

## Golf

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shooting three over par and one under respectively.

On to match play they went with Weibring facing eventual champion Jeff Quinney who was in 36th place after stroke play. It is interesting to note that Weibring's stroke play score left him ahead of Quinney as Matt was in 27th place. All slates were scratched clean though for match play and, as stated, Quin-

ney came out on top. Molder fared better winning his first three matches with the last two against University of Georgia Bulldogs. The first Bulldog to get the plane ticket, mule or whatever form of transportation UGA is capable of using was Bryant Odom. Odom went out the door by a score of 3 and 2. David Miller was up next, but Molder needed all 18 holes this time.

Then came Luke Donald, the English Assassin, whose name is constantly mentioned with likes of

Molder, Kuchar, Charles Howell, and David Gosset when college golf is talked about. The two heavyweights battled to the end but Molder could not come out on top after rallying to take a one up lead after the thirteenth hole. Molder trailed by two holes after six but showed a lot of confidence to battle back.

Donald was steely in his own right, squaring the match and then going ahead by one on the 17th. It was do-or-die on the 18th, but Molder's 40-foot birdie attempt just slid

past the hole. And with that the conquest was over as match play is cutthroat like that. "Win or go home", it is the golf equivalent of March Madness.

All in all it was still a good showing as the Baltusrol is a very tough course. It sports several par-fours with a length of 470 yards and USGA standard rough, and any misplaced or mis-hit shots make players suffer. The final was exciting, as Quinney defeated Jeff Driscoll in an extended, 39-hole match, further

extended by a bothersome rain delay, with Quinney sinking a thirty-footer to bring home the crown.

Attempts at reaching Molder for comments were unsuccessful as Georgia Tech Coach Bruce Heppler stated "Bryce flew straight from New Jersey to Berlin, Germany to compete in the World Amateur Championships August 31 to September 3". The strong play of Weibring and Molder bodes well for hopes this year of finally garnering the NCAA Championship.

# Football Forecast

## WEEK TWO

	<b>Baucom</b> (4-0) 4-0	<b>Kischuk</b> (4-0) 4-0	<b>Freyman</b> (3-1) 3-1	<b>Graybeal</b> (3-1) 3-1	<b>Shaw</b> (3-1) 3-1	<b>Cutri-Kohart</b> (2-2) 2-2	<b>Dykes</b> (2-2) 2-2	<b>Flagg</b> (1-3) 1-3	<b>Guest (Jones)</b> (0-4) 0-4	<b>Hinkel</b> (0-4) 0-4	<b>Uhlig</b> (0-4) 0-4
<i>Central Florida at Tech</i>	TECH	TECH	TECH	TECH	TECH	TECH	TECH	TECH	TECH	TECH	TECH
<i>Citadel at Clemson</i>	CIT	CLEM	CLEM	CLEM	CLEM	CLEM	CLEM	CLEM	CLEM	CLEM	CLEM
<i>East Carolina at Duke</i>	DUKE	ECU	ECU	ECU	DUKE	DUKE	DUKE	DUKE	ECU	DUKE	ECU
<i>Tulsa at UNC</i>	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC
<i>Arkansas State at NC State</i>	NCSU	NCSU	NCSU	NCSU	NCSU	NCSU	NCSU	NCSU	NCSU	NCSU	NCSU
<i>Brigham Young at Virginia</i>	UVA	UVA	UVA	UVA	UVA	UVA	UVA	UVA	UVA	UVA	UVA
<i>Southern Miss. at Tennessee</i>	TENN	TENN	TENN	TENN	TENN	TENN	USM	TENN	TENN	TENN	TENN
<i>App. State at Wake Forest</i>	WAKE	APP	APP	WAKE	WAKE	WAKE	APP	WAKE	APP	WAKE	WAKE
<i>Georgia Southern at Georgia</i>	UGA	UGA	UGA	UGA	UGA	UGA	UGA	UGA	GSU	UGA	UGA
<i>Elon at Furman</i>	FU	FU	FU	FU	FU	FU	FU	FU	FU	FU	FU
<i>Boston College at West Virginia</i>	BC	BC	WVU	BC	WVU	BC	BC	BC	BC	WVU	BC
<i>Alabama at UCLA</i>	BAMA	BAMA	BAMA	BAMA	BAMA	BAMA	BAMA	BAMA	BAMA	BAMA	BAMA
<i>Alcorn State at Grambling State</i>	GRAM	GRAM	GRAM	ALC	GRAM	GRAM	GRAM	ALC	GRAM	GRAM	GRAM
<i>Howard at Jackson State</i>	HOW	JACK	JACK	JACK	JACK	HOW	JACK	HOW	JACK	HOW	HOW
<i>Texas Southern at Prairie View</i>	VIEW	TSU	TSU	TSU	TSU	TSU	TSU	TSU	TSU	TSU	TSU

