to concentrate on converting general aviation piston-powered aircraft to propjet configurations to develop special purpose aircraft.

A commercial and instrument rated jet pilot who has flown a variety of experimental aircraft, Paulson's aeronautical designs for in-line, combination power aircraft resulted in his being granted five patents.

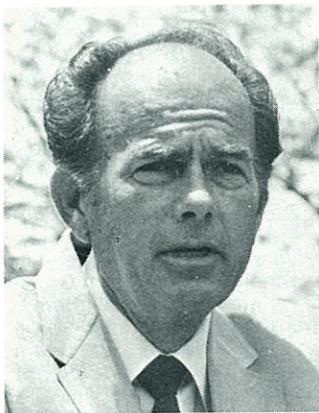
As President of American Jet—a company with \$35 million average annual sales—Paulson, in 1978, acquired Grumman American Aviation Corporation. Reorganized as the Gulfstream American Corporation, Gulfstream American currently produces the world's largest twin engine corporate jet, the Gulfstream III. The Savannah facility also produces the 37 passenger Gulfstream I-C modified, propjet-powered commuter aircraft and provides major modification services for corporate owners and operators of earlier-model Gulfstream aircraft, including the Gulfstream II-B.

In February 1981, Paulson's Gulfstream American Corporation acquired the Commander Jetprop business aircraft manufacturing facilities in Oklahoma from the Rockwell International Corporation. Operating as the Commander Division of Gulfstream American Corporation, the division currently produces three models of twin engine, propjet powered aircraft. The Commanders are marketed through a worldwide network of franchised Regional and District Sales Centers. New jetprop models are being developed for addition, on an annual basis, to the Commander Division's line of business aircraft.

In April 1982, Paulson's firm was rated as the world's largest privately owned aircraft manufacturing company. The same month, Gulfstream American Corporation received its first listing on the New York Stock Exchange.

Paulson's aviation industry-related activities include his active membership in the Society of Experimental Test Pilots and the U. S. Air Force Association. Elected to the Board of Directors of the General Aviation Manufacturers Association, Paulson currently serves as Chairman of the Association's Airport/Airways Committee.

Paulson is a member of the Board of the Trust Company Bank of Georgia, the Savannah Symphony Society, the Society of Automotive Engineers and the National Aeronautic Association. He holds memberships in the Savannah Chatham Club in Savannah, Georgia, the Sea Pines Plantation, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina and the Quail Creek Country Club in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.



M.C. Anderson

Born and raised in Bulloch County, M.C. Anderson is the Father of the Georgia Southern football stadium. Demonstrating his drive and willingness to strive for his beliefs, Anderson was the first individual to step forward and say that he was ready to see Georgia Southern's dream become a reality.

The founder and owner of one of the largest construction firms in the south, Anderson's rags to riches story began in 1962. That year Anderson purchased his first bulldozer and cleared land on the weekends.

The following two years saw Anderson purchase a second bulldozer and dedicate his total energies to the construction business. The M.C. Anderson Construction Company formally opened its doors in 1964.

Specializing in site preparation, the company demonstrated expertise in utility construction, storm drainage and all pre-construction preparations.

Under Anderson's guidance, the company's most ambitious venture to date is the simultaneous site preparation of four projects with an estimated value of 20 million dollars. Anderson's advice and dedication is responsible for the present construction of Georgia Southern's football stadium.

Glenn E. Bryant

Glenn Bryant is currently serving in the 1982-1983 term of the General Assembly of Georgia, representing the Third Senatorial District. This is his third term in office.

Bryant is the Past-President of Coastal Utilities of Hinesville, an independent telephone company, and currently serves as the Chairman of the Board.

The Pensacola native has devoted a major portion of his adult life in public service, and service to the local and area communities.

Bryant was appointed Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Hinesville from 1960-1962. He then served as the Mayor of Hinesville for the following eight years.

In 1971 Bryant was elected to the Board of the Liberty County Commissioners and served as the Chairman of this board for eight years.



During his administration as Mayor and as Chairman of the Liberty County Board of Commissioners, Bryant played a major role in the planning, development and/or construction phases of a new regional jail, a new city hall, new high school, and a new county hospital.



Morris Lupton

Beginning with only one store in Brooklet in 1967, Morris Lupton has stretched his Time Saver Convenience store into a chain of 20 located from Hinesville to Lyons to Statesboro.

