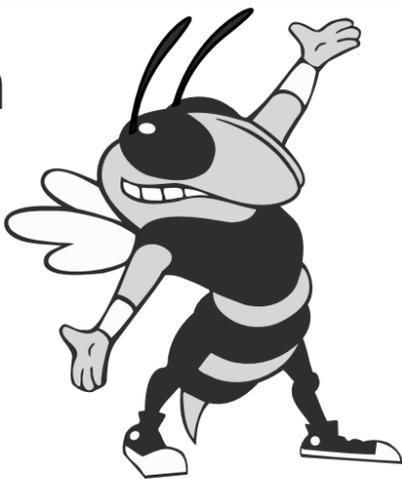


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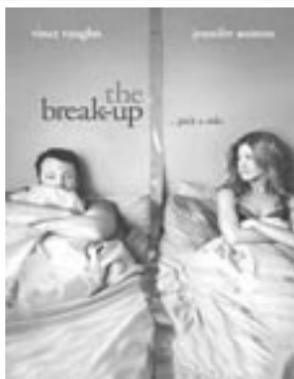
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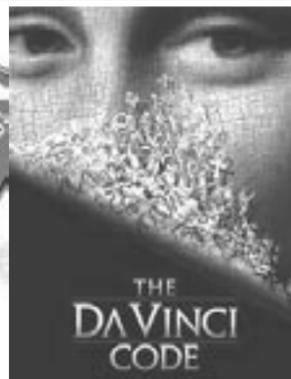
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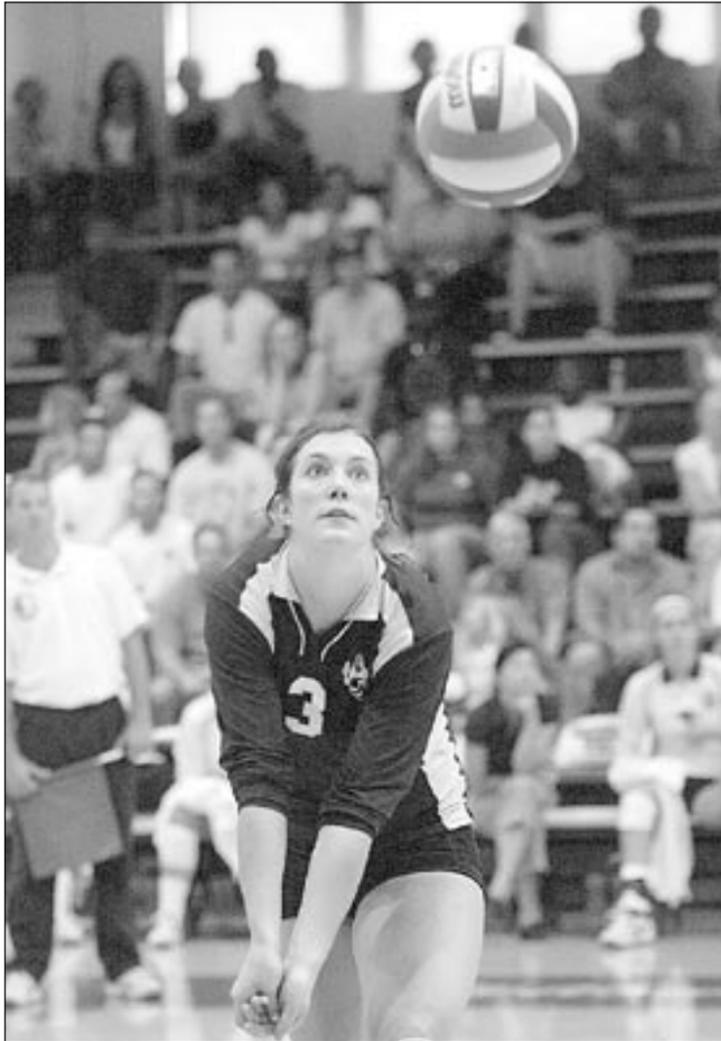
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# Volleyball season ends on sour note



By Jamie Howell/STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Senior Libero Abby Showers ends her career with over 1,000 digs including 13 more in her final game on Saturday against Virginia.

