

# VIRGINIA

## Basketball

### 2004-05

#### Media Notes

Virginia (9-2, 0-1 ACC)

vs.

#9/#10 Georgia Tech (10-2, 1-0 ACC)

January 8, 2005 • 8:00 p.m.

Alexander Memorial Coliseum (9,191)

Atlanta, Ga.



## 2004-05 SCHEDULE

9-2 Overall / 0-1 ACC

Home: 7-1

Away: 1-1

Neutral: 1-0

|            |                           |               |
|------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Nov. 5     | Lehman College (ex)       | W, 121-29     |
| Nov. 12    | Marymount University (ex) | W, 129-75     |
| Nov. 19    | ROBERT MORRIS             | W, 88-55      |
| Nov. 21    | #10 ARIZONA (FSN) SOUTH   | W, 78-60      |
| Nov. 24    | APPALACHIAN STATE         | W, 77-60      |
| Nov. 28    | RICHMOND                  | W, 85-58      |
| Dec. 1     | at Northwestern           | W, 48-44      |
| Dec. 3     | vs. Auburn % (FSN) SOUTH  | W, 89-87      |
| Dec. 6     | at Iowa State             | L, 79-81      |
| Dec. 8     | FURMAN                    | W, 79-67      |
| Dec. 23    | LOYOLA MARYMOUNT          | W, 79-77 OT   |
| Jan. 2     | #5 WAKE FOREST            | L, 70-89      |
| Jan. 5     | WESTERN KENTUCKY          | W, 80-79 2OT  |
| Jan. 8     | at #9 Georgia Tech        | 8:00 p.m.     |
| Jan. 12    | MIAMI                     | 7:30 p.m.     |
| Jan. 16    | at #5 Duke                | 8:00 p.m.     |
| Jan. 19    | at #22 Maryland           | 9:00 p.m.     |
| Jan. 22    | CLEMSON                   | 7:30 p.m.     |
| Jan. 27    | at Virginia Tech          | 8:00 p.m.     |
| Jan. 29    | #3 NORTH CAROLINA         | Noon          |
| Feb. 2     | at Providence             | 7:30 p.m.     |
| Feb. 5     | at N.C. State             | 8:00 p.m.     |
| Feb. 9     | FLORIDA STATE             | 7:30 p.m.     |
| Feb. 12    | VIRGINIA TECH             | Noon          |
| Feb. 16    | at #3 North Carolina      | 7:00 p.m.     |
| Feb. 19    | #22 MARYLAND              | 3:30 p.m.     |
| Feb. 27    | at #4 Wake Forest         | 2:00 p.m.     |
| Mar. 2     | N.C. STATE                | RSN 9:00 p.m. |
| Mar. 6     | at Florida State          | 2:00 p.m.     |
| Mar. 10-13 | ACC Tournament ^          | TBD           |

& - ACC/Big Ten Challenge

% - ALLTEL Pavilion at the Siegel Center, Richmond, Va.

^ - MCI Center, Washington, D.C.

All Times Eastern

Rankings are Associated Press rankings at time of game and current ranking for future opponents.

### TELEVISION

Raycom/Jefferson Pilot will televise tonight's game. Tim Brant will handle the play-by-play. Mike Gminski is the analyst.

### RADIO

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

### OFFICIALS

### THE GAME

Virginia enters tonight's game with a 9-2 overall record and an 0-1 mark in the Atlantic Coast Conference. The Cavaliers are coming off an 80-79 double overtime win over Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) at University Hall.

Georgia Tech stands at 10-2 overall and 1-0 in the ACC and is ranked ninth in The Associated Press Poll and 10th in the ESPN/USAToday Poll. The Yellow Jackets are coming off an 80-69 win over Miami (Jan. 6) in Atlanta.

### The Series vs. Georgia Tech

Each team has had a stretch of dominating the series, which Georgia Tech now leads 34-27. The Cavaliers held the lead until the Yellow Jackets passed Virginia by winning 24 of the last 32 meetings, including 13 of the last 16.

Georgia Tech won the initial meeting of the 2003-2004 season 75-57 (Jan. 15) in Atlanta, but the Cavaliers earned a split in the series with an 82-80 win (Feb. 14) in Charlottesville. The victory snapped UVA's four-game losing streak to the Yellow Jackets. In 2002-2003, Georgia Tech swept the season series, registering an 80-60 win (Feb. 1) in Atlanta and a 90-73 victory (Mar. 5) in Charlottesville.