Growing up in Jacksonville, Lupton developed a love for sports while playing prep football, basketball, and baseball. He also played baseball at the semi-pro level.

Long and hard hours of toil did not stop Lupton from his community activities. He was the first President of the Southern Boosters giving the new organization immediate status, credibility, and a guiding hand to seek counsel.

Lupton has also served on the City Council in Brooklet for two terms and is an active member in the Statesboro Rotary.

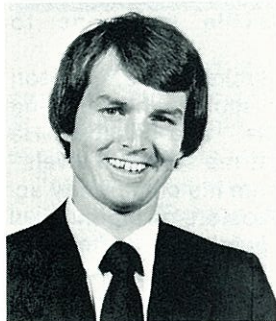
SOUTHERN BOOSTERS

Southern Boosters, Inc. is the backbone of Georgia Southern Athletics. Funds raised by Southern Boosters are used for athletic scholarships and recruiting.

Membership in Southern Boosters has grown to 1300 members in its short three year existence. While the bulk of the members reside in the Statesboro area, Southern Boosters has large and active chapters in Augusta, Atlanta, Macon, and numerous cities throughout the State. Under third-year Executive Director Ken Winstead, Southern Boosters has developed one of the most successful Courtesy Car programs in Division I-AA. In addition to money raised for scholarships and recruiting, over \$4 million has been raised through Southern Boosters for the construction of Paulson Stadium.

Priority seating and parking for football and basketball are determined by an individual's annual donation to Southern Boosters. Donation levels run from the basic "Booster" (\$50 minimum) to "Gold Eagle" status (\$5,000 and above). Booster members enjoy many privileges, such as priority seating, special parking for home games, periodic newsletters, pre-and post-game socials, weekly luncheons with the coaching staff, and use of the new Facilities Building at the stadium.

KEN WINSTEAD - Executive Director/Assistant Athletic Director



Ken Winstead is in his third year as head of Southern Boosters. Ken received his undergraduate degree in Public Relations from Ohio University in 1980 and his Master of Sports Administration from Ohio University in 1981. Before coming to Southern, Ken worked in the front office of the Houston Astros and was also Assistant to the Director for the University of Houston's Cougar Club.

Winstead, 26, is responsible for all Booster activities. He is heavily involved in fund raising and promotion of Southern Boosters. The Springfield, Ohio native is single and resides in Statesboro.

WANDA PARRISH Assistant to the Director

Wanda is beginning her third year with Southern Boosters. She is a 1964 graduate of Georgia Southern with a B.S. degree in Education. She obtained her Master's degree in Education from Southern in 1975.

Parrish oversees the office organization and development as well as handling all financial matters for Southern Boosters. The Metter, Georgia native is married to Dan Parrish, Jr. The couple resides near Metter.



1984-85 SOUTHERN BOOSTERS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chairman - Marcus Seligman
Vice Chairman - John M. Wilson, Jr.
Secretary - Janna C. Taulbee
Treasurer - Ronnie J. Pope
Roy L. Akins, Jr.
Francis W. Allen

