

VIRGINIA

2008 CAVALIER FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



2008 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

August

30 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (ABC/ESPN2), 3:30 p.m.

September

6 RICHMOND (ESPNU) 3:45 p.m.

13 at Connecticut (ESPNU) 7:30 p.m.

27 at Duke* TBA

October

4 MARYLAND* TBA

11 EAST CAROLINA TBA

18 NORTH CAROLINA* TBA

25 at Georgia Tech* TBA

November

1 MIAMI (FLA.)*^ TBA

8 at Wake Forest* TBA

22 CLEMSON* TBA

29 at Virginia Tech* TBA

All Times Eastern; *ACC game; ^Homecoming

ACC STANDINGS

Atlantic	Conference		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Boston College	0	0	0	0
Clemson	0	0	0	0
Maryland	0	0	0	0
Florida State	0	0	0	0
NC State	0	0	0	0
Wake Forest	0	0	0	0
Coastal	W	L	W	L
Duke	0	0	0	0
Georgia Tech	0	0	0	0
North Carolina	0	0	0	0
Miami	0	0	0	0
Virginia	0	0	0	0
Virginia Tech	0	0	0	0

Other Games in the ACC

Thursday, Aug. 28

Jacksonville State at Georgia Tech 7:30 p.m.

Charleston Southern at Miami 7:30 p.m.

NC State at South Carolina 8 p.m.

Wake Forest at Baylor 8 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 30

Virginia Tech vs. East Carolina (Charlotte) Noon

James Madison at Duke 7 p.m.

Delaware at Maryland 3:45 p.m.

McNeese State vs. North Carolina 6 p.m.

Boston College vs. Kent State (Cleveland) 7:30 p.m.

Clemson vs. Alabama (Atlanta) 8 p.m.

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VIRGINIA (0-0, 0-0 ACC) vs. NO. 3 (AP)/2 (USA TODAY) USC (0-0, 0-0 Pac-10)
GAME 1 • Saturday, Aug. 30 • 3:30 p.m.

Carl Smith Center, Home of David A. Harrison III Field
at Scott Stadium (61,500) • Charlottesville, Va.



Surface: Prescription Athletic Turf

Series vs. USC: First Meeting

Television: ABC/ESPN2

Radio: Virginia Sports Network,
ACC ISP Sports Radio Network

Satellite Radio: XM Radio Ch. TBA (UVA
broadcast) Sirius Ch. 123 (USC broadcast)

School Websites: VirginiaSports.com,
USCTrojans.com



GAMEDAY INFORMATION

TV COVERAGE

- ABC (regional) and ESPN2 (rest of nation) are televising the game
- Brad Nessler (play-by-play), Bob Griese (analyst), Paul Maguire (analyst) and Stacey Dales (sidelines) have the call

RADIO COVERAGE

- All Virginia games are broadcast on the Virginia Sports Network, originating at WINA/WWVW in Charlottesville
- Dave Koehn (play-by-play), Frank Quayle (analyst) and Tim Sherman (sidelines) have the call
- ACC ISP Sports Radio Network has the national radio broadcast, with Bill Rosinski (play-by-play) and Sonny Randle (analyst)

BRING ON THE NEW SEASON

- Virginia (608-524-48) opens its 118th season of football Saturday, Aug. 30 against Southern California

NEW FACES ABOUND FOR VIRGINIA

- UVA features just 10 returning starters – five on each side of the ball
- That is the fewest returning starters since 1986 (nine)
- Only seven schools have fewer returning starters (Air Force, Army, Hawaii have fewest with eight)
- The Cavaliers will break in a new place-kicker and punter this year, but return long snapper Danny Aiken and holder Vic Hall

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

- USC and Virginia are playing for the first time in football; Virginia is scheduled to make the return trip to Los Angeles in 2010
- Virginia opens vs. a ranked team for the first time since losing 26-17 at No. 22 Wisconsin in 2001
- Virginia is playing its first-ever home game against a Pac-10 opponent. The Cavaliers are 0-1 all-time vs. Pac-10 (38-17 loss at Washington in 1976)
- No. 3/2 USC is the highest-ranked visiting team to play in Scott Stadium since then-No. 1 Florida State in 1999 (FSU 31-10)
- The Cavaliers return 10 starters and 30 letterwinners, their fewest since 1986 in both categories

PRESS OPPORTUNITIES

AL GROH

Head coach Al Groh will have the following media opportunities during the 2008 season:

SUNDAY

UVa Teleconference5 p.m.

TUESDAY

Weekly Press Conference12:15 p.m.
John Paul Jones Press Room

WEDNESDAY

ACC Teleconference..... 10:50-11 a.m.

THURSDAY

UVa Teleconference 11:30 a.m.

Contact the athletics media relations office for teleconference call-in numbers.

Quotes from the Tuesday press conference are posted on VirginiaSports.com Tuesday evening.

PLAYER INTERVIEWS

Players are available each Tuesday following Coach Groh's press conference until 1:45 p.m. This is the best opportunity to interview players. If you have specific player interview requests, they should be directed to Michael Colley in the UVa Athletics Media Relations office by Noon Monday.

No player interviews will be arranged after Wednesday during game week.

POSTGAME INTERVIEWS

Virginia's locker room is closed to media following games, both at home and on the road.

Coach Groh will hold his postgame press conference in the media room, while requested players will be brought to the media room to meet with media representatives after Groh. UVa athletics media relations personnel will take player requests during the fourth quarter of each game.

ACC WEEKLY SATELLITE FEED

The Atlantic Coast Conference provides a 90-minute weekly satellite feed during the entire ACC football season. The feed consists of sound from the head coach and players of each school as well as game highlights from the previous week.

Here are the feed particulars:

Dates: every Wednesday during the season

Time: 2:30-4:00 pm (eastern)

Satellite: AMC3-C05, (C-band)

Located at: 87 degrees West

Polarity: Vertical

Downlink Freq.: 3800 MHz

Audio: 6.2/6.8 MHz

Bandwidth: 36 MHz

ACC WEEKLY TELECONFERENCE

The ACC Football Coaches Teleconference, featuring each of the ACC's 12 head football coaches, begins August 27 and will continue weekly throughout the 2008 football season. Teleconferences will begin at 10:30 a.m. and conclude at 12:30 p.m. There will be a replay available of each teleconference on the ACC's website—theACC.com.

- Jim Grobe, Wake Forest..... 10:30
- Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech..... 10:40
- Al Groh, Virginia10:50**
- Tom O'Brien, NC State 11:00
- Butch Davis, North Carolina 11:10
- Randy Shannon, Miami..... 11:20
- Ralph Friedgen, Maryland..... 11:30
- Paul Johnson, Georgia Tech..... 11:40
- Bobby Bowden, Florida State 11:50
- David Cutcliffe, Duke Noon
- Tommy Bowden, Clemson 12:10
- Jeff Jagodzinski , Boston College 12:20

COLLEGE PRESS BOX.COM

The ACC again has contracted with the FWAA for their web service, collegepressbox.com, a media web portal for ACC Football. This is a football-only site which assists the media, both locally and nationally, in covering ACC football on a more user-friendly basis. Contact the athletics media relations office for a password.

ACC INJURY POLICY

The ACC has a new injury release policy this year. On each Monday during the season, the school announces any players who are out for the season or scheduled to have surgery.

No other announcements regarding player injuries will be made until the end of practice on Thursday or two days prior to the next football game (Tuesday for Thursday game, Thursday for Saturday). On that day, within 90 minutes of the end of practice, injured players' playing status for the next game will be announced in one of five categories:

- Definitely will play
- Probable
- Questionable
- Doubtful
- Out

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

PLAYERS

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UNIFORM ADDITIONS/CHANGES (FROM MEDIA GUIDE ROSTER)

- Warner Blunt - 2 Johnny Pickett - 21
- Dan Childress - 57 Robert Randolph - 30
- Kevin Crawford - 95 Yannick Reyering - 10
- Ray Keys - 88 Brady Stovall - 39
- Kyle McCartin - 16 John Maghamez - 70

VIRGINIA VS. TOP-5 TEAMS

- USC will be just the second top 3-ranked non-conference team to play in Charlottesville
- It has been 64 years since the last occurrence when No. 2 North Carolina Pre-Flight, led by QB Otto Graham, and UVA played to a 13-13 tie
- The Trojans are UVA's highest-ranked non-league opponent since No. 2 Notre Dame in the 1989 Kickoff Classic (ND 36-13)
- UVA is 2-16-1 all-time vs. top-five teams, including 2-5-1 at home
- UVA's last win and appearance vs. a top-5 team was Oct. 15, 2004 vs. No. 4 Florida State (26-21)

USC MAKES RARE TRIP TO ACC SCHOOL

- USC is making just its second-ever visit to an ACC stadium
- USC lost 30-10 at Florida State in 1998
- The Trojans also played at Miami (1968), Georgia Tech (1973) and Boston College (1988) prior to those schools joining the ACC

UVA'S SEASON OPENER HISTORY

- UVA is 75-33-9 (.682) in season openers, including a 69-17-7 record in season openers at home
- USC is the Cavaliers' first season opener at home since 2005 (Western Michigan)

