Just like the first half, Tech gained some momentum and went on a run in the early second half. After only making one-of-three three-pointers in the opening half, Tech capitalized on its early three-point attempts. Sophomore forward Brian Oliver hit two quick threes, and sophomore guard Mfon Udofia scored on a fast-break lay-up to make the score 31-13 after only a minute and a half of play.

Even with continued poor shooting, Tech was able to maintain a 15 to 20 point lead for the majority of the second half. Freshman forward Jason Morris threw down an alley-oop in the middle of the half that elicited an excited reaction from the fans. Several minutes later, Miller came up with another key block that kept the momentum in Tech’s favor.

With about five minutes left in the game, Charleston Southern came back in the game due to Tech’s sloppy play. The team missed several open lay-ups and threw up some wild alley-oop attempts that resulted in turnovers.

With three and a half minutes left in the half, Charleston Southern cut the lead down to nine and pressed Tech after every made basket. Then, with just under a minute left, junior guard Iman Shumpert gave a great dish to Miller to bring the score to 50-39 and seal the win.

On Nov. 15, the Jackets traveled to Kennesaw State for their second game of the season. Tech continued to show the same weaknesses that hurt them in the Charleston Southern game. KSU had a 20-point lead in the first half, and Tech could never quite recover from this deficit.

Tech committed two turnovers in the first minute, and KSU was able to jump out to an early 7-0 lead. This quick start allowed the Jackets to give the game away in the first minute of the half. During this stretch, Tech committed three crucial turnovers that all led to made lay-ups by KSU. After a timeout, Tech settled down and went into halftime down 41-26.

Tech started the second half on a roll and cut the lead to 41-31 in only 52 seconds after two free throws by Shumpert and a three-pointer by Oliver. Tech improved its three-point shooting in the second half and made four of eight attempts. For most of the first 10 minutes of the half, Tech kept the lead or at below 10 points.

Besides three-pointers, for the most part, Tech still shot poorly from the field. Just as in the first half, the team had to rely on getting points at the foul line.

In the last four minutes of the half, Tech reverted back to its play in the first half. Tech missed many close shots, committed turnovers, and did not box out well. KSU’s Markethin Cummings made some acrobatic lay-ups to excite the crowd, but KSU’s player of the game was Spencer Dixon, who finished with 27 points on eight for 17 shooting. KSU completed the win with a score of 80-65, which was KSU’s first ever win against a major conference team.

On Wednesday, Nov. 17, Tech came back home to face off against Albany and won the game in a rout, 78-51.

Oliver made a mid-range jump shot in the first 20 seconds of the game to give the Jackets an early 2-0 lead. The next few minutes were dominated by Miller. Tech’s center made one of two free throws, blocked a shot, got a steal and then made a short-range jump shot to give Tech a 5-2 lead.

Later in the half and up seven points, freshman forward Kammoon Holsley stole the ball and dribbled it to Shumpert who promptly drained a three-pointer. That prompted a timeout from Albany, but the stoppage in the game did not stop the Jackets. Freshman forward Jason Morris made a shot to give Tech the lead at 21-9.

Shumpert made four straight shots in the first half, including a dunk and three-pointer, to give Tech a 22-point cushion. The Jackets extended the lead to 30 by halftime.

Tech next hosts Niagara on Wednesday, Nov. 24. Udofia and Miller also helped with a team-high 24 points and a team-high 12 rebounds. Shumpert finished the game with a team-high 24 points and pulled down 10 rebounds for his first double-double of the season.

Udofia and Miller also helped carry the scoring load for the game as both players had 10 points. A big key for the Jackets was the lack of turnovers compared to their two previous games. Tech only had 10 turnovers, but forced and created turnovers, making Albany commit 25.

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Rugby player to play for U.S. team

On Sunday, Nov. 28 Tech men’s rugby player Cian Couklley will compete against some of the other top rugby players in the world when he participates in an international competition for the U.S.

Couklley, a junior flanker from Ireland, will travel with the Rugby South Pacific U-20 team. The Panthers will play against the New South Wales Junior Rugby Union U-18’s who come to the U.S. from Australia. The game starts at 1 p.m. at Kennesaw State on the school’s rugby field.

Women’s tennis lands top recruit

The women’s tennis squad received a commitment from highly touted prospect Jasmine Minor of Mundelein, Ill., who signed a national letter of intent on Nov. 16, 2010.

Minor is ranked 25th nationally and recently won the Illinois high school state title. Throughout her latest 37-0 title season, she only dropped three sets, and she only dropped one set in the seven state tournament games.

