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Subject: Wofford's Whitney earns starting job at defensive end

Date: September 1, 2004 at 3:20 PM

To:



An outstanding preseason camp has put Ben Whitney into a starting role on the Wofford defensive line

A senior from Greensboro, N.C., Whitney will join returning All-SoCon selections Lee Basinger and Katon Bethay on the first-team defensive front.

"Ben had a great year for us last season and has really turned it on in preseason camp," Wofford defensive line coach Jack Teachey said. "He didn't get to practice in the spring due to an injury at the end of the season, but he came back in great shape.

"Ben is moving around real well and has probably had the best camp of any defensive lineman we have."

Whitney received Academic All-District honors last season as he tied All-SoCon inside linebacker Timmy Thrift for the team lead in forced fumbles with four. Whitney also tied for third on the Terriers in sacks (four) and was sixth in tackles for a loss (11). Eleven of his 40 stops on the year were behind the line of scrimmage.

In forcing two fumbles and recording a sack for a loss of nine yards, Whitney received Wofford Defensive Player of the Week honors in a 38-6 win at Western Carolina. He was also strong in a 7-6 victory at Furman when he totaled four tackles for a loss, including a sack.

Subject: Kemp's kickoff return for a touchdown highlights Wofford football scrimmage

Date: September 1, 2004 at 9:49 PM

To:



Brian Kemp's 95-yard kickoff return for a touchdown highlighted the Wofford football team's scrimmage tonight in Gibbs Stadium.

"He made some moves that were special," Wofford coach Mike Ayers said. "It was like three wiggles and he was gone."

Kemp, also a starting cornerback, did not see game action last year and has four years of eligibility remaining. He's a sophomore from Bowling Green, Fla.

Wofford hasn't had a kickoff return for a touchdown in a game since 1982 when Craig Best went 93 yards against Elon.

Also impressing tonight was freshman Dan Tavani. The Easton, Pa., native had a couple of big hits as he worked at No. 1 strong safety with starter Ryan Steele sitting out the scrimmage. Steele has a toe injury and is day-to-day.

Tavani, the son of Lafayette College head football coach Frank Tavani, is also pushing Alex Love for the first-team job at free safety.

Nick Robinson was 2-of-2 on field goals as he converted kicks from 31 and 40 yards. The Terriers' other score was a 6-yard touchdown pass from Jeff Zolman to Kevious Johnson.

"We were very ragged tonight," Ayers said. "We saw some great plays, but we didn't see the consistency that we would like.

"I think there are some young guys emerging from last season's freshman class that are definitely going to help us. Some of this year's freshmen are also going to help. The biggest thing we can do is continue to work as far as the mental approach.

"We're in a situation where we have a lot of guys coming to play, but they're not as sharp as they need to be. We've got to stay away from beating ourselves with putting the ball on the ground, penalties, missed alignments and busted assignments.

"Thank goodness, we didn't play tonight. We have some time left and we've just got to focus. We're going to have to identify the guys who can play now and those are the guys who are going to get the reps. Up to this point, we've repped everybody. We now have to focus on the guys who are going to make the travel squad. We'll do that list tomorrow and get ready to prepare for South Carolina State (the Sept. 11 season opener)."

Defensive highlights tonight included an interception by outside linebacker Jimmy Freland and a fumble recovery by defensive end James Gonsoulin.

Halfback Gabriel Jackson had the longest play from scrimmage with a 47-yard run on the second offensive snap. Johnson added 35 vards on four carries in addition to two receptions

for 12 yards.

Sophomore Matt Beavin was the leading receiver with three catches for 55 yards, including a 33-yard grab from Trey Rodgers for the longest pass play of the night.

The Terriers will turn their attention to South Carolina State when they practice at 3 p.m. tomorrow. Wofford will have its final session of two-a-days Friday with practices at 8:45 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Date: September 6, 2004 at 3:39 PM

To:



The defending SoCon champion Wofford football team received five No. 1 votes and moved up one spot to third in this week's Division I-AA Top 25 poll by The Sports Network.

The Terriers open the 2004 campaign Saturday at South Carolina State. Based on number of votes received, the Bulldogs are ranked 38th. S.C. State opened its season this past weekend with a 51-0 win over Benedict.

Wofford is the SoCon's winningest football team over the last two seasons with a 21-5 overall record and 14-2 league mark.

The SoCon is the only league with three teams ranked in the Top 10.

Included below is The Sports Network's Division I-AA Top 25 poll with first-place votes in parentheses, record and total points received.

- 1. Southern Illinois (56) -- 1-0 -- 2,050
- 2. Montana (17) -- 1-0 -- 1,979
- 3. Wofford (5) -- 0-0 -- 1,833
- 4. Colgate (2) -- 0-0 -- 1,705
- 5. Furman (2) -- 1-0 -- 1,667
- 6. McNeese State -- 1-0 -- 1,630
- 7. Delaware (2) -- 0-1 -- 1,465
- 8. Villanova -- 1-0 -- 1,402
- 9. Northern Iowa -- 0-1 -- 1,345
- 10. Georgia Southern -- 0-1 -- 1,259
- 11. Western Kentucky -- 0-1 -- 1,151
- 12. Montana State -- 0-0 -- 896
- 13. Northern Arizona -- 0-0 -- 888
- 14. Massachusetts -- 1-0 -- 876
- 15. Stephen F. Austin -- 1-0 -- 874
- 16. Western Illinois -- 0-1 -- 870
- 17. Maine -- 0-1 -- 831
- 18. Northeastern -- 1-0 -- 616
- 19. New Hampshire -- 1-0 -- 556
- 20. Eastern Kentucky -- 0-0 -- 532
- 21. Northwestern State -- 0-1 -- 494
- 22. Lehigh -- 1-0 -- 431
- 23. Northern Colorado -- 1-0 -- 229
- 24. Appalachian State -- 0-1 -- 226
- 25. Pennsylvania -- 0-0 -- 214

Subject: Wofford football game notes -- Saturday's South Carolina State contest

Date: September 6, 2004 at 3:55 PM

To:



Attached as a .pdf is No. 3 Wofford's football release for Saturday's 7 p.m. game at South Carolina State. The complete set of notes is also posted on the Terriers' web site (www.wofford.edu/athletics). If you have any trouble accessing these files, please feel free to let me know.

Thanks.

Mark Cohen Associate AD/Media Relations Wofford College



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Game 1 Wofford at South Carolina State Sept. 11, 2004; 7 p.m.

Oliver C. Dawson Bulldog Stadium (22,000); Orangeburg, S.C.

This Week

 \bullet The defending Southern Conference champion and third-ranked Wofford football team opens its 2004 season at South Carolina State.

Last year's Terriers became the first SoCon team to go undefeated in league play since 1998. Wofford posted an 8-0 SoCon mark and 12-2 overall record in advancing to the Division I-AA national semifinals.

•Wofford took a 35-13 decision over S.C. State last year and will be facing the Bulldogs for the third consecutive season. When the Terriers won 7-6 in Orangeburg in 2002, it represented the first meeting between the teams in 25 years. Wofford and S.C. State met for four consecutive seasons from 1974-77.

Wofford holds a 4-2 series lead over S.C. State. The Terriers are 2-1 in Orangeburg and 2-1 in Spartanburg. The teams are scheduled to meet again next fall in Gibbs Stadium.

•Wofford cornerback **Jonathan Wheeler** and wide receiver **Ben Mungin** have strong connections to S.C. State.

Wheeler's dad, **George Wheeler**, was a Bulldog assistant football coach from 1989-99. Mungin's father, **Ben Mungin Sr.**, was a quarterback for S.C. State and a 1982 free-agent signee as a wide receiver by the Pittsburgh Steelers.

S.C. State coach **Buddy Pough** is also quite familiar with **Jonathan Starks**, who graduated in May after a standout four-year career as a long snapper for the Terriers. Starks' father, **Richard Starks**, coached at Fairfield-Central (S.C.) High School with Pough.

•The Terriers have back-to-back road games to open the 2004 season before making their home debut Sept. 25 versus Johnson C. Smith. Six of Wofford's final nine regular-season contests will be in Gibbs Stadium.

•The S.C. State contest will represent the 899th game in Wofford's football history. The Terriers are 421-441-36 (.489) since facing Furman in 1889 in the first-ever college football game played in the state of South Carolina.

Last Year's Meeting

Gabriel Jackson scored a pair of touchdowns in a 50-second span, one on a recovery of a blocked punt in the end zone, while **Kevious Johnson** had a pair of rushing touchdowns to lead Wofford to a 35-13 victory over South Carolina State.

The game drew a Gibbs Stadium record crowd of 11,486.

The Terrier defense forced six turnovers and recorded five sacks in limiting the Bulldogs to minus-16 yards rushing. It was the sixth-best single-game run defense by a SoCon team in the league's 83-year history.

Prior to clearing its bench on the game's final drive, Wofford had held S.C. State to 217 yards of offense.

After **Alex Love** blocked a punt deep in S.C. State territory, Jackson recovered the ball in the end zone for the game's first score just 5:02 into the contest.

The Bulldogs then fumbled the ensuing kickoff. Two plays later, Jackson scored on a 10-yard run to give Wofford a 14-0 lead. The Terriers went on to build their margin to 21-0 at the half.

A Terrier turnover on the third play of the second half set up S.C. State's first score. **Reese McCampbell** hit **Tavarus Morgan** with an 11-yard scoring pass on a 4th-and-goal just 2:59 into the third quarter, capping a 24-yard drive.

Wofford (0-0, 0-0)

Sept. 11	at South Carolina State	7:00
Sept. 18	at Georgia Southern*	7:30
Sept. 25	JOHNSON C. SMITH	7:00
Oct. 2	CHATTANOOGA*	7:00
Oct. 9	at Elon*	6:00
Oct. 16	WESTERN CAROLINA*	1:30
Oct. 23	at Appalachian State*	3:00
Oct. 30	THE CITADEL*	1:30
Nov. 6	GARDNER-WEBB	1:30
Nov. 13	FURMAN*	1:00
Nov. 20	at VMI	1:00
*SoCon g	ame	

South Carolina State (1-0,0-0)

Sept. 4	Benedict^	51-0			
Sept. 11	WOFFORD	7:00			
Sept. 18	at Savannah State	3:00			
Oct. 2	Tennessee State#	4:00			
Oct. 9	at Norfolk State*	6:00			
Oct. 16	BETHUNE-COOKMAN*	4:00			
Oct. 23	HAMPTON*	1:30			
Oct. 30	at Delaware State*	1:00			
Nov. 6	HOWARD*	1:30			
Nov. 13	MORGAN STATE*	1:30			
Nov. 20	North Carolina A&T*%	2:00			
*MEAC game					
^Columbia, S.C.					
#Indianapolis, Ind.					

Worth Noting

%Charlotte, N.C.

•With an enrollment of 1,100 students, Wofford is the smallest school in Division I-A or I-AA football. The SAT average (1241) on campus is higher than the enrollment.

•Over the last two seasons, Wofford is the SoCon's winningest football team with a 21-5 overall record and 14-2 league mark.

•Defensive end **Lee Basinger** is one of 16 candidates for the Buck Buchanan Award as Division I-AA's Defensive Player of the Year.

•Basinger and offensive guards Eric Deutsch and Bobby Gibbs are consensus preseason All-America selections.

•Wofford topped Division I-AA last year in turnover margin (+23) and turnovers gained (41) while placing third nationally in scoring defense (14.8 ppg).

Terriers on the Tube



Hosted by **Todd Summers** of NewsChannel 7, Wofford Football Illustrated is seen on WASV-TV (sister station of CBS-affiliate WSPA) each Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

WASV-TV is part of the nation's 35th-largest television market and covers the Spartanburg/Greenville/Asheville/Anderson area.

Dining with The Coach

The Mike Ayers Media Luncheon is held each Monday at 11:30 a.m. in the Ginko Room of the Burwell Building on the Wofford campus.

All media members are invited. Players are available on request. Please notify Wofford SID **Mark Cohen** if you plan on attending.

Football Anyone?

Nearly one out of every five males on the Wofford campus is on the football team.

The Wofford student body of 1,100 is divided nearly equally between 550 males and 550 females. This year's Terrier football roster has 97 players. With roughly 300 student-athletes on campus, more than 25 percent of Wofford's student body is on an athletic team.

If Ohio State had the same ratio of football players to males in the student body, the Buckeye football roster would have approximately 4,233 players.

Hail to the Chief

Two of Wofford's last four student body presidents (**Ben Foster**, 2001-02; **J.R. McNair**, 2003-04) have been starting running backs on the Terrier football team.

Academic Dominance

With six selections, Wofford dominated the 2003 Academic All-District team. No other school had more than two players on the squad.

The Terriers have led the way in each of the last four years in placing members on the Academic All-District team, which combines Division I-A and I-AA institutions in a five-state region. To be eligible, a player must have a 3.2 cumulative GPA and be a starter or key reserve.

Wofford fullback and student body president J.R. McNair was joined on last year's squad by defensive linemen Katon Bethay and Ben Whitney, inside linebacker Josh Smith and defensive backs Shane Fast and Jonathan Wheeler.

Wofford also had six players receive honors in 2002 with no other school having more than four selections.

Wofford and Florida tied for the most selections in 2001 with four. In the 2000 campaign, Wofford had six players on the team while no other school had more than three.

Terriers Heard Worldwide on the Web

Originating through AM 910 WSPA, Wofford football games are broadcast worldwide on the Internet with **Mark Hauser** on the playby-play, **Thom Henson** the color commentary and **Tom Brown** on sideline analysis.

TEAMLINE brings the Terrier broadcasts to the web at www.teamline.cc.

Those without Internet access can pick up the game from anywhere in the country through TEAMLINE by dialing 1-800-846-4700. The Wofford code is 1099.

SoCon Teleconference

The Southern Conference holds a weekly teleconference throughout the season with the league's eight head football coaches. The teleconference is open to members of the media each Tuesday from 10 a.m. - 11:04 a.m. Eastern time. Each coach has eight minutes to make an opening statement and answer questions.

Time (Eastern)	Coach, School
10:00 - 10:08	Jerry Moore, Appalachian State
10:08 - 10:16	John Zernhelt, The Citadel
10:16 - 10:24	Paul Hamilton, Elon
10:24 - 10:32	Bobby Lamb, Furman
10:32 - 10:40	Mike Sewak, Georgia Southern
10:40 - 10:48	Rodney Allison, Chattanooga
10:48 - 10:56	Kent Briggs, Western Carolina
10:56 - 11:04	Mike Avers, Wofford

SoCon Teleconference Number 1-866-375-5101

Terriers Among Quickest to Capture Title

By capturing sole possession of the 2003 SoCon football championship, Wofford is tied for sixth in being the fastest team to win a SoCon title after beginning play in the 83-year-old league:

Year in League	School (year of first title won)
1st	Georgia Southern (1993)
2nd	Chattanooga (1977)
2nd	East Carolina (1966)
4th	West Virginia (1953)
5th	Duke (1933)
7th	Wofford (2003)
7th	William & Mary (1942)
12th	Marshall (1988)

Undefeated League Champs

With an 8-0 record, last year's Wofford squad was just the seventh team to head to the Division I-AA playoffs with a perfect SoCon mark.

The postseason performance of the seven squads is impressive. Four reached the championship game with Marshall winning the national title in 1996. All seven clubs won their first-round game and only one failed to reach the semifinals:

Year	<u>Team</u>	Postseason
2003	Wofford	Lost in semifinals
1998	Georgia Southern	Lost in finals
1996	Marshall	Won national title
1995	Appalachian State	Lost in quarterfinals
1989	Furman	Lost in semifinals
1987	Appalachian State	Lost in semifinals
1985	Furman	Lost in finals

Wofford is the SoCon's winningest program since 2002

Dating back to the start of the 2002 season, Wofford has the top overall and league record among SoCon football members.

	Conference		nce	Overall		
Team	\mathbf{W}	\mathbf{L}	Pct.	W L Pct.		
Wofford	14	2	.875	21 5 .808		
Georgia Southern	12	4	.750	18 8 .692		
Appalachian State	12	4	.750	15 9 .625		
Furman	10	6	.625	15 9 .625		
VMI*	3	5	.375	6 6 500		
Western Carolina	6	10	.375	11 13 .458		
The Citadel	5	11	.313	9 15 .375		
Chattanooga	5	11	.313	5 19 .208		
East Tennessee State	4	12	.250	9 15 .375		
Elon^	1	7	.125	2 11 .154		

^{*2002} season only

Wofford sets the pace in graduation rates

Since 1997, Wofford is the only football-playing member of the SoCon to win the league's graduation rate trophy. Wofford has won the award four times. The information below, for SoCon football members only, was taken from the 2003 NCAA Graduation Rates Report.

	Student-Athletes	All Students
	Four-Class Average	Four-Class Average
1.Wofford	75 percent	79 percent
2.Furman	72 percent	76 percent
3.Elon	68 percent	66 percent
4. The Citadel	64 percent	68 percent
Appalachian State	61 percent	61 percent
6. Western Carolina	58 percent	46 percent
7. Chattanooga	50 percent	43 percent
8. Georgia Southern	49 percent	37 percent

1241 vs. 1100

Wofford College boasts a higher SAT average (1241) than enrollment (1100).

About Wofford

- •Located in Spartanburg, S.C., Wofford is one of only five independent colleges and universities to have a Phi Beta Kappa chapter in the Carolinas (Davidson, Duke, Furman and Wake Forest are the others).
- •Wofford is one of just three Division I colleges or universities to have the nickname Terriers. The others are Boston University and St. Francis (N.Y.).
- •Founded in 1854, Wofford has an enrollment of 1,100 which makes it the smallest school in NCAA Division I-A or I-AA football
- •With 1,100 students, Wofford is the second smallest school in Division I. Only Centenary (La.) is smaller with 850 students. However, the Gentlemen do not field a football team.
- •Famous Wofford graduates include Carolina Panther owner and founder **Jerry Richardson** and Air Force football coach **Fisher DeBerry**.
- •Wofford ranks No. 1 among national liberal arts colleges in "operating efficiency," providing a quality education while spending relatively less.

In a recent NCAA Division I Graduation Rate Report, Wofford was the only school in the nation to rank in the Top 10 in all four categories: overall student-athlete graduation rate as well as those for the football, men's basketball and women's basketball teams.

Wofford and the NFL

Wofford College is the summer training camp site for the Carolina Panthers of the National Football League.

Panther owner and founder **Jerry Richardson** is a 1959 Wofford graduate and a former All-America wide receiver for the Terriers.

Seasoned Terriers

Wofford has 29 seniors on its 97-man 2004 roster. Included in that total are four fifth-year seniors (**Eric Deutsch**, **Shane Fast**, **Bill Pryor**, **Ryan Steele**). The Terriers also have nine seniors eligible to return next fall for a fifth season of competition.

^{^2003} and 2004 season only

Coaching Stability

Mike Ayers is in his 17th season as Wofford's coach. His assistants have also been models of stability, including four of them being Wofford graduates:

Off. Coordinator Wade Lang* (17th year)
Kicking Coach Lee Hanning (15th year)
Def. Coordinator Nate Woody* (14th year)
Def. Line Coach Jack Teachey (11th year)
Wide Receiver Coach Bruce Lackey (10th year)
Outside LB Coach Thomas Neel (7th year)
RB Coach Freddie Brown* (6th year)
Secondary Coach Terry Lantz (5th year)
Tight End Coach Joe Lesesne^ (4th year)
Off. Line Coach Eric Nash* (2nd year)

*Wofford graduate and former Terrier student-athlete ^Served as Wofford's president for 28 years (1972-2000)

The Winningest Summer Camp Locale

The two teams that hold their preseason training camps at Wofford both had championship seasons in 2003.

The Terriers captured the SoCon title and advanced to the Division I-AA national semifinals, while the Carolina Panthers were NFC champions in just their ninth year of existence.

A Look Back

Listed below are the final statistics from Wofford's 35-13 win over South Carolina State last year:

	<u>Wofford</u>	S.C. State
First Downs	12	16
Rushes - Yards	61 - 186	25 - (16)
Passing Yards	38	307
Total Offense	224	291
Passes	7 - 4 - 1	45 - 28 - 0
Punts - Avg.	4 - 46.5	5 - 32.8
Fumbles - Lost	4 - 2	7 - 6
Penalties - Yards	5 - 25	7 - 49
Time of Possession	34:18	25:42

Wofford Individuals

Rushing

Zolman 12-60, Jackson 14-42, Sullivan 15-28, K. Johnson 5-25, McNair 8-18, Rodgers 3-9, Mungin 1-2, A. Johnson 3-2

Passing

Zolman 5-3-0, 21 yards; Rodgers 2-1-1, 17 yards

Receiving

Mungin 1-17, Wood 1-9, Sullivan 1-7, Rice 1-5

Average Size of Starting Lineups

	Wofford	S.C. State
Offensive Line*	6-3, 288	6-4, 282
Offensive Backs	5-11, 189	6-0, 207
Wide Receivers	5-9, 185	6-1, 202
Defensive Front	6-2, 267	6-3, 258
Linebackers	6-1, 219	6-0, 213
Secondary	5-11, 184	6-1, 193
*Includes tight end		

Basic Formations

Wofford Offense: Wingbone Wofford Defense: Multiple 50 S.C. State Offense: Multiple S.C. State Defense: Multiple

Class Breakdown

Wofford Offense -

6 seniors, 4 juniors, 1 sophomore, 0 freshmen

S.C. State Defense -

5 seniors, 4 juniors, 2 sophomores, 0 freshmen

Wofford Defense -

6 seniors, 4 juniors, 1 sophomore, 0 freshmen

S.C. State Offense

6 seniors, 3 juniors, 1 sophomore, 1 freshman

The Head Coaches

Mike Ayers

Alma Mater: Georgetown (Ky.) '74

17th season at Wofford, 20th as a head coach
Record at Wofford: 102-77-1, Overall Record: 113-98-2.

Buddy Pough

Alma Mater: S.C. State '75

3rd season at S.C. State, 3rd as a head coach

Record at S.C. State: 16-9. Overall Record: 16-9.

Charting Wofford's Opponents

Opponent (this week's game; last week's result) Re	ecord
S.C. State (vs. Wofford; 51-0 vs. Benedict)	1-0
Georgia Southern (vs. Johnson C. Smith; 28-48 at Georgia)	0-1
Johnson C. Smith (at Georgia Southern; 14-49 at Shaw)	0-2
Chattanooga (at Memphis; Open)	0-0
Elon (Open; 13-34 vs. Towson)	0-1
Western Carolina (vs. Nicholls State; 77-7 vs. W. Va. State)	1-0
Appalachian State (vs. Eastern Kentucky; 7-53 at Wyoming)	0-1
The Citadel (Open; ppd. vs. Charleston Southern)	0-0
Gardner-Webb (at Morgan State; 26-32 at Tennessee Tech)	0-1
Furman (at Samford; 52-7 vs. Presbyterian)	1-0
VMI (vs. Richmond; 14-42 at Ohio)	0-1
Aggregate Record	3-7

The Head Coach

Mike Ayers, the Terriers' all-time winningest coach with 102 victories, is in his 17th year on the Wofford sideline.

Ayers was the 2003 recipient of the Eddie Robinson Award as Division I-AA's National Coach of the Year. The Cincinnati native has been named SoCon Coach of the Year three times in the last four seasons.

Ayers and **Bob Stoops** (Oklahoma) are the only two coaches to have been named AFCA Region Coach of the Year each of the last two campaigns.

Ayers was the 2002 Division I-AA National Coach of the Year by the College Sporting News (I-AA.org) in addition to being the runner-up for the Robinson Award.

Hello Neighbor

The 2004 campaign marks the 25th consecutive year that Wofford coach **Mike Ayers** and his offensive coordinator and neighbor **Wade Lang** are together in football.

Ayers and Lang not only have their offices side-by-side, they also live across the street from each other.

In 1980, when Ayers came to Wofford as an assistant coach, Lang was in his sophomore year. When Ayers left for the defensive coordinator position at East Tennessee State in 1983, Lang joined him in Johnson City as a graduate assistant before being elevated to a full-time position in 1985.

They both returned to Wofford in 1988 when Ayers was named the Terriers' head coach. He brought Lang with him as the quarterback coach. Lang then took over the offensive coordinator duties in 1990.

A Presidential Flavor to the Wofford Staff

Retired Wofford College president **Dr. Joe Lesesne** is in his fourth season on the Terrier football staff as a volunteer assistant coach working with the tight ends.

Lesesne retired in 2000 after a distinguished 28-year tenure as just the ninth president in the 150-year history of Wofford. He's teaching a class on the American Revolution this fall.

Lesesne is no stranger to football. Upon arriving at Wofford in 1964 as a history professor, he served four years (1965-68) as an assistant football coach for the Terriers under coach **Conley Snidow** and later **Jim Brakefield**. Lesesne also coached one season at Abbeville (S.C.) High School.

Ayers "Did You Knows?"

- •Now in his eighth SoCon season at Wofford, **Mike Ayers** ranks second behind Appalachian State's **Jerry Moore** (16 years) in terms of longest tenure for a SoCon coach at their current school.
- •An anonymous donor recently committed \$100,000 toward the creation of an endowed scholarship in honor of Ayers.
- •An ex-Marine, Ayers is a black belt in karate and an accomplished sketch artist.
- •Ayers teaches a karate class each spring at Wofford.
- •Ayers has been inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame at both his high school (Glen Este) and college (Georgetown) alma maters. At Georgetown (Ky.), Ayers competed on the football, baseball, wrestling and gymnastics teams.
- •In past years, Ayers drove the Terriers' equipment truck when it traveled.
- •In addition to personally powerwashing the Terriers' blocking sleds when they need cleaning, Ayers has also served as the weightlifting room handyman. When anything needs fixing, he simply grabs his hammer and goes to work.

Walking History

Sixty years ago, Wofford kicking coach **Lee Hanning** tumbled into the night sky over Normandy as a member of the 101st Airborne division in World War II.

Hanning was also involved in Operation Market Garden (depicted in the movie "A Bridge Too Far") where he once again jumped into occupied Holland. While resting and refitting from that operation, his unit was rushed by truck to Bastogne to stem the German counterattack at the Battle of the Bulge. He spent Christmas 1944 surrounded by superior enemy forces in sub-freezing temperatures.

Hanning came to be a member of the 101st when he was in England in the Quartermaster Corps and volunteered for the division.

Future Coach?

If he'd like to follow **Joe Lesesne** from the president's office to the football coaching staff, current Wofford president **Bernie Dunlap** does have a football background.

Dunlap earned All-Area honors as a starting fullback for Columbia (S.C.) High School as well as receiving a varsity letter as a halfback at the University of the South.

2004 Southern Conference Standings

	CONFERENCE			OVERALL		
Team	\mathbf{W}	L	Pct.	\mathbf{W}	L	Pct.
Wofford	0	0	000	0	0	.000
Furman	0	0	.000	1	0	1.000
Western Carolina	0	0	.000	1	0	1.000
Chattanooga	0	0	.000	0	0	.000
The Citadel	0	0	.000	0	0	.000
Appalachian State	0	0	.000	0	1	.000
Elon	0	0	.000	0	1	1.000
Georgia Southern	0	0	.000	0	1	.000

This Week:

Eastern Kentucky at Appalachian State, 2 p.m. Nicholls State at Western Carolina, 4 p.m. Johnson C. Smith at Georgia Southern, 6 p.m. **Wofford at South Carolina State, 7 p.m.** Furman at Samford, 7 p.m. Chattanooga at Memphis, 8 p.m.

Last Week:

Western Carolina 77, West Virginia State 7 Georgia 48, Georgia Southern 28 Wyoming 53, Appalachian State 7 Towson 34, Elon 13 Furman 52, Presbyterian 7 The Citadel vs. Charleston Southern, ppd.

Wofford Honor Roll

Brad Anderson, C

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Lee Basinger, DT

- •2004 Buchanan Award Watch List
- •Ranked by The Sports Network as the No. 1 defensive lineman in Division I-AA
- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon

Katon Bethay, NT

- •Ranked by The Sports Network as the No. 7 defensive lineman in Division I-AA
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon in indoor track (shot put)

Eric Deutsch, OG

- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 consensus first-team All-America
- •2003 SoCon Jacobs Blocking Trophy recipient
- •2003 All-SoCon
- ullet 2002 third-team All-America by the National Football Gazette
- •2002 All-SoCon

Bobby Gibbs, OG

- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 consensus All-America
- •2003 All-SoCon

Kevious Johnson, HB

- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2004 preseason honorable-mention All-America by the *National Football Gazette*
- •2003 SoCon Freshman of the Year

Nick Robinson, PK

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Ryan Steele, SS

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Timmy Thrift, ILB

- •2004 preseason All-America by *Lindy's* and the *National Football Gazette*
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon

Gibbs Stadium

Wofford posted an 8-0 home record last season and is 12-1 over the last two years at Gibbs Stadium.

Since opening midway through the 1996 campaign, Gibbs Stadium has seen the Terriers post a 29-12 home record (.707).

With a capacity of 13,000, Gibbs Stadium is the third youngest facility in the Southern Conference. Only Elon's Rhodes Stadium (2001) and Chattanooga's Finley Stadium (1997) are newer.

That's My Brother

Wofford quarterback **Jeff Zolman's** older brother, **Greg Zolman**, is a member of the Buffalo Bills' practice squad. The elder Zolman was previously a starting quarterback at Vanderbilt.

Speaking of Wofford and Coach Ayers

"In all sincerity, that is the best coached and most disciplined football team I've seen in my 10 years on the I-AA level."

Coach David Elson of 2002 national champion Western Kentucky following Wofford's 34-17 victory over the Hilltoppers in the quarterfinal round of the 2003 playoffs

"You think a coach at any other school would let me participate in a fourth of the stuff that I do here? Coach Ayers has so much trust in us. He realizes we're more than athletes, and we're more than students. We're people. Football, that's a big part of the college experience but it's not all of it."

> J.R. McNair Wofford's All-SoCon fullback and 2003-04 student body president

"The Terriers really belong in the Ivy League because Wofford students' average SAT score (1241) is higher than the school's enrollment."

> Ron Morris, columnist The State (Columbia, S.C.) October 26, 2003

"Per enrollment -- 1,100 -- doesn't defending Southern Conference champ Wofford have the best football program in the world."

> Gene Sapakoff Post and Courier (Charleston, S.C.) July 11, 2004

"There are no junk courses at Wofford that we could see, and we would certainly match its course of study with that of any school in the Ivy League."

National Review's Guide to the Best Liberal Arts Colleges "America's Top 50 Liberal Arts Schools"

Magic Numbers

•Wofford has won its last 20 games in which it scored first. The streak dates back to an Oct. 27, 2001 contest at The Citadel.

Since the start of the 2001campaign, the Terriers are 3-10 in their last 13 outings when the opponent scored first. Two of those wins have come in the last five contests, including a 34-17 win over Western Kentucky in the quarterfinals of the 2003 Division I-AA playoffs.