<p>Justice is served. The rules have been enforced, and the offenders picking against Tech have been appropriately punished (look to the right of this week's forecast). Let me start with a crazy shout out to Jen and Sarah — hopefully with that out of the way, they'll hopefully not fuss at me about not being mentioned in six point. Due to a wholesale lack of response regarding the "student guest" position, the slot has been axed to welcome in our new managing editor, Jody Shaw. If you see Jody, be sure to direct him to the nearest men's bathroom. This week's guest is former editor Genay Jones. If you see Genay, be sure to ridicule him mercilessly, but then say nice things so he feels okay about himself. At least he didn't pick against Tech. This week, we feature several games which are sure to go down in the annals of college football. It matters tremendously if Prairie View A &amp; M defeats Texas</p>	<p>Southern, doesn't it? This week is just the beginning of the ridiculous game selections for the semester. I would especially solicit your suggestions for Division III games. Starbucks should do better this week in the rankings. I can't wait to slam anyone who dares pick the Criminoles against Tech next week. Chris Weinke is the spawn of Satan, and should go back to sucking at baseball. HJody should continue with his rookie hazing, and continue his seven minutes of heaven. Speaking of overrated, let's talk about U (sic) GA! Why in the world should they be any good? They can't even spell. Mutt bastards. Tech will gloriously roll over Quincy Carter, who ought not be mentioned in the same sentence as Heisman! Carter couldn't run a real offense like Tech's anyhow, no wonder he fled in fear to run the show in farm town.</p>
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## UCF

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On offense, the loss of Joe Hamilton cannot be measured and it would be unfair to expect George Godsey to live up to the Hamilton legacy. Fans will have to get used to the fact that Godsey is not the kind of QB that Joe was. The option, which was the trademark of our offense while Hamilton was here, will probably not be used as much. Godsey play will probably resemble the more prototypical drop back pocket passing QB than the scrambling QB play that Tech fans have gotten used to over the past four years.

Tech returns an extremely deep and talented backfield, likely to be made up of Joe Burns and Shawn Gregory at tailback and Ed Wilder getting most of the playing time at the fullback position. Look for Sidney Ford to get more touches of the pigskin as well. Kelly Campbell will be leading the receiving corps after his sensational first season. Kerry

Watkins was the third down specialist last season, but expect him to see more playing time. Jon Muyres is said to have had a great spring and this might be a breakout year for him.

On the defensive side of things, the departure of Travares Tillman leaves the biggest gap to be filled. Safety duties are in the solid hands of Chris Young and Jeremy Muyres. Fans can hope that players like Greg Gathers and Recardo Wimbush continue their strong performances from their first season. The burning question will be how much has this young defense matured and developed over the off-season. Improving on last season's rather disappointing defensive performance shouldn't be too hard, the only question is how much of an improvement will it be.

UCF scored on their very first drive against Tech last season and gave many fans a scare, but the Tech defense ended up with arguable their best performance last season en route to a convincing 41-10 victory. Hope-

fully, the defense will repeat their strong performance. Expect more pass rushes to try and pressure and unsettle Penn. However, do not expect the offense to repeat their nation leading offensive yardage output. Tech's offense will be mainly generated from the backfield with lots of running plays to take advantage of our deep pool of backs and also to control the clock.

