

Upcoming Events



Football

10/15 - 1 p.m.
vs. Guilford*

Men's

Basketball

10/15 - 7 p.m.
at Virginia Intermont

10/17 - 7 p.m.
vs. UVA-Wise

Women's

Basketball

10/16 - 2 p.m.
at High Point

Swimming

10/15 - 2 p.m.
at Salem

Regional Update

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Tennessee
Tennessee hit rock bottom this past

weekend, losing to lowly Wyoming 13-7. This is perhaps worse news for the Vols than the firing of their coach of 17 years, Phillip Fulmer, because with this loss the Vols are not bowl eligible. This will be the first year that Tennessee has missed a bowl game since the 2005-2006 season when the Vols went 5-6. The Vols only accumulated 219 yards on offense and quarterback Nick Stephens threw two interceptions. The loss drops the Vols to 3-7 (1-5) on the season.



Virginia Tech
The Hokies put on a show against the Maryland Terrapins on

Thursday night, racking up 400 yards of total offense and not turning the ball over once offensively in their 23-13 win. These are comforting stats for an offense that was ranked 113th coming into the game. Redshirt-Freshman tailback Darren Evans rumbled for a school record 254 rushing yards and a score. The Hokies moved to 6-3 (3-2) in the ACC Coastal and are in control their own destiny, holding tie-breakers over UNC and Georgia Tech in the coming weeks.



Virginia
The Virginia Cavaliers lost their second consecutive

game this past weekend to conference foe Wake Forest, 28-17. The Demon Deacons went up 28-3 at half before the Cavaliers tallied 14 second half points. However, the Cavs' rally fell short, dropping them to 5-5.

Senior Spotlight

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Joey Daniels is a senior safety for the E&H football team. Daniels is a three-year starter for the Wasps at defensive back. Daniels finished fourth on the team in tackles last year with 61 and currently has 52 tackles and 3 interceptions in 9 games this season.

CH: Joey, at one point this season the team was 2-3 and undergoing a dramatic transformation. Now you guys are sitting at 5-4 after your overtime win at Washington & Lee. How easy would it have been to give up at that point in the season? And what steps were taken to get back on track?

JD: For most teams it would have been easy to give up at that point with the conference outlook not looking so good. We just decided to take it one week at a time and focus on each game each week and that is what got us through to be 5-4 right now.

CH: Did senior leadership play a big part in this?

JD: I think so, especially defensively. We have many senior starters on that side of the ball. Experience helps in situations like that.

CH: What were some of the goals the team (seniors) set for this year? Do you feel like you're accomplishing them?

JD: The main goal was to win the ODAC. Obviously it looks like we are going to fall a little short, but I feel like we played to the best of our abilities. We are going to finish this season strong, and

carry the momentum into the next season.

CH: A lot of people know very little about the safety position. Tell us a little about the responsibilities of the safety and how they differ from other positions.

JD: Some of the responsibilities are playing both the pass and the run, and being able to read the play quickly to get a jump on what you have to do. A lot of times you will be one of the last defenders between the offensive player and scoring so you have to be able to read and react quickly to stop them.

CH: What do you think is the best part of your game?

JD: Playing smart so I don't put myself in bad situations.

CH: What is your favorite TV show?

JD: Aqua Teen Hunger Force

CH: What is your favorite hobby? What do you like to do with your free time on campus?

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JD: Watching sports. I'm a movie guy. I like kicking back and enjoying a good movie from time to time.

CH: What are your major/career goals? How will what you've learned on the football field apply to what you go into?



Senior Joey Daniels (#1) breaks up a Newport News Apprentice pass in the 2007 season.

JD: My major is Sports Management. I want a sports job on the college or professional

JD: I think he will change the country and possibly the world for the better.

CH: Is there a player on the professional level that you try to model yourself after?

JD: Troy Polamalu.

CH: What is the best advice anyone has ever given you?

JD: When your heart is not in what you are doing then it is time to walk away.

level possibly. Football has taught me good work ethic and time management and organization is the key to success.

CH: President-Elect Barack Obama will do _____ before his time in the White House is up?

Every issue of The Whitetopper for the remainder of the Fall 2008 semester will include a profile of an E&H senior athlete.



Cameron Taylor finished with a personal best time of 27:46:80 in the ODAC X-Country meet.

Cross Country performs well at conference championships

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On the morning of November 1, 2008, the Emory & Henry cross country team visited host Virginia Wesleyan College to compete in the ODAC Cross Country Championship Meet.

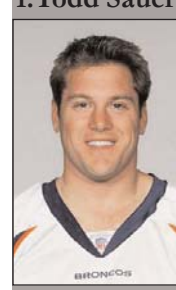
The men's 8K race took place at 11 a.m., and the women's 6K race followed shortly thereafter at noon. The flat, grassy course provided a fast race for everyone. Many runners ran personal records (PRs).

The E&H men's cross country team was led by junior Jeff Casassa who placed 24th with a PR time of 26:48.70 followed by sophomore Cameron Taylor in 36th with his own PR time of 27:46.80; sophomore Will Gardner in 55th with a time of 31:30.20; freshman Chris Caruana in 56th place with a PR time of 31:58.50 and sophomore

Will Garrison in 61st in another PR time of 34:00.50. The E&H men's team placed 8th out of 10 represented teams.

The E&H women's team was led by senior Karen Archibald who placed 59th with a PR time of 27:38.40, followed by first-year Sam Hammer in 64th place with a PR time of 28:31.60; first-year Madison Hilliard in 67th place with a time of 28:46.40; senior A.J. Hagee in 71st with a PR time of 30:15.05 and junior Katelyn Clark in 72nd place with a PR time of 32:26.40. The E&H women's team placed eighth out of nine represented teams.

Overall, the Wasps are improving at a consistent rate that shows there is a lot of room to grow. As it was at the beginning of the season, these Wasps have one vision: the future as a faster and stronger team. They will look to continue their strong performances in future meets.



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field, Sauerbrun's days in the NFL are over. Also, transportation might become difficult for him in the near future.

2. Cincinnati Bengals:



The Cincinnati Bengals don't have a Super Bowl title and they aren't the most storied franchise in the league, but they do hold two records of note: The most arrests in a 10 month period for a team (which would be 14); and becoming only one of two three-peats on my list.

The 2008 Bengals continued their dubious streak of hiring players with questionable pasts after vowing to clean up. After releasing Chris Henry in April after his fifth arrest since 2005, the Bengals re-hired the wide receiver due to injuries before the start of this season and then signed running back Cedric Benson, who was charged with DUI, Boating Under the Influence and Resisting Arrest over the summer alone.

The bottom line is that the Bengals don't care what kind of person they put on the field so long as they get results. Oh wait, what? They're 1-8? Wow, what message does that convey?

Be sure to check next week's issue to see the rest of the list.

Sports Opinion

Top Five Social Deviants Also Known as Athletes...Year Three

By Chris Hatcher

The past two years I have run a column entitled "Sports Arrests: Five Social Deviants also known as Athletes." Because of the frequency of arrests in the sports world and the high-profile nature of some of these arrests, I am compelled to run the third installment in the series.

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