The Southeastern Conference’s Eastern and Western Division winners will meet in Atlanta’s Georgia Dome to battle for the league championship and the right to represent the conference in the College Football Playoff. The 24th-annual title game is set for December 5 and will be televised nationally by CBS Sports.

The game was born as a result of 1992 conference expansion, which saw Arkansas and South Carolina become the first members added in SEC history. Under NCAA regulations, a conference with 12 members may play an additional football game to determine its champion, provided the regular season is played in divisions.

The participants of the game are determined each year during the eight-game regular-season conference schedule as the teams with the best overall SEC winning percentage in each division.

The 2009 SEC Championship Game earned an 11.8 rating and a 24 share, marking the highest-rated SEC Championship Game in history. The game matched the No. 1 Florida Gators (12-0) vs. the No. 2 Alabama Crimson Tide (12-0).

The SEC Championship Game also has drawn capacity crowds in its short history. The game has been witnessed by 1,642,647 fans over the previous 22 championship games.

The SEC Championship Game has drawn 21 capacity crowds in its 23-year history. Only 1993 (Birmingham) and 1995 (Atlanta) were not sellouts.
ATLANTA - Blake Sims, the fifth-year senior who finally got a chance to start in his final season, threw a pair of touchdown passes in an MVP performance that carried top-ranked Alabama to a spot in college football’s inaugural playoff. The Crimson Tide routed No. 14 Missouri 42-13 to win its 24th Southeastern Conference championship on Saturday.

Sims was brilliant, completing 23 of 27 passes for 262 yards as Alabama pulled away with a 21-point fourth quarter. T.J. Yeldon and Derrick Henry each had a couple of touchdown runs.

It was also a big night for Alabama wide receiver Amari Cooper, who had 12 catches for 83 yards. With 115 catches on the year he broke the SEC record of 113 set by Vanderbilt’s Jordan Matthews in 2013. His 83 yards gives him 1,656 on the season, just 83 yards shy of the season record set by LSU’s Josh Reed in 2001.

Cooper had his string of six consecutive 100-yard games snapped. His 12 catches broke the SEC Championship game record of 11 set by Florida’s Reidel Anthony in 1995.

Missouri (10-3), which won the SEC East, fell behind 21-3 at halftime but then scored 10 unanswered points to come within eight, 21-13, on an Andrew Baggett field goal with 4:37 left in the third quarter.

The Tide went 68 yards in 10 plays — never even going to third down — to seize a 7-0 lead less than 4 minutes into the game.

Missouri, which reached the title game for the second year in a row, managed to stay in this one much of the way thanks to Maty Mauk’s deep passing. He completed throws of 63, 47, 32 and 26 yards.

After a series of short throws, Sims suddenly went deep on a 58-yard touchdown pass to DeAndrew White that made it 14-0 early in the second quarter.

On the first snap of the fourth quarter, Sims, the fifth-year senior hooked up with Christian Jones on a 6-yard TD toss that stretched the lead to 28-13.

Henry tacked on a couple of touchdown runs to make it a blowout. He finished with 141 yards on 20 carries.

Missouri struggled to run against the Tide defense, limited to 41 yards on 23 carries. Mauk was 16 of 34 for 272 yards.
### 2014 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP
December 6 • Atlanta, Ga. • Georgia Dome (73,526)

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11:48 UA - DeAndrew White 58 pass from Blake Sims (Adam Griffith kick), 1-58, 0:10, UA 14, MU 0

8:30 MU - Andrew Baggett 33 FG, 9-58, 3:12, UA 14, MU 3

2:47 UA - T.J. Yeldon 2 run (Adam Griffith kick), 14-75, 5:43, UA 21, MU 3

3rd
11:00 MU - Bud Sasser 1 pass from Maty Mauk (Andrew Baggett kick), 10-75, 4:00, UA 21, MU 10

8:30 MU - Andrew Baggett 33 FG, 9-65, 3:25, UA 21, MU 13

2:47 UA - T.J. Yeldon 2 run (Adam Griffith kick), 14-75, 5:43, UA 21, MU 13

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14:55 UA - Christion Jones 6 pass from Blake Sims (Adam Griffith kick), 10-64, 4:34, UA 28, MU 13

7:38 UA - Derrick Henry 26 run (Adam Griffith kick), 8-90, 4:37, UA 35, MU 13

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#### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICAL LEADERS

**RUSHING:** UA - Derrick Henry 20-141-2, T.J. Yeldon 14-47-2, Tyren Jones 3-26, Blake Sims 9-19, Amari Cooper 1-9, Jalston Fowler 1-2. MU - Rus Hansbrough 13-21, Marcus Murphy 8-78-1, Ish Witter 1-1, Maty Mauk 2-(-1).


**RECEIVING:** UA - Amari Cooper 12-83, DeAndrew White 4-101-1, Christion Jones 3-40-1, O.J. Howard 2-20, Jalston Fowler 1-13, Brian Fogler 1-5. MU - Jimmie Hunt 6-169, Bud Sasser 5-31-1, Darius White 3-56, Marcus Murphy 1-11, Sean Culkin 1-5.

**INTERCEPTIONS:** UA - None. MU - None.

**FUMBLES:** UA - Blake Sims 2-0; Team 1-0. MU - Darius White 3-0; Team 0-0.

#### SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

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Tre Mason rushed for 304 yards at the Georgia Dome to lead No. 3 Auburn to a 59-42 win against No. 5 Missouri in the highest-scoring Southeastern Conference Championship Game in the event’s 22-year history.

It marked the eighth all-time SEC Championship for Auburn (12-1), which also won the SEC Championship Game in 2004 and 2010. Mason, the 2013 SEC Championship Game Most Valuable Player, rushed 46 times for 304 yards with four touchdowns. The previous SEC Championship game rushing record was 201 yards by LSU’s Justin Vincent in 2003. The 101 combined points scored between the teams shattered the previous record of 75 combined points scored between Florida and Alabama in the 1996 edition of the game.

Auburn racked up 677 yards of total offense, including 545 on the ground. Quarterback Nick Marshall, who went 9-of-11 through the air for 132 yards and one touchdown, rushed for 115 yards with a score. Marshall and Mason combined for 421 of their team’s 545 rushing yards.

Auburn wide receiver Sammie Coates caught six passes for 144 yards and two touchdowns accomplished multiple times.

Auburn set championship game team records for rushing first downs, rushing attempts, rushing touchdowns, rushing yards and seven, respectively. It broke Alabama records of 53 attempts in 2008, 18 rushing first downs and 350 rushing yards in 2012. There were three rushing TDs accomplished multiple times.

**2013 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**

**auburn 59, MISSOURI 42**

It broke Alabama records of 53 attempts in 2008, 18 rushing first downs and 350 rushing yards in 2012. There were three rushing TDs accomplished multiple times.

