

THE SOUTH ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

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2009 FOOTBALL REPORT - WEEK 8

2009 SOUTH ATLANTIC CONFERENCE FOOTBALL STANDINGS (Through matches played on Saturday, October 17)

TEAM	SAC	PCT	ALL	PCT	H	A	N	ST
Carson-Newman	4-0	1.000	6-2	.750	4-0	2-2	0-0	W6
Mars Hill	3-1	.750	5-2	.714	1-1	4-1	0-0	W2
Wingate	3-1	.750	5-2	.714	3-1	2-1	0-0	L1
Brevard	2-2	.500	6-2	.750	3-1	3-1	0-0	L1
Newberry	2-2	.500	4-3	.571	1-1	3-2	0-0	W1
Catawba	1-3	.250	4-3	.571	1-2	3-1	0-0	W1
Lenoir-Rhyne	1-3	.250	4-4	.500	2-3	2-1	0-0	L2
Tusculum	0-4	.000	1-6	.143	0-3	1-3	0-0	L4

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Saturday, October 17
NEWBERRY 35, WINGATE 27
CATAWBA 41, TUSCULUM 27
MARS HILL 28, BREVARD 13
CARSON-NEWMAN 17, LENOIR-RHYNE 13

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Saturday, October 24
BREVARD AT CARSON-NEWMAN, 1 p.m.
WINGATE AT CATAWBA, 1:30 p.m.
LENOIR-RHYNE AT MARS HILL, 2:30 p.m.
TUSCULUM AT NEWBERRY, 7 p.m.

2009 SAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE		
Date	Player, Position	School
8/31	Brandon Gantt, QB	Newberry
9/7	Brandon Gantt, QB	Newberry
9/14	Jonas Randolph, RB	Mars Hill
9/21	Bo Cordell, QB	Tusculum
9/28	Jonas Randolph, RB	Mars Hill
	Alex Good, QB	Carson-Newman
10/5	S.J. Worrell, RB	Newberry
10/12	Jonas Randolph, RB	Mars Hill
10/19	Brandon Gantt, QB	Newberry

DEFENSE		
Date	Player, Position	School
8/31	Robert Fletcher, S	Wingate
9/7	Marqus Davis, DE	Catawba
9/14	Stanley Jones, LB	Brevard
9/21	Miles Washington, LB	Tusculum
9/28	Tylan Merckerson, S	Wingate
10/5	Andre Moyd, LB	Newberry
10/12	Robert Fletcher, S	Wingate
10/19	Ron Parker, S	Newberry

SPECIAL TEAMS		
Date	Player, Position	School
8/31	Cam Thompkins, DB	Lenoir-Rhyne
9/7	Jamont Jones, RS	Lenoir-Rhyne
9/14	Demetrius Smedley, WR	Mars Hill
9/21	Chris Jones, P	Carson-Newman
9/28	Carlos Lopez, PK	Carson-Newman
10/5	Artis Gilmore, RS	Lenoir-Rhyne
10/12	Eric Watts, P	Brevard
10/19	Thomas Trexler, K	Catawba



Newberry's Gantt, Parker, Catawba's Trexler named Football Players Of The Week



ROCK HILL, S.C. --- The South Atlantic Conference Football Players of the Week have been announced for the week ending October 18, 2009. Newberry College quarterback Brandon Gantt was named Offensive Player of the Week, Newberry safety Ron Parker was named Defensive Player of the Week, and Catawba College placekicker Thomas Trexler was named Special Teams Player of the Week.

Gantt, a senior from Lexington, S.C. (Middle Tenn. St. Univ / Heathwood Hall HS), recorded 347 yards of offense in the 35-27 road win over Wingate on Saturday, handing the Bulldogs their first conference loss of the season. He completed 20-of-39 passes for a career-high 336 yards, a touchdown and an interception; he also had nine carries for 11 yards. The touchdown was a 26-yard connection with David Smith in the fourth quarter that gave Newberry the lead for good. The 336 yards is ninth all-time in the Newberry record books and the third time Gantt has passed for over 330 yards this season (333 at Valdosta State, 335 at Austin Peay).

Parker, a senior from St. Helena Island, S.C. (Beaufort HS) had two interceptions in the 35-27 win at Wingate, including a 54-yard pickoff return for a touchdown in the fourth quarter for what turned out to be the game-winning score for Newberry. He also made three tackles and had a total of three pass breakups.

