

Virginia (2-0) vs.

Appalachian State (1-0)

November 24, 2004 • 8:00 p.m.

University Hall

Charlottesville, Va.



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Feb. 27	at #1 Wake Forest	section II	2:00 p.m.
Mar. 2	#17 N.C. STATE	RSN	9:00 p.m.
Mar. 6	at Florida State	service II	2:00 p.m.
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Rankings are Associated Press rankings at time of game and current ranking for future opponents.



RADIO

Comcast SportsNet Comcast SportsNet will televise tonight's game with Joe Beninati calling the play by play and Glenn Consor providing the analysis.

All UVa games are heard on the Virginia Sports Network originating at WINA/WWWV in Charlottesville. Mac McDonald calls the play by play. Jim Hobgood provides the analysis.

OFFICIALS

THE GAME

Virginia enters tonight's game with a 2-0 record this season after posting wins over Robert Morris (88-55) and then No. 10 Arizona (78-60) last week at University Hall. The Cavaliers are looking to start the year 3-0 for the fifth consecutive season. After last week's victories, Virginia nearly cracked this week's AP poll, as the Cavaliers are the first team also receiving votes. **Appalachian State** stands 1-0 in 2004-2005 after downing Erskine College 79-49 on Saturday. The Mountaineers return four starters from last year's squad, which posted a 9-21 record, 4-12 in the Southern Conference.

Cavaliers Down Top Ten Foe

Virginia defeated then No. 10 Arizona 78-60 Sunday night at University Hall, for its first win over a top ten team since the 2002-03 season. That year, the Cavaliers topped No. 8 Maryland 86-78 at the Comcast Center. The Arizona win was the Cavaliers' first over a non-conference top ten team since a 107-89 win over No. 4 Tennessee on December 19, 2000.

Singletary ACC Rookie of the Week

Virginia freshman Sean Singletary was honored as the ACC Rookie of the Week after his play in the first two games of the season. In UVa's 88-55 win over Robert Morris (Nov. 19), Singletary had game-high totals of seven assists and three steals, while scoring six points and grabbing three rebounds. In the Cavaliers' 78-60 win over nationally-ranked Arizona (Nov. 21), Singletary had game-high totals of eight assists and six steals, while scoring 15 points with six rebounds.

Virginia Basketball Celebrates 100 Years

The men's basketball program at the University of Virginia celebrates its 100th season in 2004-05. The inaugural season began on January 18, 1906 with a 30-9 victory over the Charlottesville YMCA. Under Coach Henry Lannigan, UVa went 8-2 for the season. Virginia had two more wins over the Charlottesville YMCA and also defeated Washington & Lee, the Staunton YMCA, Bridgewater, William and Mary, and Richmond. Virginia's only losses during the season came against the Baltimore YMCA and Carroll Institute.

The Series vs. Appalachian State

Tonight's game is the second meeting between the Cavaliers and Mountaineers. Virginia won the only previous meeting, 62-54, on December 2, 1997 at University Hall.

Virginia vs. the Southern Conference

This is Virginia's first of two games this season against a school from the Southern Conference. The Cavaliers host Furman on December 8.

Virginia was one of the 13 original members of the "old" Southern Conference from 1922-37 and has a long and rich history of competition against the Southern Conference.

Against the 12 current members of the Southern Conference, the Cavaliers are 23-4 all-time. The Cavaliers are 5-0 vs. Elon, 3-0 vs. East Tennessee State, 2-0 vs. The Citadel, 1-0 vs. Appalachian State, the College of Charleston and Wofford, and 10-4 against Davidson.

Of the Southern Conference's current membership, Virginia has never faced Chattanooga, Furman, Georgia Southern, North Carolina-Greensboro, or Western Carolina.

There have been 40 other schools besides UVa that have been members of the Southern Conference at one time or another since 1922. These schools include many current members of the Southeastern Conference and the ACC. Virginia is 275-244 (.530) against these schools at the time they were in the Southern Conference.

Cavaliers Down Arizona to Move to 2-0

Virginia downed then No. 10 Arizona 78-60 on Sunday to improve to 2-0 on the season.