In the 2001-2002 season, Virginia snapped a four-game losing streak to Georgia Tech with a 69-65 victory (Jan. 22) over the Jackets in Atlanta. The Yellow Jackets earned a split in the season series with an 82-80 victory (Feb. 23) in Charlottesville. It is the first time in the history of the series (which dates back to 1947-48) that both teams won on the other team's home floor in the same season.

The Jackets hold a 22-8 advantage in games played in Atlanta in the series and have won 13 of the last 15 in the Peachtree city. UVA snapped a seven-game losing streak to Georgia Tech in Atlanta with its 69-65 victory (Jan. 22) in the 2001-2002 season. Prior to the 2001-2002 win, Virginia's 83-60 win (Feb. 22) in 1995 was its most recent victory over the Yellow Jackets in Atlanta. The 23-point margin of victory is Virginia's largest in the series since a 91-59 win in 1984 in Charlottesville.

The Cavaliers have won three of five overtime contests in the series, but their 74-68 overtime loss to Georgia Tech in the 1998-99 season snapped a three-game extra session winning streak. The Jackets won the first overtime game in the series 72-71 in triple overtime in the 1983-84 season.

The Cavaliers opened the series with Georgia Tech by winning 10 of the first 13 games, including eight straight from 1981-1983.

## Virginia's PROBABLE Starters

| No. | Pos. | Name            | Ht.     | Wt. | Cl. | Ppg. | Rpg. | App. | Mpg  | Notes  |
|-----|------|-----------------|---------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|--|
| 30  | F    | Adrian Joseph   | 6-7     | 200 | Fr. | 4.8  | 0.7  | 0.2  | 13.3 | Scored career-high 19 pts. vs. Wake in first start   |
| 34  | F    | Jason Clark     | 6-8     | 240 | Sr. | 7.9  | 5.8  | 0.5  | 29.4 | Career-high 16 pts. vs. West. Ky.; 66.0% (35-53) FG% |
| 43  | F/C  | Elton Brown     | 6-9     | 255 | Sr. | 15.3 | 9.9  | 1.0  | 33.0 | Scored 1,000th point vs. Arizona; 7 double-doubles   |
| 2   | G    | J.R. Reynolds   | 6-2 1/2 | 200 | So. | 11.6 | 3.1  | 2.6  | 32.3 | Game-winning shot vs. Loy. Mary.; 20 pts. vs. WKU    |
| 44  | G    | Sean Singletary | 6-0     | 180 | Fr. | 9.6  | 3.2  | 4.3  | 28.3 | Three-time ACC Rookie of the Week                    |

## Virginia's Key Reserves

|    |     |                |          |     |     |      |     |     |      |  |
|----|-----|----------------|----------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|------|--|
| 33 | F   | Devin Smith    | 6-5      | 242 | Sr. | 17.4 | 6.6 | 1.2 | 30.0 | Scored a career-high 40 points vs. Iowa State              |
| 15 | G   | T.J. Bannister | 5-10 1/2 | 170 | So. | 4.5  | 1.4 | 2.9 | 19.4 | Made game-winning shot vs. Western Kentucky                |
| 23 | G/F | Gary Forbes    | 6-6      | 210 | So. | 8.6  | 3.8 | 1.5 | 22.6 | Season-high 21 points vs. Furman                           |
| 55 | F/C | Donte Minter   | 6-8      | 245 | So. | 1.4  | 0.5 | 0.0 | 4.8  | 3 blks vs. Loy. Mary.; limited in preseason by knee injury |

## Tale of the Tape

Here's a statistical comparison of Virginia and Georgia Tech in the 2004-05 season.

| Virginia | Category                     | Georgia Tech |
|----------|------------------------------|--------------|
| 77.5     | Points                       | 78.2         |
| 68.8     | Points Allowed               | 57.2         |
| +8.7     | Scoring Margin               | +21.0        |
| 46.3     | Field Goal %                 | 48.0         |
| 42.4     | Field Goal % Defense         | 35.1         |
| 32.2     | 3 Point Field Goal %         | 36.5         |
| 35.9     | 3 Point Field Goal % Defense | 27.2         |
| 69.8     | Free Throw %                 | 64.2         |
| 38.0     | Rebounds                     | 41.5         |
| +2.4     | Rebound Margin               | +6.0         |
| 14.0     | Assists                      | 17.6         |
| 15.0     | Turnovers                    | 14.9         |
| 8.1      | Steals                       | 8.4          |
| 3.7      | Blocked Shots                | 6.4          |

## These Games are Barn Burners

Even though 13 of the last 21 meetings between these two teams have been decided by at least nine points, people shouldn't be surprised if this one goes down to the wire.

