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stayed at home. I took it as an opportunity to work on my game some more and get better.

**'Nique: How has your game changed over the summer?**

Schenscher: I've been working on improving in all areas. I've been working on shooting jump and hook shots as well as lateral quickness and explosiveness. Just trying to get better in all areas.

**'Nique: Who has improved the most over the summer?**

Schenscher: Jarrett Jack is doing awesome in all of the workouts. He's dominating in scrimmages. He's definitely someone that is looking real good at the moment.

**'Nique: How has losing Clarence Moore and Marvin Lewis affected your team?**

Schenscher: I think that it's affected us. Look at [Moore], it's not like we've lost him, he's still around in our ears trying to get us into gear. Marvin obviously wasn't the vocal leader, but he was the leader on the court with his shooting. We've got some guys coming in that are working on their shooting. What we lose in certain areas, we gain in other areas. We have Jeremis [Smith] coming in who is like another [Moore]. He's just real athletic and he has a lot of heart when he plays. I think that we have

five seniors now, so we have guys who can step up and be leaders.

**'Nique: Was it disappointing when Coach Hewitt decided not to play against the Australian national team?**

Schenscher: It was—I was looking forward to it, but I can understand it. We didn't have that many players, and he wanted to rest a few guys. It would have been great to play in front of my friends and family.

**'Nique: How difficult was it to adjust to the dialect?**

Schenscher: I was used to it because we watch all the American movies and TV shows like *Seinfeld* and *The Simpsons*. The hardest thing was people understanding me. I had to talk a lot slower to people and a lot clearer. A lot of phrases that I would say people wouldn't understand. That took awhile to get used to. When I go back home, they say that I speak American.

**'Nique: Do Australians drink Foster's?**

Schenscher: Not too many. I don't drink it myself. I find it pretty disgusting.

**'Nique: What is a good Australian beer?**

Schenscher: My favorite beer is Cooper's Pale Ale. It's actually brewed in my hometown, and I can go to Mac's [in Atlanta], and they sell it there.

# Hurricanes blow past Jackets



By Christopher Gooley/STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

**James Butler and KaMichael Hall watch as Roscoe Parrish runs into the endzone for a touchdown late in the third quarter.**

By Geoff Davies  
Contributing Writer

The No. 4 ranked Miami Hurricane football team blew into Atlanta last Saturday afternoon and left town with a resounding 27-3 victory over the Yellow Jackets.

At the press conference after the game, Head Coach Chan Gailey said, "I told [the team] we didn't execute well enough to win. We went out there and fought hard. I didn't question their fight. We did some

decent things in certain areas, but we just couldn't finish it off."

Tech got off to a strong start. On the first play from scrimmage, sophomore running back Chris Woods ripped off a 56-yard run down to the Miami 11-yard line. Woods was starting in place of injured standout running back P.J. Daniels.

Unfortunately, Tech could not take advantage of his long run. After only three more running plays, Tech was forced to settle for a field goal.

This drive set Tech's tone for the

rest of the game: a team held back by its own shortcomings. The field goal, by redshirt freshman Travis Bell, gave Tech a 3-0 lead. They would not score again.

Miami went on to score on each of their next two possessions. They tied the game with a 49-yard field goal from Jon Peattie and then took the lead with a 12-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Brock Berlin to Roscoe Parrish. The pass was low, but Parrish dug it out at the five-yard line, turned and scored. The first quarter would end with Miami leading 10-3.

Reggie Ball struggled in the passing game for the second straight week, completing just eight of 25 passes for 68 yards, while throwing three interceptions. He did, however, manage to run for 60 yards on the ground, but it was not enough.

In the second half, the Tech defense seemed to settle down. After giving up a touchdown on the opening drive of the half, they managed to hold Miami scoreless the rest of the game. Junior linebacker Chris Reis stood out with two and a half sacks to go along with four tackles.

After the game, Reis said, "We showed a lot of heart and made some big plays... they just made more big plays than us."