Minor also has been in national competitions, earning four USTA national tournament titles, eight sectional titles and 15 district titles. Minor hopes to continue her recent success in tennis at Tech under Head Coach Bryan Shoffron.

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On Saturday, Nov. 20, the Jackets will take the field for the second straight home game, this time against the Duke Blue Devils. After suffering a difficult loss at the hands of the Miami Hurricanes last Saturday, Head Coach Paul Johnson and the Jackets look to rebound against a Duke team that has struggled this season, putting together a 3-7 (1-5 ACC) record. With a win on Saturday, Tech will reach the six-win mark, making the team bowl eligible. If Tech wants to stay above .500 and get a chance to play in the post-season bowls, they have to excel in three key areas.

The first key will be for Washington to continue to improve as the starting quarterback. In senior quarterback Joshua Nesbitt’s absence, Washington has to spread the ball around to all of the weapons in his arsenal, and do it at the right time. The team’s mistakes last week against the Hurricanes will have to be corrected in order for the squad to win. Washington also needs to know when to pitch, when to keep and when to go down on a bad play. Washington has many talented players around him and must be the field general that Tech’s offense requires.

The second key will be for Washington to make the right reads and throws in the passing game against the Blue Devil’s 106th ranked pass defense. Duke gives up an average of 254 yards per game through the air, making it crucial for Washington to make the most of his pass attempts when called upon.

The final key will be for Washington to limit his mistakes so as not to give the Blue Devils any chance of winning. In the run game, Washington needs to make accurate pitches and avoid fumbles at all costs. Fumbles especially hurt Tech last week against Miami as sophomore A-back Orwin Smith fumbled in the red zone after a lengthy Jacket drive. In addition to the run game, Washington must know when to throw and when to tuck it and run. It is very important to not try to force the ball down the field into coverage.

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The first key will be for Duke to improve on its 266 yards per game through the air. Tech’s pass defense is ranked 27th in the country, giving up an average of 190 yards per game. Sophomore quarterback Sean Renfree will have to work efficiently and effectively, especially against ball-hawking junior safety Jerrard Tarrant, who leads the Jackets with three interceptions. Renfree has completed passes to 13 different receivers this season, and he will need to continue to spread the ball around to keep the Jacket’s defense off balance. Renfree will look for the open man, but when in doubt, he could throw a deep-ball to sophomore receiver Conner Vernon who has 61 receptions for 851 yards so far this season.

The second key for the Blue Devils will be to hurry the Jackets’ offense and force mistakes in both the running and passing games. Tech is 105th in the nation in lost fumbles, coughing the ball up 12 times. Meanwhile, Duke’s defense has forced 20 fumbles this season, but they have only recovered seven of them. This will need to change if the Blue Devils want to get their defense off of the field. It will be important for Duke to win the turnover battle and control the ball if they want to have any chance of staying in the game.

The last key will be for the Blue Devils to execute well on special teams, where a good kick or punt return could change course of the game in Duke’s favor. Duke will have to rely on junior kicker Will Snyderwine if its offense stumbles in Tech territory. Counting on Snyderwine has not been a problem thus far this season as he has made 18 of his 19 attempted field goals. It is up to junior punter Alex King to pin Tech deep in its own zone and force the Jackets to go three-and-out near their own goal line.

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Durham reflects on his history, details weekly routine

By Alex Mitchell
Sports Editor

In 1995, Wes Durham came to The Flats from Vanderbilt to be the play-by-play announcer for Tech's men's basketball team and football team. Since then, he has announced games during the basketball team's run to the NCAA Championship game in 2004 to the football team's ACC Championship game in 2009 and every game in between. He has been there for the good and bad times, and as anyone listening to a Tech football on a Saturday afternoon will tell you, Durham is always the professional. He speaks with emotion, but he keeps a level head, a skill that has earned him the title "voice of the Yellow Jackets."

"You don't take this job for granted... The people here, coaches, fans, players, have been unbelievably supportive. It still feels like the first year sometimes, and I love what I do. It's a blessing," Durham said.

However, Durham's career as an announcer would never come to fruition it not for one day at basketball camp.

"I was six-feet-tall and 185 pounds at 12, and I thought I was going to be a basketball player. I went to a basketball camp when I was 14, and a really good player who went to Virginia dunked on me. I came away from the camp thinking this isn't going to work the way I thought it was going to work," Durham said.

Durham looked up to his father, Woody, was (and still is) the announcer for the North Carolina football team. Durham used his love of sports and the experience from watching his dad to fuel his announcing career.