Trexler, a sophomore from Wilmington, N.C. (New Hanover HS), made two first-half field goals (39 & 36 yards) and was perfect on five PAT attempts in the 41-27 win at Tusculum. His first FG of 39 yards put the Indians on top 10-6 and his second, from 36 yards, tied the game at 13-13. On the season, Trexler has made 5-of-8 field goals and is 23-of-25 on PAT's, totaling 38 points. He also helped bottle Tusculum up on kickoffs as the Pioneers averaged starting on its own 25 on his eight kickoffs. Tusculum started inside its 20 on three occasions.



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2009 SAC FOOTBALL RESULTS

BREVARD (2-2 SAC, 6-2)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
Aug 29	at Edward Waters	W, 51-6
Sep 5	at Pikeville (Ky.)	W, 40-3
Sep 12	Chowan	W, 27-24
Sep 19	Southern Virginia	W, 42-7
Sep 26	AT LENOIR-RHYNE	W, 14-9
Oct 3	AT WINGATE	L, 12-28
Oct 10	TUSCULUM	W, 27-24 (OT)
Oct 17	MARS HILL	L, 13-28
Oct 24	AT CARSON-NEWMAN	1 pm
Oct 31	CATAWBA	1 pm
Nov 7	AT NEWBERRY	7 pm

SAC games in ALL CAPS

CARSON-NEWMAN (4-0 SAC, 6-2)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
Aug 27	at Winona St.	L, 12-17
Sep 5	at North Alabama	L, 14-31
Sep 10	Campbellsville	W, 38-10
Sep 19	UNC Pembroke	W, 35-22
Sep 26	NEWBERRY	W, 23-20
Oct 3	AT MARS HILL	W, 55-28
Oct 10	CATAWBA	W, 41-31
Oct 17	AT LENOIR-RHYNE	W, 17-13
Oct 24	BREVARD	1 pm
Oct 31	AT WINGATE	1:30 pm
Nov 7	TUSCULUM	1 pm

SAC games in ALL CAPS

CATAWBA (1-3 SAC, 4-3)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
Aug 29	at St. Augustine's	W, 25-7
Sep 5	at Fayetteville St.	W, 21-20
Sep 12	Livingstone	W, 51-0
Sep 26	MARS HILL	L, 12-14
Oct 3	NEWBERRY	L, 21-40
Oct 10	AT CARSON-NEWMAN	L, 31-41
Oct 17	AT TUSCULUM	W, 41-27
Oct 24	WINGATE	1:30 pm
Oct 31	AT BREVARD	1 pm
Nov 7	LENOIR-RHYNE	1:30 pm

SAC games in ALL CAPS

LENOIR-RHYNE (1-3 SAC, 4-4)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
Aug 29	Shorter	W, 21-14
Sep 5	at Concord	L, 45-52, (OT)
Sep 12	at Davidson	W, 42-0
Sep 19	North Greenville	W, 32-16
Sep 26	BREVARD	L, 9-14
Oct 3	AT TUSCULUM	W, 38-17
Oct 10	WINGATE	L, 49-50
Oct 17	CARSON-NEWMAN	L, 13-17
Oct 24	AT MARS HILL	2:30 pm
Oct 31	NEWBERRY	2 pm
Nov 7	AT CATAWBA	1:30 pm

SAC games in ALL CAPS

MARS HILL (3-1 SAC, 5-2)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
Aug 29	at North Greenville	W, 28-0
Sep 5	at Gardner-Webb	L, 14-58
Sep 12	St. Augustine's	W, 20-14
Sep 26	AT CATAWBA	W, 14-12
Oct 3	CARSON-NEWMAN	L, 28-55
Oct 10	AT NEWBERRY	W, 34-28
Oct 17	AT BREVARD	W, 28-13
Oct 24	LENOIR-RHYNE	2:30 pm
Oct 31	AT TUSCULUM	2:30 pm
Nov 7	WINGATE	1:30 pm

SAC games in all CAPS

NEWBERRY (2-2 SAC, 4-3)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
Aug 29	at Valdosta St.	W, 31-24
Sep 5	at Austin Peay St.	L, 23-34
Sep 19	Cumberland (Tenn.)	W, 20-3
Sep 26	at CARSON-NEWMAN	L, 20-23
Oct 3	AT CATAWBA	W, 40-21
Oct 10	MARS HILL	L, 28-34
Oct 17	AT WINGATE	W, 35-27
Oct 24	TUSCULUM	7 pm
Oct 31	AT LENOIR-RHYNE	2 pm
Nov 7	BREVARD	7 pm

SAC games in ALL CAPS

2009 SAC FOOTBALL RESULTS

TUSCULUM (0-4 SAC, 1-6)

