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Basketball 2004-05 Media Notes Virginia (13-9, 4-7 ACC)

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#4/#4 North Carolina (20-3, 8-2 ACC)
February 16, 2005 • 7:00 p.m.
Dean E. Smith Center (21,800)
Chapel Hill, N.C.



# 2004-05 SCHEDULE

13-9 Overall / 4-7 ACC

Home: 10-3 Away: 2-6 Neutral: 1-0

Nov. 5	Lehman College (ex)		W, 121-29
Nov. 12	<b>Marymount University</b>	(ex)	W, 129-75
Nov. 19	ROBERT MORRIS		W, 88-55
Nov. 21	#10 ARIZONA	(FSN) SOUTH	W, 78-60
Nov. 24	APPALACHIAN STATE	(Concep-	W, 77-60
Nov. 28	RICHMOND	(Comean	W, 85-58
Dec. 1	at Northwestern&	(Company)	W, 48-44
Dec. 3	vs. Auburn %	SN) SOUTH	W, 89-87
Dec. 6	at Iowa State	(MATERIAL)	L, 79-81
Dec. 8	FURMAN		W, 79-67
Dec. 23	LOYOLA MARYMOUN	T W	, 79-77 OT
Jan. 2	#5 WAKE FOREST	(884)	L, 70-89
Jan. 5	WESTERN KENTUCKY	Cornece W.	80-79 2OT
Jan. 8	at #9 Georgia Tech	was diffe. III	L, 69-92
Jan. 12	MIAMI		L, 80-91
Jan. 16	at #5 Duke	PSSA	L, 66-80
Jan. 19	at Maryland	sandah III	L, 68-82
Jan. 22	CLEMSON		W, 81-79
Jan. 27	at Virginia Tech	margin III	L, 73-79
Jan. 29	#3 NORTH CAROLINA		L, 76-110
Feb. 2	at Providence	Cox 3	L, 79-98
Feb. 5	at NC State	marking 🗓	W, 64-62
Feb. 9	FLORIDA STATE		W, 56-55
Feb. 12	VIRGINIA TECH	wascina R	W, 65-60
Feb. 16	at #4 North Carolina		7:00 p.m.
Feb. 19	#22 MARYLAND	®CBS	3:30 p.m.
Feb. 27	at #5 Wake Forest	margine II	2:00 p.m.
Mar. 2	NC STATE	RSN	9:00 p.m.
Mar. 6	at Florida State	wasting II	2:00 p.m.
Mar. 10-13	ACC Tournament ^		TBD

- & ACC/Big Ten Challenge
- % ALLTEL Pavalion 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

ESPN will televise tonight's game. Mike Patrick will handle the play-by-play. Len Elmore is the analyst. Doris Burke is the sideline reporter.

#### **RADIO**

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 13-9 overall record and a 4-7 mark in the Atlantic Coast Conference. The Cavaliers, who have won three consecutive games, are coming off a 65-60 win over Virginia Tech (Feb. 12) in Charlottesville.

**North Carolina** stands at 20-3 overall and 8-2 in the ACC. The Tar Heels are ranked fourth in both The *Associated Press* and *USAToday*/ESPN Top 25 polls and are coming off a 77-70 victory over 19th-ranked Connecticut (Feb. 13) in Hartford, Conn.

#### The Series vs. North Carolina

North Carolina leads the all-time series with the Cavaliers 117-47 in a rivalry that dates back to the 1910-11 season. UNC won the first meeting of the 2004-05 season 110-76 (Jan. 29) in Charlottesville, snapping UVa's five-game winning streak over the Tar Heels at University Hall.

The Tar Heels took the first meeting of the 2003-04 season 96-77 in Chapel Hill and the Cavaliers earned a split in the series with a 74-72 win (Feb. 24) in Charlottesville.

Virginia won the first meeting of the 2002-03 season 79-72 (Jan. 11) at University Hall, but the Tar Heels earned a split with an 81-67 win (Feb. 12) in Chapel Hill, which snapped UVa's four-game winning streak in the series. Virginia swept the 2001-02 season series, winning 71-67 (Jan. 12) in Chapel Hill and 73-63 (Feb. 12) in Charlottesville. It marked the second time in three seasons UVa swept the season series from the Tar Heels. Virginia also swept the regular season series in 1999-00 for the first time since the 1980-81 season. (UNC, however, won the meeting in the 1981 NCAA Tournament's Final Four).

The Cavaliers have won seven of the last 11 contests in the series and UVa's four-game winning streak was its longest in the series since the early 1900s. The Cavaliers won five consecutive games against North Carolina from 1917-18 to 1919-20 (45-35 in 1917-18, 40-29 and 31-21 in 1918-19, 40-25 and 37-31 in 1919-20). UVa won the first eight games in the series from 1910-11 to 1915-16.

