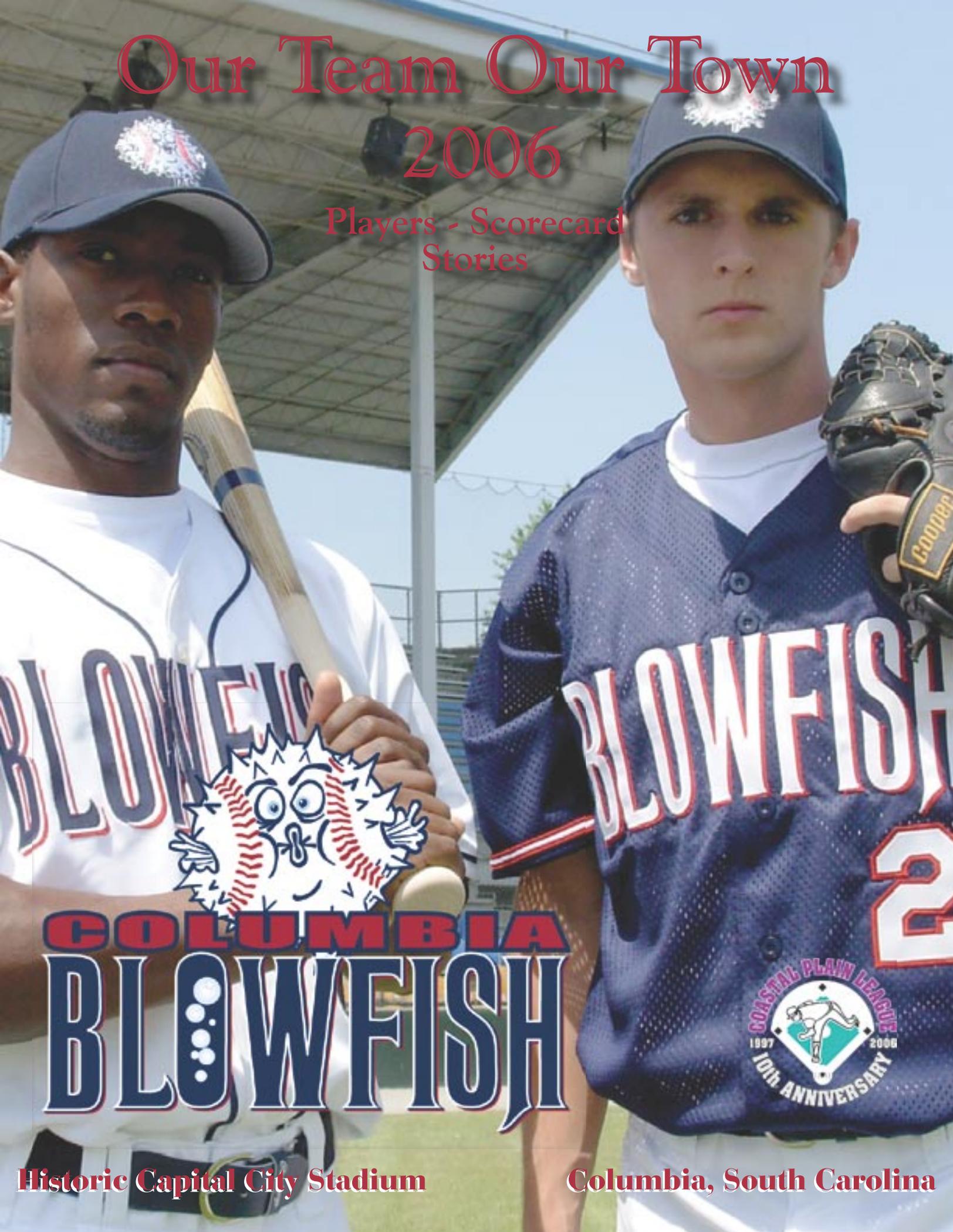


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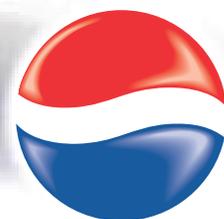


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Greetings from the Mayor of Columbia:  
**Bob Coble**



**COLUMBIA**  
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Welcome to Capital City Stadium-home of the Columbia Blowfish.

Our city is excited to have baseball back in Columbia and look forward to watching some of the top prospects in the nation take the field.



*Mayor Bob Coble*

Columbia has made great progress over the years, but much work remains to be done. Bringing baseball back to “The Cap” is an important element for our success. I hope you enjoy watching the progress we will be making in the years to come.

I believe an evening at the ballpark is a fun night out for kids of all ages. I am sure Bill Shanahan and his staff will no doubt put on a great show as we all get to enjoy good old-fashioned baseball in Columbia.

My vision is to make Columbia, South Carolina, the best place in America to live, work and raise a family. The Columbia Blowfish is an important part of that vision. It took a team effort to help bring baseball back, so on behalf of our City Manager Charles (Chief) Austin and the Columbia City Council its time to sit back, have a hot dog an ice cold soda and enjoy Coastal Plain League baseball.

Very truly yours,

Robert D. Coble  
 Mayor

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## OWNERSHIP



Michael Savit

Michael Savit, Managing Partner of the HWS Group and HWS Baseball, possesses a strong background in sports marketing and promotions. For over 16 years, from 1981-1997, he worked for the Cleveland-based International Management Group (IMG), where he specialized in event management.

In 1998, he and his brother, Jeffrey, a fiduciary attorney, founded HWS Group, named in honor of their late father, Herbert W. Savit, and purchased the Augusta GreenJackets of the South Atlantic League (presently the Single A Affiliate of the San Francisco Giants). In 2000, the company purchased the Michigan BattleCats of the Midwest League.

As former senior vice president of IMG with principal responsibility for directing professional sports events, and as a current minor league baseball owner, Michael brings unique expertise in sports marketing to his role as managing general partner of Minor League Baseball's Mobile BayBears, Mobile Alabama in the Southern League (Double AA Affiliate of the San Diego Padres) the Modesto Nuts, Modesto California in the California League (Single A Affiliate of the Colorado Rockies) and the Columbia Blowfish, Columbia South Carolina (Coastal Plain League).

In addition to its baseball activities, HWS Group, headquartered in Westwood, Massachusetts, manages an annual charity golf tournament, the HWS Golf Classic, in North Kingstown, Rhode Island, and is involved in various philanthropic endeavors in the Boston area. Savit sits on the Board of Directors of the New England Sports Museum. A 1978 graduate of Harvard College, Michael resides in Sudbury Massachusetts with his wife Jill; his three children-Lauren (20), Matthew (16), and Hilary (12); and two stepchildren- Alexander (12) and Moriah (7).

## HEAD COACH: TIM MEDLIN

Columbia native Tim Medlin will serve as the Blowfish' first head coach, bringing a wealth of experience and baseball knowledge to the position. Medlin, who retired as Newberry College's head baseball coach last year, will look to put that experience to good use as he returns to the diamond this summer to lead his hometown team.

