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Tech came out roaring as the second half got underway. The defense pinned FSU in their own territory for two straight possessions and the offense repaid the favor by mustering a 14 play touchdown drive which was capped by a strong eight-yard touchdown run up the middle by Joe Burns. Platooning Crenshaw and Godsey seem to drive the FSU defense into fits, as they tried to adjust to the passing prowess of Godsey and the scrambling of Crenshaw. Tech took the lead and held it for the rest of the third quarter.

Unfortunately, talent and athleticism eventually caught up with Tech. Weinke seemed determined not to let the Seminoles lose. He opened the fourth quarter with two quick big plays, one a screen pass to Minor which resulted in a 23-yard gain and a 30-yard touchdown pass to Morgan. Not just satisfied with regaining the lead, Weinke tried to

drive the final nail into the coffin. The very next possession, Weinke torched the secondary with three big passes, allowing McCray to score on an easy 1 yard touchdown run. Tech's three-point lead evaporated quickly into an 11-point deficit.

While FSU demonstrated that they still had better athletes and depth, Tech showed that they had the heart and soul of champions. Refusing to go quietly into the night, Godsey rallied the offense for the second straight week. Operating almost solely out of the shotgun, Godsey started torturing the secondary. Connecting for quick passes and spreading the passes around, Godsey made defending him from the shotgun extremely frustrating.

Alas, all of his good work was almost wasted due to a silly personal foul. Facing 3rd down and 23, the game seemed over, until FSU did the one thing they couldn't do—give up a huge penalty. Called for a roughing the passer penalty, Tech was given new life and a first down.

Godsey gleefully seized this chance and connected with Jon Muyres for a 27-yard touchdown pass. Even though Tech didn't manage to convert the two-point try, it was still only a one-touchdown game and many sensed another momentum swing and good chance to upset the Seminoles.

With less than 5 minutes left in the game, Coach O'Leary chose to trust his defense and decided against the onside kick. Tech's special teams did a great job and pinned FSU inside their own 15-yard line. The defense needed to step up and get a quick defensive stop and they did not disappoint. Giving up only four plays, the defense forced a punt with 2:43 left in the game. Godsey was given the chance to replicate his late game heroics from last week. Godsey managed to drive the Tech offense into FSU turf, but his efforts fell just short as Tech failed to convert on a 4th and 3 situation. Weinke took the field one last time and took three knees to end the game.



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Tailback Joe Burns dives to end a third-quarter eight-yard run that gave Tech their Tech lead of the night, 15-13 following a two point conversion.

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Army at Houston	HOUS	HOUS	ARMY	ARMY	ARMY	ARMY	ARMY	ARMY	HOUS	ARMY	ARMY
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I wish that Christina would just GET OUT OF MY WAY!!! I want that first place spot, but the alphabet is against me. If I can't overtake her this week, I may just have to boot her out of the way next week. This week should cause a bit of a shakeup in the standings, with several big games on the line and none of us having too much of a clue how it's all going to turn out. In case you're wondering why we choose such strange games on occasion, or why I have this strange addiction to Furman University games, let me explain. The obscure games are there as an X factor, a way to keep us all from being locked in a tie because all of my fellow Ed Board members are too busy following the polls and flipping coins to make an intentional pick against the grain. I tried it last week, and what was my reward? The same record as everyone else. I did at least have the satisfaction of being the only person to realize that Washington was going to upset Miami outside of the Sunshine State. This week features several big games, so hopefully carnage will fly everywhere, but we'll just have to see. Chris wants us to tell him why it ain't nothing but a heartache. We all missed Chris and Jody tonight, because they were busy imitating a country club or something, and Jody wasn't out here to feed us all sorts of hilarious quotes that we could laugh at and later put into out sliver boxes. I encourage all of you to use Napster, but I refuse all liability for anything you may do with it, legal or illegal. For the record, I own every CD of every song I have on MP3 (yeah, right). The other day I picked up that new Green Day song. I want to be a minority! If I had been a minority, I could