NON-CONFERENCE HOME GAMES

- Virginia has won 11 of its last 12 non-conference home games since 2002 and 36 of 45 since 1987
- Under Al Groh Virginia is 13-3 at home in non-conference games and 34-10 in all home games
- UVA also has non-league home games with Richmond and East Carolina this year
- UVA has three non-conference games vs. 2007 bowl teams – only Arkansas State (four) plays more

THE WEST COMES EAST

- USC becomes just the seventh team from west of the Mississippi River (second from California) to travel to Charlottesville – all have come since 1991
 - UVA is 4-2 vs. those teams
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|----------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| 10/5/91 | Kansas..... | W, 31-19 |
| 10/28/96 | No. 13 Texas..... | W, 37-13 |
| 10/3/98 | San Jose State..... | W, 52-14 |
| 9/2/00 | Brigham Young..... | L, 35-38 (OT) |
| 8/22/02 | Colorado State..... | L, 29-35 (Jim Thorpe Classic) |
| 8/9/06 | Wyoming..... | W, 13-12 (OT) |

BRING THE 'A' GAME EARLY

- UVA's first three opponents (USC, Richmond, UConn) combined to win 31 games last year
- USC is the FBS preseason No. 2 team (USA Today), while Richmond is the FCS preseason No. 4 squad
- UConn is receiving votes in both pre-season polls

OVERALL SCHEDULE ALSO STRONG

- UVA's opponents combined to go 91-64 (.587) last year
- UVA's opponents' 2007 winning percentage ranks 19th nationally
- Eight of the 12 opponents had .500-plus records in 2007 – all eight played in bowl games as well

TOP CROWDS

- The USC-Virginia game is sold out. With a strong student attendance expected, the stadium attendance record could be broken.
- Top 10 Scott Stadium Crowds:

Date	Attend.	Opponent	Result
11/13/04	63,701	Miami	Miami, 31-21
11/19/05	63,344	Virginia Tech	VT, 52-14
10/15/05	63,106	Florida State	UVA, 26-21
11/6/04	63,072	Maryland	UVA, 16-0
10/18/03	62,875	Florida State	FSU, 19-14
9/11/04	62,790	North Carolina	UVA, 56-24
10/7/04	61,833	Clemson	UVA, 30-10
8/30/03	61,737	Duke	UVA, 27-0
11/24/07	61,711	Virginia Tech	VT, 33-21
11/17/01	61,625	Virginia Tech	VT, 31-17

DOMBROWSKI TO BE HONORED SATURDAY

- Former Virginia offensive tackle Jim Dombrowski (1982-85) will be honored during the game Saturday
- He is a 2008 inductee to the College Football Hall of Fame
- He was a unanimous All-American in 1985 and led UVA to three straight winning seasons and school's first bowl berth and win (1984 Peach Bowl vs. Purdue)
- He also was a two-time winner of Jacobs Blocking Trophy (ACC's best blocker)

UVA LAUNCHES POWER OF ORANGE



- 'The Power of Orange' marketing campaign builds on UVA's efforts, since the arrival of head coach Al Groh in 2001,

A NEW 'VOICE' IS HEARD



Dave Koehn debuts as Virginia's radio voice for the USC game. He comes to UVA after spending time at the University of Vermont as the Catamounts' men's basketball announcer and voice of Vermont Lake Monsters.

Koehn also spent four years at Sam Houston State as the voice of football and men's and women's basketball. He is a graduate of University of Kansas.

to create a lively environment and sea of orange at Cavalier football games

- UVA will unveil a Power of Orange pre-game flag-raising ceremony at the USC game
- Surprise guest celebrities will raise the flag prior to each game
- UVA also will track opponent false-start penalties caused by Power of Orange

LEGENDS WALK OPENS AT SCOTT STADIUM

- The pergola area at Scott Stadium now features the Legends Walk
- The Legends Walk includes plaques and busts that pay tribute to those individuals for their outstanding accomplishments to the Cavalier football program.
- It ensures their actions and deeds will live on as a testament to their greatness

FORMER NFL COACHES SQUARE OFF

- Former NFL head coaches Al Groh and Pete Carroll face off Saturday
- Groh coached the New York Jets (2000), while Carroll coached the Jets (1994) and New England Patriots (1997-99)
- Groh's Cavaliers played three teams led by former NFL coaches last year – North Carolina (Butch Davis), Georgia Tech (Chan Gailey) and Pittsburgh (Dave Wannstedt)
- UVa won all three of those games
- Groh is 6-3 at UVa vs. former NFL head coaches:

Date	Opp.	Opp. Coach	Result
10/26/02	at GT	Gailey	L, 15-23
11/22/03	GT	Gailey	W, 29-17
11/20/04	at GT	Gailey	W, 30-10
11/12/05	GT	Gailey	W, 27-17
9/2/06	at Pitt	Wannstedt	L, 13-38
9/21/06	at GT	Gailey	L, 7-24
9/15/07	at UNC	Davis	W, 22-20
9/22/07	GT	Gailey	W, 28-23
9/29/07	Pitt	Wannstedt	W, 44-14

MORE WHITE-KNUCKLERS IN STORE?

- Virginia won five games by two points or fewer last year, becoming the first team in NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision history to win five games by one or two points in a season
- The 1971 Columbia team held the previous record with four wins by one or two points
- Six of the Cavaliers' nine wins last year were by six points or fewer
- UVa's six wins by six points or fewer were most in the nation (Memphis, New Mexico – four)
- It was only the third time in ACC history a team has won six games by six points or fewer during the regular season (North Carolina, 1976; Maryland, 2006)

2007 UVa Wins by Six Points or Fewer

Sept. 15	at North Carolina22-20
Sept. 22	Georgia Tech28-23
Oct. 6	at Middle Tennessee23-21
Oct. 13	Connecticut17-16
Oct. 20	at Maryland18-17
Nov. 3	Wake Forest17-16

LOTS OF NEW FACES

- UVa features just 10 returning starters – five on each side of the ball
- It marks the fewest returning starters since 1986 (nine)

Here's a breakdown of the starters lost and returning from the 2007 team.

**HOOS GONE
OFFENSE (6)**

- Branden Albert, LG**
 - First-team All-ACC, 15th pick in NFL Draft
- Ian-Yates Cunningham, RG**
 - Two-year starter, 31 career starts
- Jordy Lipsey, C**
 - 27 career starts at center
- Tom Santi, TE**
 - Second-Team All-ACC; 36 rec., 418 yds
- Jonathan Stupar, TE**
 - 40 rec., 359 yards, 2 TD last year
- Jameel Sewell, QB**
 - 22 career starts; 2,176 yds passing in '07

DEFENSE (6)

- Allen Billyk, NT**
 - Started all 13 games last year
- Chris Cook, CB**
 - 20 career starts; 39 tackles last year
- Jermaine Dias, OLB**
 - 54 tackles, two TFL in 2007
- Jeffrey Fitzgerald, DE**
 - 13 TFL, 73 tackles
- Chris Long, DE**
 - Unanimous All-American; 21 TFL in '07
- Nate Lyles, S**
 - Three-year starter; 68 tackles in '07

SPECIAL TEAMS (2)

- Chris Gould, PK/P**
 - 16-20 FG; also was short-distance P
- Ryan Weigand, P**
 - Fourth in nation in punt avg. (45.2)

- Only seven schools have fewer returning starters (Air Force, Army, Hawaii have fewest with eight)
- Cavaliers also will break in a new place-kicker and punter this year, but return long snapper Danny Aiken and holder Vic Hall

WHO'S BACK – BY THE NUMBERS

- 30 lettermen return, program's fewest since 1986 (29)
- UVa lost 42 percent (10 of 24) of its offensive lettermen
- Cavaliers also lost 43 percent (11 of 26) of its defensive lettermen

CALIFORNIA CONNECTIONS

- UVa QB Scott Deke was a high school teammate of USC fullback Matt Hillier
- The two played at Loyola High School, which is about two blocks from the USC

**HOOS BACK
OFFENSE (5)**

- Will Barker, RT**
 - Started all 25 games last two years
- Maurice Covington, WR**
 - Led WR in receptions, rec. yards in '07
- Staton Jobe, WR**
 - 17 rec., 163 yards in freshman season
- Eugene Monroe, LT**
 - Anchor of offensive line
- Cedric Peerman, TB**
 - Led team in rushing in '07; played 6 gms

DEFENSE (5)

- Antonio Appleby, ILB**
 - Started all 27 games last two years
- Jon Copper, ILB**
 - UVa leading returning tackler w/200
- Byron Glaspy, S**
 - Former walk-on; 28 career starts
- Vic Hall, CB**
 - 58 tackles led UVa corners last year
- Clint Sintim, OLB**
 - 37 straight starts, longest streak on team

SPECIAL TEAMS (2)

- Danny Aiken, LS**
 - LS for punts, XP and FG as true frosh
- Vic Hall, H/PR**
 - Had 230 punt return yards in 2007

- campus
- As a senior in 2003, Deke led Coach Steve Grady's team to the CIF championship
- Deke was born in Little Rock, Ark., and his family lived in Texas for three years before relocating to California when he was in eighth grade; his family currently lives in Charleston, S.C, which is where he considers home
- Virginia LB Darren Childs hails from San Diego, where he attended Mission Bay High School