The matchup should not present a tremendous challenge for the Jackets, rather it should be a good week of warm-up and rest for the following week's home stand against the formidable Florida State Seminoles. Tech's improved defense should get a good first run against the Knights. While the game will also be an opportunity for both fans and future opponents to get a glimpse of the new Tech offense under Godsey's leadership, it should only be a glimpse. It is doubtful that Friedgen will pull out his entire bag of tricks for this game. Florida State will likely be the offensive showcase.



By Daniel Uhlig / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Players celebrate a victory last season. They will look to repeat this scene of Saturday night as they take on the Central Florida Knights at home.



# Sports briefs

## *Florida State Football Ticket Distribution*

Block seating distribution for the Florida State game started yesterday, and will continue through 4 p.m. today. Any tickets not picked up by a given block will be placed into the pool of tickets to be distributed to the general student population.

Ticket distribution for general student tickets will be September 5 & 6 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Distribution will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Date passes for all student tickets will not be available for this game, so plan accordingly. Tickets are to be picked up at the AA street level ticket window. Those picking up block tickets may present as many I.D.'s as they want, provided they are within their block. General student tickets may be picked up using as many as four buzz cards at once.

## *Teixeira named Summer Player of the Year*

While many students were home working on their tans, third baseman Mark Teixeira was touring the country and the world with the USA Baseball national team. Teixeira finished the summer hitting .380 with five home runs and 23 RBI, and at one point worked up to a 22 game hitting streak.

These efforts led to his selection by Baseball America as Summer Player of the Year. His prospects for the award were boosted tremendously by his USA Baseball showing. In securing this award, he joins elite ranks including the likes of Will Clark and John Olerud.

## *Volleyball starts season at Davidson Invitational*

After three weeks of intensive practice, the lady netters are ready to launch their 2000 campaign, traveling to Davidson, NC. They will open the weekend today at 1 p.m. with a match independent of the tournament against Davidson College. Tournament play will begin soon thereafter with a 5 p.m. match against UNC-Wilmington. The tournament will round out with an 11 a.m. match against Georgia State, followed by a 1 p.m. match against host team Davidson.

The team returns three starters from last year's squad, including Kyleen Bell and Teryl Townsend at the crucial middle blocker positions and outside hitter and Germany-native, Maja Pachale. Also in the lineup is the surprise upstart, freshman Kele Eveland, who will run the offense. The starting lineup appears to be fairly set, but several players will probably see significant playing time, according to coach Shelton Collier.

# Golf club team provides athletic outlet for both experienced golfers and those new to the game

*By Jon Gassett  
Club Golf Correspondent*

It's time again to get started with another year of Golf Club at Georgia Tech. The golf club is open to anyone who is interested in golf. The club is comprised of players of every ability, from beginners who are picking up a club for the first time to the more advanced golfers who are looking to sharpen their skills. It offers a great way to learn the game for those who are new to golf and it provides competition for the more advanced golfer.

The club meets weekly to hit range balls and practice at a local driving range. For anyone without golf clubs, the club owns a set that is available at the meetings and can be checked out for play. The "Boss of the Moss" intra-club tournament is also held each semester. It is a single elimination match play tournament that is flighted by ability, which allows everyone to participate on his or her own level.

The tournament allows you a chance to meet people in the club, have some fun, and to have a chance to get out and play some golf, which is sometimes difficult if you don't have a car on campus. "I really enjoyed the chance to compete with other players who were at my ability level," Brent Barkley, club member, said.

For those wishing to participate

intercollegiately, there is that possibility as well. There are several matches throughout the year with other ACC golf clubs that prove to be an exciting and challenging facet of the club. For each intercollegiate match there is a qualifying round open to everyone, and the top eight players will qualify for the tournament. "Playing against other schools really puts your game to the test, and it

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**Brent Barkley**  
Golf Club Member

makes you a better player," Paul Lee, club member, commented about intercollegiate play.

To get involved with the club, feel free to come out to any meeting throughout the semester. The club is always looking for new members. For anyone interested in more information they can check out the Golf Club of Georgia Tech web page at: <http://cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/golfclub> or contact the president of the club, Jon Gassett, at gt8833a@prism.gatech.edu. The

club looks forward to seeing you out on the links this semester.

