

2013 CLEMSON TIGER FOOTBALL



Clemson (9 AP, 10 USA) vs. Maryland

Game 8: Clemson at Maryland

Saturday, October 26, 2013

Kickoff: 3:35 PM

Byrd Stadium (51,802)
College Park, MD

Television : ESPN

Mike Patrick, Ed Cunningham, Jeanine Edwards

Radio

Clemson: Pete Yanity, Will Merritt, Patrick Sapp

Series: Clemson leads 33-26-2

at Maryland: Clemson leads 15-13-2

at Clemson: Clemson leads 18-13

As ACC Foes: Clemson leads 32-26-2

Last Year: Clemson 45-10 at Clemson

Streak: Clemson won 3 in row

CLEMSON 2013 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	TV	Score/Time
Aug. 31	GEORGIA	ABC	38-35
Sept. 7	SC STATE	RSN	52-13
Sept. 19	at NC State	ESPN	26-14
Sept. 28	WAKE FOREST	ESPNU	56-7
Oct. 5	at Syracuse	ABC	49-14
Oct. 12	BOSTON COLLEGE	ABC	24-14
Oct. 19	FLORIDA STATE	ABC	14-51
Oct. 26	at Maryland	ESPN	3:30 PM
Nov. 2	at Virginia	ABC/ESPN	3:30 PM
Nov. 14	GEORGIA TECH	ESPN	7:30 PM
Nov. 23	THE CITADEL		
Nov. 30	at South Carolina		

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Clemson Tigers

Record, 20136-1, 4-1 ACC
LocationClemson, SC
ColorsClemson Orange and Regalia
Enrollment20,768
Athletic DirectorDan Radakovich
Head Coach.....**Dabo Swinney, Alabama '93**
Clemson Record/5th full year)46-22 (.676)
Home Record30-6 (.833)
Away Record12-12
Neutral Record4-4
vs. ACC Teams31-13 (.705)
Record against Maryland.....3-1
Offensive Coordinator.....Chad Morris
Defensive Coordinator.....Brent Venables
Website:.....clemsontigers.com

Maryland Terps

Record, 20135-2, 1-2 in ACC
LocationCollege Park, MD
ColorsRed, White, Black and Gold
Enrollment35,329
Athletic DirectorKevin Anderson
Head Coach.....**Randy Edsall**
School Record/ season)11-20 (3rd year)
Overall (Season).....85-90 (15th year)
Record vs Clemson0-2
Offensive Coordinator.....Mike Locksley
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MEDIA INFORMATION

Dabo Swinney Press Conference

Head Coach Dabo Swinney holds his weekly press conference each Tuesday at the West Endzone Team Room of Memorial Stadium. He will be available at 11:00 AM. The press conference will also be available over ClemsonTigers.com.

Clemson players will be available after Swinney's press conference. Coach Swinney is also available each Sunday after a game at 6:00 PM. Contact Tim Bourret for the number. Swinney is also available on the ACC teleconference on Wednesday and after practice on Wednesday.

ACC Teleconference

Each head coach is available on the ACC teleconference every Wednesday throughout the season for 10 minutes. Coach Swinney is available at 10:30 AM each Wednesday. To access the number contact the ACC office.

10:30 AM Dabo Swinney, Clemson

10:40 AM Jimbo Fisher, Florida State
10:50 AM Randy Edsall, Maryland
11:00 AM Scott Shafer, Syracuse
11:10 AM Jim Grobe, Wake Forest
11:20 AM Paul Johnson, Georgia Tech
11:30 AM Larry Fedora, North Carolina
11:40 AM Paul Chryst, Pittsburgh
11:50 AM Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech
Noon Mike London, Virginia
12:10 PM Steve Addazio, Boston College
12:20 PM David Cutcliffe, Duke
12:30 PM Al Golden, Miami (FL)
12:40 PM Dave Doeren, NC State

For ACC Information go to: www.TheACC.com.

This site will have the latest ACC release and a link to the football media guide.

Clemson Player Interviews

Contact SID Tim Bourret each Sunday before 4:00 PM at (864) 656-1926 with specific player requests for the week. We will conduct player interviews on Mondays and Tuesdays from 10:30 to 1:45 PM at the second floor player lounge of the West Endzone at Memorial Stadium. Offensive Coordinator Chad Morris is available on Mondays during the lunch hour and Defensive Coordinator Brent Venables is available Tuesdays during the lunch hour.

Clemson Personnel Update

***Tyson Dye (RB)**, out with back, had surgery, October 11.

***MacKensie Alexander (DB)**, out with groin

***Patrick DeStefano (OL)** Out with career ending shoulder injury.

***Charone Peake (WR)** out, torn ACL, had surgery on October 11.

***Kellen Jones (LB)** Out, Torn ACL vs. NC State, had surgery on October 11

***Carlos Watkins (DT)** Out after being involved in auto accident on September 21.

***Kevin Dodd (DT)** Out with toe injury

***Garry Peters (CB)** Out with foot injury suffered on October 16.

***DeShawn Williams (DT)**--Questionable with knee injury.

Clemson National Stat Rankings

Defense

1st in sacks/game, 3.86
1st in tackles for loss/game, 9.6
7th in third down defense, .284
7th in three and outs, 5.86
9th in interceptions, 11
17th in turnovers gained, 16
18th in turnover margin, +0.9 per game

Offense

17th in passing yards/game, 322.1
20th in completion percentage, .657
22nd in first downs, 174



2013 STANDINGS

Atlantic Division	ACC	Home	Away	Over
Florida State	4-0	3-0	3-0	6-0
Clemson	4-1	4-1	2-0	6-1
Wake Forest	2-2	3-1	1-2	4-3
Maryland	1-2	3-0	1-2	5-2
Syracuse	1-2	2-1	1-2	3-4
Boston College	1-2	3-1	0-2	3-3
NC State	0-3	3-2	0-1	3-3

Coastal Division	ACC	Home	Away	Over
Virginia Tech	3-0	4-0	2-0	6-1
Miami	2-0	4-0	2-0	6-0
Georgia Tech	3-2	3-1	1-2	4-3
Pittsburgh	2-2	3-1	1-1	4-2
Duke	1-2	3-2	2-0	5-2
Virginia	0-3	2-3	0-2	2-5
North Carolina	0-3	1-2	0-3	1-5

THIS WEEK'S ACC GAMES

Saturday October 26, 2013

Boston College at North Carolina	RSN	3:30
Clemson at Maryland	ESPN	3:30 PM
Duke at Virginia Tech	ESPNU	3:30
NC State at Florida State	ABC	3:30
Georgia Tech at Virginia	ACC	12:30
Wake Forest at Miami (FL)	ESPNU	Noon
Pittsburgh at Navy	CBSSN	1 PM

NEXT WEEK'S ACC GAMES

Saturday, November 2, 2013

Virginia Tech at Boston College	ABC/ES	NOON
Clemson at Virginia	ABC/ES	3:30 PM
Miami at Florida State	ABC	8 PM
Pittsburgh at Georgia Tech	ESPNU	7 PM
North Carolina at NC State	ACC	12:30
Wake Forest at Syracuse	RSN	12:30

Clemson Pronunciations

Dabo Swinney	DA-boh SWEE-nee
Stephone Anthony	steh-FAHN
Tajh Boyd	as in Taj Mahal
Quandon Christian	KWAHN-duhn
Kalon Davis	KAY-lehn
Patrick DeStefano	deh-STEh-feh-noh
Philip Fajgenbaum	FAY-gehn-bahm
Ammon Lakip	A-muhn LAY-kih-p
Charone Peake	shuh-RAHN
Darrell Smith	DAYR-uhl

In the Press Box: Only full time coach in press box is Danny Pearman. Both coordinators on the field.

Clemson vs. Maryland Series
The Final Meeting as ACC Foes

Clemson holds a 33-26-2 advantage in the series with Maryland. The first game of the series was played in 1952, one year before both teams became charter members of the ACC. The two schools have played every year since 1952, the longest active continuous rivalry for the Tigers against an ACC school. It is the longest continuous rivalry for Maryland as well. That streak will come to an end in 2014 as Maryland moves to the Big 10.

The Terps won each of the first four games in the series before the Tigers got a tie in 1956 and a win in 1957.

The visiting team won four straight games between 2005-08. The home team pulled off an upset in 2009 and 2010. Maryland won just two games all year in 2009, but defeated a Clemson team that won nine games and played for the ACC Championship. In 2010, Clemson finished with a 6-7 record, but defeated a nine-win Maryland team that finished in the final top 25 by a 31-7 score.

Clemson had won eight in a row and 13 of 14 prior to Ralph Friedgen's return to his alma mater for the 2001 season. Friedgen finished 6-4 against Clemson, including a 3-2 record at Death Valley and 3-2 in Byrd Stadium.

Clemson won the first meeting of the Randy Edsall era in 2011 by a 56-45 score at Maryland. Clemson defeated an injury riddled Maryland team last year at Clemson's homecoming 45-10.

The three meetings between 2004-06 were decided within the last three minutes of the game and the average victory margin in those three games was just 2.7 points.

Clemson held Maryland to just 12 total points in winning every game between 1993-98. Clemson recorded four shutouts, including three in a row during that time period. During Clemson's eight-game winning streak in the series from 1993-2000, Clemson held Maryland to an average of 7.0 points per game, while scoring 26.8 points per game themselves.

In 2002, Maryland defeated Clemson in Death Valley, its first win at Memorial Stadium since 1985. It was Ralph Friedgen's first game as Maryland head coach against Clemson in Death Valley. Clemson has won 11 of the last 14 between the two teams in Death Valley. Maryland won at Clemson in an upset in 2006 by a 13-12 score. Had Clemson won that 2006 game it would have played in the ACC Championship game.

Clemson and Maryland Have been Longtime Foes

Saturday's game will be a meeting of two of the traditional powerhouses of the ACC. Both Clemson and Maryland have been in the ACC since its inception in the fall of 1953. Both teams played their first ACC game against each other on October 3, 1953 at Clemson, a 20-0 Maryland victory. Clemson has the most ACC wins in the history of the league with 254 and Maryland is third with 209. Clemson has the most ACC championships with 14, while Florida State is second with 13. Maryland is third with nine.

Clemson and Maryland have both won the National Championship, the Terps during that first ACC season in 1953, and Clemson in 1981. The two teams played at the end of the season in most years between 1978-88 and the game usually decided the ACC championship. That was certainly the case in 1978 when

the Tigers won 28-24 at College Park, clinching an undefeated season in the league over Maryland. It was 11th ranked Maryland's only league loss that season.

Clemson also clinched the ACC championship with a November victory or tie over Maryland in 1981, 1982, 1986, 1987 and 1988. Maryland clinched the ACC Championship in 2001 with a 37-20 victory over Clemson in College Park. The Terps also clinched the title in 1985 with a victory in Death Valley.

Clemson has a history of great return performances against Maryland over the years.

The greatest return game in ACC history by any individual was recorded by Clemson's Don Kelley against Maryland in 1970. He had 223 total return yards on punt and interception returns in that game.

In 1990 in Baltimore, Doug Thomas had a 98-yard kickoff return for a score in Clemson's 18-17 victory.

A year later Darnell Stephens had an 89-yard punt return for a score in Death Valley, the second longest punt return for a score in the history of Memorial Stadium.

In 2001, Derrick Hamilton had a 100-yard kickoff return for a score in a game in College Park.