**Missouri** 10 17 15 0 = 42

**Auburn** 14 14 17 14 = 59

1st: 10:50 MU – Andrew Baggett 42 FG, 5-19, 1-08, MU 3, AU 0
8:22 AU – Sammie Coates 38 pass from Nick Marshall (Cody Parkey kick), 7-75, 2-28, AU 7, MU 3
5:40 MU – Dorial Green-Beckham 28 pass from James Franklin (Andrew Baggett kick), 7-75, 2-42, MU 10, AU 7
4:09 AU – Nick Marshall 9 run (Cody Parkey kick), 5-75, 1-31, AU 14, MU 10
2nd: 13:11 MU – E.J. Gaines 11 fumble recovery (Andrew Baggett kick), MU 17, AU 14
10:25 AU – Tre Mason 7 run (Cody Parkey kick), 8-75, 2-46, AU 21, MU 17
7:19 MU – Andrew Baggett 36 FG, 9-94, 3-06, AU 21, MU 20
6:26 AU – Tre Mason 3 run (Cody Parkey kick), 4-79, 0-47, AU 28, MU 20
0:18 MU – Dorial Green-Beckham 55 pass from James Franklin (Andrew Baggett kick), 6-92, 0-52, AU 28, MU 28
3rd: 8:17 AU – Cody Parkey 52 FG, 6-13, 2-05, AU 31, MU 27
5:33 MU – Marcus Murphy 10 pass from James Franklin (Andrew Baggett kick), 7-75, 2-42, MU 34, AU 31
3:21 AU – Corey Grant 2 run (Cody Parkey kick), 6-75, 2-14, AU 38, MU 34
0:31 AU – Cameron Artis-Payne 15 run (Cody Parkey kick), 5-54, 2-26, AU 45, MU 34
0:09 MU – James Franklin 5 run (James Franklin rush), 2-75, 0-22, AU 45, MU 42
4th: 11:09 AU – Tre Mason 1 run (Cody Parkey kick), 8-75, 4-00, AU 52, MU 42
4:22 AU – Tre Mason 13 run (Cody Parkey kick), 1-13, 0-05 AU 59, MU 42

**2012 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**

**alabama 32, GEORGIA 28**

Amari Cooper’s 45-yard touchdown reception with 3:15 remaining Saturday lifted No. 2 Alabama to its 23rd all-time Southeastern Conference Football Championship with a 32-28 victory against No. 3 Georgia at the Georgia Dome in a game that featured more than its fair share of twists and turns. The contest was played in front of 75,624 fans, the fifth-largest crowd in SEC Championship Game history.

Alabama (12-1) trailed 28-25 with 12:54 remaining in the game following a 10-yard rushing touchdown by Georgia’s Todd Gurley. After several unsuccessful drives by both teams, the Crimson Tide received the ball back with 5:24 left.

That’s when Alabama developed a penchant for passing in a game that had been dominated by solid ground games from both teams. Crimson Tide quarterback AJ McCarron found Cooper streaking down the left sideline for what would be the game-winning touchdown pass.

Cooper had seven catches for 127 yards in the game (18.1 avg).

McCarron finished the game 13-of-21 passing with one critical scoring strike. SEC Championship Game Most Valuable Player Eddie Lacy rushed 20 times for a game-high 181 yards with two touchdowns, while T.J. Yeldon had 25 attempts for 153 yards, marking the first time in SEC Championship Game history that two players on the same team rushed for better than 100 yards.

Georgia (11-2) marched down the field on its final drive of the game with one last opportunity to reclaim the advantage in a contest that featured six lead changes. With 15 seconds remaining and the Bulldogs on the Alabama eight-yard line, quarterback Aaron Murray tossed a pass that was tipped and fallen on by Chris Conley at the five-yard line, but the clock expired to end the game.

Murray finished 18-of-33 from scrimmage for 265 yards passing with a touchdown. Gurley led Georgia’s ground game with 23 carries for 122 yards with a pair of scores.

**2011 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**

**LSU 42, GEORGIA 10**

Tyrann Mathieu turned in an MVP performance when LSU needed him most, running back a punt 62 yards for a touchdown, setting up another score with a fumble recovery and finally finishing off No. 12 Georgia with his best play yet, a whirling dervish of a return that led to the decisive TD of a 42-10 victory in the Southeastern Conference championship game Saturday.

LSU (13-0) advanced to a spot in the BCS title game in New Orleans, just 75 miles from its Baton Rouge campus. The Tigers opponent will be announced Sunday night, but SEC West rival and No. 2 Alabama.

The Bulldogs tried to really shake things up, racing to a 10-0 lead that could’ve even been bigger if they hadn’t dropped a pair of potential touchdown passes in the first quarter.
Auburn-T'Sharvan Bell 1-10; Daren Bates 1-0. South Carolina-None. 

Interceptions: 
Auburn-Darvin Adams 7-217; Emory Blake 5-63; Eric Smith 2-23; Ace Sanders 3-9; Patrick DiMarco 2-30; Mario Fannin 6-28; Terrell Zachery 1-3; Kodi Burns 2-3. South Carolina-M. Lattimore 3-30; Mike Triglia 1-9; Kenny Miles 1-3. 

SCORING SUMMARY 
Auburn 21 7 14 14 = 56 
South Carolina 7 7 0 3 = 17 

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICAL LEADERS 
Rushing: Auburn-Cam Newton 14-7; Michael Dyer 14-64; Barrett Trotter 2-37; Onterie McColeb 3-30; Mario Fannin 6-28; Terrell Zachery 1-3; Kodi Burns 2-3. South Carolina-M. Lattimore 16-84; Connor Shaw 4-5-0-23. 
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But, thanks to Mathieu, the deficit was only 10-7 when the teams went to the locker room. He took a punt at his own 38, found an opening and was gone--all the way to the end zone for his second punt return for a touchdown in as many weeks. That was long forgotten by the time the fearless sophomore was done. On Georgia’s first possession of the second half, quarterback Aaron Murray tried to scramble for a first down but had the ball knocked loose just before he hit the turf. Who was there to fall on it at the Bulldogs 267 Mathieu, of course, his fifth fumble recovery of the season. LSU quickly seized its first lead. The Tigers finally picked up a first down, then freshman Kenny Hilliard broke off a 15-yard run for the first of his three touchdowns. Normally, that would’ve been more than enough to win the game’s MVP award. Not even close on this day. The 5-foot-9, 175-pounder cradled the ball, took off down the center of the field, cut back to his left, stutter-stepped and turned on a burst of speed, nothing more than a formality: They’ll be playing Oregon for the national championship record with 217 yards passing against Chattanooga and leading Auburn in rushing with 14 carries for 73 yards. Despite two big drops, Adams set another SEC championship record with 217 yards on seven receptions.