"I was always fascinated by the radio. Back then the games weren't on TV, so it changed the dynamic of what you did. When I was a younger kid, I was always fascinated by what he did. He had the good fortune to realize he wasn't going to make it (as a professional athlete) too, and I was able to realize that there is something else out there," Durham said.

Durham looked up to his father, but he did not want to follow his father's path in the exact same way. Durham did not want to work for UNC all his life, but Durham was certainly not dreaming of Tech. Rather, Durham found out that Tech was dreaming of him. A close friend who was at Tech told Durham that Tech was interested in him and a few months later, Durham found himself on The Flats.

"I was all ears. The thought of being in Atlanta, working the ACC and doing it at a place like Georgia Tech was very appealing to me... My goal is to finish here," Durham said.

Durham started doing football games at Tech along with basketball games. Durham even did about 40 baseball games a year until 2004, when the Atlanta Falcons demanded his attention. "The Falcons and [the radio station] asked me to do radio for the preseason games. That was my first introduction into the NFL. Then, in 2004, in the span of literally 72 hours, we had a deal done. The support I get from the people in that organization and the people here is unbelievable. If I didn't have the support from both sides, then I couldn't do it," Durham said.

This year, Durham also started doing a radio show with fellow sports analyst Tony Barnhart. "It's a totally different deal. I love doing games and the radio show is fine. We get to listen to fans, and I think college football is all about opinion... It's fun but is it what drives me? No, not really, but it's fun to do. Tony and I are such good friends... [and] to be honest with you, what we talk about on the show is what we talk about on the phone," Durham said.

With all of his duties to both organizations, one would assume that Durham is always busy. However, Durham's experience in his field allows him to juggle his time between his jobs and his family.

Every Monday, Durham goes to work on his radio show with Barnhart from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Then he goes to his office to prepare for upcoming games for a couple of hours. He then goes to Flowery Branch to do the Falcons radio show from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday starts with the Paul Johnson radio show, and Durham focuses on preparing his notes for the upcoming games. On Tuesday night, he spends time with his children.

On Wednesday, it is back to the radio show with Barnhart, and he comes back to his office and finishes his preparation for the Tech game. Later in the day, Durham receives information from the NFL about the upcoming game.

Thursday is another morning at his radio show, and then it is time to really start what Durham calls "the grind day." He makes sure his interviews are ready for the Tech game, and he starts digesting the large amount of material the NFL sends him. Friday is either a travel day with Tech or a day that Durham spends with his family, and the weekends are when Durham's preparation comes into play. All you have to do is listen to hear how all the work comes through.

In fact, Durham said that he has never accidently called a professional player by a collegiate player's name.

"[That] hasn't happened to me yet [knocks on desk]. Now you're joining me. It's two different models, two different vibes. Going into the Falcons booth is totally different than walking into the Tech booth," Durham said.

Tech fans hope that Durham continues to prepare for every Jackets game for a long time.

Wes Durham interviews former football player Derrick Morgan after Tech's 24-14 loss in the Fed Ex Orange Bowl last season.

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**PURDUE**

The Boilermakers are making a fair case as the worst team in the Big Ten, an honor it has been in contention for every season the past few years. After starting the season 2-0 in conference play, they have lost every game by double digits and could very likely lose the last two games to finish the year with a six-game losing streak.

Still, they always have a signature upset during conference play. Last year, I correctly called the Ohio State victory, the only person on staff to do so. This year, with no more opportunities to rise to the occasion, look for Purdue to upset the Spartans to help salvage yet another bowl-less season.

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day, there are a lot of positives that I can build off of. I just have to do a better job of keeping the team in position to win the game next week,” Washington said.

Miami, however, would respond. Miami quarterback Stephen Morris completed a pass to wide receiver Leonard Hankerson for 79 yards and a quick touchdown.

“I’m not going to call anybody out, but we had a guy bust his coverage. That still doesn’t mean it’s got to go 75 yards. We were in two-deep, nobody shielded two and we bit on the run fake, but you still have got to get the guy down,” said Head Coach Paul Johnson.

The Jackets began another drive in their own territory, and Washington highlighted the drive with a 22-yard rush, shedding off a few defenders. The drive eventually got into the red zone, and after getting to the six-yard line, Smith fumbled the football. Amid the confusion, Tech did not recover it.

The Hurricanes drove down the field, converting three third downs along the way. Morris connected with receiver Travis Benjamin twice for gains of 30 and 18 yards, using the play-action to his advantage. The drive was capped off with a seven-yard touchdown by Mike James, extending the Miami lead, 24-10.