Clemson has had a kickoff return for a touchdown against Maryland three of the last four years. C.J. Spiller had a 92-yard kickoff return for a touchdown at Maryland in 2009. He finished the return wearing just one shoe. In 2010 Andre Ellington had an 87 yard kickoff return for a score at Clemson, then in 2011 Sammy Watkins had an 89-yard kickoff return for a touchdown in the Clemson win at Maryland. It is the only time in history Clemson has had a kickoff return for a score against the same team three straight years. Clemson has not had a kick return for a touchdown since Watkins return in 2011.

Last Year vs. Maryland

Clemson 45, Maryland 10
At Clemson, SC

Facing a Maryland team ravaged by injuries, #8 Clemson defeated the Terps 45-10. The Tigers scored the game's first two touchdowns just 12 seconds apart and rolled up 35 points before halftime for the third straight game on the way to the Homecoming victory.

With the victory, Clemson set a school record with its 12th straight win at Memorial Stadium, dating to the 2011 season-opener against Troy.

On their fifth starting quarterback this season and without their leading rusher, receiver, and tackler, the Terrapins were no match for a Tiger team that won its sixth straight game in ACC play by a margin of at least 14 points.

The Tigers opened the scoring on their second offensive possession with a diving 13-yard grab in the endzone by Adam Humphries for his first career touchdown and a 7-0 lead.

Clemson added to its lead on the next play from scrimmage. The ball slipped out of quarterback Shawn Petty's hand as he attempted to throw, and defensive end Corey Crawford scooped up the fumble and returned it 16 yards for a touchdown and a 14-0 lead with 7:07 left in the first quarter.

The two Tiger touchdowns came just 12 seconds apart, which established the shortest interval between touchdowns in Clemson history. The previous record was 14 seconds, which was the time span between two Derrick Hamilton

NATIONAL RANKINGS

Associated Press Top 25

(October 20, 2013)

Rk	School (First Place)	Rec	Pts
1.	Alabama (55)	7-0	1495
2.	Oregon (3)	7-0	1427
3.	Florida State (2)	6-0	1395
4.	Ohio State	7-0	1309
5.	Missouri	7-0	1197
6.	Baylor	6-0	1189
7.	Miami (FL)	6-0	1130
8.	Stanford	6-1	1118
9.	Clemson	6-1	927
10.	Texas Tech	7-0	904
11.	Auburn	6-1	867
12.	UCLA	5-1	832
13.	LSU	6-2	739
14.	Texas A&M	5-2	683
15.	Fresno State	6-0	550
16.	Virginia Tech	6-1	509
17.	Oklahoma	6-1	501
18.	Louisville	6-1	428
19.	Oklahoma State	5-1	382
20.	South Carolina	5-2	381
21.	UCF	5-1	345
22.	Wisconsin	5-2	258
23.	Northern Illinois	7-0	220
24.	Michigan	6-1	169
25.	Nebraska	5-1	117

Others: Arizona State 108, Notre Dame 82, Oregon State 79, Michigan State 73, Georgia 30, Mississippi 27, Florida 17, Utah 4, Washington 4, Texas 2, Ball State 1, BYU 1

USA Today/Coaches Top 25

(October 20, 2013)

Rk.	Team (First Place)	(W-L)	Pts.
1.	Alabama (57)	7-0	1544
2.	Oregon (4)	7-0	1482
3.	Florida State (2)	6-0	1410
4.	Ohio State	7-0	1382
5.	Baylor	6-0	1255
6.	Miami (FL)	6-0	1186
7.	Missouri	7-0	1184
8.	Stanford	6-1	1117
9.	Texas Tech	7-0	981
10.	Clemson	6-1	913
11.	UCLA	5-1	710
12.	Oklahoma	6-1	695
13.	Oklahoma State	5-1	688
	LSU	6-2	688
15.	Texas A&M	5-2	622
16.	Louisville	6-1	571
17.	Auburn	6-1	537
18.	Fresno State	6-0	532
19.	Virginia Tech	6-1	499
20.	South Carolina	5-2	468
21.	Nebraska	5-1	385
22.	Northern Illinois	7-0	298
23.	Michigan	6-1	268
24.	Wisconsin	5-2	195
25.	UCF	5-1	151

Others receiving votes: Michigan State 102, Oregon State 91, Notre Dame 62, Arizona State 51, Georgia 37, Mississippi 17, Texas 11, Houston 6, Florida 4, BYU 3, Ball State 1, Boise State 1, Louisiana Lafayette 1, Rutgers 1, Tennessee 1

touchdowns against Duke in 2003.

After Xavier Brewer caused a fumble and Malliciah Goodman recovered the ball later in the first quarter, Tajh Boyd hooked up with De-Andre Hopkins for a 28-yard touchdown seven plays and 53 yards later to extend the Clemson lead to 21-0.

Clemson stretched its lead to 28-0 on its next possession, as Boyd hit Brandon Ford for a 22-yard touchdown down the sideline to cap a seven-play, 60-yard drive.

Maryland finally dented the scoreboard after recovering a muffed punt at the Tiger 18. Two plays later, Petty found Devonte Campbell wide open for a 17-yard touchdown.

Andre Ellington added another touchdown for the Tigers on their next possession, scampering in from six yards to make the score 35-7 after he had bulled over a tackler en route to a 13-yard gain on the previous play. The score marked the third straight game the Tigers scored at least 35 points in the first half, a first in program history.

Chandler Catanzaro made the score 38-7 with a 22-yard field goal on Clemson's first possession of the second half after Martavis Bryant's 48-yard reception along the sideline set the Tigers up deep in Terrapin territory.

Clemson built its lead to 45-10 early in the fourth quarter, as Cole Stoudt directed a 16-play, 76-yard drive that took 6:38 off the clock and culminated in a four-yard touchdown strike to Stanton Seckinger. The score was the first of Seckinger's career.

The Tiger defense played one of its best games of the season, as it held the Terrapins to 180 yards, including only 41 passing yards. Maryland was just 1-13 on third-down conversions, as its one successful third-down conversion came on its first attempt of the game.

**Last Trip to Maryland
Clemson 56, Maryland 45
At College Park, MD**

Even though they trailed by 18 points with 11:56 remaining in the third quarter at Maryland, the #8-ranked Clemson Tigers never thought they were going to lose. And when freshman cornerback Bashaud Breeland intercepted a pass by C.J. Brown and returned it 29 yards to the Maryland 15, they believed it even more.

"I thought it was the spark," said Clemson Head Coach Dabo Swinney. "That is what I told the team. Breeland's pick was the spark."

Breeland's first career interception set up a 13-yard touchdown pass from Tajh Boyd to Sammy Watkins to pull the Tigers within 11 points, and from that point on, Clemson outscored the Terrapins 39-10 in rallying to a 56-45 victory. The wild comeback, which featured four different Tigers scoring touchdowns, was the second-greatest in school history, bested only by the 1992 team's 28-point rally at Virginia.

Andre Ellington scored on a three-yard run and DeAndre Hopkins caught a six-yard touchdown from Boyd to keep Clemson within striking distance at 28-17. The Tigers kept believing, even when Maryland took the opening drive of the third quarter and scored a touchdown thanks to a 22-yard pass from Brown to tight end Matt Furstenburg.

Boyd completed 11-12 passes at one point. Overall, he passed for 270 yards and four touchdowns. Boyd finished the night 26-38 with two touchdown passes to Watkins, one to Hopkins, and one to Jaron Brown.

The Tigers also stuck with their run-

ning game, as they rushed for 306 yards on 42 carries, with Ellington leading the way with 212 yards and two touchdowns, including a 44-yard touchdown run with 3:55 left to seal the win. Ellington was named ACC Offensive Back-of-the-Week for his efforts.

Watkins, who was named ACC Receiver-of-the-Week and ACC Rookie-of-the-Week, made the best of his first-quarter punt fumble and turned in a night to remember. The first-year freshman broke C.J. Spiller's school record for all-purpose yards in a game with 345 while also scoring three touchdowns, including an 89-yard kickoff return for a touchdown that gave Clemson a 49-45 lead after Maryland had reclaimed the lead midway through the fourth quarter.

Watkins also had a 70-yard kickoff return in the first quarter that set up Ellington's first touchdown.

33 Wins in the Bank for 2013 Seniors

This year's Clemson senior class has a record of 33-14 and still has six games left. If they were to win out they would be second on this list with 39 total victories. As it is, this class is tied for 11th best in Clemson history in total wins with the 33 already in the bank. The seniors of 1990 have the record with a 40-8 record off four consecutive 10-2 seasons.

In terms of regular season wins over ACC teams, this group has a 21-8 mark and that is already tied for the fifth most conference victories. This class has three more ACC games so they can break the record of 23 wins (9 losses) set by last year's senior class.

This year's seniors are also 22-4 at home. The record for home wins by a senior class is 24 set by the seniors of 2012 as well. This year's senior class has two more home games remaining so it can tie that record as well.

Most Wins by a Clemson Senior Class

Rk	Class	Record
1.	1990	40-8
2.	1991	39-8-1
3.	1989	38-8-2
4.	1984	37-6-2
	1981	37-10
6.	1983	36-7-2
	2012	36-17
7.	1982	35-10-1
9.	1992	34-12-1
	1988	34-12-2
11	2009	33-20
	1993	33-13-1
	1980	33-13-1
	2013	33-14

Pearman Used to Coach at Maryland

Clemson Associate Head Coach, tight ends and special teams coach Danny Pearman, worked at Maryland as an assistant coach under Ralph Friedgen in 2008. He was with the Terps before he came to Clemson for the Gator Bowl at the end of the 2008 season and he has been on Dabo Swinney's staff ever since.

Clemson Homecoming Opponent For Second Time This Year

This will be the second time this year Clemson has been the opposition for an opponent's homecoming celebration. Earlier this year Clemson won at the Syracuse homecoming game by a 49-14 score. Clemson also won its own Homecoming game against Wake Forest this year so the Tigers are 2-0 in Homecoming games so far.

Clemson 5-0 with Boyd at QB on Artificial Surface

Since Tajh Boyd became Clemson's starting quarterback at the start of the 2011 season, the Tigers have a 5-0 record when playing on an artificial surface. Maryland installed FieldTurf at Capital One Field at Byrd Stadium prior to the 2012 season, so this will be the first time Clemson has played against Maryland on an artificial surface. It will likely be the last as Maryland moves out of the ACC to the Big 10 in 2014.

As you can see by the chart below, Clemson won four games on artificial surface last year, Auburn and LSU in the Georgia Dome, at Boston College and at Wake Forest. Earlier this year Clemson downed Syracuse in the Carrier Dome in Syracuse, NY. Clemson has won those five games by a combined score of 187-101, an average of 37 points per game and an average victory of 17 points per game

Boyd has been especially effective, hitting 135-187 passes for 1804 yards in those games on artificial surface. He has 13 touchdown passes and four interceptions in those five games. He has averaged 360 yards passing, completed 72.2 percent of his passes and an efficiency of 171.9. He has 1948 yards of total offense in those five games for 389.6 yards per game.

