



KEN SPARKS
CARSON-NEWMAN HEAD COACH

How do you measure greatness on the football field? Is it the number of championships? Is it the number of players that go on to the professional ranks? Is it the accolades of the fans and your fellow coaches? Or is it something much bigger, something that runs much deeper? Is greatness measured by how you impact the lives of those you come into contact with? Carson-Newman head coach Ken Sparks would tell you it is the latter.

For coach Sparks, football is a learning laboratory where he

and his staff strive to develop the whole person- educationally, socially, athletically and spiritually. The Eagles' football program is built on Christian principles and it is the driving force behind coach Sparks. While the on-the-field success is what garners the headlines, coach Sparks will tell you it's what's in the heart that really matters.

Since he took over the Eagle program in 1980, Sparks has built a national football powerhouse first at the NAIA level and now at the NCAA Division II level. The numbers speak for themselves when examining the success coach Sparks has brought to the Eagle football program- Five national championships, four national runner-up finishes, 20 South Atlantic Conference (SAC) championships and 22 NAIA or NCAA playoff appearances.

A respected and well-known coach at any level, Sparks has accumulated the best won-lost record and highest winning percentage of any coach in C-N football history. In 29 seasons at the wheel of the Eagle machine, the 1968 C-N graduate has guided his troops to a 274-67-2 record and has won games at a .808 clip. That winning percentage ranks him second in NCAA Division II among active coaches and puts him fourth among active coaches in all divisions of the NCAA.

KEN SPARKS
Head Football Coach, Carson-Newman College

Wife:

Carol (Jones) Sparks

High School Education:

Knoxville Young High School

College Education:

B.S. Carson-Newman College, 1968

M.A. Tennessee Tech University, 1971

College Football Playing Experience:

1966-67, Wide Receiver Carson-Newman

Coaching Career:

-Carson-Newman, Head Coach, 1980-Present

-Knoxville Farragut High School, Head Coach, 1977-79

-Carson-Newman, Asst. Coach/Head Track Coach, 1972-76

-Morristown East High School, Head Coach, 1971

-Tennessee Tech, Assistant Coach, 1970

-Knoxville Gibbs High School, Head Coach, 1968-69

Coach of the Year Honors:

-SAC Coach of the Year - 1982, 1983, 1986, 1989-'91, 1993, 1996-'97, 2002 and 2003

-NAIA Coach of the Year, 1984

-Fellowship of Christian Athletes Nat. Coach of the Year, 1999

-American Football Coaches Magazine Coach of the Year, 1999

-Tennessee Sports Writers Assoc. Coach of the Year, 1999, 2002

-Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette National Coach of the Year, 1999

Professional Honors:

- Inducted into South Atlantic Conference Hall of Fame, 2007

- Inducted into Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame, 2004

- President, American Football Coaches Association, 2007

- Inducted into Knoxville Sports Hall of Fame, 2001

- Inducted into Carson-Newman Hall of Fame, 1989

- Inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame, 2008

- Named Head Coach, Carson-Newman *Team of the Century*



Sparks has won 276 games in his 29 seasons at Mossy Creek. He currently has the most wins of any Division II coach, and is fourth among active coaches at all levels of college football.

The run of success began in 1982, when Sparks guided the Eagles to a 10-2 record and an NAIA playoff berth during his third season on the job. Carson-Newman lost in the first round that year, but things in Jefferson City would never be the same again. The following year, Sparks led C-N to its second-straight SAC-8 (SAC) title and back to the playoffs. The Eagles breezed through the first two rounds and upset heavily favored Mesa State in the NAIA Champion Bowl, 36-28, to capture the first national football title in school history.

After winning that first title in 1983, Carson-Newman went on to win four more NAIA national crowns. The Eagles



Sparks was inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame in the spring of 2008. He is pictured with former Eagle head coach Dal Shealy, and former C-N All-American and assistant head coach Carl Torbush.

brought home championships by tying Central Arkansas (19-19) in 1984 and by beating Cameron (17-0) in 1986, Adams State (56-21) in 1988 and Emporia State (34-20) in 1989.

As would be expected for someone with his long list of accomplishments, Sparks has become one of the most-decorated coaches in college football. He was named NAIA Coach of the Year in 1984 and has been voted South Atlantic Conference Coach of the Year by his peers 11 times. He was named the Fellowship of Christian Athletes National Coach of the Year, the *American Football Coach Magazine* Division II Coach of the Year and the Tennessee Sports Writers Association Coach of the Year in 1999. He was also named the Tennessee Sports Writers Association College Coach of the Year again in 2002.