have gotten a hold of all of those cool minority scholarships and stuff and wouldn't be ridiculously in debt as I head out into the real world. I hope you all went by the career fair to realize how much it seems like a zoo. Too many people and too little space, all to hobknob with the caged recruiters. I went—I didn't really do much except try and recruit people to eat more chicken. And sell more chicken. And work for people who want to sell more chicken. I'm trying to figure out if I want to sell chicken for a living or if I want to fry chickens with microwaves or other wireless type airwaves. And now, Christina will finish my six-point box for me... or maybe not, she left me hanging. She's going to leave. I'm going to be stuck here working on this freaking six-point box, which is all I have left to write, and I am completely devoid of intelligent thought. At least I only have a few lines to go. I hope everybody enjoyed the front two pages of this section. I enjoyed making them tremendously—it's not every sport you get four photographers on duty and oodles of color and black & white photos. In other news, everybody's in trouble for discriminating against each other. In other news, I'm about to fall asleep at the wheel. In other news, everybody's gone for the night. Sarah bolted. Becca's been gone for a while. I really wish people would take longer to do their sections and make me feel better about taking forever to do this. No worries, because one more line and I can make my forecast picks and then I AM OUT OF HERE. Well, that is until next week when I will endeavor to make the six-point box smaller so I don't have as much to write.

Cross country teams kick off season in style with solid showings at Georgia invitational

By David Carl
Back from the grave

When anyone mentions the letters “UGA” to a Georgia Tech athlete in any context, a great deal of excitement usually follows, along with a dawg-esque sense of competitiveness. Such was the case last weekend, when the Tech cross country teams made a pilgrimage to Athens to participate in their first meet of the 2000 season, the Mitchell Invitational.

Apparently, being in Athens was enough to spark competitiveness in the Yellow Jackets. The Tech men were absolutely unbeatable at the meet, sweeping the top three places to finish first. The women, who finished third in the meet, did not turn in a shabby performance, either.

The men’s team began the season in fine fashion, taking first place by a large margin. They finished with a team score of 39, which distanced them from meet runner-up Auburn by 16 points. The Jackets put Auburn away by placing five runners in the top 25 and claiming the top three positions. Junior stand-out Joe Stegall led the Tech performers by walking, or running, away with the individual title, courtesy of a 15:35.02 time.

Don’t think that the age of the Tech freshmen slowed their performance. The kids were obviously concerned with what the other kids would think, and turned in a stellar performance. Kyle Rabbitt was able

to finish second in his first collegiate meet with a time of 15:35.84. Brendon Mahoney was right behind him, stealing third place in his first meet with a time of 15:37.24.

Rounding out the scorers for Tech in the race were Neil McDonagh, a freshman who has come from San Francisco to run for the Jackets,

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Cross Country Head Coach

and senior Brent Williams. McDonagh finished number 11 with a time of 15:55.43, while Williams placed at 22 with a time of 16:14.92.

In the women’s race, Tech finished with 73 points, which was good for third place behind Auburn and Georgia, who tied for second. The Jacket women were led by sophomore Amy Dock, who placed sixth with a time of 11:33.91 over the two-mile circuit.

Renee Metivier and Sara Pardue

also did well for the women, finishing at 17 and 13 respectively. Amy Edwards finished at 18, and Rachael Caurso grabbed the number 19 spot.

This weekend, the Jackets will travel to North Carolina to compete in the Wolfpack Invitational. The team hopes to use the opportunity to sneak a peek at the course for the Atlantic Coast Conference Championships, which will take place in October.

“The conference preview will give us a chance to see the course for the conference meet,” said head coach Alan Drosky. “We will also get to see some of the other schools from the ACC there.”

