

**THE DAWGMEISTER'S WEEKEND FORECAST:
DAWGS KEY THE RAMBLING WRECK**

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J. Batt Watches a GT game in horror, decides on the spot to leave for MSU, replaced by.....



Hold on, Tech. We'll get to you in a minute.

The Charlotte game went according to expectations. The big news in Sunday's coverage was the play of a running back whose playing time had been limited by the guys ahead of him on the depth chart. I'm happy for Bo, but even happier for the other neglected RB, Roderick Robinson, who came to Athens with such promise but has mostly been on the injured list. It's great to see him rehabbed enough to get some snaps and on his way to competing for more moving forward. I'm even happy for ex-Dawg Branson Robinson, the often-injured RB who transferred to Georgia State, for whom he scored a rare TD in a generally wretched season.

Saturday was an afternoon for relaxing and not getting worked up about who got the lead first. Games like this require little reflection or commentary because it was a mismatch from the moment it was scheduled. I'm happy to see that the team took the field with purpose, took the lead, then watched their young teammates finish the job. Charlotte, spend your \$1.9 million wisely.

Saturday was a game where the personnel required a roster list complete with players' numbers. I had a few "Oh yeah, that guy!" moments where I remembered that somebody had been a prized 4-star recruit recently, but had receded in my Swiss-cheese memory due to a lack of mental reps. It was a good day for resting the wounded and rewarding the guys who practice so hard and are developing toward first-half snaps in the future. Nobody came out with a new injury, the whole roster got some game time, and everyone went home happy.

As we've come to expect under Kirby Smart, playing the reserves is more important than running up the score, embarrassing an opponent, keeping reserves on the bench, and trying to impress voters with style points. Even before the score got out of hand, we played three true freshman on the OL in the first quarter, suggesting that we will be in good hands for the foreseeable future. Searels haters, these guys are mighty good, mighty large, and mighty well coached. The trenches matter at least as much as the fun guys who throw, catch, and run the ball, and we appear set there for some time.

Oh right, about Tech:



Downtown Atlanta Connally Hotel Mural of Tech Fan Drinking the Kool-Aid through the wrong end

Say it ain't so!!!!!!

Honorable mentions for this year's competition include:

Skye Chandler, University of Georgia, "Dandelions, Bulldogs and Bees"
Georgia Cross, Lassiter High School, "A Light for the Endangered"



C'mon Coach, get rid of Tech's colors on the Kirby Copter and paint that thing Red and Black!

Disconcerting Signals

"I'm here to call out Joe Rogan for talking crap about me and talking crap about my mama, he's been doing it too long. Me and my mama will tell you right now this earth is flat. It ain't moving around at no 6000 mph, spinning at 1000 mph and floating through the universe constantly. This earth is flat, it's fixed, and the stars rotate around us, the sun rotates around us. I can prove that! They're trying to feed you these lies to make you

think that science is right. That God didn't create this universe, the big bang did. I used to be an atheist! I used to believe that this universe was created by a big bang - all that c*** from Neil DeGrasse Tyson. I'm just sick and tired of hearing your c*** Joe about flat earthers being stupid - gravity ain't real, it's density. This paper, when it drops it's because it's more dense than the world around it, not because of some magical thing called gravity. There is no proof of gravity, brother, there's only proof of density, that's why hot air balloons float, because hot air is less dense. I will debate you right to your face, I'm tired of this c*** that you're posting, I'm tired of you making fun of flat earthers because you've got one right here that will bring it right to you. And I know you won't accept this challenge! I actually don't know, but I bet you won't, I'll bet you sissy out! That c*** you're posting is leading people away from the Holy Spirit." ~UCF Fighter Bryce "Thug Nasty" Mitchell