In 17 years as the Indians' head man, Medlin won 389 games. His tenure as coach saw the Indians capture the District 6 Championship in his first year at the helm. He also led the Indians through the transition of gaining full membership in the South-Atlantic Conference in 1997-1998. Two years later, Medlin's Indians captured the school's only SAC Tournament Championship. The veteran coach can also boast more than 25 ex-players currently coaching or teaching professionally.

Before coming to Newberry, Medlin served as an assistant coach at Anderson College before accepting the head coaching position at his Alma Mater, Newberry, in 1989.

Prior to his coaching career, Medlin attended USC-Salkehatchie and Newberry College, earning his degree and playing baseball.

Medlin operates his own baseball instructional school in Columbia, "Welcome to the Big Leagues". He has been married for 23 years to wife, Claudia. They have two daughters, Collins, a freshman at College of Charleston, and Ashton, a freshman at Newberry High.



Bill Shanahan is President and Chief Operating Officer of HWS Baseball, owner and operator of the Blowfish (Coastal Plain League-Summer Collegiate Baseball), The Mobile Baybears (Double-A Southern League) and the Modesto Nuts (Single-A California League).



Vicki and Bill Shanahan

Working in Minor League Baseball since 1984, Bill has over 20 years of experience in all aspects of professional sports, including ownership, management, sales, marketing and operations. He will serve the Blowfish as President and COO in their inaugural season after playing an instrumental role in reviving Capital City Stadium and bringing Coastal Plain League baseball to Columbia.

A decorated executive in the Minor Leagues, Shanahan was most recently honored as the 2002 Executive of the Year for the Southern League and won the California League version of the award in 1988. In 1992, Shanahan was honored as Executive of the Year of the South Atlantic League while serving as general manager for the Capital City Bombers, Columbia's last Minor League franchise. During his six-year tenure in Columbia, Shanahan's Bomber teams drew record crowds to Capital City Stadium. In 1998, Baseball America voted Mobile and Columbia the top 1 and 2 minor league teams in the country. In addition Shanahan received the Freitas Award in 2002 for the top Double A franchise in the nation.

In addition to his growing list of professional accolades, Shanahan presently serves on several committees, including the Southern League Advisory/Finance and the minor League Baseball Promotional Seminar Steering Committee. Shanahan's career accomplishments and motivational teaching have been showcased in two books- *Baseball Lives* by Mike Bryan and just recently *Getting in the Game-Inside Baseball's Winter Meetings* by Josh Lewin.

Bill and his wife Vicki will celebrate their 26th wedding anniversary in August. The Shanahans live in Mobile and have four children, Daniel, Kathleen, Joseph and Marybeth.



Head Coach Tim Medlin at press conference - April 2006.

**THE COASTAL PLAIN LEAGUE**  
**THE NATION'S HOTTEST COLLEGIATE SUMMER BASEBALL LEAGUE**

Summer, 2006

Dear Coastal Plain League fans:

In 1997, a new era in summer collegiate baseball began with the Coastal Plain League. Now celebrating our 10th Anniversary season this summer, the Coastal Plain League has quickly grown from six to 15 teams in 2006, and is considered one of the best in the country.

The Coastal Plain League has excelled in many different areas in our 10 years, with our most noticeable figures coming in the form of our attendance and professional alumni. Through the past nine years, the CPL has drawn nearly two million fans to its scenic ballparks and has built an alumni base of nearly 2,000 players. Of the latter, the Coastal Plain League has featured 335 players drafted by Major League Baseball, including a league-best 67 players in the 2005 First-Year Player Draft. Even more impressive, the CPL has had 17 alumni, six in 2005 alone, make it onto Major League rosters.

We're very excited about what this summer has in store as we welcome our 15th club, the Columbia Blowfish. This summer, our All-Star Game will be held at the Swamp in Fayetteville, N.C., while our Petitt Cup Championship Tournament will make its way to McCrary Park, home to the league's Asheboro Copperheads.

As we continue to celebrate our special 10th Anniversary season, I wanted to say thank you on behalf of the Coastal Plain League and its member clubs for your support over the past 10 years. We hope you enjoy the game and look forward to a continued relationship in the future.

Yours in Baseball,



Pete Bock  
President, Coastal Plain League



## GREETINGS BASEBALL FANS!

Or should I say welcome back?

Whatever the case may be, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to introduce all of you to our new hometown team right here at historic Capital City Stadium. It's truly an honor to be back in Columbia, SC, and we look forward to serving you as we cheer on our Columbia Blowfish.



When Mayor Bob Coble and I talked a year and a half ago to discuss the possibility of bringing baseball back to our beloved city, I knew it would be challenge. However, I also knew of the spirit of a community rich in baseball tradition. Special thanks goes out to the City of Columbia's Chief Austin, Allison Baker, George Brown and the Columbia City Council. Now, through the tireless work of all parties involved, from our Mobile franchise, Travis Toth, Betty Adams, David Stein and countless others who contributed along the way, tonight's game is a reality. I would like personally thank Palmetto Health and USC Baseball Head Coach Ray Tanner for all their tremendous support.

Through our agreement with the Coastal Plain League, one of the top intercollegiate wood bat summer baseball leagues in the country, we have been able to bring you a product that we believe is second to none. Some of the game's brightest stars got their first taste of wood bat baseball through this league, and many still credit their experience here as instrumental in their future success.

We're glad that you're here to watch the stars of the tomorrow start their march toward the big leagues. As mentioned earlier, Columbia has a rich baseball history dating all the way back to 1892. Since that time, we've seen Hall of Fame players to today's budding young stars. If our organization has anything to say about it, we'll certainly see some more.

We hope your experience will be a memorable one, and please don't hesitate to ask our friendly staff for anything you may need. But most importantly, settle in for a night of fun at the ballpark. Like many of you, I have many fond memories of our national pastime right here in this historic facility. Here's to many more.

Baseball is back. Play ball!!

*Bill Shaulshaw*

# COACHES



Tavy Smalls

Coach Tavy Smalls is a graduate of Holly Hill-Roberts High School, where he was a five year starter and letterman. He was a three time conference performer and played on two Lower State runner-up teams.

At The Citadel he was a starter for three years and a four year letterman while being a part of two conference tournament championship teams.

For five years, Coach Smalls has been an assistant coach for the North Charleston Dixie Majors (17-18 year old), who have won 4 state tournaments and appeared in five world series tournaments. Currently he is an assistant coach at South Carolina State University.

Coach Tim Bright (USC) will be working with the Blowfish pitching staff.

Coach Bright is a graduate of Riverside High School in Greer, where he played varsity baseball for four years. During those years, the Warriors won four region titles and one AAA state championship.



Tim Bright

Rated as the No. 2 left-handed pitching prospect in SC his senior season, Coach Bright continued at USC from 2001-2003. Unfortunately, his career with the Gamecocks was cut short by an arm injury. He graduated in December 2005.