Virginia's victory in Chapel Hill in the 1999-00 season (90-76 – Feb. 20) was its first ever triumph at the Smith Center. The Cavaliers lost their previous 14 games in the Dean Dome. The win also snapped UVa's 18-game losing streak in Chapel Hill. Prior to 1999-00, the previous Virginia victory in Chapel Hill came on February 3, 1981, when UVa posted an 80-79 overtime victory.

Despite Virginia's wins in 1999-00 and in 2001-02, the Tar Heels have dominated the series in games played in Chapel Hill, winning 59 of the 64 meetings. The Cavaliers are 2-17 at the Smith Center.

Virginia's wins in Chapel Hill occurred on: February 24, 1911 -

Virg	Virginia's PROBABLE Starters									
No.	Pos.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	CI.	Ppg.	Rpg.	Apg.	Mpg	Notes
33	F	Devin Smith	6-5	242	Sr.	16.9	6.3	1.1	31.1	1,000th point vs. FSU; Career-high 40 pts vs. Iowa St.
43	F/C	Elton Brown	6-9	255	Sr.	14.3	8.8	0.9	30.0	Scored 1,000th point vs. Arizona; 10 double-doubles
2	G	J.R. Reynolds	6-2 1/2	200	So.	10.6	2.7	2.0	32.5	Game-winning shot vs. Loy. Mary.; 21 pts. vs. GaTech
15	G	T.J. Bannister	5-10 1/2	170	So.	4.1	1.4	3.5	20.4	Three or more assists in each of last 13 games
44	G	Sean Singletary	6-0	180	Fr.	9.7	3.1	4.0	29.1	4-time ACC Rookie of the Week
Virg	inia's K	(ey Reserves								
23	G/F	Gary Forbes	6-6	210	So.	9.0	3.8	1.0	21.9	Season-high 21 points vs. Furman and Va. Tech (2/12)
30	F	Adrian Joseph	6-7	200	Fr.	5.1	1.3	0.4	15.7	Missed the last four games with a leg injury
32	F	Jason Cain	6-10	205	So.	2.5	2.5	0.3	10.0	First career start vs. Clemson; 7 pts, 9 rebs vs. NCSU
55	F/C	Donte Minter	6-8	245	So.	1.5	0.6	0.0	4.9	Limited by preseason knee injury; playing w/ hand injury
21	С	Tunji Soroye	6-11	210	Fr.	0.4	1.0	0.1	4.3	4 pts, 4 rebs, 2 blks in 13 min. vs. Virginia Tech (1/27)

UVa 18, UNC 15; January 25, 1973 – UVa 84, #3 UNC 78; February 3, 1981 – UVa 80, #11 UNC 79 in overtime; February 20, 2000 – UVa 90, UNC 76; and January 12, 2002 – UVa 71, UNC 67. North Carolina has won 12 of the last 20 games and 22 of the

#### Tale of the Tape

last 33 games between the two teams.

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

Virginia	Category	North Carolina
74.0	Points	90.6
74.8	Points Allowed	69.5
-0.8	Scoring Margin	+21.1
43.7	Field Goal %	50.5
45.0	. Field Goal % Defense .	39.7
32.2	3 Point Field Goal %	41.4
39.2 3	Point Field Goal % Defer	se 32.8
70.0	Free Throw %	72.9
36.5	Rebounds	40.6
+0.3	Rebound Margin	+7.9
13.2	Assists	20.6
14.1	Turnovers	17.2
7.1	Steals	10.9
3.3	Blocked Shots	4.0

# Shooting Lots of Three-Pointers vs. the Tar Heels

Since the 1989-90 season, the Cavaliers attempted an average of 21.6 three-point field goals (777 in 36 games) per game against North Carolina. Virginia made 259 of those 777 attempts (33.3 percent) for 7.2 made threes per game. Since the 1988-89 season, the Cavaliers have attempted 20 or more threes in a game against the Tar Heels 25 times.

Three of Virginia's top five and five of the Cavaliers' top 10 games in terms of three-point field goals attempted have come against North Carolina (four are against Clemson and one is vs. Florida State). Prior to attempting a school-record 38 three-pointers against Clemson (Jan. 15, 2000), Virginia's 32 attempts against UNC on February 14, 1990 and March 7, 1997 marked the Cavaliers' all-time high for three-pointers attempted in a game.

Virginia also set its school record for most three-point field goals made in the February 14, 1990 game against UNC with 15. (Virginia equaled the mark of 15 threes made in a game against Hampton on November 25, 1998.)