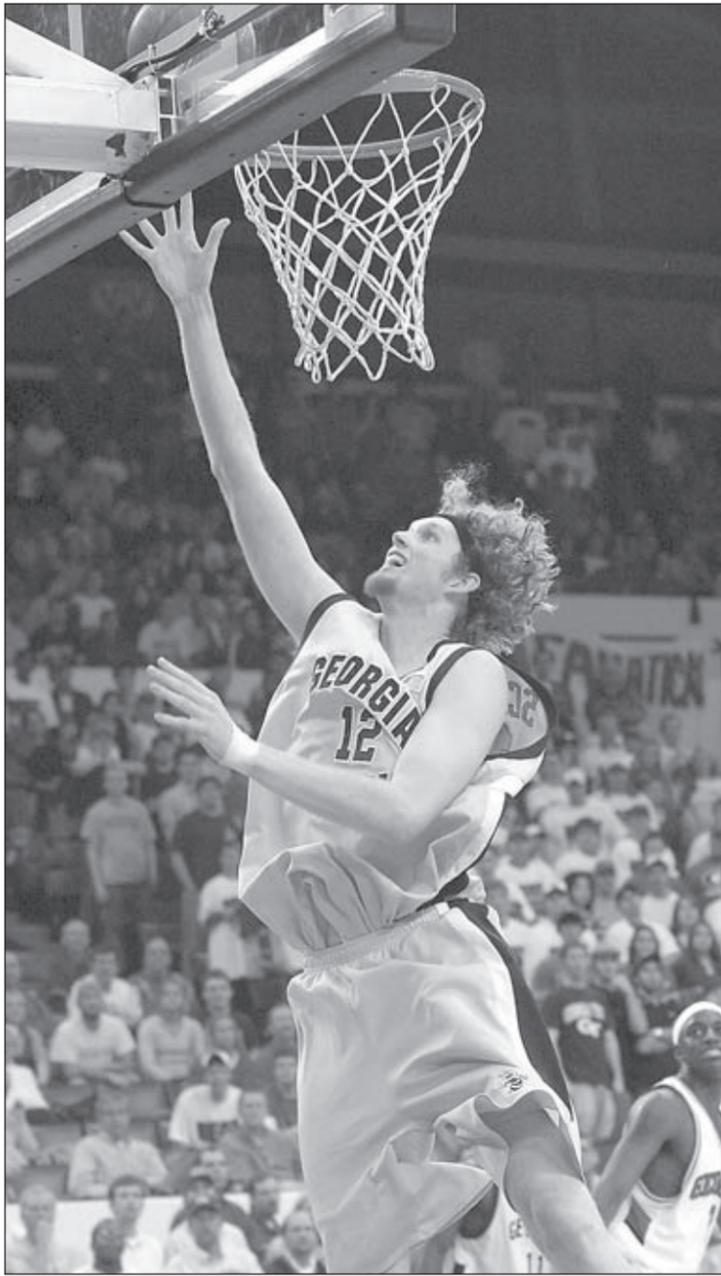
The Yellow Jackets still lead the overall series against the Hurricanes, 6-4.

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# ramblin' with Luke Schenscher

By Michael Clarke

senior basketball



By Jamie Howell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Luke Schenscher scores for the Jackets against Georgia. Basketball will begin practice for the upcoming season in mid-October.

Perhaps the most widely recognized of all Tech athletes, Luke Schenscher is a player whose height knows no bounds. Not since Luc Longley, a key player on several of the Chicago Bulls' championship teams, has another Australian athlete been so nationally known.

This week Schenscher sat down with, or rather, towered over, the *Nique* to talk about his posse, the game he loves and, of course, Foster's Beer.

**'Nique: Has playing in the national championship game changed you?**

Schenscher: I don't think it has. To me, playing in the national championship, it didn't feel like there was any extra pressure on me, and it was one of those things where it was a game, and I look at it as a great experience playing in front of all those people.

**'Nique: What were your thoughts when you found out about the "Luke Schenscher has a Posse" t-shirts?**

Schenscher: I saw the stickers on campus, and I saw it the first time at a stop sign on the Stinger. I thought that was pretty crazy. It was good to know that students around campus were behind me, and they were supporting me.

**'Nique: Did it take you a while to get adjust to the "Luuuuuuuuuuuuuke" chant at the games? Did you think you were being booed?**

Schenscher: Yeah, it was fun. It just kind of made me laugh every time that I went out there. It helped me to loosen up. I knew what they were doing. They used to do that to Luc Longley.