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT
Aug 29	at Charleston (W.Va.)	L, 14-31
Sep 12	at Elizabeth City St.	L, 29-49
Sep 19	at Urbana	W, 45-35
Sep 24	WINGATE	L, 31-42
Oct 3	LENOIR-RHYNE	L, 17-38
Oct 10	AT BREVARD	L, 24-27 (OT)
Oct 17	CATAWBA	L, 27-41
Oct 24	AT NEWBERRY	7 pm
Oct 31	MARS HILL	2:30 pm
Nov 7	AT CARSON-NEWMAN	1 pm

SAC games in all CAPS

WINGATE (3-1 SAC, 5-2)

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT
Aug 29	West Georgia	W, 38-17
Sep 5	North Greenville	W, 33-14
Sep 12	at UNC Pembroke	L, 13-24
Sep 24	AT TUSCULUM	W, 42-31
Oct 3	BREVARD	W, 28-12
Oct 10	AT LENOIR-RHYNE	W, 50-49
Oct 17	NEWBERRY	L, 27-25
Oct 24	AT CATAWBA	1:30 pm
Oct 31	CARSON-NEWMAN	1:30 pm
Nov 7	AT MARS HILL	1:30 pm

SAC games in ALL CAPS



SOUTH ATLANTIC CONFERENCE
CHAMPIONSHIPS

AFCA Coaches Poll

October 12, 2009

Rank	School (1st votes)	2009 Rec.	Pts	Previous
1.	Abilene Christian (Texas) (23)	7-0	621	2
2.	North Alabama (2)	7-0	600	3
3.	Central Washington	7-0	570	4
4.	Bloomsburg (Pa.)	7-0	546	5
5.	Northwest Missouri St.	6-1	521	6
6.	Minnesota St.-Mankato	7-0	492	7
7.	Texas A&M-Kingsville	7-0	450	9
8.	Grand Valley St. (Mich.)	6-1	446	1
9.	Minnesota-Duluth	6-1	445	8
10.	Albany St. (Ga.)	6-0	401	10
11.	Charleston (W.Va.)	7-0	362	11
12.	Edinboro (Pa.)	6-1	334	13
13.	Tarleton St. (Texas)	6-1	320	15
14.	Central Missouri	6-1	303	16t
15.	Missouri Western St.	6-1	274	16t
16.	Nebraska-Kearney	6-1	249	21
17.	North Carolina-Pembroke	6-1	157	25
18.	Findlay (Ohio)	6-1	149	NR
19.	Tuskegee (Ala.)	5-2	127	24
20.	Washburn (Kan.)	5-2	113	12
21.	West Liberty (W.Va.)	6-1	93	NR
22.	Midwestern St. (Texas)	5-2	91	18
23.	Northern Michigan	5-1	76	NR
24.	Wayne St. (Neb.)	5-2	68	14
25.	Carson-Newman (Tenn.)	5-2	57	NR

Others Receiving Votes: **Wingate (N.C.), 54**; California (Pa.), 45; Angelo St. (Texas), 39; Hillsdale (Mich.), 22; Bentley (Mass.), 18; Saginaw Valley St. (Mich.), 18; Nebraska-Omaha, 15; Winona St. (Minn.), 12; Wayne St. (Mich.), 10; Colorado School of Mines, 8; Ouachita Baptist (Ark.), 5; Bemidji St. (Minn.), 4; Delta St. (Miss.), 3; Shippensburg (Pa.), 3; Ashland (Ohio), 2; Shepherd (W.Va.), 2.

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October 13, 2009

Rank	School	2009	Prev.
1	Abilene Christian	7-0	2
2	North Alabama	7-0	3
3	Central Washington	7-0	4
4	Bloomsburg	7-0	5
5	Northwest Missouri	6-1	6
6	Texas A&M-Kingsville	7-0	7
7	Minnesota State	7-0	8
8	Minnesota-Duluth	6-1	9
9	Grand Valley	6-1	1
10	Albany State	6-0	10
11	Charleston	7-0	12
12	Nebraska-Kearney	6-1	13
13	Missouri Western	6-1	14
14	Tarleton State	6-1	16
15	Edinboro	6-1	19
16	Central Missouri	6-1	18
17	Carson-Newman	5-2	23
18	Saginaw Valley	5-2	24
19	Findlay	6-1	NR
20	Wayne State (Ne)	5-2	11
21	Tuskegee	5-2	25
22	Washburn	5-2	15
23	California	5-2	NR
24	Northern Michigan	5-1	NR
25	UNC Pembroke	6-1	NR