Offensively, the Cavaliers had a balanced attack with four players scoring in double figures. Devin Smith led Virginia with 17 points, Elton Brown and Sean Singletary each scored 15 points, and Gary Forbes came off the bench to score 13 points.

Defensively, the Cavaliers posted a strong performance, holding the Wildcats, the nation's highest scoring team a season ago, to 60 points. It was the lowest point total for Arizona since a 74-60 loss at Michigan State on December 15, 2001 (a span of 92 games). Virginia forced 21 Arizona turnovers, 15 of which came by way of Cavalier steals.

Virginia Picked Eighth

At the 43rd annual Atlantic Coast Conference Operation Basketball in Greensboro, N.C., on October 31, the Cavaliers were picked eighth in the media's pre-season poll. Wake Forest topped the list followed by North Carolina.

Virginia freshman guard Sean Singletary was second in the voting for pre-season ACC Rookie of the Year behind Marvin Williams from North Carolina.

Cavalier Captains

Seniors Elton Brown, Jason Clark and Devin Smith are the captains of the 2004-05 Virginia basketball team. It is the second consecutive year Smith is serving as a team captain.

Head Coach Pete Gillen

Pete Gillen is entering his 20th season as a collegiate head coach and sports a 380-206 record for a .648 winning percentage. Gillen is entering his seventh season at Virginia and has posted a 106-78 record (.576 winning percentage).

2004-2005 ACC Pre-Season Media Prediction

Team	Points
Wake Forest (65)	965
North Carolina (13)	866
Georgia Tech (10)	836
Duke (3)	746
N.C. State	607
Maryland	605
Florida State	414
Virginia	394
Clemson	256
Virginia Tech	171
Miami	146
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2004-05 Media Pre-Season All-ACC Selections First Team

Chris Paul, Wake Forest	85
Julius Hodge, N.C. State	85
Rashad McCants, North Carolina	70
Sean May, North Carolina	34
J.J. Redick, Duke	33

2004-05 Media Pre-Season ACC Player of Year

Chris Paul, Wake Forest	38
Julius Hodge, N.C. State	35
Rashad McCants, North Carolina	8
Sean May, North Carolina	3
Justin Gray, Wake Forest	2
Jarrett Jack, Georgia Tech	2
B.J. Elder, Georgia Tech	1
J.J. Redick, Duke	1

2004-05 Media Pre-Season ACC Rookie of Year

Marvin Williams, North Carolina	60	
Sean Singletary, Virginia	7	
DeMarcus Nelson, Duke	5	
Eight other players received votes		

Gillen won his 350th career game on December 21, 2002 when his Cavaliers posted a 61-57 victory over Rutgers. His 300th career victory came when Virginia defeated then 21st-ranked North Carolina 87-85 on January 18, 2000 at University Hall.

Gillen has led his teams to postseason play 16 times in 19 seasons (nine NCAA, seven NIT), including the last five seasons at Virginia. He has been selected as the conference Coach of the Year five times – all while coaching Xavier (Midwestern Collegiate Conference).

Non-Conference Wins at University Hall

Virginia is 212-30 for an impressive .876 winning percentage all-time in University Hall against non-conference opponents. The Cavaliers' 87-65 victory on January 2, 2003 over Wofford marked their 200th win over a non-conference opponent at University Hall since the building opened for the 1965-66 season.

The Cavaliers have won 94 of their last 105 home games (.895 winning percentage) against non-conference opponents dating back to the 198990 season. UVa had its 15-game home winning streak against non-conference opponents snapped with a 74-67 loss to South Carolina in the first round of the 2002 National Invitation Tournament (Mar. 13). Virginia's previous home non-conference loss was also in the NIT as the Cavaliers fell to Georgetown 115-111 in triple overtime in the first round of the 2000 NIT (Mar. 15).

UVa had its 34-game non-conference regular season winning streak snapped with an 84-69 loss to Providence College on January 3, 2004. Virginia's previous regular season home loss to a non-conference opponent was December 12, 1998 when the Cavaliers fell to 12th-ranked St. John's 95-68.

ACC/Big Ten Challenge Match-Up

Virginia hopes to assist the Atlantic Coast Conference in winning the Commissioner's Cup for a sixth consecutive year when it faces Northwestern University in Evanston, III., on December 1 at 9:30 p.m. in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge. The game will be televised by espn2.