By Asif Heerji  
Assistant Sports Editor

After an up and down first half of the season, the Tech volleyball team hit their stride as they went on a season-long nine game winning streak, sparked by an upset victory over No. 25 Duke a month ago. The Jackets were flying high, but their winning

streak was snapped last weekend to end their 2006 season.

Tech welcomed Virginia Tech to O'Keefe Gymnasium last Friday, but the Hokies were not kind to the hosts, as they dropped the Jackets in four games (32-34, 30-22, 25-30, 19-30).

Sophomore preseason All-ACC Talisa Kellogg led the team with a

season-high 23 kills and hit .435 on the night while Lindsey Gray recorded her 16th double-double, her fifth in a row, with 15 kills and 14 digs. Tech was ahead 27-21 in the first game against the Hokies, but let the lead, and eventually the game, slip away as Virginia Tech went on a 13-7 run to close out the first game.

The Jackets responded in the second game and finished off the Hokies with a 30-22 victory to tie the match at one game apiece. Unfortunately, Tech was unable to get anything going in the third game as Virginia Tech got the lead early and never relinquished it, en route to a 30-25 victory.

Virginia Tech went on an 11-2 run early in the fourth game to assume control and put Tech away, 30-19.

On Saturday night, the Jackets looked to send off the lone senior on the squad, Abby Showers, with a victory but were unable to do so. Tech was swept by the Virginia Cavaliers and ended their 2006 season (29-31, 26-30, 27-30).

Kellogg once again led Tech with a match-high 15 kills while senior libero Showers had 13 digs on senior night. Gray notched her 17th double-double, completing that feat for the sixth consecutive game, with 12 kills and 10 digs. Kellogg had three solo blocks and three assisted blocks in the match to lead Tech's defense while Nikki Kaminkas had four block assists.

Tech had a chance to take the first game as they had game point with the score 29-28. Virginia got three straight points on two kills

and a block to come back and win the opening game 31-29.

The Cavaliers took a 16-15 lead halfway through the second game and never looked back as they went on to a 30-26 victory in game two.

Tech had an opportunity to take the third game as they held a 21-17 lead, but Virginia went on a 13-6 run to close out the game, the match and Tech's 2006 season, 30-27.

Gray was named ACC Player of the Week last week for her efforts against victories over Maryland, Boston College and Clemson two weeks ago. It is the fifth time that Gray has garnered Player of the Week honors this season. For her efforts this season, the Junior Gray was named to the second team All-ACC, the

third time in her career she has been selected to an All-ACC team. In addition, Junior Ulrike Stegemann was named to the first team All-ACC for the first time in her career.

"It was a really good comeback that we

"It was a really good comeback that we had over the last half of the season... I'm glad that's how my career ended."

Abby Showers  
Senior Libero

had over the last half of the season," Showers said. "I'm excited and proud of everyone on the team. I'm glad that's how my career ended."

The season came to a close with Tech posting a 20-12 record overall, including a 12-10 conference record to finish fifth in the conference, behind No. 25 Duke (21-1), Virginia (16-6), Clemson (15-7) and Florida State (13-9).

"I definitely feel like [my volleyball career] has been successful," Showers said. "It's not just with volleyball, but the relationships I've built and the people I've met have been awesome."

## Hoops from page 28

the two teams. At the end of the first half, San Diego held a slim two point margin, 30-28. The two teams combined for 26 turnovers and 14 assists.

From the floor, Tech shot 44.8 percent while the Toreros scored 52 percent of the time.

The leading scorer at the half for Tech was Janie Mitchell with eight points, and for the Toreros it was forward Amber Sprague with nine points.

Both teams fought in a closely contested second half where the game was ultimately decided from the charity stripe.

San Diego hit 10 out of 12 free throws to seal the game, including two free throws by Sprague, with 13 seconds to go to put San Diego up 62-56 and clinch the victory.

For the Jackets, Janie Mitchell was the leading scorer for the second game in a row with 22 points. She also had eight rebounds and one block.

Higgs registered 38 minutes in the ball game and scored 14 points on 6 of 11 shooting from the field. She also grabbed two rebounds, dished out two assists, had two steals and had a block in the game.

For the Toreros, Sprague had a big impact on the entire game. She made 9 of 10 free throws, scored 23 points and grabbed seven rebounds.

