

GEORGIA TECH YELLOW JACKETS

POSITION OUTLOOK FOR 2009

QUARTERBACKS - In former HC Chan Gailey's six year tenure, this position was not a strength. They completed 54.9% in his first year. With a true frosh starter in year two they dropped to 52.5%. The next four years GT QB's combined to hit 48.8%, 47.1%, 47.2% and 49.3%, the 2nd lowest 4 year comp% in the NCAA. In 2007 Taylor Bennett completed just 49.5% with a 7-9 record and opted to transfer to LT prior to '08 as he was not a good fit for the new offense. True frosh Josh Nesbitt (PS#16) was the backup in '07 and looked good in limited action (13 passes) while Calvin Booker, a more prototypical QB (PS#38), attempted 21. Nesbitt did rush for 339 (6.4). Last year Nesbitt was the clear cut starter and the backup was true frosh Jaybo Shaw (PS#57) who ran the same offense in HS. Nesbitt was later injured in the 1Q vs Miss St, missed 2 others, was inj in the 3Q vs Fla St and was pulled in the 3Q vs NC. Nesbitt was clearly the best at running the offense and threw for 808 (43.9%) with a 2-5 ratio while rushing for 693 (4.0) yds. Shaw threw for 321 (62.5%) with a 2-1 ratio with 200 rush (3.2). Versus Gardner-Webb both were injured and Booker, who is not a good fit for the offense, hit 3 of 11 for 120 yds (35 rush) as they struggled for a 3 pt win. This year they only lose Booker and Bryce Dykes (2 gm). Added to the mix are Tevin Washington (6'1" 205 rFr, PS#136), Doc Coppage (6'4" 205 So) and this year's true frosh. This group should put up much improved numbers in the second year of Johnson's offense.

RUNNING BACKS - Oklahoma transfer Tashard Choice (PS#59) rushed for 1,473 (5.0) in '06 and 1,379 (5.3) in '07. True frosh Jonathan Dwyer (PS#5) emerged as #2 in '07 with 436 (5.3). Last year they had to replace Choice. In the new offense, Dwyer broke off some big runs including a school record 88 yd TD run vs Miss St (topped Bob McCoy 87 yds in 1948) and also had an 85 yd run vs NC. He finished with 1,395 (7.0) and was named the ACC Off POY. Roddy Jones, who was drafted by the Chicago White Sox out of HS, set a school record with 16.5 ypc on his 214 vs Georgia and finished with 690 (8.5). Connecticut transfer Lucas Cox rushed for 200 (7.7). This year they lose Greg Smith (98, 7.5) and Lance Walls (9 yd). GT now adds in L'ville transfer Anthony Allen, who rushed for 1,102 (4.6) and had 9 starts at UL in 2 years. Not listed in the 2 deep below are Quincy Kelly (6'0" 238 Jr), Jamal Paige (5'10" 175 rFr), Jon Lockhart (6'0" 190 rFr, PS#207) and Jim Henry (5'11" 172 So). While it will be tough for Dwyer to top last year's 7.0 ypc, this group is more experienced and has added talent.

RECEIVERS - In '03 under Gailey, Jonathan Smith (#7DC/04) snagged a school record 78 rec for 1,138 yards and had more than twice the amount of catches as the #2 man. Calvin Johnson (#1 DC, '07) broke Smith's record with 1,202 (15.8) in '06. In the spring of '07, Demaryius Thomas looked like he would be the go-to receiver but surprisingly was only #2 with 558 (15.9). Greg Smith led with 588 (15.9) but moved to AB in '08 so Thomas, an NFL caliber WR, led with 627 (16.1) LY in the option offense. Tyler Melton (PS#216) got in the first 7 sts as a true LY before a knee inj. This year the only losses are RB Clyburn (1 st, 1 rec) and Andrew Smith (1 st). With the top 8 rec's back, they should show improvement.

OFFENSIVE LINE - In 2007 Tech had 8 of their top 10 back and 11 career starts returning. I called it the top OL of Gailey's tenure and indeed it was. The OL paved the way for a Gailey-era high 199 ypg rushing and 4.7 ypc, their best totals since 1999 despite QB Bennett rushing for -13 yards (22 sacks). Paul Johnson had to replace 2.5 starters as the unit had just 58 career starts returning LY and had to learn a new offense. First Tm ACC LT Andrew Gardner was lost after 9 starts to injury and starting RT David Brown was lost after 8. Running the option offense (QB Nesbitt rushed for 693), the numbers naturally improved to 273 ypg rush (5.6) but they did allow 19 sacks (11.5%, 4th worst). This year they lose Gardner (4Y str, #6DC MIA), Brown (8 st),

LG AJ Smith (1 st) along with backups C Andrew Folkner and LG Drew Brannon. While they technically lose two starting OT's, the five OLs that started the last 4 together all return. I could list the unit as either 3 or 5 returning starters so I split the difference and went with four, counting Gardner as a starter lost.