Jimmie DeLoach
Edwin C. Eckles
Nate Hirsch
Dale W. Lick
Morris L. Lupton
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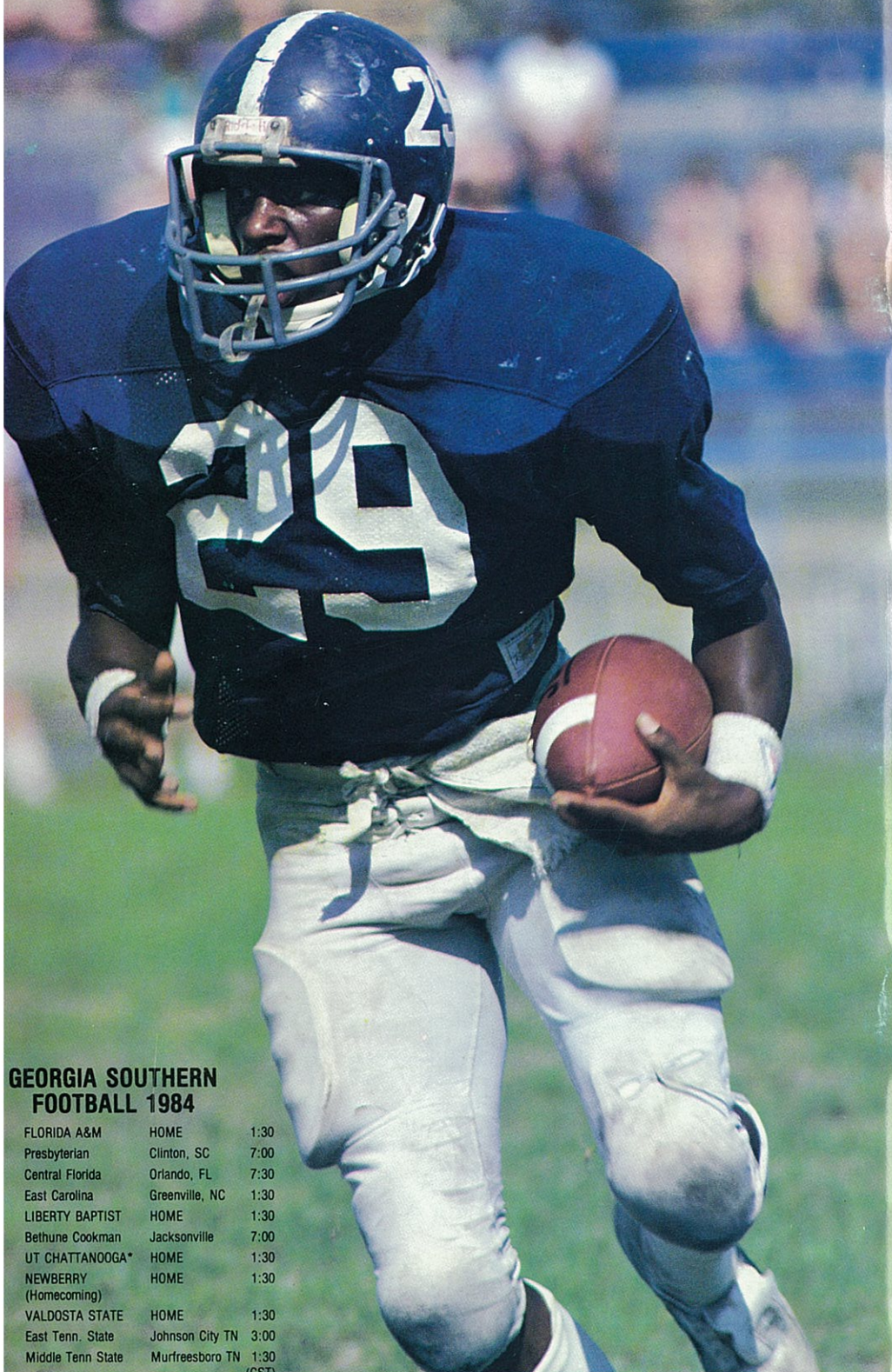
1984 GEORGIA SOUTHERN RADIO AFFILIATES

LOCATION	STATIONS	FREQUENCY
Alma	WULF	1400 (AM)
Augusta	WKZK	910 (AM)
Brunswick	WMOG	1490 (AM)
Buford	WGCO	102.3 (FM)
Camilla	WOFF	105.5 (FM)
Claxton	WCLA	107.1 (FM)
Douglas	WDMG	99.5 (FM)
Elberton	WWRK	92.1 (FM)
Glennville	WKIG	106.3 (FM)
Hinesville	WGML	990 (AM)
Jesup	WIFO	105 (AM)
Louisville	WPEH	92.1 (FM)
Lyons	WBBT	1340 (AM)
Macon	WBML	900 (AM)
Macon	WMAZ	940 (AM)
McDonough	WZAL	1540 (AM)
McRae	WDAX	95.3 (FM)
Milledgeville	WKZR	102.3 (FM)
Savannah	WZAT	102.1 (FM)
Soperton	WMPZ	102.3 (FM)
Statesboro	WMCD	100.1 (FM)
Swainsboro	WJAT	98.3 (FM)
Sylvania	WSYL	1490 (AM)
Thomaston	WTGA	1570 (AM)
Waycross	WAYX	1230 (AM)
Waynesboro	WWGA	100.9 (FM)