**'Nique: In the beginning of the season, you were labeled as a tall, lanky big man, and at the end of the season you were said to be a top-five center in the nation and on Dick Vitale's All-Rolls-Royce team. What do you think of the recognition, and how did you make the leap?**

Schenscher: I'm flattered that people would think of me that way. It doesn't change the way that I look at the season, or the way that I've been working out. It just makes me work out even harder knowing that people are going to be getting after

**"To me, playing in the national championship, it didn't feel like there was any extra pressure on me, and it was one of those things..."**

us and have our game circled on the calendar. I think that last year was a year where I had an opportunity to do things that I hadn't been able to do before. With Theo[dis Tarver] and me as the only two big guys on the team, we had to make the most of the opportunity. I was presented with an opportunity, and I made the most of it.

**'Nique: Who had a big influence on you growing up?**

Schenscher: Definitely, my parents, especially my dad. He's always telling me how proud he is of me, and it makes me feel good to know that he's proud of me. My first

basketball team that I played at the home ground was 30 minutes away from home, and I used to play two hours away from home, and they'd drive me to all of the games.

**'Nique: How often do your parents get to see you play?**

Schenscher: Dad just bought a satellite dish last year so that he could watch games on ESPN that they were showing. They saw all of the Final Four, and they saw the [Elite Eight] game. I've sent home some tapes after converting them to Australian format so that they could watch other games as well.

**'Nique: Did any other Australian player's success have an influence on you coming to America?**

Schenscher: Luc Longley, he came from my high school, and went to college for four years and then [he went] to the NBA. That kind of paved the way for other guys to do the same thing because it's possible, and it's one of the big reasons why I thought to come over here, and I talked to him about it, and he thought it was a great idea. People always compare me to him back in Australia. It's just an honor to me because he's done so much for Australian basketball.

**'Nique: How did getting so close to making the Australian Olympic team but being cut at the end effect you?**

Schenscher: It was a huge disappointment to me, [and] at the time it seemed like a big setback. I made the team a few years ago, and the next year I wasn't even invited to tryout. I just took that as an opportunity to come back here, where I could've

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# football forecast

Each week during the football season, the *Technique* will pick a list of college matchups to be played that weekend. The person who submits the list with the most correctly projected winners receives a prize. In the event of a tie, the winner is determined by the person who most accurately predicts the score of Tech's game. To submit your picks, go to [www.nique.net/footballforecast](http://www.nique.net/footballforecast). This week's games are:

- Tech vs. Maryland
- Texas vs. Oklahoma
- Minnesota vs. Michigan
- California vs. USC
- Tennessee vs. Georgia
- Wisconsin vs. Ohio State
- NC State vs. North Carolina
- Florida State vs. Syracuse
- LSU vs. Florida
- Virginia Tech vs. Wake Forest
- Alabama vs. Kentucky
- New Mexico vs. Air Force
- Indiana vs. Northwestern
- Oklahoma State vs. Colorado
- Rutgers vs. Vanderbilt

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Last week's winner:

Jessica Wing-See Li

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according to [Ramblinwreck.com](http://Ramblinwreck.com). "We also showed a lot of good team balance today offensively, and our blocking and defense continues to improve...Competing against Virginia Tech for the first time was a challenging experience."

Jayne Gergen contributed 11 kills, increasing her season hitting percentage to .380, third in the ACC. Marisa Aston held down the defense with 16 digs, followed by 10 digs from sophomore Abby Showers. As a team, the Jackets posted seven blocks, with Gergen and Moster each rejecting three shots a piece.

Setter Lindsey Laband also kept pace with 52 assists, creating even more distance between herself and the second-place assist leader in the conference. Laband's nearly 15 assists per game are third in the nation, and the 52 in this game crept her up to ninth place on the all-time list at Tech. This performance was good enough to earn ACC Player of the Week honors—the first for Laband and the second straight week a Tech player has taken the award, after Moster did so last week.

"Everyone was pumped to play a new team, but we knew we needed to stay focused and get the system going right from the start," said Laband. "With our growing team confidence, it's starting to get even more exciting around here, and we feel like we're ready for it."

The next match for Tech will be in Winston-Salem, N.C., on Friday against Wake Forest. Then the team travels to Duke on Saturday.

## Hockey from page 28

The Rumble in the Rink Thrasher Cup is an annual tournament in Savannah, Ga. The same four teams compete in it each year: Tech, University of Georgia, Florida and Florida St. It is hosted by the Savannah Chamber of Commerce and is played in the city's local civic center.