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I	2004-20	005 ACC Pre-Season Med	dia Pred	iction
		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.	Virginia	394	
	9.	Clemson	256	
	10.	Virginia Tech	171	
	11.	Miami	146	
	2004-05	Media Pre-Season All-A	ACC Sele	ections
	First	Геат		
	Chris	Paul, Wake Forest		85
	Julius	Hodge, N.C. State		85
	Rasha	ad McCants, North Carolina		70
	Sean	May, North Carolina		34
	J.J. R	edick, Duke		33
	2004-05	i Media Pre-Season ACC	Player	of Year
		Paul, Wake Forest	•	38
	Julius	Hodge, N.C. State		35
	Rasha	ad McCants, North Carolina		8
	Sean	May, North Carolina		3
	Justin	Gray, Wake Forest		2
	Jarret	t Jack, Georgia Tech		2 2 1
	B.J. E	lder, Georgia Tech		1
	J.J. R	edick, Duke		1
	2004-05	i Media Pre-Season ACC	Rookie	of Year
	Marvir	n Williams, North Carolina		60
		Singletary, Virginia		7
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#### 2004-05 UVa ACC Player/Rookie of the Week

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Nov. 22	Sean Singletary (Rookie)
Dec. 6	Sean Singletary (Co-Rookie)
Dec. 27	Elton Brown (Player)
Dec. 27	Sean Singletary (Rookie)
Jan. 3	Adrian Joseph (Rookie)
Feb. 14	Sean Singletary (Rookie)

Eight other players received votes

DeMarcus Nelson, Duke

Sean Singletary was honored as the ACC Rookie of the Week on February 14. He averaged 9.5 points, 6.0 rebounds and 4.5 assists with three steals and just one turnover in 70 minutes of playing time in UVa's home wins over Florida State and Virginia Tech. Singletary played all 40 minutes against Virginia Tech

# **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: 391-215 (20th season) Record at Virginia: 117-87 (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

#### **Retro Night**

Players from Virginia and North Carolina will be wearing uniforms designed in the 1980s for Wednesday night's game. The Cavaliers will be in orange uniforms. For those of you wondering, the uniform shorts will be the length of today and not the shorter length some of you might remember.

#### Earlier This Season vs. North Carolina

Virginia scored the first three points of the game, but third-ranked North Carolina scored the next 11 points and cruised to a 110-76 victory (Jan. 29) over the Cavaliers at University Hall. The loss snapped UVa's five-game home winning streak over the Tar Heels.

J.R. Reynolds led Virginia with 18 points while Gary Forbes came off the bench to tally 11 points and blocked a pair of shots. Reserve Billy Campbell tallied a career-high eight points while playing the final six minutes of the contest. All 11 Cavaliers who played in the game scored at least one point.

Sean Singletary gave UVa a 3-0 lead with a three-pointer 33 seconds into the contest. North Carolina came right back and made the first of its 14 three-pointers 14 seconds later to tie the game. The Tar Heels took the lead for good, 5-3, at the 18:34 mark and went on to take a 62-26 lead at the intermission while shooting 65.6 percent (21-32) from the field.

North Carolina shot an impressive 60.0 percent (39-65) from the field in the game and made 14-23 three-point field goal attempts for 60.9 percent. UVa made only 25-64 attempts from the field for 39.1 percent accuracy. UNC also held a 45-26 advantage in rebounds.

Jawad Williams led North Carolina with 23 points, while Sean May had 20 points and nine rebounds. Marvin Williams notched a double-double with 15 points and 10 rebounds.

#### UVa vs. Ranked Tar Heel Teams

The Cavaliers have not fared well against ranked (AP Poll) North Carolina teams over the years. Virginia is 17-75 all-time against ranked UNC teams (11-57 vs. top 10 UNC teams). UVa has played North Carolina five times when the Tar Heels were ranked fourth in the AP Poll. Virginia has never played a fourth-ranked UNC team in Chapel Hill. The Cavaliers are 2-1 at home against #4 North Carolina teams and 1-1 in the ACC Tournament.

#### **Keys to the Game**

Virginia needs to shoot the ball well tonight to help its chances to win. Since the 1989-90 season, the Cavaliers are 13-23 against North Carolina, but are 8-2 when they outshoot the Tar Heels. The Wahoos are 5-21 when the Tar Heels out-shoot them.

Here's a look at the two teams' field goal percentages since the 1989-90 season. The winner is listed in bold.