Play by Play Announcer:
Nate Hirsch
Color by
Frank Inman

*Homecoming	Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Sept. 15	Sept. 22	Sept. 29	Oct. 6	Oct. 13	Oct. 20	Oct. 27	Nov. 3	Nov. 10	Nov. 17	Nov. 22
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	Florida A&M Home	Presbyterian Away	Central Florida Away	East Carolina Away	Liberty Baptist Home	Bethune-Cookman Neutral 1	Tennessee Chattanooga Home	Newberry *Home	Valdosta State Home	E. Tenn. State Away	Middle Tennessee Away	Open	Open
FLORIDA A&M	Georgia Southern Away	Fort Valley Home	Troy State Away	Tennessee State Away	Kentucky State Home	Jackson State Away	Morris Brown *Home	Open	Alcorn State Away	Prairie View Home	Southern Away	Eastern Kentucky Away	Open
PRESBYTERIAN	Open	Georgia Southern Home	The Citadel Away	Lenoir-Rhyne Home	Wofford Away	Catawba *Home	Elon Away	Mars Hill Away	Liberty Baptist Home	Gardner-Webb Home	Carson-Newman Away	Open	Newberry Home
CENTRAL FLORIDA	Bethune-Cook Home	Northeast Louisiana Away	Georgia Southern Home	Western Kentucky Away	Southwest Texas St. Away	Akron Home	Eastern Kentucky Away	Illinois State Home	Austin Peay *Home	Indiana State Away	Furman Away	Open	Open
EAST CAROLINA	Florida State Away	Temple Home	Central Michigan Away	Georgia Southern Home	N.C. State Away	Pittsburgh Away	Tulsa Away	*Home	South Carolina Away	Southwest Louisiana Away	Southern Mississippi Home	Open	Open
LIBERTY BAPTIST	Open	Towson State Home	Virginia State Away	James Madison Home	Georgia Southern Away	Mars Hill Home	West Georgia Away	Lenoir-Rhyne *Home	Presbyterian Away	Wofford Home	Delaware State Away	Open	Open
BETHUNE-COOKMAN	Central Florida Away	Open	Howard Away	Grambling State Away	Delaware State Home	Georgia Southern Neutral 1	Alabama State Home	S. Carolina Neutral	N. Carolina A & T Away	Tennessee State Neutral	Morris Brown *Home	Open	Open
TENNESSEE CHATTANOOGA	Southwest Louisiana Home	Arkansas State Home	Western Carolina Home	Open	Furman Home	E. Tenn. State *Home	Georgia Southern Away	Virginia Military Away	Marshall Away	Open	Appalachian State Home	Florida State Away	Open
NEWBERRY	Open	Furman Away	Gardner-Webb Home	Davidson Away	Mars Hill Home	Carson-Newman Away	*Wofford Home	Georgia Southern Away	Catawba Away	Elon Away	Lenoir-Rhyne Home	Open	Presbyterian Away
VALDOSTA STATE	Open	Clark Home	Savannah State Away	Tennessee-Martin Away	Jacksonville State Home	Troy State Away	Livingston Home	West Georgia Away	Georgia Southern Away	Mississippi College *Home	Delta State Away	North Alabama Home	Open
E. TENN. STATE	Open	Tennessee Tech Away	Eastern Kentucky Home	Appalachian State Away	The Citadel Away	Tennessee Chattanooga Away	Furman Home	East Carolina Away	James Madison Away	Georgia Southern *Home	Western Carolina Home	Marshall Home	Open
MIDDLE TENNESSEE	Lenoir-Rhyne Home	Open	Jacksonville State Away	Morehead State Home	Akron Home	Eastern Kentucky Away	Murray State Away	*Austin Peay Home	Youngstown State Away	Western Kentucky Away	Georgia Southern Home	Tennessee Tech Away	Open

Neutral 1: Gator Bowl, Jacksonville, FL



GEORGIA SOUTHERN FOOTBALL 1984

FLORIDA A&M	HOME	1:30
Presbyterian	Clinton, SC	7:00
Central Florida	Orlando, FL	7:30
East Carolina	Greenville, NC	1:30
LIBERTY BAPTIST	HOME	1:30
Bethune Cookman	Jacksonville	7:00
UT CHATTANOOGA*	HOME	1:30
NEWBERRY (Homecoming)	HOME	1:30
VALDOSTA STATE	HOME	1:30
East Tenn. State	Johnson City TN	3:00
Middle Tenn State	Murfreesboro TN	1:30
	(CST)	