Clemson and Tajh Boyd on Artificial Surface

Year	Opponent	Com-Att-Yds-td-I	CU-Opp
2012	Auburn	24-34-208-1-1	26-19
	Boston College	28-38-367-3-1	45-31
	Wake Forest	27-38-428-2-0	42-13
	LSU	36-50-346-2-0	25-24
2013	Syracuse	20-27-455-5-2	49-14
Totals		135-187-1804-13-4	187-101

Watkins Had Record Setting Performance in 2011 at Maryland

Sammy Watkins had the best game of his freshman season against Maryland in Clemson's 56-45 victory in College Park. Watkins set the Clemson single game all-purpose running mark in that victory when he had 345 all-purpose yards, still Clemson's all-time record for that category. Watkins had eight receptions for 105 yards and two scores. He had a 33-yard run from scrimmage and had five kickoff returns for 207 yards, including an 89-yard kickoff return for a touchdown and a 70-yarder that set up another. That is his only kick return for a touchdown at Clemson and the last time Clemson had a kick return for a score.

Clemson Has Won Six Straight Away from Home

Clemson heads to Maryland on a six game road winning streak (including neutral site games). It is the longest road winning streak since the 1994-95 seasons when Clemson won six in a row away from home. That streak went from the last road game of 1994 at North Carolina, and continued for the five regular season road games of 1995. Syracuse ended that streak at the Gator Bowl.

If Clemson can defeat Maryland in College Park this Saturday it would give Clemson its longest road winning streak since the 1978-79 seasons when Clemson won nine in a row away from home. That streak started with a road win at Virginia in 1978 and continued through a road win at Notre Dame in 1979.

The longest road winning streak in Clemson history is a 10 game from 1939-40. Tulane ended the streak in New Orleans in 1940. That was the first loss of Frank Howard's coaching career.

Clemson has the eighth longest road winning streak in the eyes of the NCAA. Oregon has the longest with 18 in a row, followed by Northern Illinois with 13 and Alabama with 11.

Turnover Margin a Key Indicator of Victory

One of the reasons Clemson was ranked third in the nation with a 6-0 start entering the Florida State game was a number-four ranking nationally in turnover margin. The Tigers forced 15 and committed just six through six games. And, Clemson did a great job in stopping the opposition after the offense had a miscue. Entering the Florida State game, Clemson had a 56-0 advantage on the opposition in terms of points off turnovers.

But that stat came crashing down against Florida State. Clemson committed four turnovers that led to 24 Florida State points and FSU got the win 51-14. FSU won the points off turnover stat 24-0 for the game, so Clemson now has a 56-24 advantage for the year. Last year Clemson outscored the opposition, 111-51 in terms of points off turnovers.

In Dabo Swinney's career at Clemson as a head coach the Tigers are 29-3 when winning the turnover margin.

Boyd Looks for Second Win at Maryland

Clemson defeated Maryland in College Park in 2011 by a 56-45 score in 2011, Tajh Boyd's sophomore year. Boyd will attempt to beat

the at Maryland for a second time when the Tigers travel to Maryland on October 26.

No Clemson quarterback has beaten a team in the opponent's home stadium twice since Charlie Whitehurst won at South Carolina as the starting quarterback in 2003 and 2005. The last time a Clemson quarterback won twice in an ACC opponent's stadium was in 1999 and 2001 when Woody Dantzler started in victories over Wake Forest in Winston-Salem.

Boyd actually has beaten a team twice away from home. He even did it in the same year as he led the Tigers to victory at Virginia Tech in 2011 by a 23-3 score in Blacksburg, then defeated the Hokies in the ACC Championship game in Charlotte in December.

Overall, Boyd has 10 wins away from Memorial Stadium and 17 in Death Valley. The Clemson record for wins by a quarterback away from Memorial Stadium is 14 by Rodney Williams from 1985-88.

Boyd is 18-4 as a starter against ACC teams, 10-1 at home, 7-3 away and 1-0 at neutral sites. The Clemson record for ACC wins by a Clemson starter is 20 set by Rodney Williams, who was 20-6-1 against ACC teams in his career from 1985-88.

As you can see by the chart below, Boyd has been Clemson's quarterback against 10 different ACC teams over his career. He is already 3-0 against Virginia Tech, Boston College and Wake Forest. He has beaten all 10 opponents at least once and only has a losing record against Florida State (1-2). He will face an 11th different ACC team on November 2 when the Tigers travel to his home state of Virginia to play the Cavaliers.

Boyd has three more ACC games to play in the regular season, so he could break Williams record if he wins out.

Boyd vs. the ACC

School	Home	Away	Neut	Total
Boston College	2-0	1-0		3-0
Duke		1-0		1-0
Georgia Tech	1-0	0-1		1-1
Florida State	1-1	0-1		1-2
Maryland	1-0	1-0		2-0
North Carolina	1-0			1-0
NC State	1-0	1-1		2-1
Syracuse		1-0		1-0
Virginia Tech	1-0	1-0	1-0	3-0
Wake Forest	2-0	1-0		3-0
Totals	10-1	7-3	1-0	18-4

Radakovich Named to Football Selection Committee

Clemson Director of Athletics Dan Radakovich was named to the College Football Selection Committee for the FBS level on October 16. Below is a list of the committee members. The group will select the four schools who will be in the first FBS college football playoff in 2014.

The members of the selection committee are:

- **Jeff Long**, vice chancellor and director of athletics, University of Arkansas-Fayetteville, Chair
- **Barry Alvarez**, director of athletics, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- **Lieutenant General Mike Gould**, former superintendent of the United States Air Force Academy
- **Pat Haden**, director of athletics, University of Southern California
- **Tom Jernstedt**, former NCAA executive vice president
- **Oliver Luck**, director of athletics, West Virginia University
- **Archie Manning**, former University of Mississippi quarterback and all-pro NFL quarterback
- **Tom Osborne**, former head coach and director of athletics, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- **Dan Radakovich**, director of athletics, Clemson University
- **Condoleezza Rice**, Stanford University professor, former Stanford provost and former United States Secretary of State
- **Mike Traghese**, former commissioner of the Big East Conference
- **Steve Wieberg**, former college football reporter, USA Today
- **Tyrone Willingham**, former head coach of three FBS institutions

Clemson's Road Stats Strong on Offense

During Clemson's six-game road winning streak the Tigers have outscored the opposition 243-116, or an average victory score of 40.5 to 19.3. In those six games, Clemson has averaged 178.3 yards a game rushing and 373.7 yards a game passing. That comes to a total of 552.0 yards a game of total offense.

During the streak Clemson has gained at least 400 yards in every game and at least 500 yards in four of the six. That includes a 718-yard game at Duke, the third largest total offense game in Clemson history.

Tajh Boyd has been outstanding in the six-game winning streak

away from home. The senior from Hampton, VA has completed 71 percent of his passes for 2184 yards and 23 touchdowns in the six games. He is averaging 364 yards passing and 397 yards in total offense in those road games and has a passing efficiency of 187.03, ahead of his career efficiency rating for all games of 150.9.

Clemson on the Road Last Six Games

Date	Opponent	Cu-Opp	Rush	Pass	Total
9-29-12	Boston College	45-31	209	367	576
10-25-12	Wake Forest	42-13	101	433	534
11-3-12	Duke	56-20	334	384	718
12-31-12	LSU (N)	25-24	99	346	445
9-19-13	NC State	26-14	171	244	415
10-5-13	Syracuse	49-14	156	468	624
Totals		243-116	1070	2242	3312
Averages		41-19	178	374	552

Tajh Boyd Last Six Games on the Road

Date	Opponent	Com-Att	Yds	TD-Int	Total Off
9-29-12	Boston College	28-38	367	3-1	49-409
10-25-12	Wake Forest	27-38	428	5-0	54-455
11-3-12	Duke	16-23	344	5-3	32-416
12-31-12	LSU (N)	36-50	346	2-0	79-368
9-19-13	NC State	24-37	244	3-0	50-282
10-5-13	Syracuse	20-27	455	5-2	35-450
Totals		151-213	2184	23-6	299-2380
Averages		(.709)	364		(397)

Clemson Ninth in First BCS Ranking

Clemson is ranked ninth in the first BCS ranking of the year released on October 20. It is the 17th consecutive ranking for Clemson in the top 20 of the BCS. The streak started with the first BCS ranking of the 2011 season on October 16, 2011 when Clemson was seventh. Clemson got as high as fifth on October 23, 2011 and that is the highest BCS ranking for Clemson at any time. This is the 34th time Clemson has been ranked in the top 25 of the BCS rankings since the system began in 1998.

Clemson was first ranked in the BCS on October 23, 2000 at number-seven in the nation. This is just the sixth time Clemson has had a top 10 ranking in a BCS poll.

Watkins in Top Five among Active FBS Players

Clemson junior receiver Sammy Watkins in the top five in the nation among active FBS players in terms of receptions per game and reception yardage per game over a career. Watkins has played 30 games in his Clemson career and has 183 receptions for 2577 yards and 20 touchdowns. That computes to an average of 6.1 receptions per game for 86 yards per game. He is fourth in yardage per game and fifth in receptions per game for his career among active FBS players.

FBS Leaders in Career Reception Yards/Game

Rk	Player, School	GP	Rec	Yds	Avg
1.	Davante Adams, Fresno State	19	162	2029	106.8
2.	Mike Evans, Texas A&M	20	125	2129	106.5
3.	Marquise Lee, Southern Cal	31	223	3267	105.4
4.	Sammy Watkins, Clemson	30	183	2577	85.9
5.	Brandin Cooks, Oregon State	32	174	2718	84.9
6.	Justin Hardy, East Carolina	31	219	2529	81.5
7.	Noel Grigsby, San Jose State	40	237	3121	78.0
8.	Willie Snead, San Jose State	40	175	2432	76.0

FBS Leaders in Career Receptions/Game

Rk	Player	GP	Rec	Yds	Rec/g
1.	Davante Adams, Fresno State	19	162	2029	8.5
2.	Marquise Lee, Southern Cal	31	223	3267	7.2
3.	Justin Hardy, East Carolina	31	219	2528	7.1
4.	Mike Evans, Texas A&M	20	125	2129	6.3
5.	Sammy Watkins, Clemson	30	183	2577	6.1
6.	Tommy Shuler, Marshall	28	167	1716	6.0
7.	Noel Grigsby, San Jose State	40	237	3121	5.9

Catanzaro Second in Field Goals and Scoring Among Active FBS Players

Clemson kicker Chandler Catanzaro ranks second among all active FBS kickers in field goals and second among all active FBS players in total points scored. Catanzaro has 59 career field goals in 74 attempts for his 47 career games played. He has 174 extra points to go with those 59 field goals, giving him 351 career points, the most in Clemson history and fifth in ACC history.

Catanzaro has scored at least one point in every game of his career, a school record 47 consecutive games with at least one point. He had a streak of 31 consecutive games with at least four points scored broken when he had just two extra points against Florida State on October 19.

FBS Leaders in Career Field Goals

Rk	Player	GP	Att	FGs
1.	Chris Boswell, Rice	44	81	61
2.	Chandler Catanzaro, Clemson	47	74	59
3.	Cairo Santos, Tulane	44	71	57
4.	Nate Freese, Boston College	43	67	56
	Zach Hocker, Arkansas	46	73	56
6.	Mike Hunnicutt, Oklahoma	32	61	53
7.	Brian Davis, Arkansas State	37	61	50
	Aaron Jones, Baylor	45	78	50

FBS Leaders in Career Points Scored

Rk	Player	GM	FG	Pts
1.	Aaron Jones, Baylor	45	50	390
2.	Chandler Catanzaro, Clemson	47	59	351
3.	Jarod Brown, Old Dominion	44	43	335
4.	Zach Hocker, Arkansas	46	161	329
5.	Chris Boswell, Rice	44	61	320
6.	Mathew Sims, Northern Illinois	39	47	307
7.	Mike Hunnicutt, Oklahoma	32	53	292

Humphries Gives Boost to Return Game

Junior receiver Adam Humphries has given a boost to Clemson's punt return game. Against Florida State, Humphries had a 45-yard punt return, the longest by a Clemson player since 2009 when C.J. Spiller and Jacoby Ford were among the most feared return men in the country. That year Spiller had a 77-yard touchdown on a punt return against Boston College and Ford had a 61-yarder against Middle Tennessee State.