DEFENSIVE LINE - In 2007 GT had 7 of their top 8 back and allowed 3.2 ypc rush (2nd highest in 5 years) but led the FBS with 47 sacks. Last year they had to replace both starting DE's but I still rated it as one of the top D-lines in the country coming into the season. Perhaps due to inexperienced LB's and a new DC, GT slipped allowing 120 ypg (3.6) while the sack total dipped to 34 (depleted LB's the culprit). This year the unit is the lone question mark on the entire team. Gone are 1st Tm AA DE Michael Johnson (13 st, 46 tkl, 9 sk, 8 tfl, #3DC CIN), 1st Tm ACC DT Vance Walker (12 st, 33 tkl, 3 sk, #7DC ATL), 2nd Tm ACC DT Darryl Richard (13 st, 34 tkl, 4 sk, #7DC NE) and DT Ebris Anyaibe (1 st, 17 tkl, 1.5 sk). I look for a couple of newcomers to have a major impact. True frosh JC Lanier is 335 lbs and rFr TJ Barnes (6'7" 325) was impressive on the scout team. DE's Jason Peters and Derrick Morgan are both VHT's with Morgan earning 3rd Tm ACC. This unit will be stronger than expected but will not be one of the Top 10 in the FBS like last year's terrific front four.

LINEBACKERS - In both '06 and '07 GT had to replace their #1 tackler but had 5 of the top 6 LB's back. Last year they had to replace their #1 (#3DC) and #2 tacklers. All 3 of my projected starters missed time with injuries as Anthony Barnes had just 4 starts. Returning starter Shane Bowen (10 st '07) was never 100% and had just 13 tackles (0 st) and Brad Jefferson missed 4. This year the only losses are Tony Clark (6 st, 21 tkl, 1 sk), Bowen, Travis Chambers (1 st, 11 tkl) and James Liipfert (11 tkl). The top 3 LB tacklers all return so I list the unit as having 3 starters returning. This group has a lot more experience and can only remain healthier.

DEFENSIVE BACKS - GT was #20 in my pass D rankings in '05 and in '06 they had to replace 3 starters but still finished #33. In '07 they had to replace one starter. Surprisingly GT fell to #71 with just 5 int, 3 by true frosh SS Morgan Burnett. Last year they had to replace 3 starters but Burnett, who had 57 tkl despite just 1 start in '07, was back. Burnett tied for #1 in the FBS with 7 int while CB Jahi Word-Daniels (21 pbu in '06 and '07) missed

the final six (inj). This year they lose Word-Daniels (7 st, 24 tkl, 2 pbu, 1 int), FS Jake Blackwood (13 tkl) and ROV Troy Garside (8 tkl). Not listed in the PSL are CB Scott Elder (5'9" 160 Jr), ROV's Stephen Mann (6'0" 200 rFr), Kamaron Riley (6'2" 180 rFr, PS#162), Tyler Barrett (5'10" 186 Sr) and FS's Alex Walker (6'0" 180 So) and Brandon Leslie (6'0" 195 rFr, PS#58). They have four back with 8+ starts and I list them as having 4 starters returning as the top two CB tacklers are back. GT finished #58 in my pass D rankings and are much more experienced.

SPECIAL TEAMS - After finishing #119 in the FBS in KR D in '06 and a #81 finish in my ST rankings, they rose to #5 behind P Brooks in '07. Last year they had to replace their K and P. Paul Johnson's ST units at Navy finished #76, #113, #69, #107 in his first 4 years but improved to #15 in '07. GT dropped all the way to #97 last year. New P's Scott Blair and Chandler Anderson combined for a 33.1 net with Blair having 5 TB on 60 KO. GT did improve its KR D to 19.9. PR's were iffy avg 6.7 with numerous muff's. Roddy Jones avg 23.6 on KR. Blair only hit 12 of 19 FG's (0-6 from 40+). He was the first GT player in 25 years to handle both K & P. This year all of the key players are back and GT should improve.