DAWGMEISTER GOOD WORKS OF THE WEEK

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Wild Nest Bird Rehab's mission is to Rehabilitate and Release Wild Birds and Educate the Public on Bird Conservation. Birds are vital to the health of our planet – providing pest control, pollination, seed dispersal, clean-up services, and more, balancing our ecosystems and saving us billions of dollars annually. Accessible to everyone, songbirds offer a ready way to enjoy wildlife and connect with nature. North America has lost nearly three billion birds in the past fifty years. In one short generation, bird populations have declined nearly 30% (more than 1 in 4 birds), primarily as a result of human-caused habitat loss, climate change, window strikes, pesticides, free-roaming cats, fireworks, and other threats. These losses include all songbirds such as Georgia's state bird, the Brown Thrasher, whose populations have declined by more than 40%. Wild Nest Bird Rehab is the only 501(c)(3) nonprofit bird rehabilitation facility in Georgia. Following almost 15 years of experience in her home clinic, Founder and Licensed Rehabilitator Nancy Eilen formally chartered WNBR as a nonprofit in early 2021. Since then, WNBR has treated over 5,600 birds, established a formal training program for those seeking state and federal wildlife rehabilitation licenses, trained over 300 volunteers in bird care and educated the public through school and community outreach. Our volunteer team includes seven federally licensed rehabilitators, animal technicians, veterinarians, student interns, trained caregivers, and operations, facilities and strategic planning experts. WNBR is a volunteer-led organization. One hundred percent of your donation goes toward our key objectives: treating and rehabilitating injured and orphaned birds, increasing bird rehabilitation capacity in Georgia, and educating Georgians on the threats birds face and how they can help.

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SAT PREP SESSION

SAT Question of the Week: What do all of these fine universities have in common?

American International College
Baldwin & Wallace
Black Hills State U
Cedarville U
Defiance College
Georgia Tech
Graceland U
Howard Payne U
LeTourneau U
Randolph-Macon College
U of Rochester
U of Wisconsin-Superior
Waynesburg U
West Virginia State U

- A. Each is the home of at least 10 Nobel Prize winners.
- B. Each is a renowned polytechnical institute.
- C. Each has a famous place on campus called “The Flats” featuring a sculpture of a tire.
- D. Each is famous for its rural charm and expansive nature center.
- E. Each is on Taylor Swift’s 2026 schedule for her Play the Campus World Tour.

Answer:

Yes, you guessed it: Each has adopted the pestiferous Yellow Jacket as its team mascot.

DAWG DOOTS

- ☞ In keeping with the times, to acknowledge the range of sexual possibilities available to pests and Georgia Tech students, Georgia Tech has renamed its mascot Buzzx.
- ☞ “Lucky is when a ball bounces off a guy, back to us and your punter recovers it. That was lucky. And that’s God’s blessing, is what that is.” ~NC State coach Dave Doeren explaining how divine intervention enabled them to beat FSU Friday night
- ☞ “The football team you saw in the first half from us was the football team that we’re capable of being.” ~Coach Deion Sanders, speaking of Colorado only being behind 13-7.
- ☞ In the real Deflategate Bowl: 5-6 FSU visits 3-8 Florida on Nov. 29.
- ☞ From Sunday morning: “On a Saturday filled with Southeastern Conference teams playing lower-division opponents, Tennessee appeared to be facing one, too. . . . Roughly half the home crowd left early, and no one could blame them. It was Florida’s worst home showing since trailing Missouri 42-0 in 2014.”

★ Dallas Receiving

	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG	TGTS
George Pickens #3	9	144	16.0	1	37	11

Las Vegas Receiving

	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG	TGTS
Brock Bowers #89	7	72	10.3	0	18	12

- ☛ Football coaches with better things to do than coach football:
 - ☛ Brian Kelly (golf)
 - ☛ Hugh Freeze (golf)
 - ☛ Bill Belichick (girlfriend)
 - ☛ Lane Kiffin (trolling on social media, job hunting)
 - ☛ Deion Sanders (being the world's worst QB Dad, doing commercials where the best moment is when the duck comes on)
- ☛ Alabama 2nd-grade teacher Nicole Staples of Cottage Hill Christian Academy was arrested after hitting her son more than 20 times with a belt or strap because, according to the boy's older brother, "He wasn't cleaning the kitchen like he was supposed to be." She was previously named Alabama's Teacher of the Year.