So far this year Humphries has 12 punt returns for 132 yards for and 11.0 average. No Clemson player has averaged in double figures in punt return yards since Spiller and Ford were at Clemson. Humphries is currently fifth in the ACC and 26th in the nation on a yards per return basis. He is 24th in total punt return yards with 132. Clemson was 109th in the nation in punt return average last season.

Spiller had 210 punt return yards and Ford 143 in 2009 when Clemson averaged 14.4 a return, seventh best in the nation.

Humphries Has Career Day

Adam Humphries had a career day in terms of reception yardage in the victory over Syracuse. The junior had just three receptions, but they went for 118 yards and two touchdowns. All of that happened in the first quarter so he already had his career high after 15 minutes of play. Humphries scored on a 60 yard scoring pass from Tajh Boyd just 38 seconds into the game. Then later in the period he caught a 42 yard scoring pass from Boyd.

Humphries also had a career day in returning punts with 4-40, the most punt return yards by a Clemson player since Jaron Brown (now with the Arizona Cardinals) had 52 punt return yards against Maryland in 2010. Humphries 158 all-purpose yards were also a career high for the native of Spartanburg, SC.

He followed that up with a career high nine catches for 81 yards in the win over Boston College and now has 25 receptions for 331 yards for the season.

Clemson Seventh in Nation in Plays/Game

Clemson has run 576 plays for 3413 yards through seven games this year, an average of 82.3 plays per game, which is tied for seventh most in the nation on a per game basis. The Tigers ran a season high 95 plays in the win over South Carolina State and have run at least 76 in every game this year.

In the 34 games Chad Morris has been Clemson's offensive coordinator the Tigers have averaged 79.1 plays per game, so this year's team is a little above the average. Clemson averages 5.9 yards per play and 487.6 yards per game so far this year.

BYU leads the nation in plays per game at 96.8. The Cougars have played just five games however. Clemson is actually tied with Virginia for the most plays per game in the ACC. The Cavaliers have also run 576 plays in seven games this year. The two teams meet November 2 in Charlottesville.

FBS Leaders in Plays/Game		
Rk	School	Plays/Game
1.	Brigham Young	96.8
2.	California	89.6
3.	Fresno State	89.5
4.	Texas Tech	88.6
5.	Nevada	84.9
6.	SMU	83.5
7.	Clemson	82.3
	Virginia	82.3
9.	Boise State	81.7
10.	East Carolina	81.6

Boyd Needs eight Passing yards for 10,000

Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd needs just eight passing yards at Maryland to become the third quarterback in ACC history to pass for 10,000 yards. The all-time leader is Philip Rivers of NC State, now in the NFL with the San Diego Chargers, and Thaddeus Lewis of Duke, now with the Buffalo Bills is second. Boyd needs just 73 passing yards to move ahead of Lewis into second place on the ACC list.

ACC Career Passing Yardage Leaders				
Rk	Player	School	Years	Yards
1.	Philip Rivers	NC State	2000-03	13,484
2.	Thaddeus Lewis	Duke	2006-09	10,065
3.	Tajh Boyd	Clemson	2010-13	9,992
4.	Chris Weinke	Florida State	1997-00	9,839
5.	Riley Skinner	Wake Forest	2006-09	9,762
6.	Charlie Whitehurst	Clemson	2002-05	9,665
7.	Ben Bennett	Duke	1980-83	9,614

14 Straight Wins by Double Digits vs. Unranked Teams

Clemson has been very successful when it comes to facing unranked teams of late. The Tigers 24-14 win over Boston College on October 12 was the program's 14th consecutive double digit win over an unranked opponent. The streak includes nine games last year and five games this year. Over the streak, Clemson has outscored the opposition by 26.6 points per game.

Clemson will have an opportunity to extend the streak thisweek at Maryland. Clemson's streak of double digit wins over unranked opponents is the second longest active streak in the nation. Only Alabama has a longer streak with 24 in a row.

Since Clemson last lost to an unranked team when the Tigers were ranked, 30 different teams have lost in that situation a total of 54 times.

Steward makes Big Play

Tony Steward made perhaps the biggest play of Clemson's 24-14 win over Boston College. The junior linebacker sacked BC quarterback Chase Rettig at the BC 13 yard line. Teammate Vic Beasley recovered and ran untouched 13 yards for a score, giving the Tigers a 10-point lead in the fourth period.

That was Steward's first career sack. The native of Hastings, FL has had to overcome two torn ACLs in his football career, one in high school and one at Clemson. But he has worked hard to get into the lineup and the BC sack was a demonstration of his hard work. While he has not started a game this year, Steward is in the top 10 on the squad in tackles with 23.

Beasley Wins Leather Helmet Award

Vic Beasley became the first defensive player to win the Leather Helmet Award when he keyed Clemson's victory over Boston College. The Leather Helmet Award goes to the MVP of the winning team in the Boston College vs. Clemson rivalry game.

Beasley had a sack, two tackles for loss, a pass broken up, five tackles and his first career touchdown in Clemson's 24-14 victory. Beasley now has nine sacks for the year in seven games, second best in the nation and first in the ACC on a per game basis. He is also ninth in the country in tackles for loss per game with 12 in seven games.

Swinney among Top 10 ACC Coaches in Winning Percentage

Clemson head coach Dabo Swinney is eighth in ACC history in caree winning percentage at .676. He is just behind former Maryland and North Carolina coach Jim Tatum, who won .677 of his games.

Jimbo Fisher of Florida State is first at .787 percent with a 37-10 record. He is in his fourth year. Frank Beamer is third with a .762 percentage off a 96-30 record, just ahead of Danny Ford, Clemson's head coach from 1978-89, at .760. Lou Holtz is fifth at .719, followed by former

Clemson coach Ken Hatfield, who is sixth at .707.

Top Winning Percentage in ACC History (Min 3 years experience)

Rk	Coach	Sch	Record	Pct
1.	Jimbo Fisher	Florida State	37-10-0	.787
2.	Bobby Bowden	Florida State	173-53-1	.764
3.	Frank Beamer	Virginia Tech	96-30-0	.762
4.	Danny Ford	Clemson	96-29-4	.760
5.	Lou Holtz	NC State	33-12-3	.719
6.	Ken Hatfield	Clemson	32-13-1	.707
7.	Jim Tatum	Mary, UNC	41-19-2	.677
8.	Dabo Swinney	Clemson	46-22	.676
9.	Larry Coker	Miami (FL)	25-12	.675
10.	Dick Sheridan	NC State	52-29-3	.637

Defense improved in Many Areas

Clemson has a much improved defense in 2013. The biggest statistic that shows that is Clemson's scoring defense. The Tigers rank 26th in the nation in scoring defense, allowing 21.1 points per game. Last year Clemson allowed 24.8 points per game for the season, 48th best in th nation.

Clemson Defensive Improvement		
Category	2012	2013
Scoring Defense	24.8	21.1
Total Defense	396.2	376.3
Rushing Defense	156.0	153.0
Pass defense	240.3	223.3
Pass Efficiency Defense	131.2	122.2
Interceptions/Game	1.0	1.57
Turnovers Forced/ Game	1.77	2.3
3 rd Down Defense	.340	.284

2012 numbers are for the complete season

Clemson Interceptions Up

Clemson has 11 interceptions in just seven games by the defense, 9th best in the nation. Clemson had four interceptions at Syracuse, the most by the Clemson defense in a single game since the 2009 Florida State game when the Tigers also had four. It was the most interceptions Clemson has had in a road game since the 1995 NC State game when the Tigers had six.

Clemson also ranks seventh in the nation in third down defense at .284, tied for first in sacks per game at 3.86, first in tackles for loss per game at 9.6, 18th in turnover margin and 17th in turnovers forced with 16.

St. Anthony Top Tackler

Clemson's leading tackler in 2013 has St. Anthony on the back of his jersey. It does not stand for Saint Anthony, but the way Stephone Anthony has been playing lately, Clemson fans may want to send an application to Rome.

Anthony leads the Tigers in tackles with 71 and he has also contributed 8.5 tackles for loss and four sacks. He has been Clemson's top tackler in four of the last five games, including the Boston College game when he had 11 tackles, including three tackles for loss and two sacks. He also had a sack against Florida State.

He had 10 tackles in the win over Syracuse and 16 against NC State. He has St. Anthony on the back of his jersey because Clemson also has a Shaq Anthony, the Tigers starting right tackle. So a simple S. Anthony would not have distinguished the two players.

Beasley Second in Nation in Sacks

Clemson defensive Vic Beasley end had three sacks in the Tigers win at NC State and two more at Syracuse and now has nine for the year in seven games. He ranks second in the nation in sacks entering the Maryland game.

Beasley has been very productive in this area in the last two seasons. He had eight sacks as a reserve last year in just 288 snaps, a sack every 36 plays for the course of the season. This year he has an even better rate as he has his nine sacks in just 283 snaps on defense, or one every 21 plays.

Over his last 13 games, Beasley has 15 sacks in 446 plays, a rate of a sack every 30 plays. For his career, Beasley has 17 sacks in 587 plays, one every 34.5 snaps.

Beasley is the ACC leader in sacks so far this year on a per game basis. Since sacks were kept by the ACC as a statistic in 1978, Clemson has had the individual champion eight times, more than any other school.

That list includes the names William Perry (1984), Michael Dean Perry (1986 and 1987), Chester McGlockton (co-champion, 1989), Keith Adams (1999), Gaines Adams (2006), Da'Quan Bowers (2010) and Andre Branch (2011).

Plays Per Sack of Clemson Career Sack Leaders

Rk	Player	Years	Snaps	Sacks	PI/Sack
1.	Michael Dean Perry	1984-87	1256	28	44.86
2.	Gaines Adams	2003-06	1727	28	61.68
3.	William Perry	1981-84	*1750	27	64.81
4.	Adrian Dingle	1995-98	1727	23	75.09
5.	Keith Adams	1998-00	1793	23	77.96
6.	Brentson Buckner	1990-93	1682	22	76.45
7.	Bryant McNeal	1999-02	1945	22	88.41
8.	Chester McGlockton	1989-91	1022	20.5	49.85
9.	Da'Quan Bowers	2008-10	1638	19.5	84.00
10.	Levon Kirkland	1988-91	1928	19	101.48
	Wayne Simmons	1989-92	1639	19	86.26
	Vic Beasley	2011-13	587	17	34.53

*Estimated number of plays

Martin Jenkins is Brian Piccolo Candidate

Clemson cornerback Martin Jenkins is on his way to winning the ACC's Brian Piccolo Award. The honor is given each year to a league football player who has overcome injury to be successful on the field.

Jenkins started and played 52 snaps and had six tackles off the defensive staff film evaluation against Syracuse. He did that despite losing a tooth during the game that required surgery on Monday back at Clemson. He also suffered a broken thumb during the game that required surgery the following Monday. He had the tooth fixed, then the surgery on the thumb on the same afternoon.