CAPTAINS HAVE VIRGINIA FLAVOR

- All four UVa captains hail from Virginia
- TE John Phillips (Warm Springs), TB Cedric Peerman (Gladys), OLB Clint Sintim (Woodbridge) and CB Vic Hall (Gretna) will serve as 2008 captains
- Phillips started eight games last season

(17 rec., 193 yards, 2 TD)

- Peerman missed the second half of the season because of foot injury; was the ACC's leading rusher at the time
- Sintim was the team's third-leading tackler and had nine sacks to lead line-backers nationally
- Hall, a junior, started all 13 games in 2007 and made 58 tackles

THREE COMPETE AS GRAD STUDENTS

- Three Cavaliers have already received their undergraduate degrees and will participate as graduate students this season
- The list of grad students and their undergraduate degrees includes: QB Scott Deke (economics), S Byron Glaspy (economics) and TB Cedric Peerman (sociology)
- UVa has had 107 players play as grad students in the past 19 seasons

MONROE ON OUTLAND WATCH LIST

- Senior T Eugene Monroe has been named to the Outland Trophy Watch List, given to nation's best interior lineman
- He started 11 games at left tackle last season and did not allow a sack during the regular season
- He received honorable mention All-ACC recognition last season and has been named to several preseason All-ACC squads

OGLETREE BACK IN THE FOLD

- WR Kevin Ogletree missed all of 2007 with a knee injury after leading the team in receiving in 2006
- Ogletree had 52 receptions for 582 yards (both team highs) in 2006
- He gives the Cavaliers a needed deep threat at WR

PASTOR PEERMAN BACK AS WELL

- In July, TB Cedric Peerman was ordained as a minister at Charlottesville's Mt. Zion First African Church
- Peerman is back after missing the final six games of 2007 because of a foot injury; led ACC in rushing (113.2 ypg) at the time of injury
- Peerman is the ACC's seventh-leading returning rusher from last season

PEERMAN AND SIMPSON TO LEAD RUNNING ATTACK

- TBs Cedric Peerman and Mikell Simpson form one of most potent backfield combi-

UVA BREAKS IN NEW QB

- No starting QB has been named, but whoever the choice is, he will be making his first career college start vs. USC
- Peter Lalich has appeared in eight games (35-61, 2 TD, 1 INT), while Scott Deke has seen action in one game without throwing a pass; Marc Verica has not yet appeared in a game
- Last year Lalich became first true freshman to play QB at UVa since Dan Ellis in 1997
- Below is list of first-time starters going into season opener in last 24 years:

Player	Yr	Opp.	C-A-I-Yds-TD	Result
Christian Olsen	2006	Pitt	17-34-1-133-0	L, 38-13
Matt Schaub	2001	Wisconsin	3-10-2-24-0	L, 26-17
Dan Ellis	1999	UNC	10-25-3-165-1	W, 20-17
Aaron Brooks	1997	Auburn	25-41-1-305-2	L, 28-17
Tim Sherman*	1996	C. Michigan	6-10-0-103-0	W, 55-21
Symmion Willis	1993	Maryland	15-23-1-192-2	W, 43-29
Shawn Moore	1988	William & Mary	13-22-1-167-2	W, 31-23
Kevin Ferguson	1984	Clemson	5-12-2-68-0	L, 55-0

*current UVa radio sideline reporter

nations in the ACC

- Virginia is one of only three ACC schools to return two 500-yard rushers (Clemson, Miami)
- Peerman led the team in rushing despite missing half the season with foot injury; led ACC in rushing at time of injury
- Simpson replaced Peerman in the second half of the season

MIRROR IMAGES

- In 2007, Cedric Peerman started the first six games before being sidelined with a foot injury
- Mikell Simpson eventually filled that void in the second half of the season
- The duo had remarkably similar rushing statistics:

	Peerman	Simpson	Total
Rushes	113	113	226
Rush Yds	585	570	1155
Rush Avg	5.2	5.0	5.1
Rush TD	5	8	13
----- Receiving Stats:			
Recepts	12	43	55
Rec Yds	99	402	501
Rec TD	0	2	2

SIMPSON A DUAL-THREAT BACK

- Mikell Simpson tied for third in the ACC in rushing touchdowns (eight) in 2007
- He also was ninth in the country (second in the ACC) in receptions by a running back with 43
- His 43 receptions led team

- He had 119 yards rushing, 152 receiving in a breakout performance at Maryland when he touched the ball on UVa's final 14 plays, including a one-yard leap for the go-ahead score with 16 seconds left
- Simpson's 96-yard TD run in the Gator Bowl was the longest in UVa history, second-longest in NCAA bowl history and the longest by an FBS player in 2007

TIGHT END U

- UVa can easily be called "Tight End U" under head coach Al Groh
- UVa TEs have caught 409 passes for 4,656 yards and 37 TDs since 2001, by far the best figures in the ACC in that span (nearly double)
- Despite loss of Tom Santi and Jonathan Stupar to graduation, the group is expected to be a strength again in 2008
- Senior John Phillips ranks third among returning ACC TEs (17 rec., 193 yards, 2 TD)
- Joe Torchia played in 12 games last year, primarily on special teams and in goal line situations, while Crutcher Reiss and redshirt freshmen Mark Ambrose and Andrew Devlin also are in the mix

	Yrs.	Rec.	Yards	TD
Patrick Estes	2001-04	28	252	2
Chris Luzar	2001	33	380	0
Heath Miller	2002-04	144	1703	20
John Phillips	2005-07	21	285	3
Tom Santi	2004-07	97	1184	6
Jonathan Stupar	2004-07	80	803	3

2008 ACC PRESEASON POLL

Coastal Division

1. Virginia Tech (58)	383
2. North Carolina (4)	288
3. Miami (1)	253
4. Georgia Tech (1)	195
5. Virginia (1)	161
6. Duke	85

Atlantic Division

1. Clemson (59).....	383
2. Wake Forest (5).....	304
3. Florida State (1).....	265
4. Boston College.....	154
5. Maryland.....	147
6. NC State.....	112
ACC Champion: Clemson (51)	
First-place votes in parentheses	

2008 PRESEASON ALL-ACC TEAM

Offense

- QB – Cullen Harper, Clemson
- RB – Josh Adams, Wake Forest
- RB – James Davis, Clemson
- WR – Aaron Kelly, Clemson
- WR – Hakeem Nicks, North Carolina
- TE – Ryan Purvis, Boston College
- T – Andrew Gardner, Georgia Tech
- T – Eugene Monroe, Virginia**
- G – Rodney Hudson, Florida State
- G – Sergio Render, Virginia Tech
- C – Edwin Williams, Maryland

Defense

- DE – Everette Brown, Florida State
- DE – Michael Johnson, Georgia Tech
- DT – Ron Brace, Boston College
- DT – Vance Walker, Georgia Tech
- LB – Aaron Curry, Wake Forest
- LB – Clint Sintim, Virginia**
- LB – Brian Toal, Boston College
- CB – Victor Harris, Virginia Tech
- CB – Alphonso Smith, Wake Forest
- S – Michael Hamlin, Clemson
- S – Myron Rolle, Florida State

Specialists

- PK – Sam Swank, Wake Forest
- P – Graham Gano, Florida State
- RET – Brandon Tate, North Carolina

PLAYER OF THE YEAR (64)

- Cullen Harper – 34
- James Davis – 16
- C.J. Spiller – 4
- Josh Adams – 2
- Sean Glennon – 2
- Riley Skinner – 2
- Drew Weatherford – 2
- Aaron Curry – 1
- Victor Harris – 1

SINTIM A CANDIDATE FOR NAGURSKI TROPHY

- Senior OLB Clint Sintim has been named to the Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List
- Nagurski Trophy is presented to nation's best defensive player
- He has started all 37 games in his career and was third on team with 77 tackles last season
- His nine sacks last year led nation's linebackers

DO-IT-ALL HALL

- Vic Hall has filled many roles throughout his career—starting cornerback, cover man on kickoffs and punts, return-man and holder
- Last year he was in on 58 tackles, tops among the team's corners
- He ranks seventh among returning ACC cornerbacks in tackling from a year ago with average of 4.5 tackles per game
- Hall is an electrifying punt returner who was fifth in ACC last season with 10.0-yard punt return average
- His 23 returns tied for sixth in the conference, while his 230 punt return yards were the most by a Cavalier since 2004
- Second-leading punt returner in league behind Florida State's Preston Parker

COPPER AIMS FOR ANOTHER BIG YEAR

- ILB Jon Copper is attempting to become the first player to lead the team in tackling three straight years since Charles McDaniel from 1982-85
- He made a career-high 109 tackles last season and ranked seventh in ACC with average of 8.4 stops per game and is third-leading returning tackler in ACC this season
- Copper made at least seven tackles in every game and was team's leader on six occasions
- He also shared team lead with two interceptions a year ago, the first LB to lead team since Scott Lageman in 1985

UVa Active Tackle Leaders

Name	No.
1. Jon Copper (ILB)	200
2. Clint Sintim (OLB).....	175
3. Antonio Appleby (ILB).....	155
4. Byron Glaspy (S).....	147
5. Vic Hall (CB)	71