COACHES - Paul Johnson was 62-10 at Georgia Southern and was IAA National Coach of the Year for four straight seasons (1997-2000). In six years at Navy, he guided them to 5 bowl games and won five straight Commander-in-Chief's trophies. In 2004 he was named the Bobby Dodd National Coach of the Year. In his first year here Johnson was named the ACC Coach of the Year and GT knocked off rival Georgia for the 1st time since 2000. Johnson serves as his own OC as he did at Navy. The DC is Dave Wommack who was the LB coach at S Miss in 2007 and the DC at Ark in '02-'04. Wommack stepped into some large shoes replacing Jon Tenuta who left for ND plus GT's 3.62 sacks per game in '07 was #1 in the FBS (tied #18 w/2.62 in '08).

PHIL'S FORECAST

GT has now been to a school record 12 straight bowl games. In five of Gailey's six seasons, they finished with exactly 7 wins and in 2006 GT got to the ACC Title game finishing with 9 wins. That 2006 squad was led by AA WR Calvin Johnson and they landed their first Jan 1 bowl since 1999 getting as high as #13 in the polls. In 2007 they opened the season strong demolishing ND in South Bend 33-3 and also beat #13 Clemson at home, 13-3. Unfortunately, after losing to rival GA for the 6th straight time they fell to 7-5 and Gailey was let go. DC Tenuta was the interim HC for the bowl and Fresno St piled up 571 yds in a 40-28 GT loss. GT was 4-4 in the ACC but did outgain conf foes by 32.3 ypg (4th best). Last year GT had to replace its top 4 tacklers and had just 9 starters back. Their 75 frosh and soph on the roster made them the youngest squad in the ACC. GT also only had 76 scholarship players. The Yellow Jackets exceeded my expectations by rolling to a 9-3 regular season record. GT upset BC on the road 19-16 and the next week had a 387-247 yd edge vs VT but came up short on the road losing by 3. After burying SEC member Miss St 38-7, they destroyed a 3-1 Duke team 27-0. With their top 2 QB's out they struggled vs FCS Gardner-Webb only winning by 3 but then beat Clemson in Death Valley, 21-17. GT was 6-1 (best start S/90). In one of their worst outings of the year, they jumped out to a 14-3 lead vs Virginia but lost 24-17. FSU fumbled into the EZ for a TB late and GT escaped with a 3 point win. After a 21 point loss to NC, they hosted Miami on a chilly Thursday night and rolled to a 41-23 win with 472 rush yards. GT had a veteran D-line vs a rebuilding GA O-line and they ended their 7 year losing streak to the Bulldogs. GA did lead 28-12 at half but GT dominated the 2H and finished with a 409-81 yd rush edge. Defending Nat'l Champ LSU was made an underdog to GT and didn't take too kindly to it in a 38-3 blowout in the Chick-fil-A Bowl. While they did benefit from 3 net close wins, GT's +68.1 ypg in ACC play was the league's best. This year GT is a more veteran

squad with 18 returning starters and 61 returning lettermen, both tops in the ACC. The only question mark is their rebuilt D-line but GT should contend for the ACC Title in Johnson's 2nd season.



ROV Morgan Burnett

2009 PROJECTED STARTING LINEUP

OFFENSE

QB 9 JOSH NESBITT JR. 6-1 214 PS#16. 93 (39%) 339 rush true. 11 st, 808 pass (44%) 2-5 ratio, 693 rush (4.0) LY. **11 Jaybo Shaw** (6'0" 190 So) PS#57. 321 (63%), 200 rush true.

BB 21 JONATHAN DWYER JR. 6-0 228 PS#5. 436 (5.3) 14 KR (21.9) true. 13 st, 1395 (7.0). **ACC Off POY LY. 43 Anthony Allen** (6'0" 225 Jr) PS#73. **L'ville trans.** 1102 (4.6) 2Y at UL.

AB 36 LUCAS COX JR. 6-0 238 Conn trans. 13st, 200 (7.7) here LY. **48 Richard Watson** (6'1" 225 rFr) PS#33. **24 Embry Peeples** (5'10" 175 So) PS#70. 8 gm, 97 (4.6) true.

AB 20 RODDY JONES SO. 5-9 194 PS#53. 13 st, 690 (8.5) 8 rec (19.0), 15 KR (23.6) rFr. **3 Marcus Wright** (5'8" 175 So) PS#42. 37 (9.2) true. **27 Jonathan Malone** (5'9" 167 Sr) 9 gm, 3Y.