Georgia Tech fields 21 different club sports teams covering the whole range of sporting interests. The teams are loosely grouped under the supervision of the campus recreation department, but each team is essentially self-governing and makes most of its own decisions.

Some of the teams cover sports already represented at Tech by varsity teams, giving more students the opportunity to represent Georgia Tech in their sport of choice. The golf team, already mentioned, is a key example of this type of sport. The volleyball club not only gives females a non-varsity opportunity in the sport, but also gives their male counterparts an opportunity to compete in the sport.

Other club teams demonstrate the diversity of the sports world, exposing students to sports not covered by the varsity programs. Sports such as crew, rugby, lacrosse, and skydiving are not normally fielded as varsity sports, especially in the South, but these clubs give students the chance to explore them.

The teams also can be the proving ground for future Tech sports. The men's and women's soccer teams will likely be the foundation for the soon to be developed varsity programs in each sport. No matter the nature of the sport, these teams are a valuable part of the community.

## Tech Hall of Fame

### Scott, Swilling, Creek top the list of six athletes tapped as newly enshrined members

By Rob Kischuk  
Sports Editor

This month, a new class of six former Georgia Tech athletes was announced for fall induction into the Georgia Tech Athletic Hall of Fame. The class features both familiar names and unsung heroes, and spans six different sports. The new blood will be inducted on September 8, 2000, at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta.

Heading this class is a face that has been no stranger to Tech fans since his departure. Former Tech basketball player Dennis Scott was an all-out all-star in his time here. As a member of the 1990 "Lethal Weapon 3" team, Scott scored an ACC single season record 970 points en route to a conference record 28 wins and the ACC championship. These efforts earned him not only first-team all-American status, but also the Naismith National Player of the Year award, the top award attainable by a college player, named for the inventor of the game, Jim Naismith.

Dennis Scott's successes did not end with his departure from Tech. Taken as a lottery pick in the 1990 NBA draft, he enjoyed several strong

seasons with the Orlando Magic, where he played alongside the likes of Penny Hardaway and Shaquille O'Neal. His professional career recently started a new chapter, with the 10 year league veteran now playing for the Vancouver Grizzlies.

Ken Swilling, though not as much of a household name, was a part of even prouder moments for Tech athletics. Swilling started at free safety for the 1990 UPI National Champion football team, and still holds the Tech record for tackles by a defensive back. Another first team all-American, he played for three seasons in the NFL and now resides in Toccoa, Georgia.

Golfer Bill Ploeger (1960-62) was a team captain and an honorable mention all-American. Now retired, he has met with great success in amateur golf events throughout his life. These culminated recently with his selection as the 1999 Senior Player of the Year by the Georgia State Golf Association.

Diver Haskew Brantley was selected for his consistent success harkening back to Tech's membership in the SEC. He was a vital part of Tech's 1942 and 1948 championship swimming and diving

teams. He never lost a single competition during his four year stay at Tech.

All-American triple jumper Rich Thompson (1987-91) set Tech records in the indoor and outdoor triple jump which remain intact to this day. He was a three year letter winner and was named to all-American honors seven times over. He continued on to place seventh in the 1996 Olympic triple jump trials, and participated in the 1995 Pan American Games.

Doug Creek (1988-91) pitched for the Jackets for four years without attaining any conference or national honors. Still, the southpaw has fared better than many such honored players in keeping a sport for himself in professional baseball. During his college career, he set a Tech record with 41 wins, a mark that still ranks second in ACC history. He is still active in the Major League Baseball, currently on the roster for the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

*Tickets for the Georgia Tech Hall of Fame Banquet are available for \$65 and may be purchased by contacting Barb Dockweiler in the Alexander-Tharpe Fund Office at 404-894-6124*

## Football now opens season at home

By Joseph Jeong  
Tag team, back again

Georgia Tech opens their football season this week against University of Central Florida. The Knights are a familiar opponent for the Yellow Jackets, having played against them twice in the past several years, once in 1996 and once last year.

Don't let UCF's 4-7 record last season fool you, this Golden Knights team is much better than what their record indicates. As UCF continues to fight for respectability and a spot in a football conference, their courageous Athletic Director continues to schedule tough games for the Golden Knights. Last season, UCF

played one of the toughest and most sadistic schedules in the nation.