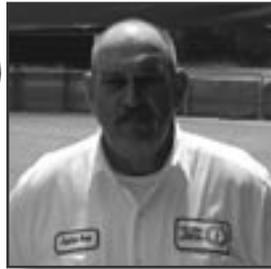
Most recently, Coach Bright handled pitchers at Spartanburg Hill High during the 2006 season.

# STADIUM OPERATIONS

The Blowfish appreciate our relationship with the Columbia Parks and Recreation. They have completed a nearly \$100,000 renovation project that returned the stadium to playing shape prior to this season.



Parks and Recreation



Bob "Captain" Hook

Not many people know Capital City Stadium any better than the venerable Captain Bob Hook. And he's got 16 years of experience to back that knowledge up.

Hired in February of 1990 as the Head Groundskeeper for Capital City Stadium, Hook is responsible for keeping "The Cap" at its best. Thanks to the City of Columbia Parks and Recreation Department the "Captain" was hired to return to his *Field of Dreams*. His duties include maintenance, field upkeep, and stadium operations.

In his tenure, Hook has seen some of baseball's best come through Columbia. From the Mets to the Bombers he's seen it all. He also boasts an impressive memorabilia collection compiled from years of games. The collection, which is said to include autographed bats and balls from Major Leaguers Chipper Jones, Andrew Jones, Derek Jeter, David Wright, and Jose Reyes, contains over 600 pieces.

In his spare time, Hook enjoys following the Mets and NASCAR Racing. He lives in Irmo with his wife Bonnie.

# 2006 SCHEDULE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>JUNE</b>				Opening Night Fireworks	1	2
				FL	SP	WM
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
WS	FA	GT	OB	PN	WM	NB
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
FA			FA	FL	WM	FL
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
FA	FA	MV	AS		FL	NB
25	26	27	28	29	30	
	PT	NB		ED	NB	

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>JULY</b>						1
Independence Day Fireworks July 1, 3 and 4						WM
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	TH	WM	OB	PN	WM	NB
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
FA	TH	WM	FA	FL		FL
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
			FL		FL	NB
23 AS	24 PT	25 NB	26	27	28	29
			FA	ED	NB	WM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>AUG</b>						5
			MV	FL	SP	WM
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
WS	FA	GT	NB		CPL Petitt Cup	
CPL Petitt Cup			Bat Giveaway June 10 First 1,000 Kids			

- North
- ED - Edenton Steamers
- OB - Outer Banks Daredevils
- PN - Peninsula Pilots
- PT - Petersburg Generals
- WS - Wilson Tobs

- South
- WM - Wilmington Sharks
- CO - Columbia Blowfish
- FA - Fayetteville Swampdogs
- FL - Florence Redwolves
- NB - New Bern River Rats

- West
- AS - Asheboro Copperheads
- GT - Gastonia Grizzlies
- MV - Martinsville Mustangs
- SP - Spartanburg Stingers
- TH - Thomasville Hitoms

**Game Times :**  
 Mon-Sat: 7:05pm  
 Sunday: 6:05pm  
 July 3rd & 4th: 6:05pm

Field Level Reserved Seating - \$5.00

General Admission: \$5.00

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## Graham Couch

Freshman  
The Citadel  
6' 1" 185 lbs.  
Outfielder  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Mainfield - Dallas, TX



Batted .327 in 52 at bats for the Bulldogs in 2006  
Two-time first team all-district and all-area, and was also the team captain his senior year  
Three-year letter winner in baseball  
Finished his prep career with a .305 batting average, while hitting .375 in his senior year  
Stole 62 bases in his career swiping 25 in his senior season  
Played for the Regional Finalist Mansfield High baseball team for Texas 5A

## Justin Smith

Junior  
The Citadel  
6' 3" 207 lbs.  
Pitcher  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Thornwell



Posted a 7-1 record with a 3.42 ERA in 73.2 innings pitched in 2006  
Appeared in 19 games, with nine starts in 2005  
Leading the Bulldogs with five wins in 2006 as of press time  
Five-sport star in high school  
Selected to 2001 North-South All-Star game

## USC SPORTS MEDICINE CENTER



The USC Sports Medicine Center will be the sports medicine provider for the 2006 Columbia Blowfish. As part of the school of medicine specialty clinics, USC Sports Medicine Center has the resources to provide comprehensive sports medicine care for the Columbia Blowfish. Those resources includes Sports Medicine trained Orthopedic surgeons, Orthopedic hand and upper extremity sports medicine surgeon, primary care sports medicine physicians, and certified athletic trainers. In addition to the Blowfish, USC Sports Medicine Center works with USC, USC-Aiken, South Carolina State University, Benedict College, Allen University, Newberry College, Columbia City Ballet, and 29 high schools and middle schools.

The USC Sports Medicine Center were previously the team orthopedic physicians for the Capital City Bombers, single A affiliate of the New York Mets. Two of centers physicians, Dr. Guy and Dr. Mazoue, both trained with Dr. James Andrews of Birmingham, Alabama. Dr. Andrews is on clinical staff with the center and travels here twice a year. USC Sports Medicine physicians are the southeastern consultants for the Seattle Mariners.

This is a joint venture between USC Sports Medicine Center the Columbia Blowfish and the USC graduate athletic training program. The certified athletic trainers are provided by USC graduate athlete trainers. Other responsibility of the athletic trainers includes covering USC athletic teams, high schools and USC intramurals.

## Brandon Waring

Sophomore  
Wofford  
6' 4" 195 lbs.  
Infield  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School: Airport



Batted .266 with four homeruns for the Terriers in 2006

Led the Terriers with 10 homeruns and 41 RBI as a true freshman in 2005

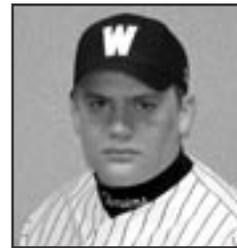
Limited due to injury in 2006

2004 SC Class AAAA Player of the Year

Batted .560 as a senior at Airport High School

## Mike Regan

Sophomore  
Wofford  
5' 10" 195 lbs.  
Outfield  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Cardinal Newman



Columbia native, who will look to emerge for the Terriers next season

Stellar career at Cardinal Newman High School capped off by senior season in which he recorded a .450 batting average

Also played American Legion baseball and high school football

## Shane Kirkley

Sophomore  
Wofford  
5' 11" 180 lbs.  
Infield  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Lugoff-Elgin



Batted .323 with 12 home runs for the Terriers in 2006

Preseason All-Southern Conference Selection at third base

Burst onto the for the Terriers in 2005, leading the team in doubles and triples while hitting .299

North-South All-Star selection in 2004 after batting .419 with 10 doubles, two triples and nine home runs

Leading the Terriers in homeruns (11) and batting average (.326) at press time

## Justin Fyle

Junior  
Charleston Southern  
6' 0" 182 lbs.  
Outfield  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Chapel Hill



Led the Bucs in nearly every offensive category in 2006, including a .352 average, eight homers and 46 RBI

Second-team Big South All-Conference Selection in 2005

Led the Bucs in nearly every offensive category as of press time, including a .352 average, eight homers and 43 RBI

Team MVP as a senior at Chapel Hill High where he batted .385

Previously attended Lorisburg, College (NC)



*Knock one out for a good cause*

Palmetto Health and the Columbia Blowfish are teaming up to sponsor Good Seats for Good Samaritans at selected home games.

