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2012 PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: Appalachian State University

Mascot: Mountaineers

Location: Boone, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s):

2011 Performance:

- Record: **22-3**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **Won SAC-West Conference**
- Notables: **Back to Back to Back SAC-West Conference Champs**
Finished season ranked 17th in nation
First 20 win season in School's history

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 12

Players to Watch: Josh Kelly, Jaime Gutierrez, Hunter Glass

New additions: Andrew Ortiz, Aaron Norris

Biggest Rival: University Of Kentucky

Best Player Nickname: Stephen "Let's get weird" Gunderson

2012 Season Outlook: Our ultimate goal is to reach, and win a NCBA World Series Title. With a strong amount of returning players combined with talented freshmen, this 2012 season is shaping up to be promising. Keeping our work ethic strong and eyes on the goal will be our hardest task. The amount of talent this team has in impeccable; it will all come down to how much we want to win.

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Team Name: Wake Forest

Mascot: Demon Deacons

Location: Winston-Salem, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Ryan Schroeder, Scott Wilson, Mike Otis

2011 Performance:

- Record: **0-15 (forced to forfeit every game due to roster issue; actually 4-11)**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **Last**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 14

Players to Watch: Andy Brown (3B), Junior- With a good glove and a strong bat, Andy is a true five-tool player at the hot corner.

Mike Otis (2B), Junior- Last year's team batting average leader looks to improve upon his career .350 average.

Alec Christian (C) Sophomore- Christian was arguably the Deacs' best player last year, although he was a freshman. Expect Christian to continue hitting for power and average, as well as silencing active baserunners from behind the plate.

Colin Royal and Adam Watson- The Deacs' two hard-throwing righthanders look to continue their dominance on the rubber.

New additions: Bryan Willis- The former varsity player expects to contribute a live pitching arm, as well as a powerful bat in the middle of the Deacs' lineup.

Biggest Rival: NC State

Best Player Nickname: Pants- Mike Otis wore baseball pants to his first practice as a freshman two years ago. It was nearly 100 degrees, and a former club teammate jokingly called him "Pants." The name stuck, and students not affiliated with the baseball team have even begun to call Mike "Pants" around campus.



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2012 Season Outlook: With every starter returning, as well as a couple new pieces arriving, the Deacs expect to return to their once familiar position of being a playoff contender.

Manager Quote: "Baseball is a lot like poker. Sometimes you have the best hand and sometimes you don't. But if you play your cards right, you can always find a way to end up on top."



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Team Name: Virginia Tech

Mascot: Hokies

Location: Blacksburg, VA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Maxwell Hilbert (President), Sean MacDonald (Coach)

2011 Performance:

- Record: **13-6**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **3rd/(n/a)**
- Notables: **Tyler Atkins (2B graduated) and Matt Simpson (P)**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 14

Players to Watch: Luke Erickson (P) and Randy Buonviri (3B)

New additions: Colin Deely, Greg Giunta, Pat Guma, Mike Hembling, Dan Lawler, Geoff Meyer, Alex Miller, Matt Moore, and Ben Sweger

Biggest Rival: JMU

Best Player Nickname: Patty "Rozay" Ryan

2012 Season Outlook: Although we downsized our team, we have three starting pitchers and six starting position players returning this year. We expect nothing less but to make it to the World Series.

Manager Quote: No matter what is happening on the baseball field, the only success and failures a batter can control is in a 2x2x3 foot box directly in front of him.



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Team Name: Club Baseball at UVA

Mascot: Cavaliers

Location: Charlottesville, VA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Matt Diton & Pat Piccolo

2011 Performance:

- Record: **8-10**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **4th in the M.A.C. North**
- Notables: **Patrick Yarouch paced the Hoos on offense, hitting well over .300 and winning M.A.C. North offensive player of the week twice, with Ryan Slater also making a strong contribution at the plate. On the mound, Virginia was led by seniors, and former coaches, Jonathan Siedman and Nicholas Herpst.**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 10 returners. Matt Diton won M.A.C. Pitcher of the Week in April.