Or he just ran right over ‘em. Newton guided the Tigers (13-0) to touchdowns on their first three possessions, though South Carolina (9-4) was in the game as halftime approached. Trailng only 21-14, the Gamecocks simply had to knock down Newton’s last-gap pass on the final play before the break. They couldn’t even do that. Newton heaved one up and DeVonte Holloman, standing in front of Terrell Zachery, leaped to tip it away. But the deflected ball went right to Darvin Adams for an improbable 51-yard touchdown that changed the complexion of the game. After South Carolina missed a field goal on the first possession of the second half, it was all Tigers. The Tigers set an SEC championship game record for scoring and piled up 589 yards. Newton had a hand in 408 of them, breaking his previous best of 317 yards passing against Chattanooga and leading Auburn in rushing with 14 carries for 73 yards. Despite two big drops, Adams set another SEC championship record with 217 yards on seven receptions.

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Interceptions: Auburn-T’Sharvan Bell 1-10; Daren Bates 1-0. South Carolina-None. 
Fumbles: Auburn-Cam Newton 1-1. South Carolina-None.

2009 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME 
ALABAMA 32, FLORIDA 13 

The No. 2 Alabama Crimson Tide won its 22nd Southeastern Conference Championship by beating No. 1 Florida, 32-13 with a balanced attack that gave the Tide its first league title since 1989. Alabama is now 13-0 on the season while the Gators fell to 12-1. It marked the first time in the history of the SEC Championship Game that both teams came in undefeated. “Our entire team played great. Greg [McElroy] played great. Mark [ Ingram] played great. Julio [Jones] played great,” Alabama head coach Nick Saban said. “Really, most of the credit goes to our guys up front on the offensive line. This is a great win for our program.” Alabama amassed 490 yards of total offense against a Florida defense that had been limiting its opponents to an average of 230 yards per game this season. Junior quarterback Greg McElroy, who threw for 239 yards and a touchdown on 12 completions, was named the game’s most valuable player. “It’s been such an incredible season,” McElroy said. “We started the season here (in the Georgia Dome) with a win and were able to win a championship today. I can’t say enough about my offensive line, (and) we have the greatest coaching staff in the country.”
Sophomore running back Mark Ingram rushed for 113 yards on 28 carries including three rushing touchdowns. He is now the Tide's all-time single-season rushing leader with 1,542, surpassing Bobby Humphrey's 1986 record of 1,471 and becomes the first Alabama rusher to go over 1,500 yards in a season. His three touchdowns tied an SEC Championship Game record. Ingram also caught two passes for 76 yards.

Sophomore Marquis Maze led the Crimson Tide receivers with five catches for 96 yards.

Sophomore Mark Barron, junior Kareem Jackson and senior Rolando McClain led the Crimson Tide defense with seven, six and five tackles, respectively.

Alabama has now won an SEC title in every decade since winning the league's first title in 1933. The Tide's 22 championships ranks first in SEC history.

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INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: Florida: J. Tebow 10-63; B. Jones 1-9; J. Demps 1-9; C. Rainey 2-7. Alabama: Mark Ingram 28-113; T. Richardson 11-80; Roy Upchurch 7-57; Greg McElroy 4-10; Team 3-minus 9.

Receiving: Florida: Murphy 5-50-0; Demps 4-100-1; Jeffery Demps 3-32-1; Phillips 2-56-1; Cooper 2-20-1. Alabama: Jones 5-124-0 TD, Walker 3-37-0, Hanks 3-19. Florida's defensive star Trindon Holliday ran for 113 yards on 28 carries including three rushing touchdowns.

Florida took the lead for good with 9:21 left in regulation. Jeff Demps scored from the one-yard line to give the Gators a 24-20 lead. Florida's defense held the Tide on its next drive and Tebow hit Cooper for the final margin, 31-20.

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS


2007 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

LSU 21, TENNESSEE 14

Ryan Perrilloux and the fifth-ranked Tigers beat No. 14 Tennessee 21-14 - victory and suddenly was playing for the national title. Jonathan Zenon scored on an 18-yard interception return with 9:54 left to rally LSU (11-2) from a 14-13 deficit, then Darry Beck- with picked off another pass by Erik Ainge deep in Tigers territory to seal it.

For a while, it looked as if Tennessee safety Eric Berry might be the star of the game. He made a pair of plays in the third quarter that helped Tennessee take a 14-13 lead and preserve it. Berry recovered a fumble by NCAA sprint star Trindon Holliday that set up Ainge’s 6-yard TD pass to Josh Briscoe for a 14-13 edge and later intercepted Perrilloux’s pass.

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: Tennessee: Mayo 8-7-15; Hefney 6-4-10. LSU: Steltz 5-3-8; Highsmith 3-4-7.


Receiving: Tennessee: Briscoe 8-79-1; Byrd 6-58-0; Highsmith 5-36-0. LSU: Doucet 5-29-0; Holliday 6-58-0; Team 4-23-0.

2008 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

FLORIDA 31, ALABAMA 20

Eastern Division champion Florida used two fourth quarter touchdowns to erase a 20-17 deficit to defeat Western Division Alabama, 31-20, in the 17th SEC Football Championship Game, held Dec. 6 at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta. It marked the first time in SEC history two teams ranked No. 1 and No. 2 in the polls met head-to-head on the field.

A Georgia Dome record crowd of 75,892 was on hand as the two teams traded leads throughout the first three quarters.

Florida QB Tim Tebow was voted the game’s Most Valuable Player. The Jacksonville, Fla., junior completed 14-of-22 passes for 216 yards and three touchdowns and also led the Gators in rushing with 57 yards on 17 carries. Tebow’s five-yard TD pass to Riley Cooper with 2:50 left in the game gave Florida the security of the win.

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Alabama QB Jeff Driskel made a crucial throw on second down on the opening drive for a short gain and keyed a 75-yard scoring drive for a five-yard TD strike and Florida went into the locker room with a 17-10 lead.

Alabama controlled the ball for much of the third quarter. The Tide engineered a 15-play, 91-yard drive on its opening possession of the half. It was capped by Mark Ingram’s 2-yard TD run to tie the score, 17-17. With eight seconds left in the third quarter, Tiffin connected on a 27-yard field goal to give Alabama a 20-17 lead.

Florida took the lead for good with 9:21 left in regulation. Jeff Demps scored from the one-yard line to give the Gators a 24-20 lead. Florida’s defense held the Tide on its next drive and Tebow hit Cooper for the final margin, 31-20.

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INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: Alabama: Coffee 21-112-1 TD, Ingram 8-21-1. Florida: Tebow 17-57-0, Demps 14-53-1; Moody 4-23-0.


2006 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME FLORIDA 38, ARKANSAS 28

The fourth-ranked University of Florida got second-half touchdowns on a fumbled punt, a 67-yard run and a pass from a wide receiver on route to defeating No. 8 Arkansas, 38-28, to win its seventh SEC title.

With UF trailing 21-17 late in the third quarter, Arkansas sophomore Reggie Fish fumbled a punt inside the Razorbacks’ five-yard line, allowing freshman wide receiver Percy Harvin to take off on a career-long 67-yard touchdown run on Florida’s first play of the fourth quarter, widening the lead to 31-21.