Jenkins has already been gutting it out due to an arthritis problem in his backside, something he seems to have inherited from his dad, who also played football. On top of that he has had his shoulder pop out of place twice this season, including the Wake Forest game when he had to be helped off the field.

Despite the problems, Jenkins has played in all seven games and played 179 snaps. He has two starts and 14 tackles, all first hits. He will make his third start at Maryland on Saturday.

Bryant Leads Active ACC Receivers in Yards/Catch

Martavis Bryant continued his big play abilities in the win over Syracuse. The junior had a 40-yard scoring pass from Tajh Boyd, his third TD pass of the year and his ninth as a Clemson player over three years.

This year, Bryant has 20 catches for 362 yards, a 18.1 average. For his career he has 39 catches for 888 yards, a 22.8 yards per catch average. That average is best among active ACC players and is the best in Clemson history among receivers with at least 30 catches.

That record has lasted since 1941, so it would be quite a record to break. Joe Blalock holds the mark with a 20.34 average on 38 receptions from 1939-41.

Last year, Bryant led the nation in yards per catch given a minimum of 10 receptions with 10 catches for 305 yards.

Clemson Career Leaders in Yards/Reception

(Min 30 Receptions)

Rk	Player	Years	Rec	Yds	Yds/Rec
1.	Martavis Bryant	2011-13	39	888	22.77
2.	Joe Blalock	1939-41	38	773	20.34
3.	Gary Cooper	1985-89	79	1592	20.15
4.	Frank Magwood	1979-82	51	920	18.04
5.	Glenn Smith	1949-51	88	1576	17.91
6.	Eddis Freeman	1943-46	37	655	17.70
7.	Dwight Clark	1975-78	33	571	17.30
8.	Bill Mathis	1957-59	35	602	17.20

Boyd Third in ACC Passing Efficiency History

Tajh Boyd is third in ACC in career passing efficiency with a 150.87 figure. The all-time leader is Chris Weinke, formerly of Florida State who had a 151.15 figure. So Boyd, and North Carolina quarterback Bryn Renner are very close to the record. Boyd has played in 41 games, 34 as a starter.

At Syracuse Boyd completed 20-27 passes for 455 yards and five scores. He finished with a 261.9 passing efficiency, best in the nation this year given a minimum of 20 attempts and best in Clemson history. The previous Clemson record for passing efficiency in a game given minimum of 15 attempts was 261.1 by Cullen Harper against Central Michigan in 2007.

ACC Career Leaders in Passing Efficiency

Rk	Player, school	years	Com-Att	Yds	TD-In	Eff
1.	Chris Weinke, FSU	1997-00	650-1107	9839	79-32	151.15
2.	Bryn Renner, UNC	2010-13	635-962	7870	61-23	151.01
3.	Tajh Boyd, Clemson	2010-13	758-1211	9992	89-32	150.87
4.	E.J. Manuel, FSU	2009-12	600-897	7735	47-28	150.43
5.	Joe Hamilton, GT	1996-99	629-1020	8882	65-39	148.19

Robinson Gets Pair of Picks

Clemson cornerback Darius Robinson has three interceptions in seven games this year. He had two interceptions at Syracuse on October 5, the first Clemson defensive back to have two picks in a game this year and the first to do it since Jonathan Meeks had two against Virginia Tech last year. Ironically, Meeks was at the Syracuse game. He is now with the Buffalo Bills and the Bills had an open date that weekend.

It has been quite a comeback year for Robinson who missed the last half of last year with a broken ankle. He had started six of the first seven games last year before suffering the injury against Virginia Tech. Robinson also had a tackle for loss in the Syracuse game and has 10 tackles so far this season.

He also has a pick six this year as he went 35 yards for a score on an interception against South Carolina State in the second game of the year. Robinson has 18 tackles, 15 of which are first hits.

Boyd and Watkins Connect on 2nd Longest Play in Clemson History

Tajh Boyd and Sammy Watkins connected on a 91-yard touchdown pass in the win over Syracuse on October 5. The play gave Clemson a 42-14 lead on the way to a 49-14 victory. It is the second longest play from scrimmage in Clemson history. The only play that is longer is a 97yard scoring pass from Mark Fellers to Craig Brantley against Virginia in a game at Clemson in 1974.

So the pass at Syracuse was the longest scrimmage play on the road in Clemson history.

Longest Plays from Scrimmage in Clemson History

Year	Opponent	Play	Yards
1974	Virginia	Pass, Mark Fellers to Craig Brantley	97
2013	at Syracuse	Pass, Tajh Boyd to Sammy Watkins	91
1939	Presbyterian	Run, Banks McFadden	90
1951	Furman	Run, Buck George	90
1987	at Virginia Tech	Run, Wesley McFadden	89
1993	Maryland	Run, Derrick Witherspoon	89
1945	Presbyterian	Run, Bobby Gage	88
1986	at Wake Forest	Run, Terrence Flagler	88
1950	Furman	Run, Billy Hair	87
1978	at Maryland	Pass, Steve Fuller to Jerry Butler	87

Record 11 Different Tigers with TD Reception

Clemson has scored 34 touchdowns in seven games this year, 32 by the offense, including 20 on touchdown passes. Incredibly, 11 different players have caught those 19 touchdown passes. This is already the most different players to catch a touchdown pass in a season in Clemson history. It was done five games into the season. Sammy Watkins leads the way with five

The previous record for most different players catching a touchdown pass in a season was 10, set by the 2007 Clemson team.

Eight different Clemson receivers have already caught a pass of at least 25 yards.

As far as overall scoring, 17 different players have scored a touchdown this year tied for the most in Clemson history with the 2006 team.

Watkins Third in Receptions and touchdowns, and Fourth in Yardage

Clemson junior receiver Sammy Watkins is third in Clemson history in career receptions with 183, third in career touchdown receptions with 20 and is fourth in career reception yards with 2,577. He needs 444 receiving yards to break the receiving yardage record held by his former teammate DeAndre Hopkins who is now with the Houston Texans of the NFL.

Watkins is fourth on the Clemson career reception yardage list with those 2577 yards. He went ahead of former Clemson All-American and Sports Illustrated cover man Perry Tuttle, who had 2534 for his career between 1978-81.

Clemson Career Leaders in Reception

Rk	Player, Pos	Years	Yards	Avg.	TD	Rec
1.	Aaron Kelly, WR	2005-08	2733	11.8	20	232
2.	DeAndre Hopkins, WR	2010-12	3020	14.8	27	206
3.	Sammy Watkins, WR	2011-13	2577	14.1	20	183
4.	Derrick Hamilton, WR	2001-03	2312	13.8	16	167
5.	Rod Gardner, WR	1997-00	2498	15.0	13	166
6.	Terry Smith, WR	1990-93	2681	16.5	15	162
7.	Perry Tuttle, WR	1978-81	2534	16.9	17	150
8.	Jacoby Ford, WR	2006-09	1986	13.9	16	143
9.	Kevin Youngblood, WR	2000-03	1713	12.1	6	142
10.	Chansi Stuckey, WR	2003-06	1760	12.5	7	141

Clemson Career Leaders in Reception Yards

Rk	Player, Pos	Years	Rec	Yards
1.	DeAndre Hopkins, WR	2010-12	206	3020
2.	Aaron Kelly, WR	2005-08	232	2733
3.	Terry Smith, WR	1990-93	162	2681
4.	Sammy Watkins, WR	2011-13	183	2577
5.	Perry Tuttle, WR	1978-81	150	2534
6.	Rod Gardner, WR	1997-00	166	2498
7.	Derrick Hamilton, WR	2001-03	167	2312
8.	Jerry Butler, WR	1875-78	139	2223

Boyd In Good Company in 300-Yard Passing Games

Clemson senior quarterback Tajh Boyd threw for 334 yards in the win over Boston College on October 12. That was the 14th 300-yard passing game of his career, more than any other Clemson quarterback in history and second most in ACC history.

Boyd moved ahead of former Heisman Award winner Chris Weinke, a four year starter at Florida State, with the 334 yards against BC. Philip Rivers (San Diego Chargers) is the all-time leader with 18. Boyd is now ahead of Matt Ryan (Atlanta Falcons) of Boston College and Russell Wilson (Seattle Seahawks) of N.C State.

ACC Career Leaders in 300-Yard Passing Games

Rk	Player	School	Years	Gmes
1.	Philip Rivers	NC State	2000-03	18
2.	Tajh Boyd	Clemson	2010-13	14
3.	Chris Weinke	Florida State	1997-00	13
4.	Matt Ryan	Boston College	2004-07	12
	Russell Wilson	NC State	2008-10	12

Catanzaro Becomes Clemson's Career Scoring Leader

Chandler Catanzaro became Clemson's career scoring leader in the Tigers win over NC State when he scored eight points on two field goals and two extra points. His field goals came from 49 and 45 yards, respectively and provided the difference in Clemson's 13-7 halftime lead.

He actually broke the record on an extra point after Clemson's second touchdown. Catanzaro now has 351 career points.

Catanzaro has a chance for another record when the Tigers face Florida State. He now has 22 career field goals of 40 yards or more and needs just two more to break Chris Gardocki's record of 23. Gardocki accomplished that during an All-America career from 1988-90.

Catanzaro is actually the most accurate Clemson kicker in history on field goals from 40 yards or more. He has made 22-29 from at least 40 yards out in his career for 76 percent. Gardocki made 23-39 from at least 40 yards in his career.

Clemson Career Scoring Leaders

Rk	Player	Years	TD	PAT	FG-A	TP
1.	Chandler Catanzaro, PK	2010-13	0	174-178	59-74	351
2.	Aaron Hunt, PK	2000-03	0	164-172	55-76	329
3.	C.J. Spiller, RB	2006-09	51	2		308
4.	Nelson Welch, PK	1991-94	0	85-92	72-102	301
5.	Travis Zachery, TB	1998-01	50			300
6.	James Davis, RB	2005-08	49			294
7.	Obed Ariri, PK	1977-80	0	99-103	63-97	288
8.	Chris Gardocki, PK	1988-90	0	72-72	63-89	261

Clemson and Alabama Only Schools with Top 10 Win 3 Straight Years

Clemson has defeated a top 10 team each of the last three years, something only the Tigers and Alabama can claim. Clemson defeated a third-ranked Virginia Tech team in the ACC Championship game in 2011, downed a seventh ranked LSU team in the 2012 Chick-fil-A Bowl, then defeated fifth ranked Georgia in the season opener this year. That is actually three top 10 wins over a 16-game period.

As stated Alabama has also accomplished the feat with multiple

top 10 wins in 2011 and 2012 and the Crimson Tide's win over Texas A&M this year.

The only other teams with a chance to join Clemson and Alabama this year are LSU, Texas Tech, Oregon, NC State and Baylor. They had top 10 wins in 2011 and 2012, but do not have one yet this year.

Freshman Shaq Lawson Has Big Day at NC State

True freshman Shaq Lawson had the biggest day of his young career in the win over NC State. The native of Central, SC and Daniel High School had 2.5 tackles for loss, including a sack in the Clemson win. He had four total tackles in 22 snaps as a reserve. He played more snaps than any other reserve on the Clemson defense.

Lawson was a big reason Clemson's defense had 10 tackles for loss, including five sacks in the victory in Raleigh. It was the most tackles for loss by a Clemson true freshman lineman since Da'Quan Bowers had three tackles for loss against Nebraska in the 2008 Gator Bowl.

Lawson had two more tackles for loss at Syracuse and now has 6.5 for the season, third only to Vic Beasley's 10.