UVa has played four games in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge and has compiled a 2-2 record. The Cavaliers defeated Minnesota 86-78 at University Hall last season.

Brown Reaches 1,000 Point Plateau

Against Arizona, Elton Brown became the 38th player in Virginia history to score 1,000 career points. For his career, Brown now has 1,013 career points, placing him in a tie for 37th in career points at UVa with Mac Caldwell (1963-65). Brown enters today's game trailing 36th place Scott McCandlish (1970-72, 1,026 points) by 13 points.

Clark Ranked Sixth on Blocked Shots List

Jason Clark is currently sixth on Virginia's career blocked shots list with a career total of 99. Ralph Sampson (1980-83) tops the UVa list with 462 career blocked shots and Chris Alexander (1993-96) is second with 148.

Virginia Travels North of the Border

The Virginia men's basketball team traveled to Montreal for three exhibition games October 8-10. The Cavaliers won all three games, defeating Royal Military College (111-52, Oct. 8) and Concordia University (88-76, Oct. 9) in the Concordia Nike Tournament, and McGill University (83-46, Oct. 10).

Six UVa players averaged double figures in scoring during the trip. Senior forward-center Elton Brown averaged 19 points a game, shot 75 percent (21-28) from the field in the three games and was named the Most Valuable Player in the Concordia Nike Tournament. Other players averaging in double figures in scoring during the threegame trip were sophomore guard J.R. Reynolds (14.7 ppg.), sophomore forward-guard Gary Forbes (13.0 ppg.), senior forward Devin Smith (12.7 ppg.), freshman forward Adrian Joseph (10.0 ppg.) and freshman guard Sean Singletary (10.0 ppg.). Smith was named to the All-Tournament team at the Concordia Nike Tournament.

Cavaliers Open Season Strong

Virginia began the 2004-2005 season with an 88-55 win over Robert Morris last Friday night at University Hall. The Cavaliers have won seven consecutive season openers and 16 of the last 18. Overall, UVa is 80-20 (.800) all-time in season openers.

Devin Smith led four Cavaliers in double-digit scoring with 16 points. J.R. Reynolds scored 15 points and Elton Brown posted his fifth career double-double with his 13 point, 12 rebound performance. Jason Clark added 10 points for the Cavaliers.

The Cavaliers' 33-point margin of victory over the Colonials was Virginia's most lopsided win since a 93-59 (+34) win over VMI on January 24, 2002. It was the largest margin of victory in a season opener since a 96-50 (+46) win over Long Island to open the 2000-01 season.

UVa Downs Marymount University in Second Exhibition

Senior center Elton Brown scored 23 points and grabbed 16 rebounds, and sophomore guard J.R. Reynolds also scored 23 points to lead the University of Virginia men's basketball team to a 129-75 victory over Marymount University in an exhibition game at University Hall on November 12.

Senior forward Devin Smith added 18 points, five rebounds and two blocked shots for the Cavaliers. Also scoring in double figures for UVa were senior forward Jason Clark (15), sophomore forward Gary Forbes (11) and freshman forward Adrian Joseph (10).

Virginia shot 59.5 percent (50-84) from the field for the game and out-rebounded Marymount 64-29. The Cavaliers led 72-39 at halftime after shooting 65.2 percent (30-46) from the field in the first half.

Freshman guard Evan Martin led Marymount with 21 points and five rebounds.

UVa Wins Exhibition Opener

Virginia shot 64.1 percent (50-78) from the field, including 50 percent (10-20) from three-point range, and had seven players score in double figures in a 121-29 victory over Lehman College in an exhibition game at University Hall on November 5.

Sophomore forward/guard Gary Forbes made all nine of his shots from the field and scored 21 points off the bench to lead the Cavaliers. Senior forward Devin Smith had 17 points, and senior center/forward Elton Brown scored 14 points and had a game-high 10 rebounds. Sophomore forward Jason Cain had 13 points and nine rebounds for Virginia. Also scoring in double figures for the Cavaliers were senior forward Jason Clark (13), freshman forward Adrian Joseph (11) and freshman guard Sean Singletary (10).