SCORING SUMMARY

| Arkansas  | 0  | 7  | 14 | 7  | = 28 |
| Florida   | 3  | 14 | 7  | 14 | = 38 |

1st: 06:10 UF - C. Hefland 33 yd field goal; 6 plays, 47 yards, TOP 2:25, AR 0 - UF 3
2nd: 08:54 UF - C. Leak 9 yd run (C. Hetland kick); 1 play, 9 yards, TOP 0:29, AR 0 - UF 10
04:02 UF - P. Harvin 37 yd pass from C. Leak (C. Hefland kick); 8 plays, 74 yards, TOP 3:23, AR 0 - UF 17
01:55 AR - Marcus Monk 48 yd pass from Casey Dick (Jeremy Davis kick); 3 plays, 66 yards, TOP 2:07, AR 7 - UF 17
3rd: 12:06 AR - Felix Jones 2 yd pass from Darren McFadden (Jeremy Davis kick); 7 plays, 32 yards, TOP 2:18, AR 14 - UF 17
08:33 AR - A. Robinson 40 yd interception return (Jeremy Davis kick); AR 21 - UF 17
03:47 UF - W. Pierre-Louis 0 yd fumble recovery (C. Hefland kick); AR 21 - UF 24
4th: 14:22 UF - P. Harvin 67 yd run (C. Hefland kick); 1 play, 67 yards, TOP 0:30, AR 21 - UF 31
12:29 AR - Felix Jones 29 yd pass from C. Washington (Jeremy Davis kick); 4 plays, 63 yards, TOP 1:53, AR 28 - UF 31
09:04 UF - T. Casey 3 yd pass from A. Caldwell (C. Hefland kick); 8 plays, 80 yards, TOP 3:25, AR 28 - UF 38

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: ARK - Darren McFadden 21-73, Felix Jones 13-57, Mitch Mustash 1-2. FLA - Percy Harvin 6-105-1TD, K. Moore 3-32; D. Munroe 3-3=6 (1 TFL -2).
Passing: ARK - Case Dick 10-22-2, 148 yards, 1 TD; D. McFadden 1-3-0, 2 yards, 1 TD; FLA - Chris Leak 16-30-2, 189 yards, 1 TD; A. Caldwell 1-1-0, 5 yards, 1 TD.
Receiving: ARK - Felix Jones 7-78-1, 6 TDs. FLA - B. Siler 9-3=12; E. Everett 3-3=6; D. Munroe 3-3=6 (1 TFL -2).

2005 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME GEORGIA 34, LSU 14

D.J. Shockley threw two touchdown passes to Sean Bailey, and Bryan McClendon set up another score with a blocked punt as Georgia won its second Southeastern Conference championship in four years with a 34-14 victory over LSU.

Georgia took control early, scoring two touchdowns before the game was nine minutes old.

LSU closed the gap to 14-7 early in the second period on JaMarcus Russell’s 1-yard dive, but that was the Tigers’ last hurrah. McClendon charged through the line to block Chris Jackson’s punt, giving Georgia another prime scoring chance at the LSU 15.

On third-and-2, Shockley took off running when the pocket collapsed, breaking an attempted tackle for a 7-yard touchdown.

Shockley rushed for a touchdown and passing for two others.

SCORING SUMMARY

| Georgia  | 14  | 7  | 3  | 10 | = 34 |
| LSU      | 0   | 7  | 0  | 7  | = 14 |

UGA - Sean Bailey 45 pass from D.J. Shockley (Brandon Coutou kick), 1st Q (10:19) [1:45-0:08] [UGA 7-0]
UGA - Sean Bailey 29 pass from D.J. Shockley (Brandon Coutou kick), 1st Q (6:12) [6:51-2:34] [UGA 14-0]

UGA - JaMarcus Russell 1 run (Colt David kick), 2nd Q (13:53) [14:80-7:19] [UGA 14-7]
UGA - D.J. Shockley 7 run (Brandon Coutou kick), 2nd Q (8:23) [13:15-1:21] [UGA 21-7]
UGA - Brandon Coutou 22 FG, 3rd Q (9:52) [10:62-3:50] [UGA 24-7]
UGA - Brandon Coutou 51 FG, 4th Q (14:40) [11:40-5:35] [UGA 27-7]
UGA - Tim Jennings 15 interception return (Brandon Coutou kick), 4th Q (14:18) [UGA 34-7]

UGA - Dwayne Bowe 19 pass from Matt Flynn (Colt David kick), 4th Q (5:38) [UGA 34-14]

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Passing: UGA - D.J. Shockley 12-6-0, 112 yards, 2 TDs. LSU - JaMarcus Russell 19-11-1, 120 yards, 0 TDs; Matt Flynn 11-3-1, 36 yards, 1 TD.

2004 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME AUBURN 38, TENNESSEE 28

Auburn continued its perfect season with a 38-28 win over Tennessee in the 2004 SEC Championship Game.

Auburn won its first-ever SEC Football Championship Game in the process.

Auburn’s Jason Campbell completed 27-of-35 passes for 374 yards with 3 TDs and an interception. He also had 57 yards rushing on 13 carries.

The Tigers got off to a quick start, converting touchdowns on a fumble recovery by Cole Bennett in the end zone and a Carnell Williams five-yard run in the first quarter to give Auburn a 14-0 lead. The two teams traded touchdowns the remainder of the first half and the Tigers went into the locker room with a 21-7 lead.

Tennessee got back into the game quickly in the second half. Rick Clausen hit Robert Meachem with a 17-yard TD pass and on the Vols’ next drive, Gerald Riggs rushed for an 80-yard TD to tie the score at 21-21.

The Tigers scored on their possession with a 53-yard TD pass to Devin Aromashodu on Auburn’s next drive to make the score 28-21.

With Auburn leading 31-28 midway through the fourth quarter, Campbell put the game out of reach for the Tigers with a 43-yard TD pass to Ben Obomanu.

SCORING SUMMARY

| Auburn  | 14  | 7  | 7  | 10 | = 38 |
| Tennessee| 7  | 0  | 14 | 7  | = 28 |

AU - Cole Bennett 0 yd fumble recovery (John Vaughn kick), 1st Q (13:24) [13:24-0:00] [Au 14-0]
AU - Carnell Williams 5 run (Vaughn kick), 1st Q (8:35) [1:50-7:05] [Au 21-0]
UT - Cedric Houston 2 run (James Wilhoit kick), 1st Q (0:00) [Au 28-0]
AU - Courtney Taylor 4 pass from Jason Campbell (Vaughn kick), 2nd Q (9:15) [28-6]
UT - Robert Meachem 17 pass from Rick Clausen (Wilhoit kick), 3rd Q (9:39) [28-24]
UT - Gerald Riggs 80 run (Wilhoit kick), 3rd Q (6:05) [28-31]
AU - Devin Aromashodu 53 pass from Campbell (Vaughn kick), 3rd Q (3:45) [38-31]
AU - Vaught 22 FG, 4th (11:46) [Au 38-31]
UT - Riggs 9 run (Wilhoit kick), 4th (10:07) [Au 38-38]
AU - Ben Obomanu 43 pass from Campbell (Vaughn kick), 4th (6:56) [Au 38-28]

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: AU - Williams 19-100-1 TD, Campbell 13-57, Brown 16-50. UT - Riggs 11-182-2 TDs; Houston 11-37-1 TD.
Passing: AU - Campbell 35-27-1, 374 yards; 3 TDs. UT - Clausen 20-8-0, 69 yards; 1 TD.