A native of Knoxville, Tenn., Sparks began his coaching career in his hometown by restarting the football team at Gibbs High School. The former C-N wide receiver posted a winning record in his first full season there before moving on to Tennessee Tech to coach the quarterbacks and receivers.

After earning his Master's degree at TTU, Sparks made a one-year stop as head coach at Morristown (Tenn.) East High School before returning to C-N. His new job was to direct the track program and coordinate the offense for coach Dal Shealy, a retired executive director of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes

After Sparks' return, the Carson-Newman football team advanced to its first-ever Champion Bowl in 1972, where the Eagles lost to East Texas State. Sparks also gained personal distinction in 1977, when he was named the Southern Collegiate Track Coach of the Year.

In the fall of 1977, Sparks returned to Knoxville and the high school ranks to become head coach at Farragut. In three seasons, Sparks guided the Admirals to a 29-5 record. He was twice voted KIL and KFA Coach of the Year for his performances. Among the pupils he tutored was Bill Bates, who went on to a distinguished career at the University of

Tennessee and with the Dallas Cowboys. Then, in 1980, he got the call from Carson-Newman to return the football program to its success of the early 1970s.

Coach Sparks' dedication to being a leader and ambassador for college football was wholly rewarded in February, when he was named as president of the American Football Coaches Association. With the honor, Sparks joins some of college football's most successful coaches, including former University of Alabama great Paul "Bear" Bryant and current University of Tennessee head coach Phillip Fulmer.

He is a member of Manley Baptist Church of Morristown and is heavily involved in various Christian organizations like the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Sparks was inducted into the South Atlantic Conference Hall of Fame in June. He is the SAC's all-time leader in career wins, with 161 entering this season. He was inducted into the Knoxville Sports Hall of the Fame in 2001 and is a member of the Carson-Newman Athletic Hall of Fame. He also received the All-American Football Foundation's Johnny Vaught Lifetime Achievement Award in 2002. He was named to the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame in 2004.

Sparks most recent honor came this spring when he was inducted into the NAIA HALL of Fame after leading the Eagles to five national titles in the 1980's.

Coach Sparks and his wife, Carol, reside in Jefferson City.

Ken Sparks (30th Season)

Second Past President, AFCA, Current President AFCA, 2007

- NAIA National Champions - 1983, '84, '86, '88, '89**
- National Runners-Up - NAIA 1987, NCAA D-II 1996, '98, '99
- SAC Champions (20) - 1982-'84, '86, '88-'91, '93-'99, '02-'04, '07-'08
- SAC Coach of the Year - 1982, '83, '86, '89-'91, '93, '96-'97, 2002 and '03
- NAIA Coach of the Year, 1984
- American Football Coaches Magazine D-II Coach of the Year, '99
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes National C.O.Y., '99
- American Football Coaches Magazine Coach of the Year, '99
- Tennessee Sports Writers Assoc. Coach of the Year, '99, '02
- Inducted into NAIA Hall of Fame, 2008
- Inducted into South Atlantic Conference Hall of Fame, 2007
- Inducted into Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame, 2004

Quick Facts

- All-Time Record - 274-67-2 (.801)**
- All-Time Postseason Record - 34-16-1
- All-Time SAC Record - 166-37 (.812)
- First in All-Time Wins, NCAA Division II
- First in All-Time Wins, South Atlantic Conference
- First in All-Time Wins, Carson-Newman
- No regular season with more than three losses since 1987



MIKE TURNER

OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, EAGLE CLUB

25th Year

CARSON-NEWMAN, 1973

Mike Turner returns as the Eagles' offensive coordinator. He is the architect of an Eagle offense that is one of the most potent in college football. He has been offensive coordinator for 18 seasons but his ties to Carson-Newman span almost three decades.

Last season, the Eagles led the nation with 310 rushing yards per game.

In 2007, the Eagles became the first team in SAC history to score at least 49 points in each conference game. C-N finished as the national leader in pass efficiency, as well as finishing second in scoring offense, third in rushing offense, and ninth in total offense, despite resting its starters in the second half of a number of games.

Coach Turner is the offensive line coach in addition to his offensive coordinator responsibilities. In 2004, he coached three offensive All-Americans, tight end Leonard Weaver (now a Seattle Seahawk), as well as linemen Caleb Crothers and Reggie Perkins.