STEADY GLASPY IS SENIOR LEADER

- Byron Glaspy's 28 career starts are most in the secondary and second on the team behind Clint Sintim's 37
- He led secondary with a career-high 71 stops, including 41 solos, in 2007
- He is 15th among returning ACC players in tackling (fifth among DBs)
- Glaspy joined team as walk-on picked out of student body three years ago and quickly worked his way up the depth chart

SINTIM AMONG NATIONAL LEADERS

- Senior captain Clint Sintim has started all 37 games in his career
- He was third on the team in tackles in 2007 with career-high 77
- His nine QB sacks led nation's linebackers last season and are fourth in program history by a linebacker
- His nine sacks are tied for 14th nationally this season among all returning players
- Sintim was second on team behind All-American Chris Long with 17 QB pressures

SPOTLIGHT ON LINEBACKERS

- Linebacker figures to be a strong spot on defense for UVa
- Senior linebackers Antonio Appleby, Jon Copper and Clint Sintim all are returning starters
- The trio comprises three of the top four returning Virginia tacklers
- Each has amassed 25 or more career starts (Sintim - 37, Appleby - 27, Copper - 25)
- Copper has 200 career tackles, while Sintim has 175 and Appleby 155

PRUETT DEBUTS AS D-COORDINATOR

- UVa's defense is guided by first-year defensive coordinator Bob Pruett
- A longtime friend of Al Groh, Pruett has 40 years of coaching experience
- Pruett won the 1996 I-AA National Championship and five conference titles as head coach at Marshall (1996-2004)

WALK-ON SUCCESS

- Four players who originally joined the program as walk-ons are have or are vying for starting positions
- ILB Jon Copper
- S Byron Glaspy
- WR Staton Jobe
- WR Cary Koch
- All four have earned scholarships during their time at UVa

CAREER STARTS

Name, Pos.	'05/'06/'07	Career
Clint Sintim, LB	12/12/13	37
Byron Glaspy, S	4/11/13	28
Antonio Appleby, LB	2/12/13	27
Will Barker, T	*/12/13	25
Jon Copper, LB	0/12/13	25
Eugene Monroe, T	0/5/11	16
John Phillips, TE	3/4/8	15
Vic Hall, CB	*/0/13	13
Staton Jobe, WR	*/*/12	12
Kevin Ogletree, WR	1/9/*	10
Maurice Covington, WR	1/0/8	9
Cedric Peerman, TB	1/1/6	8
Zak Stair, T	0/7/0	7
Mikell Simpson, TB	*/0/4	4
Mike Parker, CB	*/*/3	3
Ras-I Dowling, CB	*/*/2	2
Rashawn Jackson, FB	*/0/2	2
Nate Collins, NT	*/1/0	1
Keith Payne, TB	*/*/1	1

* did not play

TEN THINGS YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT VIRGINIA FOOTBALL

1. Since 2001 (the arrival of Al Groh), no ACC team has won more home games (34) than Virginia
2. Virginia boasts seven College Football Hall of Famers and three Pro Football Hall of Famers
3. More than fifty Cavaliers have gone on to the NFL under Al Groh.
4. Fourteen former Cavaliers have played in the Pro Bowl.
5. Between 1913 and 1932, eight Virginia football players received the prestigious Rhodes Scholarship
6. Virginia has been honored 22 times by the American Football Coaches Association for its outstanding graduation rates.
7. UVA has produced 27 First-Team All-Americans.
8. Under Al Groh, Virginia has been ranked 32 times and reached No. 6 in 2004.
9. Since 1984, Virginia has participated in 17 bowl games, fourth-most among ACC schools.
10. Hall of Fame Coach Don Shula made his first coaching stop at UVA and was an assistant coach on the 1958 team which went 1-9. He was in charge of the backfield.

OTHER UVA WALK-ONS

- Virginia has had remarkable success with walk-ons through the years
- Al Groh, a walk-on himself at UVA, says his philosophy is to play the players who give the team the best chance to win
- Notable former UVA walk-ons include:
 - All-time leading scorer PK Connor Hughes
 - NFL Pro Bowl DE Patrick Kerney
 - NFL 1,000-yard WR Patrick Jeffers
 - Academic All-America DB Stephen Phelan
 - Two-year starting FB Kase Luzar

THORNTON LIVING ON THE LAWN

- Punter John Thornton will live on The Lawn in 2008. This is one of the most prestigious honors at UVA. He is living in Room No. 4, matching his uniform number.
- Just over 100 students are selected based on academic and service merit. Thornton is one of two UVA student-athletes living on The Lawn this year, joining baseball pitcher Andrew Carraway.

A NEW FOOT IN THE MIX

- Former UVA soccer player Yannick Reyerer is expected to handle kickoff and kick scoring duties in opener vs. USC
- If he plays, it will be the first football game Reyerer has ever played
- The last soccer player to move to football was Jeff Gaffney (1986), who is only player to have UVA soccer number retired
- Gaffney led the team with 53 points (17-17 XP, 12-16 FG)
- Reyerer was first-team All-ACC pick in 2007 (13 goals, four game-winning goals)
- He is a three-time All-ACC honoree; he led UVA in scoring all three years
- He netted 39 goals and 10 assists during his decorated career before suffering season-ending knee injury prior to 2007 ACC Tournament
- He led UVA to College Cup (Final Four of men's soccer) in 2006

NEW LOOK TO KICKING GAME

- Virginia will break in new kickers and punters this season
- It is the first time since 2002 that UVA has had a new kicker and punter in the same year
- In 2002, Tom Hagan took over as punter and Kurt Smith as kicker, although Connor Hughes took over as PK midway through season

NOTING UVA ATHLETICS**UVA ATHLETICS FINISHES 17TH IN DIRECTORS' CUP**

- Virginia finished 17th in the final 2007-08 U.S. Sports Academy Directors' Cup competition for Division I schools
- 15th-consecutive year (since program's inception) that UVA has recorded top-30 finish
- UVA is one of 15 schools to rank in the top 30 of the final Directors' Cup standings in all 15 years of program's existence
- Teams or individuals in 21 of Virginia's 25 athletics programs advanced to post-season competition in 2007-08, including 19 in NCAA championship events

2007-08 UVA ATHLETICS HIGHLIGHTS

- Men's tennis and men's lacrosse teams both reached the semifinals of the NCAA Championships
- Women's rowing team placed fifth overall at the NCAAs
- Cavalier men's tennis player Somdev Devvarman repeated as NCAA individual champion, becoming 13th player in 124-year history of the event to win consecutive titles
- Seven UVA coaches earned eight ACC Coach of the Year awards in their respective sports: Kim Lewellen (women's golf); Jason Dunn (men's cross country); Al Groh (football); Mark Bernardino (men's swimming & diving and women's swimming & diving); Kevin Sauer (rowing); Julie Myers (women's lacrosse) and Brian Boland (men's tennis)
- Women's basketball head coach Debbie Ryan was inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in June, and men's lacrosse coach Dom Starsia will be inducted into the National Lacrosse Hall of Fame in November.
- Virginia had six student-athletes that were selected for the ACC award recognizing exemplary levels of academic and athletic achievement. That group included senior tight end Tom Santi, who won the Tatum Award as the top football student-athlete.
- There are nine people with direct connections to UVA that are participants or coaches in the Beijing Olympics. Women's eight rower Lindsay Shoop and women's soccer player Angela Hucles won gold medals.

FATHERLY CONNECTIONS

- Two Cavaliers are sons of former NFL players:
- Chase Minnifield, son of former Cleveland Brown Pro Bowler Frank Minnifield and Jared Green, son on NFL Hall of Famer Darrell Green
- They are the most recent in a long line of famous father-son connections at UVa
 - Chris Long, son of NFL Hall of Fame lineman Howie Long
 - Current Louisiana Tech Coach/AD Derek Dooley, son of former Georgia coach Vince Dooley
 - Bil Curry, Jr., son of current Georgia State coach Bill Curry
 - Scott Griese, son of legendary NFL QB Bob Griese
 - Rickie Peete, son of golfer Calvin Peete
 - Yusef Jackson, son of Jesse Jackson
 - George Allen Jr., son of Rams and Redskins coach George Allen

GREEN STEPS ONTO BIG STAGE

- Redshirt freshman wide receiver Jared Green gave the introductory speech for his father, Darrell, at the Pro Football Hall of Fame induction ceremony on Aug. 8
- Darrell Green played 20 seasons at cornerback for the Washington Redskins

HOME WINS SINCE 2001

1. Virginia.....	34
Maryland.....	34
3. Clemson	33
4. Florida State.....	32
5. Georgia Tech.....	28
6. NC State.....	27
7. Virginia Tech*	24
Wake Forest.....	24
9. North Carolina	20
10. Miami*	19
11. Boston College*	18
12. Duke	7