Anthony and Beasley ACC Players of the Week

Clemson linebacker Stephone Anthony and defensive end Vic Beasley were both named ACC Players of the Week for their respective positions for their performances against NC State. Anthony led the Tigers with 16 tackles, while Beasley had three sacks. It marked the second time Clemson had two defensive players honored by the ACC for the same game since 2005. The only other time took place in 2011 when Andre Branch and Tig Willard were both honored for their performance in a 23-3 win over a top 10 Virginia Tech team.

Anthony and Spencer Shuey have both been named ACC Linebacker of the Week already this year. This marks the first time since 2006 that two different linebackers have been honored with Player of the Week kudos in the same year. In 2006 Nick Watkins and Antonio Clay were both honored.

38 Straight Polls

Clemson has a streak of 38 straight polls with a top 25 ranking in at least one poll, including every week during the 2012 season and every week so far this season. This is the longest streak Clemson has been ranked in at least one poll since the October 23, 1989 to October 24, 1992 era when the Tigers were ranked in 50 consecutive polls (at least one). This streak is the third longest in Clemson history. Clemson also had a 41-poll streak in the 1980s.

Alabama, Clemson, LSU, Oregon, South Carolina, Oklahoma and Stanford are the only schools in the nation with an active streak of at least 38 polls.

Clemson has also been ranked in the top 20 of every BCS poll over the last two years, a total of 16 consecutive polls. That includes a 14th place ranking in the final BCS poll of 2012 and a number-15 ranking in the final 2011 BCS Poll. The first BCS poll this year comes out October 20.

Clemson has also been ranked in the top 10 in the nation each of the last eight weeks, the third longest streak of top 10 rankings in Clemson history. The record is 10 in a row set in 1981.

Overall, Clemson has been ranked in the top 25 a total of 349 times, 32.7 percent of the 1061 polls that have been issued since 1936. Clemson's average ranking during those 348 weeks is 14.. Clemson has been ranked number-one twice (both in 1981), ranked second six times, ranked in the top five 28 times, and in the top 10 96 times.

Active Streak Consecutive Weeks Ranked in top 25 of AP Poll

Rk	School	Weeks	Years
1.	Alabama	90	2008-13
2.	LSU	73	2009-13
3.	Oregon	69	2009-13
4.	Oklahoma	57	2010-13
5.	South Carolina	56	2010-13
	Stanford	56	2010-13
7.	Clemson	38	2011-13
8.	Florida State	28	2011-13
9.	Ohio State	25	2012-13

Clemson Top Streaks of Weeks Ranked in AP Poll

Rk	Weeks	Years
1.	50	1989-92
2.	41	1986-89
3.	38	2011-13
4.	21	2000-01
5.	15	1981-82

Stoudt Sets Clemson Single Game Record

Much has been written about the records that have been set by Clemson starting quarterback Tajh Boyd. But, his backup now has one record Boyd does not have.

Against South Carolina State on September 7, Stoudt completed 19 of 20 passes for 143 yards and three scores in leading the Tigers to a 52-13 win over the Bulldogs. The 95 percent completion rate for Stoudt broke the record of 94.1 percent (16-17) that had been set by Woody Dantzler against The Citadel in 2000.

Ironically, Dantzler was at the game against South Carolina State on the Clemson sidelines as he served as an honorary captain for the game. Dantzler is from Orangeburg, SC, the home of South Carolina State.

Stoudt completed his first seven passes of the game, missed one on an attempt to freshman tight end Jordan Leggett, then completed his last 12 to finish the game. He completed his first three against Wake Forest to get the streak to 15 in a row before he threw an incomplete pass. The Clemson record for consecutive completions over consecutive games is 17 by Nealon Greene in 1997 against Virginia and Maryland.

Stoudt had an efficiency rating of 204 for the game as he also threw three touchdown passes, two to freshman Germone Hopper and one to Charone Peake.

Stoudt is the son of former NFL quarterback Cliff Stoudt, who played professionally from 1980-89. Cliff's best game in terms of completion percentage was against Cleveland in October of 1983 when he connected on 14-18 passes for a 77.8 percent mark.

Shuey Named Lott Impact Player of the Week

Clemson Linebacker Spencer Shuey has been named the Lott IMPACT Player of the Week. The 6-3, 240-pound Shuey from Charlotte, North Carolina had 11 tackles and a fumble recovery in as 26-14 win over North Carolina State. The victory kept the No. 3 ranked Tigers undefeated at 3-0.

In recognition of Shuey's performance, the Pacific Club IMPACT Foundation, sponsors of the Lott IMPACT Trophy, will make a \$1,000 donation to the general scholarship fund at Clemson. Shuey is a two-time ACC Academic Honor Roll member who has graduated with a degree in management.

He didn't become a starter until mid-way through his third season (2012) at Clemson. "He's willed himself into the player he is now," says defensive coordinator Brent Venables. "I've never had to ask him to do something twice."

Boyd Three Touchdowns from ACC Record

Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd reached the 100 career touchdown mark in the win over Wake Forest when he had three passing touchdowns and a rushing score. He now has 110 for his career. Only Philip Rivers, who played for NC State from 2000-03, has more with 112.

Boyd has really done this in just three years and 41 total games, just 34 as a starter. He did not start a game as a freshman, then had 38 total touchdowns as a sophomore in 2011. He followed that up with an ACC record 46 touchdowns last year in 13 games. He has 21 so far this year, 16 passing and five rushing.

ACC Career Leaders in Touchdown Responsibility

Rk	Player	School	Years	TDR
1.	Philip Rivers	NC State	2000-03	112
2.	Tajh Boyd	Clemson	2010-13	110
3.	Russell Wilson	NC State	2008-10	93
4.	Joe Hamilton	Georgia Tech	1996-99	83
	Shawn Moore	Virginia	1987-90	83
	Chris Weinke	Florida State	1997-00	83

Boyd 27-Game Winner

Tajh Boyd has a 27-7 career record as a starting quarterback, second on the all-time Clemson list. He passed Charlie Whitehurst for second place with Clemson's win at Syracuse.

Boyd's 27-7 record includes a 17-2 mark at Memorial Stadium. He was the common denominator to Clemson's 13-game winning streak at Memorial Stadium, the longest in school history. He has led Clemson to seven wins over top 25 teams in his career as a starter, tied for the most in Clemson history. Charlie Whitehurst and Rodney Williams each had seven top 25 wins in their respective careers.

The all-time leader in total wins is Rodney Williams, who won 32 games between 1985-88. Boyd would have to win out to break his record and get to 12 wins this year and 33 for a career.

Clemson's Winningest Starting Quarterbacks

Rk	Player	Years	W-L
1.	Rodney Williams	1985-88	32-10-2
2.	Tajh Boyd	2010-13	27-7
3.	Charlie Whitehurst	2002-05	25-15
4.	Nealon Greene	1994-97	24-16
5.	Homer Jordan	1979-82	22-6-1
6.	Steve Fuller	1975-78	21-11-3
	Mike Eppley	1980-84	21-5-1

Boyd Among Best in ACC History

Tajh Boyd set nine ACC records in 2012 and is among the best in league history for his performance this year.

Boyd's ACC Records

- Total offense by a junior (4,410). The previous record was 3,998 by Russell Wilson (N.C. State) in 2010.
- Points responsible for in a game (48) against N.C. State. The previous record was 36 by many.
- Points responsible for in a season (278). He had the previous mark (228).
- 4,000-yard total offense seasons (2).
- Touchdown responsibility in a season (46).
- Passing touchdowns in a season (36). Phillip Rivers had previous mark with 34.
- Passing yards by a junior (3,896).
- Touchdown responsibility (8) against N.C. State.
- Passing touchdowns in consecutive games (10) at Wake Forest. Duke.

Boyd Second in TD Passes in ACC History

Tajh Boyd moved past Chris Weinke into second place in ACC in career touchdown passes against Wake Forest. He now has 89, just six behind all-time ACC leader Phillip Rivers.

ACC Career Leaders in Touchdown Passes

Rk	Name	School	Years	TDs
1.	Philip Rivers	NC State	2000-03	95
2.	Tajh Boyd	Clemson	2010-13	89
3.	Chris Weinke	Florida State	1997-00	79
4.	Russell Wilson	NC State	2008-10	76
5.	Jacory Harris	Miami	2008-11	70

Clemson Had Third Longest Streak of Quarters Scoring

Clemson scored in its first 20 quarters this year. The streak was broken by Boston College on October 12 as the Eagles shut Clemson out in the first period of Clemson's eventual 24-14 victory. Each of the top three quarter scoring records have been set in the last three years, or since Chad Morris became offensive coordinator

Most Consecutive Quarters Scoring, Clemson History

Year	Started	Ended	Qtrs
2012	9/8/12	10/25/12 vs. Wake Forest (3)	23
2011	9/17/11	10/22/11 vs. UNC (4 th)	22
2013	9/31/13	10/12/13 vs. BC (1 st)	20
1983	9/24/83	11/5/83 vs. UNC (1 st)	20
2001	9/8/11	10/20/11 vs. UNC (2 nd)	17
2003	11/1/03	1/2/04 vs. Tennessee (3 rd)	15
1978	10/14/78	11/11/78 vs. UNC (2 nd)	15

Bold face under Dabo Swinney and offensive coordinator Chad Morris.

Boyd Among Active FBS Players

Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd ranks among the best in the nation in many career statistical areas entering games of October 24. Boyd is second among active players in career touchdown passes, touchdowns rushing and passing, and fourth in total passing yards to go with third in total offense. He needs just 58 yards to reach 11,000 yards in total offense for his career. Below is a summary.

Boyd Among Active FBS Players, career Basis

Category	Rank	Figure
TD Passes	2 nd	89
TD Responsibility	2 nd	110
Passing Yards	4 th	9,992
Total Offense	3 rd	10,942
Completions	8 th	759
Passing Efficiency	15 th	150.9

Two Pick Sixes in One Game

Clemson cornerbacks Martin Jenkins and Darius Robinson both had interception returns for touchdowns in the Tigers 52-13 win over South Carolina State on September 7. Jenkins returned an interception 52 yards for a score in the second period, then Robinson ran one back 35 yards for a score in the third period. The plays were actually just 4:45 apart in terms of game time.

It marked the first time in history that Clemson had a pair of "Pick Six" touchdowns in the same game. There have been plenty of times that Clemson has scored two defensive touchdowns in the same game, most recently in 2011 against North Carolina, but never two interception returns for scores.

Jenkins and Robinson came to Clemson the same year, the fall of 2010, and both have had injury riddled careers so it was gratifying for both to get into the endzone. Jenkins has had problems with arthritis in the lower part of his body and missed all of last year. Robinson missed the last six games of last year after fracturing an ankle against Virginia Tech last year.

The two returns for scores were the 16th and 17th returns for touchdowns since the beginning of the 2009 season when Dabo Swinney was in his first full season as head coach. Maryland has the most among ACC schools during that time with 19, while Clemson is second with 17.

Boyd Named National Player of the Week by Maxwell Football Club

Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd was named National Player of the Week by the Maxwell Football Club for his performance against Georgia. He was also named National Player of the Week by Athlon Sports.

Boyd was named ACC offensive Back of the Week by the Atlantic Coast Conference Sports Media Association as well. It was the seventh time Boyd has been named ACC Player of the week, tying the Clemson record that is also held by Keith Adams, who played for the Tigers from 1998-2000. Boyd broke that record when he was named ACC Back of the Week against Syracuse for his eight selection.