2005 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME GEORGIA 34, LSU 14

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LSU closed the gap to 14-7 early in the second period on JaMarcus Russell’s 1-yard dive, but that was the Tigers’ last hurrah. McClendon charged through the line to block Chris Jackson’s punt, giving Georgia another prime scoring chance at the LSU 15.

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2003 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME
LSU 34, GEORGIA 13

LSU won the SEC championship, defeating Georgia, 34-13, in front of 74,913 fans at the Georgia Dome.

The Tigers’ Justin Vincent became the first freshman to be named Most Valuable Player in the SEC Championship Game. Vincent rushed for an SEC Championship Game-record 201 yards on 18 carries and two TDs.

LSU got on the scoreboard first on Vincent’s 87-yard TD run with 4:49 left in the first quarter. The jaunt was the longest rush in SEC Championship Game history. On the ensuing Georgia drive, the Tigers tackled Bulldog punter Gordon Elly-Kelso in the endzone to add to the LSU advantage, 8-0.

Early in the second quarter, Matt Mauck and Michael Clayton connected on a 43-yard TD pass pulling the Bulldogs to within a 24-13 lead.

Georgia closed the gap to 11 with two field goals by Billy Bennett. In the third quarter, Bennett’s 49-yard field goal pulled the Bulldogs within a 17-6 deficit.

On Georgia’s next drive, Tiger LB Lionel Turner intercepted a David Greene pass and returned it 18 yards for a TD to give the Tigers a 24-6 lead in the third quarter.

On Georgia’s next drive, Greene made amends by hitting TE Ben Watson on an 18-yard TD pass pulling the Bulldogs to within a 24-13 margin.

Vincent’s 3-yard run put the finishing touches on a 9-play, 78-yard drive that gave the Tigers a 31-13 lead. Gaudet added a 22-yard field goal later in the quarter to make the final score, 34-13.

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LSU - Team Safety, 3:11 (1st)
LSU - Clayton 43 pass from Mauck (Jackson kick blocked), 14:51 (2nd)
LSU - Gaudet 35 FG, 9:37 (2nd)
UGA - Bennett 51 FG, 6:38 (2nd)
UGA - Bennett 49 FG, 7:46 (3rd)
LSU - Turner 18 interception return (Gaudet kick), 4:17 (3rd)
UGA - Watson 18 pass from Greene (Benett kick), 3:40 (3rd)
LSU - Vincent 3 run (Gaudet kick), 14:54 (4th)
LSU - Gaudet 22 FG, 7:12 (4th)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: UGA - Lumpkin (7-54); Brown (1-35); Cooper (9-14); LSU - Vincent (18-201-2 TD)
Passing: UGA - Greene (17-41-3, 199 yards, 1 TD); LSU - Mauck (12-43-2 TDs)
Receiving: UGA - Watson (4-86-1 TD); Gibson (3-19); LSU - Clayton (5-81-1 TD); Henderson (4-47); Green (3-11)
Tackles: UGA - Davis (5-6-11); Thurman (4-7-11); Blue (4-5-9); Jones (3-6-9); LSU - Daniels (5-1-6); Alexander (3-3-6); Turner (1-5-6)

2002 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME
GEORGIA 30, ARKANSAS 3

Georgia won its first Southeastern Conference Championship in 20 years, defeating Arkansas 30-3.

The Bulldogs scored on their first five possessions for a 23-0 halftime lead.

Musa Smith rushed for 106 yards and two touchdowns. David Greene threw for 237 yards. Terrence Edwards had seven catches for 92 yards, becoming the SEC’s career leader in receiving yards.

The game belonged to Georgia right from the start. At the end of the game’s first offensive drive, Georgia’s Decory Bryant blocked Richie Butler’s punt. Thomas Davis scooped up the loose ball and ran to the Arkansas 2.

After Bryant’s play, Smith powered into the end zone standing up to put Georgia ahead 7-0.

On Georgia’s second offensive drive, Greene threw an 18-yard pass to Edwards and a 22-yarder to J.T. Wall, then Smith finished off the drive with a 17-yard touchdown run.

Georgia’s next three possessions ended with field goals by Billy Bennett, who connected from 29, 42 and 39 yards to provide a comfortable margin at halftime.

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UGA - Smith 17 run (Bennett kick), 8:49 (1st)
UGA - Bennett 29 FG, 3:34 (1st)
UGA - Bennett 42 FG, 12:10 (2nd)
UGA - Bennett 39 FG, 6:24 (2nd)
UA - Corbett 27 FG, 0:52 (3rd)
UGA - Watson 20 pass from Greene (Bennett kick), 12:08 (4th)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: UA - Talley (17-51); Howard (3-14); UGA - Smith (19-106-2 TDs); Greene (4-17)
Passing: UA - Jones (9-17-0, 60 yards, 0 TD); UGA - Greene (17-29-0, 237 yards, 1 TD)
Receiving: UA - Smith (5-36); Birmingham (2-12); UGA - Edwards (7-92); Gibson (5-93)
Tackles: UA - Hamlin (7-0); Miller (5-2); Osborne (7-3-4); UGA - Bailey (6-3-3); Gilbert (5-0); Clemmons (5-3)

2001 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME
LSU 31, TENNESSEE 20

LSU, in its first appearance in the SEC Championship Game, won its first conference title since 1986.

Trailing 17-16 entering the fourth quarter, LSU was direct- ed on two touchdown drives by backup QB Matt Mauck, who entered the game for the injured Rohan Davey in the first half. Mauck scored his second rushing touchdown of the game on the second play of the fourth quarter from 13 yards out, and after a successful two-point conversion, put the Tigers ahead to stay, 24-17.

LSU put the game out of reach late in the fourth quarter on a one-yard TD run by Domanick Davis to make the final margin, 31-20.

Mauk directed the Tigers to the game’s first touchdown, capping it with a four-yard TD run to put LSU ahead, 7-0.

Tennessee then scored 17 unanswered points in the second quarter, including two passing TDs from quarterback Casey Clausen. The first was a 31- yard pass to Kelley Washington and second was a three-yard pass to Troy Fleming. LSU’s John Corbello broke the Vol scoring string with a 45-yard field goal with just 29 seconds left in the first half.

Corbello added two field goals in the third quarter, which closed the Vol lead to 17-16 by quarter’s end.