Of the 48 games since the 1983-84 season, only 17 have been decided by 10 or more points. Nineteen of the games have been decided by a margin of four points or less with UVa winning 11 of them. The Cavaliers have won four of five games (won in 1987 and 1990 twice, won in 2004, lost in 2002) decided by two points. Five games have gone into overtime, including a triple overtime affair (1984) and a double overtime game (1995).

From 1985 to 1990 the teams played 15 consecutive games that were decided by fewer than 10 points with Virginia winning eight of those games.

A breakdown of the close games in the series since the 1983-84 season is below:

|              |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1 point - 3  | 4 points - 5 | 7 points - 4 |
| 2 points - 5 | 5 points - 3 | 8 points - 1 |
| 3 points - 6 | 6 points - 2 | 9 points - 2 |

## UVa vs. Ranked Georgia Tech Teams

The Cavaliers are 8-11 all-time against *Associated Press* ranked Yellow Jackets teams, but are only 2-6 in games played in Atlanta. UVa is 6-3 in games played in Charlottesville and 0-2 in ACC Tournament games against ranked Georgia Tech teams.

Virginia's last win over a ranked Yellow Jacket squad occurred last season in Charlottesville – an 82-80 UVa win on Feb. 14, 2004 when Todd Billet made a three-pointer with 2.4 seconds left to defeat #15 Georgia Tech.

UVa's last win against a ranked Georgia Tech team in Atlanta

## 2004-2005 ACC Pre-Season Media Prediction

| Team                   | Points     |
|------------------------|------------|
| 1. Wake Forest (65)    | 965        |
| 2. North Carolina (13) | 866        |
| 3. Georgia Tech (10)   | 836        |
| 4. Duke (3)            | 746        |
| 5. N.C. State          | 607        |
| 6. Maryland            | 605        |
| 7. Florida State       | 414        |
| 8. <b>Virginia</b>     | <b>394</b> |
| 9. Clemson             | 256        |
| 10. Virginia Tech      | 171        |
| 11. Miami              | 146        |

## 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       |
| <b>Sean Singletary, Virginia</b>   | <b>7</b> |
| DeMarcus Nelson, Duke              | 5        |
| Eight other players received votes |          |

## 2004-05 UVa ACC Player/Rookie of the Week

|                |                                    |
|----------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Nov. 22</b> | <b>Sean Singletary (Rookie)</b>    |
| <b>Dec. 6</b>  | <b>Sean Singletary (Co-Rookie)</b> |
| <b>Dec. 27</b> | <b>Elton Brown (Player)</b>        |
| <b>Dec. 27</b> | <b>Sean Singletary (Rookie)</b>    |
| <b>Jan. 3</b>  | <b>Adrian Joseph (Rookie)</b>      |

Adrian Joseph was honored as the ACC Rookie of the Week on January 3. He tallied a career-high 19 points in UVa's 89-70 loss to Wake Forest (Jan. 2) in his first collegiate start. Joseph was 7-12 from the field (3-6 from three-point range) and made both free throw attempts. He blocked one shot and had no turnovers in 32 minutes of action.

## Virginia Quick Facts

**Location:** Charlottesville, Va.  
**Founded:** 1819 by Thomas Jefferson  
**Enrollment:** 20,018 (13,140 undergraduates)  
**President:** John T. Casteen III  
**Athletics Director:** Craig Littlepage  
**Faculty Athletic Rep.:** Carolyn M. Callahan  
**Conference:** Atlantic Coast Conference  
**Arena:** University Hall (8,392)  
**Colors:** Orange and Blue  
**Nicknames:** Cavaliers, Wahoos, 'Hoos  
**Mascot:** Cavalier

## Basketball Information

**Head Coach:** Pete Gillen (Fairfield '68)  
**Career Record:** 387-208 (20th season)  
**Record at Virginia:** 113-80 (7th season)  
**Assistant Coaches:** Walt Fuller (Drexel '87) – 7th season, Alexis Sherard (Saint Michael's '93) – 6th season, John Fitzpatrick (Bowling Green '80) – 1st season  
**Director of Basketball Operations:** Mark Byington (UNC-Wilmington '98) – 1st season  
**2003-04 Record:** 18-13 (NIT Second Round)  
**2003-04 ACC Record:** 6-10 (7th-tie)  
**Starters Returning/Lost:** 4/1  
**Lettermen Returning/Lost:** 10/7

was an 83-60 victory over the #24 Yellow Jackets on Feb. 22, 1995 (GT was only ranked in one other meeting in Atlanta since then). Virginia's top win against a ranked Georgia Tech team in Atlanta was on February 22, 1990 – a 73-71 win over the #8 Yellow Jackets. The highest ranked Georgia Tech team UVa has ever defeated was the #6 Yellow Jackets – 62-55 on February 16, 1985 in Charlottesville.

