Southeastern Atlanta All Stars. Check out the wrap of this season’s exhibition game. Page 31.

By Al Przygocki
Senior Staff Writer

After losing two players from last year’s NCAAs, the Georgia Tech women’s basketball team is rebuilding for the 2002-03 season. The team lost two key players to graduation and had a season that was filled with ups and downs. The team’s season started off with a loss to the University of Houston, but the team was able to come back and win their next game against the University of South Carolina. The team then went on a four-game winning streak, which included a victory over the University of Alabama. However, the team was unable to sustain their success and struggled to win their next few games. The team finished the season with a record of 14-14, which was not good enough to make the NCAA tournament. The team will be looking to bounce back in the 2003-04 season and build on their success from last year.

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By Clark Nelson
Contributing Writer

The Georgia Tech Men's Basketball team tipped off its season in fine fashion Sunday as the Jackets routed the Southeast Atlanta All-Stars 110-73 in their first exhibition game. Tech had seven players in double-figure scoring, with guard Marvin Lewis leading the way with 19 points, including 5-for-7 shooting from beyond the arc.

Sophomore B.J. Elder, coming off a strong finish to last season, also added 15 points and 7 rebounds from his starting guard position. The highly touted freshmen class did not disappoint either, with Jarrett Jack starting at point guard and all four seeing significant action.

Freshman forward Chris Bosh poured in 18 points and grabbed 15 rebounds in only 21 minutes. On the inside, Luke Schenscher had 13 points and seven boards. Schenscher and Bosh created a twin towers effect during portions of the game, blocking four shots between them.

Tech pushed the ball for much of the first half, which led to a 31-11 run at the end of the half giving the Jackets a 59-36 lead at the break. Head Coach Paul Hewitt was pleased with the effort on defense as he looks for it to be the strength of this year's squad.

The second half was a run-n-gun as well, with the Yellow Jackets hitting 6-for-10 from three point range and outscoring their opponents 51-37. The All-Stars were held to only 29 percent shooting on the night.

"I thought there were moments where we rotated well and put good pressure on the ball," said Tech head coach Paul Hewitt.

"Chris Bosh has a chance to be a big time force in the lane. He and Luke really established themselves tonight. The more they go out and do this, the more confidence that our guys will have."

Paul Hewitt
Men's Head Coach

Georgia Tech will next face Nike-Marathon on November 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the final exhibition game of the preseason. Tech opens its regular season Arkansas Pine-Bluff on November 23. Both games are at Alexander Memorial Coliseum.
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Beyond the White and Gold

Spotlighting with a jet isn’t a good idea, Stewart decides

By John Parsons
Senior Staff Writer

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I’ll close with a warning from the football gods. Never, under any circumstances, should a team dunk the coach with Gatorade while the other team still has even a one in a million shot at coming back to win. If you don’t realize what I’m talking about, you obviously don’t follow college football very much. I am, of course, alluding to LSU’s miracle against Kentucky. LSU completed a 74-yard TD pass on the last play of the game, with Kentucky students already beginning to tear down the field goal post in the opposite end zone. It actually took a few minutes for the students to realize what had happened, making for some priceless video footage. So let this be a warning to all of you. Yogi Berra was right.

Golf

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ment helped the Jackets take the conference crown.

“You take the freshman year that these two kids [Thompson and Won-...
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in the fourth quarter. With Florida State playing conservatively in the fourth quarter, Suggs had a chance to lead the Yellow Jackets into overtime when Tech got the ball back on their own 43 with 1:27 left on the clock. Suggs led the Jackets 48 yards on nine plays before surrendering the game ending interception.

“There wasn’t much room to work in,” Suggs said. “There were 22 bodies packed into 20 yards of real estate.”

Suggs finished with respectable numbers, save the interceptions, going 22-44 for 211 yards and one touchdown.

Tech got solid play from their running attack, led by senior Gordon Clinkscale who gained 89 yards on only ten carries.

Again, Georgia Tech was able to play the Seminoles close, but could not make the plays needed to gain their third straight victory and second straight against a Top 25 team.

“A close second doesn’t get it done in our business,” said Georgia Tech head coach Chan Gailey. “It doesn’t get it done in most businesses.”

By Finny Turner
Contributing Writer

The Lady Jackets opened their 2002-2003 season in the Georgia Dome playing their only exhibition game against the Premier Players. Tech dropped the game 72-64, but still had some outstanding performances.

Senior Sonja Mallory led the team with 15 points, 11 rebounds and two blocked shots. Freshman Megan Harpring and Mallorie Winn both posted nine points apiece.

Harpring, a hometown freshman from Marist, was strongest for the Jackets at the end of the game, netting seven of her nine points in the final four minutes of play, including a three-pointer. Winn, a freshman guard from San Diego, CA, also posted 11 rebounds in the first game of the season.

The first half of the game saw the entrance of three new coaching staff members for the Lady Jackets. The new staff consists of MaChelle Joseph, a former Auburn basketball recruiter; Jeffrey Williams, a former assistant at Howard University and head coach of the Atlanta Justice in the Women’s Basketball League; and Kisha Ford, a former Tech and WNBA basketball player.

“The three new coaches are very passionate, very emotional about basketball, Georgia Tech and winning,” Berenato said in an earlier interview. “They are so much fun to be around. I’ve never laughed so much in my life.”

By Chris Gooley / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

The Lady Jackets kick off against Premier Players

The Lady Yellow Jackets made their final public appearance prior to the start of the regular season by taking part in the annual HoopsFest activities last Friday night at Alexander Memorial Coliseum.

By Agnus Berenato
Head Coach of Women’s Basketball

Georgia Tech will open the 2002-03 regular season tonight at 8 p.m., when the Lady Jackets host Charlotte in the first round of the Preseason WNIT at Alexander Memorial Coliseum. Student tickets for the game are $3 and can be bought at the outside gates.
Ice Games

Hockey continues winning ways

By Scott Meuleners/STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

The Georgia Tech hockey team scored a big victory against Duke University at Philips Arena. The team’s next games are tonight and tomorrow night in Indianapolis, Indiana.

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