- •Wofford has won 45 consecutive games when holding a halftime lead. The Terriers' last loss when leading at the break was a 20-16 defeat to Elon on Nov. 4, 1995. Wofford held a 9-3 halftime edge that night.
- •Wofford has a 65-2-1 record in the 68 games under coach **Mike Ayers** in which it has allowed 16 or fewer points.
- •Dating back to the final game of the 2000 campaign (a 24-6 win at Division I-A Louisiana-Monroe), Wofford has surrendered just 277 points (10.7 per game) in its last 26 wins.

Steady Improvements

With the exception of 2001, when it was beset by injuries and faced Division I-AA's toughest schedule with road games at Clemson and South Carolina, Wofford has consistently improved its year-by-year record since beginning SoCon play in 1997:

<u>Year</u>	Record	Place
1997	3-7, 2-6	8th
1998	4-7, 3-5	7th
1999	6-5, 5-3	4th
2000	7-4, 5-3	4th
2001	4-7, 3-5	6th
2002	9-3, 6-2	2nd
2003	12-2. 8-0	1st

Terriers Well Over .500 in SoCon History

Wofford's all-time SoCon mark is 32-24 (.571), an impressive feat considering that its debut season in 1997 represented just its third year on the Division I-AA level.

Terriers Love FSN Cameras

Wofford's Sept. 18 game at Georgia Southern will be televised by FSN South and FOX College Sports.

The Terriers were 2-0 on FSN South last year and are now 5-0 all-time on the network. Last year's Wofford wins came over Georgia Southern (20-14) and Furman (7-6).

Fourth Down: No Problem

In 2003, Wofford again topped the SoCon in fourth-down conversions (32) and attempts (51) while placing second in percentage (62.7).

The Terriers scored 11 touchdowns on fourth downs. Only two other SoCon teams had more than 20 fourth-down attempts.

Listed below is Wofford's fourth-down breakdown over the last five seasons:

Total	111-of-186.59.7%	57-of-111.51.4%
1999	24-of-39,61.5	11-of-22,50.0%
2000	15-of-27,55.6	7-of-18,38.9%
2001	21-of-33,63.6	10-of-20,50.0%
2002	19-of-36,52.8	9-of-13,69.2%
2003	32-of-51,62.7	20-of-38,52.6%
<u>Year</u>	4th-down attempts	4th-down attempts
	Terrier	Opponent

Terrier Keys

- •Wofford was the SoCon's least penalized team last season at just 35.4 yards per game (60 flags for 495 yards).
- •The Terriers topped the SoCon in sacks (29) and interceptions (22) last year while also allowing the fewest sacks (5).
- •Wofford had four non-offensive touchdowns in 2003 as the Terriers reached the end zone three times on interception returns and once on a blocked punt recovery.

Position Switches

•2003 SoCon Freshman of the Year **Kevious Johnson** has moved from halfback to fullback.

However, he's no stranger to that position. While filling in for an injured **J.R.McNair** at fullback last season, Johnson scored all three Terrier touchdowns in a 20-14 win over Georgia Southern.

•After starting most of the last two seasons at halfback, **Ben Mungin** has been moved to wide receiver.

Season-Opening Notes

- •Wofford is 7-9 in 16 season openers under coach **Mike Ayers**.
- •The Terriers are 7-1 in season openers under Ayers when they allow 19 or fewer points. Wofford is 0-8 when surrendering 20 or more points.
- •Wofford has won its season-opening game just once in the last six years, a 48-0 victory over Newberry in 2002.
- •The Terriers are opening on the road for just the third time in the last eight seasons.

Good News: A Bus Trip

The Terriers were 4-2 in road games last season with both losses coming when Wofford hit the unfriendly skies with flights to Air Force and Delaware.

The Terriers were undefeated when traveling via bus with wins at Chattanooga, Western Carolina, The Citadel and Furman.

The Two-Headed QB Monster

Wofford's quarterback rotation of **Trey Rodgers** and **Jeff Zolman** will continue this season.

Both have played prominent roles in victories the last two seasons over South Carolina State.

Rodgers scored the game-winning touchdown on a 4th-and-goal from the 3-yard line with 2:42 left in the third quarter to give Wofford a 7-6 victory in Orangeburg in 2002.

In last year's 35-13 win in Spartanburg, Zolman rushed for a team-high 60 yards on 12 attempts.

Two-Sport Terriers

•Starting nose tackle **Katon Bethay** is the only Wofford student-athlete to earn All-SoCon honors in more than one sport.

In addition to being an All-League selection on the gridiron, Bethay became the Terriers' first-ever All-SoCon performer in indoor track and field with his efforts in the shot put during the 2003 season.

•Free safety **Alex Love** qualified for All-SoCon accolades in the 60-meter hurdles for the 2004 Wofford indoor track and field team.

The Airborne Unit

The Terriers take tremendous pride in their punt block team known as the "Airborne Unit."

The Terriers blocked four punts last season and have 12 blocks over the last four years and 44 in coach **Mike Ayers**' 16-year tenure.

A Statistical Comparison

	S.C. State	Wofford (2003)
Points per game - allowed	51.0 - 0.0	27.4 - 14.8
Rushing yards per game - allowed	258.0 - 79.0	258.3 - 123.9
Passing yards per game - allowed	227.0 - 82.0	55.1- 190.4
Total net yards per game - allowed	485.0 - 161.0	313.4 - 314.3
Punts - average	2 - 46.5	60 - 39.0
Penalties - yards	7 - 73	60 - 495
Turnover Margin (takeaways/giveaways)	+2 (4/2)	+23 (41/18)
Fumbles - Lost	2 - 2	21 - 10
Third-Down Conversions - allowed	50.0% - 15.4%	37.2% - 43.2%
Time of Possession - allowed	36:18 - 23:42	29:44 - 30:16

Did You Know?

Terrier football coach **Mike Ayers** was hired in 1988 over a chocolate milkshake at the Biltmore Dairy Bar in Asheville, N.C., by then Wofford athletic director and now Southern Conference commissioner **Danny Morrison**.

Coaching Genes

Wofford freshman safety **Dan Tavani** is the son of Lafayette College head football coach **Frank Tavani**.

Lafayette opened its season this past weekend with a 48-7 victory over Marist.

The Last Time ...

•The Terriers have not had a kickoff return for a touchdown since **Craig Best** took one back 93 yards in a 1982 game versus Elon.

•Wofford's last punt return for a touchdown came in 1997 when **Tony Young** went 84 yards against Charleston Southern.

Wofford Starting Lineup

	SCSU	GSU	JCSU	UTC	ELON	WCU	ASU	CIT	GWU	FUR	VMI
Offense											
LT											
LG											
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OLB											
LCB											
FS											
SS											
RCB											

WOFFORD COLLEGE TWO-DEEP

(updated Sept. 3, 2004)

OFFENSE

LEFT TACKLE LEFT GUARD CENTER RIGHT GUARD

69 Davy Olmsted (6-4, 295, Jr.)
65 Bobby Gibbs (6-3, 295, Sr.)
71 Brad Anderson (6-2, 285, Jr.)
72 Brad Birrenkott (6-5, 280, Jr.)
65 Bobby Gibbs (6-3, 295, Sr.)
71 Brad Anderson (6-2, 285, Jr.)
72 Eric Deutsch (6-4, 330, Sr.)
73 Brad Birrenkott (6-5, 280, Jr.)
74 Brad Anderson (6-2, 290, So.)
75 Brad Birrenkott (6-5, 280, Jr.)

RIGHT TACKLE TIGHT END WIDE RECEIVER QUARTERBACK

78 Kevin Hodapp (6-3, 280, Sr.)
88 Adam Regenthal (6-3, 242, Sr.)
88 Ben Mungin (5-9, 185, Sr.)
18 Trey Rodgers (6-0, 185, Sr.) OR
72 Tim Beckner (6-3, 275, Jr.)
89 Matt Allison (6-2, 225, Sr.)
13 Brandon Berry (5-8, 160, So.)
15 Jeff Zolman (6-1, 190, Sr.)

HALFBACK RUNNING BACK HALFBACK

34 Corey Dunn (5-11, 205, Jr.) 20 Kevious Johnson (5-9, 180, So.) 22 Aaron Johnson (5-10, 185, Jr.) 2 Terrance Ware (5-9, 180, So.) 3 Mike Jones (5-10, 195, Sr.) 23 Gabriel Jackson (5-9, 185, Jr.)

DEFENSE

DEFENSIVE END NOSE TACKLE DEFENSIVE END

96 Ben Whitney (6-3, 260, Sr.)
91 Bill Pryor (6-2, 250, Sr.)
92 Katon Bethay (6-2, 285, Jr.)
93 Bryan Blair (5-9, 265, So.) OR
94 Gaby Dibo (6-0, 284, Jr.)
95 Lee Basinger (6-1, 255, Sr.)
97 Josh Dorr (6-1, 250, So.)

 OUTSIDE LINEBACKER
 INSIDE LINEBACKER
 INSIDE LINEBACKER
 OUTSIDE LINEBACKER

 54 Jimmy Freland (5-11, 220, Sr.)
 55 Jim Thurman (6-2, 225, Jr.) OR
 44 Timmy Thrift (6-0, 220, Sr.)
 43 Steve Hoover (6-1, 210, Sr.)

 35 Andrew Nelson (5-11, 215, Sr.)
 57 Josh Smith (6-1, 215, Sr.)
 45 Justin Franklin (6-2, 220, So.)
 28 Derek Newberry (6-3, 218, Jr.)

 LEFT CORNERBACK
 FREESAFETY
 STRONG SAFETY
 RIGHT CORNERBACK

 16 Dedrick Stuckey (5-10, 180, Jr.)
 11 Alex Love (5-11, 180, Jr.) OR
 19 Ryan Steele (6-1, 200, Sr.)
 24 Brian Kemp (5-11, 175, So.)

16 Dedrick Stuckey (5-10, 180, Jr.) 11 Alex Love (5-11, 180, Jr.) OR 19 Ryan Steele (6-1, 200, Sr.) 24 Brian Kemp (5-11, 175, So.) 39 Jonathan Wheeler (6-2, 190, Sr.) 7 Dan Tavani (6-0, 200, Fr.) 33 Tony Jefferson (5-11, 192, Sr.) 11 Alex Love (5-11, 180, Jr.)

SPECIAL TEAMS

 PUNTER
 PLACEKICKER
 PUNT RETURNS
 KICKOFF RETURNS

 26 Josh Syria (6-3, 230, Fr.)
 27 Nick Robinson (5-10, 180, So.)
 31 Brandon Smith (5-11, 210, Sr.)
 20 Kevious Johnson (5-9, 180, So.)

26 Josh Syria (6-3, 230, Fr.) 27 Nick Robinson (5-10, 180, So.) 31 Brandon Smith (5-11, 210, Sr.) 20 Revious Johnson (5-9, 180, So.) 18 Trey Rodgers (6-0, 185, Sr.) 24 Brian Kemp (5-11, 175, So.)

HOLDER SHORT SNAPPER LONG SNAPPER KICKOFFS

31 Brandon Smith (5-11, 210, Sr.) 63 Chris Collins (6-2, 250, Fr.) 56 Greg German (6-3, 225, So.) 27 Nick Robinson (5-10, 180, So.) 17 Philip Trotter (6-1, 185, Sr.)

Subject: Wofford football maintains No. 1 ranking from collegiate web site

Date: September 8, 2004 at 4:42 PM

To:



The Wofford football team is ranked No. 1 in this week's Division I-AA Top 25 poll by CollegeSportsReport.com.

The defending SoCon champion Terriers, ranked third by The Sports Network, open the 2004 campaign Saturday with a 7 p.m. game at South Carolina State. The Bulldogs opened their season this past weekend with a 51-0 win over Benedict.

The complete ColllegeSportsReport.com rankings can be accessed at: www.collegesportsreport.com.

Subject: Wofford football has strong showing in Sagarin Ratings

Date: September 9, 2004 at 12:34 PM

To:



The Wofford football team ranks ahead of 16 Division I-A programs in this week's Sagarin Ratings utilized by the Bowl Championship Series (BCS).

The Terriers, the SoCon's winningest team over the last two seasons with a 21-5 overall record and 14-2 league mark, are ranked No. 118 out of 239 combined Division I-A and I-AA programs in the Sagarin Ratings.

In going undefeated in league play to win last year's SoCon title and advance to the national semifinals, Wofford (12-2, 8-0) closed the season ranked ahead of 30 Division I-A teams. Included in that total were the likes of Arizona, Vanderbilt, Iowa State, Mississippi State, Illinois, Indiana, Baylor and East Carolina.

The defending SoCon champions open the 2004 campaign Saturday with a 7 p.m. game at South Carolina State.

Subject: A Q&A with Wofford football coach Mike Ayers

Date: September 9, 2004 at 9:12 AM

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The following were some of the questions asked earlier this week of Wofford football coach Mike Ayers during his media luncheon. The defending SoCon champion Terriers open the 2004 season Saturday at South Carolina State. Kickoff is 7 p.m.

Q: You come in ranked very high in the polls (No. 3 by The Sports Network). When you think about where your program was when you first entered Division I-AA (1995) and where it is now, what does that mean to see it rise as it has?

A: It means that we've had a lot of people who have helped this program gain the resources that we need. We've been fortunate enough to have great football players who have made a commitment to the program. They work hard on the field and in the classroom. We've had a great staff that's been committed. I've had guys with me now for 17 years. That continuity is very important in the philosophy that we've had as a football team and the type of young men we have been able to recruit. We've been very blessed.

Q: You went to the national semifinals last year and had a wonderful campaign with an 8-0 conference record. Do you feel like other teams around the conference and on your schedule have a target now in that they've circled the day they play Wofford?

A: The previous year, we were 9-3 and we've always had a bull's eye on our back ever since we entered the Southern Conference. Everybody is going to try to win that conference game. When we first started, they knew we were a conference game and the importance of that. Are people getting more fired up or emotional this year? I would say it's no more than last year or the year before that. Our philosophy is that we are not concerned about how other people see us or approach our game. We are concerned about how we approach our game and we try to control the things that we can control. We are going to go out there, be ready to play and hopefully do our best.

Q: With that in mind, give us an idea of how you feel the team has progressed through camp and your scrimmages. What have they done well and what do they need to improve on leading up to this week's opening?

A: I think the guys have been consistent as far as our work ethic. They've come to work and are focused for the most part. I like the attitude of the team. The guys know when they need to work hard and when to kick it back a little. I think that we are ahead from an understanding of the offense and the defense and what we are trying to do with the kicking game. We have some questions that will be answered Saturday, hopefully in a positive manner. I like where we are right now. I like the work ethic and the attitude. What it comes down to is will we like the execution Saturday? That's going to be the biggest thing.

Q: You've often mentioned that a running back, before they start carrying the ball, must block. You've moved Ben Mungin to wide receiver. He was your best blocking halfback. Who have you seen step up and become a good blocker out of the backfield during camp this year?

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A: I think all of those guys, if they plan on playing, had better learn how to block. Aaron Johnson is a guy who is consistent and tough and knows how to slam up in there and get after you. Corey Dunn has made progress as far as his blocking. I think that all of our backs have improved. Coach (Freddie) Brown has been working very hard with them. We have drills during our practices that are designed to toughen them up and show those guys where the pad leverage is and to bend their legs, roll their hips and do those things to make the block.

Q: Both of your quarterbacks, Jeff (Zolman) and Trey (Rodgers), are back from last year and I'm sure they've been neck and neck as they always seem to be. Where do you see Josh Collier this year? He didn't take any snaps last year, but I know some people are excited about him

A: Josh is a great guy. He's got a lot of talent and he's very mature. He's going to have to get on the field some. We've got three quarterbacks on this football team. Two will be graduating, so Josh needs to see the field some and what it's like to get in a game. That's got to happen.

Q: South Carolina State plays three quarterbacks. What do you know about Brett Young and the other two guys? Are they similar or different?

A: You've got one guy who has the ability to run the ball, scramble and be a big-time headache for you. I would suspect that they all have athleticism. They all have the ability to run. What we've got to do is have a game plan and execute that plan. We've got to have certain fundamental things that we do throughout the game and in the structure of our defense. We need to be sound every snap. Our defensive staff has done a tremendous job getting our guys ready. We are expecting certain things but, if they change, we need to be able to adapt on the fly and get our guys in the best position to be successful.

Q: I know everyone is excited to see the defensive front because you have so much experience. In the secondary, you've lost an All-America in Matt Nelson while Craig Thomas had his best year last season. Where do these guys stand going into Saturday's game and will Ryan Steele be the quarterback of the defense?

A: Ryan is the guy who has been back there the most and we are going to have to lean on him. We have a lot of guys who are very athletic. Athletically, it may be the best secondary that we've had. Generally, I don't know how far they're along but I'm sure they'll be able to handle what they have to handle. They all work hard refining techniques and Coach (Terry) Lantz does a good job of schooling those guys and getting them ready. We've seen a great deal of improvement during camp. As the year goes on, I think that group is going to get better.

Q: Jimmy Miner was your punter for four years and he's gone. Everyone loves the joke that Wofford never punts, that the Terriers always go for it on fourth down. Tell us about freshman Josh Syria.

A: Josh is a big guy. He might be one of the biggest punters that we've had. He's about 6-foot-3 and 230 pounds. He's very talented and has a strong leg. He's a guy that is just going to have to go out there and do it. He did it in high school and performed very well at a high level. But, this is college football – a very different situation, and we've just got to get protection for him and make him comfortable with what he's doing. We put pressure on him in practice so that shouldn't be foreign to him. We've also got a young snapper which could be a concern, but the guys perform well at practice so we should be alright.

Subject: Wofford Football Illustrated to debut Sunday on WASV-TV

Date: September 9, 2004 at 2:01 PM

To:



Wofford Football Illustrated, the Terriers' weekly television show, will make its 2004 season premiere Sunday at 12:30 p.m. on WASV-TV.

Todd Summers, weekend sports anchor/reporter for WSPA-TV, will serve as the program's host.

WASV-TV, sister station of CBS affiliate WSPA-TV, is part of the nation's 35th-largest television market and covers the Spartanburg/Greenville/Asheville/Anderson area.

Wofford Football Illustrated provides highlights of each game, a postgame interview with coach Mike Ayers and features on the Wofford players and campus.

Subject: GoUpstate.com to provide live Wofford football updates

Date: September 9, 2004 at 2:12 PM

To:



GoUpstate.com, the Spartanburg Herald-Journal's web site, will once again provide live text updates of all Wofford football games this fall.

"We're pleased to be able to bring the excitement of Wofford football to fans again this season via the Internet," Herald-Journal and GoUpstate.com new media editor Andy Rhinehart said. "With the eyes of not only Terrier fans, but all of Division I-AA, on Wofford this season, we're glad that we can provide this real-time service."

The updates can be found at www.goupstate.com by heading to the sports page and then clicking on the "Terriers" link.

Subject: Wofford football defeats S.C. State in season opener

Date: September 12, 2004 at 4:11 AM

To:



Kevious Johnson returned the opening kickoff 90 yards for a touchdown in addition to rushing for a game-high 89 yards in Wofford's 24-22 victory at South Carolina State tonight in Orangeburg, S.C.

The third-ranked Terriers (1-0) built a 24-3 third-quarter lead before holding off a furious Bulldog rally. With 10 seconds to play, S.C. State (1-1) closed to within 24-22 on a 2-yard touchdown pass from Brett Young to Tavarus Morgan. The Wofford defense then stopped Bulldog running back Coty Martin short of the goal line when he took a pitch on the 2-point attempt that would have tied the game.

S.C. State drove 90 yards in 14 plays, covering 4:45 on the clock, leading up to Young's touchdown pass.

Wofford then recovered the onside kick to preserve the victory. The Terriers have now won 46 consecutive games, dating back to 1995, in which it led at the half and 21 in a row when scoring first. Wofford was also victorious in its season-opening game for just the second time in the last seven seasons.

Johnson, the 2003 SoCon Freshman of the Year, became the first Terrier to return a kickoff for a touchdown since 1982 when Craig Best went 93 yards for a score against Elon.

Wofford converted 4-of-5 fourth-down attempts in the game, including a 21-yard Jeff Zolman touchdown pass to Aaron Johnson, as it punted just one time. The Terriers rushed for 249 yards while totaling 306 in offense. S.C. State had 360 yards with 270 coming in the air.

"We did enough to beat a very good football team at their place," Wofford coach Mike Ayers said. "This was a game that will help us grow as a team.

"We had a big play in the kicking game that got us going. Defensively, we did some good things but there's no doubt we also have some areas we need to shore up. There were positives on offense. Our backs ran hard all night. There's no doubt, though, that there are glitches we have to work out."

After Johnson's kickoff return for a touchdown, S.C. State returned the ensuing kickoff to midfield. A roughing the punter call on the Terriers continued the Bulldogs' possession as they went on to convert a fourth-down attempt. The Bulldogs drove to the Wofford 1-yard line before the Terrier defense stiffened. Timmy Thrift had a tackle for a 2-yard loss and Katon Bethay followed with a sack to put S.C. State into a fourth-down situation. A 22-yard field goal by Michael Gaston cut the Wofford lead to 7-3.

The Bulldogs then recovered an onside kick to regain possession. However, their drive came to an end when Alex Love recovered a fumble to give the Terriers the ball at their own 30.

A Trey Rodgers 2-yard keeper extended the Wofford margin to 14-3 with 1:50 to play in the first quarter. It capped a 12-play, 70-yard drive that consumed 5:56. Rodgers had four carries for 28 yards on the series.

A Bill Pryor interception cut short another S.C. State scoring threat. It was the second career pick for the senior defensive end. It resulted in a 9-play, 54-yard drive that was capped by a 40-yard Nick Robinson field goal to put the Terriers on top 17-3. The kick equaled a career long for Robinson who also had a 40-yard boot in the national semifinals at Delaware last season.

The Bulldogs again drove into Wofford territory on their next possession before being halted by a Dedrick Stuckey interception. However, the Terriers turned the ball back over with a fumble two plays later.

A 36-yard pass completion from Zolman to Brandon Berry highlighted Wofford's next possession that also included a Gabriel Jackson 13-yard run on a 4th-and-6 from the Bulldog 20. Robinson then missed a 25-yard field-goal attempt with four seconds left in the first half as the Terriers led 17-3 at the intermission.

The Terriers extended their margin to 24-3 with 6:51 left in the third quarter when Zolman and Aaron Johnson connected on their 21-yard touchdown pass on a 4th-and-5. The Terriers drove 63 yards in 10 plays covering 4:44. The drive was kept alive by a Gabriel Jackson 10-yard run on a 4th-and-2 at the S.C. State 36.

S.C. State used a long return on the ensuing kickoff to set up a 1-yard sneak by quarterback Aryhel Freeman to pull within 24-10 with 3:44 to play in the third quarter.

The Bulldogs went 80 yards on their next series to close the deficit to 24-16 when Young hit Morgan with a 7-yard scoring pass. However, a bad snap on the PAT prevented the Bulldogs from drawing closer.

The Terriers took more than seven minutes off the clock with their ensuing possession but were unable to convert it into points when Rodgers' pass on a fake field goal was intercepted. Kevious Johnson had three runs for first downs on third-down plays.

S.C. State then began its final drive that saw the Bulldogs ultimately close within two points.

Wofford continues on the road next Saturday when it travels to Georgia Southern in a nationally-televised contest on FSN South and FOX College Sports. Kickoff is 7:30 p.m. in Statesboro, Ga.

Subject: Wofford football media notes -- Saturday's game at Georgia Southern

Date: September 13, 2004 at 2:44 PM

To:



Attached as .pdf files is Wofford's football release and statistics for Saturday's 7:30 p.m. game at Georgia Southern. The contest will be televised on FSN South and FOX College Sports. The complete set of notes is also posted on the Terriers' web site (www.wofford.edu/athletics). If you have any trouble with these files, please feel free to let me know.

Thanks.

Mark Cohen Associate AD/Media Relations Wofford College



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2004 Wofford Football Wofford Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Sep 13, 2004) All games

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DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL/Yds	No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp Q	BH :	Rcv-Yds	FF	Kick	Saf	
19 Ryan Steele	1	10	2	12	2.0-3						1			
75 Lee Basinger	1	6	4	10	3.5-6									
44 Timmy Thrift	1	7	2	9				1	2					
11 Alex Love	1	3	5	8				2		1-0				
24 Brian Kemp	1	5	2	7				1						
92 Katon Bethay	1	6	1	7	2.0-2	1.0-1								
43 Steve Hoover	1	5	1	6	1.0-1			1			1			
55 Jim Thurman	1	2	4	6										
91 Bill Pryor	1	2	3	5	1.5-2		12							
96 Ben Whitney	1	2	2	4	1.5-3				1					
45 Justin Franklin	1	2	1	3										
16 Dedrick Stuckey	1	3		3			1-15	1						
7 Dan Tavani	1	2	1	3										
57 Josh Smith	1	3		3										
54 Jimmy Freland	1	2		2	1.0-1				1					
39 J. Wheeler	1		2	2										
33 Tony Jefferson	1		1	1										
89 Matt Allison	1	1		1										
10 Brian Ford	1		1	1										
27 Nick Robinson	1	1		1										
28 Derek Newberry	1									1-0				
Total	1	62	32	94	12-18	2-3	2-13	6	4	2-0	2			
Opponents	1	40	32	72	6-20	1-6	1-5	1		1-0				

2004 Wofford Football Wofford Combined Team Statistics (as of Sep 13, 2004) All games

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Kevious Johnson	1	20	93	4	89	4.4	0	18	89	.0		Yards gained				26				99
Trey Rodgers	1	8	50	2	48	6.0	1	16	48	.0		Yards lost ru	shing			2	2			9
Jeff Zolman	1	10	46	12	34	3.4	0	18	34	.0		Rushing Atten	pts			5	7			31
Gabriel Jackson	1	4	31	0	31	7.8	0		31	-		Average Per R				4.	3		2	. 9
Corey Dunn	1	9	30	2	28		0	-	28	-		Average Per G				247.			90	.0
Aaron Johnson	1	3	14	0	14		_	-	14			TDs Rushing					1			1
Mike Jones	1	2	_	0	5		_	-	5			PASSING YARDAGE					17			70
TEAM	1	1 57	269	22	_	-2.0 4.3			-2 247	_		Att-Comp-Int.				5-2-		3	37-24	-2
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			Yds			Long .						FUMBLES-LOST				3-	_		_	-1
												PENALTIES-YARDS				7-5	-		-	41
Brandon Berry Aaron Johnson	1	1	36 21	36.0	_		36.0					FUNTS-AVG TIME OF POSSESS				1-44. 30:2	-		1-9 29:	
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	_	_			-		-	-			_	Dedrick Stuckey			15.0		15			
			1		PATs		-1					Total	2	13	6.5	0	15			
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Jeff Zolman	1	12	34	57	91	91.0			Kevious Johnson	1	90	90.0	1	90			
Kevious Johnson	1	20	89	0	89	89.0			Dedrick Stuckey	1	9	9.0	0	9			
Trey Rodgers	1	10	48	0	48	48.0			Total	3	110	36.7	1	90			
Gabriel Jackson	1	4	31	0	31	31.0			Opponents	5	154	30.8	0	54			
Corey Dunn	1	9	28	0	28	28.0											
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									Trey Rodgers	1	48	0	0	0	0	48	48.0
									Aaron Johnson	1	14	21	0	11	0	46	46.0
									Brandon Berry	1	0	36	0	0	0	36	36.0
									Jeff Zolman	1	34	0	0	0	0	34	34.0
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Game 2 Wofford at Georgia Southern (FSN South and FOX College Sports) Sept. 18, 2004; 7:30 p.m. Paulson Stadium (18,000); Statesboro, Ga.

This Week

•The Wofford football team begins defense of its 2003 SoCon championship when it opens league play at Georgia Southern. The game will be televised nationally on FSN South and FOX College Sports.

The Terriers, who entered the SoCon in 1997 in just their third year of Division I-AA play, are tied for sixth in being the fastest team to win a SoCon title after beginning competition in the 84-year-old league.

Wofford has defeated Georgia Southern in each of the last two seasons (14-7, 2002; 20-14, 2003) and is bidding to become the first team to beat the Eagles in three straight years since Appalachian State accomplished the feat from 1995-97.

The Terriers have outscored the Eagles 21-7 in the fourth quarter in winning the last two meetings. In both games, Wofford held Georgia Southern to under 300 yards of total offense. In the 2002 victory in Statesboro, **Jesse McCoy** scored on a 4th-and-goal at the 1 with 3:55 to play for the go-ahead points. Last year in Spartanburg, **Kevious Johnson** caught a 24-yard touchdown pass from **Trey Rodgers** with 1:47 remaining to break a tie.

Johnson, a Fitzgerald, Ga., native, was filling in at fullback for injured All-SoCon selection and Wofford student body president **J.R. McNair**. Johnson scored all three of the Terriers' touchdowns while rushing for 81 yards in just his third collegiate game.

- •Georgia Southern holds a 6-3 series lead dating back to the first meeting in 1982. Wofford is 2-2 in Statesboro and 1-4 in Spartanburg. As SoCon rivals, the Eagles lead 5-2.
- •The Georgia Southern contest will represent the 900th game in Wofford's football history. The Terriers are 422-441-36 (.489) since facing Furman in 1889 in the first-ever college football game played in the state of South Carolina.

Last Week

2003 SoCon Freshman of the Year **Kevious Johnson** returned the opening kickoff 90 yards for a touchdown while rushing for a game-high 89 yards as Wofford withstood a late South Carolina State rally for a 24-22 victory in Orangeburg, S.C.

Johnson became the first Terrier since 1982 to return a kickoff for a touchdown. The Terriers built a 24-3 lead midway through the third quarter as they won their 46th consecutive game when holding a halftime lead and the 21st in a row when scoring first.

The Bulldogs scored a pair of touchdowns in the fourth quarter to pull within 24-22 with 10 seconds to play. However, Wofford defensive end and Buck Buchanan Award candidate **Lee Basinger** made the stop on a 2-point rush attempt that would have tied the game.

S.C. State wide receiver **Tavarus Morgan**, a transfer from the University of Georgia, had 11 receptions for 119 yards and two touchdowns. Both scores came in the fourth quarter.

"They're (Wofford) the best, most sound team I've ever played in my whole life," Morgan said after the game. "Their secondary is never out of place."

The Terriers were 4-of-5 on fourth-down attempts, including a 21-yard touchdown pass from **Jeff Zolman** to **Aaron Johnson**. Wofford punted just once in the game.

One year after holding S.C. State to minus-16 yards rushing, Wofford limited the Bulldogs to just 90 yards rushing on 31 attempts.

Wofford was 2-of-5 passing. However, both completions (36 and 21 yards) represented the Terriers' two-longest plays from scrimmage in the game.