Players to Watch: OF Steve Kouril, OF Justin Schlegel, INF/P Tim Mannel, INF Michael Michone, C Drew Pyrak, P Roger Stewart, P Paul Kirchner, and P Matt Diton

New additions: Ryan Barr, Greg Bayliss, Chris Copeland, Justin Schlegel, Jordan Kuchel, Sean McAuliffe, Kevin Radford, Sean Rutherford, Patrick Still, and Ricky Wesnofske

Biggest Rival: Virginia Tech Hokies and James Madison Dukes

Best Player Nickname: Tie: Paul "Batman" Batera and Pat "Pistol" Still

2012 Season Outlook: A strong returning core augmented by an incoming class that belies its youth should help the Cavaliers challenge for a spot at the 2012 Mid Atlantic Regional Tournament.



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Manager Quote: "We lost a lot of key contributors from last year's squad, so we'll probably be counted out by our opponents. But as long as we keep focused, put in hard work, and play smart baseball, we definitely have the talent to surprise some of people and make some noise." - Matt Diton



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Team Name: Vanderbilt University Club Baseball

Mascot: Commodores

Location: Nashville, TN

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Samuel Heyman

2011 Performance:

- Record: **0-12**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **4th**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 12

Players to Watch: Sam Heyman, Matt Pike, Aaron Coonley, Andrew Vancura, Chris Jarrett

New additions: Matt Pike, Andrew Vancura

Biggest Rival: Belmont University

Best Player Nickname: Peanut

2012 Season Outlook: Confident

Manager Quote: "If it's worth doing, it's worth doing right."



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Team Name: University of North Carolina Tar Heels

Mascot: Ram

Location: Chapel Hill, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Joey Thomson

2011 Performance:

- Record: **8-9**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **4**
- Notables: **N/A**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):

Players to Watch:

New additions:

Biggest Rival:

Best Player Nickname:

2012 Season Outlook: Very Good

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Team Name: University of Tennessee - Knoxville

Mascot: Volunteers

Location: Knoxville, TN

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Philip Lovell, Miles Chase, Chris Reece

2011 Performance:

- Record: **6-20**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **3rd Place South Atlantic West**
- Notables: **10-9 against Kentucky**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 5 returning including former All-Region Selections Kyle Smith, Philip Lovell, Eric Hobbs

Players to Watch: Kyle Smith, Philip Lovell, Miles Chase, and Clint Burner

New additions: Ben Lovell, Ryan Blanchett, Patrick Lannan, Kent Garrett, Forrest Driver, AJ Jimenz, Patrick MacCoon, Micheal Brett, and, Micheal Shepard

Biggest Rival: Appalachain State

Best Player Nickname: Heat - Chris Reece

2012 Season Outlook: With a young team we look to bounce back after a very rough year. But strong leadership from a good crop of returning players, we will make a push for the a spot in the post-season. Pitching will be a concern for us this year as we only have four starters, but plenty of talented arms across the diamond will come in relief throughout the season.

Manager Quote: People ask me what I do in winter when there's no baseball. I'll tell you what I do. I stare out the window and wait for spring. ~Rogers Hornsby



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Team Name: North Carolina State University

Mascot: Wolfpack

Location: Raleigh, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Craig Allen, Don Bernard, Robert Dudley

2011 Performance:

- Record: **Conference: 14-1, Overall: ?**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **1st/NA**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): The Pack returns 17 from the 2011 MAC South Championship squad, including All American Reliever Thomas Dobbins and All Region performers Sean Steinbugler, Chris Mullenex, Brett Vaughn, Brent Lalas, and EJ Simpson

Players to Watch: While expectations remain high for the returning award winners, the Pack also expects returning starters Steven Baker and Matt Hardeman to again contribute heavily. The loss of All Region performers at SS, OF, and DH provide the opportunity for Mike Smith, Chris Schaefer, Corey McNamara, Ben Walgenbach, and Warren Donnelly to see an increased role in the field, while Tom Gargano, Marcus Bunnell, and RJ Deppisch look to provide battery leadership.

New additions: The Pack adds several new faces to the 2012 roster. Several of them will see significant playing time and a few will challenge the returners for spots in the starting lineup. They bring some much needed team speed and provide a lot of defensive versatility.

Biggest Rival: UNC, ECU, WF, Elon, UNCC

Best Player Nickname: We're still earning that one.

2012 Season Outlook: The Pack will lean heavily on their pitching and defense this year as the league moves to BBCORE. Four year weekend starters Simpson and Baker will pair with returning starter



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Vaughn to anchor the staff. With good defense and timely hitting, the Pack hopes to remain on top in the MAC South and contend for a spot in Columbus, GA.