*since joining ACC in 2004

CAVALIERS IN THE NFL

Player (Pos.)—Last UVa Season	Current Team
Branden Albert (G)—2007.....	Kansas City
Ronde Barber (CB)—1996	Tampa Bay
Darryl Blackstock (LB)—2004	Cincinnati
Ahmad Brooks (LB)—2005	Cincinnati
Elton Brown (G)—2004.....	Arizona
Brad Butler (T)—2005	Buffalo
Chris Canty (DE)—2004.....	Dallas
Angelo Crowell (LB)—2002.....	Buffalo
Isaiah Ekejiuba (ST)—2004.....	Oakland
Patrick Estes (TE)—2004.....	Buffalo
James Farrior (LB)—1996.....	Pittsburgh
D’Brickshaw Ferguson (T)—2005.....	N.Y. Jets
Marques Hagans (QB/WR)—2005	St. Louis
Dennis Haley (LB)—2004.....	San Francisco
Thomas Jones (RB)—1999.....	N.Y. Jets
Patrick Kerney (DE)—1998	Seattle
Chris Long (DE)—2007	St. Louis
Billy McMullen (WR)—2002.....	Washington
Heath Miller (TE)—2004.....	Pittsburgh
Fontel Mines (WR)—2006.....	Chicago
Tom Santi (TE)—2007	Indianapolis
Matt Schaub (QB)—2003	Houston
John St. Clair (C)—1999.....	Chicago
Jonathan Stupar (TE)—2007	New England

NATIONAL POLLS

ASSOCIATED PRESS

1. Georgia (22)	0-0	1,528
2. Ohio State (21)	0-0	1,506
3. USC (12)	0-0	1,490
4. Oklahoma (4)	0-0	1,444
5. Florida (6)	0-0	1,415
6. Missouri	0-0	1,266
7. LSU	0-0	1,135
8. West Virginia	0-0	1,116
9. Clemson	0-0	1,105
10. Auburn	0-0	968
11. Texas	0-0	966
12. Texas Tech	0-0	786
13. Wisconsin	0-0	771
14. Kansas	0-0	707
15. Arizona State	0-0	631
16. Brigham Young	0-0	590
17. Virginia Tech	0-0	578
18. Tennessee	0-0	509
19. South Florida	0-0	496
20. Illinois	0-0	483
21. Oregon	0-0	366
22. Penn State	0-0	293
23. Wake Forest	0-0	227
24. Alabama	0-0	89
25. Pittsburgh	0-0	85

Others Receiving Votes: South Carolina 84, Fresno State 83, California 59, Utah 53, Cincinnati 44, Florida State 41, Michigan 36, Boston College 32, Rutgers 32, Michigan State 21, Boise State 17, Arkansas 14, **North Carolina 14, Connecticut 10**, Tulsa 7, UCLA 6, Oregon State 5, Mississippi State 4, **VIRGINIA 4**, Arizona 3, Nebraska 2, Notre Dame 2, Hawaii 1, Washington 1.
Bold denotes 2008 Virginia opponent

USA TODAY

1. Georgia (22)	0-0	1,438
2. USC (14)	0-0	1,430
3. Ohio State (14)	0-0	1,392
4. Oklahoma (3)	0-0	1,329
5. Florida (5)	0-0	1,293
6. LSU (3)	0-0	1,163
7. Missouri	0-0	1,143
8. West Virginia	0-0	1,008
9. Clemson	0-0	999
10. Texas	0-0	979
11. Auburn	0-0	888
12. Wisconsin	0-0	747
13. Kansas	0-0	714
14. Texas Tech	0-0	644
15. Virginia Tech	0-0	568
16. Arizona State	0-0	560
17. Brigham Young	0-0	547
18. Tennessee	0-0	506
19. Illinois	0-0	422
20. Oregon	0-0	399
21. South Florida	0-0	350
22. Penn State	0-0	313
23. Wake Forest	0-0	203
24. Michigan	0-0	112
25. Fresno State	0-0	91

Others Receiving Votes: Alabama 83, South Carolina 64, Utah 60, Rutgers 53, Florida State 53, Boston College 47, California 41, Pittsburgh 34, Boise State 25, Oregon State 23, Nebraska 17, Cincinnati 13, **VIRGINIA 12, Connecticut 9**, Michigan State 9, Mississippi State 6, Kentucky 5, Notre Dame 5, TCU 5, **Maryland 4**, Texas A&M 3, UCLA 3, **North Carolina 3**, Louisville 2, **Georgia Tech 2**, UCF 2, Tulsa 1, Oklahoma State 1, Arizona 1, Colorado 1.

ACC FIRST-ROUND

DRAFT PICKS SINCE 2002

Florida State	8
Miami*	5
Virginia	4
NC State	4
Boston College*	3
Clemson.....	2
Maryland	2
Georgia Tech.....	1
Virginia Tech*	1
Wake Forest	1
Duke	0

*draft picks since 2006 NFL Draft (after joining ACC)

**HEAD COACH
AL GROH**



- Eighth year at Virginia, his alma mater (1967, Commerce)
- 51-37 record at UVa
- 31-25 in ACC games at UVa
- Reigning ACC Coach of the Year
- Has been a coach on the collegiate or professional level since 1968

College Notes

- Third in UVa history in total wins
- Second in UVa history in conference wins
- ACC Coach of the Year in 2002 following a second-place finish
- AFCA Regional Coach of the Year in 2004
- Ten wins at Virginia over ranked teams
- 3-2 bowl record at UVa
- Virginia has produced 47 All-ACC selections under Groh
- 24 Cavaliers have been selected in the NFL draft and 34 others have signed NFL contracts as free agents
- Coached in eight bowl games in his career

HEAD COACHES CURRENTLY COACHING AT THEIR ALMA MATERS

Troy Calhoun	Air Force
Brady Hoke.....	Ball State
Mark Snyder	Marshall
Ralph Friedgen	Maryland
Randy Shannon.....	Miami (Fla.)
Chris Ault	Nevada
Rocky Long	New Mexico
Charlie Weis	Notre Dame
Mike Gundy	Oklahoma State
Dave Wannstedt.....	Pittsburgh
Phil Fulmer	Tennessee
Tom Amstutz.....	Toledo
Al Groh.....	Virginia
Frank Beamer	Virginia Tech

- Coached in Senior Bowl and Blue-Gray Game
- Head coach at Wake Forest from 1981-86, with a 26-40 record and the second-winningest coach at the time
- Played defensive end at Virginia from 1963-65
- Also lettered as a defenseman on the UVa lacrosse team

Professional Notes

- 13 years of coaching experience in the NFL
- 11 years of coaching experience with Bill Parcells in college and the NFL
- Head coach of the New York Jets in 2000 with a 9-7 record
- Coached in two Super Bowls, (XXV, XXXI)
- Linebackers coach with the New York Giants Super Bowl champion team in 1990
- Coached in three NFL conference championship games and 10 play-off games
- Coached in one Pro Bowl
- Coached Lawrence Taylor at North Carolina in the 1970s and with the New York Giants in the 1980s and '90s

ACC COACHING VICTORIES (ALL GAMES)

1. Bobby Bowden (FSU)	157
2. George Welsh (UVa)	134
3. Bill Dooley (Wake & UNC)	98
4. Danny Ford (CLEM)	96
Frank Howard (CLEM).....	96
6. Bill Murray (Duke).....	80
7. Al Groh (UVa)	77
Jerry Claiborne (MD).....	77
Earle Edwards (MD).....	77
10. Dick Crum (UNC).....	72

THE AL GROH FILE

Born: July 13, 1944 in New York City
Family: Married to former Anne Stahle of Cornwall on Hudson, N.Y.; three children: Mike, Ashley Anne, Matt
High School: Chaminade H.S., Mineola, N.Y.
College: University of Virginia, B.S in Commerce, 1967. Earned letters in football and lacrosse.

HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE COACHING BACKGROUND

1967	Asst. Football Coach, Albemarle High School, Charlottesville, Va.
1968-69	Defensive Coach for the Plebe Team (Freshman), United States Military Academy
1970	Head Freshman Coach, University of Virginia
1971-72	Defensive Line Coach, University of Virginia
1973-77	Linebackers Coach, University of North Carolina
1978-79	Defensive Coordinator, U.S. Air Force Academy
1980	Linebackers Coach, Texas Tech
1981-86	Head Football Coach, Wake Forest University Compiled a 26-40 record in six seasons
1988	Offensive Coordinator, University of South Carolina
2001-07	Head Football Coach, University of Virginia

NFL COACHING BACKGROUND

1987	Special Teams and Tight Ends Coach, Atlanta Falcons
1989-90	Linebackers Coach, New York Giants
1991	Defensive Coordinator, New York Giants
1992	Linebackers Coach, Cleveland Browns
1993-96	Defensive Coordinator, Linebackers Coach, New England Patriots
1997-99	Linebackers Coach, New York Jets
2000	Head Football Coach, New York Jets Compiled a one-year record of 9-7

DO YOU KNOW AL GROH?