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LSU - Mauck 4 run (Corbello kick), 8:14 (1st)
UT - Washington 31 pass from Clausen (Wells kick), 9:04 (2nd)
UT - Fleming 3 pass from Clausen (Wells kick), 6:18 (2nd)
UT - Wells 3 FG, 3-12 (2nd)
LSU - Corbello 45 FG, 0:29 (2nd)
LSU - Corbello 47 FG, 11-51 (3rd)
LSU - Corbello 45 FG, 2-45 (3rd)
LSU - Mauck 13 run (Reed from Mauck), 14:20 (4th)
UT - Walls 21 FG, 9-35 (4th)
LSU - Davis 1 run (Corbello kick), 2:26 (4th)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: UT - Stephens (14-37); LSU - Davis (16-178-1 TD); Mauck (12-43-2 TDs)
Passing: UT - Clausen (27-43-0, 332 yards, 2 TDs); LSU - Davey (9-20-0, 84 yards, 0 TD); Mauck (5-15-0, 67 yards, 0 TD)
Receiving: UT - White (9-140-1 TD); Stoltworth (7-96); Witten (3-40); LSU - Reed (4-60); Clayton (4-54)
Tackles: UT - Moore (7-5-1); Whiteside (7-5-1); Witten (3-40); LSU - Reed (4-60); Clayton (4-54)
**2000 SEC Championship Game**  
**Florida 28, Auburn 6**

Rex Grossman completed 17 of 26 passes for 238 yards for the Gators while UF running back Earnest Graham set an SEC Championship Game record with 169 rushing yards on 19 carries.

The Gators went out to a 14-0 lead in the first quarter. Grossman’s 10-yard TD strike to Reche Caldwell with 13:09 left in the first quarter put the Gators ahead to stay, 7-0. Another Grossman to Caldwell strike, for 66 yards, added to the score in the first quarter.

Florida added to its lead midway through the second quarter. Grossman hit freshman Jabar Gaffney on a 27-yard TD strike to make the score 21-6.

Auburn got on the scoreboard late in the second quarter on a 44-yard field goal by Damon Duval with no time left.

The Tigers also got on the scoreboard first in the second half on a 21-yard field goal with 9:43 left in the third quarter, making the score 21-6.

On the game’s following drive, the Gators put the game out of reach. Grossman led Florida on an 11-play, 80-yard drive that took 4:26 off the clock. The drive ended on a 12-yard pass from Grossman to Brian Haugabrook putting the Gators ahead, 28-6.

Tiger QB Ben Leard had to leave the game with an injury in the third quarter. Leard completed 17 of 33 passes for 158 yards.

The Gator defense played a big role in the win as it held SEC Player of the Year Rudi Johnson to just 47 yards rushing on 17 carries.

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**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

| Rushing: | UF - Graham (19-169); Gillespie (11-45), AU - Evans (8-69); Johnson (17-47). |
| Passing: | UF - Grossman (17-26-1, 238 yds., 4 TDs); AU - Leard (17-30-1, 158 yds., 0 TD). |
| Receiving: | UF - Gaffney (5-84-1 TD); Caldwell (3-91-2 TD); AU - Evans (4-45); Diamond (4-42). |
| Tackles: | UF - Hardman 6 (6-0); Brown 5 (5-0), AU - Thomas 11 (9-2). |

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**1998 SEC Championship Game**  
**Tennessee 24, Mississippi State 14**

Behind 14-10 midway through the fourth quarter, Tennessee scored two late touchdowns to hold off Mississippi State, 24-14. The win by Tennessee enabled the Vols to stay undefeated for the season and participate in the National Championship Game at the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl.

Midway through the final quarter, MSU’s Kevin Prentiss returned a punt 83 yards for a touchdown to put the Bulldogs ahead, 14-10.

On UT’s following drive, QB Tee Martin drove the Vols down the field and hit WR Peerless Price with a 41-yard TD pass with 6:15 left to give Tennessee a 17-14 lead.

Mississippi State fumbled on the first play of the next drive, giving the ball back to Tennessee at the MSU 26-yard line. On the next play Martin found Cedric Wilson for a 26-yard TD pass to give the Vols the final 24-14 margin.

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**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

| Rushing: | MS - Johnson (14-38); UT - Henry (26-120). |
| Passing: | MS - Madkin (10-22-2, 84 yds.); UT - Martin (15-32-1, 208 yds., 2 TDs). |
| Receiving: | MS - Cooper (5-44); UT - Price (6-97), Copeland (5-76). |
| Tackles: | MS - Campbell (10-2=12); UT - Walker (4-1=5). |

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**1999 SEC Championship Game**  
**Alabama 34, Florida 7**

Alabama broke open a close game in the fourth quarter, outscoring Florida 19-0 in the final stanza.

Two big plays in the fourth quarter led directly to 13 Crimson Tide points. With 11:54 left in the contest, Freddie Milons scored on a 77-yard run and 18 seconds later, Alabama’s Reggie Grimes scored from 38-yards on an interception return. The score went from 15-7 to the beginning of the quarter to 22-7 with 11:36 left in the contest.

Florida got on the scoreboard first, on a 3-yard pass from Earnest Graham to Erron Kinney, in the game’s first possession. The Alabama defense would allow Florida just 59 total offensive yards the rest of the way.

The Alabama defense intercepted four passes and kept the Florida offense from converting a third down in the contest. The Tide held the Gators to their lowest total offense, passing yards, pass completions and first down totals ever under head coach Steve Spurrier.

After the Gators got out to a 7-0 lead, Alabama used two Ryan Pflugner field goals of 29 and 48 yards to cut the margin to 7-6 with just 2:03 left in the first half.

Following an interception by Alabama’s Marcus Spencer, the Crimson Tide took the lead five plays later on a 27-yard TD pass from Andrew Zow to Jason McAddie. Alabama went into the locker room ahead, 12-7.

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| Rushing: | UF - Kinney 3 pass from Graham (Chandler kick), 13:20 (1st) |
| Passing: | UA - Pflugner 29 FG, 11:03 (3rd) |
| Receiving: | UA - McAddie 27 pass from Zow (pass failed), 00:30 (2nd) |
| Tackles: | UA - Milons 77 run (Pflugner kick), 11:54 (4th) |

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**1997 SEC Championship Game**  
**Tennessee 30, Auburn 29**

Tennessee defeated Auburn, 30-29, in a game that went down to the wire.

Before a Georgia Dome Sporting Event record crowd of 74,896, the Vols came from a 20-7 second quarter deficit to defeat the Tigers on Peyton Manning’s 73-yard TD pass to Marcus Nash early in the fourth quarter.

A defensive struggle ensued and the Vols were off to the FedEx Orange Bowl to play for the Bowl Alliance.

The Vols got on the scoreboard first on a 40-yard TD pass from Manning to Peerless Price. However, that was all the scoring Tennessee could muster until a Jeff Hall 27-yard field goal midway through the second quarter.
In the meantime, Auburn accounted for 20 unanswered points, led by a 24-yard fumble return by Brad Ware and a 51-yard TD pass from Dameyune Craig to Tyrone Goodson. AU’s Jarret Holmes also hit two field goals.

The two teams traded touchdowns midway through the third quarter. Behind 27-17, UT scored on a 46-yard pass from Manning to Price. On the PAT attempt, Auburn’s Quinton Reese returned the blocked kick for a two-point conversion to score.