WR 84 TYLER MELTON SO. 6-0 199 7 st, 53 (10.6) true. **81 Zach Fisher** (6'2" 193 So) 45 (15.0). **Willie White** (6'3" 182 So) PS#67. **Kevin Cone** (6'2" 202 Jr), **Geoff Greco** (6'3" 210 rFr).

WR 8 DEMARIYIUS THOMAS JR. 6-3 229 PS#80. 10 st, 558 (15.9) rFr. **12 st, 627 (16.1), 3rd Tm ACC. 23 Quentin Sims** (6'3" 190 rFr), **Daniel McKayhan** (6'0" 180 rFr), **Paul Reese** (6'0" 178 So).

C 77 DAN VOSS SR. 6-4 294 4 gm rFr. **L7 st@LG/07. 13 st@C LY.** No spg (inj).

76 Nick McRae (6'4" 290 rFr) PS#99. **Sean Bedford** (6'1" 268 Jr), **LS Michael Ray** (5'10" 210 Sr).

RG 70 JOSEPH GILBERT SO. 6-4 288 PS#186. 12 st@RG, 13 gm as rFr. **74 Zach Krish** (6'5" 286 Jr), 4 gm LY. **67 Zach Frayser** (6'3" 275 rFr), **Chase Hudson** (6'2" 268 So).

LG 71 CORD HOWARD SR. 6-5 310 Played 2H of ssn as rFr. **L6 st@RT, 10 gm (acad)** 07. 13 st (12@LG, 1@RG), **2nd Tm ACC LY. 62 Omoregie Uzzi** (6'3" 291 rFr) PS#106.

RT 73 Austin Barrick Jr. 6-3 254 PS#68. 3 gm rFr. 4 st@RT, **LY. 78 Clyde Yandell** (6'5" 296 So) PS#54. **Alex Paquette** (6'3" 253 Sr), **Shoulder inj LY. 78 Mike Johnson** (6'4" 300 rFr).

LT 75 NICK CLAYTOR SO. 6-6 304 PS#15. L5 st@OT, 11 gm rFr. **60 Brad Sellers** (6'2" 252 Sr) PS#117. 14 gm 3Y. **61 Phil Smith** (6'6" 290 rFr) PS#244. **Jeff Lentz** (6'5" 252 Jr) 1 gm inj LY.

K 14 SCOTT BLAIR JR. 6-0 173 KO as rFr. **12-19 FG, U3/L3 LY. 31 Mohamed Yahiaoui** (5'11" 215 Sr) 0-1 FG LY. **95 KO 3Y.** **Chris Tanner** (6'0" 170 rFr) PS#77. **Andy Elakman** (6'0" 190 rFr).

DE 91 DERRICK MORGAN JR. 6-4 270 PS#27. 9 tkl true. 13 st, 51 tkl, 7 sk, 2.5 tfl, 3rd Tm

ACC. 56 Osahon Tongo (6'3" 252 Jr) PS#61. 4 tkl 2Y. **67 Steven Powers** (6'2" 226 So) PS#98. 1 tkl.

DT 90 TJ BARNES rFR. 6-7 325 PS#163. **98 Ben Anderson** (6'2" 271 Jr) PS#96. 2 tkl, 6 gm rFr. 12 gm, 2 tkl, 2 tfl LY. **72 Jason Hill** (6'4" 299 Sr) PS#222. 16 gm 3Y on OL. **Move to DL spg.**

DT 96 Logan Walls So. 6-2 287 PS#81. 3 gm, 1 tkl rFr. **JC Lanier** (6'4" 335 Fr) is PS#49. **68 Luke Snider** (6'0" 218 Jr) PS#321. 1 tkl, 2 gm as rFr. **Moved from LB, 1 gm LY.**

DE 92 Jason Peters So. 6-4 272 PS#15. 5 tkl, 3 tfl rFr. **97 Robert Hall** (6'3" 248 Jr) PS#104. 21 tkl 3Y. **Anthony Egbunire** (6'4" 253 Jr) Tulsa trans. 2 tkl here. **Antonio Wilson** (6'6" 220 rFr).