- He was a two-sport athlete at UVa, playing football and lacrosse
- His lacrosse coach was former NCAA President, ACC Commissioner and UVa Athletics Director Gene Corrigan
- Interestingly, one of Groh's former co-coaches, Bill Belichick, also was a lacrosse player at Wesleyan – they also attended the 2007 NCAA Lacrosse finals together
- Was Plebe Coach at Army under Bill Parcells, at same time when Bob Knight coached the Black Knights and Mike Krzyzewski played basketball there. Arthur Ashe also was stationed there at that time
- He was a member of the Virginia staff when Bill Parcells' brother, Doug, played at UVa (1972)

FORMER NFL HEAD COACHES ON COLLEGE SIDELINES

Rich Brooks, Kentucky
 Pete Carroll, Southern California
 Butch Davis, North Carolina
 Dennis Erickson, Arizona State
Al Groh, Virginia
 Mike Riley, Oregon State
 Nick Saban, Alabama
 Steve Spurrier, South Carolina

GROH YEAR-BY-YEAR AT VIRGINIA

Year	Record	ACC	Postseason
2001	5-7	3-5	-
2002	9-5	6-2	Continental Tire Bowl Champions (UVa 48, West Virginia 22)
2003	8-5	4-4	Continental Tire Bowl Champions (UVa 23, Pittsburgh 16)
2004	8-4	5-3	MPC Computers Bowl (Fresno State 37, UVa 34 OT)
2005	7-5	3-5	Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl (UVa 34, Minnesota 31)
2006	5-7	4-4	-
2007	9-4	5-3	Konica Minolta Gator Bowl (Texas Tech 31, UVa 28)
2008	0-0	0-0	-
Career	51-37	31-25	3-2 Bowl Record

“QUOTING THE HOOS”

“When Chris Long and Branden Albert were getting ready to start, I don’t recall there were any people saying, ‘Oh wow, this is incredible. These guys are going to start,’ Now everybody is saying, ‘What are you going to do without these guys?’ So there are players coming up who are going to have the same opportunity as those players did and go from no-name players in the eyes of people who don’t know to being people everybody is saying, ‘What are you going to do without (them)?’” – **AI Groh on replacing two first-round draft picks.**

“We’ve got two guys that we consider starters. This is one of the few times we’ve been in this situation where both guys really are equal. They have different styles, but if you look at their stats from last year, they compare. We know that both of them have to touch the ball.” – **Running backs coach Anthony Poindexter on tailbacks Cedric Peerman and Mikell Simpson (Charlottesville Daily Progress)**

“He might have set the bar high for a first-time player, but the bar for a big-time corner is a lot higher than what he set it at last year. He has ambitions to be that. (He needs to) see more plays, and the more he sees, not only will it develop his skills, but most particularly his confidence. ... There’s got to be a little bit of bravado that comes with playing corner.” – **AI Groh on CB Ras-I Dowling (The Daily Press)**

“One of the biggest things that Chris (Long) taught me is that if you do something wrong, make sure you do it wrong 200 percent. That’s what I do. I run to the ball. You can always correct the error, but you can’t correct being lazy. Keep the motor running at all times.” – **NT Nate Collins (Charlottesville Daily Progress)**

“To be honest, I’m happy to be able to come out and play, whether it’s 180 yards rushing of five yards rushing. Whatever the team needs to win. Whoever is in the game should be in the game. Whoever gets the carries, it doesn’t matter. As long as we get the win, that’s what our focus is. We should never put individual goals or self before the team.” – **TB Cedric Peerman (Charlottesville Daily Progress)**

“You can always get faster and you can always get stronger. But at the same time, what might be even more important is to become a smarter runner. That’s what I tried to focus on in the spring and in this training camp.” – **TB Cedric Peerman (Charlottesville Daily Progress)**

“The biggest attribute Cary has is his football IQ. You tell him something that makes sense and he can make a correction immediately. In terms of being dynamic after the catch, he’s not one of those guys. But, in terms of really being open and creating more space than a guy who’s maybe faster, he can do that.”

– **AI Groh on WR Cary Koch**

“First of all, he’s really smart. He probably runs the best routes of the whole (receivers) group. And he’s got tremendous hands. He might have the best hands in the whole group.”

– **Wayne Lineburg, wide receivers coach, on WR Cary Koch (Virginian-Pilot)**

“I love this group. I love them. They’ve got a great work ethic, they’re tough, they strike people, they’re working extremely well together, and I think we have a chance to put something together here that hopefully we can surprise some people with.”

– **Dave Borbely, offensive line coach, on the offensive line (Richmond Times Dispatch)**

“Obviously Chris (Long) was a phenomenal player and being able to go against him every rep in every practice helped me accelerate my game that much further, that much faster.” – **OT Eugene Monroe (Charlottesville Daily Progress)**

“Gene is a player that really caught people’s attention here early. He finished at a high level last year and it looks like he’s already beyond that level. He had an awesome summer and it’s looking right now like he can have a season comparable to any of those who preceded him.” – **AI Groh on Eugene Monroe (Charlottesville Daily Progress)**

“If he was on an NFL team right now, I am sure the coach would be describing him as the definition as being a real professional. Even though he is doing it from an amateur standpoint, he already goes about his business in that particular way.” – **AI Groh on CB Vic Hall (Charlottesville Daily Progress)**

“I drove by Scott Stadium and looked down there and thought about what it would be like to kickoff or make a field goal in front of 63,000 people. That would be nuts.” – **PK Yannick Reyerer who led the UVa soccer team in scoring during the 2005-07 seasons.**

“I’ve learned so much more from him this past offseason than I might have learned in the past two years. His knowledge is overwhelming, just the little things he can teach

you.” – **Senior S Byron Glaspy on defensive coordinator Bob Pruett (Lynchburg News & Advance)**

“Byron’s one of those players that this game makes perfect sense to. That’s a talent that separates certain players. If everybody had it, this coaching thing would be a lot easier.”

– **AI Groh on S Byron Glaspy**

“At the top of my list, obviously, was getting on the field, but the scholarship would have been next. My parents were definitely the first people I called when I found out Sunday. My dad was pretty pumped up when the first bill arrived and, under tuition, it said ‘\$0.00.’”

– **Staton Jobe on earning a scholarship this year (Roanoke Times)**

“Southern Cal is the best thing that can happen to us. What’s better than having one of the best teams in the nation in recent years coming to your home turf for the first game of the season?” – **DT Nate Collins (Charlottesville Daily Progress)**

“He is behaving like a guy who is intent on carving out some playing time and has learned from his previous experiences. I think he’s a lot more tuned in to what it really takes to be able to play well. He’s always been a good athlete. He’s got real good speed. He’s definitely benefited from the years of training. He’s got a set of muscles on him that he certainly didn’t have previously. He has got plenty of strength to both take hits and to give them right now too. It appears that’s given him the confidence to be perhaps a more physical player.” – **AI Groh on TB Raynard Horne (Charlottesville Daily Progress)**

“Awesome. We’d like to have quite a few guys who can run and hit and change the game like those guys do. As I said about the team in general, if you’re an aficionado of aggressive, run and hit, game-changing type defense, then, whether you’ve got to play against them or not, you have to appreciate and enjoy watching the USC defense play.” – **AI Groh on USC’s defense**

“If you’re not motivated by what just happened this past weekend then football’s not for you. Being in the same room with such legends as Deacon Jones, John Madden, Gale Sayers, Art Monk, all those legends, you have to want to be something great after shaking those guys’ hands.” – **WR Jared Green on attending 2008 Pro Football Hall of Fame induction ceremonies**

TEN FACTS ABOUT UVA

1. Notice the '7' on the hillside at Scott Stadium or around Grounds? It signifies UVA's Seven Society. Founded in 1905, it is the most secretive of UVA's secret societies. Members are only revealed after their death, when a wreath of black magnolias in the shape of a "7" is placed at the gravesite, the bell tower of the University Chapel chimes seven times at seven-second intervals on the seventh dissonant chord when it is seven past the hour, and a notice is published in the University's Alumni News, and often in the Cavalier Daily. The society's most visible tradition is the painting of the logo of the society, the number 7 surrounded by the signs for alpha, omega and infinity, and sometimes several stars, upon many buildings around Grounds. The Society gives large monetary donations and scholarships to the University each year in quantities that include the number 7, e.g. \$777 or \$1,777. In addition to granting spontaneous gifts, the Seven Society sponsors an annual \$7,000 graduate fellowship award for superb teaching.

2. The New York Times described Virginia's Grounds as "the greatest campus plan in the history of American architecture."

3. The Albert and Shirley Small Special Collections library holds 12 million manuscripts, 300,000 rare books and 4,000 maps as well as the University's 3.6 million archival items, including a copy of the first printing of the Declaration of Independence.

4. Edgar Allan Poe attended the University from February to December 1826. He dropped out after a year, having lost his tuition because of chronic gambling.

5. Virginia is the only ACC school to have a former player in the Baseball Hall of Fame (Eppa Rixey).

6. UVA was ranked the No. 2 best public university in the 2008 edition of the U.S. News and World Report rankings.

7. For the 13th year in a row, UVA has the highest graduation rate for African American students of any public university in the country.

8. PC Magazine named UVA as one of its 2007 Top 20 Wired Colleges.

9. For the fifth-consecutive year, UVA ranks No. 1 among comparably-sized universities in sending its graduates into Peace Corps service.

10. Three of the early U.S. presidents' homes are in the Charlottesville area. Thomas Jefferson (Monticello), James Madison (Montpelier) and James Monroe (Ash Lawn-Highland) all had their homes in the vicinity.

CAVALIER CALL-IN

Cavalier Call-In with Al Groh is broadcast Monday nights, from 7-8 p.m., on the Virginia Sports Network and on VirginiaSports.com. Cavalier fans and listeners are invited to call toll-free to speak to Coach Groh at 1-877-TALK-UVA (825-5882).