Their first four games were against ranked opponents, Purdue, Florida, Georgia Tech and Georgia, with no bye weeks in between. Despite that, they came close to pulling off two or three upsets last year, especially against U(sic!)GA, where they suffered a heartbreaking one-point loss. With one more year of experience under their belt, perhaps they will not just come close this year but maybe even pull off an upset or two. Let's just hope we're not one of their victims.

Offensively, this UCF team packs quite a punch, returning four out of five of-

fensive linemen and their offensive MVP, senior QB Vic Penn. Penn had to live up to high expectations, replacing then college standout and now NFL pro, Daunte Culpepper, as the starting QB for UCF. Even under pressure, he has done an admirable job and turned in an impressive performance last year. Despite losing to traditional powerhouses like Florida and Auburn, he left a deep impression on their defenses by torching them for over 370 yards passing. However, they are far from a one-man team. An experienced offensive line can take a team very far in college football. UCF also has depth in every position and good team speed.

Georgia Tech hoped to have cleared the cloud of questions hanging over this year's team answered coming into this weekend. Alas, due to the intervention of Mother Nature, many questions remain unanswered. Will the much-maligned defense from last season have matured enough over the off-season to make up for the loss of Joe Hamilton and co.? How well will Godsey play, and will he be the starter for the year, or will Andy Hall or someone else step up? What new tricks does Offensive Coordinator Ralph Friedgen have up his sleeves? Perhaps some things will become clearer this Saturday.

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By Daniel Uhlig / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Kelly Campbell puts his autograph on a football for a young Yellow Jacket at the team's annual fan photo day on campus.



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## Sports Commentary

*Just what are athletic eligibility rules supposed to accomplish?*

By Rob Kischuk  
Not Furman Bisber

Freshman, redshirt freshman, redshirt senior, you've heard the terms, but do they fit?

By the standards of the NCAA, I, having attended Georgia Tech for five years, am no longer eligible to play collegiate athletics. On the other hand, multi-sport athletes who bypass college for the pros are eligible to go back to school and play ball, so long as the sport is not the one they played professionally.

One such example is University [sic] of Georgia quarterback Quincy Carter, who was drafted out of high school to play with the Chicago Cubs organization in Major League Baseball. After signing a letter of intent with Georgia Tech, Carter backed out, played pro ball, and then returned to school, and is now a star. It's insane to call such a player a "student-athlete." Apart from attending that other school in Athens, it seems likely that rather than seeking an education, more on his mind was a career change and the path to stardom.

Take a more high-profile, albeit less local and personal, example, Chris Weinke. Weinke was also picked up by MLB fresh out of high school, and spent six years in the Toronto Blue Jays organization before heading to college at Florida State to major in, of all things, Sports Management, probably not a career goal.

This man has been through years of professional training of

his arm, yet has all of his eligibility for college football remaining. On the other hand, an engineering student who has taken up other extracurriculars, and as such can not fit varsity sports into his or her schedule, has little time for training, but after five years of being a student, has no eligibility. Now ask yourself which of these students has the real advantage heading into a college football program?

The problem stems from antiquated rules more concerned with schools quietly developing a player for years than with the former pro athletes who come in and dominate the game. Students can undertake real majors and lose all of their eligibility, while floundering minor league baseball players can take refuge in a joke of a major and sail on years of physical training into stardom.

The point of it all is that players such as Weinke and Carter shouldn't even be in the college game. Many students must choose to pursue a viable major over varsity sports, while the former-pro old men get a myriad of choices. They can be an athlete without being a student, and get to go back to the drawing board if they make a wrong choice. The NCAA should rethink itself. So many regulations are left to the school to enforce. Why not let schools track if a student is also an athlete, and only chew up eligibility if they're actually playing a sport instead of automatically starting the clock upon enrollment?