The program allows Good Samaritans who bring items needed by local charities to the ballpark to receive a discount on Good Seats in return for their kind contribution.

A ticket window will be open from 6-8pm at the box office to accept the specified items or a cash donation of \$1 or more per person.

Participating fans will be eligible to purchase seats for half price.

The dates, charities, and needed items for the designated home games will appear weekly in local media outlets and on the Palmetto Health website. So come on out and support the Columbia Blowfish and our fine local charities at the selected home games during the 2006 season

- Friday, June 23      Non-perishable Items
- Saturday, July 22      School Supplies
- Saturday, August 5      Non-perishable Items

**For more information call Palmetto Health's Public Relations Department at 803-434-6891.**

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*Offer not valid with other discounts or promotions.*

## Andrew Crisp

Freshman  
 University of South Carolina  
 5' 11' 165 lbs.  
 Infielder  
 Bats Right/Throws Right  
 Hometown: Greer, SC  
 High School:



Andrew was a four year varsity starter at Greer High School and at Riverside High School (Greer, SC) under coach Chris Bates

Two all-state awards

Named to all-conference team

High school team was ranked No. 1 in the nation

Played on South Carolina Spirit (Greer) AAU team that was national runner up

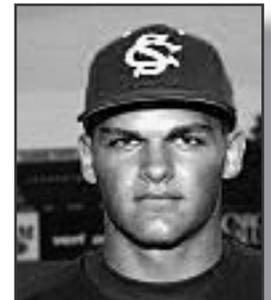
Also played high school football

Drafted in the 35th round in June 2004 by the Baltimore Orioles

Twin brother of Blowfish outfielder Adam Crisp.

## Kyle Brown

Freshman  
 University of South Carolina  
 6' 2' 195 lbs.  
 Right Handed Pitcher  
 Bats Right/Throws Right  
 Hometown: Lexington, SC



Played four years at Lexington High School under coaches Tommy Williams and Tommy Mishoe

Senior year compiled a 9-2 record with a 1.10 ERA

Member of 2005 South Carolina AAAA All-State team

Played on the 2005 SC/NC Select All-Star Team

2005 SC Region IV Player of the Year. Hobbies include playing golf, weightlifting and spending time with friends.

## William Hart

Junior  
USC-Upstate  
6' 4" 190 lbs.  
Pitcher  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Cumberland Valley  
Mechanicsburg, PA



Ranked second on the team with 20 appearances for the Spartans in 2006

Relief specialist that allowed just one homerun and struck out 17 in over 25 innings of work

Played for the New Market Rebels of the Shenandoah Valley League in 2004

## Michael Kohn

Sophomore  
USC-Upstate  
6' 2" 200 lbs.  
Infielder  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Camden



Led the Spartans with a .403 average and six homeruns in 2006

Played last summer in Coastal Plains League as member of the Florence Red Wolves

2005 CPL All-Star team

## Tony Graham

Junior  
Anderson College  
5' 10" 180 lbs.  
Infielder  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Abbeville



Hit .265 in 29 games as a true freshman for the Trojans

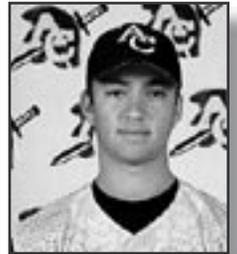
Also hit three triples and was 4-of-4 on stole base attempts

North-South All-Star at Abbeville High

All-Region selection in football

## Kyle Lewis

Junior  
Anderson College  
5' 10" 170 lbs.  
Infielder  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Battery Creek



Made 46 starts as a freshman for the Trojans

Compiled a .315 batting average with 28 RBI and three homeruns

2003 All-Region selection for Battery Creek

Voted Dolphins' Team MVP senior season



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## Sid Fallaw

Freshman  
The Citadel  
5' 10' 189 lbs.  
Catcher/Pitcher  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
W.W. King



Batting .235 with three doubles with the Bulldogs in 2006

Emerged in fall camp, seeing considerable time behind the plate and beings used in short relief

2004 and 2005 SCISA Class A Player of the Year

Helped lead W.W. King to three state championships

## Tim Martin

Sophomore  
The Citadel  
5' 10' 156 lbs.  
Pitcher  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Lexington



Compiled a 2-0 record with 2.00 ERA in six relief appearances for the Bulldogs in 2006

Appeared in 19 games, with nine starts in 2005

Leading the Bulldogs with five wins in 2006 as of press time

Five-sport star in high school

Selected to 2001 North-South All-Star game

# GAME SCORE CARD



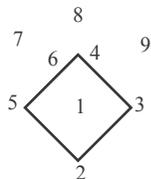
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## How To Score

Positions  
by the Numbers



### INNING 1

- ④ Single, thrown out stealing (catcher to shortstop)
- ⑧ Doubled, advanced to 3rd on a fielder's choice, scored on passed ball.
- ⑤ thrown out (2nd to 1st) - fielder's choice.
- ⓓH Hit by pitcher, took 1st base.
- ③ Flied out to center field - end of inning.

### INNING 2

- ② Walked, later forced out shortstop to 2nd base (first half of a double play).
- ⑦ Hit into a double play (shortstop to 2nd base to 1st base).
- ⑨ Hit home run.
- ⑥ Fouled out to first - end of inning.



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SYMBOLS FOR PLAY	
Single: 	Fielder's Choice: FC
Double: 	Hit by Pitch: HP
Triple: 	Wild Pitch: WP
Home Run: 	Passed Ball: PB
Walk: BB	Stolen Base: SB
Strikeout: K	Forced Out: FO
Balk: BK	Double Play: DP
Foul Fly: F	Sacrifice Fly: SF
Error: E	Sacrifice Hit: SH

SAMPLE SCORE SHEET

PLAYER	POSITION	1	2
2nd Baseman	4	2-6	
Center Fielder	8		 
3rd Baseman	5	4-3	
Designated Hitter	DH		
1st Baseman	3	8	
Catcher	2		 
Left Fielder	7		 
Right Fielder	9		
Shortstop	6		
Pitcher	1		



## Nick Chigges

Junior  
College of Charleston  
6' 1" 190 lbs.  
Pitcher  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Richland NE



2006 Preseason All Southern Conference

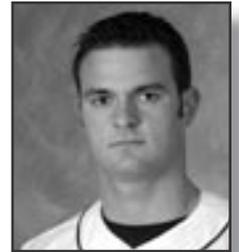
Compiled a 9-1 record with a 1.58 ERA for the Cougars in 2006