V PASS

Fans can sign up now to listen to all the Virginia football and basketball action online during the 2008-09 season exclusively on V Pass. University of Virginia Athletics is excited to offer V Pass, the online destination for exclusive, live and on-demand streaming audio straight to your computer. V Pass is powered by VirginiaSports.com, the Official Web Site of University of Virginia Athletics. The monthly cost is \$5.95 and a yearly pass is \$44.95.

CAVALIER SPORTS WEEKLY

This fall marks the fifth season of Cavalier Sports Weekly. This half-hour television program features game highlights and in-depth analysis of each Virginia football game. Cavalier Sports Weekly also consists of student-athlete profiles, behind-the-scenes footage, and other interesting feature stories as each of UVA's 25 sports strives for Uncompromised Excellence. The program runs for 32 weeks, beginning Sunday, August 24. Cavalier Sports Weekly will be produced and distributed by Virginia Sports Properties and the athletics department Video Services staff.

CAVALIER SPORTS WEEKLY NETWORK AFFILIATES

Cavalier Sports Weekly will be aired on the following stations:

Regional

Comcast SportsNet - Sun., 9:30 a.m.

Charlottesville

WVAW ABC16 - Sun., 10:30 a.m.

WCAV CBS19 - Sun., 11:30 a.m., 11:30 p.m.

WAHU Fox 27 - Mon., 6:30 p.m.

Lynchburg/Roanoke/Danville

WSET ABC13 - Sun., 12:30 p.m.

2008 FOOTBALL RADIO AFFILIATES

Virginia football can be heard in the following markets on these VSN member affiliates:

Alexandria	WTNT	AM 570
Arlington	WTNT	AM 570
Bedford	WZZI	FM 101.5
Blacksburg*	WZFM	FM 101.3
Blackstone*	WKLV	AM 1440
Buckingham	WWWV	FM 97.5
Charlottesville*	WINA	AM 1070
Charlottesville	WWWV	FM 97.5
Chesapeake*	WTAR	AM 850
Christiansburg*	WZFM	FM 101.3
Clarksville*	WMNA	FM 106.3
Covington*	WIQO	FM 100.9
Culpeper	WWWV	FM 97.5
Danville*	WMNA	FM 106.3
Emporia*	WEVA	AM 860
Fairfax	WTNT	AM 570
Falls Church	WTNT	AM 570
Fredericksburg*	WRVA	AM 1140
Gretna*	WMNA	FM 106.3
Hampton*	WTAR	AM 850
Harrisonburg*	WTON	FM 94.3
Kilmarnock*	WRAR	FM 105.5
Leesburg	WTNT	AM 570
Lexington*	WZZU	FM 97.9
Lynchburg*	WZZU	FM 97.9
Martinsville*	WHEE	AM 1370
Mount Jackson*	WVSG	AM 970
Newport News*	WTAR	AM 850
Norfolk*	WTAR	AM 850
Outer Banks, N.C.*	WTAR	AM 850
Palmyra	WWWV	FM 97.5
Petersburg*	WRVA	AM 1140
Portsmouth*	WTAR	AM 850
Radford*	WZFM	FM 101.3
Richlands	WRIC	FM 97.7
Richmond*	WRVA	AM 1140
Roanoke*	WZZI	FM 101.5
Springfield	WTNT	AM 570
Staunton*	WTON	FM 94.3
Sterling	WTNT	AM 570
Stuarts Draft*	WTON	FM 94.3
Suffolk*	WTAR	AM 850
Tappahannock*	WRAR	FM 105.5
Vienna	WTNT	AM 570
Virginia Beach*	WTAR	AM 850
Warrenton	WTNT	AM 570
Washington, D.C.	WTNT	AM 570
Waynesboro	WWWV	FM 97.5
Waynesboro*	WTON	FM 94.3
Williamsburg*	WRVA	AM 1140
Williamsburg	WTAR	AM 850
Winchester	WTFX	AM 610

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No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown	High School/Previous School
1	Trey Womack*	CB	5-11	182	2	Springfield, Pa.	Malvern Prep
1	Patch Duda	WR	6-3	187	2	Kenilworth, Ill.	New Trier
2	Warner Blunt	QB	6-4	212	1*	Crozier, Va.	Episcopal
3	Riko Smalls	QB	6-0	190	1	Plano, Texas	Plano East
4	Vic Hall** (c)	CB	5-9	190	3	Gretna, Va.	Gretna Senior
4	John Thornton	P	6-4	212	4	Richmond, Va.	Henrico
5	Mikell Simpson*	TB	6-1	200	3	Harrisburg, Pa.	Harrisburg
6	Marc Verica	QB	6-3	206	2	Lansdowne, Pa.	Monsignor Bonner
7	Peter Lalich	QB	6-5	225	2	Springfield, Va.	West Springfield
8	Jimmy Howell	P	6-6	238	1	Florence, S.C.	West Florence
9	Javaris Brown	WR	5-11	180	1	Macon, Ga.	Northeast
10	Yannick Reyering	PK	6-5	205	4	Mettingen, Germany	Furstenberg School
11	Chris Hinkebein	PK	6-1	190	1*	Charlotte, N.C.	Providence
13	Brendan Lane	QB	6-6	218	1*	Annapolis, Md.	Severn
14	Matt Snyder	WR	6-4	205	1*	Glen Allen, Va.	Deep Run
15	Scott Deke	QB	6-3	215	4	Pacific Palisades, Calif.	Loyola
16	Kyle McCartin	QB	6-4	200	1	Warrenton, Va.	Fauquier
17	Brandon Woods*	S	6-2	211	3	Durham, N.C.	Southern Durham
18	Kris Burd	WR	5-11	189	1*	Matoaca, Va.	Matoaca
19	Ras-I Dowling*	CB	6-2	200	2	Chesapeake, Va.	Deep Creek/Hargrave Mil. Acad.
20	Kevin Ogletree*	WR	6-2	189	3	Queens, N.Y.	Holy Cross
21	Johnny Pickett	WR	5-11	165	1	Centreville, Va.	Westfield
22	Byron Glaspys***	S	5-11	206	4	Basking Ridge, N.J.	Ridge
22	Staton Jobe*	WR	6-0	182	2	Austin, Texas	Westlake
23	Dom Joseph	CB	6-1	195	1*	Philadelphia, Pa.	Roman Catholic
23	Zach Mendez-Zfass	WR	6-1	193	2	Richmond, Va.	Collegiate
25	Torrey Mack	RB	6-0	190	1	Stratford, Conn.	Stratford
26	Cary Koch*	WR	6-0	192	4	Baton Rouge, La.	The Dunham School/Tulane
26	Rodney McLeod	DB	5-10	180	1	Oxon Hill, Md.	DeMatha
27	Hall Simmons	FB	5-9	200	3	Rossville, Tenn.	Evangelical Christian
29	Rico Bell	S	5-10	190	2	Charlotte, N.C.	Vance
29	Nathan Rathjen	P	5-10	187	2	Lovettsville, Va.	Loudon Valley
30	Asuar Walcott	DB	6-4	200	1	Hackensack, N.J.	Hackensack
30	Robert Randolph	PK	5-10	160	1	Naples, Fla.	Naples
31	Rashawn Jackson**	FB	6-1	253	3	Jersey City, N.J.	St. Peter's Prep
31	Chase Minnifield	CB	6-0	192	1*	Lexington, Ky.	Henry Clay
32	Keith Payne*	TB	6-3	236	2	Herndon, Va.	Oakton
32	Brandon Jarvis	CB	5-9	185	4	Fairfield, Va.	Rockbridge County
33	John Bivens	LB	6-2	233	2	Disputanta, Va.	Prince George
34	Matt Leemhuis	S	6-1	201	2	Bethesda, Md.	Winston Churchill
36	Max Milien	TB	6-0	215	1*	Arlington, Va.	Yorktown
37	Cedric Peerman*** (c)	TB	5-10	208	4	Gladys, Va.	William Campbell
39	Brady Stovall	LB	6-2	235	1	Roanoke, Va.	Cave Spring
40	Corey Mosley	S	5-10	197	1*	Richmond, Va.	Henrico
41	Aaron Clark*	LB	6-5	250	4	Fairfield, Va.	Rockbridge County
42	Devin Wallace	DB	5-11	200	1	Fort Washington, Md.	Friendly
43	Mike Parker*	CB/S	6-2	200	2	Orlando, Fla.	Edgewater
44	Raynard Horne	TB	6-0	210	2	Baltimore, Md.	Overlea
45	Denzel Burrell*	LB	6-4	230	3	South Orange, N.J.	Columbia
46	Tory Allen	DL	6-6	220	1	Fayetteville, Ga.	Lovejoy
47	Curt Orshoski	FB	6-2	232	1*	Culpeper, Va.	Culpeper
47	Bill Schautz	LB	6-4	220	1	Bloomfield, N.J.	Bergen Catholic
49	Darren Childs	LB	6-1	233	3	San Diego, Calif.	Mission Bay
50	Terence Fells-Danzer	LB	6-1	242	1*	Culpeper, Va.	Culpeper
51	Clint Sintim*** (c)	LB	6-3	254	4	Woodbridge, Va.	Gar-Field