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Year	Site	UNC	UVa		
1989-90	UNC	.583	.397		
	UVa	.524	.441		
	ACC Trn.	.493	.515		
1990-91	UVa	.464	.400		
	UNC	.500	.356		
	ACC Trn.	.471	.400		
1991-92	UNC	.533	.362		
	UVa	.446	.472		
1992-93	UNC	.476	.400		
	UVa	.474	.313		
	ACC Trn.	.379	.414		
1993-94	UVa	.462	.483		
	UNC	.390	.309		
	ACC Trn.	.491	.403		
1994-95	UNC	.482	.418		
	UVa	.452	.439		
1995-96	UVa	.386	.322		
	UNC	.471	.400		
1996-97	UVa	.385	.481		
	UNC	.517	.355		
	ACC Trn.		.371		
1997-98	UNC	.488	.433		
	UVa	.431	.300		
1998-99	UNC	.412	.277		
	UVa	.426	.435		
1999-00	UVa	.586	.465		
	UNC	.433	.449		
2000-01	UNC	.569	.426		
	UVa	.438	.470		
2001-02	UNC	.436	.421		
	UVa	.347	.435		
2002-03	UVa	.403	.491		
	UNC	.508	.381		
2003-04	UNC	.523	.472		
0004.05	UVa	.460	.391		
2004-05	UVa	.600	.391		
Since the 1989-90 Season:					
Combined		.470	.407		
UVa wins		.452	.458		
UVa losses		.481	.379		

#### 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.

#### **Another ACC Win**

After dropping seven of their first eight ACC games, the Cavaliers have won three consecutive conference tilts to improve to 4-7 in the ACC.

UVa posted a 64-62 win over NC State (Feb. 5) in Raleigh to snap a two-game ACC slide, and then registered a 56-55 win over Florida State (Feb. 9) and a 65-60 victory over Virginia Tech (Feb. 12), both at University Hall.

Virginia fell short in its first five ACC games and earned its first conference win of the season with an 81-79 victory over Clemson (Jan. 22) in Charlottesville. UVa's 0-5 start in the ACC marked the first time since the 1998-99 season the Cavaliers lost their first five conference games. Oddly enough a home win over then #25 Clemson (Jan. 17, 1999) was Virginia's first ACC win that year as well.

After defeating Clemson, the Cavaliers fell to Virginia Tech 79-73 (Jan. 27) in Blacksburg and #3 North Carolina 110-76 (Jan. 29) in Charlottesville before posting the victory over NC State.

#### No More RBC Center Blues

Virginia lost its first five games at the RBC Center (formerly the Entertainment and Sports Arena) and seven consecutive in Raleigh before snapping the losing streak with a 64-62 victory over NC State (Feb. 5).

#### **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 was fourth and fifth among teams receiving votes in the AP and ESPN/USAToday polls, respectively, that week.

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

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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					
Jan. 10	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.

#### **ACC Rookies of the Week**

In the 2003-04 and 2004-05 seasons, Virginia has had four different players earn ACC Rookie of the Week honors a total of seven times. Sean Singletary is a four-time recipient of the award this season (including this week's honor) and Adrian Joseph has won the award once.

In the last two years, the only other ACC schools to have more than one player named ACC Rookie of the Week are Maryland, Duke and Clemson. All three schools have had two players earn the honor.

Virginia leads all schools in ACC Rookie of the Week selections with 73 over the years. Georgia Tech is second with 68 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) this season.

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 nine games that have been decided by five points or less, including two overtime affairs. UVa is 8-1 in those close games. The eight wins are by a combined 19 points.

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

Team (Date)	W/L	Score	Site
Northwestern (Dec. 1)	W	48-44	Evanston, III.
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
Clemson (Jan. 22)	W	81-79	Charlottesville
NC State (Feb. 5)	W	64-62	Raleigh, N.C.
Florida State (Feb. 9)	W	56-55	Charlottesville
Virginia Tech (Feb. 12)	W	65-60	Charlottesville

#### **Beating the Buzzer**

The Cavaliers have scored game-winning baskets in the closing seconds of four games this season and four different players have made those game-winning shots.

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 provided 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.

Sean Singletary is the third Cavalier to score a game-winning basket in the closing seconds. He grabbed the offensive rebound on his own missed shot and scored with 2.2 seconds remaining in UVa's 64-62 win over NC State (Feb. 5) in Raleigh.

Devin Smith became the fourth UVa player to make a game-winning shot in the closing seconds of a game. Smith drained a three-pointer with 5.2 seconds left to lift the Cavaliers to a 56-55 win over Florida State (Feb. 9). Smith had been 1-6 on three-point attempts prior to making the game winner. It marked Virginia's only lead of the game.

#### **Head Coach Pete Gillen**

Pete Gillen is in his 20th season as a collegiate head coach and sports a 391-215 record for a .645 winning percentage. Gillen is in his seventh season at Virginia and has posted a 117-87 record (.574 winning percentage).

Gillen coached the 600th game of his career against Clemson on January 22 and his 200th game at Virginia on January 29 against North Carolina.

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).