SLB 54 SEDRIC GRIFFIN SR. 5-11 239 15 tkl 2Y. 11 st, 53 tkl, 8 tfl LY. **58 BJ Machen** (6'1" 225 Fr) PS#74. **Malcolm Munroe** (6'3" 215 Fr) PS#165. **Albert Rooker** (6'1" 225 So) PS#131. 3 tkl LY.

MLB 51 BRAD JEFFERSON JR. 6-2 227 PS#54. 10 tkl, 12 gm as true. 3 st, 9 gm (inj), 24 tkl LY. **34 Steven Sylvester** (6'2" 225 So) PS#49. 11 tkl, 12 gm true. **Austin Flanary** (6'1" 220 rFr).

WLB 59 KYLE JACKSON SO. 6-0 226 PS#86. 10 st, 12 games (inj), 61 tkl, 1.5 tfl rFr. 198 Jr 1 st, 11 tkl, 1 pbu, 2Y. **Michael Peterson** (5'11" 185 So) 16 tkl rFr. **Jason Davis** (5'10" 196 Sr).

CB 28 RASHAAD REID SO. 5-10 180 L/8 st, 45 tkl, 3 tfl, 5 pd true. **37 Jerrard Tarrant** (6'0" 189 So) susp LY. **Correy Earls** (6'0" 190 Jr) PS#154. 7 st @WR, 18 rec, 2Y. **Move from WR in spg.**

CB 2 MARIO BUTLER JR. 6-1 181 PS#142. 13 st, 44 tkl, 5 pd 2Y. **25 DeRon Jasper** (6'2" 198 Jr) 1 st, 11 tkl, 1 pbu, 2Y. **Michael Peterson** (5'11" 185 So) 16 tkl rFr. **Jason Davis** (5'10" 196 Sr).

ROV 1 MORGAN BURNETT JR. 6-1 198 PS#39. 1 st, 57 tkl, 10 pd true. 13 st, 93 tkl, 8 pbu, 7 int, 3rd Tm AA LY. **45 Mario Edwards** (6'1" 210 Jr) VT trans. 7 tkl, 12 gm here LY.

FY 26 DOMINIQUE REESE JR. 5-11 178 PS#210. 16 tkl rFr. 11 st, 44 tkl, 5 pd LY. **22 Cooper Taylor** (6'4" 195 So) PS#102. 3 st, 69 tkl, 3 pd true. **Martin Frierson** (6'2" 208 Sr) PS#136. 13 tkl 3Y.

P 14 SCOTT BLAIR JR. 6-0 173 41 punt (38.9), tm net 33.1. 11 120, 6 TB LY. **85 Chandler Anderson** (5'11" 193 So), 6 punts (41.7) rFr. **Kevin Crosby** (6'3" 191 Jr), **Cody Hutchings** (5'10" 175 Fr).

TOP NEWCOMERS FOR 2009

QB Jordan Luallen 6-4 200 PS#28
DL JC Lanier 6-4 335 PS#49
QB David Sims 5-11 210 PS#42
DL Izaan Cross 6-4 250 PS#78
RB Daniel Drummond 6-3 230 PS#81
DL Emmanuel Dieke 6-6 220 PS#106
LB Brandon Watts 6-2 230 PS#79
OL Will Jackson 6-4 275 PS#91
DB Rod Sweeting 6-0 170 PS#102
DL Christopher Crenshaw 6-3 235 PS#128
OL Jay Finch 6-4 255 PS#117
WR Stephen Hill 6-4 190 PS#94
RB Orwin Smith 6-0 190 PS#103
OL Antonio Foster 6-4 280 PS#124
DL Euclid Cummings 6-4 230 PS#153
OL Ray Beno 6-1 270 PS#205
RB Jemea Thomas 5-10 185 PS#159
LB Julian Burnett 5-10 210 PS#188
WR Jeremy Moore 6-3 170 PS#185
DB Carl Miles 6-0 185 PS#402
DB Lance Richardson 6-2 195 PS#465

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PAUL JOHNSON (Career 54-33) (FCS 62-10)
2nd Year at Georgia Tech
Bowls: 2-3
Navy '02-'07

Date	Opponent	Turf	Line	Final Score		W
				GT	Opp	
Sep. 5	Jacksonville St	G				
Sep. 10	Clemson (Thur)	G				
Sep. 17	at Miami, Fl (Thur)	G				
Sep. 26	North Carolina	G				
Oct. 3	at Mississippi St	G				
Oct. 10	at Florida St	G				
Oct. 17	Virginia Tech (HC)	G				
Oct. 24	at Virginia	G				
Oct. 31	at Vanderbilt	G				
Nov. 7	Wake Forest	G				
Nov. 14	at Duke	G				
Nov. 21						
Nov. 28	Georgia	G				
Dec. 5						