"They actually set up an ice rink in their civic center a couple of days before the tournament and then tear it down a couple days after," Zaucha said.

Sweeney considers the Rumble in the Rink tournament as important as competing for nationals.

"It's a huge tournament for us. We play in front of almost 3,000 people in the Civic Center, which for a club team is fairly important," Sweeney said.

Tech has won the Thrasher cup four times in the last six seasons. They were champions in 1999, 2001, 2002 and 2003. Last season, however, the club lost to the UGA team, which means this season's Thrasher Cup may be filled with even more "clean, old-fashioned hate." In addition to the match at Rumble in the Rink, Tech will play UGA twice in the

regular season. The two teams meet on Nov. 12 here in Atlanta and again on Feb. 12 in Duluth, Ga.

The Tech ice hockey club is a member of the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA) and competes as a South Division III team. The ACHA is composed of collegiate club teams only, and the South Division has 21 teams. Florida State, Florida, The Citadel, UGA, Texas Tech and Texas A&M are just some teams that compete in the South Division with Tech. Every year the top three teams from the South Division compete in the national tournament.

Head Coach Greg Stathis is in his 14th year at the helm and now has 195 wins with Tech. The players are eager to celebrate his 200th win, which will almost certainly come this season.

"Hopefully it will be five games from now," Sweeney said.

The players hope a lot of fans will be watching when Stathis achieves this milestone, and the players hope to give an entertaining performance.

"It's a quick game and exciting, and it's physical, a lot of hitting. It's a good thing to do on a Friday night if there nothing else to do. The rink is only a 20-minute drive away," Zaucha said.

## Terps from page 28

The Tech ties don't end with Friedgen. In addition to the Terps head coach, other members of the Maryland front office have ties to the North Avenue Trade School, such as offensive coordinator Charlie Taaffe, who was a graduate assistant in the '70s, defensive line coach Dave Solazzo, who was the defensive tackles coach under George O'Leary and the latest defector, Bill O'Brien, who had been with the Tech program for several years, which ended in a tenure as offensive coordinator.

Coaches are not the only people Maryland has lured from the state of Georgia; the Terps have five players from the Peach State: guard C.J. Brooks (Morrow HS), linebacker Tim Cesa (Harrison HS), kicker Obi Egekeze (Westside HS), tackle Stephon Heyer (Brookwood HS) and quarterback Joel Statham (Murray Country HS). In contrast, Tech's roster does not include a single player from Maryland.

In order to claim their second road victory for this season, the Jackets will have to snap Maryland's 13-game home winning streak at Byrd Stadium. The Jackets will certainly have plenty of motivation between the blossoming rivalry with the Terrapins and the sense of urgency resulting from the Jackets dropping their past two contests.

Demonstrating the importance of this game, Gailey said, "[The Tech football players] take a lot of pride in their play individually and understand what's at stake for the team and care about that deeply."

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**Mike Zaucha**  
Center ice hockey



## GEORGIA TECH (2-2) VS. MARYLAND (3-1)

By Vishal Patel



Tech, even before midseason, has seemingly hit its peak and its trough. The team is dealing with its largest consecutive losses since 1995, but looks to rebound against a nationally ranked Maryland team. The Jackets hope to see improvement with the return of P.J. Daniels, who missed the last two games, to the offense and a fully healthy Eric Henderson to the defense. Tech's key to winning this week is minimizing the turnovers that took them out of the game last week.

**“We are going to make plans to have someone ready to go this week, and put somebody in just to give [them] the opportunity if that situation arises.”**

### Chan Gailey

Tech head coach on rumors of replacing Ball



### Four Key Questions

• **Who will play quarterback, and can the Jackets throw it deep?**

“Reggie is the starter.” Those are the concise, yet definitive words from Tech Head Coach Chan Gailey. However, it seems more and more likely after last week's game that someone else will see time as quarterback if Ball does not get out a good start. This rumor is strengthened by an alarming stat: Ball averages 12.7 yards per completion while averaging 26.6 yards on pass attempts resulting in an interception. This fact is alarming because Ball has thrown for over 20 yards 14 times this season—six of which have resulted in interceptions. Despite this, Gailey will call the deep ball. To counter this move, opposing defenses have cracked down on freshman wideout Calvin Johnson, who has been limited to four catches for 55 yards after his stellar three-touchdown performance against Clemson.