That set up the heroics on Nash’s 73-yard TD reception from Manning and Hall’s PAT that won the game for Tennessee.

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**1996 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**

**FLORIDA 45, ALABAMA 30**

Eastern Division champion Florida downed Western Division champion Alabama, 45-30.

The Gators went on to the Nokia Sugar Bowl and claimed their first national championship.

Quarterback Danny Wuerffel threw for an SEC Championship Game record 401 yards and six touchdowns against a Crimson Tide defense that was ranked sixth in the nation in total defense coming into the contest.

Wuerffel’s favorite target was wide receiver Reidel Anthony, who caught 11 aerials for 171 yards and three touchdowns - all three numbers were game records.

Florida got on the scoreboard first when Todd Latourette kicked a 36-yard field goal with 7:26 left in the first quarter. The Razorbacks were dealt some bad news on that drive, however. Sophomore running back Madre Hill, who finished third in the conference in rushing, was lost for the game with a knee injury.

The Gators took the ensuing kickoff and went 80 yards in seven plays, capped off when game MVP Danny Wuerffel connected with Chris Doering on a 22-yard touchdown pass. Florida would never look back.

The SEC’s fourth title game attracted a television audience of over 25 million viewers. ABC’s broadcast earned a 7.2 rating.

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**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: UF - T. Jackson (11-62), AR - Johnson (20-71)  
Passing: UF - Wuerffel (20-28-0, 276 yards); AR - Lunney (17-27-2, 170 yards)  
Receiving: UF - Hanks (6-31-9), Barnard (5-4-9), Wright (8-1-9); AR - Delco (6-4-10)

**1995 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**

**FLORIDA 34, ARKANSAS 3**

Florida defeated Western Division Champion Arkansas, 34-3. The Gators, who went through the regular season undefeated, continued their dominance on this night. Florida outgained the Razorbacks, 396-299, and committed no turnovers, while forcing Arkansas into four giveaways.

Arkansas got on the scoreboard first when Todd Latourette kicked a 36-yard field goal with 7:26 left in the first quarter. The Razorbacks were dealt some bad news on that drive, however. Sophomore running back Madre Hill, who finished third in the conference in rushing, was lost for the game with a knee injury.

The SEC’s third title game attracted a television audience of over 25 million viewers. ABC’s broadcast earned a 10.5 rating.

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Rushing: UF - Riddle (17-42), UF - Taylor (13-83)  
Passing: UF - Kitchens (19-45-1, 264 yards); UF - Wuerffel (20-35-2, 401 yards)  
Receiving: UF - Riddle (6-82), UF - Anthony (11-171)  
Tackles: UF - Sigler (4-3-7), UF - Bates (7-3-10)

**1994 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**

**FLORIDA 24, ALABAMA 23**

Atlanta was the site of the 1994 SEC Football Championship, as a Georgia Dome record 74,751 watched Eastern Division Champion Florida capture its second straight conference crown with a 24-23 victory over Western Division Champion Alabama.

The Gators effectively moved the ball through the air, as Danny Wuerffel connected on 23 of 41 passes for 227 yards and a pair of touchdowns. But at the conclusion of the hard-fought contest, it was Florida defensive standout Ellis Johnson who distinguished himself as the game’s most valuable player. The rugged senior recorded five tackles, one pass breakup and an SEC Championship record three tackles behind the line of scrimmage, including two quarterback sacks.

Trailing 17-10 at the half, Alabama regained the lead, 23-17, with two third-quarter field goals and an interception return for a touchdown with less than nine minutes to play. Florida responded with an 80-yard, 10-play drive which ended with a two-yard touchdown pass from Wuerffel to Chris Doering with just 5:29 remaining in the fourth quarter. The extra point by Judd Davis secured the winning margin, as the Gator defense forced an interception on the final Alabama drive.

The SEC’s third title game attracted a television audience of more than 30 million viewers. ABC’s broadcast earned a 10.5 rating, marking the network’s most-watched college football game since the 1981 season.
1992 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME
ALABAMA 28, FLORIDA 21

The Southeastern Conference etched its mark in the college football history books on Dec. 5, 1992. The league became the first in Division I-A to stage a championship game between its two division winners.

Western Division Champion Alabama and Eastern Division co-Champion Florida provided plenty of fireworks as the Crimson Tide posted a 28-21 victory before a capacity crowd of 83,091 at Legion Field in Birmingham.

The game, which was televised nationally by ABC Sports and earned a 9.8 rating, was not decided until the final minutes. With the Gators facing first-and-10 at their own 21, Alabama cornerback Antonio Langham returned an interception 27 yards for the game-winning score. The play, which came with just 3:16 remaining, earned Langham Most Valuable Player honors and thwarted the debut of a tie-breaking system in Division I-A football.

The victory secured Alabama the role of host at the USF&G Sugar Bowl. On Jan. 1, 1993, the second-ranked Crimson Tide handed No. 1 Miami a 34-13 defeat to capture the SEC’s 12th national crown.

1993 SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME
FLORIDA 28, ALABAMA 13

The SEC staged its second annual Championship Football Game on Dec. 4, 1993, with Eastern Division Champion Florida defeating Western Division winner Alabama, 28-13, in front of a record crowd of 76,345 at Birmingham’s Legion Field.

The Gators were led by quarterback Terry Dean, who passed for 256 yards and two touchdowns en route to Championship Game Most Valuable Player honors. After virtually three quarters of neck-and-neck football, and the Gators leading by one, 14-13, Florida was faced with a fourth-and-ten situation. Punter Shayne Edge kept the drive alive with a 20-yard spring, and on the next play, Dean hit wideout Jack Jackson with a 43-yard strike to give Florida an eight-point cushion. From there, the Florida defense held its ground and the Gators secured the victory.

The victory secured Florida as the host of the USF&G Sugar Bowl. On Jan. 1, 1994, the eight-ranked Gators defeated West Virginia, 41-7, in New Orleans to win their first Sugar Bowl title.
### SEC FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME
#### INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

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**Notes:**
- The table lists the top individual statistics for SEC football championship games.
- Statistics include plays, yards gained, touchdowns passed, rushing totals, receiving yards, passing attempts, completions, and scoring points.
- The table covers various years, with notable players and teams from different decades.

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**Additional Notes:**
- Total offense statistics include plays, yards gained, and total offense plays.
- Rushing highlights the most significant rushing efforts with notable names like Tre Mason and Marcus Nash.
- Passing focuses on attempts, completions, and consecutive completions with notable players such as Shane Matthews and Casey Clausen.
- Scoring emphasizes the most significant scoring contributions with notable players like Tre Mason and Tre Mason.

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**Further Reading:**
- Explore additional game records and player performances in the SEC football archives.
- Analyze trends and changes in the SEC conference over the years.
- Study the impact of individual performances on team success.

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**Conclusion:**
- The SEC football championship game has seen notable players and teams set records and achieve significant achievements.
- Understanding these records and superlatives provides insights into the sport's rich history and competitive landscape.