CAREER PASSING LEADERS
1. Joe Hamilton 8,882 '96-'99
2. Shawn Jones 8,441 '89-'92
3. Reggie Ball 8,128 '03-'06

CAREER RUSHING LEADERS
1. Robert Lavette 4,066 '81-'84
2. Jerry Mays 3,699 '85-'89
3. Eddie Lee Ivey 3,517 '75-'78

CAREER RECEIVING LEADERS
1. Calvin Johnson 2,927 '04-'06
2. Kelly Campbell 2,907 '98-'01
3. Kerry Watkins 2,680 '99-'02

GT is 9-1 the L10Y in home openers. The Gamecocks finished 8-3 last year including a 41-14 loss to GT. The Yellow Jackets are 20-0-1 vs FCS teams since 1984.

Ten of the last 13 in this series have been decided by 5 pts or less. Georgia Tech has gone 14 straight yrs with a .500 or better record in ACC games. Last yr GT piled up a ssn high 472 yds on the ground in a 41-23 rout vs #23 UM. In regular season gms, GT is 10-3 in this series. GT is 9-2 the L11 road openers.

The legendary Bobby Dodd won his 1st game as GT's HC vs N Carolina in 1945. GT is 9-2 S/'98 vs the Tar Heels but LY #19 North Carolina defeated #22 GT 28-7. GT has played every SEC team & LSU is the only tm they have not lost to (3-0). Last year the Yellow Jackets rushed for 438 yds (8.1) their most since 1978.

LY Georgia Tech won for the 1st time (0-12) vs Bobby Bowden & the Noles S/'75. The L/6 have been decided by less than an avg of 6 ppg. GT has never won in Tallahassee (0-6). GT has lost 4 of the L/5 in this series & LY gave up a season high 199 rush yds (4.3). The game was tied as GT allowed a 67/11 pl 4Q drive aided by 2 PF penalties.

The visitor is 2-12 since 1995 in this series. The Yellow Jackets were off to their best start since 1990 last year & led UVA 14-3 but were outscored 21-3 the final 3Q's. Georgia Tech is 10-0-1 since 1948 vs Vanderbilt (last loss to VU was in 1941). These schools last met in '03 in Nashville & GT defeated Vandy 24-17 in OT.

Georgia Tech is 8-4 the last 3 years in November. The Yellow Jackets are 20-8 all-time in this series but in their last meeting GT lost to WF in the 2006 ACC Title 9-6.

GT has won 13 of the L/14, with their only loss during that stretch coming in Durham in '03. QB Shaw made his 1st career start LY vs Duke passing for a ssn high 230 yds (64%) 1-0.

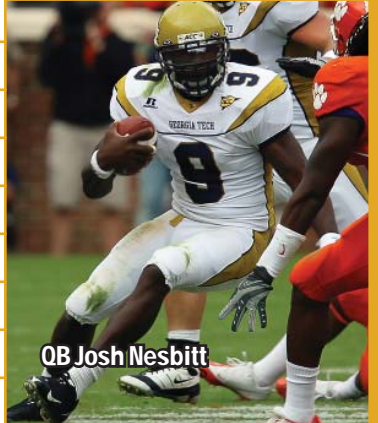
With the UGA win LY, Johnson had the 4th most overall wins by a 1st yr ACC HC. LY GT beat UGA for the 1st time in 7 yrs as they rushed 409 yds (7.3) (Jones career best 214).

Johnson AT GEORGIA TECH/OVERALL

9-4 / 54-33	SU	0-0 / 0-2	Vs Top 10
6-1 / 27-13	Home	3-1 / 3-9	Vs Top 25
3-2 / 18-13	Away	2-1 / 13-19	Vs BCS Tms
0-1 / 9-7	Neutral	2-1 / 12-5	Off A Bye
5-3 / 5-3	Vs Conf	3-0 / 17-13	Off A Loss