Manager Quote: "If the point is sharp, and the arrow is swift, it can pierce through the dust no matter how thick." - Bob Dylan



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Team Name: University of Maryland-D1

Mascot: Terrapins

Location: College Park, MD

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Michael Boushell-Head Coach. Rob Medoff-Assistant Coach. Robert Watkins-Captain. Brian Fisch-Captain.

2011 Performance:

- Record: **16-7 (Finished 15th in final national poll)**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **2nd Place MAC Regionals, 2nd Place in MAC North**
- Notables: **Lost to ECU(World Series Champs) in MAC Regional Championship**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 17 Returning Players (Quinn-1st team all MAC, Watkins- 3rd team all MAC), 6 returning starters.

Players to Watch: Robert Medoff-1B, Sr. Robert Watkins-3B, Sr. Matt Quinn-P, Sr. Koby Cavanagh-DH/3B, So. Brian Fisch-OF, Sr.

New additions: Ben Strack-P, Fr. Jeremy Conley-P, Fr. Mike Washington-OF, Fr. Eric-Fowler-Sr.

Biggest Rival: JMU

Best Player Nickname: Bill Cosby

2012 Season Outlook: Three goals for the year: 1. MAC North Champs 2. MAC Conference Champs 3. World Series Champs. Anything short of that is failure. A lot of returning talent from last year's team and 6 or 7 solid newcomers that will contribute to the team.

Manager Quote: "Never let the fear of striking out get in your way"- Babe Ruth



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Team Name: James Madison University

Mascot: Duke Dog

Location: Harrisonburg, Virginia

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Robert Oldham (Coach); Alec Bernstein (President); David Laub (Vice President); Dan Cassagne (Secretary); Paul Boots (Treasurer)

2011 Performance:

- Record: **18-5 (Spring '11); 24-7 (Spring'11 + Fall '10)**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **#1 (MAC-N), #2 (MAC Regional)**
- Notables: **Returners: David Laub (S/OF), Alec Bernstein (S/3B), Dan Shill (So/P), Greg Victor (Jr/2B); Graduated: James Ward (SS), George Stipisich (OF), Adam Lynch (C), Scott Lobdell (1B), Rob Jennings (P), Jared Anderson (OF), Connor Hepke (2B), DJ Kline (OF), Ellis Gore (SS), Zach Kadlec (P)**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 13 (2nd Team All-Region MAC: Alec Bernstein/3B; Dan Shill/P)

Players to Watch: Notable Returners from 2011 & Tyler Caton (Fr/C); Joe Capobianco (Jr/1B); Peter Gelsomino (Jr/SS)

New additions: Justin Sommer (Fr/3B); Matthew Woods (So/P); Calvin Woolhiser (Fr/OF); Kevin Zajack (Fr/P); Scott Todd (Fr/OF); Kevin Meder (Jr/P); Andrew Green (So/P); Peter Gelsomino (Jr/SS); Zach Cutter (Fr/1B); Tyler Caton (Fr/C); Joe Capobianco (Jr/1B); Mitchell Bowers (Fr/2B)

Biggest Rival: Whoever sits in the opposite dugout

Best Player Nickname: Justin "Girls-dig-me-'cause-I'm-smokin'-hot-like" Sommer

2012 Season Outlook: "My momma always said, 'Life was like a box of chololates. You never know what you're gonna get.' "



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Manager Quote: "Baseball is the best sport. Not only is it the hardest sport to play requiring the most coordination, patients, stamina, and overall athletic ability- but it's the manliest sport where chicks simultaneously get to see your Abercrombie face and your tight glute pimp a home run trot." -Robert Carver Oldham



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Team Name: George Washington University

Mascot: Colonials

Location: Washington, D.C.

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Brian Mahl, Seth Libby, Jimmy Hilk, Thomas Mase

2011 Performance:

- Record: **2-13**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 11

Players to Watch: Seth Libby, Jay Lively, Stuart Johnson, Jimmy Hilk, Thomas Mase

New additions: Sam Meisenberg, Taylor Jaszewski, Holden Bussey, Chris Stantz, Brian Lerner, Brennan Murray, Nate Barr, Ethan Carey, Christian Brinkworth

Biggest Rival: UMD

Best Player Nickname: Ross Patterson, "Blanket"

2012 Season Outlook: With a veteran pitching staff and a talented group of young players, 2012 looks like a promising year for GW.

Manager Quote: "After a disappointing 2011 spring season, the team will build around an experienced pitching staff and a strong group of new freshmen. We are confident that we will be able to contend this year in our very strong conference."