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos
66	Danny Aiken*.....	LS
46	Tory Allen.....	DL
82	Mark Ambrose.....	TE
58	Antonio Appleby***.....	LB
61	Will Barker**.....	T
29	Rico Bell.....	S
33	John Bivens.....	LB
2	Warner Blunt.....	QB
67	Landon Bradley.....	T
9	Javaris Brown.....	WR
18	Kris Burd.....	WR
45	Denzel Burrell*.....	LB
65	B.J. Cabbell.....	G
78	Isaac Cain.....	T
57	Daniel Childress.....	LB
49	Darren Childs.....	LB
41	Aaron Clark*.....	LB
98	Nate Collins**.....	NT
94	Matt Conrath.....	DE
54	Jon Copper***.....	LB
80	Maurice Covington**.....	WR
95	Kevin Crawford.....	DE
62	Billy Cuffee.....	G
15	Scott Deke.....	QB
55	Jared Detrick*.....	LB
87	Andrew Devlin.....	TE
91	Andrew Dewey.....	TE
59	John-Kevin Dolce.....	LB
19	Ras-I Dowling*.....	CB
1	Patch Duda.....	WR
50	Terence Fells-Danzer.....	LB
93	Alex Field*.....	DE
90	Jason Fuller.....	DE
22	Byron Glaspys***.....	S
99	Sean Gottschalk*.....	DE
84	Jared Green.....	WR
53	Steve Greer.....	LB
4	Vic Hall**.....	CB
11	Chris Hinkebein.....	PK
44	Raynard Horne.....	TB
8	Jimmy Howell.....	P
81	Dontrelle Inman*.....	WR
31	Rashawn Jackson**.....	FB
32	Brandon Jarvis.....	CB
96	Nick Jenkins.....	NT
22	Staton Jobe*.....	WR
56	Cameron Johnson.....	LB/TE
23	Dom Joseph.....	CB
88	Ray Keys.....	WR
26	Cary Koch*.....	WR
7	Peter Lalich.....	QB
13	Brendan Lane.....	QB
34	Matt Leemhuis.....	S
25	Torrey Mack.....	RB

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown	High School/Previous School
52	Aaron Taliaferro	LB	6-2	222	1*	Gloucester, Va.	Gloucester
53	Steve Greer	LB	6-2	218	1	Solon, Ohio	Solon
54	Jon Copper***	LB	6-0	230	4	Roanoke, Va.	Northside
55	Jared Detrick*	LB	6-1	235	2	Newport News, Va.	Woodside
56	Cam Johnson	LB	6-4	220	1	Greenbelt, Md.	Gonzaga
57	Daniel Childress	LB	6-2	213	2	Franklin, Va.	Franklin
58	Antonio Appleby***	LB	6-4	250	4	Virginia Beach, Va.	Salem
59	John-Kevin Dolce	LB	6-2	240	2	Bayshore, N.Y.	St. Anthony's
60	Mike Price	OL	6-5	265	1	Chesapeake, Va.	Great Bridge
61	Will Barker**	T	6-7	315	3	Bryn Mawr, Pa.	The Haverford School
62	Billy Cuffee	G	6-5	310	1*	Chesapeake, Va.	Deep Creek/Hargrave Mil. Acad.
63	Austin Pasztor	OL	6-6	310	1	Langton, Ontario	Fork Union Military Academy
64	Jack Shields	C	6-5	289	2	Duxbury, Mass.	Boston College HS
65	B.J. Cabbell	G	6-6	304	2	Roseland, Va.	Nelson County
66	Danny Aiken*	LS	6-4	250	2	Roanoke, Va.	Cave Spring/Fork Union Mil. Acad.
67	Landon Bradley	T	6-7	275	1*	Conway, S.C.	Conway
68	Anthony Mihota	C	6-4	285	1*	Fredericksburg, Va.	Massaponax
69	Lamar Milstead	T	6-5	290	1*	Washington, D.C.	Ballou
70	John Maghamez	C	6-3	285	1	Ashburn, Va.	Briar Woods
71	Matt Mihalik	OL	6-7	275	1	Middlefield, Ohio	Gilmour Academy
72	Dave Roberts	G	6-6	280	1*	Sarasota, Fla.	Riverview
74	Patrick Slebonick	G	6-5	298	3	Stafford, Va.	North Stafford
75	Eugene Monroe**	T	6-6	315	4	Plainfield, N.J.	Plainfield
76	Zak Stair*	OG/OT	6-6	300	4	Manassas, Va.	Osborn Park
77	Aaron Van Kuiken	OL	6-7	308	1	Cincinnati, Ohio	Turpin
78	Isaac Cain	T	6-4	298	2	Hampton, Va.	Hampton
80	Maurice Covington**	WR	6-4	225	4	Durham, N.C.	Southern Durham
81	Dontrelle Inman*	WR	6-3	191	2	Batesburg, S.C.	Batesburg-Leesville
82	Mark Ambrose	TE	6-5	245	1*	Aristes, Pa.	Mount Carmel Area
83	Joe Torchia*	TE	6-5	255	2	Cold Spring, N.Y.	Queen of Peace
84	Jared Green	WR	6-2	178	1*	Vienna, Va.	Oakton
85	John Phillips*** (c)	TE	6-6	250	4	Warm Springs, Va.	Bath County
86	Rod Wheeler	TE	6-3	240	1	Highland Springs, Va.	Highland Springs
87	Andrew Devlin	TE	6-6	258	1*	Pittsburgh, Pa.	Mt. Lebanon
88	Ray Keys	WR	6-1	197	1*	Rocky Mount, Va.	Franklin County
89	Colter Phillips	TE	6-6	240	1	Darnestown, Md.	Georgetown Prep
90	Jason Fuller	DE	6-5	255	3	Virginia Beach, Va.	Kempsville
90	Crutcher Reiss	TE	6-5	255	3	New Orleans, La.	Isidore Newman School
91	Andrew Dewey	TE	6-5	230	3	Alexandria, Va.	The Bullis School
91	Klinton "Buddy" Ruff	DL	6-4	290	1	Norfolk, Va.	Norview
92	Zane Parr	DE	6-6	267	1*	Williamsport, Pa.	Williamsport
93	Alex Field*	DE	6-7	270	4	Ashburn, Va.	Broad Run
94	Matt Conrath	DE	6-7	269	1*	Oak Lawn, Ill.	St. Rita
95	Kevin Crawford	DE	6-3	280	3	Brooklyn, N.Y.	Gar-Field (Va.)
96	Nick Jenkins	NT	6-3	285	1*	Westminster, Md.	Good Counsel
98	Nate Collins**	NT	6-2	280	3	Port Chester, N.Y.	King & Low-Heywood Thomas
99	Sean Gottschalk*	DE	6-4	275	2	Richmond, Va.	Deep Run

No.	Name	Pos
70	John Maghamez.....	C
16	Kyle McCartin	QB
26	Rodney McLeod.....	DB
23	Zach Mendez-Zfass	WR
71	Matt Mihalik.....	OL
68	Anthony Mihota	C
36	Max Milien	TB
69	Lamar Milstead	T
31	Chase Minnifield.....	CB
75	Eugene Monroe**	T
40	Corey Mosley	S
20	Kevin Ogletree*	WR
47	Curt Orshoski.....	FB
43	Mike Parker*	CB
92	Zane Parr	DE
63	Austin Pasztor.....	OL
32	Keith Payne*	TB
37	Cedric Peeran***	TB
89	Colter Phillips.....	TE
85	John Phillips***	TE
21	Johnny Pickett.....	WR
60	Mike Price.....	DL/OL
30	Robert Randolph.....	PK
29	Nathan Rathjen.....	P
90	Crutcher Reiss.....	TE
10	Yannick Reyering.....	PK
72	Dave Roberts	G
91	Klinton "Buddy" Ruff.....	DL
47	Bill Schautz	TE
64	Jack Shields	C
27	Hall Simmons.....	FB
5	Mikell Simpson*.....	TB
51	Clint Sintim***	LB
74	Patrick Slebonick.....	G
3	Riko Smalls.....	QB
14	Matt Snyder.....	WR
76	Zak Stair*	G
39	Brady Stovall	LB
52	Aaron Taliaferro.....	LB
4	John Thornton.....	P
83	Joe Torchia*.....	TE
77	Aaron Van Kuiken.....	OL
6	Marc Verica	QB
30	Ausar Walcott.....	DB
42	Devin Wallace.....	DB
86	Rod Wheeler.....	TE
1	Trey Womack*.....	CB
17	Brandon Woods*	S

(c)—captain; * Letters earned; **Class**—year of football eligibility in the fall of 2008; 1 = freshman; 1* = red-shirt freshman; 2 = sophomore; 3 = junior; 4 = senior

COACHING STAFF

Al Groh (head coach), **Bob Pruett** (defensive coordinator), **Mike Groh** (offensive coordinator, quarterbacks coach), **Steve Bernstein** (assistant head coach, defensive backs coach), **Bob Diaco** (special teams coordinator, linebackers coach), **Levern Belin** (defensive line coach), **Dave Borbely** (running game coordinator, offensive line coach), **Wayne Lineburg** (wide receivers coach), **Anthony Poindexter** (running backs coach, assistant special teams coordinator), **Bob Price** (tight ends coach, recruiting coordinator), **Jim Jones** (graduate assistant/offense), **Rich Bedesem** (graduate assistant/defense)