### Jackets Shoot Well vs. UVa

The Yellow Jackets have won 15 of the last 19 meetings vs. Virginia in the past nine seasons and a big part of those wins has been Georgia Tech's ability to shoot the basketball. In the 15 wins, the Jackets shot 48.2 percent (407-844) from the field. In the four games Georgia Tech lost to Virginia in the last nine seasons, the Yellow Jackets made only 42.2 percent (97-230) of their attempts from the field. In its last 15 wins over the Cavaliers, Georgia Tech averaged 78.9 points per game compared to 68.5 points per game in its last four losses to UVa (the Jackets scored 65 points twice, 64 once, and 80 once).

In Georgia Tech's last 24 wins over Virginia dating back to the championship game of the 1990 ACC Tournament, the Yellow Jackets are shooting 47.7 percent from the field, while averaging 75.9 points.

That is in contrast to Georgia Tech's performance when Virginia wins. In Virginia's 10 wins over Georgia Tech dating back to the beginning of the 1990s, the Yellow Jackets have shot 41.0 percent from the floor and scored an average of 70.8 points.

In Virginia's last 10 wins against Georgia Tech, the Yellow Jackets have only shot better than 42.6 percent once from the field and that was last year (28 of 58 for 48.3 percent).

### More Success in Second ACC Games

Virginia has lost its last 10 ACC openers (19-33 all-time), including an 89-70 setback to then fifth-ranked Wake Forest

(Jan. 2) in Charlottesville this season. However, UVa has fared much better in its second ACC contest of the season over the same span. Over the last nine years, the Cavaliers have won five times in their second ACC game. Four of the wins have come at home at University Hall and the fifth win came in Richmond (against Wake Forest in the 1997-98 season).

The two times in the last five years UVa didn't win its second ACC game was in 2001-2002 (a 68-52 loss at Clemson – Jan. 8) and last season (a 93-71 home setback to then second-ranked Duke – Jan. 11).

### Ranked Cavaliers

Virginia earned its first national ranking in nearly two years in The *Associated Press* Top 25 Poll released November 29. The Cavaliers garnered the 24th spot with 235 points. Virginia was also ranked 25th in the ESPN/*USAToday* Poll. The last time UVa was ranked was in the 2002-03 season when it was 22nd in the AP Poll released December 2, 2002.

The Cavaliers dropped out of The *Associated Press* and ESPN/*USAToday* polls released January 3. UVa is fourth and fifth among teams receiving votes in the AP and ESPN/*USAToday* polls, respectively.

Here is a look at UVa's ranking in the AP and ESPN/*USAToday* polls.

| Date    | AP Poll | ESPN/USAToday |
|---------|---------|---------------|
| Nov. 29 | 24      | 25            |
| Dec. 6  | 19      | 19            |
| Dec. 13 | 24      | 23            |
| Dec. 20 | 25      | 25            |
| Dec. 27 | 25      | 25            |
| Jan. 3  | ARV     | ARV           |

ARV – Also Receiving Votes

### Cavaliers Down Top Ten Foe

Virginia defeated then No. 10 Arizona 78-60 on November 21 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.

### 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 the Richmond YMCA. Virginia's only losses during the season came against the Baltimore YMCA and Carroll Institute.

### Smith Misses Last Two Games

Devin Smith did not play in Virginia's ACC opener against Wake Forest (Jan. 2) or against Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) after injuring an ankle in the Cavaliers' overtime victory over Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23). Smith is questionable for tonight's game against Georgia Tech.

Smith leads UVa in scoring with 17.4 points per game and is also averaging 6.6 rebounds per contest.

## ACC Rookies of the Week

In the 2003-04 and 2004-05 seasons, the Cavaliers have had four different players earn ACC Rookie of the Week honors a total of six times. During that time frame the only other ACC school to have more than one player named ACC Rookie of the Week is Maryland with two players earning the honor last season.

Virginia leads all schools in ACC Rookie of the Week selections with 72 over the years. Georgia Tech is second with 67 all-time ACC Rookie of the Week selections.

## Overtime Good for Virginia

With two overtime wins this season, including an 80-79 double overtime victory over Western Kentucky (Jan. 5), the Cavaliers' have won their last five overtime games. UVa also posted a 79-77 overtime win over Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23).

Last season, UVa defeated Clemson 83-79 (Mar. 11) in the ACC Tournament and Florida State 76-67 (Jan. 18) at home in extra time. In the 2002-03 season, UVa defeated then 13th-ranked Maryland 80-78 in overtime in Charlottesville on March 9, 2003.