The Jackets lost the rebounding battle 34 to 32 and had only 10 assists against 20 turnovers. On the season, Tech is averaging 20 turnovers per game and is only averaging 13.2 assists per game.

"We have definitely gotten better from that game. It made us better to have that test early on in the season," said Head Coach MaChelle Joseph.

The team returns to action on Sunday Dec. 3 against in-state rival Georgia at 2 p.m. at the Alexander Memorial Coliseum.

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**Penn** from page 28

be a consistent basketball team, the scoring is really irrelevant.”

Clinch started the offense early, hitting a three right off the bat for a lead. Penn State rallied back with five points to take a lead and then hit a three after a Zach Peacock free throw to make it 8-4. After trading baskets, Tech evened the score at 12-12.

Freshman forward Mohammed Faye hit a three before going down hard on a foul. He came off the court holding the hand he injured before the season started. He came back later after Tech had taken a seven point lead.

The second half started off at a much slower tempo than the first half, with Tech holding the ball for longer before their shots. It helped as they were able to convert at a higher percentage.

Tech and Penn State traded baskets until Peacock and Clinch

hit back-to-back three-pointers in a span of 30 seconds. Clinch's basket put Tech up by seven five minutes into the second half. The Lions pulled within one point after three straight baskets in the paint five minutes later.

Penn State was never able to clear the hurdle, as Tech kept a fluctuating lead over the rest of the game. Tech's largest lead was eight points, but Penn State never let the Jackets get comfortable. Anthony Morrow made two free throws to keep the Lions down by four with eight seconds left to seal the victory.

“I feel like we can have more of a presence on defense,” said Clinch. “I felt like we could have had a better defensive performance than we did

tonight. Offense is not going to be a problem throughout the year; it's just going to be defense.”

Last week, the team took part in the Maui invitational and traveled to Hawaii to face Purdue, Memphis and UCLA.

**“I feel like we can have more of a presence on defense. Offense is not going to be a problem...”**

**Lewis Clinch**  
Sophomore Guard

Against the Boilermakers, the Jackets struggled to find their presence on the court and Purdue put a lot of defensive pressure on them. The Jackets shot poorly in the first half, hitting 11 of 32 shots at 34 percent. Tech came out in the second half and

made 68 percent of their shots, which included a 12-2 run that put the Jackets up by 18 points down the stretch.

The Jackets did not start out well in their next game against Memphis.

Tech struggled in the first half again, shooting 10-31 at 32 percent from the field and struggled with three-point shots as they went three for 10 on the game. The Jackets hit just one of their first 11 shots.

The veteran players came to the forefront in the second half as Tech overcame a 16-point halftime deficit. Forward Jeremis Smith scored 21 points for the Jackets and pulled down nine rebounds, while Ra'Sean Dickey scored 14 points and had 10 rebounds.

The Jackets did not have the same fortune in the third game as UCLA's defense proved to be too much for the young Jackets to handle. They fell to the then No. 5 and now No. 1 Bruins 88-73 in the finals of the tournament.

“It's early in the year, so it's going to change,” said Hewitt. “I doubt we're going to play a team that executes their offense better than them. They execute really well and they get ahead, and when they get a lead it's going to be tough to beat them because they take great shots.”

**Heroes** from page 27

know who he is,” Brooks said.

Before the season started, head coach Chan Gailey noticed his new transfer punter and gave him the nickname “Garth” during spring practice.

“Gailey associated me with being from the country and also my last name is Brooks. Just one day, he shouted to me ‘Garth’ and that has been my name ever since.”

Coach may have to call him a new name after the end of this season: Ray Guy Award winner, handed out at the end of the year for the nation's top punter, and Brooks is currently a finalist for the award.

Tomorrow, each of them will take the field with little to no attention from fans and other media alike. However, both Cox and Brooks will take pride in how well they have played if they see the headline in Sunday's paper reading: Georgia Tech -- 2006 ACC Champions.

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my roommate is trying to use  
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don't want

Dr. Dan- “plug and chug”  
Dr. Dan- “this damn chem  
lab”

Wait! is that Dr. Dan or his  
look-a-like?

Why are people showering at  
6am on Saturday morning?