A 1973 graduate of C-N, Turner played center on the football team here and was a member of the 1972 Champion Bowl squad, the first C-N team to reach a national title game. After graduation, he went on to serve as assistant coach at such schools as Randleman (N.C.) High School, Lees-McRae College and Catawba College.

Turner returned to his alma mater to coach the offensive line from 1980-84, helping the Eagles win two national championships during that time. Turner then left C-N to serve as offensive coordinator at the University of North Alabama in 1985 and 1986, helping the Lions to a runner-up finish in NCAA Division II in his first season there. He returned to C-N as offensive coordinator from 1987-91 and saw the Eagles win two more national titles. In 1992, Turner returned to the high school ranks. He served as head football coach at Science Hill High School in Johnson City, Tenn., where his squads went 18-6 in Turner's two seasons.

Following that successful 1993 season, Turner relinquished his coaching duties at SHHS and came home once again. On that occasion, he was hired to increase membership and giving to the Eagle Club, the fund-raising arm of the athletic department. He added coaching to his job description the following year.

In 2003, Turner received the top honor given to assistant coaches. He was named the Division II Assistant Coach of the Year by the American Football Coaches Association. Turner and his wife, Conni, reside in Jefferson City. They have two children, Jenni and Josh.



JIM DEATON

DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

25th Year

CARSON-NEWMAN, 1974

Jim Deaton returns to Carson-Newman for his third stint and 25th season as defensive coordinator.

Deaton first left C-N to become athletic director at Campbellsville University in 1999. He returned to the Eagles coaching staff in 2001 to again become defensive coordinator. After four more seasons in Jefferson City, Deaton went back to Campbellsville, this time as head football coach.

While serving as defensive coordinator for C-N, Deaton has produced 52 All-Conference and 14 All-American players. Many of those players - David Pool, Joe Fishback, Clayton Holmes, Marq Cerqua, Todd Collins, Cedric Killings and Steve Josue - went on to play in the NFL.

A member of the 1972 Carson-Newman team, which played in the first national championship game in school history, Deaton has installed a winning attitude in all of his defenses at C-N. In his 24 seasons with Sparks, Deaton has been a part of 18 South Atlantic Conference championships, including 15 in his last 17 years.

Deaton will inherit a defense that returns three All-SAC performers, led by first team selections Mario Russell (Columbus, Ohio), at safety, and Brian Brown (Hartwell, Ga.) at linebacker. He has also already coached two Eagles he'll have on this year's unit. Senior Denares Waites (Alma, Ga.), a preseason All-American in 2008 before a wrist injury, was a redshirt in 2004, while defensive end Donte' Strickland (Louisburg, N.C.) was a true freshman that year.

Deaton began his coaching career after his 1974 graduation from C-N. After serving three seasons as a coach at Morristown East High School, he was named the head coach at J.J. Kelly High School in Wise, Virginia. He posted an impressive 18-2 record in two seasons before moving back to East Tennessee to work with coach Sparks at Farragut High School in Knoxville and later at Carson-Newman.

Jim and his wife, Delphine, reside in Jefferson City. They have two grown children - Amy and Ben.



MIKE CLOWNEY
ASSISTANT HEAD COACH / LINEBACKERS
3rd Year
CARSON-NEWMAN, 1997

Mike Clowney returns for his second stint and third year overall as coach of the Eagle linebackers.

Prior to rejoining the C-N staff, Clowney spent the last three seasons as head coach and athletic director at Emerald High School in Greenwood, S.C.

Clowney is no stranger to the Eagles' program as he is recognized as one of the greatest defensive players in the history of C-N. He still holds the school record for tackles in a game as he had 23 in a 1996 game against Wingate.

The Union, S.C., native was selected first team All-American in 1996 by several organizations, including the Associated Press. He was named the South Atlantic Conference Defensive Player of the Year and the C-N Male Athlete of the Year in 1996. He helped lead the Eagles to their first appearance in the NCAA Division II National Championship game.

Prior to his first coaching stint at C-N, Clowney came to Mossy Creek from Greenwood High school in Greenwood, S.C., where he was the defensive coordinator and inside linebacker coach from 1999-2003. He helped lead Greenwood to back-to-back state championships in 1999-2000. Clowney served as a graduate assistant at C-N from 1996-99. He received his master's degree in 1999.