#### Clark to Miss Remainder of Season

Jason Clark will not play for the Cavaliers for the remainder of the 2004-05 season for academic reasons.

The 6-8 senior from Virginia Beach, Va., played in 13 games this season and averaged 6.7 points and 5.2 rebounds a game. He is fifth on Virginia's all-time blocked shots list with 112. Clark made 166-271 field goal attempts during his career for an impressive 61.3 percent.

#### **Only One Starter**

Sean Singletary is the only Cavalier to start all 22 games this season. Singletary and Elton Brown both started the first 19 games of the season, but Brown did not start in Virginia's games against NC State (Feb. 5) and Florida State (Feb. 9). J.R. Reynolds has started in 21 of UVa's 22 contests this season.

#### Second Half Surge Lifts Virginia Past Hokies, 65-60

Gary Forbes scored 17 of his game-high 21 points in the second half to help Virginia rally for a 65-60 win over in-state rival Virginia Tech (Feb. 12) in Charlottesville. It marked UVa's third consecutive victory. The Cavaliers shot 50 percent from the field and made 9-11 free throws in the pivotal second half.

The game was tied at 26-26 at the half with Virginia using a 15-7 run over the final seven minutes of the opening stanza to help erase an eight-point deficit.

After UVa scored the opening basket of the second half, Virginia Tech built a six-point lead, an advantage it matched three other times in the second stanza. The Cavaliers trailed 41-35 with 12:45 left in the game, but used an 11-3 run capped off by a Forbes tip-in to take a 46-44 lead. The Hokies came right back to tie the game, but a Forbes dunk off an alley-oop pass from Sean Singletary gave Virginia the lead for good, 48-46, with 6:32 to play. A Singletary three at the 5:34 mark pushed UVa's lead to 51-46. A fastbreak dunk by Devin Smith with 4:23 to go, gave the Cavaliers their biggest lead of the game, 55-47. UVa made 8-10 free throws down the stretch to seal the victory.

In addition to his 21 points, Forbes added five rebounds and two blocked shots. Smith tallied 16 points, seven rebounds, two assists and two blocked shots. Elton Brown and Singletary both scored 10 points and pulled down seven rebounds. Singletary also handed out seven assists.

Virginia shot only 41.0 percent (25-61) from the field in the game, but connected on 14-28 (50 percent) attempts in the second half. UVa also made 9-11 (81.8 percent) free throws in the second half after making just 1-5 in the opening half. Virginia limited the Hokies to 35.7 percent (20-56) shooting from the field in the game. The Cavaliers held a slight 40-38 edge in rebounds. UVa had only nine turnovers in the game and Tech committed just 10.

Zabian Dowdell led Virginia Tech with 20 points, while Coleman Collins added 19 points.

#### **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 1,299 points, placing him 21st in career points at UVa. Norman Nolan (1995-98) holds the 20th spot with 1,321 career points.

With 1,299 career points, Brown is seventh among active ACC players in career scoring.

#### Smith Scores 1,000th Career Point

Devin Smith became the 39th Cavalier to score 1,000 career points. Smith reached the milestone with a driving layup with 20 seconds remaining in the first half in UVa's win over Florida State (Feb. 9). Smith has scored 1,024 career points at Virginia and is 38th all-time in scoring. Scott McCandlish (1970-72) is 37th with 1,026 career 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 started five consecutive games before coming off the bench against Maryland (Jan. 19), Clemson (Jan. 22) and Virginia Tech (Jan. 27). He returned to the Cavaliers' starting lineup against North Carolina (Jan. 29) and had five points and four rebounds in 21 minutes.

Against Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) he tallied six points and four rebounds in 24 minutes. He made his third consecutive start against Georgia Tech (Jan. 8) and had eight points, one rebound and one steal in 24 minutes. Joseph had 11 points and a career-high seven rebounds in 27 minutes against Miami (Jan. 12). He went scoreless in 15 minutes against Duke (Jan. 15).

Joseph scored 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.

Joseph missed the first game of his career against Providence (Feb. 2) due to a leg injury and also did not play against NC State (Feb. 5), Florida State (Feb. 9) and Virginia Tech (Feb. 12).

# **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.

His 40 points ties for the fourth highest scoring total in a game this season among all Division I players.

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.

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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 lowa 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 lowa 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

#### **Soroye Solid**

Tunji Soroye made his most significant contributions of the season against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27) and set career highs in multiple categories. The 6-11 freshman center played 13 minutes and started the second half. He tallied four points and four rebounds and blocked a pair of shots while picking up one assist. His minutes, points, rebounds, blocked shots and the assist all marked then career-bests for Soroye.

Against North Carolina (Jan. 29), Soroye set new career highs with 16 minutes played and five rebounds.