After a punt by Tech, Miami fumbled the ball, and it was recovered by redshirt junior safety Jerrad Tarrant. Tech couldn’t capitalize, immediately forcing a fourth down that redshirt junior A-back Roddy Jones could not convert. Miami gained possession with just over eight minutes in the game with great field position.

Miami rushed the ball ten times on their next drive, eating up almost six minutes of clock. In order to seal the win, Miami went for the score on fourth and goal from the three-yard line, with Craig Cooper running the ball in for the score. The game was at 35-10, essentially leaving no chance for the Jackets.

The end of the game resulted in a long drive by the Jackets, ending in a fumble right in front of the goal line. Miami recovered with 15 seconds left and ran out the clock.

“You keep playing. You don’t quit. What are you going to do? You don’t have any other alternatives. You either keep playing or you quit. We aren’t going to quit. I can build off of, I just have to do a better job of keeping the team in position to win the game next week,” Washington said.

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Men’s basketball wins two of three

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On Nov. 12, Tech defeated the Charleston Southern Buccaneers 52-39 to kick off the season, but in its next game, Tech went on the road and got upset by the Kennesaw State Owls, 80-63. Tech rebounded in its third game of the season on Nov. 17 to beat Albany, 78-51.

The game against Charleston Southern turned out to be much closer than expected as Tech had to hold off a late run by the Buccaneers to come out with the victory. While the game may have been close at times, fans had to watch a low-scoring game that featured poor shooting by both squads as the Buccaneers shot 27 percent from the field and the Jackets shot 29 percent.

Tech opened the game strong as they cruised to a 10-0 lead after four minutes of play. During this run, Tech was able to capitalize on some steals from its full-court press and quickly move the ball up the court in its up-tempo offense. Freshman center Daniel Miller got the fans cheering in the game with a highlight block on a Charleston Southern dunk attempt.

In the next few minutes Tech started to struggle, shooting the ball and misfiring on many close jumpers and open three-pointers. Charleston Southern was able to take advantage of Tech’s poor shooting and cut the deficit to 16-9 with 11 minutes to play in the half.

For the remainder of the half, Tech maintained a six to 10 point lead as they continued to try to push the ball up the court whenever possible. The team was successful in moving the ball up the court, but most of the time it failed to score points on its fast-break opportunities. On many possessions, Tech slowed down the offense and ended up forcing Tech to kick a 36-yard field goal by senior kicker Scott Blair.

The half ended with the Jackets prevailing, 25-13.

Volleyball loses to VT, sweeps UVA

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On Nov. 12 and 13, the Georgia Tech volleyball team hosted two conference foes from Virginia. Sitting at 9-6 in ACC play, this pivotal series could have moved the Jackets solely into third place in the conference or drop them into a tie for seventh. Instead, the Jackets split the games, losing to Virginia Tech 3-0 and beating Virginia 3-0, to move into a tie for third with four other teams.

The Jackets first hosted the Hokies of Virginia Tech on Friday, Nov. 12 at O’Keefe Gym.

The first set started well for the Jackets. After Virginia Tech jumped out to a 12-9 lead, the Jackets responded with a 6-1 run that put the score in their favor at 15-10. The set went back and forth and was eventually tied at 26 until the Hokies scored the winning two points to seal the set at 28-26.

The second set started much like the first as the Jackets started out down by a few points at 9-7, but eventually tied the match at 10. The Hokies would win the next point and would never relinquish their lead, winning the second set, 25-22. The front line was the problem for the Jackets in the second set, as they had zero blocks.

Like the first two, the third set started with the teams trading blows early in the set. The set was tied at nine, but neither team was able to pull away until the end of the game when the final horn sounded. Virginia Tech came away with a 25-22 set victory and a 3-0 match win.

Sophomore rightside hitter Monique Mead led the Jackets in the loss with a match-high 15 kills on .231 hitting. Looking to avoid falling one game closer to a .500 record, the Jackets hosted Virginia on the following night, defeating the Cavaliers, 3-0.

The first set of the game started slowly for the Jackets as the Cavaliers raced out to an early 3-0 lead. Then the Jackets went on a 7-2 run to give them the lead at 7-5. The Jackets added to their lead and used another 7-2 run to wrap up the set with a win, 25-16.

Virginia held a narrow lead late in the second at 22-20, but the Jackets fought hard down the stretch to win the set by two points, 25-23.

Looking to their recent trend, Tech was involved in another close set in the third. When the third went to Tech, 5-11, the Jackets pulled off a 7-1 run to jump out to a large lead. However, the Cavaliers fought back to tie the set at 23, but the Jackets prevailed, 25-23.