Clowney and his wife, Carrie, reside in Jefferson City.



MIKE WHITLEY
DEFENSIVE ENDS / SPECIAL TEAMS
30th Year
APPALACHIAN STATE, 1971

Mike Whitley is in his 30th year as the outside linebackers and special teams coach for the Carson-Newman Eagles. He has been with coach Sparks since he took over as head coach in 1980.

The evidence of coach Whitley's influence on the Eagle linebackers is very evident. Twenty-one outside linebackers Whitley has coached have been awarded All-Conference honors. Four of those players – Jerome Taylor, Mark Isom, Darryl Gooden and Steve Josue – went on to earn All-American accolades for their play. His special teams players have turned in outstanding performances as well. A total of 39 pupils of Whitley's have earned all-league acclaim, including Damon Wright, a three-time All-SAC return specialist, who signed with the Washington Redskins in 1994.

Whitley's coaching position changed some in 2005 as the Eagles moved to a 4-3 defensive front, and he began coaching more traditional defensive ends. Since the move, Whitley has had two Eagles earn All-SAC honors, including senior Darius Wrentz. Wrentz was named first team All-SAC in 2007, and was a preseason All-American candidate last season, after helping the Eagles finish 7th-nationally in team pass sacks.

As special teams coach, Whitley had two players earn all-conference honors last season, as return specialist Reggie Hubbard and punter Chris Jones were second team All-SAC selections. In 2007, Whitley had two kickers earn All-SAC honors. Jones was named first team All-SAC, while placekicker Aubrey Ingham earned second team honors.

After a three-year stint as the starting tight end at Appalachian State, Whitley began his career in 1971 as a head football and wrestling coach at West Fannin (Ga.) High School. After three years there, he moved on to Andrews (N.C.) High School, where he served as athletic director and head coach of the football, wrestling and track teams for three seasons.

In 1977, Whitley broke into the collegiate ranks at Western Carolina, where he coached the linebackers and defensive ends while obtaining his Master's degree. After his stint in Cullowhee, he then coached at Gardner-Webb for two years before coming aboard at C-N.

Whitley and his wife, Joanne, live in Jefferson City. They have two grown children, Carrie and Shylon.





DAVID NEEDS
QUARTERBACKS
14th Year
CARSON-NEWMAN, 1992

David Needs returns for his 14th season as an assistant coach at Carson-Newman.

After assisting with the quarterbacks in his first year, he assumed the role of receiver's coach in 1997. Since then, Needs has coached four All-Conference players including All-American Ques Rumph in '99.

Last season, Needs helped guide the Eagle quarterbacks to the SAC statistical title in passing efficiency, as well as running the veer to a tune of 310 yards per game, which led the nation. For the least two seasons, he has been the position coach for Alex Good, who garnered first team All-SAC honors in '07 after leading the Eagles to 49 points per game.

Needs is also the head coach of the Carson-Newman track team. Several C-N football players have decided to become two-sport athletes and have joined the track team. The 2004-05 season saw Lady Eagle Amy Cate participate in the National Championships in the high jump for the

second consecutive year. He is the coordinator of the speed program at C-N where he works on improving the players running speed and form. Needs has recently had articles published in national football magazines including; "Using The Passing Game To Make Your Option Offense Explosive" published in Gridiron Strategy and "Teaching Wide Receivers the Critical Skills" published in American Football Monthly.

The Wilmington, Del. native was also published in the AFCA Summer manual in '07. His article "Increasing Your Options" broached the subject of incorporating the pass into an option offense, which turned out to be fitting, as the Eagles led the nation in pass efficiency in the season that followed.

Needs is a 1992 graduate of C-N with a degree in Political Science. The former quarterback was a member of Eagle national championship teams in 1988 and 1989. Before coming to C-N, he was the offensive coordinator at Mount Pleasant High School in Wilmington, Delaware.

A native of Wilmington, Needs earned a Master's degree in Education at Carson-Newman in 1998. He also takes a leadership role in getting players involved in community outreach, such as the "One Way 2 Play - Drug Free" program and visits to area schools, churches and correctional facilities.

Coach Needs and his wife Melissa, who works in financial aid at C-N, reside in Morristown. The couple has three children - D.J., Tyler, and Keely.



DAN REDDING
DEFENSIVE TACKLES / STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING
18th Year
CATAWBA, 1972

Dan Redding enters his 18th season at Carson-Newman as an assistant coach with the defensive tackles.