19-3 career record as a Cougar

All-Region, All-Area selection at Richland Northeast

## Josh Eachues

Junior  
Coastal Carolina  
6' 3" 205 lbs.  
Catcher  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Newberry



Batted .276 in 29 at-bats in 2006

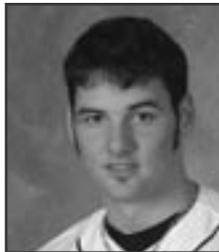
Appeared in 42 games for the Chanticleers in 2006, making 30 starts at catcher

Named Best Defensive Player twice while at Newberry

Also played football and basketball at Newberry

## David Anderson

Freshman  
Coastal Carolina  
6' 5" 220 lbs.  
Infielder  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
White Knoll



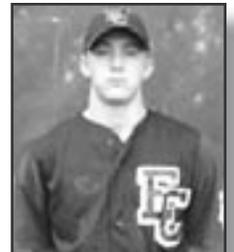
Made contributions to the Chanticleers as true freshman, batting .352 with seven doubles and three homeruns in 2006

Two-sport star at White Knoll, earning six varsity letters between football and baseball

Played summer baseball for the Palmetto Sand Gnats 18's traveling team in 2005

## Mike Moore

Sophomore  
Erskine College  
6' 1" 185 lbs.  
Pitcher  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Gilbert



Pitched 53.2 innings for the Flying Feet in 2006, compiling a 5-2 record and a 4.02 ERA

Stellar career at Gilbert High, earning Region Player of the Year honors hi senior season

Voted Best Defensive Player by high school teammates senior year

Also played American Legion baseball

## THE COASTAL PLAIN LEAGUE



The Coastal Plain League enters its 10th anniversary season as the largest summer collegiate baseball league in the nation. The last 10 years have seen the entity surge in popularity, drawing record crowds and swelling to 15 member teams.

Formed in 1997 as better geographical solution to other wood bat leagues located in the

Northeast, the CPL represents a growing trend in collegiate baseball. That trend, the need for top players to gain valuable experience while honing their skills against top competition during the summer. The 56-game schedule is played under the watchful eye of professional scouts and is fully sanctioned by both the NCAA and Major League Baseball. There are currently 16 other summer collegiate leagues throughout the country, stretching from Alaska to Cape Cod. However, only the elite leagues utilize wood bats.

Players in the CPL come from all over the country with a large concentration coming from the Southeast. Many players in the CPL played high school baseball near their Coastal Plain team or come from the surrounding areas of their team's home city.

League coaches come from prominent programs across the country, where they serve as assistants during their regular seasons. Each coach is responsible for recruiting players for his own 25-man roster.

Players must be deemed eligible for participation in the CPL by adhering to three primary requirements. They must have at least one year of college eligibility remaining and must not be recruited by a coach from their own program. Additionally, a restriction of four players from each program represented is placed on each club.

The league's 56-game regular season schedule is split into two halves of 28 games used for determining seeding for the championship tournament, The Pettitt Cup. Three division winners from each half qualify for the championship tournament, while two at large teams are also selected. If a team wins its division for both halves of the season, additional at-large teams are selected. The eight teams are then seeded according to record.

The CPL also boasts many storied alumni. A league-best 67 players were drafted in 2005, raising the overall number of Coastal Plain draftees to 365 over nine seasons. Many other have gone on to sign as free agents or play professionally in an independent league. The CPL has 17 players currently on Major League rosters with such notables as Detroit closer Justin Verlander, Pittsburgh third baseman Ty Wigginton, Anaheim tAdditionally, Hook was part of the nearly \$100,000 renovation project that returned the stadium to playing shape prior to this season.hird baseman Dallas McPherson, Washington third baseman Ryan Zimmerman and Boston first baseman Kevin Youkillus.

[www.coastalplain.com](http://www.coastalplain.com)

## THE BLOWFISH CONNECTION:

The Columbia Blowfish unique team moniker is shared by some of South Carolina's favorite sons. Capital City Stadium and Hootie & the Blowfish have some great memories...



*Left to Right - Jim Sonefeld, Dean Felber, Darius Rucker, and Mark Bryan*

Together over the years. "The Cap" was the venue for Hootie's Homecoming Concert back in 1994 with over 11,000 in attendance to welcome home the number one band in the world.

Last November, team President Bill Shanahan announced that Columbia's new Coastal Plan League franchise would be dubbed the "Blowfish" in honor of SC's native multi-platinum recording artists Hootie and the Blowfish.

"We wanted to find a catchy name that people here can identify with," said Shanahan. "We think that we can find that with the association with the name 'Blowfish' What better way to implement a unique name and pay homage to a great band."

"There were three names that we considered for the team each to honor Columbia. The first was the Gems, which was a championship team from the fifties who played at Capital City Park and build on the baseball rich tradition. Second was the Raiders in honor of Jimmy Doolittle's Raiders who trained here in their B25 Bombers on their way to their heroic attack on Japan in 1942. Finally, Blowfish, In honor of Columbia's great musical group." Shanahan continued, "I touched base with Soni (Jim Sonefeld/Drummer of Hootie and the Blowfish) who lives in Columbia, and asked his thoughts and blessing. Soni said "That's Cool!" Well history was made and once again the Blowfish were ready to make their imprint on Columbia and the nation as Blowfish mania is back on.

Hootie and the Blowfish, who recently finished work on their fifth album, formed in a dormitory when the members were freshmen at USC. From there, the band played small concerts at bars and clubs in the Columbia area before eventually touring the East Coast. Eventually, a talent scout from Atlantic records signed the band. In 1994, Atlantic released the band's first album entitled Cracked Rear View, which eventually moved to No. 1 on the billboard charts after the band performed live on the David Letterman Show. A national sensation was born.



*"Blowie the Blowfish" with USC Intern Christine Tometich*

to their rise to prominence.

Members of Hootie and the Blowfish include: Mark Bryan, Dean Felber, Darius Rucker, and Jim Sonefeld.

For further updates, go to [www.hootie.com](http://www.hootie.com)

To date, the album has sold 16 million copies and counting, garnering numerous awards along the way. It ranks as the 12th best-selling release of all-time.

The band has followed with three more albums since and is scheduled to release their fifth record, Looking for Lucky.

