

IFISS - It's never easy replacing a legend. Tim Tebow, after being used mostly on QB draws as a true frosh, became the 1st player in NCAA hist w/20 rush and 20 pass td in a season and the first soph to win the Heisman. In '09 Tebow became the first player (#1DC DEN) ever to be invited to the Heisman ceremony 3 times and he left with many school, SEC and NCAA records. John Brantley played in 10 gms in '08 (235, 64%, 3-1) but played in just 7 in '09 (36-48, 75%, 410, 7-0). There was a lot of buzz about how Brantley performed in practice those 2 seasons but in '10 he only threw for 2,061 (61%, 9-10) and at year's end they used a 3-headed QB system. Trey Burton had a fantastic 6 td gm vs UK. Jordan Reed opened at TE but QB'd the 2H of the bowl win. LY Reed and Burton moved to new spots and Brantley was perceived to be a much better fit for OC Charlie Weis' new pro-style off (not a spread QB). Unfortunately, Brantley was banged up all year. He did throw a 65 yd td pass on the first play vs Bama but was inj'd (2Q). Jeff Driskel (PS#1) had been IFS so he was the clear #2 but his first pass was int'd and later he was also hurt. True frosh Jacoby Brissett (PS#12, not IFS) took his first snap in Death Valley starting vs the LSU defense! Brissett also started vs Aub but Driskel came off the bench and they comb to hit just 14-28-120. Brantley ret'd vs GA (12-34-245) taking snaps out of the shotgun and started the rest of the year although vs FSU, Brissett hit 4-13-27. This year they lose Brantley (2044, 60%, 11-7) but I like both Driskel and Brissett and adding depth is dual threat Tyler Murphy and true frosh Skyler Mornhinweg (PS#38). Despite the loss of their starter. I'll call for the Gators to have improved QB play.

🖿 📴 🕒 😘 - In '08 then HC Ùrban Mever used 3 RB's in USC transfer Emmanuel Moody (PS#6), true frosh track champ Jeff Demps (PS#28) and rFr Chris Rainey (PS#15). They comb for 1,674 (7.6). In '09 Demps was the #1 RB rusher (745, 7.5) and the 3 comb for 1,698 (6.9). In '10 Demps (551, 6.0) was never 100%. Rainey (susp, 366, 7.2) only played in 8 gms. QB's Burton and Reed were #3 and #4. Soph Mike Gillislee (PS#46, 267, 8.6 in '09) had 325 (5.6) and Moody 265 (4.0). At one point due to inj's, WR Omarius Hines moved to RB and was the leading rusher vs MSU. LY OC Charlie Weis said that Demps and Rainey were the 2 fastest players he'd ever coached (incl NFL!). Early on the duo accounted for over 50% of the offense. They were used often out of the backfield with Rainey the #2 rec and Demps #7. Rainey led with 861 (5.0) and Demps had 569 (5.8). Gillislee (201 lbs) was #3 (328, 5.9) and soph Trey Burton (PS#26) had 125 (3.4, Wildcat QB). True

frosh FB Hunter Joyner (PS#61) added 82 (4.6). TY they lose Demps and Rainey (#5DC PIT) and while the unit will not be as fast, it does have some added size and good talent

- In 2010 UF had to replace 4 of their top 5 rec's with the top 2 comb for 1,811 (15.2). The top ret's were #3 Deonte Thompson (343, 14.3) and #6 Omarius Hines (172, 12.3). Thompson struggled with drops but still led with 570 (15.0). Hines was #3 (281, 14.1). LY they only had to replace their #2 (349, 12.9). With QB inj's and substandard WR play, the Gators' top 3 WR's comb for just 1,003 yds (15.4). Soph Andre Debose (PS#2) led with 432 (27.0!), RB Rainey was #2 and TE Jordan Reed was #3 with 307 (11.0). This year the unit only loses Thompson (264, 12.6) and should have much improved output and look for a good amount of 2-TE sets.

ME Unit - In '10 the Gators OL had 4 ret sts but with the loss of a mobile QB like Tim Tebow, their rush numbers dropped from 222 ypg (5.6) to 167 ypg (4.3) with 24 sks (6.3%). LY they had to replace a pair of 2Y and 3Y st'rs (#1, #2, #7 DC's) and their numbers dropped again to 143 ypg (4.0, 23 sk). The team did add transfer Dan Wenger who had 19 sts at ND (unit had 45 car st). TY they only have to replace Wenger (11 st) and go from 1 to 4 ret st'rs (79 car st ret) incl PS#1, #3, #5 and #8 while adding in PS#1 and

#12 newcomers who were both IFS.