How come we don't get Wednes-  
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Dr. Dan- “stupid chem lab”

“I no longer find you attrac-  
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“The basic rules of grammer  
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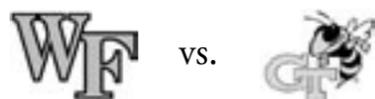
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I love my baby!!!

I want BUZZ to beat up uga  
I didn't win at the UGA vs.  
TECH ticket lottery. Glad  
it didn't cost me anything to  
play!

See page 25 for more Slivers!



## Demon Deacon Notebook

### Tech Schedule

9-2	Notre Dame	L, 10-14	(0-1)
9-9	Samford	W, 38-6	(1-1)
9-16	Troy	W, 35-20	(2-1)
9-21	Virginia	W, 24-7	(3-1)
9-30	@Virginia Tech	W, 38-27	(4-1)
10-7	Maryland	W, 27-23	(5-1)
10-21	@Clemson	L, 7-31	(5-2)
10-28	Miami	W, 30-23	(6-2)
11-4	@N.C. State	W, 31-23	(7-2)
11-11	@North Carolina	W, 7-0	(8-2)
11-18	Duke	W, 49-21	(9-2)
11-25	@Georgia	L, 12-15	(9-3)

### Wake Forest Schedule

9-2	Syracuse	W, 20-10	(1-0)
9-9	Duke	W, 14-13	(2-0)
9-16	@ Connecticut	W, 24-13	(3-0)
9-23	@ Ole Miss	W, 27-3	(4-0)
9-30	Liberty	W, 34-14	(5-0)
10-7	Clemson	L, 27-17	(5-1)
10-14	@ N.C. State	W, 25-23	(6-1)
10-28	@ North Carolina	W, 24-17	(7-1)
11-4	Boston College	W, 21-14	(8-1)
11-11	@ Florida State	W, 30-0	(9-1)
11-18	Virginia Tech	L, 6-27	(9-2)
11-25	@ Maryland	W, 38-24	(10-2)

### Individual Leaders

Passing				
Team	Player	Comp-Att-Yds	TD	INT
GT	R. Ball	45-88-592	7	3
VT	S. Glennon	51-83-777	6	3

Rushing				
Team	Player	Car.	Yds	TD
GT	T. Choice	249	1204	10
GT	R. Ball	107	308	2
GT	J. Evans	39	214	2
GT	R. Grant	36	177	1
WF	K. Moore	77	396	2
WF	K. Harris	78	393	6
WF	D. Bryant	72	294	3
WF	M. Andrews	58	256	2

Receiving				
Team	Player	Rec.	Yds	TD
GT	C. Johnson	59	899	13
GT	J. Johnson	36	528	6
GT	C. Dunlap	9	101	0
WF	N. Morton	30	515	3
WF	K. Moore	29	286	1
WF	W. Idlette	28	347	3
WF	J. Tereshinski	12	140	2

## Four Key Questions

By Hahnming Lee

### • Will Wake Forest show that they belong in the Championship game?

The Deacons only have one win against a ranked team this season and have lost to Clemson and Virginia Tech. In addition, Wake Forest struggled to defeat non-conference opponents Syracuse (20-10) and Connecticut (24-13). Their path to the ACC championship game included close games against Duke, North Carolina State and North Carolina, the current bottom-dwellers of the conference, sporting a combined record of 6-30. Wake Forest is the first team in ACC history to go 6-0 on the road, winning at Connecticut, Mississippi, North Carolina State, North Carolina, Florida State and Maryland. The Deacons are second in the conference in red zone offense, scoring on 88.6 percent of their possessions inside the 20 and are leading the conference in red zone defense, allowing opponents to score only 66.7 percent of the time inside the 20. Tech is ranked lower than the Deacons, but is still considered the favorite in the contest. Wake Forest has not won the ACC championship since 1970 and has not beaten Tech since 2002.