2008 RECORD:
(9-4)
LETTERMEN:
Returning: 61 (29,27,5)
Lost: 25 (11,12,2)

2008 AVERAGE ATTENDANCE: 47,489 (#48)
ACC - COASTAL DIVISION



QB Josh Nesbitt

STADIUM: BOBBY DODD STADIUM (55,000) (#48)
PLAYING SURFACE: GRASS

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	9Yr Total
Straight Up	9-3	8-5	7-6	7-6	7-5	7-5	9-5	7-6	9-4	70-45
Home	5-1	3-3	4-2	4-2	3-3	4-2	6-1	4-3	6-1	39-18
Away	4-1	3-2	3-3	2-4	3-2	3-2	3-2	3-2	3-2	27-20
Neutral	0-1	2-0	0-1	1-0	1-0	0-1	0-2	0-1	0-1	4-7
vs Conf	6-2	4-4	4-4	4-4	4-4	5-3	7-2	4-4	5-3	43-30
vs Non-Conf	3-1	4-1	3-2	3-2	3-1	2-2	2-3	3-2	4-1	27-15
ATS	9-3	4-8	4-9	7-5-1	6-5	5-7	7-5-1	4-7-1	8-3	54-52-3
Home Fav	4-1	1-4	2-3	1-1	1-1	2-3	3-2	0-3-1	4-1	18-19-1
Home Dog	1-0	0-0	0-1	3-1	0-3	0-1	1-0	1-1	0-0	6-7
Away Fav	2-0	2-2	1-2	0-1-1	0-1	1-0	1-1	1-2	1-0	9-9-1
Away Dog	2-1	0-1	1-2	2-2	4-0	2-2	1-1-1	2-0	3-1	17-10-1
Neutral	0-0	1-1	0-1	1-0	1-0	0-1	1-1	0-1	0-1	4-7
vs Conf	7-1	2-6	3-5	5-3	3-5	3-5	5-4	3-5	6-2	37-36
vs Non-Conf	2-2	2-2	1-4	2-2-1	3-0	2-2	2-1-1	1-2-1	2-1	17-16-3
Off SU Win	7-2	2-4	2-5	4-2	2-4	2-5	4-4-1	0-5-1	5-3	28-34-2
Off SU Loss	2-0	2-3	1-4	3-2-1	4-1	2-2	2-1	3-2	3-0	22-15-1



YR	BOWL/TM RANK	LINE	OPPONENT	SCORE	LAST 5 BOWL GAMES
04	Champs Sports	-5'	Syracuse	51-14	Georgia Tech's All-Time Bowl Record 22-15
05	Emerald - #24	-9	Utah	10-38	
06	Gator	+10	West Virginia - #13	35-38	
07	Humanitarian	-6	Fresno St	28-40	
08	Chick-fil-A - #14	-4'	LSU	3-38	

2008 STATISTICAL LEADERS

RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT
Jonathan Dwyer	200	1419	24	1395	12	7.0	Morgan Burnett	93	0	7	8	7
Josh Nesbitt	172	832	139	693	7	4.0	Cooper Taylor	69	0	2	1	7
Roddy Jones	81	723	33	690	4	8.5	Kyle Jackson	61	0	15	0	0
Jaybo Shaw	63	243	43	200	3	3.2	Sedric Griffin	53	3	5	1	0
Lucas Cox	26	205	5	200	3	7.7	Derrick Morgan	51	7	25	3	0
Greg Smith	13	98	0	98	2	7.5	Michael Johnson	46	9	8.5	7	1
Embry Peoples	14	97	0	97	1	6.9	Rashaad Reid	45	0	3	2	3
Calvin Booker	25	77	26	51	0	2.0	Dominique Reese	44	0	3.5	2	3
Quincy Kelly	14	42	0	42	0	3.0	Mario Butler	41	0	3.5	4	1
PASSING	ATT	COMP	PCY	YDS	TD	INT	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT
Josh Nesbitt	123	54	43.9	808	2	5	Vance Walker	34	4	5.5	1	0
Jaybo Shaw	24	15	62.5	321	2	1	Jahi Word-Daniels	24	0	3.5	2	1
Calvin Booker	14	4	28.6	139	1	1	Brad Jefferson	24	0	1	1	0
RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT	
Demarius Thomas	39	627	16.1	3	88	Elris Anyaibe	17	1.5	1	0	0	
Jonathan Dwyer	8	209	26.1	1	79	Michael Peterson	16	0	1	1	0	
Roddy Jones	8	155	19.4	1	41	Anthony Barnes	16	0	0	0	0	
Lucas Cox	3	57	19.0	0	29	Robert Hall	13	0	15	0	0	
Tyler Melton	5	53	10.6	0	25	Shane Bowen	13	1	1	0	0	
Marcus Wright	1	47	47.0	0	47	Jake Blackwood	13	0.5	0	0	0	
Zach Fisher	3	45	15.0	0	21	PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	TD		
								15	86	5.7	0	
								NO	YDS	AVG	TD	
								15	354	23.6	0	
								9	200	22.2	0	