THE COVETED DAWGMEISTER GOOD GUY OF THE WEEK AWARD **GOOD GUY ARCHIVE**

Pop quiz: Which former UGA football player is fluent in Swahili? If you said **Alec Millen**, then you are on track for your degree in cultural knowledge. Alec played HS ball at the Marist School in Atlanta, and began college at the University of North Carolina. That didn't work out so well for the 6'-7" offensive lineman, as the Tar Heels went 1-10 in his first two years. He transferred to UGA, sitting out his first year, during which the team went 4-7. He then started for two years for teams that went 19-5. Cause and effect? I report, you decide. One OL rarely turns the tide so effectively, but in 1992 Alec made the All SEC and All America Teams before the Jets took him in the 7th round of the NFL draft. In addition to playing football so well, he was named to the All State Good Works Team his senior year. The lifelong Catholic got into conversations with members of Athletes in Action about Jesus, leading Alec to find God at a Baptist revival meeting. His Bible study increased and he joined Athletes in Action. At UGA he was named team captain and at the State of Georgia Peach of an Athlete banquet, he was presented with the Role Model Award. His devotion became so strong that he changed his life trajectory to the ministry while also making the Jets developmental team while, on Sundays, attending the North Shore Baptist Church in Queens, where the pastor was ex-Dawg Ed Moore. After another year on the fringe of the pro game, this time on the 49ers' developmental team where he nursed an injury, Alec left football and attended seminary at Columbia International University in Columbia, South Carolina, and returned to North Shore Baptist as youth pastor. Alec expanded his religious vision over time, serving as Corporate Chaplain to Willow Valley Associates, Inc. and, with his wife Tammy, spent 7 years with Wycliffe Bible Translators before joining Missionary Ventures International, through which he participated in the Unreached People Group in Tanzania. Alec's decision to follow a spiritual path had a few twists and turns, but he's found his home in his commitment to Christ and good works. That's a long way from pounding defenders into the turf. Football can prepare an athlete for life in surprising ways, with the discipline and focus he learned on the field leading to a firm devotion to his Lord. And he speaks Swahili.



THE FORECAST

DAWGS VS. GEORGIA TECH

This is the game that Tech has been pointing toward all season. Their conference schedule has mattered in their new puffy-chest stature in the state. But this one just means more. It's pretty important for our guys too, and I expect a game where both teams play as if it's the last game they'll ever play. If I may be so unkind, the ACC has absolutely stunk this season, making GT's record a little suspicious. That early win over Clemson just doesn't seem so great now, with Clemson fighting Florida State for most disappointing ACC team of the year. (FSU wins in a landslide, and along with Penn State has made the Underachievers Playoff.) But the key stat comes in terms of schedule strength: Georgia 12th, Georgia Tech 89th. Tech's record has come against cruddy ACC teams. Tech holds the following national defensive ranks, after a good start, and thus showing a downward trend, even against teams like 1-11 Boston College: 113th in tackling, 113th in pass rush, 104th in pass coverage, 82nd in rush defense, and 114th in overall defense; and this was all before getting blown out by Pitt on Saturday. Meanwhile, UGA is playing against the best, holding them down, and improving every week. They are ready to maintain their dominance and slash the tires on the Rambling Wreck. The Dawgs go to the Benz and drive home in a limo. UGA 38, GT 20.

NATIONAL GAME OF THE WEEK: TEMPLE OVER NORTH TEXAS

My annual gift to The Owlmeister, who has suffered recently over the Owls' struggles on the field. Their loss to Army included an agonizing 18-play, 9:53 fourth-quarter possession that ran out the clock. They need a W for bowl-eligibility. And so I hereby grant them a win over a team in the same predicament. Owls 14, Mean Green 10.

NATIONAL UPSET OF THE WEEK: TEXAS OVER A™ U

You might think I'm making this pick because I need for it to happen. Yeah, so? Here's my pick:



We're going to beat the Aggies by this much!

Horns over Aggies, 28-27.