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**Acknowledgment:**
- This analysis draws on historical records and statistical data available from SEC football archives.
- It is part of a comprehensive study of SEC football, focusing on individual performances and their contributions to the conference and its storied history.
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS
5–Ryan Pflugner, Alabama (3 made) .............................................................. 1999
4–John Corbello, LSU (3 made) ................................................................. 2001
3–by five individuals six times (Latest: Colt David, LSU vs. Tennessee, 2007)

FIELD GOALS MADE
3–Ryan Pflugner, Alabama (5 atts.) ............................................................... 1999
3–Michael Proctor, Alabama (3 atts.) ......................................................... 1994
3–John Corbello, LSU (4 atts.) ..................................................................... 2001
3–Billy Bennett, Georgia (3 atts.) ................................................................. 2002

LONG FIELD GOALS
52–Cody Parkey, Auburn ................................................................. 2013
51–A. Alex Walls, Tennessee ................................................................. 2001
51–Billy Bennett, Georgia .............................................................................. 2003
51–Brandon Coutu, Georgia ........................................................................... 2005

PAT KICKS ATTEMPTED
8–Cody Parkey, Auburn (8 made) ............................................................... 2013
8–Wes Byrum, Auburn (8 made) ................................................................. 2010
5–Collins Cooper, Florida (4 made) ............................................................. 1996
5–John Vaughn, Auburn (5 made) ............................................................... 2004
5–C. Helland, Florida (5 made) ................................................................. 2006

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5–John Vaughn, Auburn (5 attempts) ............................................................ 2004
5–Chris Helland, Florida (5 attempts) ........................................................... 2006

TOTAL POINTS SCORED BY KICKING
12–Billy Bennett, Georgia (3 FGs, 3 PATs) ..................................................... 2002
11–Michael Proctor, Alabama (3 FGs, 2 PATs) ............................................. 1994
11–John Corbello, LSU (3 FGs, 2 PATs) ....................................................... 2001

PUNTING

MOST PATS
10–Jaret Holms, Auburn (438 yards) .............................................................. 1997
10–Byrne Diehl, Alabama (326 yards) ......................................................... 1993
9–David Leaverton, Tennessee (323 yards) .................................................. 1998

YARDS PUNTED
438–Jaret Holms, Auburn (10 punts) ............................................................ 1997
413–Drew Butler, Georgia (8 punts) ............................................................. 2011
403–Brad Wing, LSU (8 punts) .................................................................... 2011

PUNTING AVERAGE (Min. 3 punts)
51.6–Drew Butler, Georgia (8 punts, 413 yards) ......................................... 2011
50.4–Brad Wing, LSU (8 punts, 403 yards) ................................................... 2011
50.0–Spencer Lanning, South Carolina (3 punts) ........................................ 2010
48.8–Chas Henry, Florida (4 punts, 195 yards) ........................................... 2009
47.7–Chas Henry, Florida (3 punts) ............................................................. 2008

LONGEST PUNT
67–Brad Wing, LSU ................................................................. 2011
65–Alan Rhine, Florida ................................................................................. 2000
62–Drew Butler, Georgia .............................................................................. 2011

PUNT RETURNS

LONG PUNT RETURNS
83–Kevin Prentiss, Mississippi State ............................................................ 1998
62–Tyrann Mathieu, LSU ............................................................................. 2011
45–Terry Fair, Tennessee .............................................................................. 1997
44–Terry Fair, Tennessee.............................................................................. 1997

KICKOFF RETURNS

MOST RETURNS
5–Bryce Sherman, South Carolina (95 yards) .............................................. 2010
5–Brandon James, Florida (121 yards) .................................................... 2008
5–Bo Carroll, Florida (108 yards) ............................................................... 1999
5–Harrison Houston, Florida (71 yards) ..................................................... 1992
4–6 times: Latest (Cyrus Jones, Alabama, 89 yards) ................................ 2012

YARDS RETURNED
121–Brandon James, Florida (5 returns) ...................................................... 2008
108–Bo Carroll, Florida (5 returns) ............................................................... 1999
99–Lennon Creer, Tennessee (4 returns) ..................................................... 2007
95–Bryce Sherman, South Carolina (5 returns) ........................................ 2010
89–Cyrus Jones, Alabama (4 returns) ......................................................... 2012
89–Markeith Cooper, Auburn (4 returns) ................................................... 1997

GAIN PER RETURN (Min. 2)
26.0–Peerless Price, Tennessee (2 ret., 55 yards) ........................................ 1998
27.0–Kevin Prentiss, Mississippi State (2 ret., 54 yards) .............................. 1998
25.3–Javier Arenas, Alabama (3 ret., 79 yards) ........................................... 2009
26.0–Brandon James, Florida (3 ret., 78 yards) .......................................... 2009
25.0–David Palmer, Alabama (2 ret., 50 yards) .......................................... 1993

LONG KICKOFF RETURNS
50–Lennon Creer, Tennessee ......................................................................... 2007
46–Markeith Cooper, Auburn ..................................................................... 1997
41–Javier Arenas, Alabama ........................................................................... 2008
38–Brandon James, Florida ........................................................................ 2008
37–Bo Carroll, Florida ................................................................................. 1999

INTERCEPTIONS

MOST INTERCEPTIONS
2–Marcus Spencer, Alabama (53 yards) ...................................................... 1999
2–Tommy Johnson, Alabama (18 yards) ................................................... 1993
2–Michael Gilmore, Florida (0 yards) ......................................................... 1993
2–Lito Sheppard, Florida (31 yards) .............................................................. 2000

YARDS RETURNED
77–Jayson Bray, Auburn (1 ret.) ................................................................. 1997
70–Robert Bean, Mississippi State (1 ret.) ................................................... 1998
53–Marcus Spencer, Alabama (2 ret.) ......................................................... 1999

INTERCEPTION TOUCHDOWNS
1–T’Sharvan Bell, Auburn (10 yards) ........................................................... 2010
1–Jonathan Zenon, LSU (18 yards) .............................................................. 2007
1–A. Robinson, Arkansas (40 yards) ............................................................ 2006
1–Robert Bean, Mississippi State (70 yards) .............................................. 1998
1–Reggie Grimes, Alabama (38 yards) ....................................................... 1999
1–Antonio Langham, Alabama (27 yards) .................................................. 1992
1–Dwayne Rudd, Alabama (23 yards) ......................................................... 1994

LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURNS
77–Jayson Bray, Auburn................................................................................. 1997
70–Robert Bean, Mississippi State (TD) ...................................................... 1998
42–Deshea Townsend, Alabama ................................................................. 1994

LONGEST FUMBLE RECOVERY RETURN
95–Ben Hanks, Florida (TD) ......................................................................... 1995
24–Brad Ware, Auburn (TD) ....................................................................... 1997

TACKLES

MOST TACKLES
16–Omar Gaither, Tennessee ......................................................................... 2004
15–Israel Mayo, Tennessee ............................................................................. 2007
15–Takeo Spikes, Auburn ............................................................................. 1997