Despite national stardom and acclaim though, the band members are still frequent visitors to Columbia and still play many of the venues that led

## Jordan Costner

Sophomore  
Spartanburg Methodist  
6' 2" 200 lbs.  
Pitcher  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
Dorman



Was a perfect 7-for-7 on save opportunities to lead Region X

Closer on a staff that compiled a 3.08 team ERA in 2006

Played for the New Bern River Rats in the Coastal Plain League last summer

## Jamall Kinard

Sophomore  
Spartanburg Methodist  
6' 0" 185 lbs.  
Infielder/Outfielder  
Bats Left/Throws Right  
High School:  
Newberry



Versatile player that could see time in a utility role

Bated over .300 in senior season at Newberry High

All-Region selection as a senior for Newberry High

## Nicklaus Godwin

Sophomore  
Spartanburg Methodist  
5' 11" 200 lbs.  
Pitcher  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
High School:  
North Augusta



Compiled a 5-1 record with a 2.11 ERA in 47 innings for the Pioneers in 2006

Struck out 59 batters in 2006 to lead Region X

Played last summer for the Fauquier Gators of the Clark Griffith Collegiate Baseball League

## Sterling Dye

Sophomore  
Florence-Darlington Tech  
5' 10" 175 lbs.  
Infielder  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
Hometown:  
High School:  
Brookland-Cayce



Led the Stingers with a .442 average and four home runs in 2006

Stole 19 bases in 19 attempts in 2006

Played high school baseball less three miles from Capital City Stadium

Compiled a .426 batting average and hit six homers as a senior at Brookland-Cayce

2003 SC Class AAA Player of the Year

## HISTORIC CAPITAL CITY STADIUM

As the Blowfish open their inaugural season at historic Capital City Stadium, they do so with a great sense of pride in the past. Columbia has a rich baseball history, and "The Cap" is a big part of it.



*Capital City Stadium seen from above*

Playing host to baseball in the heart of downtown Columbia since 1921, the historic site on the corner of South Assembly Street has logged millions of innings and thousands of superstars. Many Major League players started their careers right behind the railroad tracks in Columbia. The tradition continues this year.

Baseball has been played at this site since 1921, though the ballpark itself has gone through a battery of changes in its storied history. Not much else save the playing field looks like it did 80 years ago.

The most sweeping change came in 1990, when the current grandstand was constructed in time for the 1991 season. The renovation brought the facility's capacity up to 6,000 and makes for the look and feel that most Columbia baseball fans know today. Dimensions of the stadium are 330 feet to left field, 395 to center, and 320 feet down the right field line.

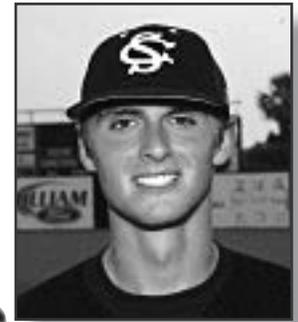
Following the departure of Columbia's last Minor League team, the Capital City Bombers, at the end of the 2004 season, the stadium was vacant for the first time in its history. But it wouldn't be that way for long.

Through an agreement with HWS Baseball and the City of Columbia, Bill Shanahan, a former Bombers General Manager in the mid 1990's who drew record crowds during his tenure, revived the storied ballpark and brought summer baseball back to Columbia with the introduction of a Coastal Plain League (Summer Collegiate Baseball) franchise in 2005.

Following the announcement of the franchise's arrival, the city began a near \$100,000 renovation project, which included construction of new outfield walls, extensive painting and power washing, and locker room upgrades among others.

## Adam Crisp

Sophomore  
University of South Carolina  
6' 170 lbs.  
Outfielder  
Bats Right/Throws Right  
Hometown: Greer, SC



Andrew played two years at Greer High School and two years at Riverside High School (Greer, SC) under coach Chris Bates

High school team was ranked No. 1 in the nation

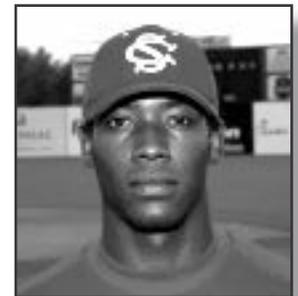
Played on South Carolina Spirit (Greer) AAU team that was national runner up

Drafted in the 38th round in June 2004 by the Baltimore Orioles

Twin brother of Blowfish infielder Andrew Crisp.

## DeAngelo Mack

Freshman  
University of South Carolina  
5' 10' 185 lbs.  
Outfielder  
Bats Left/Throws Left  
Hometown: W. Columbia, SC



Played four seasons at Aiport High School under coaches Kris Kirkland and Tommy Allen

Senior season batted .520 with 11 HR and junior season finished with a .486 batting average as well as three HR

Attended Team One National Showcase and named to Team One South Top 30 list

2004 South Carolina AAAA All-State selection and named to 2005 South Carolina AAA All-State team Member of 2005 SC/NC Select All-Star team

Played summer baseball with Palmetto Sand Gnats and coach Mark Bonnette.

# CAPITAL CITY STADIUM INFORMATION

**BEER SALES:** Proper identification will be required and checked for any person who appears to be under the age of 30. Beer will not be served to anyone under the legal drinking age or who is deemed intoxicated. Any fan caught using a false identification to purchase alcohol or any fan caught purchasing alcohol for a minor will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

**BOTTLES/CANS/COOLERS/FOOD:** The City of Columbia prohibits entering the park with any of the before listed items. Stadium personnel at the gates will ask fans to dispose of these items or to return them to their cars.

**CONCESSION STANDS:** Food stands are spaced around the concourse, serving a variety of ballpark food..

**DIAPER TABLES:** Diaper changing tables are available in the ladies room along the third base concourse and the men's room along the first base concourse.

**EMERGENCIES:** Please report immediately to the nearest Blowfish staff member or uniformed security officer, or go directly to the Guest Services booth behind the home plate stands in the Souvenir Shop.

**FIRST AID:** Available at the Guest Services booth behind the home plate stands in the Souvenir Shop.

**FOUL BALLS:** Fouls may be kept as souvenirs if hit into the seating areas. Fans are not permitted on the field or allowed to reach into the playing area. Any fan entering or attempting to enter the playing area will be ejected. The Blowfish are not liable for injuries caused by thrown or batted balls. Please stay alert!

**GAME TIMES:** Monday-Saturday games are at 7:05pm and Sundays are 6:05pm. The only exceptions are July 3rd and 4th - 6:05 pm.

**GATES OPEN:** One hour before the scheduled start of that day's game.

**GUEST SERVICES:** This booth, located behind the home plate stands in the Souvenir Shop, will be staffed all game long. Come here with questions, problems, comments, and prize claims.

**HANDICAPPED FANS:** Special parking and seating is available. Please inquire at the gate, ask at Guest Services, or call 254-FISH for assistance.

**COLLEGE CORNER:** Picnic area on the third base side of the ballpark--available for group bookings.

**LOST AND FOUND:** Turn in all items to Guest Services behind the home plate stands in the Souvenir Shop.

**P.A. ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Fans are NOT permitted in the press box...submit requests to Guest Services in the Souvenir Shop.

**PEPSI STADIUM CLUB:** Indoor banquet facility on the first base side of the ballpark--available for group bookings both on game days and open dates year round.

**PLAYLAND:** Playground for children that can be found on the third base side, near the College Corner.

**RAIN CHECK POLICY:** Tickets for any game rained out or canceled can be exchanged for a bench seat ticket to any regular season, non-restricted game. No exchange can be honored if an official game has been played (five innings).