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Team Name: Elon University

Mascot: Basilisks

Location: Elon, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Aaron Moger, John Henrickson, Chase Gottwald

2011 Performance:

- Record: **7-8**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **4th**
- Notables: **We were the only team in the conference to beat eventual NCBA champion ECU**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 18

Players to Watch: Don Mueller, Sean Zapatka, Jay Struck

New additions: Aubrey Wilkerson, Brian Magna, Steven Monick

Biggest Rival: NC State

Best Player Nickname: Evan "Squid" Studemond, Evan "Face Kid" Kleiss, Ben "Cuda" Koffel

2012 Season Outlook: With a lot of returning pitching and incoming talent, Elon looks prepared to make it's first postseason appearance.

Manager Quote: PBDBSSFC



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Team Name: East Carolina University D1

Mascot: Pirates

Location: Greenville NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Joe Caracci, Ben Fox

2011 Performance:

- Record: **31-8**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **National Champions**
- Notables: **4 All Americans, 12 All Region**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 15 Returning Players, 4 All Americans (Alan Swain, Nash Blaskley, Brian Burgess, and 2010 All American Matt Steele who was inactive last season) 14 All Region Players returning including 2010 All region performers Matt Steele, Dennis Butts, Seth Moorman who were inactive in 2011

Players to Watch: Offensively: Cory Shackleford our lead off hitter who led the team in OBP and Steals, Sthil Sowers who led our team in average last season, as well as Brian Burgess who led the squad in HRs, Doubles, and RBI last season. With 2 returning All Americans in the Bullpen the starting rotation anchored by World Series standout Zach Woodley will be as strong as ever despite losing All American Daniel Martin.

New additions: A bevy of talent from other schools has transferred in to fill in some holes. IF Billy Walling (ECU Varsity and Lenior CC), P Bud Robertson (ECU Varsity and Lenior CC), P Marshall Halblieb (Pitt CC), P Jim Leggett (Pitt CC), P Josh Woolard (Lenior CC), P Patrick Somers (ECU Varsity), IF Jesse Desanto (Guilford College), IF Trey Beaman (Pitt CC). Those players along with the Re surgance of 2010 leader in HR's and RBI Dennis Butts who was out most of last year due to illness and the re-addition of Moorman and Steele fill out one of the most talented rosters we have ever had.

Biggest Rival: The entire MAC region, talk about some talented teams!!

Best Player Nickname: The Boston Massacre (Nick Thrasher)



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2012 Season Outlook: Compete every weekend, give ourselves a chance to win a conference championship and earn another trip to columbus.

Manager Quote: "If you want it you'll find a way, if you don't, you'll find an excuse"



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Team Name: Belmont University Baseball Club

Mascot: Bruin

Location: Nashville, TN

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Seth Franke, Dave Servodidio

2011 Performance:

- Record: **n/a**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **n/a**
- Notables: **n/a**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): n/a

Players to Watch: Sammy Martin, Luke Melton, David Logsdon

New additions: Chandler Deangelis, Nick Lippowitsch, Dean Palya

Biggest Rival: Vanderbilt

Best Player Nickname: Any player who makes an error - "That Guy"

2012 Season Outlook: The '12 season is promising. As the first official season for the Belmont Bruins, the players and coaches are energized and optimistic to compete. We have a young team, excited players, and a great supportive fanbase. The team hopes to finish with a winning record in conference play, and a full schedule of non-conference games.

Manager Quote: "You can be a triathlete, an average guy, or you can be a couch potato. Either way, you're on the team."



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Team Name: University of Kentucky

Mascot: Wildcats

Location: Lexington, KY

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Luke Howell, Joseph Acquisto, Ben Manning, Cody Anderson, Troy Spaudling, Dan Marston

2011 Performance:

- Record: **11-5**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **2nd place in SAC West**
- Notables: **Cody Anderson participated in HR Derby**

Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): Ben Manning, Cody Anderson and Joseph Acquisto

Players to Watch: Ben Manning, Cody Anderson and Joseph Acquisto

New additions: Davis Rhodes and Alex Marmitt

Biggest Rival: North Korea and any other countries still in the Axis of Evil

Best Player Nickname: We call Troy Spaudling "Botched"

2012 Season Outlook: We look to be very competitive in our new conference.

Manager Quote: Most of the veterans from our World Series teams have left, so it is time to start a new chapter for UK Club Baseball. We look to have another great season representing Kentucky and hope to make it to Columbus!