## Football emerges undefeated

*Threatening lightning caused Conference USA officials to postpone the BCA Bowl, moving the season opener back by a week*

By Rob Kischuk  
Sports Editor

The fans were poised in the stands, the teams were warmed up, and the requisite pre-game Michael Vick hype had subsided. Then, the unexpected happened — rain clouds that had been approaching Blacksburg, Virginia, home of the Virginia Tech Hokies burst forth in electric fireworks. The lightning outbreak

caused the Conference USA officiating crew to consult with coach George O'Leary and Virginia Tech coach Frank Beamer, who finally made the decision to cancel the game.

This was the scene Sunday night as the two teams prepared to open their seasons against each other. Just prior to kickoff, storms rolled in, drenching the field and forking lightning throughout the sky. After waiting an hour, it seemed apparent that

even worse weather was on the way, and that waiting would only prolong the inevitable postponement.

The officiating crew conveyed their concern to the coaches. Discussions between the coaches and athletic directors led to an agreement that safety was a key concern, and it wasn't worth the risk. O'Leary said, "I thought it was the best decision for the safety of the players and also for the fans. Water and electricity are two things you don't mess around with."

Had the game been played, the conditions favored Tech. The balanced offense would readily allow for a shift to the smashmouth style of football required in the rain, while VT's Michael Vick would be inhibited in both his passing game and his agility by the foul conditions.

Initially, it was uncertain whether or not the game would be rescheduled. Since then, athletic director Dave Braine has verbalized the position that the Jackets are not interested in rescheduling. A key reason for playing the game was to give the younger players more experience before hitting their grueling regular season schedule. This leaves them getting none of the \$600,000 payout, but also gives the team a chance to rest between the Georgia game and a post-season bowl.



By Dale Russell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

**Kelly Campbell proved to be a versatile receiver last season, including this work against NC State, and his value should continue rising this year.**

## Molder, Weibring fall short at U.S. Amateurs

By David Williams  
Golf - the sport for all seasons!

Georgia Tech Golf Team Senior Bryce Molder fell just short recently in his bid to become the 2000 Men's U.S. Amateur Champion. Molder reached the elite 8 but could not overcome 1999 NCAA Champion Luke Donald losing one up. Still, it was a fine display of golf by the Conway, Arkansas-native after qualifying for match play via stroke play and then making it through three competitors before finally bowing out. Junior Matt Weibring also competed, advancing to match play only to lose in the first round to eventual champion Jeff Quinney 6 and 5.

New to amateur golf and especially the U.S. Amateur? Here are the rules and the history. Every year thousands of amateur golfers attempt to qualify for the U.S. Amateur in hopes of winning the crown in a tournament style Bobby Jones called "the purest form of golf". That style is match play where two competitors see who can win the most holes out of a possible 18. Of course, if it becomes mathematically impossible for a player to win after a certain number of holes, the match is over.

For example, in Weibring's loss the final was 6 and 5. This meant Quinney was up six holes with five left. If Matt had won the next five holes there was still no way he could win the match. Molder's loss of 1 up meant he was down one going into 18 with a chance to tie the match if he won the hole.



By Daniel Uhlig / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

**Matt Weibring is a rising star, and key to the future of Tech golf. His play at the U.S. Amateur Tournament further substantiates his value to the team.**

Going "dormie" means a player is up as many holes as there are left. All he has to do is tie or win the hole to win the match. This puts tremendous pressure on his competitor. The history involved includes Tech alumnus Bobby Jones, who completed golf's only Grand Slam by winning the amateur in 1930. Tiger Woods won the tournament three times in a row -- a very stunning feat. Tech alumnus Matt Kuchar won the tournament in 1997, putting Tech golf back on the map.

Just qualifying is a feat, as a player must have a handicap of 2.4 or less. This eliminates perhaps hun-

dreds of thousands of golfers. Once a player establishes this mark, he must try to qualify locally at several designated courses in what is called "sectional qualifying". Once that is achieved the player must go to the designated course for that year.

This year's venue was the Baltusrol Golf Club, located in New Jersey. Players start their competition with a 36 hole round of stroke play. Those not shooting a certain score do not make the cut to the final field of 64. Weibring and Molder both met the qualifying score by

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## Marvious Hester Punt Returns and More



By Dale Russell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

**Up to this point, Marvious Hester has functioned primarily as a punt returner, but will expand his role this season, starting as a cornerback.**