DEFENSIVE LINE - In '10 UF had to replace a pair of 1st Tm SEC DE's (both #2DC). Just 1 player st'd all 13. UF all'd 131 ypg (3.5), their worst s/'04, with just 21 sks (fewest s/'02). LY they had to replace a 3rd Tm SEC DE and 4 others (23 st. 79 tkl). UF put up similar numbers (133 ypg, 3.4, 28 sk). TY they lose 3rd Tm SEC DT Jaye Howard (13 st, 65 tkl, 5.5 sk, 4.5 tfl, #4DC SEA) and DE William Green (3 st, 21 tkl, 2 tfl). The projected starting 4 are PS#3, #6, #8 and #17 (LB McCray). They add in 6'3" 310 lb PS#7JC Damien Jacobs plus PS#2 and #10 true frosh. If DE Ronald Powell (PS#1, ACL spg gm) is healthy, this

is the second best D-line in the country.

LINE PARTICLES - In '07 and '08 UF LB's had 77 sts comb'd. All 77 sts ret'd in '09 and 10 of the top 11 LB's were VHT's. The D allowed 12.4 ppg, their best s/'75. In '10 they lost their #1, #3 (#2DC) and #5 tkl'rs. Their top returnee was #9 and as you would expect, the ppg rose to 21.3. LY they had to replace 1 st'r (#5 tkl'r) and 2 bkps (#9, #19 tkl'rs). They did return PS#2 Jelani Jenkins (#2 tkl'r, fastest LB) and PS#14 Jonathan Bostic (#3 tkl'r). The group was more exp'd and improved to 20.3 ppg. This year the top 6 LB's all return (McCray does move to DL) and this is one of the top LB units in the country.

KS - Last year the Gators had to replace a 1st Tm SEC SS (#1 tkl/r, #5DC), 1st Tm SEC CB (#7 tkl'r) and FS (#5 tkl'r). The 1 ret st'r, Jeremy Brown RS. The unit ret'd just 9 car sts and dropped to #42 (55%, 15-8) in my PDR after being #5, #7 and #11 the previous 3 yrs. TY it is shades of '08 (went from #72 to #5) as they go from 0 starters ret to 6 that st'd 8+ LY and also incl PS#7 and PS#18 true frosh and potentially the return of Jeremy Brown (10 st '10). This could be the most improved secondary in the country.

- Then HC Meyer coached the ST unit himself. In his 6Y they were #26, #55, #20, #13, #9 and #8 in my rankings. LY they had to replace their top P (40.9 net) and K (7-11, L/47) plus top PR (8.3). KR Andre Debose avg 28.0 in 10 and 26.1 in 11. I had projected true frosh Kyle Christy PS#3) to be the P and he took over in the 2H and avg 40.9 (tm net 37.3). Caleb Sturgis hit 22-30 FG (L/56, 3 miss 50+) in '09 but was inj'd in '10. He hit 22-26 (L/55) and has 5 made FG from 50+ (finalist Groza). He had 10 TB on 58 KO. This was an elite unit (#3) LY. This year they only lose their top PR and are one of the best in the country once again.

PDD: - Former HC Urban Meyer certainly accomplished a great deal in his 6 seasons here incl 2 BCS Titles and a 65-15 record. Will Muschamp was the NCAA's highest paid asst in '10 and beat Meyer's future team in the bowl to finish 7-6 in his inaugural season as HC. Muschamp was the DC and HC-in-waiting at Texas ('08-'10). He also was the DC at Auburn ('06-'07) and LSU ('02-'04) and he spent '05 in the NFL (Miami asst HC D). LY's OC Charlie Weis left to take the HC job at KS and the new OC is Brent Pease who was on the Boise staff as WR cch s/'06 and was OC there LY. DC Dan Quinn is in his 2nd season after 10 yrs as an NFL DL cch (SEA '09-'10, NYJ '07-'08, MIA '05-'06 and SF '01-'04)