Redding, who is in his second stint at C-N, spent the 2006 and 2007 seasons as the defensive line coach at Southeastern Louisiana before returning to Mossy Creek last season.

During his tenure, he has helped lead Carson-Newman to 13 South Atlantic Conference championships, 14 national playoff appearances and three national championship game berths. He has coached numerous All-Conference, All-Region and All-American performers, including 2005 SAC Defensive Player of the Year Anthony Robinson.

Redding had two of his defensive linemen-Cedric Killings and Torrie Griffin sign free agent contracts in 2000 with the San Francisco 49ers and the Tennessee Titans, respectively. In 1995, nose guard Steve Mellon earned NCAA Division II All-America accolades for the second straight year. Redding had another player garner All-American accolades in 2003 as Clarence Glymph was selected for postseason honors by a number of different agencies. Glymph played for the Atlanta Falcons in 2005 and is currently with the Miami Dolphins. Killings wrapped up a successful NFL career last season after being injured with the Houston Texans.

In addition to coaching, Redding was responsible for the football weight-training program and for overseeing use of the impressive C-N Athletic Weight Room, which he designed.

A 1972 Catawba graduate, Redding began coaching at his prep alma mater, Randleman (N.C.) High School. He was an assistant there for six seasons before taking a job at Liberty University in 1977. While in Lynchburg, Redding was in charge of the linebackers while organizing the Flames' strength program. From 1984-86, Redding was promoted to defensive coordinator.

In 1987, Redding left coaching for a year. He returned 12 months later as head coach at North Florida Christian School. In 1989, Redding was named assistant head coach and defensive coordinator at Greenville (Ill.) College, where he spent two seasons.

Redding and his wife, Christine, are the parents of three children, Dan, Jr., David and Becky. They also have three grandchildren, Coleman, Aubrey and Kylie Ann.



ALVIN SANDERS
WIDE RECEIVERS
1st Year
CARSON-NEWMAN, 2003

Alvin Sanders is in his first season at Mossy Creek as an assistant coach with the Carson-Newman wide receivers.

A 2003 graduate of C-N with a B.S. in Management, Sanders was a member of the Eagles team from 2000-03. His 1,492 career receiving yards ranks eighth in school

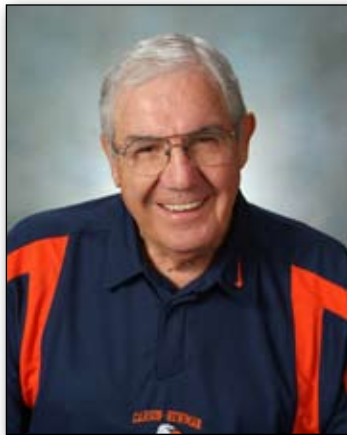
history. Sanders also has the record for the longest reception in C-N history as he caught a 98-yard pass from Leonard Guyton in the Western Oregon game in 2002.

Following his playing career, Sanders remained at C-N for two seasons as a graduate assistant with the wide receivers while earning his Master's degree in Business Education.

In 2006, Sanders returned to his alma mater, Washington County High School, in Sandersville, Ga., where he coached quarterbacks and was head track coach.

After a one-year stint at Washington County, Sanders returned to East Tennessee as a defensive backs coach and head track coach at nearby Morristown West High School.

Sanders and his wife, Dara, reside in Morristown.



MAC LAMBERT
RUNNING BACKS
5th Year
CARSON-NEWMAN, 1955

A 1955 graduate of Carson-Newman, Mac Lambert enters his fifth season on the Eagle coaching staff.

This is Lambert's second stint at Mossy Creek. He was a member of coach Dal

Shealy's staff in the 1970s.

Lambert has more than 40 years coaching experience and has coached in Cocke County, Maryville, Fulton County, Jefferson County and at Morristown East High School. He earned a master's degree from Middle Tennessee State University in 1968.

He is married to the former Melba Brannon.



LYNN UNDERWOOD
OFFENSIVE LINE
10th Year
TENNESSEE, 1993

Lynn Underwood returns for his 10th season as a member of the Eagle coaching staff.

Underwood is responsible for the video preparation for practices and games and assists of-

fensive coordinator Mike Turner with the C-N offensive line.

Underwood came to C-N from Carter High School in Knoxville where he was the offensive and defensive line coach. He helped lead the Hornets to the second round of the TSSAA state playoffs in 1999. He was a standout while playing for the Hornets in the late 1980s.

