

No,1 Eagles Sore Over Phoenix

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Top-ranked Georgia Southern proved too much for the host Elon Phoenix as the Eagles remained unbeaten with a 41-14 victory over Elon in Southern Conference football action at Rhodes Stadium on a beautiful fall Saturday afternoon.

Georgia Southern (4-0, 3-0) capitalized on three Phoenix interceptions, scoring 17 points off the miscues en route to 410 yards of total offense. The Eagles' triple-option offense gained 300 yards on the ground behind 116 yards on 11 carries from Robert Brown.

Samford 41, Gardner-Webb 14

The Samford football team tallied 464 yards of total offense on its way to a 41-14 non-conference win over the Gardner-Webb Runnin' Bulldogs Saturday afternoon at Seibert Stadium.

With the win, Samford improves to 2-2. Gardner-Webb drops to 1-3 with the loss. Individually for Samford, quarterback Dustin Taliaferro completed 16-of-29 passes for 290 yards and three touchdowns. Kelsey Pope caught six passes for 125 yards and a touchdown. Fabian Truss rushed 13 times for 86 yards and a touchdown. Chris Cephus had two catches for 40 yards and a score.

The Citadel 28, #17 Chattanooga 27

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The 15th-ranked Chattanooga Mocs (2-3/0-2) were upset 28-27 by The Citadel (2-2/1-2) at Finley Stadium Saturday evening. It was a tale of two halves as UTC led by 24 at intermission only to see the Bulldogs reel off 28 unanswered points in the final 21 minutes.

B.J. Coleman led the UTC offense, completing 17 of 27 passes for 253 yards with a touchdown and two interceptions. True freshman Ron Moore, Jr. saw his first game action of the season, catching two passes for 112 yards and a touchdown.

Bulldogs quarterback Ben Dupree led The Citadel with 83 yards rushing on 22 carries with two touchdowns. Darien Robinson added 79 yards on 11 rushes and a score.

Furman 47, Western Carolina 21

Chris Forcier passed for 237 yards and four touchdowns to power Furman past Western Carolina, 47-21, in Southern Conference football action Saturday evening at E.J. Whitmire Stadium.

Forcier completed 14 of 17 passes, including touchdown strikes covering 29, 42, 1, and 34 yards in keying Furman (3-1, 2-0 SoCon) to its sixth consecutive victory over Western Carolina (1-3, 0-2 SoCon). In his last two games, Forcier, a senior from San Diego, Calif., has completed 26 of 33 attempts for 495 yards and 11 touchdowns.

Jerodis Williams, the SoCon's leading rusher, ran 28 times for 175 yards and a touchdown to key a ground attack that racked up 268 yards. Tight end Colin Anderson caught five passes for 119 yards and two touchdowns. Furman posted a 537-341 advantage in total offense.

Southern Conference Standings

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Georgia Southern 3 - 0 | 4 - 0

Furman 2 - 0; 3 - 1

Wofford 2 - 0; 3 - 1

Appalachian State 1 - 1; 3 - 2

Elon 1 - 1; 3 - 2

Citadel 1 - 2; 2 - 2

Samford 0 - 2; 2 - 2

Chattanooga 0 - 2; 2 - 3

Western Carolina 0 - 2; 1 - 3

Saturday's Games

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