Boyd completed 18 of 30 passes for 270 yards and three touchdowns against the fifth ranked Bulldogs. He also rushed 13 times for 42 yards scored two rushing touchdowns, giving him five total touchdowns and 312 yards of total offense on the night. He accounted for 30 of Clemson's 38 points in the 38-35 victory.

Clemson vs. Georgia Highest Rated College Football Game of Opening Weekend

The Clemson vs. Georgia football game televised by ABC August 31 was the most watched game of the opening weekend of college football with a 5.0 Nielsen rating and an estimated audience of over 8.14 million people.

The 5.0 rating was the highest on the opening weekend for the ABC network since 2006 when a Notre Dame at Georgia Tech game drew a 5.6 rating.

Additionally, the game ranked sixth in the top 10 most watched television programs for the week and lifted ABC to second place behind CBS in the weekly ratings. The telecast was just behind "60 Minutes" which had 8.36 million viewers.

The Clemson vs. Georgia game was the highest rated football game by far for the opening weekend. The Alabama vs. Virginia Tech game was second with a 3.1, followed by the Rice at Texas A&M game with a 2.9.

Last year Clemson played four of the top eight highest rated games involving ACC teams, including the win over LSU in the Chick-fil-A Bowl on ESPN. That game drew a 4.8 rating and 8.6 million viewers.

Clemson won the battle of top 10 teams, 38-35.

Most Watched Television Programs August 26-September 1

Rk	Program	Network	Viewers
1.	Under the Dome	CBS	11.12M
2.	America's Got Talent	NBC (Wed.)	9.85M
3.	America's Got Talent	NBC (Tue.)	8.70M
4.	NCIS	CBS	8.47M
5.	60 Minutes	CBS	8.36M
6.	Clemson vs. Georgia	ABC	8.14M
7.	Unforgettable	CBS	6.94M
8.	Big Brother 15	CBS	6.36M
9.	Master Chef	Fox	6.33M
10.	Duck Dynasty	A&E	6.30M

Four Tigers Named ACC Player of the Week vs. Georgia

Four Clemson players were named ACC Player of the Week for their respective performances against Georgia in the season opener. Tajh Boyd was named ACC Offensive Back of the Week after he completed 18-

30 passes for 270 yards and three scores. He also had 42 yards rushing and scored two more TDs, giving him five for the game.

His favorite receiver, Sammy Watkins, was named the ACC Receiver of the Week for his six catches for 127 yards and a score performance. One of his catches was a 77-yard reception from Boyd, the longest catch of his career.

Ryan Norton, making his first career start at center, was named ACC Co-Offensive Lineman of the Week. Norton played 78 of 79 snaps and had a film grade of 91 percent, best among all Clemson offensive linemen.

Spencer Shuey was named the ACC Linebacker of the Week. He had 18 tackles off the Clemson coaches film to lead the Tigers defense.

This was the first time Clemson has had four ACC Players of the Week for the same game since 2006 when Clemson played Georgia Tech. Ironically, that was also a game that featured ESPN College Gameday.

Win over Georgia Landmark Victory

Clemson's season opening win over Georgia was one of the top victories in Clemson history. Clemson defeated the fifth-ranked Bulldogs 38-35. It was the highest ranked team Clemson has beaten to open the season and the fifth highest ranked team Clemson has defeated at any time during the season.

Here are some other accomplishments registered by the Clemson team in its victory over the Bulldogs:

- Clemson became first non-SEC team in college football history to defeat top 10 SEC teams in consecutive games. Clemson had ended the 2012 season with a 25-24 win over seventh ranked LSU.

- Third highest ranked team Clemson has defeated in Death Valley. Only wins that are better are over third ranked Florida State in 2003 and win over fourth ranked Georgia in 1981.

- Mark Richt had been 49-8 in his career against non-conference opponents. He had been 41-11 in opponent's stadiums and was the fourth winningest active coach in the nation entering the game with a .747 percentage.

- The victory was the seventh over a top 25 opponent for Tajh Boyd, tying him with Rodney Williams and Charlie Whitehurst for the most for a Clemson starting quarterback.

Hot Rod Off and Running

Clemson senior running back Roderick McDowell had 22 carries for 132 yards in the season opening win over Georgia. It was his first career start and his career high in terms of yardage by a wide margin. His previous best came last year NC State and at Duke when he had 83 yards in each game.

For the game, McDowell averaged 6.0 yards per rush, an improvement on his career average of 5.22 entering the game.

McDowell's 132 yards rushing were the most by a Clemson back in his first career start since Ronald Williams had 183 yards in 14 carries against Appalachian State in 1990. Williams is the father of McDowell's current teammate DeShawn Williams, a defensive tackle for the Tigers.

For the year, McDowell has 446 yards in 89 carries, 5.0 yards per attempt. He is 8th in the ACC in rushing after seven games.

Six of Swinney's 46 Wins over Top 11 Teams

Clemson Coach Dabo Swinney registered his ninth career win over a top 25 team when the Tigers defeated fifth-ranked Georgia, 38-35 on August 31.

It was also his sixth win over a top 11 team according to the AP poll. That ties for first in Clemson history in top 11 AP wins with Danny Ford. It was significant that Swinney accomplished that against Georgia because it was the same night that Ford went into the Clemson Ring of Honor. Both Ford and Swinney are Alabama graduates, so there were interesting ties all around. All six of Ford's top 11 wins are top 10 wins, so he has Swinney by one in that category.

Overall, Ford is the Clemson coaching leader in wins over top 25 teams with 20. Tommy Bowden is second with 13 and Swinney is tied with Frank Howard for third with nine (ranked in either poll). In fairness to Howard, seven of the years he coached in the 1960s the AP only ranked 10 teams each week.

It is interesting to note that in three of the nine wins over ranked opponents by Swinney Clemson has scored exactly 38 points. Clemson has averaged 31 points per game in those nine wins.

Dabo Swinney's Wins over Top 25 Opponents

Year	Opponent	AP-UsA	Cu-Opp
2009	at Miami (FL)	8-9	40-37
2010	NC State	23-25	14-13
2011	Auburn	21-19	38-24
2011	Florida State	11-14	35-30
2011	at Virginia Tech	11-10	23-3
2011	Virginia Tech (N)	5-3	38-10
2012	Auburn (N)	NR, 25	26-19
2012	LSU (N)	9-7	25-24
2013	Georgia	5-5	38-35

Most Wins over Top 25 Teams in Clemson Coaching History

Coach	Years	Top 25 Wins
Danny Ford	1979-89	20
Tommy Bowden	1999-08	13
Frank Howard	1940-69	9
Dabo Swinney	2008-13	9
Ken Hatfield	1990-93	8
Tommy West	1994-98	4
Charlie Pell	1977-78	2
Jess Neely	1931-40	1
Hootie Ingram	1970-73	1

Seckinger Scored Game Winner vs. Georgia

Sophomore tight end Stanton Seckinger caught a nine-yard touchdown reception from Tajh Boyd in the fourth period that proved to be the game winner in Clemson's 38-35 win over Georgia in the season opener.

We could have figured that Seckinger would score the game winner on this night. During pre-game ceremonies, former Clemson Head Coach Danny Ford, who led Clemson to the 1981 National Championship, was inducted into the Ring of Honor. Then Seckinger, who wears number-81, caught the game winner. Seckinger finished the game with two receptions for 26 yards.

Four Wins over Top 25 SEC Teams

Clemson has four wins over Top 25 SEC teams since the 2011 season started, the only non-SEC school nationally that can make that claim. In fact there have been only nine non-conference wins over top 25 SEC teams the last three years combined and Clemson has four of the nine. That includes two top 10 wins, over LSU and Georgia. Miami defeated a top 15 Florida team last week.

Non-Conference Wins over Top 25 SEC Teams Last 3 years

School	SEC Opp	AP-USA	Year	Site	Score
Clemson	Auburn	21-19	2011	Clemson, SC	38-24
Clemson	Auburn	25-NR	2012	Atlanta, GA	26-19
Clemson	LSU	9-7	2012	Atlanta, GA	25-24
Clemson	Georgia	5-5	2013	Clemson, SC	38-35
Boise St.	Georgia	19-22	2011	Atlanta, GA	35-21
LA Monroe	Arkansas	8-10	2012	Fayetteville, AR	34-31
Louisville	Florida	3-4	2012	New Orleans, LA	33-23
Michigan St	Georgia	18-18	2011	Tampa, FL	33-30
Miami (FL)	Florida	12-12	2013	Miami (FL)	21-16

Boyd Pays Tribute to Jordan...statistically

One of the strange statistical quirks of the season opener against Georgia involved Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd and former All-ACC Clemson quarterback Homer Jordan.

Jordan, served as one of the honorary captains for the Tigers against Georgia in the season opener. Jordan, a native of Athens, GA, quarterbacked Clemson to the 1981 National Championship. His best all-around game as a Tiger took place against Maryland in 1981. In that game he threw for 270 yards and three touchdowns. He also rushed for 42 yards, leading the Tigers to a win that clinched the ACC title.

Incredibly, Boyd had the exact same numbers in all three categories in the win over Georgia.

Another interesting tie between Boyd and Jordan in that game surrounds career wins for a starting quarterback. Boyd moved into a tie for fourth place in Clemson history in that category with 22 wins. The quarterback he tied with the win over Georgia? Jordan.

Clemson Award Candidates

Seven different Clemson players are on award watch lists for the 2013 season. The list is led by Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd, who is a candidate for the Maxwell and Walter Camp Player of the Year Awards, and two quarterback awards, the Manning and O'Brien Awards.

Sammy Watkins is a candidate for three different awards, while senior offensive tackle Brandon Thomas is up for two honors, the Outland and the Lombardi.

Clemson Players on 2013 Watch Lists

Player	Yr	Pos	Award	For Outstanding...
Tajh Boyd	Sr	QB	Maxwell	Player
			Walter Camp	Player
			Manning	Quarterback
			O'Brien	Quarterback
Sammy Watkins	Jr	WR	Maxwell	Player
	Jr.	WR	Hornung	All-Purpose Player
	Jr.	WR	Biletnikoff	Wide Receiver
Charone Peake	Jr.	WR	Biletnikoff	Wide Receiver
Vic Beasley	Jr.	DE	Bednarik	Defensive Player
Brandon Thomas	Gr.	OT	Outland	Interior Lineman
			Lombardi	Interior Lineman
Chandler Catanzaro	Gr.	PK	Groza	Kicker
Spencer Shuey	Gr.	LB	Lott	Defensive Player

Offensive Excellence

One of the reasons for Clemson's success since the 2011 season began has been the addition of offensive coordinator Chad Morris to the staff. Over a period of 34 games, Clemson has a 27-7 record. The Tigers have averaged 37.1 points per game in that time, gained 477 yards a game, run 79 plays per game and gained 306 yards per game through the air. Clemson's passing attack has completed 61 percent of its passes during that time. The offense has averaged 172 yards a game on the ground.

Clemson Offensive Numbers over last 3 Years Combined

Category	Totals	Average
Points	1262	37.1
Touchdowns	153/34	4.50
Total Offense	16,249	477.9
Total Plays	2,693/34	79.2
Yards/Play	16,249/2693	6.03
Third Down Conv.	250/540	.463
Completions	780/34	22.9
Attempts	1275/34	37.5
Passing Yards	10,388/34	305.5
TD Passes	92/34	2.71
TD/Int	92/30	3.07
Pass Efficiency		151.3
Completion %		.612
Rushing	5,863/34	172.4
Yards/Rush	5,863/1418	4.13
Rushing TD/Game	60/34	1.76
Record	27-7	.794

Swinney Honors

Head Coach Dabo Swinney won or has been a finalist for many Coach of the Year Awards the last two years. In 2011 he was the recipient of the Bobby Dodd National Coach of the Year Award, the first Clemson coach to win a national coach of the year award since Danny Ford in 1981.