A 1996 graduate of the University of Tennessee, Underwood completed a master's degree in education at Carson-Newman in 2002. He is currently employed with the Sevier County School System.



JOHN CRYDER
TIGHT ENDS
3rd Year
PENN STATE, 1985

John Cryder begins his fourth season as an assistant coach for the Eagles.

Before joining the C-N staff, Cryder was an assistant coach for State College

High School in Pennsylvania for thirteen years. He was both offensive coordinator and assistant head coach at State College from 1997-2003. During his years at State High, Cryder was chosen to coach two Pennsylvania All-Star games.

Cryder, who enters his 22nd year of coaching football, graduated from Penn State University in 1985 with a B.S. in Chemical Education and for the past fourteen years he was the Lecture Demonstration Specialist for Penn State's Chemistry department. He recently earned a Master's Degree from C-N in education.

Cryder resides in Jefferson City.



DAVID CRAWFORD
OFFENSIVE LINE
2nd Year
MTSU, 1981

David Crawford begins his second season as an assistant with the Eagle offensive line.

Crawford, who has been in coaching for 28 years, spent the 2006 and 2007 seasons

as the head coach at Cocke County High School in Newport, Tenn. He has also served as head coach at Mount Juliet High School, near Nashville.

In addition to his head coaching experience, Crawford has spent time as an assistant coach at Karns, Copper Basin and Farragut. While at Farragut, he coached former-Vanderbilt standout turned Atlanta Falcon Tyson Clabo. He also spent two seasons as the wide receivers coach at Maryville College.

Crawford teaches English at Cocke County High School. He and his wife, Brenda, have two sons, Jake and Drew.



BRYCE LYBRAND
WIDE RECEIVERS
1st Year
CLEMSON, 2008

Bryce Lybrand enters his first season as a graduate assistant with the wide receivers at Carson-Newman.

Lybrand, a 2008 graduate of Clemson University, joins the Eagles after serving as an

undergraduate assistant for the Tigers the last two seasons. He assisted Tigers head coach Dabo Swinney and offensive coordinator Billy Napier during Clemson's run to the Gator Bowl last season, and was also a part of Clemson's 2007 team, which received a bid to the Chick-fil-A Bowl.

A 2004 graduate of Greenwood (S.C.) High School, Lybrand was a standout on the Greenwood football team. He was named captain and earned All-Region honors as a center in 2003 and helped lead Greenwood to a state championship in 2000.

Lybrand resides in Knoxville.



JASON CAREY
DEFENSIVE LINE
1st Year
CARSON-NEWMAN, 2003

Jason Carey begins his first season as a graduate assistant with the Carson-Newman defensive tackles.

Carey returns to his alma mater after serving five years

with the U.S. Army, which included a tour in Iraq and a tour in Afghanistan.

A 2003 graduate of C-N with a B.S. in Exercise Science, Carey was a four-year contributor on the Eagle defensive line from 2000-03. As a senior, he tallied 27 tackles, including five for a loss, and had two sacks, helping lead C-N to a South Atlantic Conference title and a berth in the NCAA Playoffs.

The St. Petersburg, Fla., native was a part of three SAC championships and two NCAA Playoff appearances during his career.

Carey and his wife, Erica, reside in Jefferson City.



KEVIN WASHINGTON
DEFENSIVE BACKS
1st Year
CARSON-NEWMAN, 2006

Kevin Washington enters his first season at Carson-Newman as a graduate assistant with the Eagles defensive backs.

The Greenville, S.C., native was a standout defensive back for the Eagles from 2001-05 and was a part of four South Atlantic Conference titles and three NCAA Playoff appearances.

Washington returns to his alma mater after playing professionally in arena football. A 2006 graduate of C-N with a B.S. in Physical Education, he began his arena football career with the Orlando Predators of the Arena Football League before joining the Huntington Heroes of the American Indoor Football League in Huntington, W. Va., in 2007.

With the Heroes, Washington tallied eight interceptions, including two returned for touchdowns, and had 10 pass breakups, earning him a spot in the AIFL All-Star game.

Washington played for the South Carolina Force of the AIFL last season.

Washington and his wife, Andrea, reside in Jefferson City with their son, KeShawn.