• **How difficult will it be for the Jackets to win at College Park?**

Maryland's 13-game home winning streak, which includes games from last season and the year before, is a statistic to be feared. However, Tech is one of the better ACC teams at Byrd Stadium, posting a 4-3 record there. Another important thing to note is that Maryland Head Coach Ralph Friedgen and the Terps are 35-0 all-time when leading at the half. This statistic is bad news for the Jackets, who have been mired in first-half slumps for each of their past three games.

• **Can the rising Jackets defense stop the ACC's most balanced offensive attack?**

Maryland is coming off of a colossal 685-yard offensive performance, which resulted in 35 first downs with only 100 plays from scrimmage against Duke. To get an idea of just how great of an offensive production Maryland put up against Duke, Tech has 623 total yards of offensive production resulting in 32 first downs from 135 plays—all in the last two games.

• **How do the Jackets bounce back from consecutive 20-point losses?**

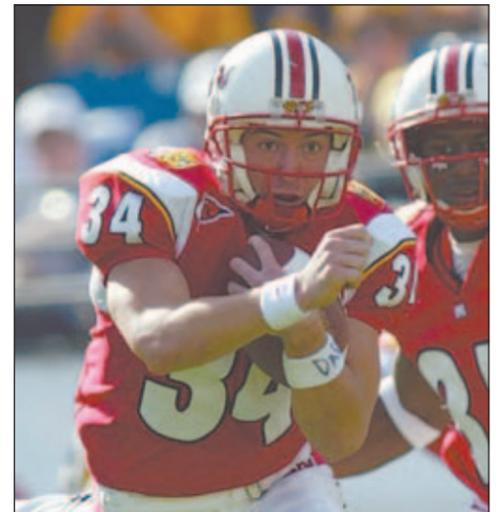
The best way to rebound from any slump is to go back to the basics, and the basics for the Jackets' offense, in Gailey's reign, has always been the run. Look for the Jackets to mix Daniels, Woods, Ball and Bilbo in a running attack that will try to bring the Maryland safeties in and away from Calvin Johnson, Nate Curry and Levon Thomas—Tech's outlets for the deep pass. Given that Maryland's rushing defense has allowed over 140 yards per game, if the Jackets can stick to their game plan, then they will be able to snap Maryland's winning streak at home.

Maryland started the season slowly, but its offense has recently started to perform well. The season opener against Northern Illinois was a sloppy game for the Maryland offense. Luckily, All-ACC kicker Nick Novak, who kicked three field goals in the game, with two for over 40 yards, bailed the Terrapins out. Maryland's offense finally came alive after their game against Temple with a 45-point performance in a thrilling overtime loss to then-No. 7 West Virginia.

**“Reggie Ball is a very competitive kid. I was very impressed with him last year as a true freshman playing against us. He runs extremely hard and has a strong arm.”**

### Ralph Friedgen

Maryland head coach



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## WHAT'S THAT SMELL?

Old Spice held a contest to find Tech's best man to market its new product. Find out who won... Page 9

## KWELLER ROCKS

This past weekend the indie rocker brought his unique stage presence to the Arena at Gwinnett Center. Page 15



## Looking to stop skid, football heads to College Park to face Terrapins

By Vishal Patel  
Contributing Writer

Perhaps the most underappreciated and unknown ACC rivalry is the matchup set to take place in College Park, Md. this weekend. Although this is the 17th meeting between Tech and Maryland since 1988, the rivalry has only taken flight in recent years with the teams splitting the last four games in the series, including last year's Thursday night defensive stand where Tech earned a 7-3 victory.

That home victory for Tech came at the heels of a fantastic defensive effort led by "a lot of blitzing" according to defensive end Travis Parker at Tuesday's press conference. The Jacket defense held Maryland to only 253 yards from scrimmage and forced two interceptions and five fumbles, including one that set up the game's only touchdown in what may have been their best defensive game of last season.

In the post-game conference after the victory, Tech Head Coach Chan

Gailey said, "Unbelievable. Unbelievable. You know, they played great and you say that it would be hard for them to play better. They played better this week than they had played before. I was amazed at the job that they did. I was really impressed."