### • Will this game help the reputation of the ACC?

With Virginia Tech, Florida State, Miami and Clemson absent from the championship game equation this year, Alltel Stadium welcomes two newcomers to Jacksonville, Fla. this season. While Tech was considered as a dark horse to make the game in August, few predicted Wake Forest to win the ACC Atlantic Division Championship in the preseason. The ACC has had as many as five teams in the Top 25 polls, but has been widely regarded as having an off-year in terms of quality. On a nationally-televised game, the two supposed-best of the conference try and silence critics and prove that the ACC deserves not only the automatic bid into the Orange Bowl, but also a earn an at-large BCS bid for a second ACC team.

### • Which Tech offense will show up?

While the offense has produced points in several games this year, it has also shown an inability to score in others. Tech escaped with a win at North Carolina while scoring only seven points against one of the worst defenses in the nation and producing a combined 22 points in losses to Clemson and Georgia. The offense has shown that it can be high-powered, however, scoring 38 points at Virginia Tech, 31 points at North Carolina State and 49 against Duke. They have also shown a clear weakness at maintaining that level of performance week in and week out, scoring 12 points or less four times this season. Offensive leaders Calvin Johnson and Reggie Ball will have to connect for more completions and touchdowns for Tech to produce the points it will need to come out with the win tomorrow.

### • Can Tech recover after losing to Georgia?

The sixth-straight loss to Georgia signifies the third-consecutive senior class of Jackets to graduate without ever winning a game against the Bulldogs. Tech came in with history on its side, but came up short in a heartbreaking loss. The team will have to recover in a hurry if it hopes to punch their ticket to play in Miami come January. The team has yet to lose two in a row this season and has responded from previous two losses with outstanding victorious performances. However, Tech has also followed each loss with a home game, a luxury it will not have this week.

## Spread: Tech by 3

## Team profiles



After losing to in-state rival Georgia, Tech travels to Jacksonville to compete for their first outright ACC championship title since 1990

(they shared one with Florida State in 1998). The offense struggled against Georgia as quarterback Reggie Ball threw two interceptions and Calvin Johnson caught only two passes for 13 yards all game. Tech's defense allowed only 84 yards rushing, but it was not enough for Tech to pull out the game. The Jackets have won four of the last five against the Deacons including the meeting in Atlanta last year 30-17. The team hopes to continue their success against the team in a game that would guarantee a birth to the Orange Bowl.



Clinching their division on the road, the Deacons clearly head into this game with more momentum than Tech.

They employ a running back by committee with tail backs Kenneth Moore and Kevin Harris leading the way. Their 38 points against Maryland was the most the team has scored all season and they rushed for a season-high 296 yards. Despite the great statistics last week and having the third-best rushing offense in the conference, the Deacons are last in the conference in passing offense, being out gained by 846 yards through the air, approximately 71 yards per game. The Atlantic division champion's cohesive offensive force will hope to be able to overcome some of their passing shortcomings.

### Statistical Comparison (per game)

Tech		Wake
25.7	Points Scored	23.3
324.2	Total Offense	302.0
164.2	Rushing Offense	158.1
160.0	Passing Offense	143.9
82.9%	Red Zone Offense	88.6%
17.5	Points Allowed	15.4
289.5	Total Defense	315.5
88.8	Rushing Defense	101.1
200.8	Passing Defense	214.4
72.4%	Red Zone Defense	66.7%
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To Hell with UGA  
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its ok my 200 dollar bike has a self destruct mechanism now, so steal  
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Dr. Dan- "There's the door, don't let the door knob hit you on the  
way out!"  
I bet everyone is gonna be checking the directories for Dr. Dan  
"Chemists can't help calling atoms little people, and molecule groups  
of little people."  
Chemistry class- "Get the idea?"  
The opinions editor rocks!  
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# Football looks to unsung heroes

By William Bretherton  
Senior Staff Writer

When you think of how Tech's football team has been so successful this season, you usually think about ACC Player of the Year Calvin Johnson, the Jackets' No. 20 nationally-ranked defense, or even the ACC's leading rusher, running back Tashard Choice.

However, the faces that you do not see or recognize have been major contributors to the Jackets' winning ways in 2006.

"We may not be in the headlines, but when you see a victory [in the paper] then you know you are doing a good job," said fullback Mike Cox.

Cox's role in the offense is to lead the way for Choice, who has five consecutive 100-yard rushing games and has reached that mark in seven of the last eight games, and protect quarterback Reggie Ball on passing plays. Sometimes he lines up at tight end and acts as another lineman. While neither of these roles is glamorous, he takes pride in what he does.