The last time the Cavaliers lost in overtime was back in the 1999-2000 season when they lost to Georgetown 115-111 in triple overtime in the first round of the National Invitation Tournament in Charlottesville on March 15, 2000.

## Close Games

The Cavaliers have played five games that have been decided by four points or less, including two overtime affairs. UVa is 4-1 in those close games and all five tight contests have occurred in the Cavaliers' last seven games.

Here's a look at Virginia's five games decided by four or less points:

| <b>Team (Date)</b>         | <b>W/L</b> | <b>Score</b> | <b>Site</b>     |
|----------------------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Northwestern (Dec. 1)      | W          | 48-44        | Evanston, Ill.  |
| Auburn (Dec. 3)            | W          | 89-87        | Richmond, Va.   |
| Iowa State (Dec. 6)        | L          | 79-81        | Ames, Iowa      |
| Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23) | W          | 79-77 OT     | Charlottesville |
| Western Kentucky (Jan. 5)  | W          | 80-79 2OT    | Charlottesville |

## Beating the Buzzer

The Cavaliers have scored game-winning baskets in the closing seconds of two games this season.

J.R. Reynolds made a driving layup with 1.5 seconds left in overtime to lift UVa to a 79-77 win over Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23) in Charlottesville. Reynolds had made only 2-8 field goal attempts prior to the game-winning shot.

T.J. Bannister was the latest Cavalier to provide the heroics as he scored after a mad scramble with 2.7 seconds left in double overtime as UVa posted an 80-79 win over Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) at University Hall. Bannister was 1-5 from the field before making his short jumper in the lane.

## Reaching Double Figures

Jason Clark scored a career-high 16 points against Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) and it marked just the 10th time in 88 career games Clark has reached double figures in scoring.

Clark is shooting an impressive 66.0 percent (35-53) from the floor this season. In his career, Clark has made 164-264 field goal attempts for an outstanding 62.1 percent.

## Head Coach Pete Gillen

Pete Gillen is in his 20th season as a collegiate head coach and sports a 387-208 record for a .650 winning percentage. Gillen is in his seventh season at Virginia and has posted a 113-80 record (.585 winning percentage).

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).

## UVa Needs Double Overtime to Defeat Western Kentucky

Perseverance paid off for Virginia as the Cavaliers led for less than three minutes during regulation, but found a way to force overtime and eventually register an 80-79 double overtime victory over Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) at University Hall. T.J. Bannister's short jumper after a wild scramble in the closing seconds of the second overtime proved to be the difference in the game.

The Cavaliers forced overtime when Jason Clark's layup at the buzzer was good after a goaltending call. UVa took only its second lead of the game with 1:41 to play when Sean Singletary made a three-pointer to stake Virginia to a 63-62 lead. The Hilltoppers took a 64-63 advantage with 1:12 left on Courtney Lee's jumper and then made it 65-63 when Antonio Haynes made one of two free throws with 33 seconds to play. Gary Forbes had a chance to tie the game with two free throws with 11 seconds left. He missed the first attempt and intentionally missed the second free throw with UVa retaining possession when a Western Kentucky player ended up out of bounds with the rebound. J.R. Reynolds then missed a three-pointer and Singletary came up with the offensive rebound. Bannister then fed Clark who tied the game at 65-65 with a layup (goaltending) as time expired.

In the first overtime, UVa grabbed a 72-67 lead with 34 seconds left only to see Western Kentucky storm back and force double overtime. Lee tied the game at 74-74 with a jumper with eight tenths of a second remaining.

The Hilltoppers scored the first three points in the second extra session, but UVa answered with four consecutive points to take a 78-77 edge. Lee made two free throws with 33 seconds left to give WKU a 79-78 lead. After a wild scramble for a loose ball, Bannister drove into the lane and hit a short jumper with 2.7 seconds left to clinch the victory.

Reynolds, who was extremely ill, tied his career high with 20 points, including 16 after halftime. Clark scored a career-high 16 points, pulled down nine rebounds and blocked three shots. Singletary added 11 points and seven assists, while Elton Brown recorded his seventh double-double with 10 points and 12 rebounds. Forbes rounded out UVa's double figure scorers with 11 points.

Western Kentucky's Anthony Winchester led all players with 30 points and pulled down 11 rebounds for a double-double. Lee added 20 points.

## Joseph Makes Most of Opportunity

Freshman forward Adrian Joseph made his first career start against Wake Forest (Jan. 2) in place of the injured Devin Smith. Joseph made the most of the opportunity as he tallied 19 points. He connected on 7-12 attempts from the field (3-6 from three-point range) and made both free throw attempts. He played a season-high 32 minutes and had one blocked shot and did not commit a turnover. For his effort, Joseph was named the ACC Rookie of the Week on January 3.