UVa led 69-14 at halftime after shooting 73 percent (27-37) from the field in the first half, including 58.3 percent (7-12) from three-point range.

Senior forward Miguel Jorge led Lehman with 11 points and three steals.

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Fitzpatrick and Byington Join Coaching Staff

Virginia's men's basketball coaching staff has changed since last season. John Fitzpatrick was named an assistant coach after spending the past four years as an assistant at the University of Houston.

Mark Byington joins the staff as the Director of Men's Basketball Operations. Byington took over the position after Alexis Sherard was named an assistant coach. Byington was an assistant coach at the College of Charleston the last two seasons.

Four Out of Five Returning

The Cavaliers return four of five starters from last season to the 2004-05 team. T.J. Bannister, Elton Brown, Jason Clark and J.R. Reynolds are Virginia's returning starters from last season.

Virginia In Postseason Play Five Consecutive Years

Virginia received an invitation to the National Invitation Tournament (NIT) following the 2003-04 regular season. UVa defeated George Washington University 79-66 at University Hall in the first round of the tournament. The Cavaliers then suffered a 73-63 loss at Villanova in the second round. It was the Cavaliers 11th NIT appearance and the team's fifth consecutive postseason appearance. Virginia finished the 2003-04 season with an overall record of 18-13 and a 6-10 mark in the ACC.

Cavaliers Welcome Three Newcomers

Joining the Cavaliers this season are 6-7 freshman forward Adrian Joseph, 6-0 freshman guard Sean Singletary, and 6-11 freshman center Tunji Soroye.

Joseph attended Brewster Academy in Wolfeboro, N.H., during the 2003-04 academic year, and averaged 17.5 points, 11 rebounds and four assists a game. He earned first-team All-New England Class A honors, All-Tournament honors at the National Prep School Invitational Tournament and was a 2004 McDonald's All-America nominee.

Singletary played at The William Penn Charter School where he averaged 23 points, six rebounds, five assists and three steals a game as a senior during the 2003-04 season. He earned first-team Philadelphia Inter-Academic League, first-team All-City and first-team All-State honors his junior and senior seasons, and received the Herb Good Basketball Club Award for being the Player of the Year in the Inter-Academic League as a senior. Singletary was also honored as the state and Philadelphia Player of the Year after his senior season, the Philadelphia Inquirer's Southeastern Pennsylvania Player of the Year and he received the Police Athletic League Athlete of the Year award and the Markward Scholar-Athlete Award.

Soroye averaged 11.2 points and 8.9 rebounds a game for the 2003-04 season as a senior at Montrose Christian School in Rockville, Md. He was voted the Most Valuable Player of the National Association of Christian Athletes Tournament (NACA). Soroye was also voted a NACA All-American, and he earned All-Metro honors in 2004.

Brown, Clark and Smith Look Toward Senior Year

Seniors Elton Brown (forward/center), Jason Clark (forward) and Devin Smith (forward) provide the Cavaliers with experience in the front court for the 2004-05 season. They are also the team's tri-captains.

Brown earned honorable mention All-ACC recognition last season. He averaged a team-leading 14.8 points per game for the 2003-04 season and scored in double figures in 25 of 31 games. Brown also led the team in rebounding with an average of 6.3 a game. He had three double-doubles during the 2003-04 season. Brown grabbed a careerhigh 13 rebounds and scored 14 points in the win at VMI (12/5/03). He also had 21 points and 10 rebounds in the victory at Loyola Marymount (12/19/03), and 22 points and 11 rebounds in the win over Coastal Carolina (12/22/03).

Clark played in the last 19 games of the 2003-04 season, starting the last 17. He blocked at least one shot in 16 of the 19 games he played in during the season, and ranks eighth on Virginia's career blocked shots list with 95. Clark is shooting 61.1 percent (129-211) from the field for his Virginia career.

Smith earned honorable mention All-ACC honors in 2004, and served as a tri-captain for the 2003-04 team. He ranked first on last season's team in free throw percentage (.800, 60-75) and steals (37). Smith also scored in double figures 18 times, second best on the team, despite being hampered by a back injury which resulted in four missed games. He scored a season-high 25 points and had a career-high five steals in the victory over Iowa State (12/31/03), and also blocked three shots, had three assists, and three rebounds in 30 minutes of action in that game. His three-point play with 5.8 seconds remaining in the game provided the margin of victory in the 84-82 home win over Wake Forest (3/2/04).

