

# THE SOUTH ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

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## 2009 FOOTBALL REPORT - WEEK 7

### 2009 SOUTH ATLANTIC CONFERENCE FOOTBALL STANDINGS (Through matches played on Saturday, October 10)

TEAM	SAC	PCT	ALL	PCT	H	A	N	ST
Wingate	3-0	1.000	5-1	.833	3-0	2-1	0-0	W3
Carson-Newman	3-0	1.000	5-2	.714	4-0	1-2	0-0	W5
Brevard	2-1	.667	6-1	.857	3-0	3-1	0-0	W1
Mars Hill	2-1	.667	4-2	.667	1-1	3-1	0-0	W1
Lenoir-Rhyne	1-2	.333	4-3	.571	2-2	2-1	0-0	L1
Newberry	1-2	.333	3-3	.500	1-1	2-2	0-0	L1
Catawba	0-3	.000	3-3	.500	1-2	2-1	0-0	L3
Tusculum	0-3	.000	1-5	.167	0-2	1-3	0-0	L3

#### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

**Saturday, October 10**  
WINGATE 50, LENOIR-RHYNE 49  
CARSON-NEWMAN 41, CATAWBA 31  
BREVARD 27, TUSCULUM 24 (OT)  
MARS HILL 34, NEWBERRY 28

#### THIS WEEK'S GAMES

**Saturday, October 17**  
NEWBERRY AT WINGATE, 1:30 p.m.  
CATAWBA AT TUSCULUM, 2 p.m.  
MARS HILL AT BREVARD, 6 p.m.  
CARSON-NEWMAN AT LENOIR-RHYNE, 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

#### 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 Merkerson, S	Wingate
10/5	Andre Moyd, LB	Newberry
10/12	Robert Fletcher, S	Wingate

#### 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



### Mars Hill's Randolph, Wingate's Fletcher, Brevard's Watts 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 11, 2009. Mars Hill College running back Jonas Randolph was named Offensive Player of the Week, Wingate University safety Robert Fletcher was named Defensive Player of the Week, and Brevard College punter Eric Watts was named Special Teams Player of the Week.

Randolph, a sophomore from Daleville, Ala. (Daleville HS) carried the ball 40 times for 248 yards and four touchdowns to lead the Lions to a 34-28 victory over SAC rival Newberry College Saturday night. MHC was a perfect 4-for-4 in the redzone with all four red zone scores coming on touchdown carries by Randolph. The four touchdowns tied a school record set back in 2002 by Cedric Johnson. His efforts put Randolph over the 1,000-yard mark (1,122 yds) for the season. He is averaging 187 yards per game and 5.8 yards per carry. Randolph wins the award for the third time this season.

Fletcher, a redshirt freshman from Lancaster, S.C. (Lancaster HS) had 11 solo tackles, two forced fumbles and one fumble return for a touchdown as the Bulldogs rallied to defeat Lenoir-Rhyne University 50-49 in South Atlantic Conference football action Saturday afternoon at Moretz Stadium. Fletcher wins the award for the second time this season. In the second quarter, Fletcher picked up a fumble in stride and took it 52 yards to pay dirt. The touchdown cut the Wingate deficit to 28-14. The score marked the third time Fletcher has found the end zone this season. Fletcher and his opportunistic teammates forced three turnovers, recovering three fumbles Saturday.

Watts, a sophomore from Powhatan, Va. (Old Dominion University) punted the ball seven times for 318 yards, with three of his kicks traveling over 50 yards as he consistently pinned the Pioneers offense deep in their own territory, forcing them to march the length of the field against the Tornados defense. Watts kicked a season-long 75-yarder in the second quarter and added kicks of 55 and 54 in the game as he averaged 45.4 yards per kick, pinning the Pioneers inside their 20-yard line twice. In addition to his punting duties, Watts also played wide receiver, catching two passes for 67 yards, including the game-winning 33-yarder in overtime to clinch the Tornados first winning season in modern program history.



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# 2009 SAC FOOTBALL RESULTS

## BREVARD ( 2-1 SAC, 6-1)

<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	6 pm
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 ( 3-0 SAC, 5-2)

<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	7 pm
Oct 24	BREVARD	1 pm
Oct 31	AT WINGATE	1:30 pm
Nov 7	TUSCULUM	1 pm

SAC games in ALL CAPS

## CATAWBA ( 0-3 SAC, 3-3)

<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	2 pm
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 ( 1-2 SAC, 4-3)

<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	7 pm
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 ( 2-1 SAC, 4-2)

<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	6 pm
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 ( 1-2 SAC, 3-3)

<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	1:30 pm
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 ( 0-3 SAC, 1-5)

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	2 pm
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 ( 3-0 SAC, 5-1)

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	1:30 pm
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 5, 2009

Rank	School (1st votes)	2009 Rec.	Pts	Previous
1.	Grand Valley St. (Mich.) (24)	6-0	624	1
2.	Abilene Christian (Texas)	6-0	593	2
3.	North Alabama (1)	6-0	577	3
4.	Central Washington	6-0	532	5
5.	Bloomsburg (Pa.)	6-0	519	4
6.	Northwest Missouri St.	5-1	501	6
7.	Minnesota St.-Mankato	6-0	469	7
8.	Minnesota-Duluth	5-1	453	8
9.	Texas A&M-Kingsville	6-0	438	9
10.	Albany St. (Ga.)	5-0	391	10
11.	Charleston (W.Va.)	6-0	368	15
12.	Washburn (Kan.)	5-1	325	17
13.	Edinboro (Pa.)	5-1	270	19
14.	Wayne St. (Neb.)	5-1	266	18
15.	Tarleton St. (Texas)	5-1	254	11
16t.	Central Missouri	5-1	246	20
16t.	Missouri Western St.	5-1	246	12
18.	Midwestern St. (Texas)	5-1	198	23
19.	Wayne St. (Mich.)	5-1	192	22
20.	Ouachita Baptist (Ark.)	4-1	122	14
21.	Nebraska-Kearney	5-1	108	NR
22.	Delta St. (Miss.)	3-2	71	25
23.	Angelo St. (Texas)	5-1	68	NR
24.	Tuskegee (Ala.)	4-2	65	13
25.	North Carolina-Pembroke	5-1	56	NR

Others Receiving Votes: Findlay (Ohio), 49; West Liberty (W.Va.), 23; California (Pa.), 19; **Wingate (N.C.), 19**; Saginaw Valley St. (Mich.), 15; **Carson-Newman (Tenn.), 13**; Northern Michigan, 11; Shaw (N.C.), 7; Colorado School of Mines, 5; Winona St. (Minn.), 5; **Catawba (N.C.), 4**; Bentley (Mass.), 2; East Stroudsburg (Pa.), 1.

## D2football.com Poll

October 6, 2009

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