Wofford (1-0, 0-0)

Sept. 11	at South Carolina State	24-22
Sept. 18	at Georgia Southern*	7:30
Sept. 25	JOHNSON C. SMITH	7:00
Oct. 2	CHATTANOOGA*	7:00
Oct. 9	at Elon*	6:00
Oct. 16	WESTERN CAROLINA*	1:30
Oct. 23	at Appalachian State*	3:00
Oct. 30	THE CITADEL*	1:30
Nov. 6	GARDNER-WEBB	1:30
Nov. 13	FURMAN*	1:00
Nov. 20	at VMI	1:00
*SoCon g	rame	

Georgia Southern (1-1,0-0)

Sept. 4	at Georgia	28-48
Sept. 11	JOHNSON C. SMITH	84-3
Sept. 18	WOFFORD*	7:30
Sept. 25	at Chattanooga*	4:00
Oct. 2	ELON*	1:00
Oct. 9	at Western Carolina*	4:00
Oct. 16	APPALACHIAN STATE*	12:00
Oct. 23	at The Citadel*	2:00
Oct. 30	SOUTH DAKOTA ST.	1:00
Nov. 6	at Furman*	2:00
Nov. 13	at Florida International	11:00
*SoCon g	ame	

Worth Noting

•With an enrollment of 1,100 students, Wofford is the smallest school in Division I-A or I-AA football. The SAT average (1247) on campus is higher than the enrollment.

•Since 2002, Wofford is the SoCon's winningest football team with a 22-5 overall record (.815) and 14-2 league mark (.875).

•Georgia Southern's current enrollment (15,704) is larger than the number of all Wofford living alumni (14,366).

•Wofford has defeated Georgia Southern in each of the last two seasons and is bidding to become the first team to beat the Eagles in three straight years since Appalachian State accomplished the feat from 1995-97.

•Terrier defensive end Lee Basinger is one of 16 candidates for the Buck Buchanan Award as Division I-AA's Defensive Player of the Year.

Terriers on the Tube



Hosted by weekend sports anchor/reporter **Todd Summers** of WSPA-TV, Wofford Football Illustrated is seen on WASV-TV (sister station of CBS-affiliate WSPA) each Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

WASV-TV is part of the nation's 35th-largest television market and covers the Spartanburg/Greenville/Asheville/Anderson area.

Dining with The Coach

The Mike Ayers Media Luncheon is held each Monday at 11:30 a.m. in the Ginko Room of the Burwell Building on the Wofford campus.

All media members are invited. Players are available on request. Please notify Wofford SID **Mark Cohen** if you plan on attending.

Football Anyone?

Nearly one out of every five males on the Wofford campus is on the football team.

The Wofford student body of 1,100 is divided nearly equally between 550 males and 550 females. This year's Terrier football roster has 96 players. With roughly 300 student-athletes on campus, more than 25 percent of Wofford's student body is on an athletic team.

If Ohio State had the same ratio of football players to males in the student body, the Buckeye football roster would have approximately 4,233 players.

Hail to the Chief

Two of Wofford's last four student body presidents (**Ben Foster**, 2001-02; **J.R. McNair**, 2003-04) have been starting running backs on the Terrier football team.

Academic Dominance

With six selections, Wofford dominated the 2003 Academic All-District team. No other school had more than two players on the squad.

The Terriers have led the way in each of the last four years in placing members on the Academic All-District team, which combines Division I-A and I-AA institutions in a five-state region. To be eligible, a player must have a 3.2 cumulative GPA and be a starter or key reserve.

Wofford fullback and student body president J.R. McNair was joined on last year's squad by defensive linemen Katon Bethay and Ben Whitney, inside linebacker Josh Smith and defensive backs Shane Fast and Jonathan Wheeler.

Wofford also had six players receive honors in 2002 with no other school having more than four selections.

Wofford and Florida tied for the most selections in 2001 with four. In the 2000 campaign, Wofford had six players on the team while no other school had more than three.

Terriers Heard Worldwide on the Web

Originating through AM 910 WSPA, Wofford football games are broadcast worldwide on the Internet with **Mark Hauser** on the playby-play, **Thom Henson** the color commentary and **Tom Brown** on sideline analysis.

TEAMLINE brings the Terrier broadcasts to the web at www.teamline.cc.

Those without Internet access can pick up the game from anywhere in the country through TEAMLINE by dialing 1-800-846-4700. The Wofford code is 1099.

SoCon Teleconference

The Southern Conference holds a weekly teleconference throughout the season with the league's eight head football coaches. The teleconference is open to members of the media each Tuesday from 10 a.m. - 11:04 a.m. Eastern time. Each coach has eight minutes to make an opening statement and answer questions.

Time (Eastern)	Coach, School
10:00 - 10:08	Jerry Moore, Appalachian State
10:08 - 10:16	John Zernhelt, The Citadel
10:16 - 10:24	Paul Hamilton, Elon
10:24 - 10:32	Bobby Lamb, Furman
10:32 - 10:40	Mike Sewak, Georgia Southern
10:40 - 10:48	Rodney Allison, Chattanooga
10:48 - 10:56	Kent Briggs, Western Carolina
10:56 - 11:04	Mike Ayers, Wofford

SoCon Teleconference Number 1-866-375-5101

Terriers Among Quickest to Capture Title

By capturing sole possession of the 2003 SoCon football championship, Wofford is tied for sixth in being the quickest to win a SoCon title after beginning play in the 84-year-old league:

Year in League	School (year of first title won)
1st	Georgia Southern (1993)
2nd	Chattanooga (1977)
2nd	East Carolina (1966)
4th	West Virginia (1953)
5th	Duke (1933)
7th	Wofford (2003)
7th	William & Mary (1942)
12th	Marshall (1988)

Undefeated League Champs

With an 8-0 record, last year's Wofford squad was just the seventh team to head to the Division I-AA playoffs with a perfect SoCon mark.

The postseason performance of the seven squads is impressive. Three reached the championship game with Marshall winning the national title in 1996. All seven clubs won their first-round game and only one failed to reach the semifinals:

Year	<u>Team</u>	Postseason
2003	Wofford	Lost in semifinals
1998	Georgia Southern	Lost in finals
1996	Marshall	Won national title
1995	Appalachian State	Lost in quarterfinals
1989	Furman	Lost in semifinals
1987	Appalachian State	Lost in semifinals
1985	Furman	Lost in finals

Wofford is the SoCon's winningest program since 2002

Dating back to the start of the 2002 season, Wofford has the top overall and league record among SoCon football members.

	Co	nfere	nce	Overall						
<u>Team</u>	\mathbf{W}	$\underline{\mathbf{L}}$	Pct.	$\underline{\mathbf{W}}$	$\underline{\mathbf{L}}$	Pct.				
Wofford	14	2	.875	22	5	.815				
Georgia Southern	12	4	.750	19	8	.704				
Appalachian State	12	4	.750	16	9	.640				
Furman	10	6	.625	16	9	.640				
VMI*	3	5	.375	6	6	.500				
Western Carolina	6	10	.375	12	13	.480				
The Citadel	5	11	.313	9	15	.375				
Chattanooga	5	11	.313	5	20	.200				
East Tennessee State	4	12	.250	9	15	.375				
Elon^	1	7	.125	2	11	.154				

^{*2002} season only

Wofford sets the pace in graduation rates

Since 1997, Wofford is the only football-playing member of the SoCon to win the league's graduation rate trophy. Wofford has won the award four times. The information below, for SoCon football members only, was taken from the 2003 NCAA Graduation Rates Report.

	Student-Athletes	All Students
	Four-Class Average	Four-Class Average
1.Wofford	75 percent	79 percent
2.Furman	72 percent	76 percent
3.Elon	68 percent	66 percent
4. The Citadel	64 percent	68 percent
Appalachian State	61 percent	61 percent
6. Western Carolina	58 percent	46 percent
7. Chattanooga	50 percent	43 percent
8. Georgia Southern	49 percent	37 percent

1247 vs. 1100

Wofford College has a higher SAT average (1247) than enrollment (1100).

About Wofford

- •Located in Spartanburg, S.C., Wofford is one of only five independent colleges and universities to have a Phi Beta Kappa chapter in the Carolinas (Davidson, Duke, Furman and Wake Forest are the others).
- •Wofford is one of just three Division I colleges or universities to have the nickname Terriers. The others are Boston University and St. Francis (N.Y.).
- •Founded in 1854, Wofford has an enrollment of 1,100 which makes it the smallest school in NCAA Division I-A or I-AA football
- •With 1,100 students, Wofford is the second smallest school in Division I. Only Centenary (La.) is smaller with 850 students. However, the Gentlemen do not field a football team.
- •Famous Wofford graduates include Carolina Panther owner and founder **Jerry Richardson** and Air Force football coach **Fisher DeBerry**.
- •Wofford ranks No. 1 among national liberal arts colleges in "operating efficiency," providing a quality education while spending relatively less.

In a recent NCAA Division I Graduation Rates Report, Wofford was the only school in the nation to rank in the Top 10 in all four categories: overall student-athlete graduation rate as well as those for the football, men's basketball and women's basketball teams.

Wofford and the NFL

Wofford College is the summer training camp site for the Carolina Panthers of the National Football League.

Panther owner and founder **Jerry Richardson** is a 1959 Wofford graduate and a former All-America wide receiver for the Terriers.

Seasoned Terriers

Wofford has 29 seniors on its 96-man 2004 roster. Included in that total are four fifth-year seniors (**Eric Deutsch**, **Shane Fast**, **Bill Pryor**, **Ryan Steele**). The Terriers have nine seniors eligible to return next fall for a fifth season of competition.

^{^2003} and 2004 season only

WOFFORD AT GEORGIA SOUTHERN

When Last In Action

The following are the final statistics from Wofford's 24-22 victory at South Carolina State:

	Wofford	S.C. State
First Downs	18	21
Rushes - Yards	57 - 247	31 - 90
Passing Yards	57	270
Total Offense	306	360
Passes	5 - 2 - 1	37 - 24 - 2
Punts - Avg.	1 - 44.0	1 - 9.0
Fumbles - Lost	3 - 1	2 - 1
Penalties - Yards	7 - 53	4 - 41
Time of Possession	30:22	29:38

Wofford Individuals

Rushing

K. Johnson 20-89, Rodgers 8-48, Zolman 10-34, Jackson 4-31, Dunn 9-28, A. Johnson 3-14, Jones 2-5, TEAM 1-(2)

Passing

Zolman 2-2-0, 57 yards, 1 TD; Rodgers 2-0-1; TEAM 1-0-0

Receiving

Berry 1-36, A. Johnson 1-21

A Look Back

Listed below are the final statistics from Wofford's 20-14 win over Georgia Southern last year:

	Wofford	<u>GSU</u>
First Downs	21	14
Rushes - Yards	64 - 292	48 - 210
Passing Yards	83	66
Total Offense	375	276
Passes	11 - 6 - 0	15 - 7 - 0
Punts - Avg.	4 - 36.0	3 - 38.0
Fumbles - Lost	1 - 0	4 - 2
Penalties - Yards	5 - 50	9 - 75
Time of Possession	32:19	27:41

Wofford Individuals

Rushing

K. Johnson 20-81, Dunn 9-68, Jackson 11-61, Rodgers 8-42, Zolman 10-32, Sullivan 2-5, A. Johnson 2-3, Mungin 1-1, Team 1-(1)

Passing

Rodgers 7-4-0, 64 yards, 1 TD; Zolman 4-2-0, 19 yards

Receiving

Wood 4-51, K. Johnson 1-24, A. Johnson 1-8

Average Size of Starting Lineups

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	<u>Wofford</u>	<u>GSU</u>
Offensive Line*	6-3, 288	6-2, 282
Offensive Backs	5-11, 189	5-10, 192
Wide Receivers	5-8, 160	6-1, 193
Defensive Front	6-2, 267	6-3, 262
Linebackers	6-1, 219	6-1, 221
Secondary	5-11, 184	6-0, 194
*Includes tight end		

Basic Formations

Wofford Offense: Wingbone Wofford Defense: Multiple 50 Georgia Southern Offense: Spread Georgia Southern Defense: 4-3

Class Breakdown

Wofford Offense -

5 seniors, 4 juniors, 2 sophomores, 0 freshmen

Georgia Southern Defense -6 seniors, 3 juniors, 2 sophomores, 0 freshmen

Wofford Defense -

6 seniors, 4 juniors, 1 sophomore, 0 freshmen

Georgia Southern Offense 5 seniors, 2 juniors, 3 sophomores, 1 freshman

The Head Coaches

Mike Ayers

Alma Mater: Georgetown (Ky.) '74

17th season at Wofford, 20th as a head coach
Record at Wofford: 103-77-1, Overall Record: 114-98-2.

Mike Sewak

Alma Mater: Virginia '81

3rd season at Georgia Southern, 3rd as a head coach Record at Georgia Southern: 19-8. Overall Record: 19-8.

Charting Wofford's Opponents

Opponent (this week's game; last week's result)	Record
S.C. State (at Savannah State; 22-24 vs. Wofford)	1-1
Georgia Southern (vs. Wofford; 84-3 vs. Johnson C. Smith)	1-1
Johnson C. Smith (at Morehouse; 3-84 at Georgia Southern)	0-3
Chattanooga (vs. Jacksonville State; 21-52 at Memphis)	0-1
Elon (vs. Delaware State; Open)	0-1
Western Carolina (at Alabama; 28-7 vs. Nicholls State)	2-0
Appalachian State (vs. The Citadel; 49-21 vs. E. Kentucky)	1-1
The Citadel (at Appalachian State, Open)	0-0
Gardner-Webb (vs. Furman; 56-49 at Morgan State)	1-1
Furman (at Gardner-Webb; 45-10 at Samford)	2-0
VMI (vs. Tennessee Tech; 7-34 vs. Richmond)	0-2
Aggregate Record	8-11

The Head Coach

Mike Ayers, the Terriers' all-time winningest coach with 103 victories, is in his 17th year on the Wofford sideline.

Ayers was the 2003 recipient of the Eddie Robinson Award as Division I-AA's National Coach of the Year. The Cincinnati native has been named SoCon Coach of the Year three times in the last four seasons.

Ayers and **Bob Stoops** (Oklahoma) are the only two coaches to have been named AFCA Region Coach of the Year each of the last two campaigns.

Ayers was the 2002 Division I-AA National Coach of the Year by the College Sporting News (I-AA.org) in addition to being the runner-up for the Robinson Award.

Hello Neighbor

The 2004 campaign marks the 25th consecutive year that Wofford coach **Mike Ayers** and his offensive coordinator and neighbor **Wade Lang** are together in football.

Ayers and Lang not only have their offices side-by-side, they also live across the street from each other.

In 1980, when Ayers came to Wofford as an assistant coach, Lang was in his sophomore year. When Ayers left for the defensive coordinator position at East Tennessee State in 1983, Lang joined him in Johnson City as a graduate assistant before being elevated to a full-time position in 1985.

They both returned to Wofford in 1988 when Ayers was named the Terriers' head coach. He brought Lang with him as the quarterback coach. Lang then took over the offensive coordinator duties in 1990.

A Presidential Flavor to the Wofford Staff

Retired Wofford College president **Dr. Joe Lesesne** is in his fourth season on the Terrier football staff as a volunteer assistant coach working with the tight ends.

Lesesne retired in 2000 after a distinguished 28-year tenure as just the ninth president in the 150-year history of Wofford. He's teaching a class on the American Revolution this fall.

Lesesne is no stranger to football. Upon arriving at Wofford in 1964 as a history professor, he served four years (1965-68) as an assistant football coach for the Terriers under coach **Conley Snidow** and later **Jim Brakefield**. Lesesne also coached one season at Abbeville (S.C.) High School.

Ayers "Did You Knows?"

- •Now in his eighth SoCon season at Wofford, **Mike Ayers** ranks second behind Appalachian State's **Jerry Moore** (16 years) in terms of longest tenure for a SoCon coach at their current school.
- •An anonymous donor recently committed \$100,000 toward the creation of an endowed scholarship in honor of Ayers.
- •An ex-Marine, Ayers is a black belt in karate and an accomplished sketch artist.
- •Ayers teaches a karate class each spring at Wofford.
- •Ayers has been inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame at both his high school (Glen Este) and college (Georgetown) alma maters. At Georgetown (Ky.), Ayers competed on the football, baseball, wrestling and gymnastics teams.
- •In past years, Ayers drove the Terriers' equipment truck when it traveled.
- •In addition to personally powerwashing the Terriers' blocking sleds when they need cleaning, Ayers has also served as the weightlifting room handyman. When anything needs fixing, he simply grabs his hammer and goes to work.

Walking History

Sixty years ago, Wofford kicking coach **Lee Hanning** tumbled into the night sky over Normandy as a member of the 101st Airborne division in World War II.

Hanning was also involved in Operation Market Garden (depicted in the movie "A Bridge Too Far") where he once again jumped into occupied Holland. While resting and refitting from that operation, his unit was rushed by truck to Bastogne to stem the German counterattack at the Battle of the Bulge. He spent Christmas 1944 surrounded by superior enemy forces in sub-freezing temperatures.

Hanning came to be a member of the 101st when he was in England in the Quartermaster Corps and volunteered for the division.

Future Coach?

If he'd like to follow **Joe Lesesne** from the president's office to the football coaching staff, current Wofford president **Bernie Dunlap** does have a football background.

Dunlap earned All-Area honors as a starting fullback for Columbia (S.C.) High School as well as receiving a varsity letter as a halfback at the University of the South.

2004 Southern Conference Standings

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Team	\mathbf{W}	\mathbf{L}	Pct.	\mathbf{W}	L	Pct.
Wofford	0	0	000	1	0	1.000
Furman	0	0	.000	2	0	1.000
Western Carolina	0	0	.000	2	0	1.000
Appalachian State	0	0	.000	1	1	.500
Georgia Southern	0	0	.000	1	1	.500
The Citadel	0	0	.000	0	0	.000
Chattanooga	0	0	.000	0	1	.000
Elon	0	0	.000	0	1	.000

This Week:

*The Citadel at Appalachian State, 2 p.m. Delaware State at Elon, 2 p.m. Furman at Gardner-Webb, 6 p.m. Jacksonville State at Chattanooga, 6 p.m. Western Carolina at Alabama, 7 p.m.

*Wofford at Georgia Southern, 7:30 p.m.

*SoCon game

Last Week:

Wofford 24, South Carolina State 22 Georgia Southern 84, Johnson C. Smith 3 Furman 45, Samford 10 Appalachian State 49, Eastern Kentucky 21 Western Carolina 28, Nicholls State 7 Memphis 52, Chattanooga 21

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Wofford Honor Roll

Brad Anderson, C

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Lee Basinger, DE

- •2004 Buchanan Award Watch List
- •Ranked by The Sports Network as the No. 1 defensive lineman in Division I-AA
- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon

Katon Bethay, NT

- •Ranked by The Sports Network as the No. 7 defensive lineman in Division I-AA
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon in indoor track (shot put)

Eric Deutsch, OG

- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 consensus first-team All-America
- •2003 SoCon Jacobs Blocking Trophy recipient
- •2003 All-SoCon
- ullet 2002 third-team All-America by the National Football Gazette
- •2002 All-SoCon

Bobby Gibbs, OG

- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 consensus All-America
- •2003 All-SoCon

Kevious Johnson, HB

- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2004 preseason honorable-mention All-America by the *National Football Gazette*
- •2003 SoCon Freshman of the Year

Nick Robinson, PK

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Ryan Steele, SS

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Timmy Thrift, ILB

- •2004 preseason All-America by *Lindy's* and the *National Football Gazette*
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon

Gibbs Stadium

Wofford posted an 8-0 home record last season and is 12-1 over the last two years at Gibbs Stadium.

Since opening midway through the 1996 campaign, Gibbs Stadium has seen the Terriers post a 29-12 home record (.707).

With a capacity of 13,000, Gibbs Stadium is the third youngest facility in the Southern Conference. Only Elon's Rhodes Stadium (2001) and Chattanooga's Finley Stadium (1997) are newer.

That's My Brother

Wofford quarterback **Jeff Zolman's** older brother, **Greg Zolman**, is a member of the Buffalo Bills' practice squad. The elder Zolman was previously a starting quarterback at Vanderbilt.

Speaking of Wofford and Coach Ayers

"In all sincerity, that is the best coached and most disciplined football team I've seen in my 10 years on the I-AA level."

Coach David Elson of 2002 national champion Western Kentucky following Wofford's 34-17 victory over the Hilltoppers in the quarterfinal round of the 2003 playoffs

"You think a coach at any other school would let me participate in a fourth of the stuff that I do here? Coach Ayers has so much trust in us. He realizes we're more than athletes, and we're more than students. We're people. Football, that's a big part of the college experience but it's not all of it."

> J.R. McNair Wofford's All-SoCon fullback and 2003-04 student body president

"The Terriers really belong in the Ivy League because Wofford students' average SAT score (1247) is higher than the school's enrollment."

> Ron Morris, columnist The State (Columbia, S.C.) October 26, 2003

"Per enrollment -- 1,100 -- doesn't defending Southern Conference champ Wofford have the best football program in the world."

> Gene Sapakoff Post and Courier (Charleston, S.C.) July 11, 2004

"There are no junk courses at Wofford that we could see, and we would certainly match its course of study with that of any school in the Ivy League."

National Review's Guide to the Best Liberal Arts Colleges "America's Top 50 Liberal Arts Schools"

Magic Numbers

•Wofford has won its last 21 games in which it scored first. The streak dates back to an Oct. 27, 2001 contest at The Citadel.

Since the start of the 2001campaign, the Terriers are 3-10 in their last 13 outings when the opponent scored first. Two of those wins have come in the last six contests, including a 34-17 win over Western Kentucky in the quarterfinals of the 2003 Division I-AA playoffs.

- •Wofford has won 46 consecutive games when holding a halftime lead. The Terriers' last loss when leading at the break was a 20-16 defeat to Elon on Nov. 4, 1995. Wofford held a 9-3 halftime edge that night.
- •Wofford has a 65-2-1 record in the 68 games under coach **Mike Ayers** in which it has allowed 16 or fewer points.
- •Dating back to the final game of the 2000 campaign (a 24-6 win at Division I-A Louisiana-Monroe), Wofford has surrendered just 299 points (11.1 per game) in its last 27 wins.

Steady Improvements

With the exception of 2001, when it was beset by injuries and faced Division I-AA's toughest schedule with road games at Clemson and South Carolina, Wofford has consistently improved its year-by-year record since beginning SoCon play in 1997:

<u>Year</u>	Record	Place
1997	3-7, 2-6	8th
1998	4-7, 3-5	7th
1999	6-5, 5-3	4th
2000	7-4, 5-3	4th
2001	4-7, 3-5	6th
2002	9-3, 6-2	2nd
2003	12-2, 8-0	1st

Terriers Well Over .500 in SoCon History

Wofford's all-time SoCon mark is 32-24 (.571), an impressive feat considering that its debut season in 1997 represented just its third year on the Division I-AA level.

5 vs. 1

Wofford has five fourth-down attempts (4-of-5, 80.0 percent) compared to just one punt this season.

Fourth Down: No Problem

In 2003, Wofford again topped the SoCon in fourth-down conversions (32) and attempts (51) while placing second in percentage (62.7).

The Terriers scored 11 touchdowns on fourth downs. Only two other SoCon teams had more than 20 fourth-down attempts.

Listed below is Wofford's fourth-down breakdown over the last five seasons:

	Terrier	Opponent
<u>Year</u>	4th-down attempts	4th-down attempts
2003	32-of-51,62.7	20-of-38,52.6%
2002	19-of-36,52.8	9-of-13,69.2%
2001	21-of-33,63.6	10-of-20,50.0%
2000	15-of-27,55.6	7-of-18,38.9%
1999	24-of-39,61.5	11-of-22,50.0%
Total	111-of-186,59.7%	57-of-111.51.4%

Terrier Keys

- •Wofford was the SoCon's least penalized team last season at just 35.4 yards per game (60 flags for 495 yards).
- •The Terriers topped the SoCon in sacks (29) and interceptions (22) last year while also allowing the fewest sacks (5).
- •Wofford had four non-offensive touchdowns in 2003 as the Terriers reached the end zone three times on interception returns and once on a blocked punt recovery.

Position Switches

•2003 SoCon Freshman of the Year **Kevious Johnson** has moved from halfback to fullback.

However, he's no stranger to that position. While filling in for an injured **J.R.McNair** at fullback last season, Johnson scored all three Terrier touchdowns in a 20-14 win over Georgia Southern.

•After starting most of the last two seasons at halfback, **Ben Mungin** is now at wide receiver.

Quick Hits

•Wofford has an 11-game regular-season winning streak that encompasses more than a calendar year.

The Terriers' last loss in the regular season was a 49-0 defeat at Air Force on Aug. 30, 2003.

Wofford has not lost a SoCon game in nearly two years (23-21 to Furman, Nov. 16, 2002).

- •Wofford's 24-22 win at South Carolina State was just its second season-opening win in the last seven years.
- •The Terriers are looking to go 2-0 for only the second time since 1991. The 2002 squad opened 3-0 with a home victory over Newberry and road wins at South Carolina State and Georgia Southern.
- •S.C. State was Wofford's first Division I-AA season-opening opponent since 2000. The Terriers faced I-A Clemson in 2001 and Air Force last year. Wofford also had a 2002 opening date with Division II Newberry.
- •In its last two visits to Orangeburg, Wofford has two wins by a combined total of three points (7-6, 2002; 24-22, 2004).
- •The Terriers have two road games to start a season for the first time since 1995.
- •The 22 points scored by S.C. State in the 2004 opener were the most allowed by the Wofford defense to a regular season Division I-AA opponent since Nov. 16, 2002, when Furman posted a 23-21 victory over the Terriers.

Two-Sport Terriers

•Starting nose tackle **Katon Bethay** is the only Wofford student-athlete to earn All-SoCon honors in more than one sport.

In addition to being an All-League selection on the gridiron, Bethay became the Terriers' first-ever All-SoCon performer in indoor track and field with his efforts in the shot put during the 2003 season.

•Free safety **Alex Love** qualified for All-SoCon accolades in the 60-meter hurdles for the 2004 Wofford indoor track and field team.

The Airborne Unit

The Terriers take tremendous pride in their punt block team known as the "Airborne Unit."

The Terriers blocked four punts last season and have 12 blocks over the last four years and 44 in coach **Mike Ayers**' 17-year tenure.

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Coaching Stability

Mike Ayers is in his 17th season as Wofford's coach. His assistants have also been models of stability, including four of them being Wofford graduates:

Off. Coordinator Wade Lang* (17th year)
Kicking Coach Lee Hanning (15th year)
Def. Coordinator Nate Woody* (14th year)
Def. Line Coach Jack Teachey (11th year)
Wide Receiver Coach Bruce Lackey (10th year)
Outside LB Coach Thomas Neel (7th year)
RB Coach Freddie Brown* (6th year)
Secondary Coach Terry Lantz (5th year)
Tight End Coach Joe Lesesne^ (4th year)
Off. Line Coach Eric Nash* (2nd year)

*Wofford graduate and former Terrier student-athlete ^Served as Wofford's president for 28 years (1972-2000)

Finally...

•Kevious Johnson's 90-yard kickoff return for a touchdown at South Carolina State broke a 22-year drought for the Terriers.

Wofford had not returned a kickoff for a touchdown since 1982 when **Craig Best** took one back 93 yards versus Elon.

Johnson's return came on the opening kickoff of the season opener.

•Wofford's last punt return for a touchdown was in 1997 when **Tony Young** went 84 yards against Charleston Southern.

A Late Addition

The only Terrier not included in this year's media guide is kickoff specialist **Philip Trotter**.

Trotter is in his first season with the Wofford football team. However, he's a veteran of athletic competition for the Terriers. He was the starting goalkeeper on the Wofford men's soccer team the last two years.

Unlike fellow Terrier placekicker **Nick Robinson**, who had never played football until joining the Terriers last fall, Trotter has experience on the gridiron. The senior from Charlotte, N.C., kicked for his South Mecklenburg High School football team.

A Tenured Position

Freshman **Josh Syria** (pronounced SIGH-REE) is just the third Wofford punter in the last nine seasons.

His two predecessors (**Brandon Kale**, 1996-99; **Jimmy Miner**, 2000-03) were both four-year starters who went on to sign National Football League contracts. Kale inked a deal with the Carolina Panthers while Miner became a St. Louis Ram.

Syria's first collegiate attempt was wiped from the books when South Carolina State was called for roughing the punter. In his only official kick of the night, he had a 44-yard effort.

Syria (Wenatchee, Wash.) is believed to be the first-ever native of the state of Washington to play for the Terriers.

Hey Neighbor

Wofford offensive tackle and Tampa native **Brad Birrenkott** is a neighbor of New York Yankee owner **George Steinbrenner**.

Birrenkott is also a season-ticket holder for the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

The Two-Headed QB Monster

Wofford's quarterback rotation of **Trey Rodgers** and **Jeff Zolman** continues this fall.

Both have played prominent roles in wins the last two years over Georgia Southern.

Zolman had a 54-yard run to highlight Wofford's game-winning 10-play, 81-yard drive late in the fourth quarter of the 14-7 victory in Statesboro in 2002. He also had a 20-yard pass completion on a 3rd-and-13 from the Terrier 16 earlier on that series.

Rodgers, meanwhile, threw the decisive 24-yard touchdown pass to **Kevious Johnson** with 1:47 left in last year's win in Spartanburg.

Air Ayers

•Wofford was 2-of-5 passing for 57 yards against South Carolina State with the two completions resulting in the Terriers' longest plays from scrimmage. One incompletion was on a fake field goal while the other was a spike to stop the clock at the close of the first half.

Jeff Zolman had a 36-yard connection to **Brandon Berry** as well as a 21-yard scoring strike to **Aaron Johnson** on a 4th-and-5 play. Zolman was 2-of-2 in the air and has already equaled his touchdown pass total from last year.

•Four of Wofford's 10 longest plays from scrimmage last season were passes.

•Wofford beat Georgia Southern with the pass last year as Rodgers hit **Kevious Johnson** on the game-winning 24-yard touchdown completion with 1:47 left in the 20-14 Terrier win.

A Poll Fixture

With appearances in each of the last 29 polls, Wofford holds the SoCon's longest current streak for consecutive rankings in The Sports Network Division I-AA Top 25.

Notches on the Resume

•The Terriers' 12-game winning streak last season was tied for the third-longest in the SoCon since 1980 (Marshall 15, 1996; Georgia Southern 14, 1998; Appalachian State 12, 1995; Furman 12, 1989).

•After being selected by the league coaches to finish fifth in the SoCon, Wofford was the lowest preseason pick to win the outright championship since 1992.

•Wofford is the only team to have defeated Georgia Southern and Appalachian State in each of the last two seasons.

The Winningest Summer Camp Locale

The two teams that hold their preseason training camps at Wofford both had championship seasons in 2003.

The Terriers captured the SoCon title and advanced to the Division I-AA national semifinals, while the Carolina Panthers were NFC champions in just their ninth year of existence.