Joseph also earned a starting nod against Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) and tallied six points and four rebounds in 24 minutes.

Joseph's previous career high was eight points in his collegiate debut against Robert Morris (Nov. 19). In his seven games prior to Wake Forest, Joseph had scored just 16 points and played only 67 minutes.

## From Hectic to a Long Layoff

Virginia's home game against Furman on December 8 closed out a stretch of five games in 11 days (and four in eight days – all four at different venues). UVA's game against Loyola Marymount on December 23 was the Cavaliers' first since the Furman game – a 14-day layoff for final exams.

Virginia's game against Wake Forest (an 89-70 loss) on January 2 was UVA's first since the Loyola Marymount game – a nine-day layoff.

After playing five games in 11 days in late November and early December, the Wake Forest game was just UVA's third game in 25 days.

## Smith Joins Elite Group

Devin Smith lit up the scoreboard for a career-high 40 points in UVA's 81-79 loss at Iowa State (Dec. 6). He became the eighth Cavalier to tally 40 or more points in a game and the first since Donald Hand poured in 41 points against N.C. State on February 14, 1999.

Smith made 11-18 field goal attempts, including 4-8 from three-point range, and 14-15 free throws (including his last 14 attempts).

Smith's 40-point performance marked the 17th time a Virginia player had reached the 40-point plateau.

Here's a list of UVA players who have scored 40 or more points in a game.

| Player          | Pts | Opponent (Date)                  |
|-----------------|-----|----------------------------------|
| Barry Parkhill  | 51  | Baldwin-Wallace (Dec. 11, 1971)  |
| Buzzy Wilkinson | 48  | Hampden-Sydney (Dec. 1, 1954)    |
| Buzzy Wilkinson | 45  | North Carolina (Feb. 8, 1954)    |
| Buzzy Wilkinson | 45  | Georgetown (Feb. 13, 1954)       |
| Buzzy Wilkinson | 45  | Roanoke (Feb. 25, 1954)          |
| Buzzy Wilkinson | 45  | Clemson (Feb. 14, 1955)          |
| Buzzy Wilkinson | 43  | Washington & Lee (Dec. 31, 1954) |
| Buzzy Wilkinson | 43  | VMI (Jan. 8, 1955)               |
| Buzzy Wilkinson | 42  | Hampden-Sydney (Dec. 2, 1953)    |
| Buzzy Wilkinson | 42  | Duke (Mar. 4, 1954)              |
| Bob McCarty     | 42  | Clemson (Feb. 12, 1956)          |
| Jim Connelly    | 42  | William & Mary (Dec. 1, 1965)    |
| Tony Laquintano | 41  | West Virginia (Dec. 17, 1960)    |
| Donald Hand     | 41  | N.C. State (Feb. 14, 1999)       |
| Buzzy Wilkinson | 40  | Washington & Lee (Mar. 1, 1955)  |
| Ralph Sampson   | 40  | Ohio State (Jan. 25, 1981)       |
| Devin Smith     | 40  | Iowa State (Dec. 6, 2004)        |

## More on 40

Devin Smith's 40 points against Iowa State marked the 13th time a Cyclone opponent has scored 40 or more points in a game. He is the seventh player to score 40 against Iowa State in regulation.

Here's the impressive list Smith joined by scoring 40 points against the Cyclones in regulation.

| Player         | Team           | Points |
|----------------|----------------|--------|
| Wayman Tisdale | Oklahoma       | 46     |
| Lew Alcindor   | UCLA           | 45     |
| Alvan Adams    | Oklahoma       | 43     |
| Troy Bell      | Boston College | 42     |
| Anthony Peeler | Missouri       | 42     |
| Cliff Meely    | Colorado       | 42     |
| Devin Smith    | Virginia       | 40     |

## Cavaliers Improve to 3-2 in ACC/Big Ten Challenge

With a 48-44 victory at Northwestern on December 1, Virginia improved its record to 3-2 in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge. The Cavaliers also helped the ACC win the series for the sixth consecutive year as ACC schools won seven of nine contests. The ACC's cumulative record in the Challenge is 34-19.

## The Antithesis

After defeating an extremely deliberate Northwestern team 48-44 (Dec. 1) in Evanston, Ill., the Cavaliers put their track shoes on and posted an 89-87 victory over Auburn (Dec. 3) in Richmond, Va.