"It feels good. Everytime [Choice] has 100 yards, I try to take a little pride in that," Cox said.

Punter Durant Brooks has been integral to Tech's success this season as his punts have often changed the dynamics of a game. When a drive stalls at midfield, he can pin teams inside of their own 20 yard line to

limit the opposing offenses' chances of scoring on those possessions.

Another statistic that has been key for Tech this year is that not one single punt has been blocked this season.

"It's sometimes two [steps], never more than two and a half steps before I punt the ball," Brooks said when asked how he has been able to keep opposing teams from blocking any punts this season. "That keeps the guys from getting to the ball from the edge. You still have two or three guys coming up the middle. Mike Mathews, Wayne Riles and George Cooper are my three personal protectors and they take a blow every time we punt the ball."

For the season, Brooks has averaged 45.2 yards per punt on 70 punts, and has pinned teams inside of their own 20 yard line 33 times. Twenty three of those punts have gone

over 50 yards.

With all of those attempts, you would typically find a bad or mishandled snap or a missed blocking assignment leading to a block. However, that simply has not been the case this season.

"Nobody knows you until you do something bad. Talking about other unsung heroes, like my snapper, you won't know his name until he snaps a bad ball or does something like that. When he's doing his job, you won't

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in the last eight games.

"No, it just worked out [that way]. When you only have 57 plays, you cut down your plays and it cuts down on everything," Gailey said when asked if there was any change in the game plan by not handing the ball to Choice as much as in past weeks.

Ball had the worst night of his career, not only against Georgia, but against any opponent he has ever faced in his four years at Tech. For the game, he went 6-22 for 42 yards, threw two interceptions and lost a fumble.

"You never expect to go out and score 12 points. It sure wasn't in the game plan, but sometimes things don't go your way," Ball said.

The Tech defense held Georgia to just eight points for the game. Unfortunately for Tech, those eight points came on the final drive of

the game, with the Jackets leading 12-7, and gave Georgia the winning score.

On special teams, Tech may have had their best performance of the year. Kicker Travis Bell hit both of his short field goals and one extra point for the game. Bell also replaced specialist Mohammed Yahiaoui on kickoffs and the Bulldogs never got much going in the return game. Punter Durant Brooks played well as he boomed five punts for an average of 44.6 yards per punt. Four of those punts were placed inside of the Georgia 20-yard line.

"I thought our special teams played excellent today overall. We let one kick return get out to about the mid 30's, but, other than that, they played very well," Gailey said.

If the Jackets have any hope of capturing the first outright ACC Championship since 1990, the team will need to rebound quickly from the loss. They will play Wake Forest tomorrow for the conference title.

"A couple of guys knocked [the ball] around. Nate [McManus] had it cradled under his knee."

Kevin Tuminello  
Junior Center



By Ariel Bravy/STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

ACC Player of the Year, Calvin Johnson, is third in the nation with 13 receiving touchdowns, but only had two catches against Georgia.

## Tech - Georgia

Tech	0	3	3	6	—	12
Georgia	0	0	7	8	—	15

### Second Quarter

GT - T. Bell 35-yd field goal, 11:05

### Third Quarter

UGA - T. Taylor 29-yd fumble recovery (Ely-Kelso kick), 03:10  
GT - T. Bell 24-yd field goal, 00:16

### Fourth Quarter

GT - T. Choice 10-yd run (Bell kick), 08:50  
UGA - M. Massaquoi 4-yd pass from M. Stafford (M. Massaquoi pass from M. Stafford), 01:45

## Individual Statistics

Rushing			
GT	Car.	Yds	TD
T. Choice	23	146	1
C. Johnson	1	10	0
R. Ball	11	-10	0
Totals	35	146	1

UGA			
	Car.	Yds	TD
K. Lumpkin	18	51	0
D. Ware	11	41	0
M. Stafford	4	0	0
Totals	37	84	0

Receiving			
GT	Rec.	Yds	TD
C. Dunlap	2	15	0
C. Johnson	2	13	0
J. Johnson	1	9	0
T. Choice	1	5	0
Totals	6	42	0