Although the season is young, the Jackets have a head start on reaching their goals for this year. The men’s team sees this season as an opportunity to improve on last year’s sixth-place finish at the ACC Championships, while the women are looking to top last year’s fourth-place finish at the NCAA District IX meet, which was the best finish in school history.

If the runners perform like they did last weekend, their goals are certainly within reach.

Upcoming action for the teams kicks off with action at the Wolfpack Invitational, which starts tomorrow in Raleigh, North Carolina. The following Saturday will give the squads their first home-town invitational as they compete in the Atlanta-staged Georgia State Invitational.

V-ball

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Thus, we came out strong against them but didn’t really know how to play well for a whole match. But we learned that from the loss and that is why we almost beat Pacific who are ranked high also.”

The losses dropped Tech to 5-2 and also probably left some disappointment, as they won’t get a chance to play those teams again unless they do well in the NCAAs. Still, they had to look forward as they got ready to play Georgia State. The Jackets ran all over their cross-town rivals 15-1, 15-5, 15-7. Ida Mabry had seven kills while Kyleen Bell had nine. The Lady Yellow Jackets then took on host UT-Chattanooga and

ran them straight sets also 15-11, 15-8, 15-6. Bell had 17 kills and 11 digs for the match while Pachale had 10 kills and 10 digs. Courtney Adler had 22 assists to help out in the effort.

Thus, Tech walks into its next set of matches 7-2 and wondering how to reach that next level. Right now they are a mid-tier team that crush lower level Division I teams like Georgia State and UT Chat but can’t quite beat the Pacifics and Minnesotas.

They get another chance this weekend as they head to the Colorado State Invitational. Colorado State is ranked number four in the nation. Tech opens with Loyola Maramount which made the NCAA Tournament last year.



By Marques McMillan / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Amanda Hess prepares to field a serve in their three-set victory against Coastal Carolina in this past weekend’s Courtyard by Marriott Classic.

Football looks to get back on track against Midshipmen

By Rob Kischuk
Sports Editor

Are the Yellow Jackets truly improving and growing, or are they merely content to play at the level of their opponents? That question and many more will be answered as they face the Navy Midshipmen at home tomorrow. Are they the contenders who nearly knocked off the number-two team in the nation, or the sink-to-the-occasion squad that nearly lost to UCF?

Fans can expect to see more of the Spurrier-esque quarterback switching from past weeks, with Godsey still in the starting spot, with Andy Hall and/or Jermaine Crenshaw subbing in to fill different needs in the offense. This is verified by Head Coach George O'Leary, who said "We're mixing things up and getting different guys the ball, and I think with George Godsey, we're maximizing his potential."

On the surface, the game looks to be a welcome rest for a home team that has endured two nail-biters in as many weeks, both games coming down to the last few minutes for their resolution. The Mids opened their season last weekend with a 17-6 loss to the Temple Owls, who are talented when March Madness rolls around, but are far from feared on the gridiron.

The sole Navy scoring of the game came on a scramble by quarterback Brian Broadwater, breaking a six-quarter scoring drought. The meager 148-yard offensive output is a low mark for Charlie Weatherbie's coaching career at the school.

As for the matchups, there should be no major challenges on either side of the line, unless

this first outing proves to be a mere fluke. Even the Owl defense was able to hold the offense to a mere 73 yards rushing, 50 of which came on the previously mentioned Broadwater score.

Their offensive line shows little more strength in pass-blocking than it does in opening up the run, as demonstrated by the 75 passing yards on the day. Tech's run defense has proven sound regardless of the opponent, with linebacker Recardo Wimbush leading the charge with 15 tackles, 3 tackles for loss, a sack, and a recovered fumble in just two

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games of action.

Though the pass defense has been shown to be somewhat more suspect in both outings thus far, the missed tackles and spotty poor coverage in the secondary should prove to be mere subtext. Unless this defense is asleep on the field, the squad that held the Seminoles to a mere 16 points should pitch a near shutout this game.