Virginia scored 41 more points against Auburn than it did versus Northwestern. It marked the largest increase in points from one game to the next since the end of the 1999-2000 season. UVA scored 65 points in a loss to NC State (Mar. 10) in the ACC Tournament, then scored 111 points in a triple overtime loss to Georgetown (Mar. 15) in the National Invitation Tournament.

## Solid Defense

The Cavaliers held their first five opponents to 60 or fewer points – Robert Morris (55), Arizona (60), Appalachian State (60), Richmond (58), and Northwestern (44). Auburn broke that streak with 87 points in a two point loss to UVA (Dec. 3).

The last time UVA limited its first five opponents to 60 or less points was back in the 1948-49 season. In the 1948-49 season, the Cavaliers held their first nine opponents to 60 or fewer points.

Only once during the Pete Gillen era has UVA held more than five opponents to 60 or fewer points in a game and that was six times during the 1998-99 season (Gillen's first at Virginia).

## More Defense

Virginia held Northwestern to only 44 points in a 48-44 victory (Dec. 1) in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge. It marked the fewest points the Cavaliers have allowed in a game in the Pete Gillen era. The previous low by a UVA opponent for points in a game in the Gillen era was 48 points by Virginia Tech (in a 64-48 Cavalier win) on November 24, 2000.

The 44 points by Northwestern also marked the fewest points Virginia has allowed in a game since holding UMBC to 34 points (in a 57-34 UVA win) on December 21, 1996. It is also the lowest point total by a UVA opponent on its home court since the Cavaliers held UNLV to 39 points (a 59-39 UVA win) in Las Vegas on January 3, 1994.

## Just Enough Offense

UVa's 48 points against Northwestern marked the fewest points in a Virginia victory in the Pete Gillen era. The previous low was 58 points (in a 58-55 win) at Clemson (Feb. 21) last season. It also marked the fewest points scored in a UVa victory since the 1981-82 season when the Cavaliers defeated NC State 45-40 on February 20.

UVa's 48 points against Northwestern are one point more than the fewest points scored in a game under Gillen. The Cavaliers managed just 47 points in losses to North Carolina (Jan. 21, 1999) and Georgia Tech (Feb. 9, 2000).

## Seniors Leading the Way

UVa's three seniors are the main reason the Cavaliers have started out the season with a 9-2 record. The trio – Elton Brown, Jason Clark, and Devin Smith – have led Virginia in scoring, rebounding and blocked shots in all but five games this season. Freshman Sean Singletary led UVa in points (25) and blocked shots (2) against Auburn (Dec. 3), while sophomore J.R. Reynolds led the team with three blocked shots vs. Iowa State (Dec. 6). He also scored a team-high 20 points vs. Western Kentucky (Jan. 5).

Sophomore Gary Forbes led the Cavaliers in scoring against Furman (Dec. 8) with 21 points and Adrian Joseph paced the team in scoring with 19 points against Wake Forest (Jan. 2).

Smith has led the team in scoring four times, including a 40-point performance against Iowa State (Dec. 6), and Brown has topped the club three times.

Brown has led the team in rebounding 10 times, including seven double-digit performances, and Smith has led the team once.

Clark has led the team in blocked shots in four games, and tied for team-best honors in one game along with Brown, Smith and Forbes (all had one blocked shot vs. Arizona). Brown and Smith have both led UVa in blocks by themselves twice.

## Brown Reaches 1,000 Point Plateau

Against Arizona (Nov. 21), Elton Brown became the 38th player in Virginia history to score 1,000 career points. For his career, Brown now has 1,153 points, placing him 32nd in career points at UVa. Chip Conner (1962-64) is 31st with 1,157. Joe Noertker (1947-50) is 30th with 1,177 points and Mike Katos (1966-68) is 29th with 1,178 points.

## Clark Ranked Sixth on Blocked Shots List

Jason Clark is currently sixth on Virginia's career blocked shots list with a total of 107. Steve Castellan (1976-79) holds the fifth spot with 108 career blocks. Ralph Sampson (1980-83) tops the UVa list with 462 career blocked shots.

Here's a look at UVa's all-time blocked shots leaders:

|                                    |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| 1. Ralph Sampson (1980-83)         | 462        |
| 2. Chris Alexander (1993-96)       | 148        |
| 3. Travis Watson (2000-03)         | 130        |
| 4. Kris Hunter (1997-99)           | 126        |
| 5. Steve Castellan (1976-79)       | 108        |
| <b>6. Jason Clark (2002-pres.)</b> | <b>107</b> |
| 7. Chris Williams (1999-02)        | 97         |

## 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.

## Starting Strong

For the fourth time in the last five years (including this season), Virginia started its season with six consecutive victories. UVa had its winning streak snapped with an 81-79 loss to Iowa State (Dec. 6).