UGA			
	Rec.	Yds	TD
M. Massaquoi	6	46	1
M. Milner	3	33	0
K. Harris	2	39	0
M. Raley	2	21	0
K. Lumpkin	2	13	0
D. Ware	1	19	0
Totals	16	171	1

Passing			
GT	Comp-Att-Yds	TD	INT
R. Ball	6-22-42	0	2
Totals	6-22-42	0	2

UGA			
	Comp-Att-Yds	TD	INT
M. Stafford	16-29-171	1	0
Totals	16-29-171	1	0

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## Tech fumbles against UGA



By Jamie Howell/STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Tech cornerback Jahi Ward Daniels defends a pass intended for A.J. Bryant in Saturday's 15-12 loss to in-state rival Georgia in Athens.

By William Bretherton  
Senior Staff Writer

For the fifth consecutive season, the Jackets lost to arch rival Georgia, this time 15-12 between the hedges at Sanford Stadium. The game was a defensive battle to the end and was filled with odd twists and turns.

"We're taking the loss hard [and] bad. How would you expect us to be taking it?" said Head Coach Chan Gailey.

One such twist involved a 3rd-and-15 play at the Tech 25-yard line where quarterback Reggie Ball scrambled to his right and then turned back toward the middle of the field. He then fumbled the football after taking a blind side hit from Georgia defensive end Marcus Howard. The ball bounced forward two yards and fell into a pile of Jackets and Bulldogs alike. While the replay appeared to show that

Nate McManus had covered the ball up, Georgia linebacker Tony Taylor ripped the ball out from underneath the pile and ran 29 yards untouched

"You never expect to go out and score 12 points. It sure wasn't in the game plan, but sometimes things don't go your way."

**Reggie Ball**  
Senior Quarterback

to give the Bulldogs a 7-3 lead, their first of the evening.

"Well, we dove on it. A couple of guys knocked [the ball] around.

Nate [McManus] had it cradled under his knee. Then we saw on the replay that the Georgia guy took the ball out of the pile and scored," said center Kevin Tuminello.

The Jackets responded with a 24 yard field goal by Travis Bell, and a 10 yard touchdown run by Tashard Choice on the next drive that gave Tech the 12-7 lead in the fourth quarter.

On the next possession, Georgia drove down to score the go-ahead touchdown on a four-yard touchdown pass from Matthew Stafford to Mohammed Massaquoi with 1:45 left to go in the game. The Bulldogs converted the two-point try to make the score 15-12.

On the ensuing drive, Tech was faced with a 4th-and-18, but were bailed out as Georgia defensive end Kelvin Moses was flagged for an unsportsmanlike penalty which continued the drive with 1:05 left in the game. The drive came to an abrupt halt on the next play as Reggie Ball threw his second interception on a pass intended for Calvin Johnson into double coverage at midfield.

In the last four meetings between the two teams, the Jackets have dominated the line of scrimmage in three of those games, only to lose. This year, Tech ran for 146 yards to Georgia's 84. Last year, Tech outran Georgia 172 to 68. In 2004, the Bulldogs out rushed the Jackets, but the two teams totaled just 58 rushing yards for the game.

Running back Tashard Choice was the lone bright spot for the Jackets offense. Tech totaled 188 yards for the game and Choice accounted for 146 of them on the ground on just 23 carries, giving him an average of 6.3 yards per carry. It was Choice's fifth consecutive game with over 100 yards rushing, and his seventh

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By Jamie Howell/STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Sophomore shooting guard Lewis Clinch blocks a shot in Tech's 77-73 win over Penn State Tuesday. The Jackets are 6-1 this season.

## Jackets survive Penn State 77-73

By Akshay Amaraneni  
Contributing Writer

The No. 21 Jackets faced Penn State Tuesday night at home in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge and came away with a 77-73 victory over the Nittany Lions.

Freshman forward Thaddeus Young sat out the game with tendonitis in his left knee. Fortunately for the Jackets, they were able to overcome his absence. Lewis Clinch played a big part in covering for

Young, scoring 20 points.