**RESTROOMS:** There are men's and women's restrooms on both the first and third base sides of the concourse, and all are accessible to the handicapped.

**SMOKING:** NOT permitted in the seating areas of Capital City Stadium at any time. Designated areas are available at either end of the concourse and at two marked locations in the concourse.

**WILL CALL WINDOW:** Located at the ticket office. Advance ticket orders and any pass-list tickets may be picked up here.

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Two Day Skills Camp/Capital City Stadium

Dates:

July 17,18 (ages 6-12) 8:30am-3:30pm

July 19,20 (ages 13-17) 8:30am-3:30pm

All the basic fundamentals –with Blowfish Coaches and players plus WTTBL staff instruction.

**\$125.00 (lunch provided) plus all campers will receive a Blowfish T Shirts**

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Welcome To the Big Leagues at 803-260-5432

3510 Bush River Road

Columbia, South Carolina 29210

## Curtis Dowling

Freshman

College of Charleston

5' 10' 170 lbs.

Pitcher

Bats Right/Throws Right

High School:

Irmo



Recorded three relief appearances for the Cougars in 2006, posting a 4.15 ERA

Stellar career at Irmo capped by a senior season in which he registered a 5-3 record with a 0.42 ERA with 62 strikeouts in 42 innings pitched

North-South All-Star

Also earned three letters in varsity football as a quarterback, wide receiver and kicker

## GOODBYE TO A FRIEND

On March 1, 2006, the Coastal Plain League lost one of its biggest supporters, a dear friend, and a strong root to its existence. Warren Spivey, former owner of the CPL's Outer Banks Daredevils passed away after a long battle with cancer. The 6-4 Spivey was a pretty good pitcher in his day and was even offered a minor league contract. But he went into the trucking industry, and then shortly thereafter, started his own company: Spivey Rentals, a very successful rental supply company.



Photo by Owen Hassell

Spivey was a self-made man and he never let his success allow him to forget his past. For him, baseball wasn't just a game, but a passion that ran hard through every part of his body. It was also a way for him to give back; a way for him to help create better opportunities for kids of all ages.

He coached a Colt League team, as well as an American Legion team. He donated not only money, but labor and time to help create better facilities, like at Nansemond River High School in Suffolk, Va. He did the same for Virginia Wesleyan, where his son Evan attended, and he was honored by Old Dominion University with the school's Bud Metheny Award in 2001 for his long-time support in raising money for the athletic programs there.

But perhaps his biggest love was that of the Outer Banks Daredevils, which he owned up through the summer of 2005. In the Coastal Plain League, Spivey was a rare gem. Every year he made the summer an unforgettable one for those 22-plus kids that filled the Daredevils roster. A great friend and patron to the league as a whole, Spivey's Daredevils won two Coastal Plain League Petitt

Cup Tournament Championships that will always be remembered for putting a smile on his face. One who often didn't see eye-to-eye with everything going on, but nevertheless gave it his whole-hearted support, Spivey was often the loudest one in the stands, heckling the umpires at home games, as well as those on the road. For some, he was a pain in the rear, but one you definitely wouldn't want to get rid of.

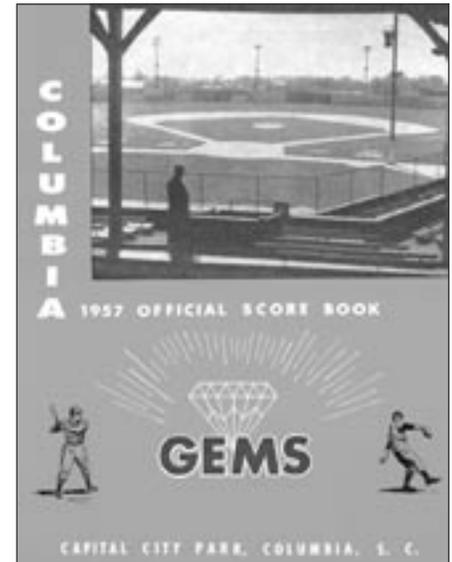
And so, for the entire 2006 CPL season, the Coastal Plain League and its 15 member clubs will be remembering Warren Spivey and his many contributions to the game of baseball by wearing a patch with the initials "WS" on the rear pocket of every player's pants. We'll miss you Warren, but know you're with us every time we play ball!

# COLUMBIA HISTORY

## *The Rich Tradition of Baseball*

Professional baseball has been part of Columbia for more than a century—the first recognized team here dates back to 1892. For much of the sport’s local history there has only been one home for Columbia’s pro teams—and the current Capital City Stadium stands on that location, dedicated as Dreyfuss Field back in 1927. You can tell the baseball tradition runs deep in the Midlands of South Carolina, now stretching from the 19<sup>th</sup> century to the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Teams have been fielded with names like the Skyscrapers, Gamecocks, Comers, Reds, Gems, Mets, and Bombers. In fact, baseball’s heritage here more resembles a patchwork quilt than a finely woven tapestry:



1892	Columbia	South Atlantic League	League disbanded
1896	Columbia	South Atlantic League	Team disbanded
1904	Skyscrapers	South Atlantic League	Changed name for 1905
1905-1910	Gamecocks	South Atlantic League	Changed name for 1911
1911	Commies	South Atlantic League	Changed name for 1912
1912	Comers	South Atlantic League	Team disbanded
1914-1917	Comers	South Atlantic League	League disbanded in 1917
1919-1923	Comers	South Atlantic Association	Moved to Gastonia mid-1923
1925-1930	Comers	South Atlantic Association	League disbanded in 1930
1934	Sandlappers	Piedmont League	Moved to Asheville midseason
1936-1937	Senators	South Atlantic League	Changed name for 1938
1938-1955	Reds	South Atlantic League	Changed name for 1956
1956-1957	Gems	South Atlantic League	Team disbanded
1960-1961	Reds	South Atlantic League	Team disbanded
1983-1992	Mets	South Atlantic League	Changed name for 1993
1992-2004	Bombers	South Atlantic League	Moved to Greenville
2006-	Blowfish	Coastal Plain League	Current

\*Note: the Columbia Reds did not field a team 1943-1945.



1941 Reds

## SUMMER FUN AT "THE CAP"

All summer long Capital City Stadium will be the place to be with great baseball, food and family entertainment. New for the Inaugural Blowfish Season is the expanded Kids Playland sponsored by Childrens Hospital.

Kids! Bring your Swimsuits and join Blowie on the Inflatable WaterSlide plus we've got more water themes in the playland Noah's Ark Jumpouse .

You can ride the waterslide and jump in the jumpouse all night long with a \$5.00 amusement wristband.

Or book your group picnic of 75 or more and the kids receive a free wristband!!

Call and book your picnic today



*Above: Blowie checking out the New Childrens Playland Water Slide*



*Right: Blowie getting a heads up on the Playland*



## HAVE A PICNIC AT THE BALLPARK

Capital City Stadium has the perfect summer picnic area for your company or group! Entertain your employees, clients, friends or fellow club members while watching collegiate baseball at its best in your own hometown. All picnics begin service one hour before scheduled game time and last 90 minutes.