In each of the last two years he has been a finalist for the Liberty Mutual Coach of the Year an honor that takes into account success on the field and community service.

In 2011, Swinney was a finalist for the Bear Bryant Award and the Eddie Robinson Award. In 2012 he was a semifinalist for the Maxwell Club National Coach of the Year. He was the only ACC coach on the list of 15 semifinalists.

Back-to-Back Atlantic Division Crowns

Clemson has a 13-3 record over the last two years in the ACC and won the 2011 ACC title, the first league title for the Tigers in 20 years. Clemson won the Atlantic Division title in 2011 with a 6-2 record, then tied Florida State for the Atlantic Division title in 2012 with a 7-1 mark. The seven conference wins set a school record. Clemson has now won or tied first in the ACC Atlantic three of the four full years Dabo Swinney has been Clemson's Head Coach.

Reader Two-Sport Athlete on Top 25 Teams

Clemson defensive tackle D.J. Reader was also a member of the Clemson baseball team in 2013. Clemson finished 25th in the final USA Today Coach's Baseball poll, meaning Reader was a member of two

top 25 teams during the academic year. The Clemson football team finished ninth in the final USA Today poll and 11th by Associated Press after its 11-2 season.

Reader became the first Clemson athlete to play on a top 25 football team and baseball team in the same academic year since Kyle Parker in 2009-10. Parker helped the Tigers to a number-24 final football ranking in USA Today and a number-four final ranking in Baseball America and Collegiate Baseball that year. He was the starting quarterback on the football team and starting right fielder on the baseball team. He had 20 home runs and 20 touchdown passes that year, the only athlete in college history to reach 20 of each in the same year. The baseball team reached the College World Series.

Below is a list of Clemson athletes who have played on a top 25 football team and baseball team in the same academic year.

Year	Athlete	FB Rankings Coach-AP	Baseball Ranking BA-CB-USA
1958-59	Lou Cordileone	12-13	7-NP-NP
1986-87	Bill Spiers	17-18	10-10-NP
	Ray Williams	17-18	10-10-NP
1991-92	Jeff Sauve	18-17	7-10
1993-94	Dexter McCleon	23-22	4-9-9
	Andre Humphrey	23-22	4-9-9
2009-10	Kyle Parker	24-NR	4-4-10
2012-13	D.J. Reader	9-11	NR-NR-25

Clemson Ranked in Top 25 as Public Institution and Football

The US News & World Report announced its annual top 25 list of Public Institutions on September 10. Clemson was ranked in a tie for 21st nationally, the school's top ranking in history. It is a testimony to Clemson President Jim Barker, who has announced his retirement. He will continue in office until a successor is found.

A look to the US News & World Report ranking and the college football rankings shows Barker's ability to lead the school academically and athletically. The ranking below shows that there are eight schools ranked in the top 25 of both the US News & World Report ranking and the AP and USA Today Coaches polls. Clemson, Georgia and Ohio State are the only schools in the top 10 of the football polls and the top 25 of the US News & World Report Public Institution rankings.

Each of the last two academic years Clemson has finished the football season in the AP and USA Today Top 25 and the US News & World Report Ranking.

Top 25 Public Institutions US News & World Report

Rk	School	AP-USA
1.	California	
2.	UCLA	16-17
3.	Virginia	
4.	Michigan	11-12
5.	North Carolina	
6.	William & Mary	
7.	Georgia Tech	
8.	Penn State	
9.	California-Davis	
	California-San Diego	
11.	California-Santa Barbara	
	Illinois	
	Wisconsin	20-18
14.	California-Irvine	
	Florida	18-20
16.	Ohio State	4-3
17.	Texas	
	Washington	19-2
19.	UCONN	
20.	Georgia	9-10
21.	Clemson	3-5
	Maryland	
	Pittsburgh	
24.	Purdue	
25.	Rutgers	

Peake Suffers Torn ACL in Practice, Out for Season

Charone Peake, the second leading receiver on Clemson's third ranked football team, suffered a torn ACL during practice on September 10 and will be lost for the season.

"This is a big loss, Charone was having a great year and was going to have a great year," said Head Coach Dabo Swinney. "We are thin at receiver with just six scholarship players now. We like to carry 10

at that position. We have good players, but we don't have a lot of bodies."

Swinney said Peake suffered the injury in a simple non-contact drill. The MRI was read Wednesday and it revealed a torn ACL.

Peake had eight catches for 84 yards and a touchdown in two games so far this year, second on the Clemson team to Sammy Watkins in both receptions and yards.

Peake, a preseason watch list selection for the Biletnikoff Award, had 25 receptions last year for 172 yards and two scores. He played in 13 games last year, two as a starter. He had played in 29 consecutive games over three seasons, at streak that ended when he did not play at NC State.

Top Seven in APR Scores

Clemson has ranked in the top seven of the APR each of the last two years, one of just five schools that can make that claim. The others are Northwestern, Duke, Boise State and Ohio State.

In 2011, the Tiger football team posted a 983 score, the seventh best score in the nation among FBS schools. The score was the second best in the nation among schools who finished the 2011 season in the final AP top 25. Only Boise State was better among the ranked schools with a 989 mark.

In 2012, the Clemson football team improved to a 985 score and a tie for fourth best in the nation. Clemson was the only program to rank in the top 10 of the final USA Today poll and post an APR score of at least 980 this year.

National Leaders in APR Scores 2011

Rk	School	Conference	APR
1.	Northwestern	Big 10	995
2.	Duke	ACC	989
	Boise State	MWC	989
4.	Ohio State	Big 10	988
5.	Northern Illinois	MAC	987
6.	Rice	Conf. USA	986
7.	Clemson	ACC	983
	Middle Tennessee	Sun Belt	983

National Leaders in APR Scores 2012

RK	School	Conference	APR
1.	Northwestern	Big 10	996
2.	Boise State	WAC	993
3.	Duke	ACC	989
4.	Clemson	ACC	985
	Wisconsin	Big 10	985
6.	Georgia Tech	ACC	983
7.	Boston College	ACC	982
	Ohio State	Big 10	982
	Missouri	SEC	982

Only 10 Scholarship Seniors

Once again Clemson has a small senior class. The Tigers had just 13 seniors last year (all of whom graduated) during last year's 11-2 season. The Tigers have 18 seniors this year, but just 10 are on scholarship.

The list includes two returning first team All-ACC players in Tajh Boyd and Brandon Thomas and second-team All-ACC kicker Chandler Catanzaro. As you can see by the list below, seven of the 10 seniors already have their degree.

Clemson scholarship Seniors

Name	Pos	Yr.	Hometown
Tajh Boyd	QB	Sr.	Hampton, VA
Chandler Catanzaro	PK	Gr.	Greenville, SC
Quandon Christian	LB	Sr.	Lake View, SC
Phillip Fajgenbaum	SN	Gr.	Raleigh, NC
Roderick McDowell	RB	Gr.	Sumter, SC
Darius Robinson	CB	Sr.	College Park, GA
Tyler Shatley	OG	Gr.	Icard, NC
Spencer Shuey	LB	Gr.	Charlotte, NC
Darrell Smith	TE	Gr.	Gadsden, AL
Brandon Thomas	OT	Gr.	Spartanburg, SC

Twenty-Six Former Clemson Players on NFL Rosters

A total of 26 former Clemson players are on NFL rosters heading into the first weekend of play in the National Football League. The list includes three players on practice squads and one on an injury list. So 22 of the players are currently on active rosters. Twenty-two of the 26 played on Clemson's 2009 team.

The list includes seven players from last year's 11-2 Clemson

team. DeAndre Hopkins, Jaron Brown, Malliciah Goodman, Andre Ellington and Jonathan Meeks are all on active rosters, while Tig Willard, Dalton Freeman. So seven of the 11 seniors on that team are on rosters.

Recent moves over the weekend include the signing of Antoine McClain to the Oakland Raiders and the signing of Thomas Austin (Colts), Dalton Freeman (Jets) and Tig Willard (Titans) to their respective teams practice squads.

In week two of the season, former Clemson receiver DeAndre Hopkins scored the game winning TD for Houston in a win over Tennessee. He finished the game with seven catches for 117 yards. Hopkins was named the NFL Rookie of the Month for September.

Former Clemson Players on NFL Training Camp Rosters in 2013

Player, Pos	Team	CU years
Dwayne Allen, TE	Indianapolis Colts	2009-11
@Thomas Austin, C	Indianapolis Colts	2006-09
Da'Quan Bowers, DE	Tampa Bay Bucs	2008-10
Andre Branch, DE	Jacksonville Jags	2008-11
Jaron Brown, WR	Arizona Cardinals	2009-12
Chris Clemons, FS	Miami Dolphins	2005-08
Kavell Connor, LB	Indianapolis Colts	2006-09
Andre Ellington, RB	Arizona Cardinals	2009-12
Jacoby Ford, WR	Oakland Raiders	2006-09
@Dalton Freeman, C	New York Jets	2009-12
Marcus Gilchrist, CB	San Diego Chargers	2007-10
Malliciah Goodman, DE	Atlanta Falcons	2009-12
#Chris Hairston, OT	Buffalo Bills	2007-10
DeAndre Hopkins, WR	Houston Texans	2010-12
Jarvis Jenkins, DT	Washington Redskins	2007-10
Byron Maxwell, SS	Seattle Seahawks	2007-10
Antoine McClain, OT	Oakland Raiders	2008-11
Jonathan Meeks, SS	Buffalo Bills	2009-12
Phillip Merling, DE	Washington Redskins	2005-07
Michael Palmer, TE	Pittsburgh Steelers	2006-09
Ricky Sapp, DE	New York Jets	2006-09
Coty Sensabaugh, CB	Tennessee Titans	2008-11
C.J. Spiller, RB	Buffalo Bills	2006-09
Brandon Thompson, DT	Cincinnati Bengals	2008-11
Charlie Whitehurst, QB	San Diego Chargers	2002-05
@Jonathan Willard, LB	Tennessee Titans	2009-12
@ Practice Squad, #Injured reserve		

21 Wins over Two Years

Clemson has had back-to-back seasons of at least 10 victories. The Tigers are the only ACC team and one of just 13 programs nationally to win at least 10 games each of the last two seasons. Clemson also has consecutive top 25 seasons, also a first for the program since the 1986-91 era, including a top 10 finish in the final USA Today poll in 2012, Clemson's highest final ranking since 1990. Clemson is 21-6 over the last two years combined and the 21 combined wins are the most for the Clemson program since 1981-82.

10-Plus Win Seasons, 2011 and 2012

School	2011	2012
Alabama	12-1	13-1
Arkansas State	10-3	10-3
Boise State	12-1	11-2
Cincinnati	10-3	10-3
Clemson	10-4	11-2
Georgia	10-4	12-2
Kansas State	10-3	11-2
LSU	13-1	10-3
Northern Illinois	11-3	12-2
Oklahoma	10-3	10-3
Oregon	12-2	12-1
South Carolina	11-2	11-2
Stanford	11-2	12-2

Listed in alphabetical order