Supporting the Terriers

Wofford enjoyed a record-setting pace for attendance at Gibbs Stadium last year with an average crowd of 9,168 in eight home contests.

The Terriers ranked 41st nationally in home attendance out of 120 Division I-AA programs, an impressive feat considering that Wofford is the smallest school playing Division I football.

Wofford set a single-game Gibbs Stadium mark with a crowd of 11,486 for South Carolina State on Sept. 6.

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Long Distance Terriers

Listed below are Wofford's longest plays from scrimmage this year. The Terriers' "Air Ayers" offense has accounted for the top two.

Yards	Play

- 36 Jeff Zolman pass to Brandon Berry vs. South Carolina State, Sept. 11
- 21 Jeff Zolman TD pass to Aaron Johnson vs. South Carolina State, Sept. 11
- 18 Kevious Johnson run vs. South Carolina State, Sept. 11
- 18 Jeff Zolman run vs. South Carolina State, Sept. 11
- 16 Trey Rodgers run vs. South Carolina State, Sept. 11

Top 5 Terriers

Listed below are Wofford's top individual rushing performances this season:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Yards</u>
Kevious Johnson	South Carolina State	89
Trey Rodgers	South Carolina State	48
Jeff Zolman	South Carolina State	34
Gabriel Jackson	South Carolina State	31
Corey Dunn	South Carolina State	28

Wofford Players of the Week

Opponent	Offense	<u>Defense</u>
S.C. State	Kevious Johnson, RB	Lee Basinger, DE

Terrier Scoring Drives

With the exception of **Kevious Johnson's** kickoff return for a touchdown, all of Wofford's scoring drives at South Carolina State reached double digits in plays:

Opponent	<u>Plays</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TOP</u>
South Carolina State*	0	0	:00
South Carolina State	13	70	5:36
South Carolina State	10	54	4:39
South Carolina State	10	63	4:44

^{*}Kickoff return for a TD

Deja Vu?

Wofford enters the Georgia Southern game under a nearly identical situation from two years ago when the Terriers posted a 14-7 win over the Eagles. In the previous week's contest, Wofford won a nailbiter at South Carolina State while Georgia Southern rolled to an easy victory at home:

2002

Wofford 7, South Carolina State 6 Georgia Southern 56, Gardner-Webb 0

2004

Wofford 24, South Carolina State 22 Georgia Southern 84, Johnson C. Smith 3

Strength of Schedule

- •The Wofford football team, having faced eight Division I-A opponents in the previous six seasons, annually plays one of the toughest schedules in the nation for a Division I-AA member.
- •The Terriers opened last year at Air Force and played at defending ACC champion Maryland in 2002. While taking on Clemson and South Carolina in the 2001 campaign, Wofford was the nation's only I-AA team to face a pair of bowl teams that season.
- •The Terriers had four I-AA playoff teams on their 2000 schedule as well as Division I-A Louisiana-Monroe (Wofford won 24-6).
 - •In 1999, Wofford was one of just three I-AA teams to face two I-A opponents.
- •The 1998 campaign saw the Terrier schedule ranked as the eighth-most difficult in the nation with the 11 opponents combining for a .563 winning percentage.

Back-to-Back Wins over Georgia Southern

- •In both of its back-to-back victories, Wofford has held Georgia Southern to under 300 yards of offense. The Eagles had just 276 last season after being limited to 257 in a 14-7 Terrier win in Statesboro, Ga., in 2002.
- •Last year's Terriers became the first SoCon team to post consecutive wins over the Eagles since Appalachian State in the 1996-97 campaigns.
- •Wofford handed Georgia Southern its first back-to-back defeats in the same season since 1996.
- •Wofford more than doubled Georgia Southern in total offense (187-to-93) in the second half of last year's game. The margin was 137-to-56 in the fourth quarter when the Terriers held a 9:31-5:29 edge in time of possession. The Eagles had just 57 yards rushing in the second half with only 20 coming in the fourth quarter.
- •In last year's contest, Georgia Southern was outrushed by its opponent (292-to-210) for just the fourth time in its last 89 games. Two of those occurrences were Wofford.
- •Wofford's two longest scoring drives of the season, at that point in time, came in the fourth quarter of the win over Georgia Southern. The Terriers went 78 and 67 yards, respectively, on their final two possessions against the Eagles.
- •True freshman **Kevious Johnson** became the first Wofford rookie to score three touchdowns in a game since **Shawn Graves** in 1989. Johnson made his first collegiate start as he filled in for injured fullback and student body president **J.R. McNair**.
- •In the three previous seasons that it beat Georgia Southern, Wofford went on to post a combined 29-8 record. The Terriers were 8-3 in 1982,9-3 in 2002 and 12-2 last year. Wofford is a combined 30-35 in the six campaigns (1983, 1997-2001) it lost to the Eagles.

Knocking Them Down

All-America offensive guard **Eric Deutsch** had a team-high 19 knockdown blocks at South Carolina State.

Right tackle **Kevin Hodapp** was second on the team with 11 knockdowns while All-America guard **Bobby Gibbs** also reached double figures with 10.

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A Statistical Comparison

	Georgia Southern	Wofford
Points per game - allowed	56.0 - 25.5	24.0 - 22.0
Rushing yards per game - allowed	420.0 - 120.5	249.0 - 90.0
Passing yards per game - allowed	40.5 - 154.5	57.0- 270.0
Total net yards per game - allowed	460.5 - 275.0	306.0 - 360.0
Punts - average	6 - 32.3	1 - 44.0
Penalties - yards	6 - 33	7 - 53
Turnover Margin (takeaways/giveaways)	-1 (1/2)	+1 (3/2)
Fumbles - Lost	3 - 1	3 - 1
Third-Down Conversions - allowed	52.2% - 24.0%	38.5% - 66.7%
Time of Possession - allowed	31:58 - 28:02	30:22 - 29:38

LCB

FS

SS

RCB

Stuckey

Love

Steele

Kemp

Did You Know?

Terrier football coach **Mike Ayers** was hired in 1988 over a chocolate milkshake at the Biltmore Dairy Bar in Asheville, N.C., by then Wofford athletic director and now Southern Conference commissioner **Danny Morrison**.

Coaching Genes

Wofford freshman safety **Dan Tavani** is the son of Lafayette College head football coach **Frank Tavani**.

Lafayette is 2-0 after a 17-6 win over Georgetown (D.C.) last weekend.

Good News: A Bus Trip

Since the start of the 2002 season, Wofford is 10-1 when traveling to a road game via bus and 0-3 when flying.

Wofford Starting Lineup											
	SCSU	GSU	JCSU	UTC	ELON	WCU	ASU	CIT	GWU	FUR	VMI
Offense											
LT	Olmsted										
LG	Gibbs										
С	Anderson										
RG	Deutsch										
RT	Hodapp										
TE	Regenthal										
WR	Berry										
QВ	Rodgers										
RB	K. Johnson										
·IΒ	A. Johnson										
НВ	Dunn										
<u>Defense</u>											
DE	Basinger										
TV	Bethay										
DE	Whitney										
OLB	Freland										
LB	Thrift										
ILB	Thurman										
OLB	Hoover										

WOFFORD COLLEGE TWO-DEEP

(updated Sept. 12, 2004)

OFFENSE

LEFT GUARD CENTER RIGHT GUARD

69 Davy Olmsted (6-4, 295, Jr.)
65 Bobby Gibbs (6-3, 295, Sr.)
71 Brad Anderson (6-2, 285, Jr.)
72 Brad Birrenkott (6-5, 280, Jr.)
65 Bobby Gibbs (6-3, 295, Sr.)
71 Brad Anderson (6-2, 285, Jr.)
72 Eric Deutsch (6-4, 330, Sr.)
73 Brad Birrenkott (6-5, 280, Jr.)
74 Brad Anderson (6-2, 290, So.)
75 Brad Birrenkott (6-5, 280, Jr.)

RIGHT TACKLE TIGHT END WIDE RECEIVER QUARTERBACK

78 Kevin Hodapp (6-3, 280, Sr.)
88 Adam Regenthal (6-3, 242, Sr.) 13 Brandon Berry (5-8, 160, So.)
18 Trey Rodgers (6-0, 185, Sr.) OR
72 Tim Beckner (6-3, 275, Jr.)
89 Matt Allison (6-2, 225, Sr.)
8 Ben Mungin (5-9, 185, Sr.)
15 Jeff Zolman (6-1, 190, Sr.)

HALFBACK RUNNING BACK HALFBACK

34 Corey Dunn (5-11, 205, Jr.)
20 Kevious Johnson (5-9, 180, So.)
22 Aaron Johnson (5-10, 185, Jr.)
23 Gabriel Jackson (5-9, 185, Jr.)
3 Mike Jones (5-10, 195, Sr.)
2 Terrance Ware (5-9, 180, So.)

DEFENSE

DEFENSIVE END NOSE TACKLE DEFENSIVE END

96 Ben Whitney (6-3, 260, Sr.) 92 Katon Bethay (6-2, 285, Jr.) 75 Lee Basinger (6-1, 255, Sr.) 91 Bill Pryor (6-2, 250, Sr.) 94 Gaby Dibo (6-0, 284, Jr.) 97 Josh Dorr (6-1, 250, So.)

OUTSIDE LINEBACKER

43 Steve Hoover (6-1, 210, Sr.)

1NSIDE LINEBACKER

INSIDE LINEBACKER

44 Timmy Thrift (6-0, 220, Sr.)

54 Jimmy Freland (5-11, 220, Sr.)

28 Derek Newberry (6-3, 218, Jr.) 57 Josh Smith (6-1, 215, Sr.) 45 Justin Franklin (6-2, 220, So.) 35 Andrew Nelson (5-11, 215, Sr.)

 LEFT CORNERBACK
 FREESAFETY
 STRONG SAFETY
 RIGHT CORNERBACK

 16 Dedrick Stuckey (5-10, 180, Jr.)
 11 Alex Love (5-11, 180, Jr.)
 19 Ryan Steele (6-1, 200, Sr.)
 24 Brian Kemp (5-11, 175, So.)

 39 Jonathan Wheeler (6-2, 190, Sr.)
 7 Dan Tavani (6-0, 200, Fr.)
 33 Tony Jefferson (5-11, 192, Sr.)
 30 Zac Grey (5-11, 175, Fr.)

SPECIAL TEAMS

 PUNTER
 PLACEKICKER
 PUNT RETURNS
 KICKOFF RETURNS

 26 Josh Syria (6-3, 230, Fr.)
 27 Nick Robinson (5-10, 180, So.)
 31 Brandon Smith (5-11, 210, Sr.)
 20 Kevious Johnson (5-9, 180, So.)

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WOFFORD AT GEORGIA SOUTHERN

Game 1 Wofford 24, S.C. State 22 Sept. 11; Orangeburg, S.C.

Kevious Johnson returned the opening kickoff 90 yards for a touchdown while rushing for a game-high 89 yards as Wofford withstood a late South Carolina State rally for a 24-22 victory in Orangeburg, S.C.

Johnson became the first Terrier since 1982 to return a kickoff for a touchdown.

The Terriers built a 24-3 lead midway through the third quarter. The Bulldogs scored a pair of touchdowns in the fourth quarter to pull within 24-22 with 10 seconds to play. However, Wofford defensive end and Buck Buchanan Award candidate **Lee Basinger** made the stop on a 2-point rush attempt that would have tied the game.

S.C. State wide receiver **Tavarus Morgan**, a transfer from the University of Georgia, had 11 receptions for 119 yards and two touchdowns. Both scores came in the fourth quarter.

"They're (Wofford) the best, most sound team I've ever played in my whole life," Morgan said after the game. "Their secondary is never out of place."

The Terriers were 4-of-5 on fourth-down attempts, including a 21-yard touchdown pass from **Jeff Zolman** to **Aaron Johnson**. Wofford punted just once in the game.

Wofford	14	3	7	0	24
S.C. State	3	0	7	12	22

First Quarter

- W K. Johnson 90 kickoff return (Robinson kick), 14:47
- S Gaston 22 field goal, 9:06
- W Rodgers 2 run (Robinson kick), 1:50

Second Quarter

W - Robinson 40 field goal, 8:58

Third Quarter

- W A. Johnson 21 pass from Zolman (Robinson kick), 6:51
- S Freeman 1 run (Gaston kick), 3:44

Fourth Quarter

- S Morgan 7 pass from Young (Gaston kick failed), 12:24
- S Morgan 2 pass from Young (Martin rush failed),

	Wofford	S.C. State
First Downs	18	21
Rushes - Yards	56 - 249	31 - 90
Passing Yards	57	270
Total Offense	306	360
Passes	5 - 2 - 1	37 - 24 - 2
Punts - Avg.	1 - 44.0	1 - 9.0
Fumbles - Lost	3 - 1	2 - 1
Penalties - Yards	7 - 53	4 - 41
Time of Possession	30:22	29:38

Wofford Individuals

Rushing

K. Johnson 20-89, Rodgers 8-48, Zolman 10-34, Jackson 4-31, Dunn 9-28, A. Johnson 3-14, Jones 2-5

Paccino

Zolman 3-2-0, 57 yards, 1 TD; Rodgers 2-0-1

Receiving

Berry 1-36, A. Johnson 1-21

Subject: Wofford football holds at No. 3 in TSN Division I-AA Top 25

Date: September 15, 2004 at 12:27 PM

To:



The defending SoCon champion Wofford football team remained at No. 3 while receiving six first-place votes in this week's Division I-AA Top 25 poll by The Sports Network.

The Terriers open SoCon play Saturday at No. 8 Georgia Southern. Wofford has defeated the Eagles in each of the last two seasons.

Since 2002, the Terriers are the SoCon's winningest football team with a 22-5 overall record and 14-2 league mark.

The SoCon is the only league with three teams ranked in the top eight. A total of four SoCon teams are in the top 20.

Included below is The Sports Network's Division I-AA Top 25 poll with first-place votes in parentheses, record and total points received.

- 1. Montana (61) -- 2-0 -- 2,492
- 2. Southern Illinois (26) -- 1-1 -- 2,340
- 3. Wofford (6) -- 1-0 -- 2,295
- 4. Furman (3) -- 2-0 -- 2,225
- 5. Villanova -- 2-0 -- 2,016
- 6. Delaware -- 1-1 -- 1,837
- 7. Northern Iowa (1) -- 1-1 -- 1,789
- 8. Georgia Southern -- 1-1 -- 1,740
- 9. Massachusetts (1) -- 2-0 -- 1,685
- 10. New Hampshire (5) -- 2-0 -- 1,498
- 11. Western Kentucky -- 1-1 -- 1,487
- 12. Colgate -- 0-1 -- 1,367
- 13. Stephen F. Austin -- 2-0 -- 1,360
- 14. Montana State -- 1-0 -- 1,237
- 15. Maine -- 1-1 -- 1,177
- 16. Western Illinois -- 1-1 -- 1,141
- 17. McNeese State -- 1-1 -- 967
- 18. Northeastern -- 1-1 -- 670
- 19. Northern Arizona -- 0-2 -- 666
- 20. Appalachian State -- 1-1 -- 650
- 21. Northwestern State -- 1-1 -- 616
- 22. Cal Poly -- 2-0 -- 300
- 23. Pennsylvania -- 0-0 -- 269
- 24. Lehigh -- 1-1 -- 231
- 25. Southeastern Louisiana -- 2-0 -- 229

Subject: Wofford football's Johnson and Basinger receive honor

Date: September 15, 2004 at 12:38 PM

To:



Running back Kevious Johnson and defensive end Lee Basinger will be recognized Friday by the Spartanburg Touchdown Club as the Wofford Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week for their performance in Saturday's win at South Carolina State.

Johnson, the 2003 SoCon Freshman of the Year, returned the opening kickoff 90 yards for a touchdown. It was the first kickoff return for a score by a Terrier player since 1982 when Craig Best went 93 yards against Elon.

A native of Fitzgerald, Ga., Johnson also rushed for a game-high 89 yards on 20 attempts. He had three straight first-down runs on third-down carries as Wofford took over seven minutes off the clock with a key fourth-quarter drive.

Basinger made the stop on the 2-point rush attempt by South Carolina State with 10 seconds to play, preserving the 24-22 victory.

The senior defensive end and Kannapolis, N.C., native is listed as one of 16 candidates for The Buck Buchanan Award as Division I-AA's Defensive Player of the Year.

Basinger totaled 10 tackles on Saturday, including 3.5 for a loss. He placed second on the team in stops, behind only strong safety Ryan Steele who had 12.

The defending SoCon champion Terriers, ranked third, begin league play Saturday at No. 8 Georgia Southern. Kickoff is 7:30 p.m. for the nationally-televised contest on FSN South and FOX College Sports.

Subject: Rathbun and Archer to call Saturday's Wofford fooball TV game

Date: September 15, 2004 at 2:09 PM

To:



Bob Rathbun, voice of the Atlanta Hawks and Atlanta Braves, will serve as the play-by-play announcer while former NFL quarterback Dave Archer will be the color analyst for FSN South and FOX College Sports' broadcast of Saturday's Wofford football game at Georgia Southern.

Rathbun and Archer were also on the call during last year's FSN telecast of the Terriers' 20-14 win over the Eagles at Gibbs Stadium in Spartanburg, S.C.

FSN South's seven-state viewership territory -- Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, Kentucky and North Carolina -- reaches 10.6 million homes. FOX College Sports makes the game available nationwide.

Subject: Wofford football maintains No. 1 ranking by CollegeSportsReport.com

Date: September 15, 2004 at 2:49 PM

To:



The defending SoCon champion Wofford football team once again holds the top spot in this week's Division I-AA rankings by CollegeSportsReport.com.

The Terriers open SoCon play Saturday at Georgia Southern. Wofford has defeated the Eagles in each of the last two seasons. Since 2002, the Terriers are the SoCon's winningest football team with a 22-5 overall record and 14-2 league mark.

The complete CollegeSportsReport.com Division I-AA rankings can be accessed at the following site:

http://www.dopke.com/IAARankings.htm

Subject: Wofford football ticket purchases now available on-line

Date: September 16, 2004 at 4:35 PM

To:



Through a new partnership with Ticketsxchange in Oxford, Miss., Wofford football tickets are now available on-line while also allowing fans to view a Gibbs Stadium diagram to allocate their own seats.

Tickets can be purchased via credit cards through the secured site of wofford.ticketsxchange.com as well as the football page on the Terrier web site (www.wofford.edu/athletics).

Subject: Wofford football TV viewing parties announced

Date: September 16, 2004 at 5:00 PM

To:



Wofford Clubs in Spartanburg, Greenville, Charlotte and Myrtle Beach will hold TV viewing parties Saturday to watch the defending SoCon football champion Terriers begin defense of their league title with a 7:30 p.m. contest at Georgia Southern on FSN South and FOX College Sports.

The TV viewing parties will be at the following locations:

Wofford Club of the Grand Strand - Spencers (5910 S. Kings Hwy., across from Ocean Lakes)

Wofford Club of Spartanburg - Gooney Birds Sports Grill (2725 Reidville Road)

Wofford Club of Greenville - Wild Wings Café (15 W. Washington Street)

Wofford Club of Charlotte - Jocks and Jills (across from Charlotte Coliseum)

Since 2002, third-ranked Wofford is the SoCon's winningest team with a 22-5 overall record and 14-2 league mark. The Terriers have defeated the No. 8 Eagles in each of the last two seasons.

FSN South's seven-state viewership territory -- Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, Kentucky and North Carolina -- reaches 10.6 million homes. FOX College Sports makes the game available nationwide.

Subject: Harris and Thrift receive Wofford football weekly honors

Date: September 20, 2004 at 2:41 PM

To:



Wide receiver Colby Harris and inside linebacker Timmy Thrift will be recognized Friday by the Spartanburg Touchdown Club as the Wofford Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week.

The Touchdown Club meets each Friday at noon in the downtown Spartanburg Marriott.

Harris had three receptions for 45 yards at Georgia Southern, including a 15-yard touchdown grab off a throw from Josh Collier. It was the first career receptions and score for Harris, a sophomore from Asheville, N.C.

Thrift, a 2003 All-SoCon selection and a preseason All-America this fall, totaled a teamhigh 14 tackles. He had two stops for a loss. He tops the Terriers with 23 tackles in the opening two games.

A senior from Hilliard, Fla., Thrift placed second on last year's team with 123 tackles. He now has 222 career stops to rank fourth in the Terriers' 10-season Division I-AA era (1995-present). Thrift is just 15 tackles away from the No. 2 spot behind Matt Nelson (452, 2000-03).

After playing its opening two games on the road, Wofford will be home for six of its next eight contests. The Terriers host Johnson C. Smith Saturday at 7 p.m.

Subject: Wofford football ranked ninth by The Sports Network Date: September 20, 2004 at 3:30 PM

To:

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The defending SoCon champion Wofford football team is ranked ninth in this week's Division I-AA Top 25 poll by The Sports Network.

Since 2002, the Terriers are the SoCon's winningest team with a 22-6 overall record and 14-3 league mark.

The SoCon is the only league with three teams ranked in the top nine.

Included below is The Sports Network's Division I-AA Top 25 poll with first-place votes in parentheses, record and total points received.

- 1. Southern Illinois (59) -- 2-1 -- 2,520
- 2. Furman (30) -- 3-0 -- 2,476
- 3. Georgia Southern (10) -- 2-1 -- 2,313
- 4. Delaware -- 2-1 -- 2,027
- 5. Stephen F. Austin (1) -- 3-0 -- 2,022
- 6. Western Kentucky (1) -- 2-1 -- 1,928
- 7. Montana -- 2-1 -- 1,919
- 8. Maine (2) -- 2-1 -- 1,892
- 9. Wofford -- 1-1 -- 1,543
- 10. Colgate -- 1-1 -- 1,380
- 11. Villanova -- 2-1 -- 1,256
- 12. McNeese State -- 2-1 -- 1,236
- 13. Northern Iowa -- 1-2 -- 1,157
- 14. New Hampshire -- 2-1 -- 1,058
- 15. Cal Poly -- 3-0 -- 1,038
- 16. Massachusetts -- 2-1 -- 1,017
- 17. Appalachian State -- 2-1 -- 902
- 18. Northeastern -- 1-1 -- 775
- 19. Northwestern State -- 2-1 -- 749
- 20. Hampton (1) -- 3-0 -- 671
- 21. Montana State -- 1-1 -- 463
- 22. Penn -- 1-0 -- 461
- 23. Northern Arizona -- 0-2 -- 457
- 24. James Madison -- 2-0 -- 395
- 25. Lehigh -- 2-1 -- 317

Subject: Wofford football game notes

Date: September 20, 2004 at 4:35 PM

To:



Attached are .pdfs of Wofford's football release as well as updated stats for Saturday's 7 p.m. home game versus Johnson C. Smith. The complete set of notes are also posted on the Terriers' web site (www.wofford.edu/athletics). If you have any trouble accessing these files, please feel free to let me know.

Thanks.

Mark Cohen Associate AD/Media Relations Wofford College



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2004 Wofford Football Wofford Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Sep 20, 2004) All games

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11 Alex Love	2	7	9	16				2		1-0	- 1	i	
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2004 Wofford Football Wofford Combined Team Statistics (as of Sep 20, 2004) All games

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Aaron Johnson	2	2	34	17.0	1	21	17.0						Dedrick Stuckey	1	15	15.0	0	15			
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Game 3 Johnson C. Smith at Wofford Sept. 25, 2004; 7 p.m. Gibbs Stadium (13,000); Spartanburg, S.C.

This Week

•After opening the season with a pair of road games, the defending SoCon champion Wofford football team makes its 2004 home debut when it hosts Johnson C. Smith. The Terriers will begin a stretch that will see them play at Gibbs Stadium six times in the next eight weeks.

Halftime ceremonies for Saturday's contest include the raising of flags commemorating Wofford's 2003 SoCon championship and Division I-AA semifinal-round playoff appearance.

•The Terriers and Golden Bulls are meeting for the first time on the gridiron. Located in Charlotte, N.C., Johnson C. Smith is an NCAA Division II institution and member of the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA).

Wofford is facing a Division II team for the third straight season. The Terriers defeated Newberry, 48-0, in 2002 and Catawba, 28-3, last season.

Johnson C. Smith is facing its second SoCon opponent in three weeks. The Golden Bulls were defeated by Georgia Southern on Sept. 11 in Statesboro, Ga.

Famous graduates of Johnson C. Smith include former Harlem Globetrotter and basketball legend **Curly Neal**.

•Wofford outside linebacker coach **Thomas Neel**, known as "Curly" around Terrier football circles, is battling vertigo and has been limited in his time with the team. He appeared briefly at practice on Thursday and Friday of last week before traveling to Georgia Southern.

In the Terriers' last two games, Neel has been confined to the press box instead of his normal role on the sideline.

•A victory over Johnson C. Smith would represent just the third time since 1991 that the Terriers have opened a season with a record of 2-1 or better. All three occurrences would have come in the last three campaigns. The Terriers were 3-0 in 2002 and 2-1 last year.

Last Week

Wofford saw its 11-game regular-season winning streak, spanning more than a calendar year, come to an end with a loss at Georgia Southern. It was the Eagles' first win over the Terriers since 2001.

It was also Wofford's first SoCon defeat since Nov. 16, 2002. The Terriers even saw their perfect record on FSN South come to a close. Wofford had been 5-0 all-time in games televised by the network.

Wofford free safety **Alex Love** blocked a third-quarter punt to set up the Terriers' first score. It was the fourth career punt block for Love.

Wofford has now blocked 13 punts dating back to the 2000 season and 45 in coach **Mike Ayers'** 17-year tenure.

Terrier quarterbacks **Trey Rodgers**, **Jeff Zolman** and **Josh Collier** combined to complete 8-of-12 passes for 71 yards. Collier made his collegiate debut and had a 15-yard touchdown toss to **Colby Harris**, who had three receptions for 45 yards. Five other Wofford players had at least one catch.

Terrier freshman **Josh Syria**, just the third Wofford punter in the last nine seasons, averaged 41.0 yards on seven attempts. The Wenatchee, Wash., native has been regularly posting hang times greater than 4.1 seconds and has a season mark of 41.4 yards.

Gabriel Jackson was the Terriers' top ground gainer at Georgia Southern with 55 yards on four attempts.

Wofford (1-1, 0-1)

Sept. 11	at South Carolina State	24-22
Sept. 18	at Georgia Southern*	14-58
Sept. 25	JOHNSON C. SMITH	7:00
Oct. 2	CHATTANOOGA*	7:00
Oct. 9	at Elon*	6:00
Oct. 16	WESTERN CAROLINA*	1:30
Oct. 23	at Appalachian State*	3:00
Oct. 30	THE CITADEL*	1:30
Nov. 6	GARDNER-WEBB	1:30
Nov. 13	FURMAN*	1:00
Nov. 20	at VMI	1:00
*SoCon g	rame	

Johnson C. Smith (0-4, 0-0)

Aug. 28	at North Carolina Central*	0-52						
Sept. 4	at Shaw*	14-49						
Sept. 11	at Georgia Southern	3-84						
Sept. 18	at Morehouse	13-31						
Sept. 25	at Wofford	7:00						
Oct. 2	at Livingstone*	6:00						
Oct. 9	ST. AUGUSTINE'S*	6:00						
Oct. 16	at Fayetteville State*	7:30						
Oct. 23	WINSTON-SALEM ST.*	6:00						
Oct. 30	BOWIE STATE*	1:00						
*CIAA game								

Worth Noting

- •With an enrollment of 1,100 students, Wofford is the smallest school in Division I-A or I-AA football. The SAT average (1247) on campus is higher than the enrollment.
- •Since 2002, Wofford is the SoCon's winningest football team with a 22-6 overall record (.786) and 14-3 league mark (.824).
- •Terrier defensive end **Lee Basinger** is one of 16 candidates for the Buck Buchanan Award as Division I-AA's Defensive Player of the **V**ear
- •Wofford is beginning a stretch that will see it play six home games in the next eight weeks.
- •Terrier running back **Kevious Johnson**, the 2003 SoCon Freshman of the Year, needs just 51 yards to reach 1,000 in his career.
- •Wofford's 2003 SoCon championship flag will be raised at Gibbs Stadium in a halftime ceremony.

Terriers on the Tube



Hosted by weekend sports anchor/reporter **Todd Summers** of WSPA-TV, Wofford Football Illustrated is seen on WASV-TV (sister station of CBS-affiliate WSPA) each Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

WASV-TV is part of the nation's 35th-largest television market and covers the Spartanburg/Greenville/Asheville/Anderson area.

Dining with The Coach

The Mike Ayers Media Luncheon is held each Monday at 11:30 a.m. in the Ginko Room of the Burwell Building on the Wofford campus.

All media members are invited. Players are available on request. Please notify Wofford SID **Mark Cohen** if you plan on attending.

Football Anyone?

Nearly one out of every five males on the Wofford campus is on the football team.

The Wofford student body of 1,100 is divided nearly equally between 550 males and 550 females. This year's Terrier football roster has 96 players. With roughly 300 student-athletes on campus, more than 25 percent of Wofford's student body is on an athletic team.

If Ohio State had the same ratio of football players to males in the student body, the Buckeye football roster would have approximately 4,233 players.

Hail to the Chief

Two of Wofford's last four student body presidents (**Ben Foster**, 2001-02; **J.R. McNair**, 2003-04) have been starting running backs on the Terrier football team.

Academic Dominance

With six selections, Wofford dominated the 2003 Academic All-District team. No other school had more than two players on the squad.

The Terriers have led the way in each of the last four years in placing members on the Academic All-District team, which combines Division I-A and I-AA institutions in a five-state region. To be eligible, a player must have a 3.2 cumulative GPA and be a starter or key reserve.

Wofford fullback and student body president J.R. McNair was joined on last year's squad by defensive linemen Katon Bethay and Ben Whitney, inside linebacker Josh Smith and defensive backs Shane Fast and Jonathan Wheeler.

Wofford also had six players receive honors in 2002 with no other school having more than four selections.

Wofford and Florida tied for the most selections in 2001 with four. In the 2000 campaign, Wofford had six players on the team while no other school had more than three.

Terriers Heard Worldwide on the Web

Originating through AM 910 WSPA, Wofford football games are broadcast worldwide on the Internet with **Mark Hauser** on the playby-play, **Thom Henson** the color commentary and **Tom Brown** on sideline analysis.

TEAMLINE brings the Terrier broadcasts to the web at www.teamline.cc.

Those without Internet access can pick up the game from anywhere in the country through TEAMLINE by dialing 1-800-846-4700. The Wofford code is 1099.

SoCon Teleconference

The Southern Conference holds a weekly teleconference throughout the season with the league's eight head football coaches. The teleconference is open to members of the media each Tuesday from 10 a.m. - 11:04 a.m. Eastern time. Each coach has eight minutes to make an opening statement and answer questions.