#### **Back-to-Back 20-Point Games**

J.R. Reynolds recorded back-to-back games with 20 or more points against Western Kentucky (Jan. 5) and Georgia Tech (Jan. 8). Since those two games, Reynolds' scoring has been inconsistent. He has had four games where he scored a total of seven points (two points vs. Miami – Jan. 12, three points vs. Duke – Jan. 16, zero points vs. NC State – Feb. 5, and two points vs. Virginia Tech – Feb. 12). Reynolds also had five consecutive games where he reached double figures in scoring (12 points vs. Maryland – Jan. 19, 11 points vs. Clemson – Jan. 22, 10 points vs. Virginia Tech – Jan. 27, 18 points vs. North Carolina – Jan. 29, 15 points vs. Providence – Feb. 2).

Reynolds has reached double figures in scoring 13 times this season.

The guard equaled his then career-high with 20 points in an 80-79 double overtime victory over Western Kentucky (Jan. 5). Reynolds managed to score 20 points, including 16 after halftime, despite not feeling well. He set a new careerhigh with 21 points in a 92-69 loss at Georgia Tech (Jan 8).

On the season, Reynolds is averaging 10.6 points per game.

#### 40 Minute Man

Sean Singletary became the first Cavalier this season to play all 40 minutes of a regulation game when he went the distance against Virginia Tech (Feb. 12). The 40 minutes matched his career high for minutes in a game as he also played 40 minutes in UVa's double overtime victory over Western Kentucky (Jan. 5).

Interestingly, Elton Brown has played the most minutes of any Cavalier in a game this season as he logged 42 minutes in the double overtime thriller vs. Western Kentucky.

#### **Singletary Breaks Out**

After scoring just 27 points and shooting only 21.2 percent (7-33) over his previous four games, Sean Singletary broke out of his slump against Duke (Jan. 16). He scored a team-high 19 points and made 7-12 attempts from the field (and was also 5-5 from the free throw line). It marked the most points Singletary has scored since tallying 25 against Auburn (Dec. 3).

After scoring eight points in 28 minutes against Maryland (Jan. 19), Singletary came back to score 15 points (5-11 shooting from the floor, including 2-3 on three-pointers, and 3-4 free throws) in 29 minutes vs. Clemson (Jan. 22). Singletary also handed out seven assists against the Tigers.

On the season, Singletary is averaging 9.7 points and 4.0 assists per game. He has reached double digits in scoring in nine games, but never in back-to-back outings.

#### **Double-Double for Forbes**

Gary Forbes made the most of his start against Duke (Jan. 16) as he recorded his first career double-double. In his second start of the season, Forbes tallied 17 points and 10 rebounds, including eight offensive boards, in 31 minutes. He was 7-18 from the field and 2-3 from the free throw line.

Forbes' performance against Duke was in stark contrast to his first start of the 2004-05 season. In his first start of the season against Loyola Marymount (Dec. 23), Forbes scored just one point and had three rebounds in 29 minutes of action. He was 0-4 from the field and 1-2 from the free throw line.

Odd number starts seem to be a jinx for Forbes this season. In his third start of the season, Forbes scored just one point in 17 minutes against Maryland (Jan. 19). He was 0-5 from the field and 1-2 from the free throw line. He did have six rebounds and a career-best tying three blocked shots.

#### **Another Double-Double**

Devin Smith recorded his second double-double of the season as he totaled 17 points and 10 rebounds against Maryland (Jan. 19). Elton Brown has tallied 10 double-doubles on the season and Gary Forbes has one.

#### **Cain Makes First Start**

Jason Cain earned his first career start against Clemson (Jan. 22) and also started against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27), Providence (Feb. 2) and NC State (Feb. 5). Cain did not start against North Carolina (Jan. 29). The 6-10 sophomore played 20 minutes, scored four points and had one rebound vs. Clemson. He made 2-5 attempts from the field and had one assist and one steal.

Against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27), Cain did not attempt a field goal and was charged with four turnovers. He had two points, five rebounds, one assist and one steal against the Friars (Feb. 2). Cain played a pivotal role in UVa's win over NC State (Feb. 5). He equaled his season high with seven points and pulled down a career-best nine rebounds in 34 minutes – another career high. Cain also had one assist, one blocked shot and one steal while committing one turnover.

In his fifth start of the season, Cain had four points, one rebound, one blocked shot and two steals vs. Florida State (Feb. 9).

Cain is the ninth Cavalier to earn a starting nod this season.

#### **Good Shooting**

The Cavaliers broke out of a seven-game shooting slump by hitting 32-56 attempts from the field for 57.1 percent shooting against Clemson (Jan. 22). Virginia followed that performance with a 50.9 percent (27-53) effort against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27). UVa's previous season high shooting percentage was 54.2 percent (32-59) against Arizona (Nov. 19).