Everything went the Gators' way in the magical '06 Nat'l Title ssn with many close and fortuitous wins. They narrowly got to the Title gm in the BCS vote but dominated Ohio St allowing just 82 yds. In '07 UF was the favorite to win the SEC (#6 AP) was beat up pretty good by Gator fans as I had UF tied for 3rd in the SEC East and #14 which was lower than any other source documented by stassen.com. UF finished just 9-4 and #13. In '08 Georgia was the AP #1 but I called for the Gators to not only top them in the SEC East but to win the Nat'l Title. The Gators were a stronger team than their '06 Title ssn. In '06 they were +43 ypg in SEC play (#4) and in '08 they were #1 (+133 ypg). In '06 their avg win was only 30-14. In '08 it was a dominating 44-13. UF's only loss in '08 was a 1 pt loss to Ole Miss despite a 443-325 yd edge. Unlike '06 which featured weekly escapes, '08 did not have a single win by less than 10. Everyone always asks me which tm is my favorite and I reply, "the team I pick #1" so I was clearly a Gator fan in the BCS Title game when they beat Okla 24-14 (480-363 yd edge). In '09 they had all 11 st'rs back on D and 7 on off incl Tebow. All 9 sets of my power ratings called for Florida to go 12-0. UF rec'd 96.7% 1st place votes in the pressn AP, the highest ever (USC 95.4% in '07). UF went 12-0 and were favored in the SEC Title gm but Bama dominated them. In Tebow's last gm they rolled over 12-0 Cincy, 51-24. In '10 UF had just 11 ret sts but was still the pressn favorite to win the East. UF fell to 4-4 in the East losing the SEC East Title to SC at home in "The Swamp" 36-14 and finished 8-5 (NR). They sent Meyer out a winner with their 13 pt win over Penn St in the bowl. LY UF had just 3 SEC HG's, played SC and UGA away from home, pulled the top 2 (Ala, LSU) out of the West, had a new HC and just 9 ret sts. I pegged the Gators 3rd in the East and while that is where they finished, they actually were just 3-5 in SEC play (-39 ypg) and needed a bowl win over Ohio St to finish 7-6. The ssn started well and I had many Gator fans telling me "I told you so" when they jumped to a 4-0 start (31 ppg avg win). Unfortunately they ran into Ala, LSU, Aub and UGA and did so with banged up QB's as in Death Valley the Gators st'd a 3rd string frosh QB who had never taken a snap. UF lost all 4 (-149 ypg). They led Vandy 17-0 at half and it could have been worse as they fumbled in the EZ for a TB and missed a FG (only won 26-21). At SC they settled for 2 FG's inside the 10 and also lost 2 fumbles and lost by 5. After beating Furman, they had a 184-95 yd edge vs Fla St but lost, 21-7. In the bowl they were outgained 299-263 but ST's gave them a 24-17 win as UF's NCAA leading streak continued of 24 straight winning seasons (VT 19). TY should be a lot brighter as Muschamp is now in his 2nd yr. LY's squad was -12 in TO's, has a Stock Market Indicator of +3.5, they only have 3 SEC true AG's, have 17 ret sts and should have much better health at QB. UF is one of my Surprise Teams (see pg 20) and also my surprise pick to represent the SEC East in the Title game.