The only time in the last five seasons the Cavaliers did not win their first six games was in the 2002-2003 season when the team lost its fourth and fifth games of the season after starting out 3-0.

Last season, Virginia won its first eight games. In 2001-2002, UVa won its first nine games of the season and in 2000-2001, the Cavaliers reeled off 10 consecutive victories to begin the season. The 10 straight wins marked UVa's best start since the 1992-93 team started the season with an 11-0 mark.

## Double-Doubles

Elton Brown has registered seven double-doubles in the Cavaliers' first 11 games this season and is tied for the ACC lead.

Here's a look at Brown's double-doubles this season.

|                             |                        |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Robert Morris (Nov. 19)     | 13 points, 12 rebounds |
| Appalachian State (Nov. 24) | 24 points, 12 rebounds |
| Richmond (Nov. 28)          | 12 points, 10 rebounds |
| Northwestern (Dec. 1)       | 15 points, 12 rebounds |
| Iowa State (Dec. 6)         | 13 points, 11 rebounds |
| Furman (Dec. 8)             | 16 points, 12 rebounds |
| Western Kentucky (Jan. 5)   | 10 points, 12 rebounds |

Brown now has 11 career double-doubles. He is averaging 15.3 points and 9.9 rebounds per game in 2004-05.

## Smith 10th in Three-Point Field Goals

Senior forward Devin Smith has made 119 career three-point field goals for the Cavaliers and stands in 10th place all-time at Virginia. Chris Williams (1999-02) is in ninth place with 130 career threes.

Here's a look at Virginia's all-time three-point field goal leaders list:

|                                     |                   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Curtis Staples (1995-98)         | 413 – NCAA record |
| 2. Harold Deane (1994-97)           | 237               |
| 3. John Crotty (1988-91)            | 179               |
| 4. Todd Billet (2003-04)            | 156               |
| Donald Hand (1998-01)               | 156               |
| 6. Cory Alexander (1992-95)         | 142               |
| 7. Roger Mason, Jr. (2000-02)       | 137               |
| 8. Richard Morgan (1986-89)         | 132               |
| 9. Chris Williams (1999-02)         | 130               |
| <b>10. Devin Smith (2003-pres.)</b> | <b>119</b>        |
| 11. Bryant Stith (1989-92)          | 114               |

## Smith Off to a Great Start

After being plagued by a back injury last season, Devin Smith is off to a great start in his senior season. Smith, who has led UVa in scoring in four of the nine games he has played this season, is averaging 17.4 points per game while shooting 50.0 percent (54-108) from the field, including 37.5 percent (21-56) from three-point range. He is also averaging 6.6 rebounds per game.

Smith scored a career-high 40 points while making 11-18 field goal attempts (4-8 three-pointers) and 14-15 free throws against Iowa State (Dec. 6). He also grabbed 10 rebounds for his first career double-double. He scored 26 points while making 8-13 field goal attempts (5-10 three-pointers) against Richmond (Nov. 28). He was also 5-6 from the free throw

line. Against Auburn (Dec. 3), Smith had 23 points and eight rebounds. He made 9-14 attempts from the field, including 4-7 from three-point range.

Before leaving the Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23) game in the second half with an injury, Smith had 12 points, five rebounds and a career-high five blocked shots.

Last season, Smith played in 27 of 31 games and averaged 12.2 points per game. He rarely practiced with the team in the latter portion of the season due to his back injury.

### **Most Points by a Freshman**

Sean Singletary scored 25 points in UVa's 89-87 win over Auburn (Dec. 3). It marked the most points in a game by a Cavalier freshman since the 1998-99 season. Chris Williams scored 25 or more points in five games as a rookie in 1998-99, while classmate Adam Hall scored 27 points in a game the same season.

The last time Williams scored 25 or more points in a game as a freshman was against NC State (Jan. 14) when he tallied 27. He had a season-high 34 points versus Liberty (Dec. 8), marking the first time he scored 25 or more points in a game. Hall scored his 27 points against Hampton (Nov. 25).

### **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.

### **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 three-game 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.

### **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.

### **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 career-high 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 entered the season ranked eighth on Virginia's career blocked shots list with 95. Through his first three seasons at Virginia, Clark is shooting 61.1 percent (129-211) from the field.

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 (lost 89-70), while also matching up twice against NIT participant Florida State. In addition to those games, Virginia plays 2004 NCAA participants Arizona (won, 78-60), Providence and Richmond (won, 85-58) while also facing 2004 NIT participant Iowa State (lost 81-79).

### **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 \$130 million 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.