Sixteen Games Against Tournament Teams

Of Virginia's 27 regular-season games before the 2005 ACC Tournament, 16 are against 11 teams that participated in either the 2004 NCAA Tournament or the National Invitation Tournament (NIT). The Cavaliers meet league foes and NCAA Tournament participants Duke and Georgia Tech once, and Maryland, North Carolina, N.C. State and Wake Forest twice, while also matching up twice against NIT participant Florida State. In addition to those games, Virginia plays 2004 NCAA participants Arizona, Providence and Richmond while also facing 2004 NIT participant Iowa State.

John Paul Jones Arena On Its Way

On May 30, 2003 ground was broken on the University of Virginia's new special events center, the John Paul Jones Arena. Scheduled for completion in the summer of 2006, the \$129.8 arena will replace University Hall. The new 15,000-seat arena will feature training and weight rooms, men's and women's basketball locker rooms, coaches' offices, and one-and-a-half practice courts per program so the men's and women's basketball teams can practice simultaneously, and when the arena is being used for other purposes.

Virginia Signs Three to Letters of Intent

University of Virginia men's head basketball coach Pete Gillen has announced the signing of three individuals to national letters of intent with Virginia. The three individuals are 6-5 guard/forward Mamadi Diane of Potomac, Md.; 6-8 forward Laurynas Mikalauskas of Lithuania; and 6-10 center Sam Warren of Greenwood Village, Colo.

Diane averaged 15.7 points, 9.1 rebounds and 2.9 steals a game for DeMatha Catholic High School (Hyattsville, Md.) as a junior during the 2003-04 season. He shot 41 percent from three-point range. Diane was a second-team All-Washington Catholic Athletic Conference selection last season and was a first-team preseason All-State selection this year.

Mikalauskas averaged 18.3 points and 11.4 rebounds a game for the Blue Ridge School (Dyke, Va.) last season. He earned first-team Virginia Independent Schools Division I All-State honors as a junior last season, and first-team All-Virginia Prep League honors as a sophomore and a junior. He also earned first-team All-Central Virginia recognition from the Charlottesville Daily Progress for the 2003-04 season.

Warren, who is in his first year at Cherry Creek High School in Englewood, Colo., played with the Colorado Select AAU team last summer and participated in the 2004 Junior Olympic Festival. He also was rated among the top big men at the Adidas camp in Sewanee, Ga., last summer.

2004-2005 VIRGINIA MEN'S BASKETBALL ADDITIONAL PLAYER BIOS

MIKE FORKIN

F, 6-5 189, So. Centreville, Va. Westfield High School

WORTH NOTING: Joined the team after tryouts in October.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered twice in basketball at Westfield High School for head coach Bob McKeag ... earned second-team All-District honors as a senior.

PERSONAL: Michael Joseph Forkin ... nickname "Mike" ... born March 5, 1985 in Arlington, Va. ... son of Gwen and Ed Forkin ... has a younger sister, Erin ... member of the National Honor Society at Westfield High School ... has volunteered with Habitat for Humanity ... aerospace engineering major.

TRYSHAN RAVENELL

G, 6-0 194, So. Charlottesville, Va. William Monroe High School

WORTH NOTING: Joined the team after tryouts in October.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered twice as a point guard for head coach Tim Morris at William Monroe High School ... earned first-team All-District and second-team All-Central Virginia honors as a senior ... played defensive back in football for two seasons ... was the Central Virginia Rookie of the Year in football as a junior ... also participated in track and field ... was a regional qualifier in the 300-meter hurdles as a senior.

PERSONAL: Tryshan Lemar Ravenell ... nickname is "Try" ... born July 14, 1985 in Charlottesville, Va. ... son of Charis Ravenell ... has two younger brothers ... named to the National Honor Roll and graduated from William Monroe High School with honors ... member of the Beta Club in high school ... enjoys poetry, reading and lifting weights ... architecture major.