Virginia's shooting woes returned against North Carolina (Jan. 29) as UVa shot 39.1 percent (25-64). UVa managed only 41.3 percent (26-63) shooting against Providence (Feb. 2), but shot a respectable 46.5 percent (20-43) vs. NC State (Feb. 5). In their last two games, the Cavaliers shot 40.4 percent (21-52) against Florida State (Feb. 9) and 41.0 percent (25-61) vs. Virginia Tech (Feb. 12).

Virginia's 57.1 percent shooting is its highest in a game since making 58.2 percent (32-55) of its shots against Brown (Mar. 19) in the first round of the 2003 NIT.

It is also UVa's highest shooting percentage in an ACC contest since connecting on 59.2 percent (29-49) of its attempts from the floor against Clemson on January 18, 2003.

#### **Only Six Turnovers**

The Cavaliers committed a season-low six turnovers against Clemson (Jan. 22). Virginia's previous low for turnovers in a game this season was eight miscues against Auburn (Dec. 3) and Georgia Tech (Jan. 8).

In its next game against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27), Virginia committed a season-high 22 turnovers. UVa had 17 turnovers against North Carolina (Jan. 29), but trimmed that number to 10 against Providence (Feb. 2).

The six turnovers are the fewest a Gillen coached Virginia team has committed in an ACC contest. The Cavaliers twice had seven turnovers in an ACC game – North Carolina (Jan. 19, 2000) and Wake Forest (Feb. 17, 2002).

The previous time UVa had less than six turnovers in a game was last season against lowa State (Dec. 31) when the Cavaliers had only five turnovers. UVa had six turnovers last season against William & Mary (Jan. 5).

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### The Antithesis

After defeating an extremely deliberate Northwestern team 48-44 (Dec. 1) in Evanston, III., 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.

# **Bannister Assists**

T.J. Bannister has a streak of 13 consecutive games with three or more assists, including seven assists against Wake Forest (Jan. 2) and Georgia Tech (Jan. 8).

On the season, Bannister is averaging 3.5 assists per game. He has made 55-65 free throws for an impressive 84.6 percent.

Bannister scored a season-high 14 points in UVa's win over NC State (Feb. 5). His eight free throws made and 10 attempts against the Wolfpack established career highs in those two categories.

#### **Double-Doubles**

Elton Brown has registered 10 double-doubles in the Cavaliers' first 22 games this season and is second in the ACC in that category through games played February 14. He is the 11th Cavalier to register 10 or more double-doubles in a season.

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

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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
Miami (Jan. 12)	20 points, 10 rebounds
Maryland (Jan. 19)	18 points, 10 rebounds
Virginia Tech (Jan. 27)	19 points, 15 rebounds

Brown now has 14 career double-doubles. He is averaging 14.3 points and 8.8 rebounds per game in 2004-05. His 15 rebounds against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27) established a new career high.

# Early 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) and opponents continued to score at a higher rate for a total of 15 games (including Auburn) before Virginia held Florida State (Feb. 9) to 55 points. UVa then held Virginia Tech (Feb. 12) to 60 points marking the seventh time this season the Cavaliers have limited an opponent to 60 or fewer points.

The last time UVa limited its first five opponents to 60 or fewer 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.

By holding Virginia Tech to 60 points, it marked the first

time during the Pete Gillen era UVa has held seven opponents to 60 or fewer points in game. The Cavaliers held six foes to 60 or fewer points in the 1998-99 season (Gillen's first at Virginia).

Since holding its first five opponents to 60 or less points, UVa's last 17 opponents have averaged 80.5 points per game. The Cavaliers have only held four opponents under 77 points and they were Furman (Dec. 8) with 67 points, NC State (Feb. 5) with 62 points, Florida State (Feb. 9) with 55 points, and Virginia Tech (Feb. 12) with 60 points. Prior to holding NC State to 62 points, UVa's previous 14 opponents had averaged 85.1 points per game.

#### **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).

#### **Smith Seventh in Three-Point Field Goals**

Senior forward Devin Smith has made 141 career threepoint field goals for the Cavaliers and is in seventh place alltime at Virginia. Cory Alexander (1992-95) is sixth with 142 career three-pointers.

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.	Devin Smith (2003-pres.)	141
8.	Roger Mason, Jr. (2000-02)	137
9.	Richard Morgan (1986-89)	132
10.	Chris Williams (1999-02)	130

#### **Smith Having Great Season**

After being plagued by a back injury last season, Devin Smith is having a great senior season. Smith, who led UVa in scoring in nine of the 19 games he has played this season, is averaging 16.9 points per game overall (sixth in the ACC) and 15.7 points per game in conference play (12th in the ACC). He is shooting 48.5 percent (115-237) from the field (seventh in the ACC), including 36.1 percent (43-119) from three-point range. Smith is also averaging 6.3 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 lowa 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. After missing three games with the injury, Smith came back to score 21 points against Miami (Jan. 12). He also pulled down six rebounds.