6 Jeff Driskel So. 6-4 232 PS#1. IFS. 5 gm, 148 (47%, 0-2) as true. 12 Jacoby Brissett (6'3" 229 So) PS#12. 2 st. 8 gm, 206 (46%, 2-4) as true. 10 Tyler Murphy (6'2" 204 So). 2 gm LY. 14 Chandler Carr (5'11" 211 Jr) PS#249. (6'4" 250 Jr) PS#1 st. 25 tk RB 23 Mike Gillislee Sr. 5-11 201 PS#46.592 (6.7) '09-10.11 gm, 328 (5.9) LY. 33 Mack Brown (5'11" 210 So) NT 99 Omar Hunter Sr. PS#8, 12 am, 42 (3.5) LY, 32 Chris Johnson (5'9" 205 So) PS#81, FB 41 Hunter Jover (5'10" 244 So) PS#61, 1 st. 82 (4.6) true. WR85 Frankie Hammond Sr. 6-1 185 **PS#53DB.** 7 st, 333 (12.8) 2Y. 4 st, 181 (12.1) LY. **20** Omarius Hines (6'2' 223 Sr) PS#30. 9 st, 559 (13.6) 3Y. FB 8 TREY BURTON (6'3" 227 Jr) PS#26. 11 st, 349 (4.7) '10. 7 st, 125 (3.4) LY. WR 4 ANDRE DEBOSE JR. 89 Stephen Alli (6'6" 217 Jr) PS#55. 25 gm, 3 rec L2Y. 33 Chris Maignan (6'0" 178 Jr). 87 AJ Mobley (5'10" 210 So). WR 1 QUINTON DUNBAR SO. PS#59. 13 gm bkp '10. 1 st, 13 gm LY. LS 46 Drew Ferris (6'1" 214 Jr) 13 gm LY. 43 Kyle Crofoot (6'3" 214 rFr). RS LY. RG 67 JON HALAPIO JR. 6-3 325 PS#116. MedRS '09. 7 st, 12 gm '10. 13 st LY. 74 Jessamen Dunker CB PS#12. IFS. 77 Ian Silberman (6'5" 288 So) PS#24. 3 gm rFr. OFS '12. 62 Cole Gilliam (6'4" 315 Jr) PS#281. 2 gm L2Y. 3 st, 13 gm, 18 tkl, 3 pd '10. 10 st, 3 LG 66 James Wilson Sr. 6-4 327 PS#3. 4 st, 14 gm '09.1 st, 2 gm (inj) '10.1 st, 12 gm LY. Granted 6th yr. CB 14 JAYLEN WATKINS JR. 50 Sam Robey (6'3" 297 Sr) PS#82DL. 32 gm L3Y. 65 Tommy Jordan (6'4" 288 rFr) PS#39. OFS '12 (shoulder). Purifoy (6'1" 186 So) PS#78. 13 RT 71 MATT PATCHAN JR. 6-6 279 PS#8. MedRS (wrist) '10. 7 st (2LT, 5ŔT), 12 gm, LY. 75 Chaz Greén (6'5" 300 So) PS#5. 8 st, 9 gm, out 4 (ankle), 1st Tm Frosh AA LY. 63 Trip Thurman (6'5" 315 rFr) PS#49. LT 73 XAVIER NIXON SR. 6-6 309 **PS#1**. L/5 st at LT, 10 gm as true. 8 st (1 LT, 7 RT), 12 gm '10. 9 st 13 gm LY. Outland WL. 70 DJ Humphries (6'6" 272 Fr) PS#1. IFS. Hasn't allowed a sack since frosh year of HS. 19 CALEB STURGIS SR. 5-11 187 PS#6.22-30 FG, L/56, 44-47 PAT, 10 TB/99 KO '09.2-4 FG, L/44, 19-21 P PAT, back inj '10. 22-26 L/55, 31-31 PAT, 10 TB/58 KO LY. 97 Brad Phillips (5'10" 190 Jr) 2-3 FG, L/43, 2-2 PAT LY. 38 Todd Fennell (6'1" 176 rFr) PS#47. 47 John Crofoot (5'11" 150 Jr) 22 gm as holder L2Y. 95 Francisco Velez (5'9" 173 Jr).