<u>Time (Eastern)</u>	Coach, School
10:00 - 10:08	Jerry Moore, Appalachian State
10:08 - 10:16	John Zernhelt, The Citadel
10:16 - 10:24	Paul Hamilton, Elon
10:24 - 10:32	Bobby Lamb, Furman
10:32 - 10:40	Mike Sewak, Georgia Southern
10:40 - 10:48	Rodney Allison, Chattanooga
10:48 - 10:56	Kent Briggs, Western Carolina
10:56 - 11:04	Mike Ayers, Wofford

SoCon Teleconference Number 1-866-375-5101

Terriers Among Quickest to Capture Title

By capturing sole possession of the 2003 SoCon football championship, Wofford is tied for sixth in being the quickest to win a SoCon title after beginning play in the 84-year-old league:

Year in League	School (year of first title won)
1st	Georgia Southern (1993)
2nd	Chattanooga (1977)
2nd	East Carolina (1966)
4th	West Virginia (1953)
5th	Duke (1933)
7th	Wofford (2003)
7th	William & Mary (1942)
12th	Marshall (1988)

Undefeated League Champs

With an 8-0 record, last year's Wofford squad was just the seventh team to head to the Division I-AA playoffs with a perfect SoCon mark.

The postseason performance of the seven squads is impressive. Three reached the championship game with Marshall winning the national title in 1996. All seven clubs won their first-round game and only one failed to reach the semifinals:

Year	<u>Team</u>	<u>Postseason</u>
2003	Wofford	Lost in semifinals
1998	Georgia Southern	Lost in finals
1996	Marshall	Won national title
1995	Appalachian State	Lost in quarterfinals
1989	Furman	Lost in semifinals
1987	Appalachian State	Lost in semifinals
1985	Furman	Lost in finals

Wofford is the SoCon's winningest program since 2002

Dating back to the start of the 2002 season, Wofford has the top overall and league record among SoCon football members.

	Conference		nce	Overall	
<u>Team</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{W}}$	$\underline{\mathbf{L}}$	Pct.	$\underline{\mathbf{W}}$ $\underline{\mathbf{L}}$ $\underline{\mathbf{Pct.}}$	
Wofford	14	3	.824	22 6 .786	
Georgia Southern	13	4	.765	20 8 .714	
Appalachian State	13	4	.765	17 9 .654	
Furman	10	6	.625	17 9 .654	
VMI*	3	5	.375	6 6 500	
Western Carolina	6	10	.375	12 14 .462	
Chattanooga	5	11	.313	5 21 .192	
The Citadel	5	12	.294	9 16 .360	
East Tennessee State	4	12	.250	9 15 .375	
Elon^	1	7	.125	3 11 .214	

^{*2002} season only

Wofford sets the pace in graduation rates

Since 1997, Wofford is the only football-playing member of the SoCon to win the league's graduation rate trophy. Wofford has won the award four times.

1247 vs. 1100

Wofford College has a higher SAT average (1247) than enrollment (1100).

Wofford football can be found on the web at:

www.wofford.edu/athletics

About Wofford

- •Located in Spartanburg, S.C., Wofford is one of only five independent colleges and universities to have a Phi Beta Kappa chapter in the Carolinas (Davidson, Duke, Furman and Wake Forest are the others).
- •Wofford is one of just three Division I colleges or universities to have the nickname Terriers. The others are Boston University and St. Francis (N.Y.).
- •Founded in 1854, Wofford has an enrollment of 1,100 which makes it the smallest school in NCAA Division I-A or I-AA football
- •With 1,100 students, Wofford is the second smallest school in Division I. Only Centenary (La.) is smaller with 850 students. However, the Gentlemen do not field a football team.
- •Famous Wofford graduates include Carolina Panther owner and founder **Jerry Richardson** and Air Force football coach **Fisher DeBerry**.
- •Wofford ranks No. 1 among national liberal arts colleges in "operating efficiency," providing a quality education while spending relatively less.

In a recent NCAA Division I Graduation Rates Report, Wofford was the only school in the nation to rank in the Top 10 in all four categories: overall student-athlete graduation rate as well as those for the football, men's basketball and women's basketball teams.

Wofford and the NFL

Wofford College is the summer training camp site for the Carolina Panthers of the National Football League.

Panther owner and founder **Jerry Richardson** is a 1959 Wofford graduate and a former All-America wide receiver for the Terriers.

Seasoned Terriers

Wofford has 29 seniors on its 96-man 2004 roster. Included in that total are four fifth-year seniors (**Eric Deutsch**, **Shane Fast**, **Bill Pryor**, **Ryan Steele**). The Terriers have nine seniors eligible to return next fall for a fifth season of competition.

^{^2003} and 2004 season only

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When Last In Action

The following are the final statistics from Wofford's loss at Georgia Southern last week:

	Wofford	<u>GSU</u>
First Downs	10	24
Rushes - Yards	42 - 155	59 - 313
Passing Yards	71	188
Total Offense	226	501
Passes	12 - 8 - 1	10 - 8 - 0
Punts - Avg.	7 - 41.0	3 - 29.0
Fumbles - Lost	1 - 0	2 - 0
Penalties - Yards	4 - 27	4 - 31
Time of Possession	28:55	31:05

Wofford Individuals

Rushing

Jackson 4-55, K. Johnson 8-37, Dunn 4-19, Jones 3-15, Rodgers 4-14, Mungin 1-11, Collier 1-7, Zolman 11-1, Ware 4-0, Berry 1-(1), A. Johnson 1-(3)

Passing

Rodgers 7-4-1, 35 yards; Zolman 2-2-0, 24 yards; Collier 3-2-0, 12 yards

Receiving

Harris 3-45, A. Johnson 1-13, Berry 1-11, Beavin 1-6, Jackson 1-(1), Ware 1-(3)

Red Zone Work

Wofford has scored four touchdowns (two rushing, two passing) on its five possessions inside the red zone.

The Terriers' lone non-score was a missed 35-yard field goal at South Carolina State.

The Return Game

Terrier coach **Mike Ayers** has been especially pleased with the performance of the kickoff return unit.

Wofford is a close second in the SoCon with a 25.7 return average (Furman, 25.8) that also places 11th nationally.

This year's mark is over nine yards better than last year's 16.4 average. Wofford was at 16.1 in the 2002 campaign. The top mark for a Wofford team in Ayers' 17-year tenure is 20.7 in 1997.

Keyed by a 90-yard return for a touchdown on the opening kickoff of the season opener at South Carolina State, **Kevious Johnson** ranks fifth nationally in kickoff return average (36.0). It was Wofford's first kickoff return for a touchdown since 1982. Johnson is also the Terriers' leading rusher with 126 yards (4.5 per carry).

Average Size of Starting Lineups

	<u>Wofford</u>	J.C. Smith
Offensive Line*	6-3, 285	6-0, 313
Offensive Backs	5-11, 189	5-9, 187
Wide Receivers	5-8, 160	5-9, 178
Defensive Front	6-2, 267	6-2, 261
Linebackers	6-1, 219	6-0, 218
Secondary	5-11, 184	5-10, 180
*Includes tight end		

Basic Formations

Wofford Offense: Wingbone Wofford Defense: Multiple 50 Johnson C. Smith Offense: Multiple Johnson C. Smith Defense: 4-3

Class Breakdown

Wofford Offense -

5 seniors, 4 juniors, 2 sophomores, 0 freshmen

Johnson C. Smith Defense -1 senior, 3 juniors, 2 sophomores, 5 freshmen

Wofford Defense -

6 seniors, 4 juniors, 1 sophomore, 0 freshmen

Johnson C. Smith Offense 3 seniors, 2 juniors, 3 sophomores, 3 freshmen

The Head Coaches

Mike Ayers

Alma Mater: Georgetown (Ky.) '74

17th season at Wofford, 20th as a head coach
Record at Wofford: 103-78-1. Overall Record: 114-99-2.

Tim Harkness

Alma Mater: Johnson C. Smith '77
6th season at Johnson C. Smith, 6th as a head coach
Record at Johnson C. Smith: 10-44. Overall Record: 10-44.

Charting Wofford's Opponents

Opponent (this week's game; last week's result)	Record
S.C. State (Open; 55-20 at Savannah State)	2-1
Georgia Southern (at Chattanooga; 58-14 vs. Wofford)	2-1
Johnson C. Smith (at Wofford; 13-31 at Morehouse)	0-4
Chattanooga (vs. Georgia Southern; 20-65 vs. Jacksonville S	t.) 0-2
Elon (at North Carolina A&T 49-13 vs. Delaware State)	1-1
Western Carolina (at Gardner-Webb; 0-52 at Alabama)	2-1
Appalachian St. (at Northwestern St.; 28-14 vs. The Citadel) 2-1
The Citadel (at Auburn; 14-28 at Appalachian State)	0-1
Gardner-Webb (vs. Western Carolina; 6-38 vs. Furman)	1-2
Furman (at Pittsburgh; 38-6 at Gardner-Webb)	3-0
VMI (at William & Mary; 10-16 vs. Tennessee Tech)	0-3
Aggregate Record	13-17

The Head Coach

Mike Ayers, the Terriers' all-time winningest coach with 103 victories, is in his 17th year on the Wofford sideline.

Ayers was the 2003 recipient of the Eddie Robinson Award as Division I-AA's National Coach of the Year. The Cincinnati native has been named SoCon Coach of the Year three times in the last four seasons.

Ayers and **Bob Stoops** (Oklahoma) are the only two coaches to have been named AFCA Region Coach of the Year each of the last two campaigns.

Ayers was the 2002 Division I-AA National Coach of the Year by the College Sporting News (I-AA.org) in addition to being the runner-up for the Robinson Award.

Hello Neighbor

The 2004 campaign marks the 25th consecutive year that Wofford coach **Mike Ayers** and his offensive coordinator and neighbor **Wade Lang** are together in football.

Ayers and Lang not only have their offices side-by-side, they also live across the street from each other.

In 1980, when Ayers came to Wofford as an assistant coach, Lang was in his sophomore year. When Ayers left for the defensive coordinator position at East Tennessee State in 1983, Lang joined him in Johnson City as a graduate assistant before being elevated to a full-time position in 1985.

They both returned to Wofford in 1988 when Ayers was named the Terriers' head coach. He brought Lang with him as the quarterback coach. Lang then took over the offensive coordinator duties in 1990.

A Presidential Flavor to the Wofford Staff

Retired Wofford College president **Dr. Joe Lesesne** is in his fourth season on the Terrier football staff as a volunteer assistant coach working with the tight ends.

Lesesne retired in 2000 after a distinguished 28-year tenure as just the ninth president in the 150-year history of Wofford. He's teaching a class on the American Revolution this fall.

Lesesne is no stranger to football. Upon arriving at Wofford in 1964 as a history professor, he served four years (1965-68) as an assistant football coach for the Terriers under coach **Conley Snidow** and later **Jim Brakefield**. Lesesne also coached one season at Abbeville (S.C.) High School.

Ayers "Did You Knows?"

- •Now in his eighth SoCon season at Wofford, **Mike Ayers** ranks second behind Appalachian State's **Jerry Moore** (16 years) in terms of longest tenure for a SoCon coach at their current school.
- •An anonymous donor recently committed \$100,000 toward the creation of an endowed scholarship in honor of Ayers.
- •An ex-Marine, Ayers is a black belt in karate and an accomplished sketch artist.
- •Ayers teaches a karate class each spring at Wofford.
- •Ayers has been inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame at both his high school (Glen Este) and college (Georgetown) alma maters. At Georgetown (Ky.), Ayers competed on the football, baseball, wrestling and gymnastics teams.
- •In past years, Ayers drove the Terriers' equipment truck when it traveled.
- •In addition to personally powerwashing the Terriers' blocking sleds when they need cleaning, Ayers has also served as the weightlifting room handyman. When anything needs fixing, he simply grabs his hammer and goes to work.

Walking History

Sixty years ago, Wofford kicking coach **Lee Hanning** tumbled into the night sky over Normandy as a member of the 101st Airborne division in World War II.

Hanning was also involved in Operation Market Garden (depicted in the movie "A Bridge Too Far") where he once again jumped into occupied Holland. While resting and refitting from that operation, his unit was rushed by truck to Bastogne to stem the German counterattack at the Battle of the Bulge. He spent Christmas 1944 surrounded by superior enemy forces in sub-freezing temperatures.

Hanning came to be a member of the 101st when he was in England in the Quartermaster Corps and volunteered for the division.

Future Coach?

If he'd like to follow **Joe Lesesne** from the president's office to the football coaching staff, current Wofford president **Bernie Dunlap** does have a football background.

Dunlap earned All-Area honors as a starting fullback for Columbia (S.C.) High School as well as receiving a varsity letter as a halfback at the University of the South.

2004 Southern Conference Standings

	CONFERENCE			OVERALL		
Team	\mathbf{W}	\mathbf{L}	Pct.	\mathbf{W}	L	Pct.
Appalachian State	1	0	1.000	2	1	.667
Georgia Southern	1	0	1.000	2	1	.667
Chattanooga	0	0	.000	0	2	.000
Elon	0	0	.000	1	1	.500
Furman	0	0	.000	3	0	1.000
Western Carolina	0	0	.000	2	1	.667
Wofford	0	1	000	1	1	.500
The Citadel	0	1	.000	0	1	.000

This Week:

Furman at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Elon at North Carolina A&T, 1:30 p.m.
The Citadel at Auburn, 2:30 p.m.
Appalachian State at Northwestern State, 5 p.m.
*Georgia Southern at Chattanooga, 6 p.m.
Western Carolina at Gardner-Webb, 6 p.m.
Johnson C. Smith at Wofford, 7 p.m.
*SoCon game

Last Week:

*Georgia Southern 58, Wofford 14
*Appalachian State 28, The Citadel 14
Elon 49, Delaware State 13
Alabama 52, Western Carolina 0
Jacksonville State 65, Chattanooga 20
Furman 38, Gardner-Webb 6

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Wofford Honor Roll

Brad Anderson, C

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Lee Basinger, DE

- •2004 Buchanan Award Watch List
- •Ranked by The Sports Network as the No. 1 defensive lineman in Division I-AA
- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon

Katon Bethay, NT

- •Ranked by The Sports Network as the No. 7 defensive lineman in Division I-AA
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon in indoor track (shot put)

Eric Deutsch, OG

- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 consensus first-team All-America
- •2003 SoCon Jacobs Blocking Trophy recipient
- •2003 All-SoCon
- ullet 2002 third-team All-America by the National Football Gazette
- •2002 All-SoCon

Bobby Gibbs, OG

- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 consensus All-America
- •2003 All-SoCon

Kevious Johnson, HB

- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2004 preseason honorable-mention All-America by the *National Football Gazette*
- •2003 SoCon Freshman of the Year

Nick Robinson, PK

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Ryan Steele, SS

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Timmy Thrift, ILB

- •2004 preseason All-America by *Lindy's* and the *National Football Gazette*
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon

"They're the best, most sound team I've ever played in my whole life. Their secondary is never out of place."

> Tavarus Morgan, WR University of Georgia transfer now playing for South Carolina State September 11,2004

Speaking of Wofford and Coach Ayers

"In all sincerity, that is the best coached and most disciplined football team I've seen in my 10 years on the I-AA level."

Coach David Elson of 2002 national champion Western Kentucky following Wofford's 34-17 victory over the Hilltoppers in the quarterfinal round of the 2003 playoffs

"You think a coach at any other school would let me participate in a fourth of the stuff that I do here? Coach Ayers has so much trust in us. He realizes we're more than athletes, and we're more than students. We're people. Football, that's a big part of the college experience but it's not all of it."

> J.R. McNair Wofford's All-SoCon fullback and 2003-04 student body president

"The Terriers really belong in the Ivy League because Wofford students' average SAT score (1247) is higher than the school's enrollment."

> Ron Morris, columnist The State (Columbia, S.C.) October 26, 2003

"Per enrollment -- 1,100 -- doesn't defending Southern Conference champ Wofford have the best football program in the world."

> Gene Sapakoff Post and Courier (Charleston, S.C.) July 11, 2004

"There are no junk courses at Wofford that we could see, and we would certainly match its course of study with that of any school in the Ivy League."

National Review's Guide to the Best Liberal Arts Colleges "America's Top 50 Liberal Arts Schools"

Magic Numbers

•Wofford has won its last 21 games in which it scored first. The streak dates back to an Oct. 27, 2001 contest at The Citadel.

Since the start of the 2001campaign, the Terriers are 3-11 in their last 14 outings when the opponent scored first. Two of those wins have come in the last seven contests, including a 34-17 win over Western Kentucky in the quarterfinals of the 2003 Division I-AA playoffs.

- •Wofford has won 46 consecutive games when holding a halftime lead. The Terriers' last loss when leading at the break was a 20-16 defeat to Elon on Nov. 4, 1995. Wofford held a 9-3 halftime edge that night.
- •Wofford has a 65-2-1 record in the 68 games under coach **Mike Ayers** in which it has allowed 16 or fewer points.
- •Dating back to the final game of the 2000 campaign (a 24-6 win at Division I-A Louisiana-Monroe), Wofford has surrendered just 299 points (11.1 per game) in its last 27 wins.

Steady Improvements

With the exception of 2001, when it was beset by injuries and faced Division I-AA's toughest schedule with road games at Clemson and South Carolina, Wofford has consistently improved its year-by-year record since beginning SoCon play in 1997:

<u>Year</u>	Record	Place
1997	3-7, 2-6	8th
1998	4-7, 3-5	7th
1999	6-5, 5-3	4th
2000	7-4, 5-3	4th
2001	4-7, 3-5	6th
2002	9-3, 6-2	2nd
2003	12-2, 8-0	1st

Terriers Well Over .500 in SoCon History

Wofford's all-time SoCon mark is 32-25 (.561), an impressive feat considering that its debut season in 1997 represented just its third year on the Division I-AA level.

8 vs. 8

Wofford has the same number of fourth-down attempts (5-of-8, 62.5 percent) as punts this season.

Fourth Down: No Problem

In 2003, Wofford again topped the SoCon in fourth-down conversions (32) and attempts (51) while placing second in percentage (62.7).

The Terriers scored 11 touchdowns on fourth downs. Only two other SoCon teams had more than 20 fourth-down attempts.

Listed below is Wofford's fourth-down breakdown over the last six seasons:

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Total	116-of-194,59.8%	59-of-114,51.8%
2004	5-of-8,62.5%	2-of-3,66.7%
2003	32-of-51,62.7%	20-of-38,52.6%
2002	19-of-36,52.8%	9-of-13,69.2%
2001	21-of-33,63.6%	10-of-20,50.0%
2000	15-of-27,55.6%	7-of-18,38.9%
1999	24-of-39,61.5%	11-of-22,50.0%
<u>Year</u>	4th-down attempts	4th-down attempts
	Terrier	Opponent

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Southpaw Notables

- •Wofford quarterback **Jeff Zolman** ranks fourth in both career rushing (1,200) and passing yards (955) among active SoCon players.
- •Zolman, the Terriers' career leader in completion percentage (58.8,77-of-131), is 4-of-4 in the air this season for a 352.6 pass efficiency rating.
- •A native of Dayton, Ohio, Zolman attempted more passes as a senior at Chaminade-Julienne High School (197) than he has in his four-year Terrier career (131). Zolman was 112-of-197 (56.9 percent) his senior season in throwing for 1,695 yards with 15 touchdowns and six interceptions. He had a career prep completion percentage of 56.2 (259-of-461) while totaling 3,632 yards in the air with 31 touchdowns and just 15 picks.
- •The Terriers have a 19-4 record with Zolman as the starting quarterback.
- •With a 21-yard scoring toss to **Aaron Johnson** on a 4th-and-5 play in the season opener at S.C. State, he has already equaled his touchdown pass total from a year ago.

Quick Hits

•Wofford had an 11-game regular-season winning streak, encompassing more than a full calendar year, snapped at Georgia Southern.

The Terriers' last loss in the regular season had been a 49-0 defeat at Air Force on Aug. 30, 2003.

Wofford's last regular-season loss to a Division I-AA opponent was also its most recent SoCon defeat, nearly two years ago (23-21 to Furman, Nov. 16, 2002).

- •Wofford's 24-22 win at South Carolina State was just its second season-opening win in the last seven years.
- •S.C. State was Wofford's first Division I-AA season-opening opponent since 2000. The Terriers faced I-A Clemson in 2001 and Air Force last year. Wofford also had a 2002 opening date with Division II Newberry.
- •The Terriers had two road games to start a season for the first time since 1995.

Gibbs Stadium

Wofford posted an 8-0 home record last season and is 12-1 over the last two years at Gibbs Stadium.

Since opening midway through the 1996 campaign, Gibbs Stadium has seen the Terriers post a 29-12 home record (.707).

With a capacity of 13,000, Gibbs Stadium is the third youngest facility in the Southern Conference. Only Elon's Rhodes Stadium (2001) and Chattanooga's Finley Stadium (1997) are newer.

Two-Sport Terriers

•Starting nose tackle **Katon Bethay** is the only Wofford student-athlete to earn All-SoCon honors in more than one sport.

In addition to being an All-League selection on the gridiron, Bethay became the Terriers' first-ever All-SoCon performer in indoor track and field with his efforts in the shot put during the 2003 season.

•Free safety **Alex Love** qualified for All-SoCon accolades in the 60-meter hurdles for the 2004 Wofford indoor track and field team.

The Airborne Unit

The Terriers take tremendous pride in their punt block team known as the "Airborne Unit."

The Terriers blocked four punts last season and have 13 blocks since the start of the 2000 campaign and 45 in coach **Mike Ayers'** 17-year tenure.

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Coaching Stability

Mike Ayers is in his 17th season as Wofford's coach. His assistants have also been models of stability, including four of them being Wofford graduates:

Off. Coordinator Wade Lang* (17th year)
Kicking Coach Lee Hanning (15th year)
Def. Coordinator Nate Woody* (14th year)
Def. Line Coach Jack Teachey (11th year)
Wide Receiver Coach Bruce Lackey (10th year)
Outside LB Coach Thomas Neel (7th year)
RB Coach Freddie Brown* (6th year)
Secondary Coach Terry Lantz (5th year)
Tight End Coach Joe Lesesne^ (4th year)
Off. Line Coach Eric Nash* (2nd year)

*Wofford graduate and former Terrier student-athlete ^Served as Wofford's president for 28 years (1972-2000)

Finally ...

•**Kevious Johnson's** 90-yard kickoff return for a touchdown at South Carolina State broke a 22-year drought for the Terriers.

Wofford had not returned a kickoff for a touchdown since 1982 when **Craig Best** took one back 93 yards versus Elon.

Johnson's return versus the Bulldogs came on the opening kickoff of the season opener.

•Wofford's last punt return for a touchdown was in 1997 when **Tony Young** went 84 yards against Charleston Southern.

A Late Addition

The only Terrier not included in this year's media guide is kickoff specialist **Philip Trotter**.

Trotter is in his first season with the Wofford football team. However, he's a veteran of athletic competition for the Terriers. He was the starting goalkeeper on the Wofford men's soccer team the last two years.

Unlike fellow Terrier placekicker **Nick Robinson**, who had never played football until joining the Terriers last fall, Trotter has experience on the gridiron. The senior from Charlotte, N.C., kicked for his South Mecklenburg High School football team.

A Tenured Position

Freshman **Josh Syria** (pronounced SIGH-REE) is just the third Wofford punter in the last nine seasons.

His two predecessors (**Brandon Kale**, 1996-99; **Jimmy Miner**, 2000-03) were both four-year starters who went on to sign National Football League contracts. Kale inked a deal with the Carolina Panthers while Miner became a St. Louis Ram.

Syria, who has had hang times of 4.17 seconds, is averaging 41.4 yards to rank second in the SoCon and 17th nationally. The Terriers are sixth in the country in net punting (41.4).

Syria (Wenatchee, Wash.) is believed to be the first-ever native of the state of Washington to play for the Terriers.

Hey Neighbor

Wofford offensive tackle and Tampa native **Brad Birrenkott** is a neighbor of New York Yankee owner **George Steinbrenner**.

Birrenkott is also a season-ticket holder for the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

The Three-Headed QB Monster

Wofford's successful quarterback tandem of **Trey Rodgers** and **Jeff Zolman** may soon become a three-man battle with the emergence of **Josh Collier**.

A sophomore from Bonaire, Ga., Collier did not see game action in 2003 and will have three years of eligibility remaining after this season.

Zolman, who has a 19-4 record as the Terriers' starting quarterback, was ranked in the preseason by The Sports Network as the nation's third-best option quarterback.

Air Ayers

- •Four of Wofford's 10 longest plays from scrimmage this season are via the pass.
- •Terrier quarterbacks are 10-of-17 (58.8 percent) in the air for 128 yards and two touchdowns in the opening two games. Wofford had six scoring passes last season.
- •Walk-on **Colby Harris** is Wofford's top receiver with three catches for 45 yards. Six Terriers have accounted for the 10 receptions.

A Thrifty Deal

With a team-high 23 stops this season, All-SoCon and preseason All-America inside linebacker **Timmy Thrift** is climbing the Terriers' tackle charts.

His 222 career stops rank fourth in the Terriers' 10-season Division I-AA era (1995-present). Thrift is just 15 tackles from the No. 2 spot behind **Matt Nelson** (452, 2000-03).

A Poll Fixture

With appearances in each of the last 30 polls, Wofford holds the SoCon's longest current streak for consecutive rankings in The Sports Network Division I-AA Top 25.

Notches on the Resume

- •The Terriers' 12-game winning streak last season was tied for the third-longest in the SoCon since 1980 (Marshall 15, 1996; Georgia Southern 14, 1998; Appalachian State 12, 1995; Furman 12, 1989).
- •After being selected by the league coaches to finish fifth in the SoCon, Wofford was the lowest preseason pick to win the outright championship since 1992.
- •Wofford is the only team to have defeated Georgia Southern and Appalachian State in each of the last two seasons.

The Winningest Summer Camp Locale

The two teams that hold their preseason training camps at Wofford both had championship seasons in 2003.

The Terriers captured the SoCon title and advanced to the Division I-AA national semifinals, while the Carolina Panthers were NFC champions in just their ninth year of existence.

Supporting the Terriers

Wofford enjoyed a record-setting pace for attendance at Gibbs Stadium last year with an average crowd of 9,168 in eight home contests.

The Terriers ranked 41st nationally in home attendance out of 120 Division I-AA programs, an impressive feat considering that Wofford is the smallest school playing Division I football.

Wofford set a single-game Gibbs Stadium mark with a crowd of 11,486 for South Carolina State on Sept. 6.

WOFFORD VS. JOHNSON C. SMITH

Long Distance Terriers

Listed below are Wofford's longest plays from scrimmage this year. The Terriers' "Air Ayers" offense has accounted for three of the top four.

Yards	Play

- 47 Gabriel Jackson run at Georgia Southern, Sept. 18
- 36 Jeff Zolman pass to Brandon Berry at South Carolina State, Sept. 11
- 21 Jeff Zolman TD pass to Aaron Johnson at South Carolina State, Sept. 11
- 19 Trey Rodgers pass to Colby Harris at Georgia Southern, Sept. 18
- 19 Kevious Johnson run at Georgia Southern, Sept. 18
- 19 **Jeff Zolman** run at Georgia Southern, Sept. 18
- 18 Kevious Johnson run at South Carolina State, Sept. 11
- 18 Jeff Zolman run at South Carolina State, Sept. 11
- 16 Trey Rodgers run at South Carolina State, Sept. 11
- 15 Josh Collier TD pass to Colby Harris at Georgia Southern, Sept. 18

Top 7 Terriers

Listed below are Wofford's top individual rushing performances this season.

Name	Opponent	Yards
Kevious Johnson	South Carolina State	89
Gabriel Jackson	Georgia Southern	55
Trey Rodgers	South Carolina State	48
Kevious Johnson	Georgia Southern	37
Jeff Zolman	South Carolina State	34
Gabriel Jackson	South Carolina State	31
Corey Dunn	South Carolina State	28

Wofford Players of the Week

Opponent Offense Defense

S.C. State Kevious Johnson, RB Lee Basinger, DE Georgia Southern Colby Harris, WR Timmy Thrift, ILB

Terrier Scoring Drives

With the exception of **Kevious Johnson's** kickoff return for a touchdown, all of Wofford's scoring drives this season have gone at least 50 yards. Three reached double digits in plays:

Opponent	<u>Plays</u>	Yards	<u>TOP</u>
South Carolina State*	0	0	:00
South Carolina State	13	70	5:36
South Carolina State	10	54	4:39
South Carolina State	10	63	4:44
Georgia Southern	7	50	2:45
Georgia Southern	4	57	1:54

^{*}Kickoff return for a TD

Knocking Them Down

Wofford's offensive linemen stage a heated battle each season for the team lead in knockdown blocks. Listed below are the totals through the opening two games.

Eric Deutsch, RG 23 Kevin Hodapp, RT 20 Bobby Gibbs, LG 17 Brad Birrenkott, LT 15 Brad Anderson, C 9

Deutsch and Gibbs were 2003 consensus All-Americas with Deutsch receiving the SoCon Jacobs Blocking Trophy as the league's top offensive lineman. Both players are consensus preseason All-America selections this fall.

Home-Opening Notes

- •Wofford is 8-8 in home openers under coach **Mike Ayers**.
- •When allowing 14 or fewer points in a home opener under Ayers, Wofford is 7-0.
- •Wofford has won its last three home openers by a combined 118-23 score (35-10 vs. Charleston Southern, 2001; 48-0 vs. Newberry, 2002; 35-13 vs. South Carolina State, 2003).

Strength of Schedule

- •The Wofford football team, having faced eight Division I-A opponents in the previous six seasons, annually plays one of the toughest schedules in the nation for a Division I-AA member.
- •The Terriers opened last year at Air Force and played at defending ACC champion Maryland in 2002. While taking on Clemson and South Carolina in the 2001 campaign, Wofford was the nation's only I-AA team to face a pair of bowl teams that season.
- •The Terriers had four I-AA playoff teams on their 2000 schedule as well as Division I-A Louisiana-Monroe (Wofford won 24-6).
- •In 1999, Wofford was one of just three I-AA teams to face two I-A opponents.
- •The 1998 campaign saw the Terrier schedule ranked as the eighth-most difficult in the nation with the 11 opponents combining for a .563 winning percentage.

Coming Back after Defeat

Wofford has won its last six games after suffering a loss.

The Terriers have not had back-to-back defeats since falling to South Carolina and Furman late in the 2001 campaign.

A Busy Signal Caller

In addition to seeing action at quarterback, **Josh Collier** is also on the Terriers' punt block and kickoff return units.

Projected to be Wofford's starting signal caller next season, Collier actually saw game action for the first time as a Terrier in special teams roles instead of behind center.

Against Georgia Southern, Collier recovered a blocked punt by **Alex Love** that set up Wofford's first score.

Later in the contest, Collier made his collegiate debut at quarterback and tossed a 15-yard touchdown pass to **Colby Harris**.