MO WHITTEN
RUNNING BACKS

1st Year
 CARSON-NEWMAN, 2009

Mo Whitten enters his first season as an assistant coach with the Eagle running backs after wrapping up his football career at C-N in 2008.

Whitten was a four-year contributor at tight end with

the Eagles with his last season being his best. The Bristol, Va., native finished with a career-high 194 receiving yards and two touchdowns in 2008, including a career-long 67-yard touchdown reception in C-N's 77-14 win at Concord.

During his playing career, Whitten helped lead the Eagles to two South Atlantic Conference championships and a NCAA Playoff appearance.

Whitten resides in Jefferson City.



RICHARD EVERETT

TEAM CHAPLAIN / TRAVEL
 21st Year
 CARSON-NEWMAN, 1968

SPARKS ALL-TIME

Ken Sparks vs. all opponents

Albany State	1-0	Liberty	4-0
Arkansas Tech	2-0	Lane	1-0
Adams State	1-0	Mars Hill	25-4
Bentley	1-0	Maryville	1-0
Bloomsburg	1-0	Mesa (St.)	2-0
Brevard	2-0	Moorhead State (MN)	1-0
Cal-Davis	1-0	Montana	0-1
Cameron	1-1	New Haven	2-2
Catawba	24-5	Newberry	19-7
Central Arkansas	1-0	North Alabama	1-6
Central Florida	3-1	North Dakota State	0-1
Central State (OH)	1-0	Northern Colorado	0-2
Central State (OK)	0-1	Northeastern St. (OK)	1-0
Chattanooga	1-0	Northwest Missouri St.	0-2
Clark Atlanta	1-0	Presbyterian	19-9
Concord	3-0	Saginaw Valley St.	3-0
Dixie State	1-0	Shaw	2-0
Edinboro	3-0	Shepherd	3-1
Elon	10-7	Slippery Rock	1-0
Emporia State	1-0	Southwest State	1-0
Fairmont State	4-0	St. Augustine's	2-0
Fayetteville State	3-0	St. Francis	2-0
Florida International	1-0	St. Joeseph's	1-0
Franklin	3-1	Tusculum	9-3
Fort Valley State	1-0	Valdosta State	3-3
Furman	0-1	Virginia State	2-0
Gardner-Webb	21-1	Wayne State (MI)	2-0
Geneva (Pa.)	1-0	Webber International	1-0
Georgetown (Ky)	2-0	West Georgia	5-0
Grand Valley State	1-0	West Virginia Tech	2-0
Guilford	3-0	Western New Mexico	1-0
Hillsdale	4-1	Western Oregon	2-0
Howard Payne	2-0	Western State	0-1
Knoxville	1-0	Wingate	20-1
Lenoir-Rhyne	29-0	Winston-Salem State	3-1
		Wofford	2-2

vs. Higher Divisions

FCS (I-AA) at date of game 2-4

SPARKS vs. '09

vs. '09 opponents 129-26
 vs. '09 SAC Opponents 128-20

2009 CARSON-NEWMAN COACHING STAFF

Coach	Position	Year at C-N	Alma Mater
Ken Sparks	Head Coach	30th	Carson-Newman, 1968
Mike Clowney	Asst. Head Coach/Linebackers	3rd	Carson-Newman, 1996
Mike Turner	Offensive Coordinator	25th	Carson-Newman, 1973
Jim Deaton	Assoc. Head Coach/Def. Coord.	25th	Carson-Newman, 1974
Mike Whitley	Def. Ends/Special Teams	30th	Appalachian State, 1971
Dan Redding	Defensive Tackles/Strength & Cond.	18th	Catawba, 1972
David Needs	Quarterbacks	14th	Carson-Newman 1992
Alvin Sanders	Wide Receivers	1st	Carson-Newman 1992
Lynn Underwood	Offensive Line / Video Coord.	10th	Tennessee, 1996
John Cryder	Tight Ends	4th	Penn State, 1995
Mac Lambert	Running Backs	5th	Carson-Newman, 1995
David Crawford	Offensive Line	1st	Middle Tennessee State, 1981
Bryce Lybrand	Asst. Wide Receivers	1st	Clemson, 2008
Kevin Washington	Asst. Defensive Backs	1st	Carson-Newman, 2006
Jason Carey	Asst. Defensive Line	1st	Carson-Newman, 2003
Mo Whitten	Running Backs	1st	Carson-Newman, 2009
Richard Everett	Chaplain / Travel	21st	Carson-Newman, 1968