Buck 34 LERENTEE McCRAY SR. 6-2 247 PS#17. 5 tkl true. 11 tkl '09-10. 5 st, 9 gm, 24 tkl, 7.5 tfl LY. 7 Ronald Powell (6'4" 250 Jr) PS#1 1st, 25 tkl, 3 tfl true. 12 st, 32 tkl, 6 sk, 3 tfl LY. ACL Spg ?. 25 Gideon Ajagbe (6'3" 222 So) PS#44. 9 tkl L2Y. 6-1 314 PS#8. 11 st, 17 tkl, 2 tfl rFr. 6 st, 23 tkl, 3 tfl '10. 1 st, 13 gm, 31 tkl, 2.5 tfl LY. 4 Leon Orr (6'5" 305 So) PS#35. 13 gm, 10 tkl LY. 68 John Reichardt (6'1" 303 Jr). <u>DE</u> 54 David Campbell (5'11" 205 Jr). DT 73 SHARRIF FLOYD JR. 6-3 305 PS#3. 2 st, 13 gm, 23 tkl, 8 tfl true. 11 st, 46 tkl, 6.5 tfl LY. 4 Damien Jacobs DT 73 SHARRIF FLOYD JR. '3" 310 Jr) PS#7JC. IFS. 58 Nick Alajajian (6'4" 285 Sr) PS#11. 13 gm bkp OL '10. 1 st (LT), 12 gm LY. From OL '12. 5-11 186 PS#2.96 (9.6) rFr. 4 st, 432 (27.0) LY. 80 Ja Juan Story (6'3" 206 rFr) PS#37. DE 2 DOMINIQUE EASLEY JR. 6-2 286 PS#6.6 gm, 4 tkl true. 12 st, 37 tkl, 7.5 tfl, ACL gm 12 LY. Dante Fowler PS#2. Earl Okine (6'7" 266 Sr) 29 gm, 15 tkl 3Y. 93 Kedric Johnson (6'4" 232 Jr) 9 tkl 2Y. 97 Tevin Westbrook (6'5" 268 So). 6-1 183 PS#47. 5 st, 12 gm, 216 (15.4) LY. 83 Solomon Patton (5'9' 169 yr) ISLB 12 ANTONIO MORRISON SR. 6-1 216 PS#29. IFS. 49 Darrin Kitchens (6'2' 222 Sr) PS#134.9 gm, 21kl as true. PS#37. 27 (6.8) true. 13 gm, 35 (11.7), KR (24.1) LY. Raphael Andrades is PS#101. 30 Michael McNeely (5'8" 176 So). 1 st, 13 gm, 21 tkl, 2.5 tfl LY. 48 Neiron Ball (6'2" 220 So). 13 gm, 10 tkl true. OFY (med cond) LY. Expected back in fall. TE 11 JORDAN REED JR. 6-3 239 PS#25QB. 4 st, 79 (13.2), 252 pass, 328 rush rFr. 10 st, 11 gm, 307 (11.0) MLB 1 JONATHAN BOSTIC SR. 6-1 243 PS#14. 18 tkl true. 6 st, 57 tkl, 2 sk, 3 int '10. 13 st, 94 tkl, 3 sk, 7 tfl LY. 81 AC Leonard (6'4" 245 So) PS#5. 4 st, 9 gm, 99 (12.4) true. 88 Clay Burton (6'4" 242 So) PS#85. 1 gm true LY. LY. 51 Michael Taylor (6'0" 220 So) PS#31. 1 st, 12 gm, 36 tkl, 4.5 tfl, 1 int rFr LY. 37 Dakota Wilson (5'11" 240 Fr). C 72 JONOTTHAN HARRISON JR. 6-3 309 PS#65. 1 st (bowl), 13 gm rFr. 13 st LY. 64 Kyle Koehne (6'5" 304 Jr) WLB 3 JELANI JENKINS JR. 6-0 233 PS#2. 2 tkl, Med RS true. 11 st, 76 tkl, 5 tfl, 1 int '10. 12 st, 75 tkl, 6 tfl, 7 pd LY. 5 5 Graham Stewart (6'1" 227 So) **PS#34**. 12 gm, 1 tkl true LY. Jeremi Powell (6'1" 193 Fr) **PS#38**. 5 MARCUS ROBERSON SO. 6-0 180 PS#7. F/10 st, 22 tkl, 3 pd, OFY '11 (neck). 31 Cody Riggs (5'9" 180 Jr) PS#28. 3 st, 13 gm, 18 tkl, 3 pd '10. 10 st, 31 tkl, 1.5 tfl, 2 pbu LY. 8 Jeremy Brown (5'10" 181 Jr) PS#48. 10 st, 15 tkl '10. OFY '11. OFS. CB 14 JAYLEN WATKINS JR. 6-0 187 PS#11. 10 gm, 8 tkl true. 8 st, 13 gm, 34 tkl, 1 tfl, 5 pbu LY. 15 Loucheiz Purifoy (6'1" 186 So) PS#78. 13 gm, 27 tkl LY. 27 Ben Peacock (5'8" 173 rFr). 18 Evan Schroeder (5'11" 182 rFr). SS 22 MATT ELAM JR. 5-10 210 PS#1. 22 tkl, 2 tfl true. 13 st, 78 tkl, 11 tfl, 9 pd, 1qbh, 3rd Tm SEC LY. De'Ante Saunders (5'8" So) PS#26. 9 st, 12 gm, 26 tkl, 4 pd LY. 10 Valdez Showers (5'11" 188 rFr) PS#37. FS 9 JOSH EVANS ŚR. 6-1 201 P\$#54. 8 gm, 6 tkl as true. 3 st, 13 gm, 14 tkl, 1 int '10. 8 st, 13 gm, 51 tkl, 2.5 tfl, 2 pd LY. 21 Jabari Gorman (5'9" 183 So) P\$#23. 13 gm, 8 tkl true. 30 Tim Clark (5'10" 201 Jr) 3 gm L3Y. 44 KYLE CHRISTY SO. 6-3 200 **PS#3**. 30 punts (40.9), tm net 37.3, L/67, 2 TB, 8 FC, six 50+ LY.

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