JOHNSON WOFFORD VS. C. SMITH

A Statistical Comparison

	Johnson C. Smith	Wofford
Points per game - allowed	7.5 - 54.0	19.0 - 40.0
Rushing yards per game - allowed	103.0 - 340.8	201.0 - 201.5
Passing yards per game - allowed	104.8 - 126.2	64.0- 229.0
Total net yards per game - allowed	207.8 - 467.0	265.0 - 430.5
Punts - average	25 - 28.8	7 - 41.4
Penalties - yards	28 - 235	11 - 80
Turnover Margin (takeaways/giveaways)	-6 (7/13)	E (3/3)
Fumbles - Lost	12 - 6	4 - 1
Third-Down Conversions - allowed	22.0% - 55.3%	28.0% - 64.3%
Time of Possession - allowed	31:58 - 28:02	30:22 - 29:38

RCB

Kemp

Kemp

Did You Know?

Terrier football coach Mike Ayers was hired in 1988 over a chocolate milkshake at the Biltmore Dairy Bar in Asheville, N.C., by then Wofford athletic director and now Southern Conference commissioner Danny Morrison.

Coaching Genes

Wofford freshman safety **Dan Tavani** is the son of Lafayette College head football coach Frank Tavani.

Lafayette is 2-1 after dropping a 35-18 decision to Princeton last weekend.

Ground Travel Preferred

Since the start of the 2002 season, Wofford is 10-2 when traveling to a road game via bus and 0-3 when flying.

Wofford Starting Lineup											
	SCSU	GSU	JCSU	UTC	ELON	WCU	ASU	CIT	GWU	FUR	VMI
<u>Offense</u>											
LT	Olmsted	Birrenkott									
LG	Gibbs	Gibbs									
C	Anderson	Anderson									
RG	Deutsch	Deutsch									
RT	Hodapp	Hodapp									
TE	Regenthal	Regenthal									
WR	Berry	Berry									
QB	Rodgers	Rodgers									
RB	K. Johnson	K. Johnson									
НВ	A. Johnson	Mungin (WR	(3)								
НВ	Dunn	Dunn									
<u>Defense</u>											
DE	Basinger	Basinger									
NT	Bethay	Bethay									
DE	Whitney	Whitney									
OLB	Freland	Freland									
ILB	Thrift	Thrift									
ILB	Thurman	Thurman									
OLB	Hoover	Hoover									
LCB	Stuckey	Stuckey									
FS	Love	Love									
SS	Steele	Steele									

WOFFORD COLLEGE TWO-DEEP

(updated Sept. 18, 2004)

OFFENSE

LEFT GUARD CENTER RIGHT GUARD

79 Brad Birrenkott (6-5, 280, Jr.) 65 Bobby Gibbs (6-3, 295, Sr.) 71 Brad Anderson (6-2, 285, Jr.) 77 Eric Deutsch (6-4, 330, Sr.) 69 Davy Olmsted (6-4, 295, Jr.) 61 Derek Tiller (6-0, 275, So.) 68 Marty Bauer (6-2, 290, So.) 68 Marty Bauer (6-2, 290, So.)

RIGHT TACKLE TIGHT END WIDE RECEIVER QUARTERBACK

78 Kevin Hodapp (6-3, 280, Sr.)
88 Adam Regenthal (6-3, 242, Sr.) 13 Brandon Berry (5-8, 160, So.)
18 Trey Rodgers (6-0, 185, Sr.) OR
72 Tim Beckner (6-3, 275, Jr.)
86 Cody Garland (6-4, 255, Jr.)
8 Ben Mungin (5-9, 185, Sr.)
15 Jeff Zolman (6-1, 190, Sr.)

HALFBACK RUNNING BACK HALFBACK

34 Corey Dunn (5-11, 205, Jr.)
20 Kevious Johnson (5-9, 180, So.)
22 Aaron Johnson (5-10, 185, Jr.)
23 Gabriel Jackson (5-9, 185, Jr.)
3 Mike Jones (5-10, 195, Sr.)
2 Terrance Ware (5-9, 180, So.)

DEFENSE

DEFENSIVE END NOSE TACKLE DEFENSIVE END

96 Ben Whitney (6-3, 260, Sr.) 92 Katon Bethay (6-2, 285, Jr.) 75 Lee Basinger (6-1, 255, Sr.) 91 Bill Pryor (6-2, 250, Sr.) 90 Bryan Blair (5-9, 265, So.) 97 Josh Dorr (6-1, 250, So.)

OUTSIDE LINEBACKER

43 Steve Hoover (6-1, 210, Sr.)

INSIDE LINEBACKER

INSIDE LINEBACKER

44 Timmy Thrift (6-0, 220, Sr.)

54 Jimmy Freland (5-11, 220, Sr.)

28 Derek Newberry (6-3, 218, Jr.) 57 Josh Smith (6-1, 215, Sr.) 45 Justin Franklin (6-2, 235, So.) 35 Andrew Nelson (5-11, 215, Sr.)

 LEFT CORNERBACK
 FREESAFETY
 STRONG SAFETY
 RIGHT CORNERBACK

 16 Dedrick Stuckey (5-10, 180, Jr.)
 11 Alex Love (5-11, 180, Jr.)
 19 Ryan Steele (6-1, 200, Sr.)
 24 Brian Kemp (5-11, 175, So.)

 39 Jonathan Wheeler (6-2, 190, Sr.)
 7 Dan Tavani (6-0, 200, Fr.)
 33 Tony Jefferson (5-11, 192, Sr.)
 30 Zac Grey (5-11, 175, Fr.)

SPECIAL TEAMS

 PUNTER
 PLACEKICKER
 PUNT RETURNS
 KICKOFF RETURNS

 26 Josh Syria (6-3, 230, Fr.)
 27 Nick Robinson (5-10, 180, So.)
 31 Brandon Smith (5-11, 210, Sr.)
 20 Kevious Johnson (5-9, 180, So.)

26 Josh Syria (6-3, 230, Fr.) 27 Nick Robinson (5-10, 180, So.) 31 Brandon Smith (5-11, 210, Sr.) 20 Revious Johnson (5-9, 180, So.) 18 Trey Rodgers (6-0, 185, Sr.) 17 Philip Trotter (6-1, 185, Sr.) 30 Zac Grey (5-11, 175, Fr.) 8 Ben Mungin (5-9, 185, Sr.)

HOLDER SHORT SNAPPER LONG SNAPPER KICKOFFS

31 Brandon Smith (5-11, 210, Sr.) 63 Chris Collins (6-2, 250, Fr.) 56 Greg German (6-3, 225, So.) 27 Nick Robinson (5-10, 180, So.) 18 Trey Rodgers (6-0, 185, Sr.) 56 Greg German (6-3, 225, So.) 63 Chris Collins (6-2, 250, Fr.) 17 Philip Trotter (6-1, 185, Sr.)

Game 1 Wofford 24, S.C. State 22 Sept. 11; Orangeburg, S.C.

Kevious Johnson returned the opening kickoff 90 yards for a touchdown while rushing for a game-high 89 yards as Wofford withstood a late South Carolina State rally for a 24-22 victory in Orangeburg, S.C.

Johnson became the first Terrier since 1982 to return a kickoff for a touchdown.

The Terriers built a 24-3 lead midway through the third quarter. The Bulldogs scored a pair of touchdowns in the fourth quarter to pull within 24-22 with 10 seconds to play. However, Wofford defensive end and Buck Buchanan Award candidate **Lee Basinger** made the stop on a 2-point rush attempt that would have tied the game.

S.C. State wide receiver **Tavarus Morgan**, a transfer from the University of Georgia, had 11 receptions for 119 yards and two touchdowns. Both scores came in the fourth quarter.

"They're (Wofford) the best, most sound team I've ever played in my whole life," Morgan said after the game. "Their secondary is never out of place."

The Terriers were 4-of-5 on fourth-down attempts, including a 21-yard touchdown pass from **Jeff Zolman** to **Aaron Johnson**. Wofford punted just once in the game.

Wofford	14	3	7	0	24
S.C. State	3	0	7	12	22

First Quarter

- W K. Johnson 90 kickoff return (Robinson kick), 14:47
- S Gaston 22 field goal, 9:06
- W Rodgers 2 run (Robinson kick), 1:50

Second Quarter

W - Robinson 40 field goal, 8:58

Third Quarter

- W A. Johnson 21 pass from Zolman (Robinson kick), 6:51
- S Freeman 1 run (Gaston kick), 3:44

Fourth Quarter

- S Morgan 7 pass from Young (Gaston kick failed), 12:24
- S Morgan 2 pass from Young (Martin rush failed), ·10

	Wofford	S.C. State
First Downs	18	21
Rushes - Yards	56 - 249	31 - 90
Passing Yards	57	270
Total Offense	306	360
Passes	5 - 2 - 1	37 - 24 - 2
Punts - Avg.	1 - 44.0	1 - 9.0
Fumbles - Lost	3 - 1	2 - 1
Penalties - Yards	7 - 53	4 - 41
Time of Possession	30:22	29:38

Wofford Individuals

Rushing

K. Johnson 20-89, Rodgers 8-48, Zolman 10-34, Jackson 4-31, Dunn 9-28, A. Johnson 3-14, Jones 2-5

Passing

Zolman 3-2-0, 57 yards, 1 TD; Rodgers 2-0-1

Receiving

Berry 1-36, A. Johnson 1-21

Game 2

Georgia Southern 58, Wofford 14 Sept. 18; Statesboro, Ga.

Wofford saw its 11-game regular-season winning streak, spanning more than a calendar year, come to an end with a loss at Georgia Southern. It was the Eagles' first win over the Terriers since 2001.

It was also Wofford's first SoCon defeat since Nov. 16, 2002. The Terriers even saw their perfect record on FSN South come to a close. Wofford had been 5-0 all-time in games televised by the network.

Wofford free safety **Alex Love** blocked a third-quarter punt to set up the Terriers' first score. It was the fourth career punt block for Love.

Terrier quarterbacks **Trey Rodgers**, **Jeff Zolman** and **Josh Collier** combined to complete 8-of-12 passes for 71 yards. Collier made his collegiate debut and had a 15-yard touchdown toss to **Colby Harris**, who had three receptions for 45 yards. Five other Wofford players had at least one catch.

Gabriel Jackson was the Terriers' top ground gainer with 55 yards on four attempts.

Wofford	0	0	7	7	14
GSU	17	21	0	20	58

First Ouarter

- G Craft 16 pass from Williams (Dudley kick), 12:26
- G Dudley 34 field goal, 5:48
- G Craft 52 pass from Williams (Dudley kick), :21

Second Quarter

- G Andrews 1 run (Dudley kick), 10:10
- G Williams 1 run (Dudley kick), 3:53
- G Andrews 3 run (Dudley kick),:13

Third Quarter

W - Jones 7 run (Robinson kick), 6:49

Fourth Ouarter

- G Andrews 20 run (Dudley kick failed), 12:25
- G Gehrsitz 13 run (Dudley kick), 12:08
- W Harris 15 pass from Collier (Robinson kick), 5:57
- G Foster 83 kickoff return (Dudley kick), 5:45

	Wofford	<u>GSU</u>
First Downs	10	24
Rushes - Yards	42 - 155	59 - 313
Passing Yards	71	188
Total Offense	226	501
Passes	12 - 8 - 1	10 - 8 - 0
Punts - Avg.	7 - 41.0	3 - 29.0
Fumbles - Lost	1 - 0	2 - 0
Penalties - Yards	4 - 27	4 - 31
Time of Possession	28:55	31:05

Wofford Individuals

Rushing Iackson

Jackson 4-55, K. Johnson 8-37, Dunn 4-19, Jones 3-15, Rodgers 4-14, Mungin 1-11, Collier 1-7, Zolman 11-1, Ware 4-0, Berry 1-(1), A. Johnson 1-(3)

<u>Passing</u>

Rodgers 7-4-1, 35 yards; Zolman 2-2-0, 24 yards; Collier 3-2-0, 12 yards

Receiving

Harris 3-45, A. Johnson 1-13, Berry 1-11, Beavin 1-6, Jackson 1-(1), Ware 1-(3)

Subject: A Q&A with Wofford football coach Mike Ayers

Date: September 21, 2004 at 4:04 PM

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Included below are a few of the questions asked of Wofford football coach Mike Ayers during his weekly Monday media luncheon.

Wofford had an 11-game regular-season winning streak, encompassing more than a full calendar year, snapped at Georgia Southern. The Terriers' last loss in the regular season had been a 49-0 defeat at Air Force on Aug. 30, 2003.

Wofford's last regular-season loss to a Division I-AA opponent had also been its most recent SoCon defeat, nearly two years ago (23-21 to Furman, Nov. 16, 2002).

Q: What were the biggest areas of concern coming out of the Georgia Southern game and heading into Saturday's Johnson C. Smith contest?

A: I think the No. 1 concern we have is getting our guys back mentally. No. 2 is getting them to understand that this is a tough game against a tough opponent. They have to understand in order to be successful, we have to be ready to play, to execute at a high level and understand that each game is critical. We need to get back to our winning ways and our winning attitude. Hopefully, that will start Saturday.

Q: You said you wanted to get back to the fundamentals. Was it something you saw on tape in the way guys were blocking or tackling?

A: It wasn't so much that we were tackling poorly. We just need to get back to the fundamentals of good football position, good hitting position, playing good zone defense, ball security, blocking punts and returning kicks. We just need to get back to the fundamentals.

Q: You told us you have high regard for Johnson C. Smith's efforts and how hard they play. Tell us about how Johnson C. Smith runs their offense. What is their plan of attack and what do they do best?

A: They've got a quarterback (Donja Goodson) who is a great athlete. He can get out of the pocket and cause us problems. They try to work a zone running game and throw the football around some. The offensive linemen are big and strong. The quarterback is the guy we are definitely going to have to be aware of as far as his scrambling ability. The defense moves anywhere from a 4-3 to a 50. I'm sure they have studied the Georgia Southern film. I think if we just execute like we know how to, we'll be alright.

Q: In the postgame television interview last week, you said, "Hey, it wasn't a good night at Georgia Southern but it's just one loss and, in the end, the margin of victory doesn't mean anything." Do you think the players came to practice on Sunday with the same realization?

A: We have some great guys and I know they didn't feel good about what happened in Statesboro. They understand what the long range plan is. We try to keep them in the moment

and not let them focus on past games -- the shouldas, couldas and wouldas. That's where you run into problems.

After playing their opening two games on the road, the ninth-ranked and defending SoCon champion Terriers make their 2004 home debut Saturday when they host Johnson C. Smith at 7 p.m.

Since 2002, Wofford is the SoCon's winningest team with a 22-6 overall record and 14-3 league mark.

Subject: Wofford football rolls past Johnson C. Smith

Date: September 25, 2004 at 10:35 PM

To:



Kevious Johnson had a pair of first-quarter touchdown runs to lead ninth-ranked Wofford to a 56-0 victory over Johnson C. Smith tonight at Gibbs Stadium in Spartanburg, S.C.

The Terriers have opened with a 2-1 record for just the third time since 1991. All three occasions have come in the last three seasons. Wofford was also 2-1 last year and 3-0 in 2002. It was the Terriers' first shutout since a 48-0 defeat of Newberry in the 2002 season opener. Wofford also posted its largest margin of victory since a 77-7 win over Lees-McRae in 1992.

"We knew we were a better football team than we showed last week," Wofford coach Mike Ayers said. "We worked hard, and I think that we improved and did some good things out there.

"The great thing is that we were able to play a lot of young kids which will help us down the road. Starting in the second quarter, we began to give them some game experience. I thought those young kids inside did a great job. Anytime you get a big play, it comes from the perimeter blocking and those guys did a great job of staying on the block. We ran it right, we executed and good things happened."

After opening with a pair of road games, the Terriers were making their 2004 home debut. At halftime, Wofford raised flags at Gibbs Stadium commemorating its 2003 SoCon championship and Division I-AA national semifinal appearance.

The 56 points are the most for Wofford since a 59-14 win over VMI in 2001.

Johnson, who had 57 yards rushing on seven carries, had touchdowns runs of one and 39 yards in the opening 10:29. Sandwiched in between was a Brian Kemp 55-yard interception return for a touchdown as the Terriers took a 21-0 lead after the first quarter.

Wofford also scored 21 second-quarter points as Aaron Johnson, Gabriel Jackson and Trey Rodgers had scoring runs to give the Terriers a 42-0 halftime lead. Eleven different Wofford players had at least one carry in the first half with a total of 14 Terriers having at least one rushing attempt in the game.

Wofford has won 22 straight games when scoring first and 47 in a row when leading at the half.

The Terriers extended their margin to 49-0 on the opening Johnson C. Smith series of the third quarter. After a short pass completion from Bernard Hawk II to Henry Willoughby, Ryan Steele forced a fumble that was returned 14 yards for a touchdown by defensive end Alex Schaefer.

The Terriers' final score of the night came with 2:17 left in the third quarter when freshman Adrian Young scored on a 2-vard run.

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Wofford held Johnson C. Smith (0-5) to 26 yards rushing on 36 attempts and 90 yards in total offense. Hawk completed 9-of-21 passes for 64 yards with three interceptions. In addition to Kemp's return for a touchdown, Alex Love and Derek Swindall also had picks for the Terriers who forced five turnovers. Wofford recorded four sacks totaling a loss of 33 yards.

Wofford returns to SoCon action next Saturday when it hosts Chattanooga at 7 p.m. Johnson C. Smith will be at Livingstone.

Subject: Wofford football's Kemp named SoCon Freshman of the Week

Date: September 27, 2004 at 2:33 PM

To:



Wofford cornerback Brian Kemp has been named the Southern Conference Freshman of the Week.

A native of Bowling Green, Fla., Kemp returned an interception 55 yards for a touchdown on Johnson C. Smith's second offensive series of the game. It highlighted a 21-point first quarter as the Terriers went on to post a 56-0 victory.

Kemp also had a team-high seven tackles (all solo) as Wofford held the Golden Bulls to just six first downs and 90 yards in total offense. Johnson C. Smith was limited to 26 yards rushing on 36 attempts.

The ninth-ranked Terriers return to SoCon play Saturday when they host Chattanooga at 7 p.m.

Subject: Wofford football holds at No. 9 in TSN Top 25 poll

Date: September 27, 2004 at 3:55 PM

To:



The Wofford football team remains at No. 9 in this week's Division I-AA Top 25 poll by The Sports Network.

With an appearance in each of the last 31 polls, Wofford holds the longest current streak among SoCon members for consecutive rankings in The Sports Network's Top 25.

The Terriers (2-1) return to SoCon play Saturday when they host Chattanooga at 7 p.m. Wofford is the defending SoCon champion and the league's winningest team since 2002 with a 23-6 overall record and 14-3 conference mark.

Listed below is this week's TSN Division I-AA poll:

- 1. Southern Illinois
- 2. Furman
- 3. Georgia Southern
- 4. Delaware
- 5. Stephen F. Austin
- 6. Western Kentucky
- 7. Montana
- 8. Maine
- 9. Wofford
- 10. Villanova
- 11. Colgate
- 12. New Hampshire
- 13. Cal Poly
- 14. Northwestern State
- 15. Northern Iowa
- 16. Northeastern
- 17. Hampton
- 18. Sam Houston State
- 19. Massachusetts
- 20. Northern Arizona
- 21. Lehigh
- 22. Jacksonville State
- 23. McNeese State
- 24. Appalachian State
- 25. James Madison

Subject: Three Wofford football players share team POTW honors

Date: September 27, 2004 at 3:57 PM

To:



The Spartanburg Touchdown Club will honor Wofford right tackle Kevin Hodapp as the Terriers' Offensive Player of the Week with cornerback Brian Kemp and defensive end Alex Schaefer sharing defensive honors.

The trio will be cited for their play in a 56-0 win over Johnson C. Smith. The Spartanburg Touchdown Club meets each Friday at noon in the downtown Marriott.

Hodapp totaled six knockdown blocks while grading out at 94.7 percent. For the season, the senior from Cincinnati, Ohio, has a team-high 26 knockdowns.

Kemp, also the SoCon Freshman of the Week, returned an interception 55 yards for a touchdown on Johnson C. Smith's second offensive series of the game. It highlighted a 21-point first quarter for the Terriers.

Kemp, a native of Bowling Green, Ky., also had a team-high seven tackles (all solo) as Wofford held the Golden Bulls to just six first downs and 90 yards in total offense. Johnson C. Smith was limited to 26 yards rushing on 36 attempts.

Schaefer, a junior from Arlington, Va., reached the end zone with a 14-yard fumble return. He totaled three tackles in addition to a pass breakup and a quarterback hurry.

Subject: Wofford football game notes - Saturday's 7 p.m. home date versus Chattanooga

Date: September 27, 2004 at 4:15 PM

To:



Attached as .pdfs is Wofford's football release and updated statistics for Saturday's 7 p.m. home game versus Chattanooga. The complete set of notes as well as stats can also be found on the Terriers' web site (www.wofford.edu/athletics). If you have any trouble accessing these files, please feel free to let me know.

Thanks.

Mark Cohen Associate AD/Media Relations Wofford College





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Game 4 Chattanooga at Wofford Oct. 2, 2004; 7 p.m. Gibbs Stadium (13,000); Spartanburg, S.C.

This Week

•The defending SoCon champion and ninth-ranked Wofford football team returns to league action when it hosts Chattanooga at 7 p.m. After opening the 2004 campaign with a pair of road contests, the Terriers are in the midst of a stretch that will see them play at Gibbs Stadium six times in eight weeks.

•Since beginning SoCon play in 1997, just its third year on the Division I-AA level, Wofford holds a 4-3 series lead over Chattanooga. The Terriers have won four of the last five meetings, including a 42-14 decision at Finley Stadium last season.

In the four years (1999, 2000, 2002, 2003) it defeated the Mocs, Wofford went on to post a combined SoCon record of 24-8 with a 34-14 overall mark. The Terriers were just 8-16 in the SoCon and 11-21 overall in the three years they lost to Chattanooga (1997, 1998, 2001).

The Mocs hold a 6-4 all-time series lead over the Terriers. The teams met three times previously to Wofford joining the SoCon with Chattanooga prevailing in each contest, beginning with a 38-7 win in 1927. The Mocs also defeated the Terriers in the 1968 and 1969 campaigns.

•In last year's meeting, graduated All-SoCon fullback and student body president **J.R. McNair** tied Terrier and SoCon single-game records by rushing for five touchdowns in a 42-14 Wofford win. McNair totaled 126 yards on the ground. **Ben Mungin**, now at wide receiver for the Terriers, received team Player of the Week honors as his blocking from the halfback position paved the way for McNair's record-setting day.

All-SoCon inside linebacker **Timmy Thrift** provided the Terriers' final points of the game when he returned an interception 100 yards for a touchdown. It set a Wofford record while tying SoCon and NCAA marks for distance. The Terriers forced four Moc turnovers in the game.

•Wofford has opened with a 2-1 record for just the third time since 1991. All three occurrences have come in the last three campaigns. The Terriers were 3-0 in 2002 and 2-1 last year.

Last Week

Kevious Johnson had a pair of first-quarter touchdown runs to lead Wofford to a 56-0 victory over Johnson C. Smith in the Terriers' home opener.

It was the Terriers' first shutout since a 48-0 win over Newberry in the 2002 season opener. Wofford also posted its largest margin of victory dating back to a 77-7 win over Lees-McRae in 1992. The 56 points were the most for Wofford since a 59-14 win over VMI in 2001.

Johnson, who had 57 yards rushing on seven carries, had touchdowns runs of one and 39 yards in the opening 10:29. Sandwiched in between was a **Brian Kemp** 55-yard interception return for a touchdown as the Terriers took a 21-0 lead after the first quarter.

Wofford also scored 21 second-quarter points as **Aaron Johnson**, **Gabriel Jackson** and **Trey Rodgers** had scoring runs to give the Terriers a 42-0 halftime lead. Eleven different Wofford players had at least one carry in the first half with a total of 14 Terriers having a rushing attempt in the game. Wofford used 72 players.

The Terriers extended their margin to 49-0 on the opening Johnson C. Smith series of the third quarter. After a short pass completion, strong safety **Ryan Steele** forced a fumble that was returned 14 yards for a touchdown by defensive end **Alex Schaefer**.

Wofford held Johnson C. Smith to 26 yards rushing on 36 attempts and 90 yards in total offense. In addition to Kemp's return for a touchdown, **Alex Love** and **Derek Swindall** also had picks for the Terriers. Wofford forced five turnovers and recorded four sacks.

Wofford (2-1, 0-1)

Sept. 11	at South Carolina State	24-22
Sept. 18	at Georgia Southern*	14-58
Sept. 25	JOHNSON C. SMITH	56-0
Oct. 2	CHATTANOOGA*	7:00
Oct. 9	at Elon*	6:00
Oct. 16	WESTERN CAROLINA*	1:30
Oct. 23	at Appalachian State*	3:00
Oct. 30	THE CITADEL*	1:30
Nov. 6	GARDNER-WEBB	1:30
Nov. 13	FURMAN*	1:00
Nov. 20	at VMI	1:00
*SoCon g	rame	

<u>Chattanooga (0-3,0-1)</u>

Sept. 11	at Memphis	21-52
Sept. 18	JACKSONVILLE STATE	20-65
Sept. 25	GEORGIA SOUTHERN*	17-51
Oct. 2	at Wofford*	7:00
Oct. 9	at Tennessee Tech	8:00
Oct. 16	ELON*	4:00
Oct. 23	at Western Carolina*	2:00
Oct. 30	APPALACHIAN STATE*	6:00
Nov. 6	at The Citadel*	2:00
Nov. 13	LIBERTY	1:30
Nov. 20	at Furman*	2:00
*SoCon g	rame	

Worth Noting

•With an enrollment of 1,100 students, Wofford is the smallest school in Division I-A or I-AA football. The SAT average (1247) on campus is higher than the enrollment.

•Since 2002, Wofford is the SoCon's winningest football team with a 23-6 overall record (.793) and 14-3 league mark (.824).

•Wofford has won 13 of its last 15 regularseason games and is 13-1 in its last 14 home contests.

•Chattanooga-area native **Jim Thurman** (Red Bank High School) is a starting inside linebacker for the Terriers. He has totaled 19 tackles, including a sack, to go with two fumble recoveries and an interception in two games against his hometown Mocs.

•Defensive end **Lee Basinger** is an official candidate for the Buck Buchanan Award as Division I-AA Defensive Player of the Year.

WOFFORD VS. CHATTANOOGA

Terriers on the Tube



Hosted by weekend sports anchor/reporter **Todd Summers** of WSPA-TV, Wofford Football Illustrated is seen on WASV-TV (sister station of CBS-affiliate WSPA) each Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

WASV-TV is part of the nation's 35th-largest television market and covers the Spartanburg/Greenville/Asheville/Anderson area.

Dining with The Coach

The Mike Ayers Media Luncheon is held each Monday at 11:30 a.m. in the Ginko Room of the Burwell Building on the Wofford campus.

All media members are invited. Players are available on request. Please notify Wofford SID **Mark Cohen** if you plan on attending.

Football Anyone?

Nearly one out of every five males on the Wofford campus is on the football team.

The Wofford student body of 1,100 is divided nearly equally between 550 males and 550 females. This year's Terrier football roster has 95 players. With roughly 300 student-athletes on campus, more than 25 percent of Wofford's student body is on an athletic team.

If Ohio State had the same ratio of football players to males in the student body, the Buckeye football roster would have approximately 4,233 players.

Hail to the Chief

Two of Wofford's last four student body presidents (**Ben Foster**, 2001-02; **J.R. McNair**, 2003-04) have been starting running backs on the Terrier football team.

Academic Dominance

With six selections, Wofford dominated the 2003 Academic All-District team. No other school had more than two players on the squad.

The Terriers have led the way in each of the last four years in placing members on the Academic All-District team, which combines Division I-A and I-AA institutions in a five-state region. To be eligible, a player must have a 3.2 cumulative GPA and be a starter or key reserve.

Wofford fullback and student body president J.R. McNair was joined on last year's squad by defensive linemen Katon Bethay and Ben Whitney, inside linebacker Josh Smith and defensive backs Shane Fast and Jonathan Wheeler.

Wofford also had six players receive honors in 2002 with no other school having more than four selections.

Wofford and Florida tied for the most selections in 2001 with four. In the 2000 campaign, Wofford had six players on the team while no other school had more than three.

Terriers Heard Worldwide on the Web

Originating through AM 910 WSPA, Wofford football games are broadcast worldwide on the Internet with **Mark Hauser** on the playby-play, **Thom Henson** the color commentary and **Tom Brown** on sideline analysis.

TEAMLINE brings the Terrier broadcasts to the web at www.teamline.cc.

Those without Internet access can pick up the game from anywhere in the country through TEAMLINE by dialing 1-800-846-4700. The Wofford code is 1099.

SoCon Teleconference

The Southern Conference holds a weekly teleconference throughout the season with the league's eight head football coaches. The teleconference is open to members of the media each Tuesday from 10 a.m. - 11:04 a.m. Eastern time. Each coach has eight minutes to make an opening statement and answer questions.

Time (Eastern)	Coach, School
10:00 - 10:08	Jerry Moore, Appalachian State
10:08 - 10:16	John Zernhelt, The Citadel
10:16 - 10:24	Paul Hamilton, Elon
10:24 - 10:32	Bobby Lamb, Furman
10:32 - 10:40	Mike Sewak, Georgia Southern
10:40 - 10:48	Rodney Allison, Chattanooga
10:48 - 10:56	Kent Briggs, Western Carolina
10:56 - 11:04	Mike Avers, Wofford

SoCon Teleconference Number 1-866-375-5101

Terriers Among Quickest to Capture Title

By capturing sole possession of the 2003 SoCon football championship, Wofford is tied for sixth in being the quickest to win a SoCon title after beginning play in the 84-year-old league:

Year in League	School (year of first title won)
1st	Georgia Southern (1993)
2nd	Chattanooga (1977)
2nd	East Carolina (1966)
4th	West Virginia (1953)
5th	Duke (1933)
7th	Wofford (2003)
7th	William & Mary (1942)
12th	Marshall (1988)

Undefeated League Champs

With an 8-0 record, last year's Wofford squad was just the seventh team to head to the Division I-AA playoffs with a perfect SoCon mark.

The postseason performance of the seven squads is impressive. Three reached the championship game with Marshall winning the national title in 1996. All seven clubs won their first-round game and only one failed to reach the semifinals:

<u>Team</u>	Postseason
Wofford	Lost in semifinals
Georgia Southern	Lost in finals
Marshall	Won national title
Appalachian State	Lost in quarterfinals
Furman	Lost in semifinals
Appalachian State	Lost in semifinals
Furman	Lost in finals
	Marshall Appalachian State Furman

Wofford is the SoCon's winningest program since 2002

Dating back to the start of the 2002 season, Wofford has the top overall and league record among SoCon football members.