OFFENSE - LAST 7 YEARS - DEFENSE

RET	OFF	TOTAL	OFF	OFF	PASS	SKS	TOTAL	RET	DEF	TOTAL	DEF	DEF	DEF	PASS	DEF	SKS			
STS	PTS	OFF	RUSH	YPC	%	VS	TURN	STS	PTS	DEF	RUSH	YPC	DEF	%	YPP	BY			
5	24.4	372	273	5.6	99	44.8	15.3	19	+2	2008	4	20.3	314	120	3.6	193	59.3	15.4	34
7	26.2	385	199	4.7	186	49.3	14.7	22	-4	2007	8	20.8	330	115	3.2	216	56.3	15.8	47
9	24.9	332	162	4.3	170	47.2	13.3	22	+3	2006	5	18.4	301	105	3.3	196	51.6	16.4	36
5*	18.5	349	154	4.0	195	47.1	18.9	10	+10	2005	9	20.1	318	104	3.0	214	53.4	15.8	36
7*	22.0	346	162	4.0	184	48.8	15.7	28	-13	2004	7	18.9	298	105	3.1	193	54.4	15.7	38
7*	21.1	330	160	4.1	170	52.5	15.7	27	+2	2003	5	20.5	323	101	2.9	222	60.5	15.7	33
5	21.5	375	164	4.3	211	54.9	17.4	20	-8	2002	9	20.5	356	135	3.6	221	53.4	17.3	32

GT 2008 ATT	OPPONENT	FD	Rush-YDS	AVG	CO-ATT	YDS	VS	2008 STATS BY GAME	DEFENSE	FD	Rush-YDS	AVG	CO-ATT	YDS	SKS	BY	TURN
45,706	Jacksonville St	19	46-349	7.6	8-15	135	2	15	31-122	3.9	22-37	136	4	+2			
40,106	at Boston College	12	40-162	4.1	6-13	73	2	18	41-120	2.9	18-36	142	3	0			
66,233	at Virginia Tech	19	50-278	5.6	5-9	109	1	17	46-199	4.3	9-15	48	1	-3			
48,402	Mississippi St	23	54-438	8.1	4-9	62	1	24	30-108	3.6	31-50	299	3	+4			
46,104	Duke	21	59-224	3.8	9-16	230	1	9	20-35	1.8	15-29	97	2	0			
41,929	Gardner-Webb	9	47-79	1.7	3-11	120	2	14	44-74	1.7	14-24	153	6	-2			
81,500	at Clemson	12	52-207	4.0	5-12	91	1	12	24-51	2.1	19-32	198	1	+4			
47,416	Virginia	17	41-156	3.8	7-15	103	4	23	36-126	3.5	29-39	270	1	0			
53,528	Florida St	14	45-288	6.4	4-6	55	0	18	36-196	5.4	17-29	188	5	+1			
59,000	at N Carolina	20	54-326	6.0	10-23	97	2	13	42-186	4.4	8-19	128	2	-3			
49,335	Miami, Fl	18	56-472	8.4	4-7	46	2	20	25-105	4.2	23-38	283	2	+1			
92,746	at Georgia	15	56-409	7.3	1-6	150	0	22	22-81	3.7	24-40	407	2	+1			
71,423	† LSU	15	40-164	4.1	8-25	150	1	19	35-161	4.6	17-27	163	2	-3			
TOTALS		214	640-3552	5.6	74-165	1290	19	224	432-1564	3.6	246-415	2512	34	+2			
AVERAGES			16.5	49-273	5.6	6-13	99	11.5%	17.2	33-120	3.6	19-32	193	8.2%	0.2		

GT Rank	Pre- Opponent	2004 RESULTS	Line	Score	Post- Rank	GT Rank	Pre- Opponent	2005 RESULTS	Line	Score	Post- Rank	GT Rank	Pre- Opponent	2006 RESULTS	Line	Score	Post- Rank	GT Rank	Pre- Opponent	2007 RESULTS	Line	Score	Post- Rank	GT Rank	Pre- Opponent	2008 RESULTS	Line	Score	Post- Rank
-	Samford	NL																											