Navy does play a different strategy—they are a ball-control team that runs the option well, opening up a dangerous play-action pass, but nothing compared to challenges already overcome.


On defense, Navy appears to be a bigger threat. Linebacker Jake Bowen had a breakout season opener, racking up 12 tackles, including two for a loss. A slightly better effort than their outing against Temple could prove enough to compensate for their lack of offense. Safety Chris Lepore is a Preseason All-American and certainly a threat in the secondary. His career-high of 22 tackles in a single game sets him up as a play-stopper who should not be left unnoticed.

Still, the usual suspects for Tech have shown themselves strong thus far, and only improving as the games pass. O'Leary is looking to tighten down on the mistakes that could have made the difference last week. Most notably, the 160 yards of penalties against Florida State are inexcusable, and can not become a weekly occurrence.

The offense will continue to be piloted by committee, with Godsey still showing the most poise and intelligence and remaining the starter. Hall should continue to come in as the more athletic pocket-passer, while Crenshaw has demonstrated his aptitude in scramble and option situations, as well as throwing while on the run.

The defense still has not realized its full potential, with outstanding performers such as Wimbush being hurt by marginal bend-don't-break coverage by the likes of CB Jamara Clark. The run defense is solid, and the secondary has great potential.

The outcome of the game is not terribly in question, rather it is the individual and collective performances which will be on trial as a gauge to measure the remainder of the season.




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RB 22 JERMAINE CRENSHAW
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Florida State Seminoles — ACC for overrated

Upset bid falls short as last-minute non-penalty allows Seminoles to claim victory in an unusually close battle



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Quarterbacks George Godsey (left) and Jermaine Crenshaw (right) combined their contrasting styles to nearly solve the Seminole threat. Crenshaw is seen scrambling for yards, while Godsey sits back in his traditional passing role. Kelly Campbell (center) speeds past defenders after a catch as one of the eight different Tech receivers to catch a pass during the night.

By Joseph Jeong
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Tech won by 17 points. A shame it was over the spread and not Florida State. It was an exciting albeit ugly game, but Tech fans were ultimately disappointed as Tech tried courageously but fell just short to FSU for the second consecutive year, by even a point less than last year's high-scoring six-point loss.

Some felt outrage, some felt it was poetic justice, as Tech's last rally was ended when Kerry Watkins dropped a pass due to interference on fourth down, but no call was made. However, to blame the loss on just that one non-call would be to deny all the other evidence pointing to the contrary. Chris Weinke lit up the Tech secondary for 25-38

passing for a total of 443 passing yards, which translated into only two touchdowns for FSU. The Tech defense, despite their strong rush defense and red zone heroics, still gave up 536 net yards to FSU's offense. So how did Tech manage to keep the game this close?

A deeper analysis of these statistics sheds some light to the question. First, it was the big plays that inflated the numbers quite significantly. Tech's secondary gave up more than 20 yards on each of nine different plays, giving FSU a total of 287 yards in just those plays. Aside from those big plays that were given up, Tech's defense did an admirable job against the Weinke-led Seminole offense.

All three of FSU's touchdowns came from big plays that the Tech

defense gave up. It took FSU only 18 plays to score three touchdowns. The remaining 58 offensive plays didn't achieve very much. The only sustained drive mounted against the defense was the opening drive, which only resulted in a field goal for them. So the statistics might suggest that FSU dominated the game and Tech was lucky to hang close, but those who saw the game know that the statistics don't reveal the truth—it was a close and hard fought game, and FSU barely managed to come out on top.

The game did start out looking like it was going to be yet another blowout. The opening drive saw Weinke calmly lead the offense deep into Tech territory. FSU's offensive machine looked sharp and unstoppable. However, a heroic goal

line stand by Tech's defense forced them to settle for a field goal. Things didn't get much better after that for the defense.