Adding to the rivalry, Maryland Head Coach Ralph Friedgen had a nine-year tenure as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Tech under Bobby Ross and George O'Leary. In addition to the fact that Friedgen and Gailey have been pinned against each other on opposite sidelines three times already on the college gridiron, the two have met on the professional level as well. Friedgen was an offensive coordinator with the San Diego Chargers and Gailey was a receivers coach with the Pittsburgh Steelers. Coincidentally, their record on opposing sides in the NFL was a dead heat, with each team winning twice.

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By Christopher Gooley / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Tech ran past Maryland 7-3 last year at Bobby Dodd Stadium.

## Lady Jackets sweep VaTech Volleyball atop ACC; Wake Forest matchup ahead



By Christopher Gooley / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Lynnette Moster records a dig for the Yellow Jackets. The two-time All-American outside hitter is second in the ACC in service aces and third in kills.

By John Scaduto  
Contributing Writer

Last Sunday, volleyball became only the second Tech athletic program to play a new ACC expansion team. They swept Virginia Tech in three games: 30-23, 30-22, 30-25. With the win, the Yellow Jackets have the best record in the Atlantic Coast Conference, 4-0, and improve to 9-5 overall. The match started off close, with

Virginia Tech feeding on its home court advantage in the first game to stick with the Jackets point for point until a timeout by the home team when the Jackets pulled ahead 16-12. The Jackets then broke away from the Hokies to win the first game.

In the second game, Tech took a 7-2 lead with a five-point run, hitting .326 for the game and setting the tone for the rest of the match. The Hokies

at one point rallied to tie the third game 13-13, but the Lady Jackets went ahead 25-20 and never looked back.

Tech continued to improve on the offensive side, posting a .328 hit percentage for the match. Even more impressive was the defensive performance, as the Hokies hit .193. Outside hitters Lynnette Moster and Lauren Sauer recorded 19 and 15 kills, respectively. The duo currently ranks

third and sixth on the ACC kills leader board, reestablishing the aura of dominance that took the team to a league title last season.

"Lauren Sauer had a gutty performance today... She was sick before the match, but [she] stuck it out and put together one of her best offensive performances of the season," said Head Coach Bond Shymansky,

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## Ice hockey club looks to win fifth Thrasher Cup

By Patrick Odneal  
Contributing Writer

Tech ice hockey picked up its second win of the season against the University of Florida, winning 4-3 in a contest played in Jacksonville. The Jackets' record is now 2-1 on their young season.

Prior to the Florida game, the Jackets split two games against Vanderbilt. They downed the Commodores 5-4 on Sept. 24 and then lost 5-2 the next day.

In the Sept. 24 game, Vanderbilt took the early lead and had a 1-0 advantage at the end of the first period, but the Jackets came back strong in the second period. Club President Matt Sweeney and defenseman Nathan Kirby both scored goals to give Tech a 2-1 lead going into the third period.

Vanderbilt would not go down

quietly, however. Just 50 seconds into the final period, Vanderbilt's Craig Murphy tied the game 2-2, but the Jackets did not relent. Chris Beauregard, Nathan Kirby and Christian Gattung rallied Tech in the third period, scoring three straight

Date	Opponent	Time
Fri. Oct. 15	Florida Gulf	9:30 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 16	Duke	6:00 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 30	South Florida	6:00 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 5	Tulane	9:30 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 6	Florida	6:00 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 12	UGA	9:30 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 13	Florida State	6:00 p.m.

goals en route to a 5-3 season-opening victory.

In the Sept. 25 game, the Jackets lost 5-2 with Brian O'Connor and Christian Gattung scoring the two goals for Tech, both of which came in the second period.

The Jackets then traveled to

Florida and won 4-3, but the game was not as close as the final score.

"It was 4-1 with three minutes left. They got a couple of lucky bounces that I still don't know how they went in," said Mike Zaucha, starting center.

This year's team looks to continue the successful tradition of previous years. Founded in 1973, the Tech ice hockey club is one of the oldest and most successful club sports on campus. The team has won many division championships over the years and has competed in just as many national title tournaments. However, most notably, the team has won the Thrasher Cup four times.

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By Christopher Gooley / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Ice hockey fights UGA last year. The team's roster and more info is available at [www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/ice\\_hockey/main.html](http://www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/ice_hockey/main.html).