"Defensively, we have to find ourselves again...[we] didn't play well defensively against UCLA, and tonight again, especially off the dribble. Our defense was non-existent," said Head Coach Paul Hewitt after the game. "We have seven guys that can go get 20 on a given night. But that's not going to do it if you're trying to be a consistent basketball team. If you're going to

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## on deck

Event	Date
F vs. Wake Forest*	12/2 @ 1 p.m.
F vs. TBD*	Bowl Game
M @ Miami*	12/3 @ 5:30 p.m.
W vs. Georgia	12/3 @ 2 p.m.
W vs. Kennesaw St.	12/6 @ 7 p.m.
M @ Vanderbilt*	12/9 @ 5 p.m.
W vs. Jacksonville	12/10 @ 1 p.m.
M vs. Centenary	12/18 @ 7 p.m.
M vs. Georgia*	12/22 @ 7 p.m.
M vs. Troy	12/28 @ 2 p.m.
W vs. Alcorn State	12/29 @ 3 p.m.
W vs. TBD	12/30 @ TBA
M vs. St. Francis(PA)	12/30 @ 8 p.m.
W vs. North Carolina	1/2 @ 7 p.m.
M vs. Winston-Salem St.	1/3 @ 7 p.m.
W vs. Winston-Salem St.	1/4 @ 7 p.m.
M @ Clemson*	1/6 @ 4 p.m.
M vs. Duke*	1/10 @ 7 p.m.
M vs. Florida St.*	1/13 @ 6 p.m.
W vs. Miami*	1/15 @ 4:30 p.m.

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## Women's hoops hits road block

By William Bretherton  
Senior Staff Writer

The Tech women's basketball team played twice last week and were unable to win either game. Both contests were played away from the friendly confines of Alexander Memorial Coliseum.

The Jackets dropped their first game of the season in Philadelphia to the Temple Owls 76-62. On the day after Thanksgiving, Tech played in California against the San Diego Toreros and lost in a close game, 62-59.

Tech's season record now stands at 3-2 and they will play at home against arch rival Georgia this Sunday at 2 p.m. at Alexander Memorial Coliseum.

In the first game, the Temple Owls (4-1) trailed the Jackets at half time 31-28. Tech led by as many as six points during the first half. In the opening frame, Tech's leading scorers, junior forward Janie Mitchell and junior guard Chioma Nnamaka, each had 10 points. From the field, the team shot 46.2 percent,

going 12-26.

On defense, the Jackets held Temple to 40.7 percent shooting and had seven steals.

The second half was a different story. Temple scored 48 points on their way to the 76-62 victory. Temple forward Kamesha Hairston

"We have definitely gotten better from that game. It made us better to have that test early on in the season."

**MaChelle Joseph**  
Head Coach

led the way for the Owls with 17 points, two rebounds, and one assist in the second half. Temple shot 65.2 percent from the field in the second half, going 15-23.

On the other side of the ball, the

Jackets struggled as junior guard Chioma Nnamaka went scoreless from the field (0-8 fg). The team shot just 39.4 percent from the field, hitting only 19 of 34 shots. Part of the reason for the lower shooting percentage was due to the added number of three pointers Tech attempted to get back into the game. From outside the arc, Tech went 0-7 in the second half.

The Jackets were led by Janie Mitchell who had 18 points, eight rebounds and one assist. Senior guard Stephanie Higgs also contributed to the team effort with 11 points and four assists.

Temple was led by Kamesha Hairston's 23 points, six rebounds and four assists. Center Lady Comfort also contributed with 16 points, three rebounds and one block.

In San Diego, the Jackets lost a close game to the Toreros, where they were without point guard Jill Ingram.

For much of the game, the lead switched back and forth between

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## by the numbers

31-51

Since 2000, Tech is 31-51 in football, men's and women's basketball, baseball, softball, volleyball and men's and women's tennis against in-state rival Georgia.

Volleyball has a 7-1 record against the Bulldogs and is the only sport with a winning record since 2000. Tech sports teams are 18-20 in home games, but are 11-25 in Athens. The last time Tech beat Georgia in football was a 27-15 win in Athens in 2000. The Jackets are 12-14 against Georgia in baseball, but that includes a 5-0 mark in 2002.

Both basketball teams are 2-4 against Georgia, and tennis teams have combined for a 1-11 mark against the Bulldogs. Tech looks to change the trend with the women's basketball game against Georgia on Sunday.