He registered his second career double-double with 17 points and 10 rebounds against Maryland (Jan. 19) in his first start since injuring his ankle. Smith tallied a team-high 22 points in Virginia's win over Clemson (Jan. 22). He again led the team in scoring with 24 points against Virginia Tech (Jan. 27). His 24 points vs. Providence (Feb. 2) led UVa. Smith made the game-winning three-pointer with 5.2 seconds remaining in UVa's 56-55 win over Florida State (Feb. 9).

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.

#### **Nearly Perfect**

The Cavaliers made 20-21 free throws for 95.2 percent accuracy against Duke (Jan. 16). It tied for the third-best "non-perfect" free throw shooting effort by Virginia in school history. It also tied for the best non-perfect free throw shooting performance on the road.

On January 9, 1993, UVa also made 20-21 free throws at NC State. The Cavaliers' best non-perfect game from the charity stripe was a 24-25 (96.0 percent) effort at home against Marquette on November 26, 1988. UVa was 21-22 (95.5 percent) from the free throw line at home vs. North Carolina on January 15, 1983.

Over the years, UVa has had 12 contests when it did not miss a free throw in a game. The most free throws UVa made in a game without missing was 16 against South Carolina on January 8, 1965. Most recently, UVa was 12-12 against NC State on December 28, 2003.

## **Shooting Better at Home**

The Cavaliers have struggled shooting the basketball on the road. In eight away games UVa has eclipsed 45 percent shooting only two times – 50.9 percent (27-53) at Virginia Tech (Jan. 27) and 46.5 percent (20-43) at NC State (Feb. 5). The Cavaliers have shot under 35 percent in three road games.

Virginia is shooting just 39.7 percent (185-466) in eight away games this season, including 32.8 percent (44-134)

from three-point range. At home, UVa shoots 45.3 percent (362-800) overall and 30.7 percent (81-264) from three-point land

In its 13 wins, Virginia is shooting 46.8 percent (356-760), while in nine losses, the Cavaliers are shooting only 39.4 percent (224-568).

On the season, UVa is shooting 43.7 percent (580-1,328) from the floor and 41.1 percent (271-659) in ACC play.

#### Outblocked

Part of the Cavaliers' shooting woes stem from the fact that they have had 108 shots blocked in 22 games this season (4.9 per game). In 11 ACC games, UVa has had 66 shots blocked for an average of 6.0 per game. Virginia has blocked 34 shots in 11 conference games.

Over the last 11 games, Virginia has had 73 of its shots blocked for an average of 6.6 per game. The 73 blocked shots represent 11.0 percent of the Cavaliers' field goal attempts (663 attempts) over the last 11 contests. UVa has only blocked 32 of its opponents' shots over the last 11 games. That represents 5.1 percent of opponents' shots (628 attempts).

#### 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).

#### **Campbell Makes Most of Opportunity**

Reserve guard Billy Campbell scored a career-high eight points against North Carolina (Jan. 29). He made all three field goal attempts, including a pair of three-pointers, in six minutes of playing time. Campbell also made his only field goal attempt against Providence (Feb. 2).

#### **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 lowa 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.

# **McDonald Earns Sportscaster Award**

Mac McDonald, the Director of Broadcasting for Cavalier Sports Marketing and play-by-play voice for the University of Virginia, has been selected the 2004-05 Sportscaster of the Year in the state of Virginia. McDonald, who also serves as a host of Charlottesville Radio Group's WINA morning show, was selected by a statewide ballot of his peers in conjunction with the National Association of Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association in Salisbury, N.C. McDonald, who is in his ninth consecutive season with the Cavaliers, is also host of his own charity golf tournament that has raised over \$200,000 in four years for the UVA Children's Medical Center. He also served as the "Voice of the Cavaliers" from 1980-85.

#### 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.

#### 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 NACAAll-American, and he earned All-Metro honors in 2004.

#### **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 (lost 80-66) and Georgia Tech (lost 92-69) once, and Maryland (lost 82-68), North Carolina (lost 110-76), N.C. State (won 64-62) and Wake Forest twice (lost 89-70), while also matching up twice against NIT participant Florida State (won 56-55). In addition to those games, Virginia plays 2004 NCAA participants Arizona (won, 78-60), Providence (lost, 98-79) 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 BASKET-BALL ADDITIONAL PLAYER BIO

#### **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.