*Pepsi Stadium Club*

There is a minimum group size of 75 for the Pepsi Stadium Club along the first base line.

Groups of 100 or more may have exclusivity in our College Corner picnic area along the third base line.

Cash bar is available to all picnics. A hostess/bartender will be provided for all your needs. Ask your event coordinator about customizing your menu for any of your unique needs. All picnics of 100 or more take place in The College Corner located down the left field line. All picnic prices include the cost of one general admission ticket!

### ***Joltin' Joe - \$15.00 PER PERSON***

All-you-can-eat ballpark classic

Includes your ticket:

- Hot Dogs
- Hamburgers
- Lettuce, tomato, cheese, and pickle tray
- Choice of coleslaw or potato salad
- Chips and cookies
- Soft Drinks

### ***Hammerin' Hank - \$18.00 PER PERSON***

Touch all the bases with a bit of everything

Includes your ticket:

- Chicken Breast
- Lettuce, tomato, cheese, and pickle tray
- BBQ
- Choice of coleslaw or potato salad
- Corn on the cob
- Chips and cookies
- Soft Drinks

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## SKIP ANDERSON

Executive Director of Operations



*Skip Anderson*

Skip Anderson (USC) makes his return to Capital City Stadium this summer to serve as the Blowfish' first Executive Director of Operations. Previously, Skip served as Director of Food and Beverages for the Capital City Bombers.

Anderson oversees the team's food and Beverage, business operations and special

event planning. A retired banker with 25 years of experience at Wachovia, Anderson will serve as the team's chief financial officer in addition to his duties in food and beverage, business operations, and special event planning. Anderson also owns and operates Tri-State Event Merchandising, a company specializing in innovative licensed memorabilia. Tri-State, which is based in Columbia, is the official merchandise provider for concerts, shows, and special events throughout the area.

Skip and his wife Joanne have two daughters, LauraKate and AnnaBrook. Both attend Cardinal Newman High School in Columbia, where Joanne serves as a teacher.

## DAN SHANAHAN

Director of Baseball Operations



*Dan Shanahan*

Dan Shanahan (University of Mobile) begins his first season with the Blowfish as Director of Baseball Operations. His duties include coordinating the Blowfish sales and advertising department, player development and practices and running game day operations.

A lifelong Gamecock fan and Columbia native, Dan is the

son of Blowfish owner Bill Shanahan and will look to continue the his family's tradition of bringing quality baseball to the Columbia area. Shanahan grew up in Columbia, attending Oak Grove Elementary School and Ben Lippen Middle School.

Dan also brings a wealth of baseball experience and knowledge to the table. A right handed pitcher, Dan was the San Diego Padres 45th round choice of the 2000 Major League Baseball Draft and pitched collegiately at the University of Mobile in Alabama.



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Baseball Operations/ Player Development



Scott Eddins (USC) begins his first season with the Blowfish, working in baseball operations player development and clubhouse management. His duties will include overseeing the Blowfish' merchandising division, stadium upkeep, and practice operations.

Eddins, a recent graduate of the University of South Carolina's Sport and Entertainment Management program,

is no stranger to Capital City Stadium. As a student at Carolina, Scott completed his practicum with the Capital City Bombers before serving as an intern with the Blowfish this spring. Following an impressive body of work in those capacities, Eddins was retained for the 2006 season.

## THE 2006 INTERNS

It's no secret that the Columbia Blowfish have a distinct connection to the University of South Carolina. Aside from the obvious geographical similarities, the Blowfish' first four players were Gamecocks signed shortly after the team's inception. The team's Executive Director of Operations, Skip Anderson, is a USC graduate. And USC baseball coach Ray Tanner won't likely be a stranger to Capital City Stadium this summer.

But the relationship doesn't end there.

Actually, nothing is further from the truth, as the entire Blowfish front office is staffed by interns from USC's Sport and Entertainment Management program.

Eight students will handle many aspects of the team, including marketing, sales, business operations and media relations. Two other students, Amanda Snow and Scott Eddins, interned for the Blowfish this fall and were retained as full-time staff.

"It's fun," said Eddins, who graduated from USC in May. "I've gained experience here that I'll use the rest of my life. Besides, you can't beat going to work at the ballpark every day."

Like Eddins, the interns will be spending plenty of time at the stadium this summer. A typical game day could involve a 14-hour work schedule spent doing everything from selling concessions to assuming the role of "Blowie", the team's mascot, for the evening. Off-days entail a regular 9-to-5 routine.

Though the interns will not be paid, they will be compensated for expenses and receive a scholarship for the summer.

"This is a great opportunity," said team president Bill Shanahan at an intern orientation meeting in early May. "You're going to be able to have your hand in everything around here. You'll get to do everything for this team from painting to pocket schedules. And you'll never be asked to do something that I haven't done before."



Community Relations/Ticket Operations



Amanda Snow begins the Blowfish' inaugural season as the team's director of community relations and ticket operations. She assists Skip Anderson in special event planning and heads up the Blowfish' ticketing department, including season tickets, group sales, and printing.

As a practicum student at USC, Amanda implemented the Blowfish' first ticketing system this spring and served as the team director of community relations simultaneously. She will continue to serve in both roles this summer.

Shanahan, who was an adjunct professor for the USC Sport and Entertainment Management department during his time as general manager for the Capital City Bombers in the early 90's, designed the internship program with input from USC Sport and Entertainment Management Department

Chairman Tom Regan.

"When I found out that Bill (Shanahan) was coming back one of the first calls I made was to reestablish that relationship we had in the past with our internship program," said Regan. "From there, Bill basically spearheaded a program where our students would be heavily involved in all the various aspects of the team with a high level of responsibility."

USC regularly provided interns for Shanahan's Bomber teams in the early 90's and continued the practice until the team left town in 2004. But the impact of interns on the day-to-day operations of the team was minimal due to long season, according to Regan.

"The main difference here is that with the short season, we have students responsible for each area of the team with the appropriate levels of guidance and sheltering from Bill," Regan said. "I think (this internship) is going to lead to better overall experience for the students in regards to responsibility and a very good opportunity to pursue a career in Minor League or professional

baseball if that's what they desire."

Regan said the educational experience and job opportunities provided in the internship should serve students in the future.

"My hope is that they will see how to do things right," Regan explained. "In doing this internship they should be able to see what goes into running a good organization and producing a quality product, because that's what Bill Shanahan does. Ultimately though, I want them to leave with the hands-on experience necessary to earn a job in baseball. That's the goal."



*Left to Right --Back: Travis Reed,, Adam Hoey, Brantley Strickland, Ross Philbeck, Rip Ripley, Ben Waring--Front: Nairem Morah, Christine Tometich*

# “When I think of a hospital, I think of Baptist.”



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