After a quick three and out by the offense, Weinke came on to the field to do more damage immediately. He struck quickly as he threw for a 63-yard touchdown caught in spite of a pass interference call. To add insult to injury, quarterback George Godsey was sacked for a safety before the end of the quarter. In a deep 12-point hole, offensive coordinator Ralph Friedgen introduced Jermaine Crenshaw at QB to revive the ailing offense.

Crenshaw opened the second quarter for Tech and he immediately made an impact. His speed and mobility threw the defense off-balance and he managed to lead the

offense into enemy territory, but not much else. The momentum only swung back to the home team's favor when Marvious Hester picked off an errant Marcus Outzen pass and returned 50 yards for a defensive touchdown.

Suddenly, Tech was back in the game, only down by five points. Tech's offense didn't manage to score anymore in the half, but sparked by the great defensive play, both Godsey and Crenshaw showed more poise and confidence leading the offense. Godsey especially showed a lot more confidence operating out of the shotgun. Tech went into the locker room with the momentum in their favor and sensing a possible upset as the half wound to a close.

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Volleyball hosts invitational, gets workout against stiff competition

By David Williams
Pulling Double Duty

The much anticipated match up between the Georgia Tech Women's Volleyball Team and the Minnesota Lady Gophers ended in disappointment for GT as they dropped the match three sets to one (15-7, 15-1, 3-15, 15-8). The match was part of the Georgia Tech Classic, which was sponsored by Marriott hotels and had Coastal Carolina and eleventh ranked Pacific as participants.

Tech came into the match 4-0 after killing the competition at the Davidson Tournament in North Carolina. They realized this was the true test, as Minnesota was ranked tenth nationally and had a record of 5-0 coming in. Nicole Branagh, the Big Ten Player of the Week, led Minnesota with 15 kills. Lindsey

Berg had 45 assists to help in the Gopher effort. The first set was close before Minnesota broke away to their 15-7 victory. They then almost ran the table going 15-1.

Tech regrouped and showed some heart by winning 15-3 the next set. Tech was poised to make a run down two sets to one but Minnesota closed it out in the fourth, 15-8. Junior outside hitter Maja Pachale continued her hot play by notching 14 kills, while freshman setter Kele Eveland had 39 assists.

Tech had to get it together quickly as they got ready to face Coastal Carolina in the morning. Carolina came into the match 1-5 but could not be overlooked. Tech didn't make that mistake, winning in straight sets 15-5, 10-15, 15-5. Kyleen Bell had 11 kills for the team while Ida Marbry had nine kills and four aces. Eveland had 25 assists.

Any hope of winning the championship was eliminated when Minnesota dropped eleventh ranked Pacific 15-10, 16-14, 15-9. That put the Gophers at 3-0 for the tourney making it mathematically impossible for anybody else to match their record for the tourney.

This left Tech and Pacific to battle it out for second on Sunday. This was another chance for Tech to get a measurement of just how good their program was since Pacific is ranked number eleven in the nation. For a while it looked like Tech should have that position, jumping out to a 2-1 lead 15-13, 6-15, 15-9. Game four looked good for a while as Tech was up 4-1. Instead, Pacific then ran off 14 straight points to take Game 4 15-4.

Pacific kept the momentum in Game 5 jumping out ahead. Tech then came back, rallying to a score

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of 14-13. Things came to a screeching halt though when Pachale's serve ran into the net as Tech was trying to score and go extra points.

This was not before Pachale notched career assist number 1000. Only six other Tech players have done this, putting her in select company and being just a junior she has her sights set on number one. She also dropped 22 kills on the kids from out west. Freshman setter Kele Eveland tallied a career-high 70 as-

sists for the Jackets.

A definite positive was that the girls faced some good tests before heading into ACC play. Also, Kyleen Bell was named to the All-Tourney team. Freshman Jessica Lippi had this to say, "Being an unranked team and going against Minnesota which was ranked tenth made it hard since we really couldn't simulate their level of play in practice."

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