	Conference		nce	Overall	
<u>Team</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{W}}$	$\underline{\mathbf{L}}$	Pct.	$\underline{\mathbf{W}}$ $\underline{\mathbf{L}}$ $\underline{\mathbf{Pct.}}$	
Wofford	14	3	.824	23 6 .793	
Georgia Southern	14	4	.778	20 8 .714	
Appalachian State	13	4	.765	17 10 .630	
Furman	10	6	.625	17 10 .630	
VMI*	3	5	.375	6 6 500	
Western Carolina	6	10	.375	12 15 .444	
Chattanooga	5	12	.294	5 22 .185	
The Citadel	5	12	.294	9 17 .346	
East Tennessee State	4	12	.250	9 15 375	
Elon^	1	7	.125	3 12 .200	

^{*2002} season only

Wofford sets the pace in graduation rates

Since 1997, Wofford is the only football-playing member of the SoCon to win the league's graduation rate trophy. Wofford has won the award four times.

1247 vs. 1100

Wofford College has a higher SAT average (1247) than enrollment (1100).

Wofford football can be found on the web at:

www.wofford.edu/athletics

About Wofford

- •Located in Spartanburg, S.C., Wofford is one of only five independent colleges and universities to have a Phi Beta Kappa chapter in the Carolinas (Davidson, Duke, Furman and Wake Forest are the others).
- •Wofford is one of just three Division I colleges or universities to have the nickname Terriers. The others are Boston University and St. Francis (N.Y.).
- •Founded in 1854, Wofford has an enrollment of 1,100 which makes it the smallest school in NCAA Division I-A or I-AA football
- •With 1,100 students, Wofford is the second smallest school in Division I. Only Centenary (La.) is smaller with 850 students. However, the Gentlemen do not field a football team.
- •Famous Wofford graduates include Carolina Panther owner and founder **Jerry Richardson** and Air Force football coach **Fisher DeBerry**.
- •Wofford ranks No. 1 among national liberal arts colleges in "operating efficiency," providing a quality education while spending relatively less.

In a recent NCAA Division I Graduation Rates Report, Wofford was the only school in the nation to rank in the Top 10 in all four categories: overall student-athlete graduation rate as well as those for the football, men's basketball and women's basketball teams.

Wofford and the NFL

Wofford College is the summer training camp site for the Carolina Panthers of the National Football League.

Panther owner and founder **Jerry Richardson** is a 1959 Wofford graduate and a former All-America wide receiver for the Terriers.

Seasoned Terriers

Wofford has 29 seniors on its 95-man 2004 roster. Included in that total are four fifth-year seniors (**Eric Deutsch**, **Shane Fast**, **Bill Pryor**, **Ryan Steele**). The Terriers have nine seniors eligible to return next fall for a fifth season of competition.

^{^2003} and 2004 season only

When Last In Action

The following are the final statistics from Wofford's 56-0 win over Johnson C. Smith last week:

	<u>Wofford</u>	<u>JCSU</u>
First Downs	16	6
Rushes - Yards	52 - 350	36 - 26
Passing Yards	10	64
Total Offense	360	90
Passes	9 - 2 - 1	21 - 9 - 3
Punts - Avg.	4 - 32.2	11 - 32.5
Fumbles - Lost	1 - 0	4 - 2
Penalties - Yards	1 - 5	3 - 25
Time of Possession	28:10	31:50

Wofford Individuals

Rushing

Rodgers 4-57, K. Johnson 7-57, Young 10-48, A. Johnson 2-48, Hobbs 3-38, Collier 9-31, Dunn 3-27, Ware 4-19, Jones 4-10, Berry 1-7, Sullivan 2-6, Patrick 1-2, Jackson 1-1, Zolman 1-(1)

Passing

Collier 4-1-1, 5 yards; Zolman 3-0-0; Rodgers 1-1-0, 5 yards; B. Smith 1-0-0

Receiving

Beavin 1-5, Harris 1-5

A Look Back

Listed below are the final statistics from Wofford's 42-14 win at Chattanooga last year:

	Wofford	<u>UTC</u>
First Downs	20	26
Rushes - Yards	56 - 365	35 - 103
Passing Yards	103	293
Total Offense	468	396
Passes	11 - 5 - 0	50 - 36 - 3
Punts - Avg.	3 - 43.3	3 - 45.7
Fumbles - Lost	2 - 1	1 - 1
Penalties - Yards	5 - 56	5 - 31
Time of Possession	28:05	31:55

Wofford Individuals

Rushing

McNair 20-126, Rodgers 4-59, Nash 1-54, Zolman 8-42, K. Johnson 10-24, A. Johnson 2-19, Ware 3-14, Mungin 1-12, Sullivan 3-8, Dorham 3-4, Beavin 1-3

Passing

Zolman 7-5-0, 103 yards; Rodgers 4-0-0

Receiving

Wood 2-68, Mungin 1-19, Berry 1-10, Nash 1-6

Average Size of Starting Lineups

_	Wofford	Chattanooga
Offensive Line*	6-3, 285	6-4, 283
Offensive Backs	5-11, 190	6-2, 225
Wide Receivers	5-8, 160	6-0, 181
Defensive Front	6-2, 267	6-4, 280
Linebackers	6-1, 219	6-2, 215
Secondary	5-11, 184	5-11, 185
*Includes tight end		

Basic Formations

Wofford Offense: Wingbone Wofford Defense: Multiple 50 Chattanooga Offense: Pro Style Chattanooga Defense: 4-2-5

Class Breakdown

Wofford Offense -

4 seniors, 4 juniors, 3 sophomores, 0 freshmen

Chattanooga Defense -

5 seniors, 2 juniors, 1 sophomore, 3 freshmen

Wofford Defense -

6 seniors, 4 juniors, 0 sophomores, 1 freshman

Chattanooga Offense

3 seniors, 5 juniors, 3 sophomores, 0 freshmen

The Head Coaches

Mike Ayers

Alma Mater: Georgetown (Ky.) '74

17th season at Wofford, 20th as a head coach
Record at Wofford: 104-78-1, Overall Record: 115-99-2.

Rodney Allison

Alma Mater: Texas Tech '80

2nd season at Chattanooga, 2nd as a head coach
Record at Chattanooga: 3-12. Overall Record: 3-12.

Charting Wofford's Opponents

Opponent (this week's game; last week's result) Rec	ord
S.C. State (vs. Tennessee State; Open)	-1
Georgia Southern (vs. Elon; 51-17 at Chattanooga) 3-	-1
Johnson C. Smith (at Livingstone; 0-56 at Wofford)	-5
Chattanooga (at Wofford; 17-51 vs. Georgia Southern)	-3
Elon (at Georgia Southern; 17-19 at North Carolina A&T)	-2
Western Carolina (at Furman; 20-26, OT, at Gardner-Webb) 2-	-2
Appalachian St. (vs. Texas State; 35-40 at Northwestern St.) 2-	-2
The Citadel (at Duke; 3-33 at Auburn)	-2
Gardner-Webb (at Liberty; 26-20, OT, vs. Western Carolina) 2-	-2
Furman (vs. Western Carolina; 38-41, OT, at Pittsburgh) 3-	-1
VMI (at Charleston Southern; 6-42 at William & Mary)	-4
Aggregate Record 15-	-25

The Head Coach

Mike Ayers, the Terriers' all-time winningest coach with 104 victories, is in his 17th year on the Wofford sideline.

Ayers was the 2003 recipient of the Eddie Robinson Award as Division I-AA's National Coach of the Year. The Cincinnati native has been named SoCon Coach of the Year three times in the last four seasons.

Ayers and **Bob Stoops** (Oklahoma) are the only two coaches to have been named AFCA Region Coach of the Year each of the last two campaigns.

Ayers was the 2002 Division I-AA National Coach of the Year by the College Sporting News (I-AA.org) in addition to being the runner-up for the Robinson Award.

Hello Neighbor

The 2004 campaign marks the 25th consecutive year that Wofford coach **Mike Ayers** and his offensive coordinator and neighbor **Wade Lang** are together in football.

Ayers and Lang not only have their offices side-by-side, they also live across the street from each other.

In 1980, when Ayers came to Wofford as an assistant coach, Lang was in his sophomore year. When Ayers left for the defensive coordinator position at East Tennessee State in 1983, Lang joined him in Johnson City as a graduate assistant before being elevated to a full-time position in 1985.

They both returned to Wofford in 1988 when Ayers was named the Terriers' head coach. He brought Lang with him as the quarterback coach. Lang then took over the offensive coordinator duties in 1990.

A Presidential Flavor to the Wofford Staff

Retired Wofford College president **Dr. Joe Lesesne** is in his fourth season on the Terrier football staff as a volunteer assistant coach working with the tight ends.

Lesesne retired in 2000 after a distinguished 28-year tenure as just the ninth president in the 150-year history of Wofford. He's teaching a class on the American Revolution this fall.

Lesesne is no stranger to football. Upon arriving at Wofford in 1964 as a history professor, he served four years (1965-68) as an assistant football coach for the Terriers under coach **Conley Snidow** and later **Jim Brakefield**. Lesesne also coached one season at Abbeville (S.C.) High School.

Ayers "Did You Knows?"

- •Now in his eighth SoCon season at Wofford, **Mike Ayers** ranks second behind Appalachian State's **Jerry Moore** (16 years) in terms of longest tenure for a SoCon coach at their current school.
- •An anonymous donor recently committed \$100,000 toward the creation of an endowed scholarship in honor of Ayers.
- •An ex-Marine, Ayers is a black belt in karate and an accomplished sketch artist.
- •Ayers teaches a karate class each spring at Wofford.
- •Ayers has been inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame at both his high school (Glen Este) and college (Georgetown) alma maters. At Georgetown (Ky.), Ayers competed on the football, baseball, wrestling and gymnastics teams.
- •In past years, Ayers drove the Terriers' equipment truck when it traveled.
- •In addition to personally powerwashing the Terriers' blocking sleds when they need cleaning, Ayers has also served as the weightlifting room handyman. When anything needs fixing, he simply grabs his hammer and goes to work.

Walking History

Sixty years ago, Wofford kicking coach **Lee Hanning** tumbled into the night sky over Normandy as a member of the 101st Airborne division in World War II.

Hanning was also involved in Operation Market Garden (depicted in the movie "A Bridge Too Far") where he once again jumped into occupied Holland. While resting and refitting from that operation, his unit was rushed by truck to Bastogne to stem the German counterattack at the Battle of the Bulge. He spent Christmas 1944 surrounded by superior enemy forces in sub-freezing temperatures.

Hanning came to be a member of the 101st when he was in England in the Quartermaster Corps and volunteered for the division.

Future Coach?

If he'd like to follow **Joe Lesesne** from the president's office to the football coaching staff, current Wofford president **Bernie Dunlap** does have a football background.

Dunlap earned All-Area honors as a starting fullback for Columbia (S.C.) High School as well as receiving a varsity letter as a halfback at the University of the South.

2004 Southern Conference Standings

	CONFERENCE			OVERALL		
Team	\mathbf{W}	L	Pct.	\mathbf{W}	L	Pct.
Georgia Southern	1	0	1.000	3	1	.750
Appalachian State	1	0	1.000	2	2	.500
Furman	0	0	.000	3	1	.750
Western Carolina	0	0	.000	2	2	.500
Elon	0	0	.000	1	2	.333
Wofford	0	1	000	2	1	.667
The Citadel	0	1	.000	0	2	.000
Chattanooga	0	1	.000	0	3	.000

This Week:

*Elon at Georgia Southern, 1 p.m.

*Western Carolina at Furman, 2 p.m.

The Citadel at Duke, 2 p.m.

Texas State at Appalachian State, 2 p.m.

*Chattanooga at Wofford, 7 p.m.

*SoCon game

Last Week:

Wofford 56, Johnson C. Smith 0

*Georgia Southern 51, Chattanooga 17

Pittsburgh 41, Furman 38 (OT)

Gardner-Webb 26, Western Carolina 20 (OT)

Auburn 33, The Citadel 3

Northwestern State 40, Appalachian State 35

North Carolina A&T 19, Elon 17

Wofford Honor Roll

Brad Anderson, C

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Lee Basinger, DE

- •2004 Buchanan Award Watch List
- •Ranked by The Sports Network as the No. 1 defensive lineman in Division I-AA
- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon

Katon Bethay, NT

- •Ranked by The Sports Network as the No. 7 defensive lineman in Division I-AA
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon in indoor track (shot put)

Eric Deutsch, OG

- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 consensus first-team All-America
- •2003 SoCon Jacobs Blocking Trophy recipient
- •2003 All-SoCon
- •2002 third-team All-America by the National Football Gazette
- •2002 All-SoCon

Bobby Gibbs, OG

- •2004 consensus preseason All-America
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 consensus All-America
- •2003 All-SoCon

Kevious Johnson, HB

- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2004 preseason honorable-mention All-America by the *National Football Gazette*
- •2003 SoCon Freshman of the Year

Nick Robinson, PK

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Ryan Steele, SS

•2004 preseason All-SoCon

Timmy Thrift, ILB

- •2004 preseason All-America by *Lindy's* and the *National Football Gazette*
- •2004 preseason All-SoCon
- •2003 All-SoCon

"They're the best, most sound team I've ever played in my whole life. Their secondary is never out of place."

> Tavarus Morgan, WR University of Georgia transfer now playing for South Carolina State September 11, 2004

Speaking of Wofford and Coach Ayers

"In all sincerity, that is the best coached and most disciplined football team I've seen in my 10 years on the I-AA level."

Coach David Elson of 2002 national champion Western Kentucky following Wofford's 34-17 victory over the Hilltoppers in the quarterfinal round of the 2003 playoffs

"You think a coach at any other school would let me participate in a fourth of the stuff that I do here? Coach Ayers has so much trust in us. He realizes we're more than athletes, and we're more than students. We're people. Football, that's a big part of the college experience but it's not all of it."

> J.R. McNair Wofford's All-SoCon fullback and 2003-04 student body president

"The Terriers really belong in the Ivy League because Wofford students' average SAT score (1247) is higher than the school's enrollment."

> Ron Morris, columnist The State (Columbia, S.C.) October 26, 2003

"Per enrollment -- 1,100 -- doesn't defending Southern Conference champ Wofford have the best football program in the world."

> Gene Sapakoff Post and Courier (Charleston, S.C.) July 11, 2004

"There are no junk courses at Wofford that we could see, and we would certainly match its course of study with that of any school in the Ivy League."

National Review's Guide to the Best Liberal Arts Colleges "America's Top 50 Liberal Arts Schools"

Magic Numbers

•Wofford has won its last 22 games in which it scored first. The streak dates back to an Oct. 27, 2001 contest at The Citadel.

Since the start of the 2001campaign, the Terriers are 3-11 in their last 14 outings when the opponent scored first. Two of those wins have come in the last eight contests, including a 34-17 win over Western Kentucky in the quarterfinals of the 2003 Division I-AA playoffs.

- •Wofford has won 47 consecutive games when holding a halftime lead. The Terriers' last loss when leading at the break was a 20-16 defeat to Elon on Nov. 4, 1995. Wofford held a 9-3 halftime edge that night.
- •Wofford has a 66-2-1 record in the 69 games under coach **Mike Ayers** in which it has allowed 16 or fewer points.
- •Dating back to the final game of the 2000 campaign (a 24-6 win at Division I-A Louisiana-Monroe), Wofford has surrendered just 299 points (10.7 per game) in its last 28 wins.

Steady Improvements

With the exception of 2001, when it was beset by injuries and faced Division I-AA's toughest schedule with road games at Clemson and South Carolina, Wofford has consistently improved its year-by-year record since beginning SoCon play in 1997:

Year	Record	Place
1997	${3-7, 2-6}$	8th
1998	4-7, 3-5	7th
1999	6-5, 5-3	4th
2000	7-4, 5-3	4th
2001	4-7, 3-5	6th
2002	9-3, 6-2	2nd
2003	12-2, 8-0	1st

Terriers Well Over .500 in SoCon History

Wofford's all-time SoCon mark is 32-25 (.561), an impressive feat considering that its debut season in 1997 represented just its third year on the Division I-AA level.

Two-Sport Terriers

•Starting nose tackle **Katon Bethay** is the only Wofford student-athlete to earn All-SoCon honors in more than one sport.

In addition to being an All-League selection on the gridiron, Bethay became the Terriers' first-ever All-SoCon performer in indoor track and field with his efforts in the shot put during the 2003 season.

•Free safety **Alex Love** qualified for All-SoCon accolades in the 60-meter hurdles for the 2004 Wofford indoor track and field team.

Season-Opening Notables

- •Wofford's 24-22 win at South Carolina State was just its second season-opening win in the last seven years.
- •S.C. State was Wofford's first Division I-AA season-opening opponent since 2000. The Terriers faced I-A Clemson in 2001 and Air Force last year. Wofford also had a 2002 opening date with Division II Newberry.
- •The Terriers had two road games to start a season for the first time since 1995.

Southpaw Notables

- •Wofford quarterback **Jeff Zolman** ranks fourth in both career rushing (1,199) and passing yards (955) among active SoCon players.
- •Zolman, the Terriers' career leader in completion percentage (57.5,77-of-134), has a 201.5 pass efficiency rating this season.
- •A native of Dayton, Ohio, Zolman attempted more passes as a senior at Chaminade-Julienne High School (197) than he has in his four-year Terrier career (134). Zolman was 112-of-197 (56.9 percent) his senior season in throwing for 1,695 yards with 15 touchdowns and six interceptions. He had a career prep completion percentage of 56.2 while totaling 3,632 yards with 31 touchdowns in the air.
- •The Terriers have a 19-4 record with Zolman as the starting quarterback.
- •With a 21-yard scoring toss to **Aaron Johnson** on a 4th-and-5 play at S.C. State, he has equaled his touchdown passes from 2003.
- •Zolman's older brother, **Greg Zolman**, is a member of the Buffalo Bills' practice squad and a former starting quarterback at Vanderbilt.

Wofford Again Tops in Turnover Margin

After leading the nation last year in turnover margin (+23) and turnovers gained (41), Wofford again tops the SoCon this season while ranking 17th in Division I-AA with a +4 margin (8 takeaways, 4 giveaways).

Rolling Past J.C. Smith

- •The 56-0 win over Johnson C. Smith was the Terriers' first shutout since a 48-0 win over Newberry in the 2002 season opener.
- •Wofford posted its largest margin of victory dating back to a 77-7 win over Lees-McRae in 1992.
- •The 56 points were the most for Wofford since a 59-14 win over VMI in 2001.

Terriers Versus the I-AA and SoCon Ranks

- •Dating back to the 2002 season, Wofford is 13-2 in its last 15 regular-season games. One of those losses was to Division I-A Air Force in last year's season opener.
- •The Terriers are 12-2 in their last 14 SoCon games dating back to 2002.

Spreading the Wealth

Nine players have combined to score Wofford's 13 touchdowns this season.

The Terriers have 10 offensive touchdowns with two scores coming via the defense and one on special teams.

Gibbs Stadium

Wofford posted an 8-0 home record last season and is 13-1 over its last 14 games at Gibbs Stadium.

Since opening midway through the 1996 campaign, Gibbs Stadium has seen the Terriers post a 30-12 home record (.714).

With a capacity of 13,000, Gibbs Stadium is the third youngest facility in the Southern Conference. Only Elon's Rhodes Stadium (2001) and Chattanooga's Finley Stadium (1997) are newer.

The Airborne Unit

The Terriers take tremendous pride in their punt block team known as the "Airborne Unit."

The Terriers blocked four punts last season and have 13 blocks since the start of the 2000 campaign and 45 in coach **Mike Ayers'** 17-year tenure.

Coaching Stability

Mike Ayers is in his 17th season as Wofford's coach. His assistants have also been models of stability, including four of them being Wofford graduates:

Off. Coordinator Wade Lang* (17th year)
Kicking Coach Lee Hanning (15th year)
Def. Coordinator Nate Woody* (14th year)
Def. Line Coach Jack Teachey (11th year)
Wide Receiver Coach Bruce Lackey (10th year)
Outside LB Coach Thomas Neel (7th year)
RB Coach Freddie Brown* (6th year)
Secondary Coach Terry Lantz (5th year)
Tight End Coach Joe Lesesne^ (4th year)
Off. Line Coach Eric Nash* (2nd year)

*Wofford graduate and former Terrier student-athlete ^Served as Wofford's president for 28 years (1972-2000)

Finally ...

•**Kevious Johnson's** 90-yard kickoff return for a touchdown at South Carolina State broke a 22-year drought for the Terriers.

Wofford had not returned a kickoff for a touchdown since 1982 when **Craig Best** took one back 93 yards versus Elon.

Johnson's return versus the Bulldogs came on the opening kickoff of the season opener.

•Wofford's last punt return for a touchdown was in 1997 when **Tony Young** went 84 yards against Charleston Southern.

Who is This Guy?

Wofford placekicker **Nick Robinson** had never played in a football game at any level prior to walking on to the Terrier football team just prior to last season.

Robinson, a 2004 preseason All-SoCon selection, tied a single-season Wofford record for PATs (48) last year while making 5-of-8 field-goal attempts.

The Deland, Fla., native made his first 46 PATs as he chased the Terriers' consecutive extra-points record of 54 (**Brian Porzio**, 1991-92). Robinson is the son of renown classical guitarist **Stephen Robinson**.

Robinson is 13-of-13 on PATs this year and is now 61-of-63 in his career. By making 1-of-2 field goals in 2004, he's 6-of-10 all-time in that category.

A Late Addition

The only Terrier not included in this year's media guide is kickoff specialist **Philip Trotter**.

Trotter is in his first season with the Wofford football team. However, he's a veteran of athletic competition for the Terriers. He was the starting goalkeeper on the Wofford men's soccer team the last two years.

Wingbone Workings

Wofford has run the ball on 85.3 percent (151-of-177) of its offensive snaps this season with 15 players having at least one rushing attempt.

The Terriers' top six ball carriers, and seven of the top eight, have at least a 4.6 yards per carry average.

Local Boy Makes Good

Wofford inside linebacker and Chattanooga-area native **Jim Thurman** has excelled in two games against his hometown school.

Thurman recovered two fumbles, including one in overtime, to key the Terriers' 27-21 victory in 2002. He also totaled 10 tackles in earning SoCon Freshman of the Week honors.

The Hixson, Tenn., native (Red Bank High School) had nine tackles, including a sack, and an interception in last year's 42-14 win.

Air Ayers

- •Three of Wofford's 11 longest plays from scrimmage this season are via the pass.
- •Walk-on **Colby Harris** is Wofford's top receiver with four catches for 50 yards. Six Terriers have accounted for the 12 receptions.

The Three-Headed QB Monster

Wofford's successful quarterback tandem of **Trey Rodgers** and **Jeff Zolman** may soon become a three-man rotation with the emergence of **Josh Collier**.

A native of Bonaire, Ga., Collier has three years of eligibility remaining after this season.

Zolman, who has a 19-4 record as the Terriers' starting quarterback, was ranked in the preseason by The Sports Network as the nation's third-best option quarterback.

Milestones

Kevious Johnson went over 1,000 career yards in the 56-0 win over Johnson C. Smith.

Playing just the first quarter, Johnson rushed for 57 yards on seven attempts with scoring runs of one and 39 yards. The 2003 SoCon Freshman of the Year now has 1,006 yards in the opening 17 games of his collegiate career.

A Poll Fixture

With appearances in each of the last 31 polls, Wofford holds the SoCon's longest current streak for consecutive rankings in The Sports Network Division I-AA Top 25.

Notches on the Resume

- •The Terriers' 12-game winning streak last season was tied for the third-longest in the SoCon since 1980 (Marshall 15, 1996; Georgia Southern 14, 1998; Appalachian State 12, 1995; Furman 12, 1989).
- •After being selected by the league coaches to finish fifth in the SoCon, Wofford was the lowest preseason pick to win the outright championship since 1992.
- •Wofford was the only team to defeat Georgia Southern and Appalachian State in both the 2002 and 2003 seasons.

The Winningest Summer Camp Locale

The two teams that hold their preseason training camps at Wofford both had championship seasons in 2003.

The Terriers captured the SoCon title and advanced to the Division I-AA national semifinals, while the Carolina Panthers were NFC champions in just their ninth year of existence.

Long Distance Terriers

Listed below are Wofford's longest plays from scrimmage this year. The Terriers' "Air Ayers" offense has accounted for three of the top 11.

	1
<u>Yards</u>	<u>Play</u>
47	Gabriel Jackson run at Georgia Southern, Sept. 18
39	Kevious Johnson TD run vs. Johnson C. Smith, Sept. 25
36	Jeff Zolman pass to Brandon Berry at South Carolina State, Sept. 11
34	Josh Collier run vs. Johnson C. Smith, Sept. 25
34	Aaron Johnson TD run vs. Johnson C. Smith, Sept. 25
24	Michael Hobbs run vs. Johnson C. Smith, Sept. 25
21	Jeff Zolman TD pass to Aaron Johnson at South Carolina State, Sept. 11
19	Kevious Johnson run at Georgia Southern, Sept. 18
19	Trey Rodgers pass to Colby Harris at Georgia Southern Sept. 18

Jeff Zolman run at Georgia Southern, Sept. 18 Top 10 Terriers

Listed below are Wofford's top individual rushing performances this season.

Trey Rodgers run vs. Johnson C. Smith, Sept. 25

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19

<u>Yards</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Opponent</u>
89	Kevious Johnson	South Carolina State
57	Kevious Johnson	Johnson C. Smith
57	Trey Rodgers	Johnson C. Smith
55	Gabriel Jackson	Georgia Southern
48	Aaron Johnson	Johnson C. Smith
48	Adrian Young	Johnson C. Smith
48	Trey Rodgers	South Carolina State
38	Michael Hobbs	Johnson C. Smith
37	Kevious Johnson	Georgia Southern
34	Jeff Zolman	South Carolina State

Wofford Players of the Week

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Defense</u>
S.C. State	Kevious Johnson, RB	Lee Basinger, DE
Georgia Southern	Colby Harris, WR	Timmy Thrift, ILB
Johnson C. Smith	Kevin Hodapp, OT	Brian Kemp, CB
		Alex Schaefer, DE

SoCon Weekly Honors

<u>Player</u>	Opponent	<u>Honor</u>
Brian Kemp, CB	Johnson C. Smith	Freshman

Terrier Scoring Drives

In totaling eight touchdowns against Johnson C. Smith, Wofford did not have a scoring drive longer than five plays or 2:37 in time of possession. The Terriers also had two defensive scores against the Golden Bulls.

Wofford's first touchdown of the 2004 campaign came on the season's opening kickoff when **Kevious Johnson** went 90 yards with a return at South Carolina State. The Terriers' next score in that contest is their longest drive of the year in terms of plays (13), yards (70) and time of possession (5:36). Seven of Wofford's 11 scoring drives have been in five plays or less.

Opponent	<u>Plays</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TOP</u>
South Carolina State*			
South Carolina State	13	70	5:36
South Carolina State	10	54	4:39
South Carolina State	10	63	4:44
Georgia Southern	7	50	2:45
Georgia Southern	4	57	1:54
Johnson C. Smith	3	19	:57
Johnson C. Smith [^]			
Johnson C. Smith	3	41	:45
Johnson C. Smith	5	69	2:37
Johnson C. Smith	4	7	1:59
Johnson C. Smith	3	43	:47
Johnson C. Smith#			
Johnson C. Smith	5	51	2:29

^{*}Kevious Johnson 90-yard kickoff return for a TD

Home-Opening Notes

•The 56-0 win over Johnson C. Smith improved Wofford's record to 9-8 in home openers under coach **Mike Ayers**.

•Wofford has won its last four home openers by a combined 174-23 score (35-10 vs. Charleston Southern, 2001; 48-0 vs. Newberry, 2002; 35-13 vs. South Carolina State, 2003; 56-0 vs. Johnson C. Smith, 2004).

•When allowing 14 or fewer points in a home opener under Ayers, Wofford is 8-0.

Strength of Schedule

•The Wofford football team, having faced eight Division I-A opponents in the previous six seasons, annually plays one of the toughest schedules in the nation for a Division I-AA member.

•The Terriers opened last year at Air Force and played at defending ACC champion Maryland in 2002. While taking on Clemson and South Carolina in the 2001 campaign, Wofford was the nation's only I-AA team to face a pair of bowl teams that season.

•The Terriers had four I-AA playoff teams on their 2000 schedule as well as Division I-A Louisiana-Monroe (Wofford won 24-6).

•In 1999, Wofford was one of just three I-AA teams to face two I-A opponents.

•The 1998 campaign saw the Terrier schedule ranked as the eighth-most difficult in the nation with the 11 opponents combining for a .563 winning percentage.

Coming Back after Defeat

Wofford has won its last six games after suffering a loss.

The Terriers have not had back-to-back defeats since falling to South Carolina and Furman late in the 2001 campaign.

A Busy Signal Caller

In addition to seeing action at quarterback, **Josh Collier** is also on the Terriers' punt block and kickoff return units.

Projected to be Wofford's starting signal caller next season, Collier actually saw game action for the first time as a Terrier in special teams roles instead of behind center.

Against Georgia Southern, Collier recovered a blocked punt by **Alex Love** that set up Wofford's first score.

Later in the contest, Collier made his collegiate debut at quarterback and tossed a 15-yard touchdown pass to **Colby Harris**.

[^]Brian Kemp 55-yard interception return for a TD

[#]Alex Schaefer 14-yard fumble return for a TD

Red Zone Work

Wofford has scored eight touchdowns (six rushing, two passing) on its nine possessions (88.9 percent) inside the red zone.

The Terriers' lone non-score was a missed 35-yard field goal at South Carolina State.

The Return Game

Terrier coach **Mike Ayers** has been especially pleased with the performance of the kickoff return unit.

Wofford is third in the SoCon and 11th nationally with a 25.5 kickoff return average.

This year's mark is over nine yards better than last year's 16.4 average. Wofford was at 16.1 in the 2002 campaign. The top mark for a Wofford team in Ayers' 17-year tenure is 20.7 in 1997.

Keyed by a 90-yard return for a touchdown on the opening kickoff of the season opener at South Carolina State, **Kevious Johnson** ranks fifth nationally in kickoff return average (33.4). It was Wofford's first kickoff return for a touchdown since 1982. Johnson is also the Terriers' leading rusher with 183 yards (5.2 per carry).

Knocking Them Down

Wofford's offensive linemen stage a heated battle each season for the team lead in knockdown blocks. Listed below are the totals through the opening three games.

Kevin Hodapp, RT	26
Eric Deutsch, RG	23
Brad Birrenkott, LT	18
Bobby Gibbs, LG	17
Derek Tiller, OG	16
Marty Bauer, OG	15
Brad Anderson, C	12

Deutsch and Gibbs, who both didn't play against Johnson C. Smith due to injury, were 2003 consensus All-Americas with Deutsch receiving the SoCon Jacobs Blocking Trophy as the league's top offensive lineman. Both players are consensus preseason All-America selections this fall.

Climbing the Charts

Wofford inside linebackers **Timmy Thrift** and **Jim Thurman** rank third and eighth, respectively, on the Terriers' career tackles list for the Division I-AA era (1995-present).

Thrift is also closing in on Wofford's all-time top five tackles chart.

Wofford Career Total Tackles (I-AA Era)

- 1. 452 Matt Nelson, 2000-03
- 2. 237 Eric Daniell, 1994-97
- 3. 225 Timmy Thrift, 2001-present
- 4. 223 Trevor Ellison, 1995-98
- 5. 218 Nathan Fuqua, 1999-02
- 6. 216 Ben Dae, 1996-99
- 7. 199 Josh Thompson, 1995-98
- 8. 198 Jim Thurman, 2002-present

Wofford All-Time Total Tackles

- 1. 452 Matt Nelson, 2000-03
- 2. 411 Bret Masters, 1985-88
- 3. 287 Travis Yates, 1987-90
- 4. 269 David Leibowitz, 1986-88
- 5. 250 Eric Daniel, 1994-97

225 - Timmy Thrift, 2001-present

The Curly Shuffle

Wofford outside linebacker coach **Thomas Neel**, known as "Curly" around Terrier football circles, is battling vertigo and has been limited in his time with the team.

Neel did not attend any practices last week but is expected to be back in the office for abbreviated hours this week. In the Terriers' three games this season, Neel has been confined to the press box instead of his normal role on the sideline.

Sympathizing with Neel's misery is Terrier tight ends coach **Joe Lesesne**. While serving as Wofford president, Lesesne battled vertigo for nearly a full year in the late 1980s.

12 vs. 12

Wofford has the same number of fourth-down attempts as punts this season

Fourth Down: No Problem

In 2003, Wofford again topped the SoCon in fourth-down conversions (32) and attempts (51) while placing second in percentage (62.7).

The Terriers scored 11 touchdowns on fourth downs. Only two other SoCon teams had more than 20 fourth-down attempts.

Listed below is Wofford's fourth-down breakdown over the last six seasons:

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Total	118-of-198.59.6%	59-of-114.51.8%	515-of-997.51.7%	
2004	7-of-12,58.3%	2-of-3,66.7%	28-of-50,56.0%	6.3 atts.
2003	32-of-51,62.7%	20-of-38,52.6%	93-of-194,47.9%	21.6 atts.
2002	19-of-36,52.8%	9-of-13,69.2%	112-of-207,54.1%	23.0 atts.
2001	21-of-33,63.6%	10-of-20,50.0%	95-of-183,51.9%	20.3 atts.
2000	15-of-27,55.6%	7-of-18,38.9%	87-of-159,54.7%	17.7 atts.
1999	24-of-39,61.5%	11-of-22,50.0%	100-of-204,49.0%	22.7 atts.
Year	4th-down atts.	4th-down atts.	4th-down atts.	per team
	WOHORD	Opponent	SoCon total team	Soconavg.

Abstract Sculpture Inspires Defense

Along the lines of "Howard's Rock" at Clemson, Wofford has Winston Wingo's "Botanical Construction" as a good-luck symbol for its team.

The abstract sculpture of a broad ax was on display at the center of campus last year when it caught the eye of Terrier defensive coordinator **Nate Woody**. He believed it symbolized what defense was about. It has become a motivational piece for his unit.

In a surprise move for his players on the day before the Oct. 25 Appalachian State game, Woody had the sculpture moved to a location outside the Terrier locker room.

"Coach Woody said the broad ax talks to him," graduated All-America free safety **Matt Nelson** said. "He treats it like it's a pet or mysterious phenomenon."

Woody attributes his love of the broad ax to former North Carolina basketball coach **Dean Smith**, who once said that a defense, when forcefully applied, is like a broad ax.

"We'll touch that before we come out for every game now," former All-SoCon outside linebacker **Teddie Whitaker** said.

C H A T T A N O O G A WOFFORD VS.

A Statistical Comparison

	<u>Chattanooga</u>	Wofford
Points per game - allowed	19.3 - 56.0	31.3 - 26.7
Rushing yards per game - allowed	87.7 - 277.3	250.7 - 143.0
Passing yards per game - allowed	200.7 - 247.3	46.0- 174.0
Total net yards per game - allowed	288.4 - 524.6	296.7 - 317.0
Punts - average	25 - 37.2	12 - 38.3
Penalties - yards	19 - 156	12 - 85
Turnover Margin (takeaways/giveaways)	-1 (4/5)	+4 (8/4)
Fumbles - Lost	7 - 3	5 - 1
Third-Down Conversions - allowed	32.0% - 34.3%	25.7% - 45.5%
Time of Possession - allowed	32:39 - 27:21	29:09 - 30:51

Did You Know?

Terrier football coach Mike Ayers was hired in 1988 over a chocolate milkshake at the Biltmore Dairy Bar in Asheville, N.C., by then Wofford athletic director and now Southern Conference commissioner Danny Morrison.

Coaching Genes

Wofford freshman safety **Dan Tavani** is the son of Lafayette College head football coach Frank Tavani.

Lafayette is 3-1 after a 21-16 win at Richmond last weekend.

Ground Travel Preferred

Since the start of the 2002 season, Wofford is 10-2 when traveling to a road game via bus and 0-3 when flying.

Wofford Starting Lineup											
	SCSU	GSU	JCSU	UTC	ELON	WCU	ASU	CIT	GWU	FUR	VMI
Offense											
LT	Olmsted	Birrenkott	Birrenkott								
LG	Gibbs	Gibbs	Tiller								
С	Anderson	Anderson	Anderson								
RG	Deutsch	Deutsch	Bauer								
RT	Hodapp	Hodapp	Hodapp								
TE	Regenthal	Regenthal	Mungin (WR	(3)							
WR	Berry	Berry	Berry								
QB	Rodgers	Rodgers	Zolman								
RB	K. Johnson	K. Johnson	K. Johnson								
НВ	A. Johnson	Mungin (WR	R) A. Johnson								
НВ	Dunn	Dunn	Dunn								
<u>Defense</u>											
DE	Basinger	Basinger	Basinger								
NT	Bethay	Bethay	Bethay								
DE	Whitney	Whitney	Whitney								
OLB	Freland	Freland	Freland								
ILB	Thrift	Thrift	Thrift								
ILB	Thurman	Thurman	Thurman								
OLB	Hoover	Hoover	Hoover								
LCB	Stuckey	Stuckey	Stuckey								
FS	Love	Love	Love								
SS	Steele	Steele	Steele								
RCB	Kemp	Kemp	Kemp								

WOFFORD COLLEGE TWO-DEEP

(updated Sept. 26, 2004)

OFFENSE

LEFT TACKLE LEFT GUARD CENTER RIGHT GUARD

79 Brad Birrenkott (6-5, 280, Jr.) 68 Marty Bauer (6-2, 290, So.) 71 Brad Anderson (6-2, 285, Jr.) 77 Eric Deutsch (6-4, 330, Sr.) 69 Davy Olmsted (6-4, 295, Jr.) 61 Derek Tiller (6-0, 275, So.) 73 Thad Ball (6-3, 275, Sr.) 70 Travis Andrews (6-2, 270, So.)

RIGHT TACKLE TIGHT END WIDE RECEIVER QUARTERBACK

78 Kevin Hodapp (6-3, 280, Sr.)
88 Adam Regenthal (6-3, 242, Sr.) 13 Brandon Berry (5-8, 160, So.)
15 Jeff Zolman (6-1, 190, Sr.)
72 Tim Beckner (6-3, 275, Jr.)
89 Matt Allison (6-2, 225, Sr.)
8 Ben Mungin (5-9, 185, Sr.)
18 Trey Rodgers (6-0, 185, Sr.)

HALFBACK RUNNING BACK HALFBACK

34 Corey Dunn (5-11, 205, Jr.) 20 Kevious Johnson (5-9, 180, So.) 22 Aaron Johnson (5-10, 185, Jr.) 23 Gabriel Jackson (5-9, 185, Jr.) 3 Mike Jones (5-10, 195, Sr.) 2 Terrance Ware (5-9, 180, So.)

DEFENSE

DEFENSIVE END NOSE TACKLE DEFENSIVE END

96 Ben Whitney (6-3, 260, Sr.) 92 Katon Bethay (6-2, 285, Jr.) 75 Lee Basinger (6-1, 255, Sr.) 91 Bill Pryor (6-2, 250, Sr.) 90 Bryan Blair (5-9, 265, So.) 97 Josh Dorr (6-1, 250, So.)

OUTSIDE LINEBACKER

43 Steve Hoover (6-1, 210, Sr.)

INSIDE LINEBACKER

INSIDE LINEBACKER

44 Timmy Thrift (6-0, 220, Sr.)

54 Jimmy Freland (5-11, 220, Sr.)

28 Derek Newberry (6-3, 218, Jr.) 57 Josh Smith (6-1, 215, Sr.) 45 Justin Franklin (6-2, 235, So.) 35 Andrew Nelson (5-11, 215, Sr.)

 LEFT CORNERBACK
 FREESAFETY
 STRONG SAFETY
 RIGHT CORNERBACK

 16 Dedrick Stuckey (5-10, 180, Jr.)
 11 Alex Love (5-11, 180, Jr.)
 19 Ryan Steele (6-1, 200, Sr.)
 24 Brian Kemp (5-11, 175, Fr.)

 39 Jonathan Wheeler (6-2, 190, Sr.)
 7 Dan Tavani (6-0, 200, Fr.)
 33 Tony Jefferson (5-11, 192, Sr.)
 11 Alex Love (5-11, 180, Jr.)

SPECIAL TEAMS

 PUNTER
 PLACEKICKER
 PUNT RETURNS
 KICKOFF RETURNS

 18 Trey Rodgers (6-0, 185, Sr.)
 27 Nick Robinson (5-10, 180, So.) 31 Brandon Smith (5-11, 210, Sr.) 20 Kevious Johnson (5-9, 180, So.)

85 Daniel McDowell (5-11, 180, Fr.) 17 Philip Trotter (6-1, 185, Sr.) 13 Brandon Berry (5-8, 160, So.) 8 Ben Mungin (5-9, 185, Sr.)

HOLDER SHORT SNAPPER LONG SNAPPER KICKOFFS

31 Brandon Smith (5-11, 210, Sr.) 63 Chris Collins (6-2, 250, Fr.) 56 Greg German (6-3, 225, So.) 27 Nick Robinson (5-10, 180, So.) 18 Trey Rodgers (6-0, 185, Sr.) 56 Greg German (6-3, 225, So.) 63 Chris Collins (6-2, 250, Fr.) 17 Philip Trotter (6-1, 185, Sr.)

Game 1 Wofford 24, S.C. State 22 Sept. 11; Orangeburg, S.C.

Kevious Johnson returned the opening kickoff 90 yards for a touchdown while rushing for a game-high 89 yards as Wofford withstood a late South Carolina State rally for a 24-22 victory in Orangeburg, S.C.

Johnson became the first Terrier since 1982 to return a kickoff for a touchdown.

The Terriers built a 24-3 lead midway through the third quarter. The Bulldogs scored a pair of touchdowns in the fourth quarter to pull within 24-22 with 10 seconds to play. However, Wofford defensive end and Buck Buchanan Award candidate **Lee Basinger** made the stop on a 2-point rush attempt that would have tied the game.

S.C. State wide receiver **Tavarus Morgan**, a transfer from the University of Georgia, had 11 receptions for 119 yards and two touchdowns. Both scores came in the fourth quarter.

"They're (Wofford) the best, most sound team I've ever played in my whole life," Morgan said after the game. "Their secondary is never out of place."

The Terriers were 4-of-5 on fourth-down attempts, including a 21-yard touchdown pass from **Jeff Zolman** to **Aaron Johnson**. Wofford punted just once in the game.

Wofford	14	3	7	0	24
S.C. State	3	0	7	12	22

First Quarter

- W K. Johnson 90 kickoff return (Robinson kick), 14:47
- S Gaston 22 field goal, 9:06
- W Rodgers 2 run (Robinson kick), 1:50

Second Quarter

W - Robinson 40 field goal, 8:58

Third Quarter

- W A. Johnson 21 pass from Zolman (Robinson kick), 6:51
- S Freeman 1 run (Gaston kick), 3:44

Fourth Quarter

- S Morgan 7 pass from Young (Gaston kick failed), 12:24
- S Morgan 2 pass from Young (Martin rush failed), ·10

	Wofford	S.C. State
First Downs	18	21
Rushes - Yards	56 - 249	31 - 90
Passing Yards	57	270
Total Offense	306	360
Passes	5 - 2 - 1	37 - 24 - 2
Punts - Avg.	1 - 44.0	1 - 9.0
Fumbles - Lost	3 - 1	2 - 1
Penalties - Yards	7 - 53	4 - 41
Time of Possession	30:22	29:38

Wofford Individuals

Rushing

K. Johnson 20-89, Rodgers 8-48, Zolman 10-34, Jackson 4-31, Dunn 9-28, A. Johnson 3-14, Jones 2-5

Passing

Zolman 3-2-0, 57 yards, 1 TD; Rodgers 2-0-1

Receiving

Berry 1-36, A. Johnson 1-21

Game 2 Georgia Southern 58 Woffe

Georgia Southern 58, Wofford 14 Sept. 18; Statesboro, Ga.

Wofford saw its 11-game regular-season winning streak, spanning more than a calendar year, come to an end with a loss at Georgia Southern. It was the Eagles' first win over the Terriers since 2001.

It was also Wofford's first SoCon defeat since Nov. 16, 2002. The Terriers even saw their perfect record on FSN South come to a close. Wofford had been 5-0 all-time in games televised by the network.

Wofford free safety **Alex Love** blocked a third-quarter punt to set up the Terriers' first score. It was the fourth career punt block for Love.

Terrier quarterbacks **Trey Rodgers**, **Jeff Zolman** and **Josh Collier** combined to complete 8-of-12 passes for 71 yards. Collier made his collegiate debut and had a 15-yard touchdown toss to **Colby Harris**, who had three receptions for 45 yards. Five other Wofford players had at least one catch.

Gabriel Jackson was the Terriers' top ground gainer with 55 yards on four attempts.

Wofford	0	0	7	7	14
GSU	17	21	0	20	58

First Quarter

- G Craft 16 pass from Williams (Dudley kick), 12:26
- G Dudley 34 field goal, 5:48
- G Craft 52 pass from Williams (Dudley kick),:21

Second Quarter

- G Andrews 1 run (Dudley kick), 10:10
- G Williams 1 run (Dudley kick), 3:53
- G Andrews 3 run (Dudley kick),:13

Third Quarter

W - Jones 7 run (Robinson kick), 6:49

Fourth Ouarter

- G Andrews 20 run (Dudley kick failed), 12:25
- G Gehrsitz 13 run (Dudley kick), 12:08
- W Harris 15 pass from Collier (Robinson kick), 5:57
- G Foster 83 kickoff return (Dudley kick), 5:45

	Wofford	<u>GSU</u>
First Downs	10	24
Rushes - Yards	42 - 155	59 - 313
Passing Yards	71	188
Total Offense	226	501
Passes	12 - 8 - 1	10 - 8 - 0
Punts - Avg.	7 - 41.0	3 - 29.0
Fumbles - Lost	1 - 0	2 - 0
Penalties - Yards	4 - 27	4 - 31
Time of Possession	28:55	31:05

Wofford Individuals

Rushing

Jackson 4-55, K. Johnson 8-37, Dunn 4-19, Jones 3-15, Rodgers 4-14, Mungin 1-11, Collier 1-7, Zolman 11-1, Ware 4-0, Berry 1-(1), A. Johnson 1-(3)

<u>Passing</u>

Rodgers 7-4-1, 35 yards; Zolman 2-2-0, 24 yards; Collier 3-2-0, 12 yards

Receiving

Harris 3-45, A. Johnson 1-13, Berry 1-11, Beavin 1-6, Jackson 1-(1), Ware 1-(3)

Game 3

Wofford 56, Johnson C. Smith 0 Sept. 25; Spartanburg, S.C.

Kevious Johnson had a pair of first-quarter touchdown runs to lead Wofford to a 56-0 victory over Johnson C. Smith.

It was the Terriers' first shutout since a 48-0 win over Newberry in the 2002 season opener. Wofford also posted its largest margin of victory dating back to a 77-7 win over Lees-McRae in 1992. The 56 points were the most for Wofford since a 59-14 win over VMI in 2001.

Johnson had touchdowns runs of one and 39 yards in the opening 10:29. Sandwiched in between was a **Brian Kemp** 55-yard interception return for a touchdown as the Terriers took a 21-0 lead after the first quarter.

Wofford also scored 21 second-quarter points as **Aaron Johnson**, **Gabriel Jackson** and **Trey Rodgers** had scoring runs to give the Terriers a 42-0 halftime lead. Eleven different Wofford players had at least one carry in the first half with a total of 14 Terriers having a rushing attempt in the game. Wofford used 72 players.

Wofford held Johnson C. Smith to 26 yards rushing on 36 attempts and 90 yards in total offense. Wofford forced five turnovers and recorded four sacks.

JCSU	0	0	0	0	0
Wofford	21	21	14	0	56

First Quarter

- W K. Johnson 1 run (Robinson kick), 10:25
- W Kemp 55 interception return (Robinson kick), 7:19
- W K. Johnson 39 run (Robinson kick), 4:31

Second Quarter

- W A. Johnson 34 run (Robinson kick), 12:23
- W Jackson 1 run (Robinson kick), 10:03
- W Rodgers 19 run (Robinson kick), 6:56

Third Quarter

- W Schaefer 14 fumble return (Robinson kick), 13:49
- W Young 2 run (Robinson kick), 2:17

	Wofford	<u>JCSU</u>
First Downs	16	6
Rushes - Yards	52 - 350	36 - 26
Passing Yards	10	64
Total Offense	360	90
Passes	9 - 2 - 1	21 - 9 - 3
Punts - Avg.	4 - 32.2	11 - 32.5
Fumbles - Lost	1 - 0	4 - 2
Penalties - Yards	1 - 5	3 - 25
Time of Possession	27:25	32:35

Wofford Individuals

Rushing

Rodgers 4-57, K. Johnson 7-57, Young 10-48, A. Johnson 2-48, Hobbs 3-38, Collier 9-31, Dunn 3-27, Ware 4-19, Jones 4-10, Berry 1-7, Sullivan 2-6, Patrick 1-2, Jackson 1-1, Zolman 1-(1)

Passing

Collier 4-1-1, 5 yards; Zolman 3-0-0; Rodgers 1-1-0, 5 yards; B. Smith 1-0-0

Receiving

Beavin 1-5, Harris 1-5

2004 Wofford Football Wofford Game Results (as of Sep 27, 2004) All games

	Date	Opponent		Score		Overall Record	Conference Record	Time	Attend
	Sep 11, 2004 a	t South Carolina State	W	24-22		1- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	2:44	6619
*	Sep 18, 2004 a	t Georgia Southern		14-58	L	1- 1- 0	0- 1- 0	3:27	17170
	Sep 25, 2004	JOHNSON C. SMITH	W	56-0		2- 1- 0	0- 1- 0	2:18	6012

^{*} indicates conference game

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Wofford Overall Team Statistics (as of Sep 27, 2004) All games

TEAM STATISTICS	WC	F OPP
SCORING	_	80
Points Per Game	31.	
FIRST DOWNS	· ·	51 39 25
Rushing	-	4 23
Passing		1 3
Penalty	75	_
Yards gained rushing	83	
Yards lost rushing	8	
Rushing Attempts	15	
Average Per Rush	5.	
Average Per Game	250.	
TDs Rushing	230.	8 6
PASSING YARDAGE	13	
Att-Comp-Int	26-12-	_
Average Per Pass	5.	
Average Per Catch	11.	
Average Per Game	46.	
TDs Passing		2 4
TOTAL OFFENSE	89	964
Total Plays	17	7 194
Average Per Play	5.	0 5.0
Average Per Game	296.	
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	11-28	17-416
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	10-6	56 1-2
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	5-8	3-51
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	25.	5 24.5
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	6.	6 2.0
INT RETURN AVERAGE	17.	2 17.0
FUMBLES-LOST	5-	1 8-3
PENALTIES-YARDS	12-8	35 11-97
Average Per Game	28.	3 32.3
PUNTS-YARDS	12-46	15-454
Average Per Punt	38.	3 30.3
Net punt average	38.	2 25.9
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	29:0	
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	9/3	20/44
3rd-Down Pct		45 %
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	7/1	<u> </u>
4th-Down Pct	58	
SACKS BY-YARDS	6-3	
MISC YARDS		27 0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED		.3 11
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS		2 2-2
PAT-ATTEMPTS	13-1	
ATTENDANCE	601	
Games/Avg Per Game	1/601	
Neutral Site Games		0/0
SCORE BY QUARTERS 1st 2nd	3rd 4th	Total
Wofford		- 94
Opponents 20 21	7 32	-

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Wofford Overall Individual Statistics (as of Sep 27, 2004) All games

RUSHING		Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD :	Long	Avg	/G		PUNT RETURNS		Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Kevious Johnson		35	191	8	183	5.2	2	39	61	.0		Brandon Smith	9	60	6.7	0	14
Trey Rodgers	3	16	121	2	119	7.4	2	19	39	.7		Alex Love	1	6	6.0	0	0
Gabriel Jackson	3	9	87	0	87	9.7	1	47	29	. 0		Total	10	66	6.6	0	14
Corey Dunn	3	16	76	2	74	4.6	0	18	24	. 7		Opponents	1	2	2.0	0	2
Aaron Johnson	3	6	62	3	59	9.8	1	34	19	.7							
Adrian Young	1	10	48	0	48	4.8	1	14	48	. 0		INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Josh Collier	2	10	54	16	38	3.8	0	34	19	. 0							
Michael Hobbs	2	3	38	0	38	12.7	0	24	19	. 0		Brian Kemp	1	55	55.0	1	55
Jeff Zolman	3	22	73	39	34	1.5	0	19	11	. 3		Dedrick Stuckey	1	15	15.0	0	15
Mike Jones	3	9	31	1	30	3.3	1	9	10	. 0		Bill Pryor	1	-2	-2.0	0	0
Terrance Ware	2	8	26	7	19	2.4	0	11	9	. 5		Derek Swindall	1	0	0.0	0	0
Ben Mungin	3	1	11	0	11	11.0	0	11	3	.7		Alex Love	1	18	18.0	0	18
Jeff Sullivan	2	2	6	0	6	3.0	0	5	3	.0		Total	5	86	17.2	1	55
Brandon Berry	3	2	7	1	6	3.0	0	7	2	. 0		Opponents	3	51	17.0	0	37
Freddie Patrick	1	1	2	0	2	2.0	0	2	2	.0							
TEAM	1	1	0	2	-2	-2.0	0	0	-2	. 0		KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Total	3	151	833	81	752	5.0	8	47	250	.7							
Opponents	3	126	516	74	442	3.5	6	30	147	. 3		Kevious Johnson	5	167	33.4	1	90
												Ben Mungin	3	67	22.3	0	25
PASSING	GP	Eff	ic A	tt-Cmp	-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Av	g/G	Matt Beavin	1	26	26.0	0	26
												Aaron Johnson	1	11	11.0	0	11
Trey Rodgers	3	43.	60	10-5-	2	50.0	40	0	19	1:	3.3	Dedrick Stuckey	1	9	9.0	0	9
Jeff Zolman	3	201.	49	7-4-	0	57.1	81	1	36	2	7.0	Total	11	280	25.5	1	90
Josh Collier	2	81.	83	7-3-	1	42.9	17	1	15	1	8.5	Opponents	17	416	24.5	1	83
Brandon Smith	2	0.	00	1-0-	0	0.0	0	0	0	(0.0						
TEAM	1	0.	00	1-0-	0	0.0	0	0	0	(0.0	FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Total	3	93.	05	26-12	-3	46.2	138	2	36	4	6.0						
Opponents	3	129.	48	68-41	-5	60.3	522	4	52	17	4.0	Jim Thurman	1	13	13.0	0	13
												Alex Schaefer	1	14	14.0	1	14
RECEIVING	GP	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long A	Avg/G					Total	2	27	13.5	1	14
												Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0
Colby Harris	3	4	50	12.5	1	19	16.7										
Brandon Berry	3	2	47	23.5	0	36	15.7										
Aaron Johnson	3	2	34	17.0	1	21	11.3										
Matt Beavin	3	2	11	5.5	0	6	3.7										
Gabriel Jackson	3	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.3										
Terrance Ware	2	1	-3	-3.0	0	0	-1.5										
Total	3	12	138	11.5	2	36	46.0										
Opponents	3	41	522	12.7	4	52 1	L74.0										

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		PATs																	
SCORING			Kick								TOTAL OFFENSE		_						
Kevious Johnson						0-0			18		Kevious Johnson				0		61.		
Nick Robinson	0	1-2	13-13	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0 16		Trey Rodgers	3	26	119	40	159	53.	0	
Trey Rodgers	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0 12		Jeff Zolman	3	29	34	81	115	38.	3	
Aaron Johnson	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0 12		Gabriel Jackson	3	9	87	0	87	29.	0	
Adrian Young	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6		Corey Dunn	3	16	74	0	74	24.	7	
Brian Kemp	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6		Aaron Johnson	3	6	59	0	59	19.	7	
Mike Jones	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6		Josh Collier	2	17	38	17	55	27.	5	
Alex Schaefer	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6		Adrian Young	1	10	48	0	48	48.	0	
Gabriel Jackson	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6		Michael Hobbs		3	38	0	38	19.	0	
Colby Harris	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6	6 Mike Jones		3	9	30	0	30	10.	0	
Total	13	1-2	13-13	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	94		Terrance Ware	2	8	19	0	19	9.	5	
Opponents	11	2-2	8-10	0-1	0	0-0	0	0	80		Ben Mungin		1	11	0	11	3.	7	
											Brandon Berry	3	2	6	0	6	2.	0	
											Jeff Sullivan		2	6	0	6	3.	0	
											Freddie Patrick	1	1	2	0	2	2.	0	
											TEAM		2	-2	0	-2	-2.	0	
											Total		177	752	138	890	296.	7	
											Opponents		194	442	522	964	321.	3	
											PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	120	Blkd
FIELD GOALS										-									
											Others						_	_	-
Nick Robinson	1-	2 5	50.0 0-	0 0	0-0	0-1	1-1	0	0-0	40 0	Total						4		
											Opponents	15	454	30.3	45	1	0	2	1
FG SEQUENCE							ONENT												
								-			KICKOFFS		Yds		g TB				
South Carolina S		(40)	,35			(22													
Georgia Southern		-				(34)				Nick Robinson								
Johnson C. Smith	1	_				-					Philip Trotter								
						_		_			Total			54.		0			
Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.							Opponents	15	805	53.	7 0	0							

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ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
Kevious Johnson	3	183	0	0	167	0	350	116.7
Trey Rodgers	3	119	0	0	0	0	119	39.7
Aaron Johnson	3	59	34	0	11	0	104	34.7
Gabriel Jackson	3	87	-1	0	0	0	86	28.7
Ben Mungin	3	11	0	0	67	0	78	26.0
Corey Dunn	3	74	0	0	0	0	74	24.7
Brandon Smith	2	0	0	60	0	0	60	30.0
Brian Kemp	3	0	0	0	0	55	55	18.3
Brandon Berry	3	6	47	0	0	0	53	17.7
Colby Harris	3	0	50	0	0	0	50	16.7
Adrian Young	1	48	0	0	0	0	48	48.0
Michael Hobbs	2	38	0	0	0	0	38	19.0
Josh Collier	2	38	0	0	0	0	38	19.0
Matt Beavin	3	0	11	0	26	0	37	12.3
Jeff Zolman	3	34	0	0	0	0	34	11.3
Mike Jones	3	30	0	0	0	0	30	10.0
Alex Love	3	0	0	6	0	18	24	8.0
Dedrick Stuckey	3	0	0	0	9	15	24	8.0
Terrance Ware	2	19	-3	0	0	0	16	8.0
Jeff Sullivan	2	6	0	0	0	0	6	3.0
Freddie Patrick	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	2.0
TEAM	1	-2	0	0	0	0	-2	-2.0
Bill Pryor	3	0	0	0	0	-2	-2	-0.7
Total	3	752	138	66	280	86	1322	440.7
Opponents	3	442	522	2	416	51	1433	477.7

2004 Wofford Football Wofford Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Sep 27, 2004) All games

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP			ackles [.] Total	 TFL/Yds	-Sacks- No-Yds				-Fumble			
44 Timmy Thrift	3	20	6	26	2.5-12	1.0-7		3	2				
75 Lee Basinger	3	12	10	22	5.5-12	1.0-3	•		1	•			
19 Ryan Steele	3	13	8	21	3.0-7	•	•				2		
11 Alex Love	3	9	12	21	•	•	1-18	2		1-0	1	1	
24 Brian Kemp	3	14	4	18	0.5-1	•	1-55	1					
43 Steve Hoover	3	11	6	17	2.0-2	•	•	2			1		
45 Justin Franklin	3	9	6	15	1.0-1	•	•	•	1		1		
92 Katon Bethay	3	10	4	14	3.0-4	1.0-1	•						
55 Jim Thurman	3	8	6	14	1.0-7	1.0-7	•			1-13	1		
7 Dan Tavani	3	9	4	13			•						
57 Josh Smith	3	9	3	12						•			
16 Dedrick Stuckey	3	8	1	9	1.0-1	•	1-15	1		•			
54 Jimmy Freland	3	8	1	9	4.0-5	•	•		1				
96 Ben Whitney	3	3	4	7	2.5-6	1.0-3	•		1				
91 Bill Pryor	3	4	3	7	2.5-3		12						
98 James Gonsoulin	3	2	4	6			•						
28 Derek Newberry	3	4	2	6			•			1-0			
97 Josh Dorr	3	2	4	6	1.0-4		•		1				
53 Erik Hutchinson	3	2	3	5	1.0-13	1.0-13							
49 Justin Bell	3	1	4	5									
31 Brandon Smith	2	4	1	5							1		
39 J. Wheeler	3	1	4	5				1					
10 Brian Ford	3	1	4	5									
9 Shane Fast	3	3	1	4									
35 Andrew Nelson	3	3	1	4									
33 Tony Jefferson	3	2	2	4	1.0-2								
37 Derek Swindall	1	2	2	4	1.0-2	_	1-0					_	
90 Bryan Blair	3	2	1	3	0.5-1	-						_	•
50 Alex Schaefer	1	2	1	3		-		1	1	1-14		_	•
21 Kyle Horne	3	2	_	2	1.0-1	•	•	_	_		•	•	•
29 Jason Leventis	3	2	•	2	0 -	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
27 Nick Robinson	3	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
82 Jimbo Robinson	1	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
89 Matt Allison	1	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
94 Gaby Dibo	3	1	•	1	1.0-2	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
52 P. McKenzie	1	1	•	1	1.0 2	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Total	3	187	112	299	35-86	6-36	5-86	11	8	4-27	7	1	•
Opponents	3	119	96	215	25-78	4-29	3-51	2		1-0	2		